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### Hadi-Ya-Saga DeMolay Preceptory

Cordially invites you to attend the Public Conferral of the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor

### G. Michael Morris

Saturday, September 25, 2010 7 p.m.

Wakan-Hubbard Lodge

1822A Penfield Road, Penfield, New York

Join us as we honor an individual who has been recognized by DeMolay International for outstanding adult leadership and service to humanity.

### **DeMolay International Honors Local Masons**

By Gary Burke

At the Annual Session of De-Molay International, held in Dallas, Texas, in June, two lo-

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cal Masons were elected to receive honors from this body.

G. Michael Morris of Rochester and Robert Schwarting of Penn Yan were officially designated to receive the DeMolay Legion of Honor.



G. Michael Morris

Brother Morris will receive the "Honorary" (was not DeMolay member in his youth) and Brother Schwarting the "Active" (was a DeMolay member) Legion of Honor designations.

The Legion of Honor is the highest honor conferred by the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay. It is awarded in recognition of outstanding adult leadership in some field of endeavor that serves God, country or humanity.

Monroe District **Kickoff Dinner** September 11th 5:00 p.m.

Fairport Masonic Hall

### RMH Volunteers will be Recognized at Interfaith Service and Brunch Sunday, October 24th

Jan Porter

Plans are well underway for this year's Interfaith Service and Brunch. It will be held Sunday, October 24th, at the Damascus Shrine Center, 979 Bay Road, Webster. A theme, "We are our Brother's Keeper," fits perfectly with the selected recipient of the Community Service Award - Ronald Mc-Donald Houses. Dave and Pat Anderson will be present to receive the Award on behalf of all of the Volunteer Angels at the



Dave and Pat Anderson

We encourage everyone who has participated in the Have-a-Heart Campaign to come to the Interfaith Service and Brunch. It promises to be enlightening and entertaining.

The Ronald McDonald Houses (RMH) is a favorite charity among Masonic organizations, as demonstrated in the participation of many Bodies at Have-a-Heart Campaign every February. This Drive has united Masonry in area Districts toward a common goal benefitting both Masonry and the Community.

We recently met with Dave and Pat Anderson, volunteer veterans for more than 20 years, who shared many interesting stories and praises for the more than

600 volunteers who keep the RMH running today. During the week, volunteers are scheduled in 4, 3-hour shifts and 4-hour shifts on the weekend. Scheduled staff is required 24/7, 365 days a year. Each week, 75-100 "Volunteer Angels," are needed.

Ronald McDonald House at 333 Westmoreland Drive

Masonic Involvement

In the beginning, the Masons were there. In 1988, even before the House was built, the Monroe District Masons were looking for a local charity for which they could do a major fundraiser. The "House with a Heart" (RMH) drove the annual fundraiser for a February timeframe. The first year, the Have-a-Heart Campaign exceeded the initial goal of \$10,000 when \$20,000 was raised in local Malls with donations for paper hearts. This Campaign continues today for the first two weeks in February.

All Fraternal Bodies have gotten on board over the years and are willing to participate in raising funds. Sometimes they even select the RMH as special project fundraisers within their organizations.

The "home away from home" opened its doors in February, 1990, and volunteers were the foundation of its operation. There are many things volunteers can do ... a few hours a week, an occasional assist as a niche worker (using a special skill, talent or interest), donating a meal for families staying there, etc. There's a wish list and lots of ideas to which you or an organization can refer, if you wish to help. Check the website:

www.ronaldshouse.com for complete information.

Additional Fundraising Other fundraisers developed over the years and include: ABC Sale

WBEE Radiothon Red Tie Gala

Approximately 600 volunteers are required to assist with these events.

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### Northeast Edge Dedication of Garden at Norton Village Recreation Center

350 Waring Road Saturday September 25th 10:45 a.m.

Senator James Alesi will lead the dedication

All Veterans are welcome.

This garden features commemorative bricks for Veterans. Any Veteran or family member who would like their name on a brick in the park, call Nancy at 266-0210.

The bricks are free and will be a lasting memory to the Veterans who have served our Country.

Bring family and friends to the

# Interfaith Service & Brunch October 24th

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

at Damascus Shrine Center 979 Bay Road, Webster

\$10 per person Paid reservations in advance

Make check payable to Masonic Service Bureau and mail to 979 Bay Road, Webster, NY 14580

Damascus News see page 13



### Editor's Corner

Wow, what a Summer! Many of our correspondents started their columns in a similar fashion, or mentioned it somewhere in their article. I'm in agreement.

