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## Monroe District Holds One-Day Masonic Development Course



By R.:W.: Michael Nohle

On June 13th, the Monroe District held a one-day *Masonic Development Course*. The Course was attended by 21 Brothers with the addition of our District Deputy Grand Master, R.:W.: Derek E. VanHouten.

The morning began with registration and fellowship. The program commenced at 8 a.m. with an introduction, after which the

Entered Apprentice Degree material was presented by R.:W.: G. Thomas Grape, Past Grand Director of Ceremonies. Next, the Fellowcraft Degree material was presented by R.:W.: Michael Nohle, Grand Steward. After a group lunch and more fellowship, both Sections of the Master Mason Degree material was presented by W.: William Edwards, who sits on the Masonic Univer-

sity of New York Educational Committee. Following final questions and answers, and closing remarks, we wrapped up the day around 4 p.m.

The one-day format was apparently a success. Completion of the Course in one day helped reduce date conflicts and the convenient location made for

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## Interfaith Service and Brunch October 18, 2009

By Gary Sanford

The Distinguished Community Service Award this year will be conferred on Sabra Wood.

### Her Idea Works

While working at Xerox, she saw many business travelers returning with toiletries that they would not be using. In 1990, she established "Sample Soap" ... a process of collecting toiletries from many different types of organizations such as corporate, college and youth. She has organized a group of volunteers who make the collections, sort and distribute them to the many different human service agencies. These products are urgently needed - as you may or may not know, personal hygiene products cannot be purchased with Food Stamps.

This year, the Masonic Service Bureau will recognize a woman who had the foresight to determine a benefit for items that would normally go unused. Further information on Sabra's volunteer resume will be provided in the October Issue of the **Masonic Times**.

### Change of Venue

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. followed by a Buffet Brunch (for \$10 per person) at which the 2009 Distinguished Community Service Award will be presented.

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## Masonic Service Bureau Withdraws from United Way Donor Agency Program

By Charles Waterstreet,  
Executive Director

At the Board of Directors' Meeting in May, it was decided to withdraw from participation in the United Way of Greater Rochester's Donor Agency Program.

I made this motion after some soul-searching and discussion with our Attorney. Periodically, the United Way has sent out a questionnaire, which is used to certify (or re-certify) that Donor Agencies meet the qualifications established to become/remain eligible for the program. The questions asked in 2006 were changed in the packet received in April. I could not truthfully answer the first two questions and have the Service Bureau still remain as a Donor Agency.

I checked the website of United Way and learned that previously approved agencies could be "grandfathered." When I spoke to United Way personnel, they were unaware of that provision. That's when I sought legal counsel's opinion.

We have several friends of the Masonic Service Bureau who contribute funds through the United Way's Annual Campaign. The 2008-2009 contributors through their campaign are listed on Page 3 of this issue. We thank them for their support. We will continue to receive these distributions using the previously determined formula. We will not be included in the program that begins in the Fall for the 2009-2010 Campaign.

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Bring family and friends to the

## Annual Interfaith Service & Brunch

### October 18th

Interfaith Service - 10:00 a.m.  
Brunch & Award Presentation immediately following

at **Damascus Shrine Center**  
979 Bay Road, Webster

**Cost - \$10 per person**  
**Paid reservations in advance**

## Individual Development Course - Sign Up Now!

By Gary Sanford

Now is the time to sign up for the *Individual Development Course*. The first class is scheduled for Saturday, September 12th at 8:30 a.m. and will be held at the Damascus Shrine Center located at 979 Bay Road in Webster.

The Course will be held monthly from September, 2009, through February, 2010. The cost will be \$99 for Grand Lodge supplies plus an additional amount for refreshments and lunch each month.

We have taught this Course twice in the last three years and

have been asked, by you, to again provide the *iDC* so we may improve ourselves. It is essential that we hear from you NOW so we have enough participants to make this Course very beneficial.

The *Individual Development Course* has been designed to aid participants in developing as a person, building character and crafting success as an individual, both within Masonry and in the wider world in which we live. It does not focus specifically on Masonry, but rather on

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## Rodney R. Rittenhouse to Receive DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor

Submitted By Stephen R. Whittaker, LOH

At its Annual Meeting in June, DeMolay International elected Rodney R. Rittenhouse to receive the Honorary DeMolay Legion of Honor. This is the highest award that DeMolay International can bestow upon a former DeMolay or active Freemason. It's for recognition and service to mankind in support of the youth of our country.

### Masonic Background

Rod is a member of Union Star Lodge and served as Master in 1964. He was Chairman of the Committee for a fundraising project, the Hilfiker Show, for several years. He was District Deputy Grand Master of 2nd Monroe District in 1969-1970.

Rod is a Past President of the Masonic Service Bureau and the Bureau of Education.



### Scottish Rite

Rod served as Commander-in-Chief of the Valley of Rochester and was coronetted 33°. He was instrumental in the formation of the Frank & Bette

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**Editor's Corner**

If I started this with the old song, "There'll be a change in the weather..." many of you might start crying, thinking of the rather inclement conditions we have had over the Summer. Then there is the myriad of changes from the Federal Government, which have been presented to us over the last several months. We don't want to be left out, so we have made a bunch of changes, too.

Some of them may be noticeable to you right up front ... like our new logotype in the masthead. Others are more subtle, and may not even be apparent. We have switched to 21st Century technology and, for the first time, have submitted electronic files to the printer. You don't know how traumatized we are by this thought.

After many decades of type/paste-up/film/plates/printing, we are going from computer screen to thumb drive to printer's computer to plate to printing. We know what we were going to get when we sent out our mechanical boards; we don't know what to expect when the final result is received from this process.

Those of you familiar with computers might have experienced changes that occurred when you took your data from one machine to another. We have that "problem" in the office, even though the machines are all using the same software. It is a puzzlement to me.

If there was one reason I wish I had been born later than I was, it is because the younger generations have had more opportunities to learn and grow with computers. They didn't exist when I was in school.

I was going through some stuff one day, and my youngest son saw a pocket slide rule that I used in college. He asked what it was and I explained. I reminded him that we didn't have computers or calculators back in the dark ages, and this was the device we used, marking our answers with the footnote, SRA - slide rule accuracy.

Of course, this was comical to him (and his generation) who couldn't begin to work through math exams without a calculator ... they would never have enough time to complete them. So changes have always occurred and we have to adapt and adopt them as needed.

We have had our fun playing with this issue, and we now present it to you for your perusal. Look for the mistakes. There will be plenty, I'm sure. I'm asking the printer to go with it, as we want the delivery as soon as possible and can't take the time to correct every little blip we uncover (which we tried desperately to do in the old operations).

Feel free to drop us an email and let us know what you discover -

[masonictimes@gmail.com](mailto:masonictimes@gmail.com).

Please, no calls. We won't be able to field them and may already know about it. You can help us research that glitch and, hopefully, prevent it from happening again.

Thanks for reading. ❧

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### Interfaith Service

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#### Make Reservations Now

As with many events, costs to have such gatherings continue to escalate. In an effort to increase interest and attendance at this annual celebration, we have changed the venue and will be offering a brunch menu comparable to the previous party houses. Thanks to the Damascus Shriners, the facility is donated. The Brunch will be prepared by a Member Committee and the cost is only \$10 per person.

Reservations for Brunch must be made and paid in advance. See the Secretary of your organization or call the Masonic Service Bureau to make your reservation. **Payment in advance is necessary.**

This is an "open" function, so invite your friends, neighbors and family to join us in worshipping together and honoring this outstanding community servant. ❧

### iDC Sign-up

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personal skills that can be used in all areas of everyday life - Professionally, at Home, with your Family, in your Community and any Organization to which you belong.

The major goal of the iDC is to mentor the Course participants as they learn, use, share and refine a diverse range of tools in the areas of personal development, community and group building, group process, interpersonal communication and project implementation.

The Course is designed to mirror professional management development training, offered in the corporate world at a cost of thousands of dollars. The Course includes specific topics like vision, goals and time management, public speaking, writing skills, team selection and building, mentoring, coaching and empowering, social marketing and effecting change.

Through a blend of at-home instruction, workbooks, classroom small-group discussions, hands-on exercises, field experience, small group projects and presentation, lessons are made real and useable. The class is taught by those who have taken the iDC.

If we have a minimum of five registered participants, we will hold the Course in Rochester this year. MUNY has opened registration up to Masonic Ladies. This should add an interesting new dynamic.

You may register by contacting Gary Sanford at:

425-4240 or

email: [ggsanford@aol.com](mailto:ggsanford@aol.com) ❧

# How The Mighty Fall

By M. Donald Darrohn III, President

Jim Collins, author of "Good to Great," has written a new book titled "How the Mighty Fall." I have not read the book; however, I intend to do so. *Business Week Magazine* (May 25, 2009) carried excerpts from the book that pointed to many situations and circumstances to which I could re-

late. The thrust of the book is - How do you know if your company, your business, your country, your department, your organization, your (you name it) is in trouble and on the way out.

A description of the Dynamics of Leadership-Team Behavior really grabbed my attention:

#### Teams on the Way DOWN

People shield those in power from unpleasant facts, fearful of penalties for shining light on the rough realities.

People assert strong opinions without providing data, evidence, or a solid argument.

The team leader has a very low questions-to-answer ratio, avoiding critical input and/or allowing sloppy reasoning and unsupported opinions.

Team members acquiesce to a decision, but don't unify to make the decision successful or worse, undermine it after the fact.

Team members seek as much credit as possible for themselves, yet do not enjoy the confidence and admiration of their peers.

Team members argue to look smart or to further their own interests rather than argue to find the best answers to support the overall cause.

The team conducts "autopsies with blame," seeking culprits rather than wisdom.

Team members often fail to deliver exceptional results and blame other people or outside factors for setbacks, mistakes and failures.

Perhaps each of us should reflect upon these two columns and decide where we are. We all want to be on the winning team. The important thing

#### Teams On the Way UP

People bring forth grim facts - "Come here and look, man this is ugly" - to be and criticism discussed, leaders never criticize those who bring forth harsh realities.

People bring data, evidence, logic and solid arguments to the discussion.

The team leader employs a Socratic style, using a high questions-to-statements ratio, challenging people and pushing for penetrating insights.

Team members unify behind a decision once made, then work to make the decision succeed, even if they vigorously disagree with it.

Each team member credits other people for success, yet enjoys the confidence and admiration of his or her peers.

Team members argue and debate, not to improve their personal position but to find the best answers to support the overall cause.

The team conducts "autopsies without blame," mining wisdom from painful experiences.

Each team member delivers exceptional results, yet in the event of a setback each accepts full responsibility and learns from mistakes.

to really understand is ... is the team on the way up or on the way down?

Welcome back to the quarries! ❧

## Student Assistance Training for New York Schools

Funded by the Masonic Fraternity in New York

By Tim McMullin, Chairman

Gangs, alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, bullying, depression and even suicide. These problems plague our youth and the educational system. MSAT (pronounced "EM-sat") helps schools get young people back on track.

From October 2001 to January 2009, 36 workshops have been offered to 2,124 educators. To date, 419 school-based Student Assistance Teams have been trained. These teams worked on plans for specific youth, and returned to their schools better prepared to work together to help those young people get back on track.

The New York Masonic Fraternity provides the financial support, relieving the schools of almost all costs to attend a great workshop.

For this school year 2009-2010, there will be workshops

offered on the campus of the Masonic Care Community in Utica. The costs of lodging and meals for Utica Workshops are paid by the Masonic Fraternity.

#### 2009-2010 Workshops

Utica

October 27-29, 2009

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Register Early!

To learn more about MSAT, call 1-888-694-0511 or email [msat@nymasons.org](mailto:msat@nymasons.org), or visit [www.nymasons.org/cms/msat](http://www.nymasons.org/cms/msat)

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Paul 32° Masonic Learning Center, of which he is a Past Chairman and still serves on the Board.

Heserved as the Deputy's Representative for 11 years and is the current President of the 33° Club.

#### Shrine

Illustrious Sir Rodney Rittenhouse was Potentate of Damascus Shriners in 1982.

#### Congratulations!

The Ceremony of Conferral will take place at a future date to be announced. The members of the Hadi-Ya-Saga Preceptory of the DeMolay Legion of Honor heartily welcome Illustrious Rittenhouse to our ranks and extend our warmest congratulations to him and his family for his many years of dedication to the youth of our area. ❧

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## Pass It On to Teachers and Educators in Your Community

### Situations to Address

The Masonic Model Student Assistance Training Program "MSAT" (pronounced "EM-sat") addresses situations such as, two sixth graders return to school after being suspended for possessing and selling marijuana; a student comes back to school after the death of his father; a high school tenth grader returns to school after giving birth to a child. Is it business as usual? Do these students need support so they can get back on track?

Why do we Masons provide Student Assistance Program Workshops? Why do schools from Long Island to Lake Erie, from the North Country to Westchester County, send teachers, administrators and school staff to be trained in the Masonic Model? Why are we offering more workshops to more teachers in more regions of the State?

### Consider Some Facts

Today, our Nation's children face more dangers than at any time in our history. One in four students are at risk to engage in some form of at-risk behavior. Violence among young women is on the rise. The average age of drug experimentation is 12 years old. According to statistics gathered by the Children's Defense Fund, on any given day in America 1,154 babies will be born to teen mothers; 155 children are arrested for violent crimes; 296 young people are arrested for drug-related crimes; 2,496 high school students drop out of school; 5 young people, under age 18, will kill themselves.

### Development of MSAT

We Masons, in New York and in 28 other States, are working to help reverse those trends. Newman-Stecher International developed the Masonic Model, the program we offer over a three-day period, in 1986. Larry Newman and Thom Stecher began the Program while with the Department of Education in Pennsylvania.

The original Program started with a focus on drugs and alcohol. The move to include depression and suicide was made in response to a series of teen suicides. Newman-Stecher now has 12 trainers from across the country. They have worked with more than 37,000 educators. The Masonic Model Student Assistance Program now includes any student behaviors that impact attendance, health (mental as well as physical health), school behavior or academics.

New York State Masons have supported the Program since 2001. At a recent session, held on the Campus of the Masonic Care Community in Utica, 77 people were in the class from 15 different schools across New York State. Broome, Geneva, Suffolk, Jefferson, Oneida, Cattaraugus, Chenango, Livingston and Erie Counties were represented.

### A School-Based Team

A school-based team usually consists of a school administrator, a counselor, a nurse, a regular education teacher, a special education teacher, a school psychologist, a school social worker and others in the school who deal directly with young people. The training is directed at the whole team.

The first day, each person at the workshop learns how to

identify at-risk issues and to identify (not by name) a child of concern in their school. They learn to describe behavior in specific and observable terms. They are asked to identify what deficiencies that child has in life skills and social skills. In the words of one participant, "We discussed how you can't change behavior until you look at social skills and what is lacking. We learned about the 40 Developmental Assets from Search Institute. We learned that, the lower the number of assets a child has, the greater the risk. Importantly, we at school can increase the assets!"

### Intervention Plan

The trainers help the team develop a behavior and life skills intervention plan that can be implemented as soon as they get back to their schools. The plan will involve the student, the parent and other staff members who may be able to assist in the process. An intervention plan is the key, and the Masonic Model encourages the schools to look at what the community has to offer that can help. There are agencies who can help with resources that families need - including financial, heat, health insurance and food.

Remember ... all costs (estimated at \$400 per teacher) are paid by the Masons, so there is **no cost** for a school to attend. Implementing the Program does not require the addition of staff. MSAT training takes a school-based team through the process, using real student cases as a basis. The Program has been effective in reaching at-risk students. This has been shown by the independent research. According to Dr. Carl Fertman, University of Pittsburgh, who researched the Program's affect in Pennsylvania, he found that, where the Program was in place and after referral and intervention, attendance improved, discipline referrals decreased, promotion to the next grade level improved, more graduated and there was a decrease in student drug and alcohol use. We Masons can be proud of these results.

### Does It Work?

We also get testimonials we cannot ignore. For example, a School Board member from Harpursville, NY, wrote that their Student Assistance Team targeted 11 eighth graders, which resulted in a 90% reduction in discipline referrals over the last half of the year, plus the added benefit of all of them passing their classes and NOT having to attend Summer School. The MSAT-trained Student Assistance Team reported this to the Board of Education, and the team credited the training they received at the MSAT Workshop. The time spent in an MSAT Workshop by a school-based team will pay dividends beyond any expectations.

Our Program is a prevention program, preventing dropouts and failure. It is difficult to statistically prove that any program is the cause for success - some things do get better just by chance. For example, a caring counselor sees a student crying and takes steps to intervene. She didn't need MSAT. Our Program is effective because we help a whole school build a cul-

## Contributors to Masonic Service Bureau through United Way of Greater Rochester

We acknowledge and thank the individuals listed in the column to the right who financially supported the Masonic Service Bureau through the United Way of Greater Rochester by choosing us as the agency of choice. In August, we receive the names from the United Way and publish them here to show our appreciation to them, as we do in the May issue of the **Masonic Times** to those individuals who respond to our Annual Appeal.

There have been a few occasions where names have been over-

looked. Should that be the case in this list, please let us know. We exercise much care so as not to miss anyone, but are not always successful. Additionally, sometimes the information is not recorded correctly at the United Way office, and we are not, in fact, listed as the Donor's Choice in their information. They are prompt to correct any situation brought to their attention. Contributions pledged and completed this year will be electronically deposited in our bank account in the usual procedure.

### United Way

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For nearly two decades, administrative expenses for the United Way were covered by the dividends and interest on their investment portfolio. When the economy went South, so did the dollar value of those investments and, consequently, the dollar amount of the dividends and interest declined. This led to re-instituting fees per donor and, with the downturn of contributions, reductions by percentage of the amount paid to each donor agency to offset unfulfilled pledges.

The bottom line of that is, if you pledged \$25, the Service Bureau would get about \$23.75. Several former United Way supporters, who designated the Masonic Service Bureau as the Donor Agency,

have withdrawn from that program and given the money directly to the Service Bureau.

For many years, I contributed to the Annual United Way Campaign where I worked. It was easy! A lot less painful than sitting down and writing a check, and I could be more generous because it went out a little at a time. I never saw the money, so I really didn't miss it. I also felt it was saving me the weekly knock on the door and someone asking for a donation. Times and situations have changed.

I felt you, the supporters of the Service Bureau, were due an explanation. If this affects you and you feel a need for further clarification, please call me. Let your conscience be your guide. We continue to solicit your support, but will now ask directly for your help. If the United Way is a better fit for you, I understand.

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**The 2009 Appeal letter from the Masonic Service Bureau is being prepared and will be mailed shortly. Again, we ask for your serious consideration and support of our operations, and thank you for whatever you are able to do.**

### One-Day MDC

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ease of attending. All feedback indicates the program was well presented and received by the Brothers in attendance. Congratulations to all who completed the training or were involved from our District Deputy, R.:W.: George Todd, Grand Steward, and me.

The following Brothers completed the MDC training:

Patrick Andrews, Ben Atmosfera, Brennan Coon, Scott Cronk, Daniel Donovan, Mark Edgecomb, W.: William Flesher, Kern Haynes, Kenneth Hecker, James Holman, Bruce Katz, Roger Lynch, John Mainville, Steven Michener, Mathew Muller, V.:W.: Joseph Oelgoetz, Steven Phillips, Michael Postelli, Ryan Reese, Troy Shouse and Benedetto Vitullo.

ture where everyone can systematically make a referral and have an intervention occur. We marshal the various resources and the caring people in a school to focus on one young person at a time. We do identify what everyone in the school can do to help change behavior and we believe that will lead to success on a regular, systematic basis. Did you know...since MSAT began in New York State in October 2001, there have been 36 MSAT Workshops offered in the State and a total of 331 school-based teams (composed of 1753 New York Educators) have attended?

**Involve Your Schools**  
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## Grand Lecturer's Convention FRIDAY, October 23rd

R.:W.: Charles E. Toombs to Preside

Fairport-Flower City Lodge will host, once again, the Grand Lecturer's Convention for the Monroe District at their Lodge Hall in Fairport. In the recent past, this event has been held on a Tuesday; this year the day has been changed to **Friday**. Please not this change and mark your calendar now.

It is anticipated at this writing that the 7:30 p.m. Convention will be, again, preceded by

a Steak Dinner. Reservations will be required, but no pricing or contact information is available yet.

The Worshipful Master of your Lodge will be able to provide more information in the next few weeks. Remember, the top seven Officers need to be present for your Lodge to receive the Howard Potts Award at the Grand Lodge Sessions in New York City in May.

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# Education Assistance & Charity Grants Presented

June 18th was a great day in the lives of sixteen students who were selected from twenty-seven applicants to receive the 2009 Education Assistance Awards from the Masonic Service Bureau. This year a total of \$12,000 was allocated for distribution among the recipients.

Since the inception of this program in 1986, over a quarter of a million dollars has been contributed to more than 270 students.

At the same time, an equal sum of money has been granted to various non-profit groups who serve the elderly, the needy and youth programs. Those organizations granted funds for 2009 are listed in the caption of the photo of charity recipients.

### Requirements

Students must submit an application and other requested documents. These are turned over to members of the Education Assistance Award Committee, who review the contents and issue a numerical rating. The scores are tabulated and ranked, with the number of successful applicants based on the number of awards available.

A letter from a sponsoring Mason, either relative or friend, recommending the student is part of the documentation required, as is information from

the guidance office of a high school student or an advisor of a college student. The student or a representative must be present at the Awards Ceremony to receive the Grant.

Persons interested in applying for the 2010 awards may call the Masonic Service Bureau Office, at 671-9730, and have their name put on a mailing list. Once the 2010 Budget is approved in December, applications are mailed to persons requesting one and to Secretaries of Lodges, Chapters and Concordant Bodies.

### An important note ...

These Grants are for one-time-only and the funds are given directly to the student.

### Charity Grants

Allocations totaling \$12,000 were distributed, based on needs, to twenty charitable organizations.

Pretty much the same process is used for determining the recipients of the Grants for charitable work. Here there is no limit on the number of times an Organization may receive a Grant, provided they continue to meet the Committee's criteria.

If you would like more information, contact the Service Bureau Office.

*Editor's note: no individual photograph was provided for Lindsey Evans.*



Charity Representatives - Front (l-r) Kristin Catalano (Isaiah House), Tracey Jagla (Journey Home), Grace Monachino (Dimitri House), Nancy Elliott (RAIHN), Kay Merrifield (Salem Nutrition Center), Diana Dolce, SSJ (Hope Hall), Kerrie Ann Merz (Mercier Literacy Program). Back (l-r) Fred Dischinger (Community Lutheran Ministry), Robert Frasier, Jr. (Trinity Emmanuel Presbyterian Church), Patty Lorenzen (St. Peter's Kitchen), Debi Burke (Fidelity Triangle), Vicki Deady (Advent House), Virginia Clark (Lifespan), Karen Six (Literacy Volunteers of Livingston County), Brian Shaffer (Source of Success), Major Charles Deitrick (The Salvation Army).



Student recipients - Front row (l-r) Amy Clonch, Kyla Durso, Nichole May, Kayla McCrossen, Leah Mulrooney, Jessica Dean and Wendy Burrows. Back row (l-r) Jonathon Leight, Wesley Carlson, Craig Falkey, Peter Behnke, Jordan Popp and Nathan W. Thompson. Not pictured - Andrew Doerr, Lindsey Evans and Derrick Niese.

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## The Wall of Remembrance on Our Great Lawn



By Kathy Contino-Turner

The centerpiece of the Masonic Care Community Campus is our Great Lawn, which has been recognized on both the State and National level for its unique design. The Great Lawn has water features on the East and West ends, as well as a beautiful fountain that borders it on the South. These attractive amenities assist in welcoming residents, families and visitors to our beautiful Campus.

This space has a great history and, as the Campus changed over the years, it has also gone through significant renovations. An early photo of the lawn, as seen by the statue of Lt. Orville Parker Johnson, shows the lawn much as it appears today, as an open space to enjoy. At another time in our history, the lawn was the main driveway to enter our Campus with the former Administration Building visible in the background. At yet another

time, the lawn was filled with a variety of trees. Four years ago, the trees, many of which had become diseased, were removed and the Great Lawn was created.

When you visit your Masonic Care Community, we urge you to take a walk around the oval sidewalk of the Great Lawn. In addition to the lovely view of the Campus, the various water fountains, ponds and magnificent flowers, you should also stop to read our Wall of Remembrance. There are more than 270 names and memorials, some re-created from plaques originally placed on trees that had to be removed. This Wall is visible at all times, as it has special lighting on those commemorative bricks. It's a permanent memorial to all who have made a contribution to this wonderful Campus, and we invite all Masons to take some time to see it.

If you are interested in remembering a loved one, your Lodge or a Brother on the Wall of Remembrance, there are still



bricks available. Contact Brother Ira Cooperman at (315) 798-4703 for details. Purchasing a brick in remembrance is a way to show your support of the Masonic Care Community and join all of those who have been part of our 116-year history.

### MCC Website Re-design

If you haven't visited the website of your Masonic Care Community: [www.mccny.com](http://www.mccny.com), make time to do so. We have updated the site, added the DVD videos, as well as the monthly Masonic Care Community reports for your convenience. This website is a wonderful resource to use when talking about the role the New York State Masons play in caring for humanity. We hope to include in our photo gallery pictures from St. John's Day, as well as other Campus events; we welcome your comments.