I wish I could bottle this Summer and open it up every year. I know it doesn't work that way, but I can dream.

It has also been a sad Summer. We have lost many loyal and faithful Masons and Star Sisters, whom you will find listed on Page 27. Our sympathies to the family members, Brothers, Sisters and Friends of our departed.

With regard to the Masonic Times, we have tried once again to go to digital preparation for our printer. As I write this column, I know we are late. While we made good strides over the break, there are still little things that trip us up. Uncovering and correcting those is very frustrating and time-consuming. Once we have succeeded with an issue, I hope the major problems will be fixed and anything else that occurs are minor glitches.

So I'm asking for your patience and consideration again. I apologize to the Shriners who look for the section of *Damascus News*, and the information about the monthly meeting and the events of the Clubs and Units.

The first Wednesday of the month is very tough. We are lucky if we can get the paper itself delivered a day or two before the 1st of the Month on a normal basis. When the 1st of the month is on a Wednesday, it probably means information on that month's meeting is somewhat useless by the time it arrives. Most of the Clubs and Units articles and information should be OK.

We will endeavor to do better! Thanks for reading.

From the Executive Director

### Correction to MSB Donor listing

Brother James Toogood informed me that his name was omitted from the list of contributors to last year's Appeal. I apologized to him and will say so again. I apologize. We try very hard to keep everything in order and I hope, since he was the only individual who responded, that, in fact, he was the only one missed.

We really appreciate all who support the Masonic Service Bureau and hope you will continue to do so. We also welcome those new to the Fraternity and new Friends, too. We will soon be conducting the 2010 Appeal. We hope you will consider the value of our work for the Fraternity in the Community and contribute generously.

Thank you!

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By Gary Sanford

It is that time of the year when we all are back into our Masonic activities after some time off to refresh ourselves. The leaders of our many different organizations have been busy making plans for all of us to enjoy and learn from.

If you haven't already, please step up and ask them how you may help. We all appreciate it when someone is willing to offer to assist us in one or more of our many different functions as one person can't do it all themselves. This may be as simple as helping with a dinner, to as more time consuming as a part of our Ritual from which we all

can learn. When we go forward, we usually receive more in return than what we give of ourselves.

We need to also thank those who have been working in the quarries making all of the plans for the upcoming Masonic Year. Some are repeat leaders who have stepped forward to fill that gap in the Line; others are looking ahead with excitement and some nervousness as they are trying to do the best they can for their peers. Some words of encouragement, I'm sure, would be greatly appreciated by all as not every time at bat will be a hit. However, they are out there making that attempt to help the team improve.

If you would like to attend any of our monthly meetings and assist us, we would greatly appreciate it. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month, 12 Noon - 1 p.m. at the Damascus Shrine Center, 979 Bay Road, Webster. You may bring your own lunch or call the Bureau a couple days ahead of time to order a sub.

If we at the Masonic Service Bureau may help you or you would like a presentation of what the Service Bureau does, please contact us at 671-9730 and we would be glad to assist.

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# Camp DeMolay Progress

Several volunteers are dedicated to the maintenance of the Camp DeMolay facilities and spent many hours there this Summer. Painting, electrical upgrades, plumbing, etc., were a few of the projects tackled. If you ask Richard Snyder, Ralph Jurgens, Ron Weber, George Foehner, Gary Sanford, Mike McBride and Skip Waterstreet, some days were less-than-desirable for working outside. The air conditioning is provided by Mother Nature - a lake breeze, which is intermittent at best.



And let there be light ... George Foehner works on the wiring and electrical breaker box in the new Valley-Simes Recreation Building. Camp DeMolay is more than 16 acres of wooded area located on the shore of Lake Ontario in Sodus Point. There are three cabins that each sleeps twelve; men's and ladies restrooms with showers; a new Valley-Simes Recreation Building and a 1500-square-foot Meeting Hall in Anderson Lodge with a good-size, fully equipped kitchen, fireplace (with wood-burning insert), covered porch facing the Lake and furnishings.



Angelo DiCataldo replaces damaged boards, assisted by Richard Snyder.

We can always use volunteers and the Camp is available for use May through October, on a first-come, first-served basis. Some uses of the Camp have been family reunions, wedding/baby showers, seminars/meetings, Lodge picnics, Boy Scouts,

Girl Scouts and a day camp for children.

If you have some time, can offer a talent or just show up to help, contact Richard Snyder (342-2419) or Ralph Jurgens (315) 524-3686 and make the offer. You will be put on an email list to let you know when work days are scheduled. Let them know you plan to attend so, if for some reason that day is canceled, they can let you know. These sessions expect to continue through the end of October, when the Camp will be closed for the year



Ron Weber swept up the residue after the wiring installation was completed in Valley-Simes Recreation Hall.

ated or Concordant Bodies are billed at \$2.00 per year for those members who already subscribe to the **Masonic Times**, International Subscriptions, \$30,00/year.

### Burn Camp Counselor Uses Experience to Help Others

By Allyn J. Borrino, Director grease fire erupted in her then

Summer camp means swimming, campfires and meeting new friends. For Chelsea Gasper and other burn survivors, camp can also mean emotional healing.

The Finger Lakes Regional Burn Association Annual Burn Camp just wrapped up, and Chelsea, 17, was there as she has been every year since she was five. This year, she was a Junior Counselor.

"You have to regain your confidence after being burned. Burn Camp was the difference. Meeting people and having fun. Seeing other kids with burns," says Chelsea, a high school student from Webster.

Chelsea received burns over a third of her body when she was three - On her forehead, stomach and both legs, arms and hands. Her injury was the result of a freak accident. When a

grease fire erupted in her then New York City home one night, she ran out the back door. Not knowing she was there, Chelsea's father opened the door and threw the flaming oil into the darkness.

Chelsea says she doesn't remember getting burned, but the teenager has had to deal with the physical and emotional pain ever since. She says the fellowship of Burn Camp has been invaluable.

"Camp is like a second family for me. I feel comfortable here. It's just fun," she says.

Paul Schwartzman, Executive Director of the Finger Lakes Regional Burn Association, says the free camp in Painted Post offers a chance each Summer for 40 - 45 campers to relax with other kids who share what can be an isolating experience. They also learn ways to address both curiosity and bullying

stemming from their disfiguring burns. Schwartzman, a licensed Mental Health Counselor, adds that the benefits last long after the camp ends.

"We get incredible feedback. Just the notion of being socially accepted," he says. "They may be more willing to put the bathing suit on at the public beach. They may be more open to talking about their experiences."

He points to Chelsea as an example of someone who was introverted and shy only a few years ago. Camp has helped her emerge into someone willing to talk about her experience.

The Children's Burn Foundation in Sherman Oaks, CA, holds four burn camps during the year. Carol Horvitz, Executive Director at the Children's Burn Foundation, says children leave the camps different than when they arrived.

"These camps make a longlasting impact on these children. It speeds their recovery. It speeds their ability to re-enter the world with a sense of purpose and belonging," she says.

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# 2010 Education Assistance Awards and Charity Grants from Masonic Service Bureau

June 17th was the Masonic Service Bureau's Awards Night when nine students shared a total of \$7,500 in education assistance. Since the inception of this program in 1986, over a quarter of a million dollars has been distributed to more than nearly 300 students.

At the same time, grants totaling \$12,000 were distributed to various non-profit organizations who serve the elderly, the needy and support youth programs.

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 2011 Awards may call the Masonic Service Bureau Office, at 671-9730, and have their name put on a mailing list.



Caitlin Cieri

Once the 2011 Budget is approved in December, applications are mailed to persons who requested one and to Secretaries of Lodges, Chapters and Concordant Bodies.

An important note ... These Education Assistance Awards 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 18 charitable organizations.

Pretty much the same process is used for determining the recipients of the Charity Grants. There is no limit on the number of times an Organization may receive a Grant, provided they continue to meet the criteria of the Masonic Service



Lauren Drexel



Committee. The Organizations receiving

Awards this year were:

Advent House

Northern Livingston Coun-Chapter, American Red Cross

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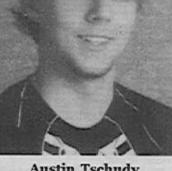
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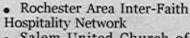
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Monroe District Youth Organizations







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St. Peter's Kitchen

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

You may attend the Masonic Service Bureau's Awards Night program next year to hear specifically how these contributions are being used by each of the Organizations receiving a grant. Part of the requirement is they attend this annual event and explain briefly what their group does and how this particular contribution will aid them in carrying out their work. Some of the stories are very heart-warming. Join us!