### Did You Get Married at Tompkins Chapel?

In 2011, we will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Tompkins Memorial Chapel on the Campus of your Masonic Care Community. We are planning to create a commemorative book to detail the history of the building including information on the Tiffany Windows, the Statue of Silence and other points of interest in the structure. We would also like to include photos of weddings that have been held in the Chapel, and are looking for such events dating back to its opening in 1911. If you or someone you know has a photograph of a wedding or other event that was conducted in the Tompkins Chapel in the last 98 years, please contact Kathy Contino-Turner at (315) 798-4768.

## Summer Fellowship Participants at Masonic Medical Research Laboratory

By Ronald P. Kamp

Since 1960, the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL) has recognized the importance to encourage talented young men and women to pursue a career in science or medicine. This year Madalene Boyle (St. Lawrence University), Anish Butala (New York University), Natalie Chlus (Bucknell University), Suparna Dang (University of Rochester), Brittany Gianetti (Virginia State University), John Picano (Boston College) and Janire Urrutia (Basque Country University, Spain) joined a distinguished group of over 400 students who have participated in the MMRL Summer Fellowship Program.

The 10-week Program permitted students direct involvement in research projects under staff guidance in the fields of experimental cardiology, molecular biology and molecular genetics. During their tenure, students gain an appreciation for how scientific problems pertaining to medical disease are approached



(l-r) Charles Antzelevitch, MMRL Executive Director; Janire Urrutia; John Picano; Brittany Gianetti; Suparna Dang; Anish Butala; Natalie Chlus; Madalene Boyle and Jon Cordeiro, Summer Fellowship Program Director.

and examined, and experience the day to day running of a cutting-edge research facility. After completing the program, they will gain knowledge and practical experience in physiological, biochemical, molecular and pharmacological methodologies and be better prepared to make important career decisions.

The Summer Session closed with a scientific symposium pre-

sented by the students, followed by an awards luncheon honoring the Summer Fellows and local sponsors at the Laboratory. Funding for this year's Program was provided by:

Slocum-Dickson Foundation, Drs. Atul and Amita Butala, Dr. Ashok Patel, Utica Lodge No. 47, F. & A.M. Bredablick Lodge No. 880, F. & A.M.

## Antzelevitch is Plenary Speaker at Korea Heart Symposium

By Ronald P. Kamp

Dr. Charles Antzelevitch, Executive Director and Director of Research of the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL), was invited to give the Plenary Lecture at the first ever national meeting of the Korea Heart Rhythm Society. The meeting held at Korea University in Seoul, South Korea, on June 12 and 13, brought together cardiologists and electrophysiologists from throughout the world. Antzelevitch also presented a seminar to the medical students at Seoul National University.

His lectures focused on mechanisms of abnormal rhythms of the heart, particularly sudden death syndromes including Long QT, Short QT, early repolarization and Brugada syndromes. The MMRL is a world leader in unraveling the genetic causes for these syndromes and for the design of better strategies to diagnose and treat these diseases.

The Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, located in Utica is an internationally renowned medical research and educational institute dedicated to studies of the electrical activ-



Dr. Charles Antzelevitch

ity of the heart and the mechanisms responsible for abnormal rhythms of the heart and sudden cardiac death.

The MMRL is also a center for genetic screening of inherited cardiac arrhythmia diseases. MMRL scientists have delineated the genetic basis for several inherited sudden cardiac death syndromes and uncovered the mechanisms responsible for many forms of life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias as well as the mechanisms by which drugs act to precipitate arrhythmias.

## Antzelevitch on Lecture Tour in China

Dr. Charles Antzelevitch, Executive Director and Director of Research of the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory, recently returned from a lecture tour in China organized by the Chinese Ministry of Health and the China Heart Rhythm Society. Starting in Shanghai, he traveled to Kunming, Beijing and Xi'An spending two to three days in each city, providing a lecture and interacting with local physicians and scientists. His lectures dealt with mechanisms underlying inherited cardiac arrhythmia diseases, in-

cluding genetic methods helpful in the diagnosis of these syndromes and new approaches to therapy.

A major focus of the lectures was a relatively new entity that Antzelevitch refers to as J wave syndromes. Recent work from the MMRL has shown that an Early Repolarization pattern in the ECG is not as benign as previously thought and could, in some individuals, be a harbinger of abnormal rhythms of the heart that can result in sudden cardiac death. According to Antzelevitch "the reception we

received in each city was exceptional and the level of the science was high."

The lecture in Beijing was broadcast to an audience of nearly 60,000 cardiologists and scientists located at medical centers throughout China. Antzelevitch was joined on the tour by Dr. Gan-Xin Yan, a prior fellow of his, who is currently Attending Cardiologist and Electrophysiologist at the Lankenau Hospital and Director of Basic Cardiovascular Research Laboratory, Main Line Health Heart Center, Wynnewood, PA.



Royal welcome at Kunming airport for Dr. Antzelevitch.



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#### Congratulations!

We welcome the three new Brothers into Wayne District who were Raised in Pultneyville Lodge on June 1st. They are Charles Burkitt and Goeffery Haywood, both of Pultneyville Lodge; and David Gotshall of Humanity Lodge.

#### North Rose Wolcott Lodge No. 1187

Congratulations to North Rose Wolcott Lodge No. 1187 who received their Charter on June 8th. This is a merger of the two Lodges that will benefit the communities of North Rose and Wolcott, resulting in a strengthening of Masonry in that area. R.:W.: Richard E. Brewer, District Brotherhood Chairman, and I had the pleasure of attending the Installation of Officers for this new Lodge on June 15th.

Their meetings will be held in the Masonic Hall located at 6052 Lake Avenue, Wolcott, on the 1st

and 3rd Mondays of each month at 7 p.m., except July and August, and the 3rd Monday in December. I encourage all Masons in Wayne District to support this Lodge and know it would be greatly appreciated by them.

My thanks to all Lodge Secretaries for the timely manner in which I received the Election Reports this year. All were received no later than the middle of June.

On July 16th, R.:W.: Ronald Galens, DDGM of the O/S/Y District, and I presented a check in the amount of \$287 to the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester. The check represented the proceeds of the Wayne-O/S/Y Golf Tournament on June 6th. We both thank all participating golfers of the two Districts who enabled us to help in a small way. Our biggest thanks is to W.: Marshall Francis who Chairs this event each year for our Districts.

In the immediate future all area Lodges will receive a nomination form from the Valley of Rochester, AASR, requesting the name of a Brother whom you feel deserves recognition for his work in your Lodge. This year it is being asked to recommend those who have worked diligently being an asset to the Lodge, and have not received any past recognition or titles. This is an opportunity to honor one of your Brothers who has assisted the Lodge, Master and/or Masonry as a whole in your Community.

#### Special Aprons

This Fall, it will be my extreme pleasure to present 7 Brothers of this District with a 50-year Apron. This award, a gift from the 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. I am in hopes of presenting this attractive Apron on the occasion of the Official Visits, and would request all Masters encourage those who are eligible and able to attend.

If your recipient is unable to be present due to health issues or other extenuating circumstances, alternate arrangements will be made. I would remind all Lodges, Masonic Law requires any Brother who attains 50 years in the Fraternity is to be presented a 50-year Certificate and Pin (\$ 336). This is usually done by the DDGM as the Grand Master's Representative within the District.

#### September Tour of MCC

W.: John P. Krest, District Ambassador to the Masonic Care Community, is planning a trip to the Campus on Saturday, September 26th. This is an opportunity for all to see and tour this beautiful facility to which we all contribute. He needs to know how many plan to go on this junket **no later than September 10th**. This tour will leave Humanity Lodge at approximately 8:30 a.m. and return about 5:30 p.m. A complimentary lunch will be provided by Staff of the Community. We need 25-30 reservations to make the trip; it is open to any District who would like to attend with us. Call John at (315) 597-5060 or email: jkrest@rochester.rr.com

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#### Special 50-Year Tribute

At St. John's Day, the acting Grand Master, R.:W.: Vincent Libone, informed us of the Grand Master's wishes - that a special white Apron be given to those Brothers who were Raised in 1959. The 50th anniversary of these men will be noted on the Aprons. The Monroe District has 20 Brothers who have attained 50 years in the Craft. We know there are many of you who have exceeded 50 years, but the Grand Master only wants those who were Raised in 1959 to receive the Apron. He indicated there would be no charge to the individual Lodge or the recipient for the Aprons. It is totally out of the Brotherly Love of the Grand Master in doing this. We will be presenting these during our Official Visits.

#### Official Visits

Speaking of Official Visits, the Lodges we will visit in September are:

- 14th - Fairport-Flower City
- 15th - Craftsman Robertson
- 23rd - Oatka

#### School of Ritual

At the first School of Ritual scheduled for August 31st they planned to cover Official Visits. If you have questions about conducting an Official Visit, contact R.:W.: John Zabel or our Staff Officers for assistance.

#### Consider a Grand Office

We know it's way too early to discuss this, but in a way this term is the beginning of our last year as we go out to serve the Brothers of Monroe District. Elsewhere in this publication there is an article by the Chairman of the Selection Commit-

tee, R.:W.: Donald Tubman, about considering the advancement to either the DDGM or a Staff Officer for the District. R.:W.: George Todd, R.:W.: Mike Nohle or I will be in charge until May 4th, 2010. It's important to note that anyone reaching the title of Worshipful Master or Past Master, current Grand Lodge Officers or Grand Representatives are potential Candidates for these most important positions. We will save our thoughts on these two years for later in the season.

#### Masonic Passport

A situation came about this Summer when a Brother requested a Masonic Passport. It was an educational opportunity for myself, so I wanted to pass along the information regarding how to obtain one.

If you are considering traveling to another Jurisdiction outside of New York, you might be interested in this. You can contact Lodge Services at (212) 337-6648 and talk to Jessica. The cost is \$10 plus \$2.50 for shipping and handling. A credit card can be used and it arrives in a neat little pocket package. The Masonic Passport, along with your Dues Card, should be all that's required to attend.

It has been a good Summer, despite the cool temperatures and liquid sunshine in bountiful amounts. It was a time for relaxation and recreation of both the mind and spirit.

If we can be of any assistance please contact us. We look forward to seeing you in the Quarries. Until then, as Red Skeleton often said, "May God Bless." ✖

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Welcome back from Summer Recess!! I know many of you are asking, "What Summer?" Or "What Recess?" I can only reply, "we did get out of the 30s and 40s" and "things did slow up a bit; I got to see the wife and grandchildren more." Get ready to resume our Masonic labors and fun for Fall. Many have been busy planning our new Masonic year.

R.:W.: William C. Jones, DDGM of the Wayne District, kicked off our new season for Lodge Masters and Secretaries and members of the Wayne District Team with a picnic at his home on August 16th. A wonderful place to match names and faces and ask the questions you were always too shy to ask. A ton of information was shared with your Master and Secretary.

Remember the Masters & Wardens Association has reformed itself and is going to sponsor a trip to the Masonic Care Community on Saturday, September 26th. Joel Falbo of Drumlin Square Lodge, (315) 331-2911, and Andy Richardson of Humanity Lodge, (315) 945-2090, are the men to contact.

As for me, I will again be leading the *Masonic Develop-*

ment Course (MDC), which is a closer look at the three Degrees over the course of three evenings. The tentative dates are October 15th, November 19th and December 17th at 7 p.m. at the Sodus Masonic Hall. The cost of Course materials, Certificate and Pin is \$25. Anyone who missed a session last year can make up that session at no cost. I will be sending out reminder cards to past participants. All Master Masons are welcome to participate. Contact me at:

(315) 483-2745 or email: soduspowleys@msn.com.

The Application Forms for the 2010-2012 Grand Lodge Officers are available. The time-frame is quite short - Due by October 10, 2009, to R.:W.: Richard Brewer, 8 Denise Drive; Macedon, NY 14502-9147. If you have questions or need a Form, Dick, Bill Jones or I will be glad to help you.

I am here to help any Mason, Lodge Officer or Lodge. If I don't know the answer, I will help find it. My home phone number is (315) 483-2745. Please leave a message if I'm not home. I can be contacted at (315) 483-6944 Ext. 11801 during daytime business hours. Yes, we're returning to that time of the year!! ✖

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help the literary thoughts flow better, I do this along with contemporary music from my computer as I try to convey to you what is important in the Monroe District.

#### New Officers

As we begin to gather again in our Lodges, we congratulate the new Masters and some "old hands" who have been elected to sit in the East. In a couple of instances, the Brothers who now are the leaders of their respective Lodges have spent the better part of 10 years waiting for their turn to rise to the position of Master of their Lodge. It is our duty to support them and encourage them to lead us for the next twelve months; to guide us so we may learn from them and enjoy the fruits of being members of this great Fraternity to which we belong. One of the benefits in belonging to the Masonic Fraternity is to meet and greet on the level men from all walks of life and form lasting friendships with some great Brothers whom we meet along the way.

The deadline for articles has been on my mind and I realize the call of duty is but a few short weeks away for the Fall Season. I need to dust off the literary cobwebs of my mind and write some thought-provoking statements for the September issue of the *Masonic Times*. Today is a perfect day to do this, as I am sitting in my Summer Room in my garage and the rain is steadily falling outside. As I have mentioned in the *RTTE* Course, sometimes you have to create the proper atmosphere to write. To

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September is here and it's time to return to the quarries of Masonry and resume our labors. As we hold Brother Bring-a-Friend Night Programs and interview Candidates, I ask you to keep something of paramount importance in mind. It is the **mentoring** of our new Brothers. Our District Deputy has asked me to head the District Committee on mentoring for this year. I am currently planning ways to interact with the Lodges in our District to help with this process and to ensure that it is accomplished in a thorough and complete manner.

#### Mentoring

Mentoring is our first, and maybe our best, chance to impress our new Brothers and to really entice them to take an active part in our Lodges. Also, it is a chance to inspire them to grasp our beautiful Ritual, to learn more of it and to take part in the delivery thereof in Degree work, the Historical Lectures and Charges.

Our District needs more Brothers willing to step for-

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ward and take part in the Conferment of the three Degrees. So, we must inspire them to that end from the very beginning of the educational process. This requires dedication on the part of the Mentor. It requires that mentors and Lodges insist on proficiency. It requires that mentors follow through on their commitment by staying the course throughout all three Degrees and beyond. Volunteering to mentor is one way that you, the individual Brother, can have a very positive impact on the future of our Craft. Make a difference – mentor a new Brother!

**Keyword – Jewel**

The word "Jewel," according to the Encarta Dictionary, is a noun which means an item worn as an ornament. Another meaning is a fine example of a particular person or thing. In Masonic Lodges there are six Jewels, three moveable and three immovable.

The **Moveable Jewels** are the Rough Ashlar, the Perfect Ashlar and the Trestleboard. These Jewels can be moved about the Lodge as necessary.


The Rough Ashlar is a stone in its rude and natural state which reminds us of the imperfect state which is ours by nature.

The Perfect Ashlar has been hewn and squared to a perfect state. It reminds us of that state of perfection which we aspire to arrive at by education, our endeavors and the blessing of Deity.

The Trestleboard is where the workmen found the designs for building the Temple of King Solomon and it is where we speculative Masons find the designs by which to build our spiritual temples as we live our Masonic lives.

The **Immovable Jewels** are the Plumb, the Level and the Square. They are immovable because they are appropriated to particular parts of the Lodge Room - the Plumb to the South, the Level to the West and the Square to the East. The Plumb teaches rectitude of conduct; the Level, equality; and the Square, morality.



Certainly, these jewels are more than simple ornaments. They serve as fine examples of the grand teachings of Masonry. Look for them the next time you attend Lodge.



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By V.: W.: Hugh Woodside  
**Welcome Back!**

V.: W.: DeHollander and I hope that you and your families had a safe and enjoyable Summer. We look forward to seeing you as we begin the new Masonic year. We were encouraged by the momentum that the newly installed Masters carried into the Summer. We look forward to working with all of the Lodges to continue to improve the quality of our Ritual. While we believe that the Ritual performed by the

Lodges of the Monroe District stands up as a strong example within our jurisdiction, we also recognize there is room for improvement (for us, too). We hope you will all make a commitment to your Lodges to continue raising the bar with respect to the Ritual work, and helping to bring out the best in your Brothers.

**School of Ritual**

In case you are one of the lucky ones who receives this copy of the **Masonic Times** prior to August 31st, the first School of Ritual of the 2009-2010 Masonic year will be held on Monday, August 31st at Wakan-Hubbard Lodge Hall in Penfield. The work of the evening will be Opening, Closing and Balloting to be performed by the Officers of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. The work of the evening will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The second School of Ritual and Instruction of the 2009-2010 Masonic year will be held on Tuesday, September 29th at Clio Lodge Hall in Hilton. We'll be discussing a number of "out-of-the-ordinary" Ritual items, including the public funeral service, draping of the altar, the art of knocking and other topics. The work of the evening will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Clio Lodge Hall is located at 287 East Avenue in the village of Hilton. As of the date of this writing, the bridge over the creek on Wilder Road (just east of the intersection of Wilder Road and Bennett Road) was under construction, and it is expected it will remain closed until after the end of August. We recommend that you use Route 259 to East Avenue in Hilton in order to avoid this construction area (but we don't take any responsibility for not warning you of other construction areas!). Safe travels, and we'll see you there.

**School of Ritual Attendance Banner**

Don't forget the new twist in the competition for the School of Ritual Attendance Banner. As described in an earlier communication directly with the Worshipful Masters, 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.

**Bonus Competition**


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 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.

Let the games begin!

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June 30th was the last meeting of Masters & Wardens for the preceding Masonic year and we had a fabulous turnout. Let's keep the enthusiasm going, Brothers; you are the conduit of District information for each of your Lodges.

A big thank you to the Brothers of Union Star Lodge for providing a great meal to close out the season. Also, at this meeting the Election of Officers was completed with W.: Bill Flesher (Oatka), President; W.: Doug Jones (Fame), Vice-President; W.: Scott May (Union Star), Secretary; V.: W.: Dan Walker (Fame), Treasurer; W.: George Foechner (Union Star), Assistant Treasurer and Campaign Chair; R.: W.: Herb Spencer (Valley-Simes), Service Bureau Representative; and Frank Habitzreuther (Union Star), Chaplain.

**Mark Your Calendar**

The upcoming schedule of meetings is as follows:

- Tuesday, September 29th, 6 p.m. – Clio Lodge Hall, Hilton (prior to school of Ritual)
- Thursday, October 29th, 6:30 p.m. – Union Star Lodge Hall, Honeoye Falls
- Monday, November 30th, 6:30 p.m. – Unity Lodge Hall, Spencerport
- Wednesday, January 20th, 6 p.m. – Shrine Center, Webster (prior to School of Ritual)
- Wednesday, March 31st, 6 p.m. – Oatka Lodge Hall, Scottsville (prior to School of Ritual)
- Thursday, April 29th, 6:30 p.m. – Wakan-Hubbard Lodge Hall, Penfield
- Tuesday, June 29th, 6:30 p.m. – Seneca Lodge Hall, Webster

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**2010 Grand Lodge Officers ... The Selection Process**

By R.: W.: Don Tubman, Vice-President

The selection process of the 2010 Grand Lodge Officers for the Monroe District is right around the corner.

- Are you ready to step forward and take the reigns?
- Have you ever thought about wearing a Purple Apron?
- Are you ready to accept the challenge to lead the Monroe Masonic District?

Leadership is the key. Every family, business, organization, community, state, etc., will not survive without individuals with strong leadership capabilities. The Masonic Fraternity has that leadership base. It is called the Purple Club. This is a group of Brothers who were not asked to lead but sought out leadership roles. They had a vision of a clear direction for the Monroe District and enthusiasm for the Craft when they stepped forward.

**If you believe that you have the desire to ...**

- Increase your Masonic knowledge
- Visit many new Lodges
- Meet many new Brothers with the same ideals and principles
- Increase the Masonic knowledge of all Brothers

**Then ...**

- You should seriously consider completing an application to become a Grand Lodge Officer.

**District Deputy (DDGM)**

The District Deputy Grand Master is probably the most recognized position within any given Masonic District in New York State. He is the Brother who has been designated by the Grand Master to act on his behalf for his respective District. He has the responsibility to implement the Grand Master's Plan and coordinate the Grand Lodge Committee Chairmen within the District. He is obligated to visit each Lodge within his assigned District at least once each year in order to convey the Grand Master's message and he can issue Dispensations to Lodges for various reasons on behalf of the Grand Master.

**Grand Lodge Staff Officer (GLSO)**

The Grand Lodge Staff Officer carries different responsibilities than the DDGM. He is also appointed by and works directly for the Grand Master.

His primary responsibility within the District is Masonic Education, i.e. the *Road to the East*, the *Masonic Development Course* and *LSOME*. In Monroe District, the Staff Officer works with the AGLs to coordinate their respective activities, thus eliminating conflicts in dates. The GLSO is also required to visit each Lodge within the District at least once each calendar year. These dates may or may not coincide with the DDGM visit. It is the hope that the District Deputy Grand Master and Grand Lodge Staff Officer(s) work closely together as a team to coordinate and administer all Grand Lodge programs during their terms in office.

**The Process**

Just how does one go about becoming a Grand Lodge Officer? The process for becoming a District Deputy Grand Master or Grand Lodge Staff Officer is the same. The only requirement is that a Brother must be a Past Master of a Lodge before being appointed, which happens on St. John's Day each year in Utica. Each position serves a two-year term, which coincides with the term of a Grand Master.

By the end of June, Grand Lodge will send each Lodge Secretary several applications for these positions. If interested, a Brother can fill out one of these applications and submit it to the Purple Club for consideration. It is the duty of the Vice-President of the Purple Club to choose an Interviewing Committee that will review all applications as well as interview each applicant. After the interviews are concluded, this Committee will address the Purple Club Members and, after discussion, a ballot of the potential Candidates is taken. The Purple Club then recommends those individuals they believe will best fulfill these positions to Grand Lodge for the Grand Master's consideration.

If you are considering applying for one of these positions, I can assure you that if you ask any Brother who is a "Purple," he will inform you that he found his term in office to be a learning, busy and enjoyable experience - one that he will cherish for the rest of his life.

I can think of no other time in my Masonic career that I enjoyed more than when I had the opportunity to represent you, the Brothers of the Monroe District, during my term as Grand Lodge Staff Officer. I would encourage any Brother who meets the requirements to seriously consider this opportunity.

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The New York Masonic Safety Identification Program (formerly called CHIPS) needs your help. From June through August we had several requests for the Child ID Equipment. We processed around 200 children this Summer. We reach out to you for your help for the remainder of this year as the NYMSIP Team is looking at more ways to bring Masonry and the Program to the forefront, filling gaps where children and senior (seasoned) citizens can be identified so authorities can rescue them if they stray.

#### Summer Events

We had a very busy Summer. I worked with Matt Palocy, a Boy Scout in Troop 136 in East Roch-

ester. He made a proposal to host an ID Event at the East Rochester Summer Festival in July. The event was quite successful in that Matt, with help from Brother Tim McNelly of ERAC Lodge and Tim's son, Ian, was able to process 50 children. If Matt's report is accepted by the Eagle Scout Board, he will be awarded his Scout Badge in the Fall.

#### Suggestions from You

Please think of opportunities where we can participate. We look to each of you for help with this Program in 2009. 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.

With a changeover of several Lodge leaders, we look forward to new members on NYMSIP Team. (If you are a new Master, contact us about who will coordinate for your Lodge.)

We hope to schedule as many events as possible and team with fire departments, the police and all of the Lodges and Concordant Bodies. If any of you are members of FASNY, talk it up within your departments. We also want to reach those children who are not involved in the school Child ID

Programs and probably are most at risk.

We have been asked to send a contingency of Brothers to assist in the Safety Fair held at the State Fair. I will report on the results next month.

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.

#### Appoint a Coordinator

We have requested that each Lodge have a Coordinator to help us man these events. These events are not just a local Lodge event, but a County and Grand Lodge event. It is a great recruiting tool for new members.

Information about the Masonic ID program is available online at: [www.nychip.org](http://www.nychip.org). We are always looking for Volunteers to help with the Program. We can be reached most easily by email to schedule an event. Send message to:

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You can also contact Don Tubman at 889-4725.

### CLIO Lodge No. 779

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I trust our Brothers are having an enjoyable and active Summer break. Our last Communication in June combined a steak dinner with a "Brother Bring-a-Brother" event. It was very enjoyable and well attended.

In August we provided a Meatball Concession Booth for two days at the Parma Town Park celebrating "Parma Days." Many thanks to all the Brothers and their families who helped make this event a success.

#### Sickness and Distress

Past Master W.: Jeff Ross continues to recuperate from an auto accident. We wish him a speedy recovery.

#### Upcoming Events

Our first Lodge meeting for the new season will be on Tuesday, September 1st. I'm anticipating that we will review several Petitions for membership. We will also review our operating budget and establish a few critical committees.

On September 29th, Clio Lodge will be hosting a Masters & Wardens Dinner Meeting at 6 p.m.; preceding the School of Ritual that will commence at 7:30 p.m. Reservations are required for dinner.

Our Trustees have scheduled the roof repair in mid-September. Many thanks to all of the Brothers who have contributed to this critical maintenance item.

The first Spaghetti Dinner will be on Wednesday, September 23rd. We will again have a Meatball Sub Concession Booth at the Hilton Apple Fest on October 3rd and 4th.

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All messages this year will be submitted by Past Masters of our Lodge. I hope you enjoy the variety. *Richard Shellman*

By R.: W.: Paul A. Vick  
1986 Master

#### Our Cornerstone

Ritual is the cornerstone of our Craft, providing guidance and direction for our life and practice - individually and collectively.

It should come as no surprise to the Brothers of our Lodge that, for me, some of the most potent lessons contained in our Ritual are found in the Middle Chamber Lecture. I am particularly drawn to that part of the journey where we find ourselves within the Middle Chamber of King Solomon's Temple.

We are informed that the letter "G," the initial of the great and sacred name of God, has a secondary but no less significant meaning. It is by Geometry that we gain insight into the Divine Plan. We begin to understand the unerring laws of nature and its beautiful proportions. We are encouraged to imitate this Divine Plan, which has given rise to works of art, which has been the admiration of every age, in all we do.

Freemasonry through time has stood as a bulwark against forces of ignorance and destruction. From generation to generation, the attentive ear hears the sound from the instructive tongue knowing that the mysteries of Freemasonry are protected and safely lodged in the repository of the faithful breast of each Brother. We learn that, in the face of destructive forces, we are builders, not of a material edifice, but of a temple of honor, justice, purity, knowledge and truth. It is this imperative that directs our labor, that reveals dangers lying in our path and informs us of what preparations we are to make in the uprearing of that spiritual fabric giving rest to our souls when our labor is completed.

Through our Ritual, every Master Mason has received these eternal truths. We have been entrusted with the Working Tools and Symbolic Emblems most expressive of these truths. As guardians of these teachings, we have an obligation to all who came before us to pass these lessons on to the next generation. Ritual is the cornerstone of the building upon which we continue to labor and a legacy we leave to those who come after us.

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The Summer of '09 is nearly behind us and a new Masonic year is soon to begin. As always, I look forward to seeing as many of our Brothers attending our Communications as can make it.

#### Mark Your Calendar September

9th - Our First Regular Communication  
16th - Table Lodge  
23rd - Official Visit  
29th - School of Ritual at Clio Lodge Hall

#### October

14th - 1st Degree  
23rd - Grand Lecturer's Convention at Fairport-Flower City Lodge Hall  
28th - 1st Degree Historical Lecture

#### On the Agenda

Several other things are on the agenda for the ensuing year - we need to get the "Traveling Gavel" back and get the School of Ritual Banner this year. We were so close last year in getting that banner, I am sure we can claim that prize for our Lodge if a few more of the Oatka Brothers attend the Schools during the year.

As for the Grand Lecturer's Convention in October, it is my goal to gather the Pott's Award again this year so it will be necessary for both Wardens, both Deacons and both Masters of Ceremony to attend that School along with myself.

#### Summer Activities

Over the Summer, we held our usual barbecue at the Scottsville Summerfest and I will report on that in the next issue of the **Masonic Times**.

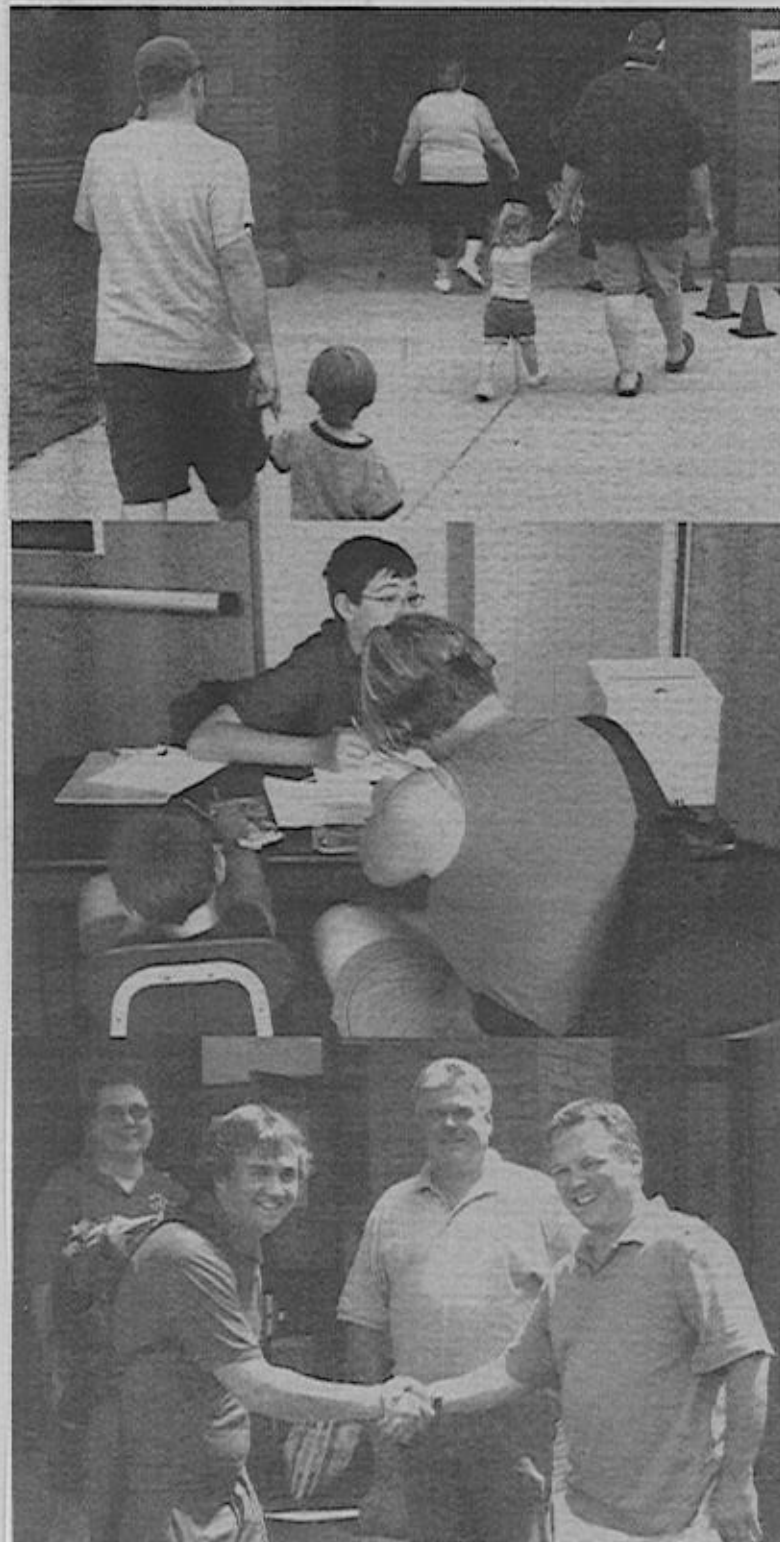
Also, over the Summer the Brothers, under the direction of the Junior Warden, Steve Phillips, have restarted the renovations to the Fellowcraft Room. We have three new Candidates so far for the Degree work starting on October 14th and I know we will welcome the new Candidates with our usual friendship and Brotherly love.

The Spaghetti Dinners will start up again, with the first one to take place September 26th from 5-7 p.m.

#### Sad News

A sprig of acacia for our Brother Richard M. Fimbel, son of W.: Richard P. Fimbel who laid down his working tools on August 9th.

Reminder ... Oatka  
Table Lodge  
September 16th  
6:30 p.m., \$25/person  
7-Course Meal plus Wine



As you can see there was lots of activity at the Child ID Event, organized by Matt Palocy of Boy Scout Troop 136 in East Rochester. Many hands helping, made for a successful event.

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**W.: Tom Benson (left), Nick Eull and Dick Smith behind dessert cake wishing Nick good luck in his new position.** Junior Warden, Richard Smith. For those who may not know, Brother Eull works for the Federal Aviation Administration. He is originally from Minnesota, and now will be just a few hours away from visiting family members. (He is the only person I ever met who is happy to be going to North Dakota!!!)

Brother Nick's departure left a void in our Line of Officers, as he was elected Senior Warden for this Masonic year, but learned of his transfer before (and was unavailable for) our Installation Program. We will probably have a Pro-Tem appointed for each Tiled meeting.



**W.: Joe Steffen (left) and Nick Eull (right) flank W.: Ken Schumacher, Tiler, holding sword purchased in Minnesota and donated by them to the Lodge.**

**Gift to Lodge**  
 A sword was donated to the Lodge for our Tiler, who now has the proper implement of his Office. Brother Nick Eull's son was married in Minnesota a few weeks ago. Attending the wedding was W.: Joe Steffen. He and Brother Nick were wandering around the Mall of America in Minneapolis and spotted this beautiful artifact. They purchased it and donated it for use in keeping Cowans and Evesdroppers away from our Lodge.

**Sickness and Distress**  
 Brother Gib Blew has been having some health issues in recent months, but I am informed that he is on the road to recovery.

Worshipful Brother Bill Hook is still struggling to recover from his medical issues.

Brother Bob Ogden, long-time Secretary of Craftsman Lodge, has moved to Heather Heights in Pittsford. He is in need of a bit more assistance now and this facility should be just the ticket.

If you know of other concerns with Brothers or their families, please make them known to me so I can report on them in a future column.

**September Birthdays**  
 Happy Birthday to the following Brothers who celebrate this month: William Kaufman (2nd); Robert Waldeck (3rd); Robert Shartran (10th); Gilbert Blew and Joseph Steffen (14th); William Stark (16th); John Shannon (18th) and Donald Conner (25th). Your Brothers hope you have a wonderful day!

See you in Lodge.

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I suspect we're all wondering where the Summer went. Soon we will be hearing the school buses, the cicadas will be dormant until the Dog Days of Summer present themselves again and the weather will start changing more times in one day than we care to count.

**Change is Inevitable**  
 As our Lodge enters into its 152nd year, we are surrounded by events within and beyond our control. I like to think that the more we can move the terms of change within our control, the quicker we can address them in a favorable way. Communication, membership growth, community service and simply "doing the right thing" are within our scope of change. I would like to try to raise the bar on each of these components during my year as Master of Northfield Lodge and would encourage you to join me, whether you are a member of Northfield Lodge or not. It's what we do as Freemasons.

**Walking the Walk**  
 Northfield Lodge members plan to participate in several community events this year, including the Adopt-a-Highway, Child ID, Masonic Student Assistance Training, Pittsford Little league, Pittsford Food Cupboard, Pittsford Candlelight Night, Have-a-Heart Campaign and the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. These are all aimed at improving the communities in which we reside. If there are other opportunities to give back to the community, please do not hesitate to call me so we can discuss.

**Sickness and Distress**  
 R.: W.: Bill Spillane continues on the road to recovery from his bout with cancer. I look forward to his smiling face at our Lodge meetings this year.

**Upcoming Events**  
 By the time you read this note, we will have had our first Officers' and Trustees' meetings. There are some things that need to be done to the Lodge to keep the building up to par for all who use it. W.: John Dudley

and I got up on the roof and cleaned the gutters; one needs to be fixed or replaced. I used up one of my nine lives when (while up on the roof) two different squirrels jumped out of their respective holes (1/2 a life for each squirrel). The humidity levels are way too high in the basement. These are all items we need to address rather soon.

**September/October**  
 We will use the first two meetings in September to get brushed up on our Ritual work - most of the Officers are in their Chairs for the first time. We will have a Brother Bring-a-Friend Night October 1st; a light dinner will be served.

Family events will include an "Adopt-a-Highway" morning on October 10th from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. We are working a Sport Night with the family (Hockey, Lacrosse, or Baseball depending on the timing). Stay tuned for details on this.

**In Closing**  
 Welcome back, everyone. I hope to maintain the level of performance that has been established by my predecessors and look forward to spending time with you over the next 12 months. If you haven't been by the Lodge in a while, please stop in. We would sure love to see you. Please call the Lodge at 586-2976 for the latest info (updated regularly) or visit [www.northfieldlodge.org](http://www.northfieldlodge.org) at any time.

P.S. - Did I mention that we have the Traveling Gavel? More on that from Brother Erik Loepker.

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Brothers, the Summer has gone by way too fast. I hope all of you have had a great one; I look forward to hearing some of the interesting stories. As always, check our website to view the latest Trestleboard at: [www.unionstarmasons.org](http://www.unionstarmasons.org).

**Recent Events**  
 My thanks to Brothers Gene Gordon and W.: John Williams for all their hard work and preparation that made the "Festival on the Green" fundraiser a success, even though the weather was probably the worst we have ever had. It would probably have been easier to use a boat to get around with all the rain we had that weekend. I thank R.: W.: Gary Sanford for running the Child ID Program during the event. Lastly, I thank all the Brothers who took time out of their busy schedules to work during the weekend. Without your help, we would never have been able to make this another success.

**Upcoming Events**  
 Our first meeting is September 14th and will be our Awards Night, delayed from last year. There will be a dinner prior to the meeting. We will have the second reading of the proposed By-Laws change. Please contact W.: Scott May at 624-3959 or: [scott.may@frontiernet.net](mailto:scott.may@frontiernet.net) to make dinner reservations.

**Pancake Breakfast**  
 Save the date of Saturday, September 26th from 7 a.m.-Noon for our second Charity Pancake Breakfast fundraiser. Last year we had a great time and our customers thought the breakfast was outstanding. Invite your friends and family to come support this event.

**Bring-a-Friend Night**  
 Our "Brother Bring-a-Friend Night" will be Monday, September 28th at 7 p.m. This year we are inviting the significant others and will be providing a light snack for the evening. So bring your friends and plan to have a great evening.

The second School of Ritual will be held at Clio Lodge in Hilton on Tuesday, September 29th at 7:30 p.m. The AGLs will be reviewing Official Visits.

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The gavel has been struck for your return to labor from refreshment. September is a very busy month, and you are all needed to lend a hand.

**Mark Your Calendar**  
 On September 14th, our first Monday night meeting of the Masonic year, we have an Official Visit from R.: W.: Derek VanHouten, DDGM. That necessitates a rehearsal for ALL Officers on the previous Sunday, September 13th at 7 p.m. at the Lodge Hall. We must perform our Ritual properly, and we have a very new Officers Line.

September 21st, the third Monday of the month, is an Open Meeting. We will again have our very successful Brother Bring-a-Friend Night with a light dinner preceding. I urge all Brothers to bring new Candidates, duly qualified, to witness the beauty of our Craft. There will be a short video, followed by a question and answer session, with yours truly as the moderator.

September 28th will be a Lodge Business Meeting with W.: Tom Goodrich in the East. We will assign Investigating Committees at that time for our new applicants.

The month of September begins the year 5770 for all Brethren of the Jewish faith all over the world. That is why W.: Tom Goodrich will be in the East. W.: Sy Kopen and I, as well as all the Jewish Brothers in our Lodge, will be observing Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, by Fasting and praying all day. It is my sincere wish that this year, the Great Architect of the Universe will draw up a year of peace and prosperity for all Mankind. So mote it be.

By R.: W.: Skip Waterstreet

This is one of those rare years when we will have a meeting in September BEFORE Labor Day. In fact, with the Holiday, you might not receive this issue before the day of the meeting, although the staff was trying very hard to make sure it was out in August. My copy of the Trestleboard simply says Business Meeting, so I don't know what all will go on. You can bet on a short presentation of an educational nature, along with our normal routine.

We are scheduled to have a Dinner with the Ladies on September 8th. The Calling Committee will be contacting you for reservations, and I'm sure they will have more information than I have as I write this.

My Brothers, you should definitely plan on attending the September 15th meeting, when we will welcome our own R.: W.: Derek VanHouten, District Deputy Grand Master, on his second Official Visit. It is anticipated that R.: W.: Michael Nohle and R.: W.: George Todd, our Grand Stewards, will be traveling with him. We are hoping to have a Dinner that evening, as well. Again, the Calling Committee will have more details to pass along, or you can find out at one of the other events earlier in the month.

**Awards**

Here is a heads up for the October 6th meeting. It will be an Open Meeting and we will be presenting Service Certificates and Pins to long-time Brothers. A 65-year Award will be presented to Brother Raymond Ross; a 60-year Award is ready for Brother Edward Start; and Charles Freida and Wesley Trendell will receive 55-year Certificates and Pins. Please join us to congratulate these Brothers on their long Masonic careers.

**Long Ago**

Well, it was only June, but it does seem like a very long time ago, we had our Sport Shirt Night event. There we said "God Speed" to Brother Nick Eull, who received a transfer to Fargo, North Dakota. We celebrated with a cake, arranged by our



2009-2010 Officers and Installing Team posed for this photo after the June 2nd Ceremony. (Front, l to r) Kenneth Mertz, W.: Kenneth Skidmore, W.: Thomas Benson, Richard Smith, Roydon Guess. (Rear) W.: Kenneth Schumacher, Eugene Smith, W.: William Shelby, W.: Clyde Siverd, Warren Doerr, V.: W.: Hugh Woodside, R.: W.: Derek VanHouten, W.: Duane Smith, W.: Ralph Jurgens and R.: W.: Charles Waterstreet.

**Remember the Brotherhood Fund**



## Valley-Simes Lodge No. 109

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### Mark your Calendar

Our first meeting is September 8th. Here I sit writing my article for the September issue of the **Masonic Times**. Our meeting is just a month away. My Summer has been busy with events. I hope all of you had good times with friends and family. Did you travel? Let us hear from you about your Summer.

My apologies for not having a Summer activity. We had good intentions of doing so, but the response to feelers was sparse and mostly negative. Hopefully there will be some type of gathering in September, before our Snowbirds depart.

### Camper to Camp Turk

This Summer we sponsored a teenager to Camp Turk. I thought you might be interested in reading his letter. You can see that everyone who goes there comes away with great positive feelings.

"I just want to thank you for sponsoring me to go to Camp Turk. At first I thought I wouldn't enjoy it, but as soon I got there it was a blast. The three weeks flew so fast for me and I had a great time. Even though I tore the tendons in my thumb the first week, I managed to have a good time with the injury.

And if you could, I would be honored if you sponsored me again for 2010 because it was a great three weeks spent.

Sincerely, Maurice G."

Maybe some of you would be open to get your children or grandchildren to go.

### Open Installation

Our Open Installation went very well. We had 75 people attending. Our Chief Chef "Charles" provided a beautiful social hour and a great steak dinner. Our Celebrity Dessert Chef "Rita" provided us with some wonderful desserts.

After all the formalities of the Open Installation we made a



W.: Howard Belt, DSA (right), receives Treasurer Emeritus Certificate from R.: W.: Herbert Spencer, Master of Valley-Simes Lodge, for his 38 years of service to the Lodge.

Special Award. I had W.: Thomas Belt escort his father W.: Howard Belt, DSA, to the East where we expressed our gratitude and honor of having him serve as the Treasurer of this Lodge for the past 38 years. W.: Brother Howard announced earlier this year that he was going to retire as Treasurer. In lieu of this, I declared that W.: Howard J. Belt, DSA, was our Treasurer Emeritus.

### Sickness and Distress

Brothers William Scheer, George Bundoc and Mathew Gingold are having serious health issues. Keep these Brothers in your thoughts and prayers.

### Upcoming Events

September 8th will be our Annual Awards Night and a Special Program. The recipients this year are Howard Minsky, 70 years; Myron Dox and Gordon Kotzin, 55 years; Richard Snyder and Richard Beyer, 50 years; David Clarke and Herbert Spencer for 40 years; and Robert Stear and William Carr, 25 years. We are looking forward to seeing these Brothers in attendance so we may bestow their Awards upon them.

### Who to Contact

The 2009-2010 Officers were listed in the June issue of the **Masonic Times**. Here are some notes on whom to contact and for what:

R.: W.: G. Thomas Grape is your new Secretary. All correspondence and monies are to go through him. That includes announcements and paying dues. His address is 854 Latta Road, Rochester NY 14612-4016. His wife's name is Emily. Their phone number is 621-5282 and his email address is: ggrape@rochester.rr.com.

The Official Lodge address is the one in the top logo. At present,

Brother Tom and I are busy sharing information for this Office.

W.: Michael Hueston is your Senior Warden. He is in charge of receiving your reservations for Lodge events and in charge of the Telephone Calling Tree. Remember, "A reservation made is a reservation paid." Need information about an event? Contact him at cell phone 509-0606 and e-mail mph0523@frontiernet.net. His home phone number is 385-8652. His wife is Laurie. By the way, Mike is also the Lodge Brotherhood Fund Campaign Chairman.

### Dues

As of this writing, there are 15 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 sending in your Dues.

### September Birthdays

Congratulations to the following Brothers who are celebrating their birthday during the month of September. You may wish to call, visit, email or by whatever method you choose, to wish them a Very Happy Birthday. Maybe even go and have lunch with one or more.

Solomon Shinder (1st), Allen Luccitti (4th), Irving Black (7th), Grant Romer (10th), Frank Sackett (16th), Rob Steinhorth (19th) and Edward Schmitt (23rd).

### Masonic Anniversaries

Only one Brother was Raised in month of September. Congratulations to Brother Irving Black on being a member for the last 54 years.

In the future I am going to ask some of your Officers to contribute to this article. They may have more to offer. x

## Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154

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Thank you for electing me Master for the upcoming Masonic Year. I look forward to serving you in the best capacity that I can; I hope not to disappoint any of you. I thank the men who have also been elected and appointed in the various Offices, Chairs and Committees. We have a great team and need your continuing support!

This year is already shaping up to be an exciting year for the Brothers of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. We are planning a series of great programs and dinners for the entire year - programs ranging from Colonial Degree Teams to mission work in Guatemala with the Mayan Indians! We welcome everyone to join us at these program nights, usually preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Our new Line of Officers appears strong and raring to go. We will get to put our skills into action early this year as we host the first School of Ritual on August 31st! We will be exemplifying the Opening, Closing and Balloting in the Lodge. We look forward to having you as our guests that evening.

### September Meetings

At our meeting on September 14th, we will be honored to have a guest speaker, Kathleen Kutolowski, who is a History Professor at SUNY Brockport and is a Masonic Scholar. Her talk will be on the Spread of Freemasonry throughout Western New York in 1823-1827 and the impact of the Fraternity in countless communities during the Frontier Era. This was a paper she had recently researched and delivered to Second International Conference on the History of Freemasonry, which was held in Edinburgh, Scotland. We will have dinner at 6:30 p.m.; **reservations are a must!**

At our September 28th meeting, we will be doing the 1st Degree for possibly as many as four or five new Brothers! This is an exciting way to start the year, I must say!!!

### Dinner Reservations

This would be a good time to remind everyone that "a reservation made, is a reservation

paid." Your attendance is important to us and we want you there. However, making a reservation and not showing up causes undue stress on Lodge finances. The Lodge pays for the number confirmed and we expect to recover same.

### Need a Ride?

If you need a ride to Lodge, please call me at my home number 889-5932, to make arrangements.

### Building News

We have not been able to find a new tenant for our commercial space downstairs and the lack of rent is going to become a financial burden in the near future. It is an ideal place for an insurance office, a used bookstore, small clothing boutique, small marketing agency or similar use. It is one of the most heavily traveled roads in the area and has great exposure to thousands of people everyday! Even in this economy, it seems there must be someone out there who would want this prime location for their new or expanding business. If you are interested or know of someone who is interested, please contact Brother Bob Ruhland at 545-6750.

### Independence Day Parade

It is nice to see Brothers from the Lodge showing the public what we, as Masons, have meant to the birth of our Nation. On July Fourth, Joe Oelgoetz, Sean Brown, Angelo DiCataldo, Jon Getz and Roger Lynch had a float with Brothers dressed in costume as some of our Masonic Founding Fathers. Much candy was handed out, with assistance from Brother Jon Getz's daughter, Alison. The Brothers had a great deal of fun in providing the community information about the Craft and its history. We hope to have an even larger float with more Brothers participating next year.

### Sickness and Distress

Several Brothers visited Brother Gene Brown who is in the Canandaigua VA Hospital. They had a good visit and found him in good spirits and glad to see the delegation.

It is with sadness that we report the passing to the Great Architect of the Universe of the following Brothers/Widows:

Brother Arnold G. Grape passed away May 28th. Brother Grape was Initiated on May 22, 1942, Passed on June 5, 1942 and Raised on June 19, 1942, in Wakan Lodge No. 1054.

Brother Roger E. McCaughey passed away May 26th. Brother McCaughey was Initiated on April 18, 1956, Passed on May 18, 1956, and Raised on June 27, 1956, in Charleston Lodge No. 153, Charleston, WV.



Officers and Installation Ceremony Team for Valley-Simes Lodge No. 109. (Front, l to r) W.: John Faro, W.: Michael Hueston, R.: W.: Herbert Spencer, W.: David Mura, Frank Sackett. (Rear, l to r) Norris Shapiro, W.: Thomas Belt, R.: W.: Paul Gleason, R.: W.: Derek VanHouten, Charles Skopinsky, Bernard Skopinsky, W.: Glenn Stahl, Joseph DiTucci, R.: W.: G. Thomas Grape and W.: Nelson Bertch.



Representing Wakan-Hubbard Lodge with a float in the Independence Day Parade in Penfield were V.: W.: Joseph Oelgoetz, W.: Angelo DiCataldo, Allison Goetz, Jon Goetz and Sean Brown. They also distributed candy.



The Secretary announced that Brother Robert C. Adams passed to the Great Architect of the Universe on Sunday, June 7, 2009. Brother Adams was Initiated on March 1, 1968, Passed on April 5, 1968, and Raised on June 7, 1968, in Warren C. Hubbard Lodge No. 964. R.:W.: John Zabel reported that he had the privilege of awarding Brother Adams the Daniel Carter Beard Award for his services with the Boy Scouts of America.

Faith B. Anthony, widow of Brother George K. Anthony, passed away June 4th.

Mrs. Llewella Stoehr, widow of Brother Paul Stoehr, passed away July 11th at her home in Hanover, NH.