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### MMRL Featured in July Issue of Cardiology Today

Dr. Charles Antzelevitch, Executive Director and Director of Research of the Masonic Medical Research Laboratories (MMRL) and his colleagues, were featured in the July issue of Cardiology Today in an article titled "Revived Research into J-Wave Syndromes Seeks to Unmask Potential Risks, Treatments."

The J-wave is a normal feature of the electrocardiogram (ECG), and its accentuation has been identified by research conducted at the MMRL to be a major risk factor for the development of sudden cardiac arrest.

Scientists at the Cardiac Research Institute of the MMRL have contributed importantly to the medical literature in this field. Drs. Antzelevitch and Yan (currently at the Lankenau Institute for Medical Research in Philadelphia) recently published a review article in the journal Heart Rhythm in which they proposed a classification and risk stratification scheme for an inherited sudden cardiac death syndrome known as Early Repolarization Syndrome



Charles Antzelevitch

in which abnormal J-waves appear. This feature article in Cardiology Today is another example of the MMRL's cutting edge research and its influence in the world of cardiology.

Dr. Charles Antzelevitch is recognized as a leading experimental cardiologist, ranked among the top 50 internationally. He was also recently invited to author the chapter on Mechanisms of Cardiac Arrhythmias in Hurst's the Heart, a leading reference guide used by of cardiologists worldwide.

Cardiology Today is a wellrespected and read publication in the United States and around the world, which serves as definitive information source for cardiovascular medicine professionals by delivering timely, accurate, authoritative and balanced reports on clinical issues, socioeconomic topics and industry developments, as well as presenting clinically relevant information on medical therapies for the benefit of the patient.

The Masonic Medical Research Laboratory is a not-forprofit institute dedicated to improving the health and quality of life for all. The Laboratory's primary mission is to conduct high-quality basic and clinical research aimed at generating knowledge and information necessary for development of the medical cures and treatments of tomorrow. The Laboratory is also committed to providing education and training to basic scientists, clinical researchers and students who will perpetuate and extend the fight against disease.

Please visit www.mmrl.edu to learn more about MMRL research.

### Senior DeMolay Night

Sponsored by New York Niagara Frontier Region of the Order of DeMolay

### Honoring the Past Supporting the Future

### Friday, September 17th

Sweet Home Masonic Hall 641 Sweet Home Road, Buffalo

Dinner - 6:30 p.m. Majority Service - 7:30 p.m. Cost - \$15

RSVP to Bill Koller at (716) 803-4724 by September 10th

Any net proceeds from the dinner will defray the cost of Leadership Training Weekend to be held October 1-3 at Camp DeMolay, Sodus Point.

#### RMH Volunteers Continued from Page 1

#### The Yellow House on Westmoreland

Visit sometime and see what love built. In the April, 1990, Issue of the Masonic Times, a poem appeared that aptly sums up the Ronald McDonald House: The House that Love Built

This is the house where families meet,

To continue their lives, to eat and sleep,

To find their strengths and dry their tears,

To look forward with hope to better years.

This is the house that becomes their home,

This is the house that love built.x

#### **RMH Wish List**

Imagine having 4 kitchens, 10 washers & dryers, 27 bedrooms and 25 bathrooms! These are the facilities we have in our two Rochester Ronald McDonald Houses to care for our families. Now imagine the amount of cereal, laundry soap, toilet paper

and other necessities we need to keep our Houses operating. That's where YOU come in! Keep us in mind as you shop for your everyday needs.