Taylor W. (Ted) Clapperton, the father of Brother Steven Clapperton, passed on May 31st.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge!

born on June 28, 1919. He was Initiated on November 18, 1940, Passed on December 2, 1940 and Raised on January 20, 1941 in John A. Robertson Lodge No. 1032. He affiliated with our Lodge on November 1, 2002. With over 68 years as an active Mason, Norm was the second longest-serving member of our Lodge. A Masonic Memorial Service was held on July 10th.

W.: Brother Floyd R. "Russ" Holmes was born on May 21, 1927. He was Initiated on September 25, 1950, Passed on October 9, 1950 and Raised on October 23, 1950 in Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 263. He was an active Mason and held offices in many Masonic groups and concordant organizations. Brother Floyd had more than 58 years as an active Mason. A Masonic Memorial Service was held on July 22, 2009.

Our sympathy and condolences to Brother Wendel Burtner, on the passing of his brother, Giles, who died July 25th at the age of 96.

**Good News**

Congratulations to our Senior Warden, Rob Buchanan, and his wife, Kellie, who became the parents of a new daughter, Morgan Gail Buchanan, on July 6th.

My beautiful wife, Helga, and I celebrated our 50th Wedding Anniversary on May 31st. It seems like only yesterday. *Tempus Fugit!*

**Recent Events**

Our Annual Lodge Family Picnic was held on June 15th at Pineway Ponds Park in Spencerport. More than 50 people, Masons, Eastern Star members and their families, gathered for a great time of socializing along with plenty of food, including



2009-2010 Officers of Unity Lodge.

hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages and chicken provided by the Lodge. A multitude of potato and macaroni salads, baked beans, scalloped potatoes and many fruits and desserts brought by members to pass and share with their friends.

We all enjoyed listening and dancing to the good old country music of Dick Spangenberg and his fellow music makers. Thanks to Richard and the boys. Also thanks to John Lemke, Jim Toogood and Helga Jamele for their work in helping to organize and get the picnic going. Thanks also to Rob Buchanan, Dan Donovan and Tim Hull for their help with the cleanup.

**Affiliation**

At our June 8th meeting, we balloted on the Petition for Affiliation of Brother Robert Borsching, who had been presented by R.:W.: Tom Paglia. Brother Borsching was duly elected to be a member.

Since Brother Borsching, an 86-year-old Disabled Veteran, is unable to leave the facility, we decided to take the By-Laws to him for signing.

On June 17th, R.:W.: Jay McCullough and I drove to the

VA Medical Center in Canandaigua. There we met R.:W.: Tom Paglia and several other Masonic War Veterans who make regular visits to patients at the facility and who, on that day, were putting on a birthday party for Masonic Veteran patients. We had W.: Brother Borsching sign the By-Laws of the Lodge and gave him a copy. We also presented him with a Masonic Bible, a lapel pin and a Unity Lodge Commemorative Medallion. He was very happy.



Brother Robert Borsching receives his Pin and a Bible from W.: John Jamele after signing the Lodge By-Laws at the VA Medical Center.

It was a most rewarding and gratifying experience for all of us.

The newly elected Officers of Unity Lodge were installed at a Public Installation on June 22nd. R.:W.: Derek Van Houten was the Installing Master, R.:W.: James De Lorenzo was Installing Marshal and R.:W.: and Reverend Paul Gleason Installing Chaplain. We thank these Brothers for a job well done with dignity and decorum.

After the ceremony, everybody adjourned to the dining hall for refreshments and socializing.

**Upcoming Events**

Tuesday, September 29th - School of Ritual, 7:30 p.m., at Clio Lodge Hall, Hilton.

**September Birthdays**

Best Wishes and many happy returns of the day to these Brothers who are celebrating birthdays in September:

Daniel B. Bragg, Raymond J. Burroughs and James A. Mitchell (2nd); George T. Gannon (3rd); Jack S. Phillips (4th); Richard Johnston (5th); Andrew H. McKay (6th); Charles P. Raab (8th); Gordon E. Davis (9th); Harvey R. Butts and Norman J. Weinreber (17th); Alfred W. Allyn and James J. Powell (18th); Edward G. Ruoff (21st); Charles F. Thibault (25th); Richard B. Kessler (26th); Robert T. Buchanan and Richard T. Padgett (29th) and John E. Evans (30th).

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

Also, if you know of any Brother in sickness or distress, please communicate whatever information you may have to me.

**UNITY**  
Lodge No. 479

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

Master  
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john1@jamele.com

Secretary  
R.:W.: Clifford Short, 225-0464  
short4us@rochester.rr.com

133 South Union Street  
Spencerport 14559

**Sad News**

Brothers, it is my sad duty to inform you of the passing of two of our Brothers this Summer - Brother Norm Gauch, DSA, and W.: Floyd Holmes.

Brother Norman E. Gauch, DSA, died on July 8th. He was

**Genesee-Wyoming**

District Deputy Grand Master - John F. Cook 237-2427

Grand Steward  
Wayne Patridge  
493-5296

Assistant Grand Lecturer  
Dennis Parmerter  
535-0595

**Olive Branch**  
Lodge No. 39, F. & A.M.

1st Wednesdays  
7:30 p.m.

Master  
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By W.: Douglas Poole

Summer, sweet Summer, you were so short and so cool. Hope you are rested for a busy Fall. Master Neil Bedford has got multiple tasks on the Trestle-board. Time to roll up your sleeves and put on your Aprons.

For at least the start of Fall, we will be meeting at the Oatka Hose Company. Andrew Lathan and John Sherman, Co-chairs, and the rest of the Building Committee have been working all Summer. I am eager to hear what they have done.

Currently we have one Candidate waiting for Degrees. It looks like we can expect two more this month. So everyone better study their parts. We will need a little help from around the District.

Lastly, we need to update our By-Laws. These include our history, also. A lot of the early actions that are assigned to Olive Branch Lodge were deeds done by the old Batavia Lodge. It was kind of hard for us to be meeting in Batavia in 1826 when we had moved to East Bethany in 1820! We have no September Birthdays. See you at Lodge.

**Oakland Lodge**  
No. 379, F. & A.M.

1st and 3rd Tuesdays  
(Jan., Feb., Mar.: 1st Tuesday only)

Master  
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768-7731  
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Secretary  
W.: Richard L. Smith  
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134 South Main Street, Castile 14427

As we are entering the Dog Days of Summer, it must mean only one thing, and I'm not talking about the change of season and what might lie ahead in the form of white precipitation. It's the beginning of a new Masonic year and time for us to gather up our Working Tools, dust them off and head back to the Quarries for another year of labors. The start of each new year

brings the hopes of another productive year across the Genesee-Wyoming District.

Oakland Lodge will be led, once again, by the same cast of Officers (characters) as last year. For those Brothers who have forgotten, here is a list of the Officers for Oakland Lodge for the ensuing year:

- Master **Kenneth Smith**
- Sr. Warden **Arthur Robinson**
- Jr. Warden **Henry Robinson**
- Treasurer **Fred Hance**
- Secretary **Richard Smith**
- Chaplain **DJ Beardsley**
- Sr. Deacon **Robert Kemp**
- Jr. Deacon **Richard Robinson**
- Sr. MC **Thomas Kemp**
- Jr. MC **Mike Rhodes**
- Steward **Daniel Hamilton**
- Marshal **Thomas Scott**
- Tiler **Keith Granger**

I would encourage all Brothers from Oakland Lodge to come and help support the Officers who have been chosen to lead your Lodge this year. This is a great honor and privilege that each of these Officers have taken upon themselves to assist in carrying on the tradition of Oakland Lodge.

**Mark Your Calendar**

Oakland Lodge will have two regularly scheduled Communications for the month of September. The first Communication will be held on **Tuesday, September 1st at 7:30 p.m.** The agenda for this Communication will be to practice the Ritual associated with the Opening and Closing of Lodge. I'm sure we will all have to brush the dust and rust off our brains after the Summer Recess.

The second Communication will be held on **Tuesday, September 15th at 7:30 p.m.** This will be a business meeting to get caught up on any old business from the end of last year and any new business of ideas or projects that we would like to accomplish this year.

I take this time to congratulate our Junior Master of Ceremonies, Worshipful Mike Rhodes. Brother Rhodes has ascended to the position of Worshipful Master of Constellation Lodge in Perry for the ensuing year. Brother Mike petitioned for Dual Membership with Oakland Lodge in April of 2003 and was welcomed with open arms. For those of you who have not had the privilege of meeting him yet, let me reassure you that he is a great asset to our Fraternity. I am very honored to call him my fellow Brother and

to serve with him as Master of our respective Lodges.

I will also take this time to thank all the Brothers from Oakland Lodge who traveled to the Batavia VA Home for our Annual Bingo Night with the Veterans this past June. A great time was had by all as we were extended the opportunity to show our gratitude to those who have sacrificed for our Country.

I hope this article finds all my fellow Brothers enjoying a happy and healthy end to the Summer. 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 get greater each day.

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

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**GRAND LODGE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH**

By R.:W.: Cary S. Cohn, *Chairman*

The Fifth Manhattan Masonic District Association Endowment Fund, Inc. has sponsored for over 45 years and has given this committee the privilege to conduct the Frank M. Totton Essay Contest.

This year's topic is:

**How can we preserve our Natural Resources?**

**Please note**, the contest is open to any high school senior who is related to a Master Mason and who anticipates entering an accredited college in the Fall of 2010. Essays are to be a minimum of 200 words - not to exceed 350 words - typed.

Essays are to be mailed to Mr. Cary Cohn, 3604 Anita Lane, Wantagh, NY 11793, post-marked no later than January 10, 2010. Essay must be accompanied with the Secretary's signature and Lodge Seal. No name is to be included on the first page of the essay! Entries not meeting these conditions will not be considered! Awards are as follows: 1st, \$1500; Second, \$1000; 3rd, \$750; 4th, \$500; 5th, \$350; 6th, \$250; 7th-10th, \$100 each. The First Prize winner usually is invited to the opening session of Grand Lodge to read their essay.



# Livingston District

District Deputy Grand Master - John Gallant 624-9629  
 Grand Steward Joseph Shanks 582-1028  
 Assistant Grand Lecturer Roy Moses 346-5117

## District Deputy Grand Master Livingston District



R. W. John Gallant  
624-9629

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I hope everyone had a good Summer, a very restful (but not too rainy) few months, and the pleasure of enjoying them with your family and friends. I had the pleasure of attending a number of Masonic events over the Summer months.

For me, the Summer kicked off with St. John's Day weekend. My wife, Debbie, and I traveled to Utica on Thursday to attend the Gordon Lightfoot Concert. It was very interesting to see one of the musical icons of my time and hear his songs live. Saturday was the St. John's Day Celebration. It was a little bit rainy, but it was good to see the other Regional DDGMs, GLSOs and Grand Line Officers and catch up with them about their future plans. Unfortunately, Grand Master M. W. Ed Gilbert, was unable to make the trip, but once again our Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Vincent Libone, did a great job presenting the Grand Master's Message.

### District at the Fair

I wish to extend my gratitude to R. W. Roy Moses, R. W. Jim Slocum and the Hemlock Fair Committee. This year the Livingston District had the opportunity to staff a booth showing off Masonry in the District. We had a few people stop by and express some interest.

This booth has the potential of being a very good way to introduce Masonry to the surrounding area. We are looking to make a few enhancements for next year. If a Brother in the District has an interest in helping us make a 5-10 minute PowerPoint loop showing off Masonry, please let me know.

One of the fun events this Summer was our 4th Annual District Summer Picnic at Ricky Green Park in Conesus. Regrettably, the rainy weather probably kept many from joining us; but those who did show up had a pleasant picnic complete with cards and lots of desserts. My thanks to R. W. Dick Trescott and his Picnic Committee for providing the grill, beverages and (best of all) "good fellowship!"

I thank all the Masters and Secretaries who took an evening out of their Summer to join R. W. Roy Moses, R. W. Joe Shanks and myself to go over our plans for the upcoming Masonic year. It is great to be starting off a new year with such a dedicated group of Masons.

### Official Visits

We will be starting our Official Visits in September and finishing them up in early November. The following is the schedule for the next few months. I

hope that our Brothers can join us as we visit our Lodges.

### September

16th - Livonia Lodge  
24th - Geneseo Lodge

### October

1st - Eunice Lodge  
6th - Nunda Station Lodge  
8th - Union Lodge  
20th - Phoenix Lodge

### November

2nd - Mt. Morris Lodge  
5th - Avon Springs Lodge

Along with our own Livingston District Visits, we are planning on visiting our neighboring District Teams on their Official Visits. We did a few of these last year and had a spectacular time visiting Lodges and meeting Brothers who are just a few miles away! If there are other Brothers from the Livingston District who might want to join us, please let me know.

As we are entering our first few weeks of this Masonic year, I know there are Lodges that are scheduling Degrees for the upcoming months. If you need any assistance, please let your District Officers know. We are willing to help out in any way.

### District Association

I remind all Brothers in the District that our first Livingston District Association meeting will be September 28th at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is being held at Avon Springs 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, plus we always have an excellent dinner!

## Grand Steward Livingston District



R. W. Joseph Shanks  
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Welcome back from a cool and wet Summer!

Congratulations to all Masters, Wardens and Officers for the 2009-2010 Masonic year. Worshipful Ronald Baylor of Livonia Lodge is the only new elected Master in the District. Good luck, Ron.

### Masonic Development Course

Getting back to work on Masonic Education, I have the dates for the *Masonic Development Course (MDC)* - November 11th, December 9th and January 13th. All classes start at 7 p.m. at Eunice Lodge in Caledonia.

### Road to the East

Road to the East dates are February 6th, 13th and 20th, 2010, starting at 9 a.m., also in Caledonia.

I think Monroe and Genesee-Wyoming Districts will join us again this year for both Courses.

The District Deputy, R. W. John Gallant, and I will be having our Official Visits in September, October and November. I am looking forward to seeing you! Thanks again for your continued support.

## Eunice Lodge No. 830



1st Thursdays  
7:30 p.m.

Master W. Rick Lafave  
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Secretary - 889-2531

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By R. W. Gordon Bell

Another Summer is coming to a close. In just a few days we will be back to labor at our Lodges.

### Air Show Fundraiser

Our fundraiser was a semi-success at the Geneseo Air Show. On Saturday we had to battle Mother Nature with winds and rain. By 11 a.m. the Show was stopped and people left without their pulled pork sandwiches. On Sunday, we were very busy. This year, with a shortage of manpower, we had Geneseo Lodge join forces with us and it worked out very well.

### Official Visit

Our District Deputy, R. W. John Gallant, and his team will have their Official Visit on October 1st at 7:30 p.m. Hope to see you there that night to greet John and Joe.

### Reminder ...

While going over our membership records, I have found that a few members of Eunice have not paid their 2009 Dues yet. If there is a problem that you are unable to pay, please let Rick Lafave or myself know. I can be contacted at 889-2531 or email at: [gbell14546@aol.com](mailto:gbell14546@aol.com).

### Support OES

In September, the Caledonia Chapter No. 451, Order of the Eastern Star, will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary. I should have details sometime in September.

In case you have forgotten, we meet on the first Thursday of the month on the 3rd floor of the Big Stone Building at the Monument in Caledonia.

## Ontario/Seneca/Yates

District Deputy Grand Master - Ronald Galens (315) 548-3453  
 Grand Director of Ceremonies William A. Valois III (315) 568-2000  
 Assistant Grand Lecturers Bruce Huie (315) 789-2985 Clayton Ruggles (315) 548-3573

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



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Welcome back to another exciting year of Freemasonry. Most of the Trestleboards are in and it looks like it is going to be a busy one.

## Livonia Lodge Benefit Golf Tournament Saturday September 19th at Conesus Golf Club

Registration - 10:30 a.m.  
4-Person Scramble, Shotgun Start - 11:30 a.m.  
Dinner and Prizes - 5 p.m.

Tournament Packages - \$50 per Golfer Includes:

18-Hole Greens Fees and Cart  
Steak Dinner  
Prizes, Raffles, Awards

Guests Welcome - Dinner only \$20

Contests for:

- Hole-in-One
- Longest Drive
- Closest to the Pin
- Hit the Green

### \*\*\* Patron Sponsorship Opportunities \*\*\*

Gold Sponsor - \$300

Published Acknowledgement, Hole Sign, Golf, Lunch and Dinner for One Foursome

Silver Sponsor - \$200

Published Acknowledgement, Hole Sign, Golf, Lunch and Dinner for Two Golfers

Hole Sponsor - \$50

Published Acknowledgement and Hole Sign

Tournament limited to first 120 paid golfers.  
Registration and payment Due by September 14th.  
Contact: Richard Trescott (585) 226-9042  
email: [rtrescot@frontiernet.net](mailto:rtrescot@frontiernet.net)

Route 15, 1 Pine Alley,  
Conesus (585) 346-2100  
[www.conesusgolfclub.com](http://www.conesusgolfclub.com)



## Registration Form

### Golfers:

- Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_
- Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_
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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Registration & Payment due by September 14th

experience and knowledge. Thank you for your dedication.

### Study Club

The O/S/Y Study Club met in June. Our topic was "Mormons in Masonry." The Grand Historian, R. W. James Rice led the festivities for the evening.

Our next Study Club meeting is September 30th. The topic will be announced at a later date. All are invited to attend.

Official Visits will be starting late in the season because of the Masonic Cruise September 19th thru the 26th. I wish we could be there, but my wife and I will be in Florida, awaiting the birth of our third grandson.

Special recognition should be given to a group of Brothers who have gotten together and saved Milo Lodge in Penn Yan. Thanks to the dedication of a few Masonic Brothers, the future of Milo Lodge has improved. It is an example of what can happen when a Lodge practices basic Masonic Ritual. The Officers





# Damascus News

Damascus Shrine Center No. 2

September 2009

**Shrine and Divan Meetings**

**Dinner Reservations Required**

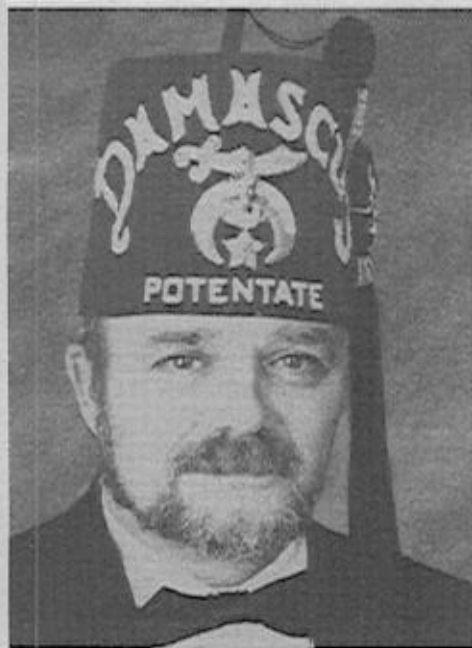
**Call: (585) 671-7701 or (585) 671-3565 by Monday NOON**

**Shrine Office Hours**

**Monday — Friday**

**9:30 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.**

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



**BRUCE CHILTON  
POTENTATE**

**A Busy Summer**

The Summer has been active for Damascus Shriners, as I'm certain you're well aware. Every Friday night we have sponsored what has become a very well known Cruz Night. This idea is the baby of our PR Chairman, Paul Kolacki, and it is an idea that just continues to grow, helping Damascus in a variety of ways. Paul is also a disc jockey on 102.7 Legends, and he constantly advertises the Cruz Night and the good we do as Shriners.

There are many Nobles, their Ladies and families, who have come out and helped; we couldn't do it without them. I won't mention names because I surely will miss someone, but you know who you are and we owe you a big thank you.

Early in the Summer, the Divan voted to support this effort by purchasing a commercial fryer for the purpose of serving Fish Frys, as well as Italian Sausages, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and sundry items like Salt Potatoes and Butter. To date, we are averaging 50-60 Fish Frys a night, which is beyond our expectations. We have also gained a lot of great exposure for Damascus Shriners. Many people who didn't know the Shrine even existed, now know who we are and what we do. It is a great program and very successful and will surely become a mainstay for Damascus.

**Fish Frys Continue ...**

The intent is to continue to serve Friday Fish Frys throughout October, which is past the dates of the Cruz Nights. I encourage you to come out to the Shrine Center, have a great dinner for \$8.00 and support your Shriners. Friends and guests are encouraged to stop in.

There have been many parties and events this Summer; I hope everyone has had a chance to have camaraderie with other Nobles and their Ladies. The common bond and social activities are the cement that glues this Organization together. I know that I, along with the rest of the Divan, have been busy and have been able to be present at most activities, but not all.

In lieu of a Potentate's Ball and a Summer Picnic, we held a Clambake on August 15th. Kevin Faro chaired this event and did an incredible job. There was a Blue Grass Band and the atmosphere was causal. The food was awesome and a great time was had by all. Our Chief Rabban liked it so much, he changed the date and format of his Potentate's Ball to a format that will simulate the Clambake. He already has booked the famous "Sky Coasters" for entertainment.

**See You in September**

In September, we start out with a Shrine meeting on the 2nd, where you will get to catch up on what your fellow Nobles have been up to all Summer. We will be reporting the results of the very important decisions that were made at the 2009 Imperial Convention in San Antonio. Come and see the building improvements that have been made, from the purchase of a commercial fryer, to sanding and painting the dining room, new parking signs and refinishing the front entrance doors.

September 12th we have a call-out for a parade in Livonia. The line-up time is 9:30 a.m. and step-off time is 11:00 a.m. in the Village on Summer Street. The organizers told me they would make a donation to Damascus Shriners and I asked that the donation go to the Hospitals. I hope to see many of you at this parade.

**Benefit Concert**

September 20th is a very special event for Damascus Shriners. Our Chief Rabban, Tom Vasile, has enlisted the help of friends to benefit our organization.

**Benefit Concert**

**for the Damascus Shriners  
Sunday, September 20th at 7 p.m.  
at Carey Hall at Carey Lake  
Starring Cliff Yates  
([www.cliffyates.com](http://www.cliffyates.com))**

I encourage everyone to come to this special event.

Cliff Yates is going way beyond what we can expect to help Damascus. We can show our thanks by filling the place. Please come with other Shriners and friends and enjoy this special evening.

**Noble Bring-a-Friend Night**

October 17th - On this date we will hold a Noble Bring-a-Friend Program. We are pleased to announce that we will have Marty Sheedy as our featured guest. Marty will be coming in with his mom. Marty has developed a special walk that is called Sissorsgait. He developed this as a Shriners Hospital patient. Marty was so happy with what Shriners did for him that he became a Shriner and travels around to tell our story as it has affected him.

We have already created 32 new Nobles in the John Wihlen Class and have 7 Petitions as of this writing. We hope to match the Spring calls. That will assure Damascus of a membership gain, which hasn't happened in many years. Please help us obtain that goal by inviting Masons and non-Masons alike, as bringing new men into Masonry is planting a seed for Shriners as well.

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## DIRECTORS STAFF

By Vance Collom, Secretary

We hope everyone enjoyed the cool Summer and survived some of the flooding we have had. A big thank you goes to our President, Ron Edwards, who keeps the meetings running smoothly and to Director, Lee Coller, for his help at each meeting. I hope everyone comes out to enjoy some of the many Shrine activities coming up this Fall.

There is a Shrine Ceremonial Degree scheduled for October. The Directors Staff members are urged to come out

early, greet the new Nobles and help with the skits after the Ceremonial Degree.

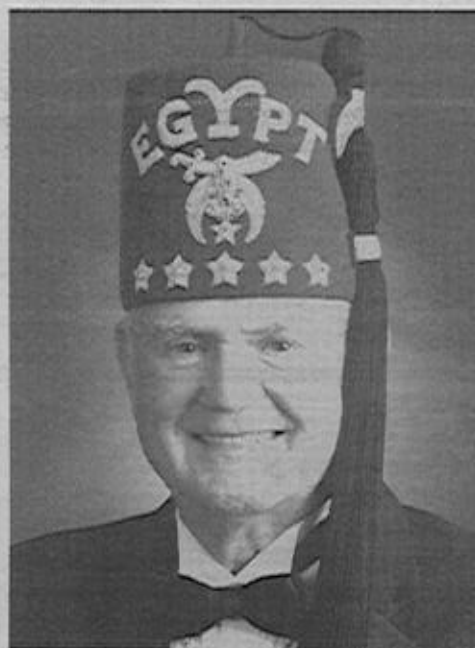
Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 23rd at the Yellow Mills Diner, 2534 Route 31, Palmyra. New members, ladies and guests are welcome. Social time is 5:30 p.m. and dinner is at 6 p.m. Casual attire.

RSVP to Vance Collom -217-9817 by September 21st.

Please note a new email address: [vcollom1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:vcollom1@rochester.rr.com)

Until next time, God Bless!

## Jack H. Jones Elected Imperial Potentate



**Jack H. Jones, Imperial Potentate**

During the 2009 Imperial Council Session, held in San Antonio, July 5th-9th, Jack H. Jones of St. Petersburg, FL, was elected the Imperial Potentate of Shriners International, making him the highest-ranking Shriner in the world. In this role, he serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors for Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Jones served on the Elected Divan of Egypt Shriners in Tampa, FL, prior to being elected Imperial Recorder in 1979. As Imperial Recorder, he served on the Board of Directors for the Fraternity as

well as Shriners Hospitals for Children. His responsibilities included serving as a liaison to Masonic-related groups. He has served in this role for the past 30 years, prior to being elected Imperial Potentate. Jones has worked as Director of Membership Development and Masonic Relations at Shriners International Headquarters in Tampa since 1981.

Jones is a recipient of several Grand Lodge awards: the Benjamin Franklin Medal from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania; the Henry Price Medal from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and the Andrew Jackson Medal from the Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

His Masonic affiliations include Egypt Shriners, Hillsborough Lodge No. 25, F.& A.M., Tampa York Rite, Tampa Scottish Rite, Red Cross of Constantine, Order of Quetzalcoatl and National Sojourners. He is a 33° Scottish Rite Mason, Inspector General Honorary and a recipient of the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor. He is an Emeritus member of the DeMolay International Supreme Council and a recipient of the DeMolay Grand Cross. In 2006, he was presented the Imperial Potentate's Award of Merit, which is the highest honor in the Shriners Fraternity. He was elected honorary Grand Master of DeMolay International in 2009.



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**PERRY  
SHRINE CLUB**

*By Alice Anderson*

We had such a nice time at The Hole In The Wall for the Perry Shrine Club meeting. Oscar Wilson, our representative, couldn't make it, but arranged for Ken Milner to be there.

Our speaker, Ann Humphrey, is the Project Manager at Horizon Wind Energy. Horizon Wind Energy develops, constructs, owns and operates wind farms throughout the United States. It is based in Houston, with regional offices in New York and five other states. They operate over 1,500 Megawatts of wind farms. Horizon is owned by Energias de Portuga, the largest utility in Portugal.

Each wind farm produces clean, renewable energy. Before they develop a wind farm, they do many studies on the wetlands, wildlife, soil, transmission capability, landowner and community effects. They need a minimum of 40 acres due to setbacks, etc. These studies take approximately 1-2 years (typically, for a new shopping mall to come into play, it would be approximately a 6-month study). They attempt to lease or obtain an option-to-lease from the landowner and then make agreements with community and with neighbors who might be involved. The homeowner receives a percentage of the royalties and the community and neighbors are also compensated.

Once the foundation is in, they can install two turbines a day. The top of the tower makes the electricity. It has little impact on the land of the farmer. He might need to reconfigure his planting rows, but not a lot of area is disturbed.

The turbines are connected by wires and are brought together at a substation and hooked to a power grid - the power distribution infrastructure for New York State. The voltage is then brought up to whatever the transmission is for that area (example Perry is

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**September Birthdays**

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| William S. Amber        | Charles H. Holliday   | William H. Rindfleisch |
| Dennis R. Andrews       | Donald R. Jenks       | Charles Roberts        |
| Dwight H. Andrews       | C. Lee Johnson        | George Romanyshyn      |
| Alan J. Bartholomew     | Norman J. Johnstone   | James Ryan             |
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| Eric Carlston           | Richard E. MacConnell | Raymond A. Sipple      |
| James Champagne         | Ronald A. Mack        | C. Acker Smith         |
| Ted M. Cisco            | Richard A. Marchner   | Scott W. Smith         |
| Myron N. Colegrove      | Douglas P. Mason      | Joseph Steffen         |
| Lee L. Collier          | Patrick T. McBride    | Rob Steinorth          |
| Fredric F. Cornell      | Eugene A. Melville    | Harold C. Stewart      |
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| Donald F. Davis         | Gregori Monoenko      | Frank A. Valente       |
| Ernest H. Day           | Sean R. Noonan        | John A. Venuti         |
| David L. Denz           | Joseph D. Nye         | Paul A. Vick           |
| C. William Fitch        | William W. Patterson  | Sanford A. Ward        |
| Arnold W. Frear         | Lawrence Peters       | Stephen E. Werner      |
| John R. Frost           | Terry L. Pickett      | Robert T. Wise         |
| John B. Henderson       | Richard J. Ponticello | James R. Witt          |
| William C. Hockenberger | James J. Powell       | John G. Wright         |



Those who gathered for the Summer Picnic at Hollwedel's (kneeling) Debi and Gary Burke; front row (l-r) Dee Curtis, Jane and Bill Kershaw, Phil and Avis Cox, Joyce Kelly, Howard Wood, Rose and Ralph Cox and Mary Louise Hollwedel; back row (l-r) Bob and Alice Anderson, Russ and Mary Gillett, Vickie and Bob Cox, Bill Gross, Judy and Derek VanHouten, Phyllis Lynch and Ed Hollwedel.

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## SHRINEABILIA

By Derek VanHouten

We have, in the Shrine, a very dedicated Noble and Brother who enjoys passing along historical information to me on occasion. Recently, he passed along a 1912 pamphlet from Lu Lu Temple.

When we went to the Imperial Session in San Antonio this past July, I took it with me and looked up the Potentate from Lu Lu. He was very pleased that we had taken the time to look them up and present it to them.

At the Joint Investiture Service, this Noble said he had something he wanted to pass along to me and that it would "knock my socks off." I had no idea what that could be. He opened his trunk and pulled out two brown canvas tubes that looked like fishing pole storage bags. But, lo and behold, they were two flag staffs he had taken the time to restore to near mint condition. The two flags were from the old Horse Patrol Era. One was a "guide on" that was originally red, edged with gold fringe, that was used with the Horse Patrol. The other flag was a triangular, gold-bordered with purple on its own staff.

Once again, Brother and Noble Charlie White has blown me away with his generosity in passing along to the Shrine these historical items that are so unique. Thank you, Charlie.

## Introducing First Lady Charlene McGuire



First Lady Charlene McGuire is the wife of the late Terry McGuire, who was slated to become the 2009-2010 Imperial Potentate of Shriners International, a Fraternity of approximately 360,000 members in the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the Republic of Panama. Although her husband passed away earlier this year, she will assume the role of First Lady during this Imperial Year.

### Fraternal Affiliations

First Lady Charlene is a member of the Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America and the Daughters of the Nile. She was previously a member of the Harp and Shamrock Society. In addition, she has been a long-time member of the Oxford United Methodist Church in San Antonio, where she has served on a number of committees. She's also a member of the United Methodist Women and an active volunteer for several of the group's community and charitable efforts.

In addition to her two children, First Lady Charlene has four grandchildren.

### Background

The youngest of seven children, First Lady Charlene was born in San Antonio, TX, and raised on dairy farms in Charlotte and Von Ormy, TX. After graduating from Somerset High School, she worked at USAA, and later attended Texas A&I University, now Texas A&M University, in Kingsville, TX, where she majored in Elementary Education. It was there that she met Terry, and they married after his graduation in 1957.

The couple lived in Somerset, TX, and eventually settled in San Antonio. While Terry taught school and earned his Master's Degree, First Lady Charlene was a substitute teacher and returned to college to continue work on her undergraduate degree. After the birth of their two children, Janice and Patrick, she became involved in her children's activities and was a devoted volunteer in their school's Parent Teacher Association.

She later had a career as a real estate agent and was part owner of a San Antonio women's clothing store, Ann's Boutique, for 10 years.

### Fundraising Project

First Lady Charlene's fundraising program, "Giving the Gift of Hope, Life and Dreams," will benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children's Emergency Transportation Fund for burn patients. The fund covers transportation costs for burn patients throughout North America who need treatment at a Shriners Hospitals for Children specializing in burn care.

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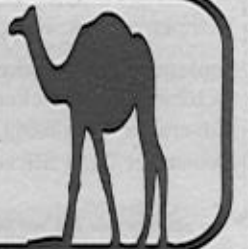
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June 8, 2009

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## Summer Calendar Winners

### May

DAY	NO.	WINNER
5/1	648	Damascus Shrine Center
5/2	679	Damascus Shrine Center
5/3	223	James Nunez
5/4	242	Rory Burns
5/5	633	Damascus Shrine Center
5/6	426	Cindy Horn
5/7	698	Guy Kio
5/8	509	Damascus Shrine Center
5/9	294	Sandra Vasquez
5/10	072	Tammy Kleehammer
5/11	779	Damascus Shrine Center
5/12	013	Dan Swan
5/13	378	Deborah Sweeney
5/14	388	Doug Haskin
5/15	794	Patricia DeMocko
5/16	000	Nicole Jackson
5/17	918	Debbie Hawley
5/18	844	Dan Lynch
5/19	544	Doug Dennison
5/20	746	Larry Cooper
5/21	732	Lucille Cooley
5/22	215	Norris Shapiro
5/23	735	Damascus Shrine Center
5/24	013	Dan Swan
5/25	669	Damascus Shrine Center
5/26	914	Linda Cleavland
5/27	952	Damascus Shrine Center
5/28	022	William Learn
5/29	383	Lance Ward
5/30	076	Cynthia Fitzgerald
5/31	726	Steve Jones

### June

DAY	NO.	WINNER
6/1	813	Damascus Shrine Center
6/2	310	Jim McDonald
6/3	034	Brenda Monroe
6/4	082	Bob Stone
6/5	793	Randall Agraza
6/6	665	Mary Hale
6/7	300	Jeffery Wasserman
6/8	220	Damascus Shrine Center
6/9	594	John Merz
6/10	523	Terry Allen
6/11	269	Damascus Shrine Center
6/12	962	Damascus Shrine Center
6/13	796	Rick Kurtz
6/14	135	Kim Dudrak
6/15	732	Lucille Cooley
6/16	738	Damascus Shrine Center
6/17	474	Damascus Shrine Center
6/18	038	Damascus Shrine Center
6/19	431	Cathy Wells
6/20	721	Damascus Shrine Center
6/21	708	Judith Nagel
6/22	685	Gerald Stanton
6/23	934	Jean Guy
6/24	830	Damascus Shrine Center
6/25	494	Damascus Shrine Center
6/26	823	Damascus Shrine Center
6/27	343	Helen Dilts
6/28	195	Dick Maloney
6/29	836	Julie Clancy
6/30	492	Linda Zahn

### July

DAY	NO.	WINNER
7/1	862	Damascus Shrine Center
7/2	231	Nick Tahou's
7/3	922	Damascus Shrine Center
7/4	981	Deborah Green
7/5	980	Kevin Feor
7/6	254	Bruce Ruthyen
7/7	489	Steven Howard
7/8	273	Lucille Cooley
7/9	677	Damascus Shrine Center
7/10	942	Damascus Shrine Center
7/11	593	Damascus Shrine Center
7/12	469	Robert Stookey
7/13	573	Damascus Shrine Center
7/14	653	Jesse Pollard
7/15	751	Damascus Shrine Center
7/16	507	Matthew Frackelton
7/17	983	Damascus Shrine Center
7/18	493	Damascus Shrine Center
7/19	652	Edna Bucholz
7/20	066	Howard Bailey
7/21	217	Louise Damick
7/22	775	Damascus Shrine Center
7/23	799	Damascus Shrine Center
7/24	007	Marty Weingateen
7/25	632	Judy Fisher
7/26	122	Terry Blatchley
7/27	884	Alice Anderson
7/28	125	Frank Casora
7/29	693	Ronald Bayer
7/30	511	Damascus Shrine Center
7/31	108	Russell Gillett

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## DAMASCUS TRESTLEBOARD 2009

### SEPTEMBER

- 2nd - Shrine Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 12th - Wheelers 2nd Annual Niagara Falls Ride
- 15th - Canandaigua Shrine Club
- 20th - Comedy Night at Carey Lake
- 24th - Perry Shrine Club Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m., Lumberyard
- 25th & 26th - NYOSA; Lake George, NY
- 26th - 12 a.m. Party on the Cabana  
Cruise Nights, 5-8 p.m. Every Friday Night ...  
4th, 11th, 18th and 25th

### OCTOBER

- 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
- 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
- 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](http://www.damascusshriners.org) ... It's the best Website in Shrinedom!!!

#### 2009 Dinners for the Wednesday Night Shrine Meetings

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

- \$10 per person; Reservations Required! - Call the Shrine Office - (585) 671-7701
- September 2nd - Baked Ham
- October 7th - Chicken Parmesan
- November 4th - BBQ Chicken & Ribs
- December 2nd - Sliced Sirloin & Gravy

Note: Chicken may be substituted for those not eating the pork entrées. Notify the Shrine Office when making the reservation.

By Andy Rueby

### Perry Shrine Club

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230 but in the state of Alabama, it is 115). The towers are designed to not exceed 55 mph. They shut down over that speed or otherwise they would break.

It costs approximately \$2 million each and an annual maintenance of \$50,000 yearly on the generators. The average life is probably 25 years but they base their financing estimates on 20 years. When they take them down, everything is sold for scrap. When the towers are removed, the land is returned to its original state. The vertical height is 403' - 415'. A determination from the FAA is made that the towers stay out of flight paths for approximately 3 miles.

California put up some of these towers about 20 years ago for irrigation, etc. It is now estimated that technology has advanced so that 100 of the old towers would produce the power that one of the towers now produces! During the last eight years, the U.S. has really started developing these wind farms. Europe has been doing this for over 20 years and is now working on offshore development for new towers.

At this point we don't have the technology for deep-water construction, but when this occurs here, it will probably start in the Great Lakes and Long Island areas, since the water is shallower there. Twenty percent of Denmark's power comes from the wind. Texas is Number One in generator of wind power in the U.S., with Minnesota and Illinois following.

On June 25th, we had a great time at Silver Lake Country Club. Oscar made balloon creations to add to some door prizes. The weather cooperated after a thunderstorm in the afternoon. The lake was beautiful and then just before we closed we had a terrific thunder and lightning storm with a rainbow. What more we could we ask for?

The Summer wouldn't be complete without our Summer Picnic at Ed and Mary Louise Hollwedel's home. The weather cooperated and 25 people attended and shared great food and camaraderie.

We are looking forward to our September 24th gathering at The Lumberyard. We gather at 6 p.m. and eat at approximately 7 p.m. Hope to see everyone there.

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## A Message from the Imperial Potentate, Jack H. Jones

Dear Nobles,

Thank you for this tremendous opportunity to serve as your Imperial Potentate this year. I have devoted much of my life to this Organization, and I am truly honored to be elected for this role.

As Imperial Potentate, I will be sharing my theme, "Unity Wins," with as many people as possible during the next year. I chose this theme because it represents the ideology behind Shriners International. Our forefathers created our Fraternity in 1872 to bring Masonic Brothers together for fun and fellowship. In 1922, we made a commitment to help kids and that tradition is alive and thriving today. Truly, we are united by the commonalities we share.

The definition of unity in the dictionary is "the state of being one." Although we are obviously a diverse group of people, we share a vision that has joined us as Brothers. If we focus on our purpose and work together instead of against each other, the ability to achieve our goals becomes easier. Success becomes more obtainable and our organization becomes stronger. To put it simply, unity wins.

As Shriners, it is important to embrace the fun and fellowship that our Fraternity provides. It is also vital we embrace our Masonic roots, and the Masonic principles of Brotherly love, relief and truth that prevail over all Masonic Organizations. These principles are the underlying tenants we should practice not only in our Temples, but in our daily lives. By

applying these principles, we become better human beings and attract others to us and as a consequence, to the Shriners Fraternity. We become better friends, better husbands, better fathers, better employees and better people.

Though I know we are all familiar with these principles, I think it is wise to remind ourselves every so often of their true meanings. For example, Masonry emphasizes that truth is a divine attribute and the foundation of every virtue. It is a vital requirement if a Brotherhood is to endure and we, therefore, must make this principle paramount as we tackle some of the biggest challenges we've ever faced as a Fraternity.

To overcome these challenges, a successful organization needs good leaders to guide us. We need leaders who exemplify our Masonic principles, and strive for unity with other leaders of Masonic-affiliated bodies. I believe we have these types of leaders in our Organization, and I ask you to trust in them. Change can be frightening, but it is also necessary to ensure the survival of Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children. From my experience serving on the Joint Boards, I can assure you that the best interest of the Fraternity and health care system is always paramount in the decision-making process.

As many of you know, my office has been located at Shriners International Headquarters in Tampa for the past 30 years. In this time, I have found the men

and women who work here are individuals who believe in our mission. Their ultimate goal is to help and support the Fraternity and our hospitals, and I have watched them work long hours to amplify our efforts as Shriners.

In particular, I emphasize what a great asset the Membership and Public Relations Departments can be to your Temple when properly utilized. In addition to their day-to-day activities, they provide tremendous opportunities for learning and growth by communicating valuable information and organizing seminars for Shriners throughout the year. I encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities by sending the most appropriate people for the respective jobs within your Temple to give them the opportunity to become better leaders. They have also developed useful tools, including videos and materials of all kinds to aid our Temples.

In closing, I ask you to have faith in the Shriners Organization, its leaders and in one another. Though we may have different ideas about which direction to go or how to solve our problems, we must remain Brothers and keep our ultimate goals in mind. We may face trials and tribulations, but if we work through them as a team, we will prevail. Alternatively, if we split into factions, as history has revealed, we will surely fail.

I hope you will carry my "Unity Wins," theme with you wherever you go. If you are thinking positively about what lies

ahead, you will set the tone for the future of our Fraternity and health care system. I truly believe that embracing unity will help us work together in the most effective and successful way to achieve the best possible outcomes for our Fraternity and our philanthropy, Shriners Hospitals for Children. Unity wins - together we will reach our goals.

Fraternally yours,  
**Jack H. Jones**  
Imperial Potentate  
Shriners International



Jack H. Jones, Imperial Potentate





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## Zama Temple No. 14

### Queen Nancy Lynch

By Ellie Canfield, P.Q.

Zama Temple started their Summer with a trip to London, Ontario, Canada for Supreme Sessions with nine in attendance. It was a busy, fun-filled week with many Amendments on which to vote.

Those who worked in the DON Foundation Charitable Giving Booth were very busy as there was a new pin this year "Called for the Children" which is only \$20; a note holder with a Lucite base with a rose that will light for \$15; and a new ornament called "Hatasu" for \$20. All of these items can be purchased through Charitable Giving by calling Betty Nohle. You will not only just love these new items, but you will be helping the children.

There was a beautiful Installation of our new Supreme Queen, Vesta Marshall, and all of her Supreme Officers. Zama Temple has been very fortunate to have three Supreme Appointees - Vicky Ball as Supreme Temple Banner Escort; Carolyn Noble, Supreme Temple American Flag Escort; and Lutgarda Houston, Supreme Temple Canadian Flag Escort.

On July 20th, Zama Temple was visited by our new Supreme Queen; we held a Ceremonial, honoring a new member into Zama Temple. We welcome Pr. Patricia Pearson.

#### Upcoming Events

September 10th-12th will be North East Days in Utica, where all of the North Eastern Nile Ladies get together for a fun-filled time. This year there will be tours, a mini "Shop 'til you drop" Market and a Charitable Giving setup.

October 10th will be "Scarecrow Festival" in Fairport and Zama Temple will again take part by having items for sale and our famous "Chili." We will need Ladies to help as that also is our regular Session Day. If you can help, please give either Vicky Ball or Carol Colegrove a call.

October 24th we will be honoring Damascus First Lady with a luncheon and fashion show at Burgundy Basin. See the ad in this issue of the *Damascus News*.

#### Charitable Giving Information Mission Statement

The purpose of the Supreme Temple Charitable Giving Committee is to Educate, Encourage and Enthuse.

**Educate** the members of Daughters of the Nile about Charitable Giving and what it means to our Organization. Instruct them in the selection of the various levels of contributions that are available in the "My Gift Incentive Program."

**Encourage** the members of the Daughters of the Nile to adopt a Portfolio of Giving by annually participating in more than one of the opportunities offered through the "My Gift Incentive Program."

**Enthuse** the members of Daughters of the Nile about understanding a total program of giving ... CEF (Convalescent Endowment Fund) where only the interest is transferred to CRF (Convalescent Relief Fund) and remembering either or both in their Will or Trust.

Next month I will write on MEMBERSHIP. Until then, enjoy the remainder of our wet Summer and the beginning of Fall. I now leave you with ... "Nothing cures like time and love."

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## DIRECTORS STAFF

By Vance Collom, Secretary

We hope everyone enjoyed the cool Summer and survived some of the flooding we have had. A big thank you goes to our President, Ron Edwards, who keeps the meetings running smoothly and to Director, Lee Coller, for his help at each meeting. I hope everyone comes out to enjoy some of the many Shrine activities coming up this Fall.

There is a Shrine Ceremonial Degree scheduled for November. The Directors Staff members are urged to come out early, greet the new Nobles and help with

the skits after the Ceremonial Degree. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 23rd 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. Casual attire.

RSVP to Vance Collom - 217-9817 by September 21st.

Please note a new email address:  
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Until next time, God Bless!

## AUBURN SHRINE CLUB

By David Bowman

So how busy was your Summer? One thing we can't say is that now we will have cooler temperatures because we've had cooler temperatures most of the Summer.

June found the Club celebrating at Devaney's Riverside Grill - a first-time experience. We were treated royally and look forward to meeting there again. Thanks, Larry, for setting things up. The program included photos from 9/11 and was as if we were actually there.

The August Steak Roast and Picnic was hosted by Ken Pollard. Each year it is an event that no one should miss. The invitation was sent via "snail mail" as there were some people who weren't getting the emails. I hope if, in the future, you haven't been getting email messages, you will send me an email at:

[dp49b@verizon.net](mailto:dp49b@verizon.net)

then I will have your proper address.

Using emails saves our Club expenses \$17 a month. That is money we can use to help our hospitals.

#### Speaking of the Hospitals ...

When I was at church in August, one

of the young women of the church came up and asked if I saw the aluminum tabs on the table. She then went on to say that her daughter was at Summer Camp and took the tab off her aluminum can. A boy asked her why she did it and she explained. For two weeks he went all over the Camp collecting any and all tabs. I now get to attend the Shrine Club and present six quarts of tabs!

In June the Shrine Club participated in the 1st Annual Founders Day Parade in Auburn. Paul and Sandy Schenck drove the tractor, some Shriners and their wives rode on the wagon and some walked and handed out candy. Paul thinks he drove, but we all know who was giving the directions!

#### Next Meeting

September is going to be a dish-to-pass dinner. Notices will be coming soon. Larry Pritchard will be heading up this meeting.

So keep collecting those tabs, put September 21st on your calendar, and come join the friendship at the Shrine Club meetings.



Auburn Shrine Club participating in 1st Founders Day Parade in Auburn





**Bruce Chilton, Potentate**  
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### Fall Ceremonial

November 14th - This day will be full of camaraderie, great celebration and good food. We will be holding the We are pleased to announce this class is being named in honor of Noble Joe Minas.

Joe has always been a huge supporter of all Damascus Shrine events. Joe worked for the Shrine Center and continues to do so. He is, and has, always been there and the Divan is very pleased to bestow this honor upon him.

Joe is deserving of this recognition and we are looking for a very successful **Joe Minas Ceremonial Class**.

### Circus in 2010

We are making plans for the 2010 Circus, which will be held on February 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th.

The Circus will be moved to the Dome Arena in Henrietta. Kevin Faro will be the Manpower Chairman and Jim Kahn has agreed to handle the novelties. Terry Whilen, as Treasurer, will handle all financial issues for this Circus. We will not need nearly as many workers as we did at the Blue Cross Arena because we aren't able to do as much.

We will NOT be selling food at this Circus, as that is the sole propriety of the Dome. We will be able to sell novelties and will receive a percentage of the parking fees, although we won't be required to work the lots.

We will be able to profice some security, although not the amount we typically have. The amount of money will be much less than usual, due to the lack of food concessions. This will be a different format for us, but we expect it will be fruitful. I would expect that, if we don't make a profit this time, we would (more than likely) not have any more Circuses. I am confident, though, that will not be the case. We will keep you informed as the dates get closer.

I hope to see many of you at these events and Club and Unit meetings in between. Thank you for all you do and thank you all for your continued support of the International Shrine and, specifically, Damascus Shrine Center.

God Bless the Kids.

## Support Shriners Hospitals for Children



Shriners Hospitals for Children™

## Shriners Hospitals Rated One of the Most-Trusted Nonprofits

Shriners Hospitals for Children ranked as one of the top three most-trusted nonprofit organizations in a recent survey of wealthy individuals conducted by the Luxury Institute, an independent research firm.

The New York City-based Luxury Institute conducts a variety of impartial surveys and research to guide and educate extremely affluent individuals and the companies that market to them on trends, net-worth consumer rankings, and ratings of luxury brands and best practices.

"This was the first year the Institute conducted its Luxury Brand Trust Index survey of non-profit organizations," said Martin Swanson, the firm's Vice-President of business development.

Shriners Hospitals for Children ranked third among the most-trusted non-profits. Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

It is natural to associate the fez with Shriners Hospitals for Children. Because of this, meticulous attention must be given to all fundraising activities, including circuses, to make certain that such activities comply with the law of the land and that a contributor is not led to believe his money will be used for the Hospitals when all or a portion thereof will be used otherwise. The integrity of our charity and of our Fraternity must remain above reproach.

Your specific attention is called to the following fraternal and charitable by-laws:

### §335.3 Use of Name "Shriners Hospitals for Children"

The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any fundraising activity by a Temple or Noble without the written consent of the Imperial Potentate and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Hospitals is prohibited.

§503.10 The use of the name "Shriners Hospitals for Children" or reference to the Hospitals in connection with any commercial product or business enterprise is prohibited unless the written consent of the Board of Directors and Trustees has been first obtained.

Now, therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

### 1. Fundraising for Fraternal Purposes:

(a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), Club, Unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any fundraising activity without the express written consent of the potentate of the temple having jurisdiction thereof.

(b) There can be no representation, express or implied, that the proceeds will be for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

(c) The Temple Potentate shall carefully examine all phases of the advertising, promotion and solicitation to determine that it complies with §335.3 and §503.10 of the fraternal and charitable by-laws.