### Most Needed Items

- Paper Towels
- Spaghetti O's, Canned Ravioli
- Snack Foods
- Juice Boxes

### **Grocery Items**

- Fruit and cereal bars
- Individual fruit & pudding
- · Pop Tarts
- Fresh fruit

- Individual microwave meals
- Condiments (mayo, ketchup, mustard)
- Salad dressings
- Single serving cereal boxes Cleaning/Paper Supplies
- Disinfectant wipes
- Trash bags (8, 13 & 50-gal)
- Soft Scrubbing Cleansers Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Swiffer Sweeper Wet Cloths Ziplock Storage Bags (1 and
- 2-1/2 gallon) Foaming Bathroom Cleaner
- Paper Napkins
- Dishwasher Detergent
- Disposable Cleaning Gloves

- Disposable Bathroom Cups Miscellaneous Items
- Batteries, all sizes
- Copy paper/20 lb.
- · Gift cards (Wegmans, Target, Wal-Mart, Home Depot,
- · Postage "Forever" Stamps
- Night lights and Flashlights All items should be new for

the health and safety of our families and volunteers. Please call 442-KIDS for more infor-

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Volunteers who gathered for the 2009 Ronald McDonald Houses Picnic, an Annual Event.



### Masonic Memorial Research Lab Hosts Undergraduate Students in 2010 Summer Fellowship Program

By Myron Thurston III

Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL) is the only major biomedical research facility in the greater Utica and Mohawk Valley Area and considers it an important responsibility to provide an educational and training program for gifted and talented students of the life sciences. The MMRL Summer Fellowship Program is designed to educate, instill scientific curiosity and prepare and guide our college undergraduates in making career decisions.

The students attending this year were: Denis Avdic (Utica College), Jonathan Blazek (University of Albany), John Boyle (Cornell University), Alexandra Chico (Providence College), Natalie Chlus (Bucknell University), Alyssa Cortese (Utica College), Ahmeda Hrustanovic (Utica College),

Nadime Issa (Syracuse University), Anjali Patel (New York University), Alyssa Petroski (SUNY Potsdam), Lei Ruan (Tonji Medical College, China) and Tyler Surman (Albany College of Pharmacy).

The Summer Fellowship Program would not be possible without the generous sponsorships from the Slocum-Dickson Foundation, Utica Lodge 47, F. & A.M., Bredablick Lodge 880, F. & A.M., Ashok Patel, MD, Theodore Max, MD and Drs. Atul and Amita Butala.

The 10-week Summer Fellowship Program ended on August 5th, when each of the Fellows made presentations related to their specific research projects.

If you are interested in applying for the 2011 Summer Fellowship Program please visit

## Acacia Village is Expanding

By Kathy Contino-Turner

This is a very exciting time for us here at Acacia Village. After maintaining full occupancy for many years, we are expanding. We officially broke ground for our new addition of 75 independent living apartments on November 19th. Our expansion has been moving full speed ahead ever since.

Just like the original apartments, the new wing of apartments will connect to our lovely existing community center with its gorgeous vaulted wooden ceilings and stone fireplaces, indoor swimming pool, wellness center, library, café and more.

Our Acacia Village residents who have moved here from all over the country (many from Florida and the New York/Tri-State Area) say they love the change of seasons. Our residents like to take in the beautiful scenery throughout our 400-plus acres here on the Masonic Care

take a walk to the chapel or around the pond, play a game of croquet or horseshoes, photograph local plants and wildlife or visit with friends on campus. With the expansion at Acacia Village expected to be completed late next year, our residents will have a courtyard and additional paths to enjoy.

Several of our priority list members are anxious to make the move to Acacia Village. We haven't had the usual movement lately because we have a very contented and hearty group that lives here. The quality of life is so enriched at Acacia Village, it seems to add immensely to one's well-being, vitality and longevity.

If you'd like to learn more about the Acacia Village expansion, call Linda Rae Avolio at (800) 593-3353. Members of the Masonic Fraternity are being afforded the first opportunities to discover how enriching independent living in this pre-

Schedule a Tour Call Kathy (315) 798-4768 1-800-593-3353

Fall is a great time to visit!

miere retirement community can be.

You can schedule an individual tour, or if a group of individuals from your Lodge want to visit, contact Kathy at (315) 798-4768 for that information. The Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Home cover the cost of the bus rental, and a fabulous lunch at Acacia Village. There are a few Saturday dates available to accommodate buses this Fall. Individual tours are available by appointment any day of the week.

Fall is a beautiful time of year in Central New York, and especially on your Masonic Care Community Campus. We hope to see you soon.

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Welcome back from our long Summer period of darkness and back to the Light. Several of our Brothers went together and visited our Veteran Brothers at the Canandaigua Veterans Facility for the monthly Birthday Party (held on the 3rd Wednesday). It is a great day for the Vets who celebrate their birthday that month and even those who don't. Everyone is welcome!