(d) The Temple Potentate must approve the terms and provisions of any contract for a fundraising activity after receiving the advice of the temple attorney, and additionally, as may be required by the temple by-laws.

(e) A copy of the Temple Potentate's written consent shall be mailed to the Executive Vice-President, Imperial Council. Further, such written material pertaining to the fundraising activity, as requested by the Executive Vice-President, Imperial Council shall be promptly mailed to him.

ranked first, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital ranked second.

"Being recognized as one of the top most-trusted non-profit organizations demonstrates that the medical care provided by Shriners Hospitals is highly regarded and respected," said Ralph Semb, President and Chief Executive Officer of Shriners Hospitals for Children. "That's a great honor for us."

A sample of 1,666 consumers with an average income of \$348,000 and an average net worth of \$3.7 million was asked to participate in the on-line survey. Respondents rated 41 national non-profit organizations on several factors, including trustworthiness for delivering superior quality, customer service, being innovators and leaders, using the highest legal, ethical and moral standards, and being good corporate citizens. Fourteen of the non-

### 2. Fundraising for Charitable Purposes:

(a) No Noble (in his capacity as a Shriner), club, unit, organization of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations shall engage in any charitable fundraising activity other than for Shriners Hospitals for Children, and said activity shall not be in the jurisdiction of any other temple. Permission, therefore, must be first obtained in writing from the Temple Potentate. The Temple Potentate must then obtain written permission from the Chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees. This request for written permission shall be sent to the Executive Vice-President, Imperial Council, PO Box 31356, Tampa, FL 33631-3356.

However, a joint charitable fundraising activity with another §501(c)(3) charity may be authorized provided that a minimum of 50% of the net proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children, and the Chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees determine, on a case by case basis, that it is in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children and they grant their written permission for the activity.

(b) 100% of net proceeds (as defined in the Charitable Fundraising - Approval and Reporting provisions of any existing General Order) from charitable fund-raising must be given to Shriners Hospitals for Children except for such portion thereof as may be permitted to be retained for the temple Shrine Hospital Patient Transportation Fund, pursuant to the Special Purpose Funds provisions of any existing General Order. Provided, however, if the Chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees determine for good cause shown, that the law of the land requires that a portion of the net proceeds must be distributed locally, then they may, if they determine it to be in the best interest of Shriners Hospitals for Children, grant their written permission for such distribution.

(c) The Temple shall report the result of each charitable fundraising activity within 60 days of the activity, pursuant to the Charitable Fund Raising-Approval and Reporting provision of any existing General Order.

(d) This Section shall not apply to activities exempt under §335.4(b) of the by-laws of The Imperial Council.

(e) Each independent corporation or entity that receives the permission of the Chairmen of the Boards of Directors and Trustees to raise money for Shriners Hospitals for Children, and which does not have its financial statements audited pursuant to §334.5 & §337.8 of the by-

laws of The Imperial Council, shall have its financial statements audited by a certified, chartered or licensed public accountant and shall submit such audit report to The Imperial Council within 120 days of the activity.

### 3. Statement of Purpose and Disclosure:

(a) Every fundraising activity must contain factual information on its solicitation material, tickets, programs and documents, including all electronically transmitted materials, regarding the use of the proceeds. Examples:

"Proceeds are for the benefit of (\_\_\_\_ Shriner) (\_\_\_\_ Shrine Club) activities."

"Proceeds are for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children."

(b) Every fundraising activity which is not entirely for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Children shall prominently state on the solicitation material, tickets and documents that "payments are not deductible as charitable contributions."

(c) There must be compliance with the Revenue Act of 1987 provision of any existing General Order by U.S. Temples.

### 4. Compliance with Applicable Laws:

It is the responsibility of the Temple Potentate, after receiving the advice of the Temple Attorney, to determine there is compliance with all applicable laws in its jurisdiction for the temple's fundraising activities.

### 5. Financial Records:

(a) The Temple shall maintain detailed financial records pertaining to all fundraising activities involving Nobles, clubs, units, organizations of Nobles or affiliated or appendant corporations. Details of all revenues and expenditures shall be maintained in such financial records.

(b) The Temple must retain such detailed financial records for a period of seven (7) years.

(c) There must be compliance with *Financial Reporting on Charitable Funds and Activities* provision of any existing general order.

### 6. Notification to Nobility:

A copy of the *Fundraising Activities* provisions of this General Order shall be printed in the Temple publication at least once every calendar year. If there is no temple publication, then a copy shall be mailed to each Noble in the Temple not later than the last day in March of each calendar year.

### 7. Discipline:

Any Officer, Noble or Temple which violates a provision of *Fundraising Activities* is subject to discipline pursuant to the by-laws of The Imperial Council.

## Membership Update

By Gary Burke

### Dates to Remember

**October 17th** - Fall Noble Bring-a-Friend Program

**November 14th** - Ceremonial to honor Joseph Minas as Class Sponsor.

Invite that Lodge Brother you want to ask to join Damascus Shriners or a friend to learn more about Masonry.

Get those Petitions into the Office as soon as possible so we can send out invitations and plan accordingly.

You have done a wonderful job in getting us to 43% of our membership goal of "9 in '09." Let's finish the year with a Class to honor Joseph Minas and reach 100% of our goal.

Remember, "if not you, then who." Who will ask that Brother or friend to join our Craft, if not you? Let's make 2009 the year that Damascus Shriners have a positive growth in membership!



and members of Milo Lodge are a prime example of the belief in Masonic Brotherhood beyond Meeting nights. All Officers, Elected and Appointed, have learned the true meaning of their duties – not just repeating the words. Then, and only then, will they know the true meaning of Masonic Brotherhood. Remember, Harmony is the support of all institutions, especially this of ours.

Again I'm looking forward to an exciting year. If there are any questions, suggestions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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Brothers, I hope everyone had both an exciting and relaxing Summer.

On August 11th, Eagle Lodge held its Annual Awards Night, preceded by a Hot Dog Roast Picnic Dinner. That evening, we recognized the following Brothers for their contribution to the Craft. If you should meet one of these Brothers, please assist me in congratulating them.

**Masonic Anniversaries**  
1964 - Jefferson F. Huff, Keith G. Roberts and George M. Blackmer

1969 - Guy M. Ward  
1974 - Philip R. Green and Thomas C. Good  
1977 - William B. Fitzgerald  
1979 - George A. Bass, Richard G. Gamrod II, Leonard M. Gessin and Roger R. Roome  
1984 - Ellis M. Alger  
1989 - David L. Beecher  
1993 - James S. Lyman  
1994 - Willam D. Badger, James Keller, Douglas J. Soel, Mark M. Storm and Hugh A. Ward

1998 - Lee E. Packer and Todd M. Statt

2003 - John W. Williams

**3rd Degree**  
On September 8th, Eagle Lodge will be Raising three Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Please attend and assist your Lodge in Raising these Brothers. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by the 3rd Degree, which will be conferred by the Damascus Shrine Degree team at 7:30 p.m.

**Upcoming Events**  
**September**  
8th - 3rd Degree; Opening, 6:00 p.m.; Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Degree, 7:30 p.m.  
17th - Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser, 5-7 p.m. Help appreciated  
22nd - Officers' Meeting, 6:15 p.m.; Program, "Statue of Liberty Symbolism," 7:30 p.m.  
23rd - Naples Grapefest Town Hall Cleaning (eliminates booth fee for weekend)  
26th and 27th - Fundraiser - Naples Grapefest - Brother Robert Helling, Chair

**October**  
13th - Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Program, 7:30 p.m. (Open meeting)  
15th - Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser, 5-7 p.m. Help appreciated

27th - Officers Meeting, 6:15 p.m.; Program TBA, 7:30 p.m.

**Check our Website**  
Eagle Lodge now has a website containing valuable information:

www.eaglelodge619.org  
On the main public page, there is a link to the "Members Only" section. The "Members Only" section contains the Eagle Lodge Trestleboard, Calendar of events and Brothers' contact information. If you are a member of Eagle Lodge and would like access or are having trouble logging in, please click on the link at the bottom left corner of the Public Main Page.

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Welcome to Ark Lodge's two-hundred and second year; an impressive run, to be sure. We all need to continue working to make sure that those who follow us are able to celebrate the 300th. The Officers for Ark Lodge for 2009-10 are:

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Sr. Warden **Thomas Abraham**  
Jr. Warden **Henry Funk**  
Treasurer **Jed Brandow**  
Secretary **Lance Ward**  
Chaplain **Anthony Khoury**

Sr. Deacon **Charles Rouse, Jr.**  
Jr. Deacon **Robert Mattick**  
Ms of C **Steven Goebert**  
**John Keeton**  
Marshal **Howard Colegrove**  
Tiler **Thomas Bryan**

**Celebration**  
Brothers of Ark Lodge and guests gathered on July 15th for the Annual Service Awards Dinner. The weather was very cooperative this year and the evening was completed without having to rush off amidst thunderstorms. Of our two, 60-year members, Ray Smith was on hand to receive his Pin and Certificate from District Deputy Ronald Galens. John Foster received his at his current Lodge in South Carolina.

**Mark Your Calendar**  
Mark your Calendar now for the Annual Christmas Party. It will be December 16th. We had a great turnout last year with Brothers from Geneva Lodge joining us to celebrate.

We also plan to put on a Valentine Dinner Dance again, as we did this past year. Good reviews of the event abounded. No firm date as yet, but I'm willing to bet Saturday February 13th looks likely.

**Masonic Anniversaries**  
Masonic anniversaries in September include:

1951 - Bill Cram  
1981 - John Nicholson  
Our September 16th meeting will begin with a Cookout at the Lodge at 6 p.m. Why not stop by, share some food and fellowship and attend our first meeting of the new year.

**Milnor Lodge No. 139**  
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12 Canandaigua Street Shortsville 14648

Brothers, I welcome all of you as we start our Fall season. I hope everybody has had a safe and outstanding Summer. I know I have been very busy with my parade season and with trying to keep warm and dry.

Congratulations to our Brothers who received their Service Awards at our June 11th meeting.

**Upcoming Events**  
Our first Lodge Meeting is on September 12th with a Steak Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Please give me a call at (315) 986-7114, if I have not called you, if you are going to attend; we need the count to know how many steaks to cook. I hope to see all our Brothers there.

Our Annual Turkey Dinner, which was postponed from the usual first Saturday in February, is being held on September 19th. We need all the help we can get. If you are able, please let us know and plan to help with this dinner. The more help, the better. See you on September 12th.

**Remember the Brotherhood Fund**

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# Scottish Rite NEWS

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

Far from being "dark," it was an action-packed summer for the Valley of Rochester. On June 4th we held an AASR Officer Academy at Fairport Masonic Hall. Approximately 25 of the Valley's Officers were in attendance. This gave the incoming 2009-2010 Officers an overview of the Valley's organization, operations and programs, as well as the expectations, roles and responsibilities of the Officer Lines in each of the four bodies. There was lots of good discussion.

### Camp Morris Event

The 4th Annual AASR Camp Morris Clambake and Steak Roast was held on July 11th. Approximately 122 people attended and, despite being a little wet around the edges (it absolutely poured rain for 30 to 45 minutes), the event was a tremendous success. Everyone had a great time, particularly after it stopped raining.

After a close call with the weather last year, we decided we had better stop gambling with Mother Nature. We rented a 200-person tent, together with tables and chairs for the event - just in case it decided to rain - and rain it did! Without the tent, the event would have been a total washout. Instead, it turned into a "party pavilion!" A large tent will definitely be standard equipment at our future gatherings.

Head Clam Chef Steve Whitaker steamed up 200 dozen clams (Rhode Island style)! That, together with 180 hot dogs, 120 steaks, 3 chicken breasts and delicious dishes and desserts that everyone brought, ensured no one went away hungry!

The infamous Ole' Tool Shed Bar saw its share of activity as well. It might have rained a bit, but after a couple of trips to the Ole' Tool Shed, it didn't seem to matter!

Several Brothers and their ladies set up a "tent city," stayed the night and were treated to a home-cooked country breakfast the next morning. Keep that in mind for next year - tents, campers and RVs are welcome!

Special thanks go out to the Rose Croix Officer Line, Jack VanElzakker and everyone who pitched in with the setup, cooking and clean up. Your help really made it easy for Ruth and me this year.

Mark your Calendars! The 5th Annual AASR Camp Morris Clambake & Steak Roast is scheduled for July 10, 2010.

### 2009 NYS COD Meeting

Serving as the Host Valley this year, the Valley of Rochester was in full force at the New York State Council of Deliberation in Liverpool the weekend of July 24th. Thirty-one members and several ladies from the Valley were in attendance. Some of the highlights of the meeting that were of particular importance and significance to the Valley of Rochester were:

1. A 2009 Meritorious Service Award, the highest award conferred by the NYS Council of Deliberation, was presented to Distinguished Brother Seymour G. Kopen, 32° MSA! (See separate article.) Congratulations and thank you, Sy, for all you do (and have done) for the Valley of Rochester!

2. It was also announced that Valley of Rochester's William C. Jones, 32° DSA, was one of ten Sublime Princes throughout the State elected to receive a 2010 Meritorious Service Award at next year's Council. Congratulations, Brother Bill!

3. The Valley of Rochester was one of five Valleys in the State to receive an "Award for Ritual Excellence" for 2008-2009. The citation reads:

**New York State Council of Deliberation, AWARD FOR RITUAL EXCELLENCE, Presented to THE VALLEY OF ROCHESTER For Outstanding Achievement In The Quality and/or Diversity of Scottish Rite Degrees. Presented During the Scottish Rite Year 2008-2009.**

As you are all keenly aware, our Degrees form the core of the Masonic education mission within the Scottish Rite. Congratulations to everyone who participated in the Degrees last year. We look forward to your continued participation, dedication and enthusiasm this year!

4. It was a truly special treat for the Valley of Rochester to receive this year's **Award for Membership Distinction**. The citation reads:

**Ill.: Charlton A. Winchester, 33°, Past Deputy for New York, AWARD FOR MEMBERSHIP DISTINCTION. This Traveling Plaque is Presented to the New York State Scottish Rite Valley Which has Initiated the Highest Percentage of Candidates Compared to its 14° Membership for 2008-2009. Presented by the New York State Council of Deliberation.**

In 2008-2009 we added 27 new 14° Masons (a 4.1% increase) to our membership! The Valley of Rockville Center received this year's Award for Membership Distinction for initiating the largest number of new 14° Masons by adding 37 new members. Next year our goal is to come home with both of these awards for the largest number of new members and the highest percentage of membership growth! With your help, we can do it!

5. The Frank and Bette Paul 32° Masonic Learning Center for Children, which is sponsored by the Valley of Rochester, proudly presented 2009 "Sponsor A Child" plaques to the following organizations: the New York State Scottish Rite Charities Foundation; the Masonic

Brotherhood Foundation, Inc.; the Valley of Binghamton; and the Valley of Rochester for support and commitment to the Rochester Learning Center program.

6. And last, but certainly not least, the Valley of Rochester set a new standard of quality as the Host Valley this year. As George Peppard used to say in his role as Hannibal in the TV series, *The A-team*, "Don't you just love it when a plan comes together!" Well, at this year's COD we brought in the A-team, and the plan came together beautifully! While it took months of planning and work, everyone pitched in. We operated like a "well-oiled machine!"

At the debriefing meeting, which followed the Worship Service on Sunday, the description of our Valley's meeting management and operation was "very smooth." There was not a single complaint about the COD. Everyone was highly appreciative of the job we did.

The Ladies program was particularly successful. In fact, several of the ladies, who have attended a number of COD Ladies programs in the past, said that "this was the best program they had ever attended!" Special thanks to Jack VanElzakker, 32° MSA, Ruth Morris, Lisa Bourcy, Janine Lubberts, Sharon Goodrich and Beverly Slocum for the planning and work they put into making the Ladies excursion/program a memorable event for all.

The help and courtesies extended by the Greeters, who assisted arriving attendees with their luggage, was also very much appreciated. It is often said that "you only have one chance to make a first impression," and we made a good one!

Michael Nielsen, 33°, Secretary of the NYS COD, was also highly appreciative of the job done by our Registration and Meal ticket Pickup teams. Both were handled in a way that he got exactly what he needed - he was pleased!

And the Hospitality Room was very well received and appreciated. Particular thanks to Phil Hurwitz, 32°, John Faro, 32° DSA, and Steve Sills, 32° (Valley of Syracuse) for making the Hospitality Room run so smoothly. People were absolutely amazed, Steve and John, how you were able to quickly work through the onslaught of orders during the "crunch" times. Your experience clearly made the difference. Nice job! Thanks also to everyone who made donations of wine and spirits for the Hospitality Room; this helped significantly to reduce the expenses to the Valley.

Last January, Robert Pedersen noted during one of our first COD Host Valley organizational meetings, "This will be the Valley of Rochester's opportunity to shine." And shine we did! We came away looking like a "beacon in the night!" Thank you to everyone on the Host Valley Team for your special efforts that made this year's COD run so efficiently and smoothly. Particular thanks to John Zabel, 33°, and Robert Pedersen, 33°, for their leadership as Co-

Chairs of the Host Valley Committee.

### Family-Life Outing

A family-life outing for Scottish Rite members, families and friends was held at Seabreeze Amusement and Water Park on August 9th. Approximately 50 people attended the event and everyone had a great time! Special thanks to the Council Officer Line for the organization and management of the event.

### Annual Meeting

Thursday, September 17th, will be our Annual Meeting and Awards Presentations at the Shrine Center. We will be honoring our 2009 MSA Award recipient: Sy Kopen, 32° MSA; next year's MSA recipient: William Jones, 32° DSA; the 2009 John B. Mullen, 33°, Dedicated Service Award recipients: John Faro, 32° DSA; Thomas Goodrich, 32° DSA; Patrick Mulrooney, 32° DSA; and Donald Tubman, 32° DSA; as well as those receiving 2009 Service Awards, which will include our 60-year service award recipients: Chapin Blake, 32°; Donald B. Colvin, 32°; and Wallace J. Wagner, 32°; and our 50-year service award recipients: Robert E. Bayley, 32°; Merlin F. Blakley, 32°; Jack A. Bloom, 32°; Eugene S. Dewey, 32°; Robert F. Merithew, 32°; and Warren E. Pearce, Jr., 32°. Dinner that evening will feature Baked Meat Loaf at \$15 per person. Dinner reservations are required. To make yours, please call or email the Valley Office by noon on Monday, September 14th (Telephone: 264-1160; Email: secretary@valleyofrochester.org).

### 2009-2010 Goals

My Brothers, we have an outstanding leadership team in place that brings a wealth of knowledge, experience, enthusiasm and energy to the operation and programs of the Valley, together with a large group of enthusiastic and energetic new members, who are looking to get involved with our programs and Degrees.

Our Membership Development & Retention Goal for 2009-2010 is to attract at least 50 new members to Valley of Rochester! Next Summer we want to bring both COD awards for Membership Development back to the Valley of Rochester - the Most new 14° Masons and Highest Percentage of new 14° Masons in New York State. To achieve this goal, we will have to work together. We need your help! So, think about it: "Who's on Your List?"

Each of our programs this year will be designed to emphasize the new Scottish Rite I.C.E. initiative, which has been recently instituted in the AASR Northern Masonic Jurisdiction by Ill.: John W. McNaughton, 33°, our Sovereign Grand Commander. I.C.E. stands for Inspiration, Convenience and Enjoyment.

**Inspiration.** We will continue to "strive for perfection" in the conferral of our beautiful Degrees. Cast members need to learn their parts thoroughly and focus on their delivery so that the underlying message and meaning of the Degrees can be effectively communicated to the

Class and our members. We will continue improvements in the staging, lighting and music in our Degrees to add to the overall experience of the Degree conferral. Our focus and goal are for all of our Degree conferrals to be "inspirational!" In addition, we will strive to make all our signature programs "Inspirational" - the Symbolic Lodge Awards, Veterans Recognition Program, the "College of Freemasonry" and the Feast of the Paschal Lamb.

**Convenience.** In this fast-paced world in which we live, there are ceaseless demands for our time and attention. We must strive to make our Valley programs, activities and leadership duties "Convenient" for our members, our prospective new members and our Officers.

This past year, one comment that I heard from several prospective members was: "I am very interested in joining the Scottish Rite, but unfortunately many of the Degrees are conferred on a Thursday night, which conflicts with my Blue Lodge." To address this issue and make it "Convenient" for new members to join, you will notice in the accompanying table of Fall 2009 events and activities that we have moved the conferral of all our Degrees to Saturdays! In addition, we are planning to have our "Explore the Rite" nights on Saturday evenings, where we will introduce the Scottish Rite to prospective members (and their ladies) - two will be held at the Shrine Center, and one will be held at Livonia Lodge for our Brothers in Livingston County and surrounding areas. We will also continue to hold most of our Valley Officer meetings by conference call to minimize travel time and costs for our Officers.

**Enjoyment.** "All work and no play make Johnny a very dull boy!" But that is not going to happen to us. We are planning and will focus on programs that are fun for our members, their ladies and their families! Get involved! Join the Fellowship! You will ENJOY it! Guaranteed!

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# Special Mention About Our Valley Trustees

By Ill.: Stephen R. Whittaker, 33°, Deputy's Representative

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### Valley Trustees

**Brother Glenn A. Stahl, 32° MSA, ...** Glenn has been a great counsel and has been a member since 1974. We are proud of his 35 years of membership and leadership.

Ill.: Charles O. Hancock, 33°, Past Commander in Chief, Secretary Emeritus ... Charlie has been a proud Class Sponsor and a member of the Valley since 1990. We are proud of his 19 years of membership and leadership.

**Sublime Prince Robert L. Anderson II, 32° ...** Bob is the newest of our Trustees and has been a member of the Valley since 1969. We are proud of his 40 years of membership and leadership.

Among these five very dedicated Scottish Rite Masons who have served this Organization for a combined total of 156 years.

Both the Trustees Emeritus and Trustees are actively involved in managing and monitoring the Valley's portfolio with great care and stewardship. As market indicators are used for measuring the performance of our portfolio, their wisdom and care has generated results that are above all of the indicators.

It's appropriate that we thank them for their guidance which enables us to operate a series of Valley programs that continue to provide membership value. A special "Thank You" to this very dedicated group of caring members. ❧



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## Seymour G. Kopen

### Receives 2009 Meritorious Service Award

By Ill.: G. Michael Morris, 33°

Please join me in recognizing and congratulating the AASR Valley of Rochester's newest Meritorious Service Award recipient - Distinguished Brother Seymour G. Kopen, 32° MSA!

Brother Kopen was one of thirteen Brothers throughout the State to receive the Award at the 140th Annual Convocation of New York State Council of Deliberation in Liverpool, NY, on July 25th. Brother Kopen has devoted a tremendous amount of time and energy to the Valley of Rochester over the years, and has played a key role in the planning and organization of many of the Valley's signature programs!

### The Award

The history of the Meritorious Service Award dates back to 1939, when the New York State Council of Deliberation was authorized to present an award to a member of a Valley who has distinguished himself through outstanding service or leadership and dedication to the Rite.

Each nominee must be recommended by the presiding Officers of the Valley - all of them a unanimous recommendation. This is followed by a thorough scrutiny by M.S.A. Committee



Seymour G. Kopen

and seldom have all survived this process. Brother Kopen has been recommended, selected and elected to receive this - the Highest Honor the State of New York Council of Deliberation can award.

### Family

Seymour "Sy" Kopen is a Rochester native. He currently resides in Fairport with his wife, Margie. They have been married 49 years and are the parents of three children and have two grandchildren.

### Masonic

Brother Kopen became a Mason in 1960 in Fairport-Flower

City Lodge, where he has served as Worshipful Master and as Chairman of the Trustees. He joined the Valley of Rochester in 1964, where he served as Most Wise Master. He has been Chairman of the Valley Veterans Program. Active in membership recruitment, he has brought several members into the Valley and his Lodge. He is a Gold Recipient of the "Re-Member the Blue Lodge" Program. Appointed to the Divan at Damascus Shrine in 1975, he served as Potentate in 1984. More recently, he has been Commander of the Legion of Honor and participates in many Clubs and Units.

### Community

He is a member of Temple Beth David. He recently retired as a department manager at Lowes. As a youth he was active in Boy Scouts, achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Brother Kopen also belongs to the Rotary Club in Fairport. He served his country in the U.S. Army 101st Airborne Rangers-Special Forces. He assists with the Child ID Program and enjoys flying, sailing and fishing.

Sy, a heartfelt "Thank You" for all you have done for the Valley of Rochester, its Members and Officers! ❧



2009 Meritorious Service Award recipient, Sy Kopen, with Valley of Rochester Red Caps at the NYS Council of Deliberation (l-r) Gary Burke, Gary Valerio (Corning), Bill Jones, Mike Morris (Commander in Chief), Don Rose, Sy Kopen, Steve Whittaker and Jack VanElzakker.

## Valley of Rochester 2009 Fall Program

All events at Shrine Center unless otherwise noted.

September 17th - Annual Meeting, Awards Night  
Social Hour and Table Lodge at Dinner  
Reservations Required

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

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

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

## Abbott Scholarships Announced

The Valley of Rochester, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, extends its heartiest congratulations to this year's local Abbott Scholarship awardees and Scottish Rite Charities Corporate scholarship recipients:

### Abbott Scholarship Recipients

Jason Cook - RIT  
Monica Cook - RIT  
Leah Mulrooney - MCC  
Robert Verbridge - Clarkson

### NY Scottish Rite Charities Corporate Recipients

Ashlee Bueg - SUNY Fredonia  
Justin Heil - University of Maryland  
Monica Pollard - Stetson University

### How to Apply

Scholarship applications for 2010 are available online at www.supremecouncil.org.

Fully completed applications are due at the Valley Office by April 1, 2010. Applicants must

be a child or grandchild of a Northern Masonic Jurisdiction Scottish Rite Mason, must be in attendance at an accredited college or university and must have a minimum 2.75 GPA. An individual student may receive a maximum of three of the awards, which are decided upon annually.

In New York State, current high school seniors entering college next Fall are not eligible to apply. ❧





# Lalla Rookh GROTTO News

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



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### Sad News

In July, we lost a long-time Prophet, Norman Gauch. He was a member for over 65 years.

### September Events

16th - Grotto Meeting; Snacks before meeting and refreshments after (no dinner).

17th-19th - ESGA Fall Convention at RIT Inn and Conference Center; 5257 West Henrietta Road; Henrietta.

### Upcoming Events

October is the Monarch's Dinner and Awards Night. More details next month. "

### Secretary's Column

By Ken Hutchinson, PM

### The Bells

Michael and Doris Bell sold their Rochester home in June. They have always wanted to visit States they never got to visit. So they packed up and drove East into Vermont, then North and West across Canada. Mike has been sending me postcards of their trip to share with our members.

Mike wrote of being amazed at the heavy traffic in Toronto. Dropping back to the U.S. and continuing West, by August 7th, they were in Sheridan, WY. They had already gone through Fargo, and Bismark, ND; Billings and Bozeman, MT; and spent time at Custer Battlefield and Yellowstone Park.

Their trip was to last two to three months. We thank them

for remembering their Masonic friends as they travel through the many areas on their North American tour.

I hope all of you experienced a happy and productive Summer and this issue of the **Masonic Times** finds you ready for the Grotto's Fall activities.

### Supreme Council

For those who missed attending the Supreme Council in Peoria, IL, we had a great time with the tours and workings of the Supreme Council Sessions. The Grand Monarch's Banquet was a proud night for us to be able to honor Grand Monarch Robert G. Pool, PM, who deserves our highest praise for a job well done. He impressed all the Prophets and Ladies with his sincerity and amiable character. A great man, a good Mason and a grand Prophet.

### ESGA Fall Convention

We're hoping for pleasant weather and big attendance September 17th-19th at the ESGA Fall Convention in the R.I.T. Conference Center, 5257 West Henrietta Rd, Rochester, Phone 359-7755.

For last-minute dinner reservations, contact Kenneth Milner, 125 Longview Blvd, Livonia, NY 14487; or phone 346-6018.

Put on your fez and come help us welcome our newly installed Grand Monarch, Clarence (Pierre) Shawver and Lady Barbara.

From the list that I know of, we can expect attendance by Deputy Grand Monarch, Shurards Sutherland, PM; Grand Chief Justice Aquinas "Moe" Evans, PM; Past Grand Monarchs Mike Wahl, PGM '74; Mike Yuskowatz, PGM '87; Carl Landerholm, PGM '03; Philip A. Gialone Sr., PGM '04; Richard Faust, PGM '06. Also meet the Officers and Prophets of our neighboring Grottoes.

As the Host Grotto, we can use your help with many of the planned activities. "

dates in the Masonic Temple downtown, with a parade down Main Street.

In the June, 2006, Grotto article in the **Masonic Times**, I wrote about Norm receiving his 65-Service Pin, from an interview I had with him at that time. Norm was very active in a number of groups. Some met on the Grotto meeting night, so he was never active in the Grotto until the last few years. He was active in his Lodge, holding every position except Master.

Norm joined the Army before Pearl Harbor and trained Infantry Soldiers at a camp down South in the early years of the War. He was a First Sergeant when he was sent to Europe, with the 70th Infantry Division, receiving the Combat Infantry Badge and the Bronze Star. He was a member of the Battle of the Bulge Association. After the War, he worked at Kodak until 1956, when he joined a small out-of-town fishing tackle shop, of which he later became the owner.

Norm's wife, Dorothy, passed on a few years ago, but

**Attend Grotto Meetings**

**Monday, August 24th**  
Board of Governors Meeting - 7 p.m.  
Shrine Center

**September 16th**  
Grotto Meeting - 7:30 p.m.  
Move-up Night  
Shrine Center

**Thursday - Sunday**  
**September 17th-20th**  
ESGA Fall Convention  
*We are hosting this event in Rochester.*  
Assistance will be greatly appreciated!

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

**CLIP AND SAVE!**  
Information  
Hot Line  
271-7446 (Bernie)

### ESGA Fall Convention Schedule

Thursday, September 17th

1-4 p.m. - Registration

3 p.m. - ESGA Committee Meetings

#### Dinner on Your Own

8 p.m. - Grand Opening (Business Attire)

9-11 p.m. - Ice Breaker Party (Soda & Beer free) Cash Bar

11 p.m.-'til - Lalla Rookh Grotto Hospitality Room open

#### Friday, September 18th Events

8:30 a.m.-11 a.m. - Registration

9 a.m. - ESGA Business Meeting

12 Noon - Golf at Riverton Golf Club

1 p.m. - Bowling at Bowl-a-Roll Lanes;  
1560 Jefferson Rd

4 p.m.-5 p.m. - Rainbow Cocktail Party

#### Dinner on Your Own

8 p.m.-11 p.m. - Theme Party

(This years theme is "TV Land")

Come dressed as your favorite TV Show, time period.

11 p.m.-'til - Lalla Rookh Grotto Hospitality Room open

#### Saturday, September 19th

8:30 a.m. - Memorial Service

9:15 a.m. - ESGA Business Meeting, Election and

Installation of Officers

9:30 a.m. - Ladies Brunch

#### Afternoon free for shopping, etc.

4 p.m.-5 p.m. - Cocktail Party, Hosted by Outgoing and Incoming Presidents

6 p.m. - Social Time

6:45 p.m. - Line-up and Entrance of Officers

7 p.m. - President's Banquet; Installation of New President

7:15 p.m. - Dinner

11 p.m. - Hospitality Room by Lalla Rookh Grotto

To register, call Ken Hutchinson at

(315) 589-9021 and ask for a Registration Form.

SEE YOU AT THE ESGA CONVENTION!

## The Scores are In! Golf Report 2009

By Dick Topel

We did it again! All clear sky with the sun shining, polished golf balls with shined clubs ready to hit the greens. Sometimes they found the hole when you talked to them and others forgot to turn their hearing aids on!

The 19th hole and the Steak Roast had some of the best stories when they finished.

The final results ...

### Scores

1st Place - Kris Kinder

2nd Place - Todd Rotondo

3rd Place Ties - Jason Mancgri, Eliot Schwartz, Ron Morthorst and Ron Kane

Closest to the Pin - John Royer (8 yards)

Longest Drive - Kris Kinder

High Gross - Eliot Schwartz

Everyone enjoyed great refreshments, food and fellowship. Did you miss this year? We are playing again next year. Watch for details in a future issue of the **Masonic Times**.

Thanks for coming. "

## Caldron News

Donna Laundry, MCO

Despite the fact that it was cool and rainy, this Summer seemed to fly by with travels, family gatherings and Fraternal activities.

On July 25th and 26th, 12 members of our Caldron and spouses Joe Madison and Ray DiJames, pitched in to support our major fundraiser- selling beverages at Spencerport Canal Days. Many thanks to Beverly Murray for taking over as Chairperson for this event, since my obligations on Saturday at Oriskany prevented me from doing so. She organized it all, purchased drinks, set it up (with help), worked and helped with the takedown. Thanks to Jan Porter and the Madisons for help both days and acquiring coolers; we appreciate the Daughters who supported us by their attendance and with their donations. We made over \$300.

We thank the Grotto for the use of their coolers as well, and plan to join with them for their August 20th Picnic at Henrietta Town Park. They are guaranteeing no rain!

### Sickness and Distress

Over the Summer Linda Austin was recovering from major heart surgery and then she injured her foot. Hilde DiJames had knee surgery and is in pain off and on.

Now it is time to "Fall" into line as we resume our Caldron

activities after the Summer recess.

### San Diego or Bust!

Our first meeting of the Fall will be September 10th. We will be without PSMCO Bev Murray (Supreme Rodeval) and our own Rodeval, Sula Baxter as the two are planning a three-week road trip to get to San Diego for Supreme Sessions. The remaining nine members attending Sessions will depart September 12th and return September 20th. Supreme Sessions are convened September 15th-19th, so we're planning some sight-seeing time. I'll do my best to keep these ladies in line.

### Mark Your Calendar

Here are some dates to note for other upcoming events, all in Spencerport:

Thursday, October 8th - Regular Caldron meeting with Election of Officers. Sue Wilson and Betty Madison are on Refreshment Committee

Sunday, October 18th - 3 p.m. - Rehearsal for the Installation of the 2010 Officers

Sunday, October 25th - 2 p.m. - Installation of Hilde DiJames as Mighty Chosen One and her compliment of Officers. Our Canadian friends should be joining us that day.

My friendship thought for this month is "Friends are the ever-blooming flowers in the garden of the heart." "

## Grand Historian



**Kenneth Hutchinson, PM**

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It becomes my sad duty to announce the passing of Prophet Norman E. Gauch, on July 8th. He was 90 years young. It was at our April, 2006, meeting that Prophet Norman Gauch accepted his 65-year Service Member Pin and captured the imagination of all. A member of Unity Lodge, he joined the Grotto on Saturday, May 24, 1941. There were 138 Candi-

he was still very busy with church and many other activities up to the time of his death.

He is survived by a son, Rev. Norman Gauch of Jamestown, NY, and daughter Linda Bemiller, of Burbank, CA. "



**Norman E. Gauch**  
1919 - 2009



**Rochester Forest  
No. 133**



**Tall Cedars of Lebanon  
of North America**  
4th Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.  
1822-A Penfield Rd, Penfield 14526

**Cy White, GTC**  
(315) 597-9546  
ukcy@juno.com  
**Donald C. Bell, Scribe**  
334-7768  
don\_bell@hotmail.com

By Don Brugger

The 2009 Sausage Roast is history; can the 2009 Steak Roast be far behind? The answer is, no! The Steak Roast will be on September 23rd at Camp Smile; 5 p.m. until Dark. If you need directions, call Don Bell or Cy White.

About 27 Woodsmen, their spouses and guests assembled at Camp Smile for the Sausage Roast and all had a great time. The sausages, cooked to perfection by Chef Angelo, were *delicioso*. The only glitch was the message about libations. Although, this new policy was mentioned in an article in the **Masonic Times**, it was not on the card that was sent out.

Just for clarification ... we ask that you bring what you want to drink to the Steak Roast. That way, all can enjoy what they want and no one person will have to haul the cans, ice or tubs.

If you would like to bring a prospective member, these events are perfect for getting acquainted. Please let us know when you make your reservation if you are bringing a prospect; don't forget, spouses and family are welcome.

**Coming Up**

The local Fall Muscular Dystrophy Fund Drive is still uppermost in our minds; but, as yet, we have no concrete plans for our participation. Perhaps something will materialize before the Steak Roast.

Our first Fall Season Meeting will be on October 28th. As has been the custom in the last few years, we will be presenting the Prologue and Exemplifying the Royal Court. Since we will have no prior rehearsal, we ask all who participated in past Degrees, be ready to do their parts. Hopefully, we will have at least one Candidate; the more the merrier! Our District Deputy of the 17th District, Kenneth E. Kempka, hopes to be visiting our Forest; his visit may be on the Degree Night. The GTC would like all who can possibly make the meeting to be there. If possible, we will be taking him out for dinner prior to the meeting. These arrangements will be published in the **Masonic Times** if we know far enough in advance.

The November 25th Meeting is our Annual Election of Officers. 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.

The Annual Holiday Get-Together will be held at Rick's Prime Rib on Buffalo Road, Friday, December 11th; more information later. This will be a change in our usual first Saturday of December date, so, please take note.

**Sickness and Distress**

PGTC Gary Thompson who was recently hospitalized with a blood infection is recovering at home.

It was reported that 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.

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



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**Monroe District  
OES HiLights**

**DDGM**  
**RW Christina S. Hampton**  
247-5679



**DGL**  
**RW Kenneth R. Milner**  
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By Christina Hampton, DDGM

We hope you are having a good Summer even though the weather has not been the greatest. Fortunately we had a nice day for the District Boat Trip. Twenty-seven people enjoyed a nice relaxing sail on the Erie Canal. Roger Bossert was the lucky winner of the door prize.

**Pilgrimage Weekend**

Pilgrimage Weekend started at a Friday evening dinner where M.W. Wanda Williams and M.W. Neil Laundry announced the names of the new Grand Officers for Monroe District. S. Jean Stewart of Nolotka Chapter will be District Deputy Grand Matron, R.W. Raymond Di James of Starlight Chapter will be District Grand Lecturer and R.W. E. Alta Doty of Lilac Star Chapter will be Grand Representative of Australia.

Saturday turned out to be a beautiful day. R.W. Ken Milner was kept busy running between the booths collecting money,

while I worked in the Share Booth. This year there were some different events such as a pie toss, square dancing and livestock competition (with stuffed animals) to name a few. Pies were tossed at our Grand Matron, Grand Patron and Jeffrey French, the Administrator of the OES Home.

R.W. Janet Siano, Grand Conductress, worked very hard to make the Bazaar a success and the donations given to the projects were outstanding.

The day ended with a Bar-B-Que, catered by Dinosaur Bar-B-Que in Syracuse. In 30 minutes, 375 people were served!

**100th Anniversary  
Celebration**

Mary Jane Holmes Chapter celebrated its 100th Birthday on August 2nd. The Grand Matron and several Grand Officers attended; a wonderful time was had by all.

**After the Summer ...**

September brings the start-up of Chapter meetings and activities and I would be remiss if I didn't mention a couple of dates. First, the Line Officers will meet at 9 a.m. on September 12th at Unity Lodge Hall in Spencerport. Please note the date and bring your Constitution with you. Secondly, the Homecoming for the 2009 Grand Officers will be hosted by Starlight Chapter on Friday, September 25th, 7:30 p.m. at Unity Lodge Hall in Spencerport. If you plan to attend, please call Barbara Bossert at 225-0812 or email:

[bjsbossert@cs.com](mailto:bjsbossert@cs.com)  
with your reservation.

Until next time, enjoy the rest of the Summer. ❧

**Corinthian/  
Fellowship**

**Chapter No. 322**  
*Order of the Eastern Star*

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

**W. Marilyn Israel, Matron**  
**W. Robert Israel, Patron**  
461-3254  
**Secretary**  
**Rt Wthy Beverly VanHuben**  
647-1391

805 Blossom Road  
Rochester 14610

**Celebrations**

May 27th was a smashing evening as we Celebrated our "Courageous 17th" Birthday Party with a dinner and music by the "Bow Ties" (A cappella, tied-tight, singing group). An Open Meeting followed during which the Fidelity Triangle No. 4 members presented their "Motion Choir."

Fairport Chapter celebrated their 100th Birthday on May 30th and Mary Jane Holmes Chapter observed 100 years on August 2nd. There was a rich history to be shared each night.

**Donation**

At the suggestion of W. Robert Crystal we provided a gift basket for the Silent Auction at the Faith in Action Banquet, sponsored by Greater Rochester Community of Churches, in June. A fine basket was put together containing five place settings of fine Argyle English China from Enniskillen, Ireland; three books - "Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky," by Faith Ringgold; "Sophie," by Mem Fox; a book of Word Search Puzzles-Level 2. Also included was an African-American MaMa Doll with baby; a selection of special teas; an assortment of ribbons and one photo album. Thanks to all who contributed. The basket will go to Guiding Light Church, which hosts the Memorial Garden for Katrina Ellison, a 13-year old Girl Scout of Jamel Alexander Community Scouts.

In this new millennium; it is like the start of a new Camelot, which makes me wonder what might be the new stories and nursery rhymes that come with time. There are a lot of challenges we face in this modern political, social and environmental climate, and yet, we have the technological achievements to make food, water and renewable energy available all over the world. I am thinking there is hope, and we will still have a planet, clean water, energy, shelter, education and health for the entire world.

**Food for Thought**

"When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace."

*Jimi Hendrix*

My Word - "Faith"

Scripture Reading - Hebrews 11:1-16

My Motto - "Love one another"

Wouldn't it also be wonderful if, in Rochester, our Fraternities could "march side-by-side in the grand parade?" ❧



Members and friends who enjoyed the District Boat Trip.

**Rummage Sale!**

**by Fairport Chapter OES**

Donations of clothing, craft, household items and small appliances are appreciated and will be accepted Thursday, September 24th from Noon-4 p.m. Of course, everyone's welcome to shop at the Sale!

Please call W. Mary Bliak (223-4921) for additional information.

Fairport Chapter #444, OES

**Rummage Sale**

**Friday, September 25th**

9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

and

**Saturday, September 26th**

9 a.m. - 12 Noon (Bag Sale \$3/bag)

at Fairport Lodge Hall  
87 South Main Street, Fairport

Please help us raise funds to support  
our many Masonic charities!



# York Rite NEWS

## Doric Council No. 19 Cryptic Masons (Chartered 1861) 3rd Wednesday



III. Master  
Thomas M.  
Paglia  
227-2046

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### Hear Ye, Hear Ye! Important Information...

Doric Council will commence holding meetings on Wednesday, September 16th, at Northfield Lodge Hall in Pittsford. Meetings will be held the third Wednesday of the month, unless otherwise informed. Your attendance is especially needed; without your presence, very little can be accomplished. **Your** input can be **very important** for continuing Doric Council.

### Not a Member?

For those who are not members of Doric Council, you are missing a great experience. For an application, just call:

Tom Paglia at 227-2046  
or

John Dudley at 586-6426  
or email:

jdudley1@rochester.rr.com

Doric Council No. 19 will Honor  
**M.:I.: 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 September 24th

Make being a member of Doric Council a highlight of your Masonic experience. More about Masonic Light will be explained so you will understand what being a Mason is all about.

Here is your golden opportunity to become a Brother. Don't procrastinate ... do it now. Just pick up the phone and contact John or me. We would be very pleased to see you become a member of this Fraternal Organization.

My goal this year is to see 15 new members join Doric Council.

Become one of them; you will enjoy the company.

### Grand Celebration

October 24th - Celebration in Honor of Arnold Palmer, Most Illustrious Grand Master, of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York, at RIT Inn & Conference Center. Those wishing to attend can call Garry Hutcherson, Chairman, at 494-2412 or me. Banquet reservations must be in by October 16th.

## Hiram Chapter No. 62



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

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zabelj@mindspring.com

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### What's Happening

Companions, welcome to the start of the 2009-2010 year of Hiram Chapter. This past June, the Chapter participated in the York Rite Picnic in King's Bend Park, thanks to R.: E.: John Dudley. Although the attendance was small, the group made a nice event out of a somewhat gray day. The food was delicious, even though we had to borrow a charcoal lighter, i.e. torch, from some Kodak Retirees having a picnic.

Our very capable Secretary, R.: E.: and Reverend Charles Roberts, DDGHP, made arrangements for our new Brothers to receive the Royal Arch Degree, since we were not able to do it ourselves due to other Masonic conflicts. We expect to see them at our meetings this Fall.

### Programs

Speaking of meetings, we will again try to impart some knowledge at each meeting. Either I will start a discussion or one of our companions will present a topic as a speech or discussion. I have read several very good books on portions of the York Rite this past Spring and Summer. One was about the banners in a Chapter. I will discuss this

topic in the Fall. I also read a very good book on the formation of the Masonic Knights Templar. Good stuff that all York Rite Masons should be aware of, whether they are Knight Templar or not. We will also be starting a round of our Degrees this Fall, so talk to your fellow Masons who do not belong to the Chapter and invite them to become a member and enjoy the Ritual Work.

### Musings

Many Companions are aware that Royal Arch and other Chapter Degrees were, at one time, under the control of Grand Lodge. The Rite separated from Grand Lodge in the Nineteenth Century and formed the Grand Chapter RAM of New York. Lodges no longer confer the Royal Arch ... well, most Lodges chartered by the Grand Lodge of New York State do not. However, there are Lodges who have permission to confer the Royal Arch. Can you name them? I am only talking about Lodges under the Grand Lodge of New York F&AM. If you know, send me an email or postal note. If you don't know, ask me the next time you see me.

I have discussed the Past Master Degree in past articles. Some York Rite Masons may believe we should eliminate the Degree, as it does not confer any moral lesson as other Masonic Degrees do. However, if you pay attention to the Most Excellent Master Degree, you will understand that eliminating the Past Master Degree would require major changes to the MEM Degree and would materially affect its meaning

and place in the Rite. If you don't understand, then you need to pay attention to the Degree, when presented, or join us and take the Degree.

Another point of which you may not be aware ... in England, the Rite that we practice and call the York Rite is called the American Rite. Why is this? One of the reasons is that the Rite, as practiced in this country, teaches the same lessons as similar Degrees in England, but the Rite is not put together in the same fashion. Truly, the Rite practiced in the United States is different than that practiced in any other English-speaking country. We will have to work on putting together a program about the differences.

Lastly Companions, is the Rite still relevant and useful in today's world. The answer is "yes," but we need to meet the needs of today's Companion and his other relationships such as family, work and social interaction. Family is as important as it always has been, but how a Companion interacts with his Chapter and still maintains an active family life has changed. So has the current economy changed - how we view our job and interact with the work environment. We must assure our Companions that the time spent at a Chapter meeting is inspirational, enjoyable and convenient and that our Degree Work is done as best as possible. Therefore, if you attend a Chapter meeting that is boring to you, let me know. We will work to make the time at Chapter rewarding to each Companion.

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

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Thank you for giving me this opportunity ... to serve as the Commander for the upcoming year.

### Thank You

To the outgoing Commander, Ted Powley, what can I say! You are the backbone of our Commandery. Thank you for your service and your willingness to accept a Junior Officer's part to keep things going. To all the new Officers, Elected and Appointed, I look forward to working with you. Together we can have a great Templar year.

Congratulations to all the participants of the Western New

York Pilgrimage held at Palmyra Masonic Hall. There were forty-two new Sir Knights; it was a glorious day. Also at the Pilgrimage, Sir Knight E. William Whittaker, was appointed Deputy Zone Commander for Zone 11, by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight David Lathers. Congratulations, Bill. Our next Conclave will be held on Saturday, September 12th at 9 a.m. (Please note this second Saturday is in accordance with our By-Laws.) As is our usual custom, we will again be breaking bread at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant for breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Dutch treat!

I will not be at our first meeting; I'll be on vacation! Our Generalissimo, Sir Knight Charles Roberts, or our Captain General, Sir Knight David Rising, will be conducting the meeting.

### Upcoming Events

September 18th, 19th & 20th - Grand Conclave in Rochester  
November 14th - Pilgrimage at Hornell

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

## Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12

Chartered 1993  
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### Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new Templar Year! My hope is that all had a great (all right - wet) Summer. We will begin our 2009-2010 Templar Year on Monday evening, September 21st, with the opening of our Conclave at 7:30 p.m. I plan to have a Full-Form Opening with full uniform. My hope is that all the Officers have studied their parts and we can kick off the year with excellent Ritual and Floor Work.

Unlike other Summers, this was a busy one. On August 1st a Pilgrimage was held at Palmyra Lodge and 42 new Sir Knights were given the Orders. Cyrene-Monroe Commandery was well represented and members participated in all three Orders. Additionally, I welcome our newest Sir Knights into the Commandery. They are Sir Knight Peter Cormack and Sir Knight Lance Seiber. Please welcome them into our esteemed Order.

### 2009-2010 Officers

Commander  
**Joseph F. Oelgoetz III**  
Generalissimo  
Donald Brugger  
Captain General  
William Flesher  
Treasurer  
Lawrence Dunn  
Recorder  
Charles Roberts  
Prelate  
John Dudley  
Sr. Warden  
David Lathers  
Jr. Warden  
Donald Adams  
Standard Bearer  
(Open)  
Sword Bearer  
George Todd  
Warder  
Arnold Palmer  
Trustee  
Raymond Beardsley  
Trustee  
Donald Wright

### Upcoming Events

We will have a full Trestleboard for this coming year. The first major event in September is the Grand Commandery Conclave ... September 18th-20th, in Rochester. It will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, 1111 Jefferson Road in Henrietta. Cyrene-Monroe Commandery is proud to support our own - Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight David Lathers, and his Lady Denise, as they finalize their year of leadership of Templary in the State of New York at this august event.

For those interested in attending you can secure Registration information at:

www.knightstemplar.org

Other important dates to remember:

September 21st - Conclave; Grand Commandery Report

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September 27th - Zone 11 Council Officers Meeting, De Molay Asylum, 34 Maple Street, Hornell, beginning at 3 p.m.

October 19th - Conclave; 2009 Table Commandery to commemorate the 703rd Anniversary of the arrest of our Ancient Brethren.

Importantly, we are planning to have our annual Zone 11 Pilgrimage this Fall. We are in the process of setting it up for November 14th. It will be held at DeMolay Asylum in Hornell. More information will come once all the details are set. Expect to take on the roles you had

at the Palmyra Pilgrimage in August.

The Grand Commandery has scheduled the Zone Officers Seminar and School of Instruction for Saturday, November 7th. All Council Officers are encouraged to attend. This will take place at Attica Lodge beginning with registration at 8 a.m. We should be finished by 1 p.m.