Our first meeting this year will be Thursday, September 23rd, at Fairport Masonic Hall. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m.; meeting at 7:30 p.m. I hope to see everyone there.

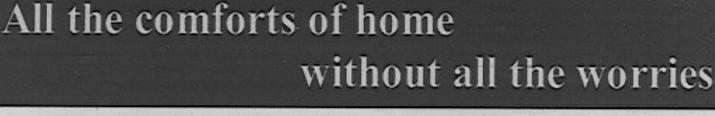
Columbus Day Parade

The Color Guard and all other members of the Masonic War Veterans are invited to participate in the Columbus Day Parade in Downtown Rochester. We have a few cars available and a trailer for those who cannot walk. We are the lead unit in the parade.

Interfaith Service

On October 24th, the Color Guard has been invited to Present and Post Colors at the Interfaith Service and Brunch at the Damascus Shrine Center, 979 Bay Road, Webster. The service will be at 10 a.m., followed immediately by the Brunch (approximately 11 a.m.). If you have any questions, please feel free to call Commander John Ponshock or Adjutant, Vance Collom.

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Here we are at the doorstep of another Masonic year and I find myself with the anxiety of a youngster about to start another school year. How appropriate this feeling is given that Freemasonry is, in fact, an educational institution and we have all graduated to a higher grade. This is true whether we have been appointed or elected to an office in the Lodge, or have taken a leadership role within the District or with Grand Lodge. This is also true if we are members of a Lodge but do not hold any particular office.

Freemasonry is synonymous with self-improvement through learning, with the aid of the Ritual and by practicing what we learn in our daily life. Each of us is at the same time the teacher and the student; there are no grades, no assignments or homework, and no teacher evaluations, except those that we assign to ourselves. Its books are all the books that have ever been written, its subjects are the liberal arts of nature, its tools are the Ritual of our Fraternity. It is a school for life, it is a school for the afterlife, this is Freemasonry my Brothers; and we are about to start another year of further light, fellowship and fun. I am ready for the challenge; I am ready to learn, to teach and to get to know each and every one of you.

Master's Chair Program

Your District Team is looking forward to working with you and your Lodge, assist you the best we can and help our District become a model of unity and collaboration. I congratulate all the Masters who participated in the Master's Chair Program on August 7th.

A special thanks to our Grand Lodge Officers, R.·W. George Foehner and R.·W. Phil Hurwitz, as well as to R.·W. Mike Grady, DDGM, and R.·W. Dennis King, GL Staff Officer of the Livingston District and R.·W. Don Kunego, DDGM, and R.·W. John Wiktorowski, GL

Staff Officer from the Genesee-Wyoming District, for all their help and assistance in making this program a success. For those Masters who were not able to participate in the Program, please contact your Grand Lodge Officers as soon as possible to inquire about alternative arrangements, as this Program is required by Grand Lodge for all sitting Masters.

District Kickoff Meeting

The next event in the District will be the District Kickoff Meeting to be held on Saturday, September 11th, 5 p.m. at Fairport Masonic Hall. Invited to this event are all the Masters, Wardens and Secretaries of the Monroe District, all District Committee Chairs, as well as Representatives from all the Concordant Bodies in the District. Special thanks to Worshipful Tom Goodrich of Fairport-Flower City Lodge for hosting the event. He is planning a steak dinner for all Brothers present. I also thank Doric Council, Monroe District Purple Club, Hiram Chapter, Damascus Shriners and the Valley of Rochester, AASR, for their generous donations of funds and/or facilities to make this and other events in the District possible.

During the District Kickoff Meeting, in addition to enjoying the fellowship of your Brothers and a free steak dinner in the beautiful setting of Fairport Masonic Hall, you will hear from your DDGM, Grand Lodge Officers, District Committee Chairs and Concordant Bodies about programs and initiatives for the upcoming year. Each Master will also be provided with the 2010-2011 Monroe Masonic District Master's Manual which will include important dates, contacts and other information, which we hope will be helpful to you as Master of your Lodge. This Manual was graciously printed courtesy of R .: W .: and Ill .: Stephen Whittaker. Thank you, Steve, for your generosity and all your support.