**Honor Guard Request**

Sir Knights, our very own Eminent Sir Knight Arnold Palmer, is expected to become the next Most Illustrious Master for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of

New York. He will be having his Reception on Saturday, October 24th, at the RIT Inn and Conference Center; 5257 West Henrietta Road (Route 15). He has requested a Knights Templar Honor Guard for that evening. I am requesting all Knights of Cyrene-Monroe and of Zone 11 to consider participation for our fellow Sir Knight Palmer. Please contact me at 598-7443 to enlist.

**Templar Places**

"And the remnant of which went place-to-place without a home... first going to Castro on the Island of Candia, etc." Have you ever heard of the Island of

Candia? Well, it is a well-known island in the Mediterranean Sea. Candia is the ancient name of Crete. It was during the Venetian rule of Crete (1204 AD to 1669 AD) that it was given the name of Candia and thus, as the Knights Hospitaller settled there in 1523 - after losing Rhodes to Sultan Suleiman the Magnificent of the Ottoman Empire, it is referred to as Candia.

Other places that the Knights Hospitaller attempted to settle (until finally settling on the Island of Malta and becoming the Knights of Malta) were Venice it-

self, then to Viterbo. Where is Viterbo? It is a city about 60 miles north of Rome. As Viterbo was often a "Summer" residence of many of the medieval Popes, this location would seem to be an ideal place for a Knightly Order, that was ordained by the Papacy, to reside. They moved on to places such as Villafranca; then on the Island of Sicily into the towns of Syracuse and Messina. Finally, in 1530, Charles V of Spain, as King of Sicily, gave them the Island of Malta. And thus the Knights Hospitaller became the Knights of Malta.

**Taxes, Taxes, Taxes!**

By Thomas Michielsen  
tmichie1@rochester.rr.com

Summer is about over, the children are thinking of school days, renewing friendships, and it is time to again resume our labors. Our Representatives in Congress and the various State Assemblies have again changed the tax laws - some for the better and some for the worse.

**First-Time**

**Homebuyer Credit**

The Recovery Act extended and expanded the **first-time homebuyer tax credit** for 2009. Taxpayers who didn't own a principal residence during the past three years and purchase a home this year before December 1st can receive a credit of up to \$8,000 on either an original or amended 2008 Tax Return, or a 2009 return. But the purchase must close before December 1, 2009, and an eligible taxpayer

cannot claim the credit until after the closing date. This credit phases out at higher income levels, and different rules apply to home purchases made in 2008.

**New Vehicle**

**Purchase Incentive**

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act also provides a tax break to taxpayers who make **qualified new vehicle purchases** after February 16, 2009, and before January 1, 2010. Qualifying taxpayers can deduct the state and local sales and excise taxes paid on the purchase of new cars, light trucks, motor homes and motorcycles. There is no limit on the number of vehicles that may be purchased, and you may claim the deduction for taxes paid on multiple purchases. But the deduction per vehicle is limited to the tax on up to \$49,500 of the purchase price of each qualifying vehicle and phases out for taxpayers at higher in-

come levels. This deduction is available regardless of whether a taxpayer itemizes deductions on Schedule A.

**Energy-Efficient**

**Home Improvements**

The Recovery Act also encourages homeowners to make their homes more energy efficient. The credit for non-business energy property is increased for homeowners who make qualified energy-efficient improvements to existing homes. The law increases the rate to 30 percent of the cost of all qualifying improvements and raises the maximum credit limit to a total of \$1,500 for improvements placed in service in 2009 and 2010. Qualifying improvements include the addition of insulation, energy-efficient exterior windows and energy-efficient heating and air conditioning systems.

**First 4 years of tax credit**

The American opportunity credit is designed to help parents and students pay part of the cost of the first four years of college. The new credit modifies

the existing Hope credit for tax years 2009 and 2010, making it available to a broader range of taxpayers, including many with higher incomes and those who owe no tax. Tuition, related fees, books and other required course materials generally qualify. Many of those eligible will qualify for the maximum annual credit of \$2,500 per student.

**Certain Computer**

**Technology**

**Purchases Allowed**

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act adds computer technology to the list of college expenses (tuition, books, etc.) that can be paid for by a qualified tuition program, commonly referred to as a 529 plan. For 2009 and 2010, the law ex-

pands the definition of qualified higher education expenses to include expenses for computer technology and equipment or Internet access and related services to be used by the designated beneficiary of the qualified tuition program while enrolled at an eligible educational institution. Software designed for sports, games or hobbies does not qualify, unless it is predominantly educational in nature.

**Upcoming Due Dates**

September 15th - August Payroll Taxes and Third Quarter Estimated Taxes Due

September 20th - Sales Tax Due

If you have any tax questions, please forward them to: tmichie1@rochester.rr.com.

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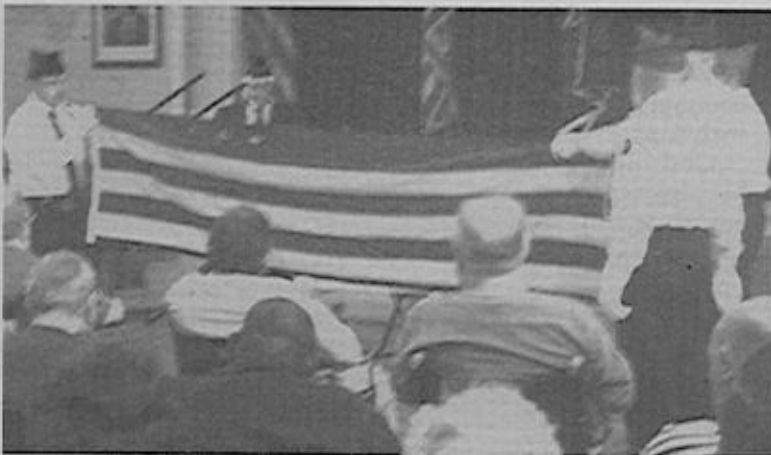
Submitted by Tom Paglia



**Rochester and Greece Memorial Day Parades**

James A. Hard-Wayne Charter Post No. 12 Masonic War Veterans assembled to march in the Rochester Memorial Day Parade. The parade assembled at Strathallan Park and ended at Plymouth Avenue. The day had a little breeze, which helped offset the heat. As usual, I did not get the names of all who were present.

After the parade, we went to Friendly's on West Ridge Road for lunch because the group was marching at 1 p.m. in the Greece Memorial Day Parade. That parade was about a mile long. Ken and Doreen Rhodes and Gordon joined us in the Greece parade. The crowd showed their enthusiasm with loud applause and hollering when we marched by. It really made us feel good.



Masonic War Veterans folded the American Flag while R.W.V. Tom Paglia gave the explanation of the meaning of the folds. A bag containing a 3x5-foot American Flag, a pin inscribed "U.S.A. America - I Served" and thank you letters was distributed with best wishes from M.W.V. Grand Master Gilbert, the Grand Line, Masonic War Veterans and the Masonic Veterans Service Committee.

The Flags and Pins were courtesy of M.W.V. Grand Master Gilbert and Grand Line Officers. As the Flags were distributed, the Veterans placed them over their heart and held it tight. Many had tears in their eyes - a very emotional moment. The VA Staff came forward to those who participated and commented on the great presentation. Their plans are to have one next year.

Mr. Craig Howard gave the welcome speech and Fr. Martin Smith-Soucier delivered the Invocation and Benediction. He commented that he had never witnessed such a sincere and moving presentation. Thank you to all who participated.

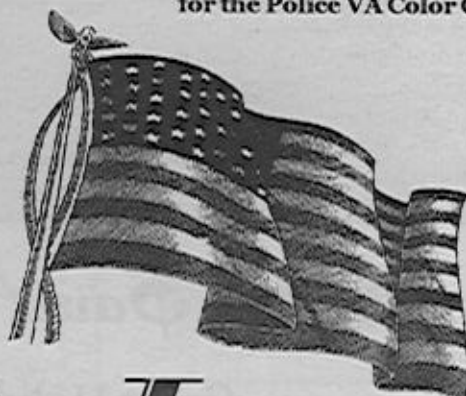


A special tribute was held at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center to honor the Veterans residents. I had invited Ms. Robin Johnson, the Volunteer Program Director, who was a guest speaker at the Scottish Rite Veterans Program that was held at the Damascus Shrine Center. She liked the program and decided to follow the same format.

R.W.V. Tom Paglia recited the "Missing Soldier Empty Table". He was assisted by W.V. Larry Hood. The James A. Hard-Wayne Charter Post was the special Honor Guard for the Police VA Color Guard



Pocahontas Lodge No. 211 and Milnor Lodge No. 139, with Grand Lodge and Eastern Star Officers, assembled together to participate in the Waterloo Memorial Day Parade. The day was perfect for marching. It seemed the whole town was out for the occasion. Thanks to the Lodges for inviting the marching group for a great picnic at Pocahontas Lodge Hall. It seemed they had enough food to feed the entire parade. Notice Cora Paglia sneaking into the picture. Cora and I thank the Lodges for their friendship and hospitality.



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# "Bring Mary Home" Benefit

## Co-Sponsored by the Masonic Service Bureau

Imagine, if you will, planning your last big vacation in retirement. That's what Mary and Derek Aspin did when they went to Egypt. The retired couple broke away from the tour group one day to see The Museum of Egyptian Antiquities, a particular point of interest to them. During the visit, Mary fell and hit her head, was treated for a small cut on her forehead, then went back to the hotel to nap. She fell into unconsciousness, ended up in a Cairo hospital where she slipped into a coma.

Her husband, Derek, spent several weeks at her bedside, but mentally exhausted and out of money, he returned home not knowing what the prognosis would be.

He commenced to make arrangements to return Mary to a hospital in Rochester, but the cost for a medical transport was estimated at \$80-\$100 thousand dollars.

When the Webster Aquatic Center heard about the situation, they were inspired to try to raise funds to help this couple who regularly shared the activities of the Center.

They expected some large donations. In an effort to offer that donations be tax-deductible, the Masonic Service Bureau was approached to be a sponsor.

We worked with the committee to establish guidelines regarding the donations and the event was planned for a full day of wonderful fun and participation.

A day that was to be one of hope and charity, was scarred with sadness knowing Mary had passed away June 29th.

Funds were still needed for

Bring Mary Home  
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at the Webster Aquatic Center  
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final expenses and major medical expenses incurred during her hospital stay.

The event was held, it was successful and donations have been given to Mary's husband for the debts.

We hope our presence in the community has been expanded with support of such an event.

God bless Mary; may our blessings comfort Derek as he adjusts to a life without her. »



Don Darrohn (left), President and Skip Waterstreet (right), Executive Director of the Masonic Service Bureau, were present at the Registration Table to answer questions.



Maria Emilia Rodriguez "Mimi," certified watersize instructor from Italy, was visiting Buffalo for some classes and willingly came to Webster to lead the watersize segment of the program.



The Registration Table featured a memorial presentation (on a monitor) sharing Mary's life. The Masonic Service Bureau President, Don Darrohn (right) assisted Skip Waterstreet in promoting Masonic Fraternities and sharing our mission.

Participants take direction from "Mimi" in the Aqua Zumba portion of the program ... otherwise known as "watersizing." It's a form of exercising, but no one likes the label "exercise." They had a splashing good time while expending many calories and toning muscles.



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## In Memoriam

### Adams, Robert C.

Robert Adams, 81, departed from a lively life of accomplishments on June 7th. His daughter and grandchildren will always cherish his memory. Robert was a member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge and received the Daniel Carter Beard Award for which his Brother Masons nominated him. This honor was in recognition of his involvement with Boy Scouting for over 70 years. He labored for those he loved, then left us to remember.

### Bennet, Arthur M.

Arthur Bennett, 89, passed away June 13th. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann, 3 children, 5 step-children and several grandchildren. Art was a member of Fairport-Flower City Lodge and Damascus Shriners. He was a World War II Veteran flight officer, India China Division, Air Transport Command. Memories are like threads of gold, they never tarnish or grow old.

### Bleier, John L.

John Bleier, 83, passed away June 27th and 3 children, 2 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren are left to cherish his memory. Jack was a 52-year member of Milnor Lodge, Eastern Star and a World War II Navy Veteran, serving in the South Pacific. Though absent you are very near; still loved, still missed and very dear.

### Fimbel, Richard M.

Richard M. Fimbel, 28, surrendered his mortal life August 9th and his parents, Richard and Jerri, and family are left to mourn his early passing. Richard was a member of Oatka Lodge. God sends His children here with special tasks to do; and calls them home when their work is through.

### Galloway, Robert P.

We have received word that Robert P. Galloway, 72, died April 5th, in Raleigh, NC. He is survived by his wife, Edith. Robert was a Past Master of Yonondio Lodge, which has now merged into ERAC Lodge.

### Gauch, Norman E.

Norman Gauch, 90, left this world July 8th and will be missed by his son and daughter, 2 grandchildren and a great-grandson. Norman lead a very active life, involved in many organizations and his church. He was a World War II Veteran and a 69-year member of Unity Lodge and Lalla Rookh Grotto.

### Grape, Arnold G.

The loving arms of the Lord embraced Arnold Grape, 89, on May 28th. Arnold was a 67-year Mason and member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. As he moves to the Celestial Lodge, his memory is restored and he will always be remembered for his productive life on Earth.

### Green, Lloyd A. "Bud", Jr.

Lloyd Green, 74, found loving peace in the arms of the Lord July 1st. Bud will always be cherished by his wife of 48 years, Marilyn, 3 children and 7 grandchildren. Lloyd was a member of Drumlin Square Lodge. His Masonic Brothers and family will miss him.

### Holmes, Floyd R. "Russ"

July 20th was the day Floyd Holmes, 82, was Raised to the Celestial Lodge and his wife, Janet, a daughter and 2 grandchildren will keep his memory in their hearts forever. "Russ" was a member of Unity Lodge, Etolian Chapter (OES) and NCT Camping Group. He was a US Navy Veteran, serving on the USS Navasota (1944-1946). A memory is a keepsake of time that lives forever in the heart.

### Jarvie, James

James Jarvie, 92, was embraced by those who walked before him in faith on June 8th. His son, daughter-in-law and 4 grandchildren survive him. James was a member of St. John Tulliallan Lodge in Scotland, Damascus Shriners and Scottish Rite. He also served during World War II in the Highland Light Infantry. A page in our book of memories is gently turned today.

### Laitenberger, Richard F.

On June 3rd, Richard Laitenberger, 83, found loving peace in the arms of the Lord. His wife of 58 years, Doris, 3 children and 6 grandchildren survive him. Richard was a member of Webster Lodge and a World War II Army Veteran. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.

### McCaughy, Roger E.

Roger McCaughy, 87, departed his Earthly family May 26th and his wife, Rose, 3 children and 7 grandchildren will remember his legacy. Roger was a Mason for 53 years and a member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. He was a U.S. Navy Veteran. We wish you the gift of a memory whenever you need to know, the one you love still sails with you wherever you may go.

### Murphy, Harold F.

Harold F. Murphy, 89, went home to his Lord on June 26th. He was a member of ERAC Lodge for more than 60 years and a World War II Army Veteran. May he find peace with the Lord.

### Palmer, Robert K.

Robert Palmer, 88, was escorted by flights of angels to Heaven on June 20th. He will always be cherished by his wife, Wilma, 3 children, 3 grandchildren and a great-grandchild. Robert was a member of Union Star Lodge. A memory is a keepsake of time that lives forever in the heart.

### Peck, Richard Mohr

Richard Peck met his Maker August 7th. His wife, Mary Jane, 3 children and 6 grandchildren will remember his life. Richard was a 55-year member of Seneca Lodge. There is a link death cannot sever, Brotherhood and remembrance last forever.

### Porter, Carle D.

The Heavenly Band of Angels came for Carle Porter, 91, on June 12th and his music will live on. He is survived by 2 children, 4 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Buddy was a 63-year member of ERAC Lodge. His love of music is his legacy. He profoundly touched the lives of those around him and will be deeply missed.

### Saunders, Vernon I.

On May 30th, Vernon Saunders, 85, was called home by the Great Architect of the Universe. His wife, Pauline, survives him. Vern was a 51-year Mason and member of Valley-Simes Lodge. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal; love leaves a memory no one can steal.

### Tausch, Harold W.

Harold Tausch, 81, went to the Celestial Lodge May 21st. The Heavenly choirs are benefiting from his talent and love of music. Harold is survived by his wife, Elvira, 2 children, 3 step-children and 12 grandchildren. He was a 45-year member of Seneca Lodge. No length of time can take away our thoughts of you today. Until we meet again, *Auf Wiedersehen*.

### Teamerson, Arthur N.

Arthur Teamerson, 81, said goodbye to his Earthly home July 2nd. He is survived by Marian, his wife of 54 years, 4 children and 5 grandchildren, who honor his memory. Art was a World War II Army Veteran, a 57-year member and Past Master of Valley-Simes Lodge. May the joy of the Lord be your strength.

### Walker, John A.

Craftsman Robertson Lodge delivered a Masonic Memorial Service for Brother John Walker, 87, who passed away May 22nd. John was a World War II Marine Veteran. He is survived by 4 children and their families. John will long be remembered for providing music in Lodge rooms and hospitals, where he played the organ. Our Heavenly families now sing his refrain.

### Walkley, Frank Aldrich

Frank Walkley, 87, met his Maker June 6th. His wife of 63 years, Margaret, 5 children, 13 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren survive him. Frank was a member of Oakland Lodge. He served his community and state in several elected and appointed positions of employment. Celebrate the life of your loved one and hold his memory close.

### Webb, Charles H., Sr.

Charles Webb, 83, entered Eternal Rest May 28th leaving his wife, daughter and 4 grandchildren to remember him. Charles was a member of Oatka Lodge and Lalla Rookh Grotto. There are special people in our lives who never leave, even after they're gone.

### Worden, John E.

John E. Worden, 88, left his Earthly home August 13th. His wife, Nadyne, 2 children and 3 grandchildren survive him. He was a member of Unity Lodge and a Veteran. He will be missed by his Masonic Brothers, family and friends.

## Widows to be Remembered

**Allen, Marjorie C.**, 85, widow of Ernest Allen (Unity Lodge), died July 2nd.

**Davis, Ruth K.**, 98, widow of Frank L. Davis (Unity Lodge & Grotto), died August 16th.

**Anderson, Eva Elliott**, 92, widow of Elmer Anderson (Wakan-Hubbard Lodge), died July 12th.

**Martin, Ethel L.**, 96, widow of Richard Martin (Union Lodge), died May 28th.

**Anthony, Faith B.**, 78, widow of George K. Anthony (Wakan-Hubbard Lodge), died June 4th.

**Stoehr, Llewella**, 102, widow of Paul Stoehr (Wakan-Hubbard Lodge), died July 11th.

## Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

### OCTOBER

|           | <i>IDC</i> - Date to be Announced                  |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 3rd-4th   | Hilton Apple Fest, Clio Lodge Concession Booth     |
| 3rd       | Damascus Shriners Sportsman Raffle, Shrine Center  |
| 10th-12th | OES Grand Sessions, Binghamton                     |
| 17th      | Damascus Shriners Orientation & Ceremonial         |
| 18th      | Interfaith Service & Brunch, Shrine Center         |
| 23rd      | Grand Lecturer's Convention, Fairport              |
| 24th      | Doric Council Banquet, RIT Inn & Conference Center |
| 24th      | Wheeler's Haunted Hayride, Shrine Center           |
| 27th-29th | MSAT Workshop, Utica                               |
| 29th      | Monroe Masters & Wardens, Honeoye Falls            |

### NOVEMBER

|      | <i>IDC</i> - Date to be Announced               |
|------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1st  | Work Day - Close Camp DeMolay                   |
| 11th | Masonic Development Course, Caledonia           |
| 14th | Damascus Shriners Harvest Dinner, Shrine Center |
| 14th | Commandery Pilgrimage, Hornell                  |
| 30th | Monroe Masters & Wardens, Spencerport           |

### DECEMBER

|      | <i>IDC</i> - Date to be Announced                   |
|------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 9th  | Masonic Development Course, Caledonia               |
| 11th | Holiday Decoration Party, Shrine Center             |
| 12th | All Masonic Children's Holiday Party, Shrine Center |

### JANUARY

|           | <i>IDC</i> - Date to be Announced       |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------|
| 13th      | Masonic Development Course, Caledonia   |
| 20th      | Monroe Masters & Wardens, Shrine Center |
| 26th-28th | MSAT Workshop, Utica                    |

### FEBRUARY

|      | <i>IDC</i> - Date to be Announced |
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| 6th  | Road to the East, Caledonia       |
| 13th | Road to the East, Caledonia       |
| 20th | Road to the East, Caledonia       |

### MARCH

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| 31st | Monroe Masters & Wardens, Scottsville |
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### APRIL

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| 13th-15th | MSAT Workshop, Utica               |
| 29th      | Monroe Masters & Wardens, Penfield |

### MAY

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| 3rd-4th | Grand Lodge Sessions, New York City |
| 28th    | Joint Investiture Service, Fairport |

### JUNE

|      |                                   |
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| 29th | Monroe Masters & Wardens, Webster |
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|                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>1</b><br>Clio - Hilton<br>Craftsman Robertson, Shrine Center<br>Garoga-Sincerity - Phelps<br>Nunda Station<br>Oakland - Castile<br>OES - Fairport, Nolaka, Starlight       | <b>2</b><br>Drumlin Square - Palmyra<br>Livonia<br>Olive Branch - LeRoy<br>Damascus Shrine<br>OES - Lilac Star                                                         | <b>3</b><br>Eunice - Caledonia<br>Northfield - Pitsford<br>Webster                                                                                         | <b>4</b><br>Webster Lodge<br>Spaghetti Dinner<br>5-7 p.m. \$7 adult; \$4 Child<br>30 Orchard Street<br>Shrine Cruise Night | <b>5</b><br>Individual Development Course, Shrine Center                                                       |
| <b>6</b>                                                                                                        | <b>7</b><br><i>Labor Day</i>                                                                                                                                                         | <b>8</b><br>Eagle, 30 - Honeoye<br>Seneca - Webster<br>Valley-Sines, Shrine Center<br>OES - Leah - Hilton; Mary Jane Holmes - Brockport                                       | <b>9</b><br>Oaka - Scottsville<br>Webster - Fellowcraft<br>Masonic Service Bureau<br>Monthly Luncheon Meeting<br>OES - Corinthian-Fellowship<br>Shrine Legion of Honor | <b>10</b><br>Fame, Shrine Center<br>Milnor - Shortsville<br>Union - Lima<br>Webster - Fellowcraft<br>RAM - Hiram<br>Lalla Rookh Caldron                    | <b>11</b><br>Shrine Cruise Night<br><i>Patriot Day</i>                                                                     | <b>12</b><br>Individual Development Course, Shrine Center                                                      |
| <b>13</b>                                                                                                       | <b>14</b><br>ERAC - Shrine Center<br>Fairport-Flower City - OV<br>Union Star - Honeoye Falls<br>Unity - Spencerport<br>Wakan-Hubbard - Penfield<br>Shrine Lunch Club                 | <b>15</b><br>Clio - Hilton<br>Craftsman Robertson - OV, Shrine Center<br>Garoga-Sincerity - Phelps<br>Nunda Station<br>Oakland - Castile<br>OES - Fairport, Nolaka, Starlight | <b>16</b><br>Ark - Geneva<br>Drumlin Square - Palmyra<br>Livonia - OV<br>Olive Branch - LeRoy<br>Damascus Shrine<br>OES - Lilac Star                                   | <b>17</b><br>Eunice - Caledonia<br>Northfield - Pitsford<br>Webster<br>Scottish Rite, Shrine Center                                                        | <b>18</b><br>Shrine Cruise Night                                                                                           | <b>19</b><br>Livonia Lodge<br>Golf Tournament, Cornesus Golf Club                                              |
| <b>20</b>                                                                                                       | <b>21</b><br>Canandaigua - Shortsville<br>RAM - Palmyra/Eagle<br>KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Pitsford<br>Lalla Rookh Grotto, Legion of Honor<br>Shrine Lunch Club<br>Auburn Shrine Club     | <b>22</b><br>Eagle - Honeoye<br>Seneca - Webster<br>Valley-Sines, Shrine Center<br>RAM - LeRoy<br>OES - Leah - Hilton                                                         | <b>23</b><br>Oaka - OV, Scottsville<br>Tall Cedars of Lebanon<br>OES - Corinthian-Fellowship<br>Directors Staff                                                        | <b>24</b><br>Fame, Shrine Center<br>Milnor - Shortsville<br>Union - Lima<br>RAM - Hiram<br>James A. Hard/Wayne Charter<br>Post No. 12<br>Perry Shrine Club | <b>25</b><br>Shrine Cruise Night<br><i>Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown</i>                                                 | <b>26</b><br><i>Rosh Hashanah</i><br>Pancake Breakfast<br>Union Star Lodge<br>3 North Main St<br>Honeoye Falls |
| <b>27</b><br><i>Ramadan ends</i><br>Clio Lodge<br>Spaghetti Dinner<br>September 23rd<br>287 East Avenue, Hilton | <b>28</b><br>ERAC - Shrine Center<br>Fairport-Flower City<br>Union Star - BBF, Honeoye Falls<br>Wakan-Hubbard - 1 <sup>o</sup> , Penfield<br>Shrine Lunch Club<br>Geneva Shrine Club | <b>29</b><br><i>Fall begins</i><br>Masters & Wardens - Clio<br>Lodge Hall, Hilton<br>School of Ritual - Clio Lodge<br>Hall, Hilton                                            | <b>30</b>                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                |
| <i>Yom Kippur begins at sundown</i>                                                                             | <i>Yom Kippur</i>                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                |

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