My Brothers, communications is the key to our success as a District. What I would like to stress here is the fact that if your District is vibrant, active and successful, your success as Master and the success of your Lodge will follow naturally and much more easily. I am therefore hereby charging every Lodge Master to appoint the following Lodge Committee Chairs and communicate to me the name and contact information of those Brethren appointed:

1. Brotherhood Fund -With responsibilities to communicate and collaborate with

Lodge Officers attending Program at Damascus Shrine Center.

the District Chair, Worshipful Ralph Jurgens, to make our Brotherhood Fund Campaign successful and ensure that our charities, Masonic Library, Masonic Home and other programs have the funds which would allow them to continue to operate and fulfill their mission.

2. Masonic Safety Identification Program (formerly known as Child ID Program) - To work with the District Co-chairs, R∴W∴ Donald Tubman and Brother Rick Downs on this worthwhile effort which puts Masonry and the work we do in direct view of our communities.

3. Communications - To work with the District Co-chairs, R∴W∴ George Foeh-ner and Brother Robert Kostin, to develop and implement a variety of communication tools that allow your Lodge to maintain contact with your membership and increase participation in Masonic activities.

4. Public Relations - To work with the District Chair, R∴W∴ Phillip Hurwitz, to increase awareness of your Lodge and Freemasonry within your community.

Join facebook.

In line with our credo, "One Brotherhood, One District," and in the spirit of improving communication and collaboration within the District, we have posted a facebook Page for the Monroe Masonic District which can be accessed by entering "Monroe Masonic District" un-der the facebook<sub>®</sub> "search" tab and requesting to join. Please use this tool to keep in touch with your Brothers and share your thoughts, ideas and programs for all to see. This page, being restricted and accessed by invitation only, will be visible only to Masons in the District and to select others within the Region and the State.

District Website

www.monroemasonic.com Also, the Masonic Service Bureau will be working with the Grand Lodge Officers and leadership of the District on improving the District Website which will include a Regional Calendar of Events, which will be accessed by all the District and Regional membership. We are hoping this will improve communication and participation in events within the District and Region. Brothers Robert Kostin and Michael Sukhenko have volunteered their time and energy to make this task possible and I thank them both.

Journeyman Program

I am particularly excited to introduce to you an initiative headed by Worshipful Brothers Erik Loepker and David Adams of Northfield Lodge. This new program will be known as the Masonic Journeyman Program. Brothers Loepker and Adams have designed their initiative to encourage the Brethren of the Monroe District to visit Lodges other than their own, while giving them a permanent record or memento for each visit. Additionally, a reward portion of the Program enables Brothers who have visited every Lodge in the Monroe District to earn a specially designed lapel pin that not only displays the results of their perseverance, but also provides them with a convenient conversation starter.

This initiative involves presenting each Mason who joins the ranks of Journeymen with a Passport which can be signed

and stamped by the Secretary on the day they visit that Lodge. When a Mason collects signatures from all 13 Lodges within the Monroe District, he will be presented with a special pin recognizing his contribution to improving collaboration and unity within the District. I personally congratulate Worshipful Loepker and Worshipful Adams, as well as Northfield Lodge, for this initiative. Please contact Worshipful Loepker by sending him an email at:

erik.loepker@gmail.com if you would like to join or if you need further information.

Finally, I am looking forward to seeing you in action during the Official Visit of the DDGM and GL Officers to your Lodge. During my visits, I will have the honor of wearing the DDGM Apron of my dear friend and mentor, R.: W .: Bill Lindsay, who was gracious enough to lend me his Apron until Grand Lodge delivers my own. Thank you, Bill, for being such a great mentor and friend over the years, and thank you for continuing to whisper words of wisdom periodically in my ear.

Please remember that your District Leadership Team is here to help you and to make your job easier. Do not hesitate to call me or drop me an email if there is anything I can do for you personally or for your Lodge.

May the Great Architect of the Universe watch over and protect you always.

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By R: W: Phil Hurwitz

Your Grand Sword Bearers are here for you. Our purpose is to aid and assist you in seeking further light in Masonry.

Every time I pick up my copy of the Standard Work (Blue Ritual Book) and read a part of a Degree, I come away with some understanding that I didn't appreciate before. Masonry can grow with you. It's not static, but always means something more as we pass through that level of time.

LSOME

Lodge System of Masonic Education begins with the Candidate. Each Lodge must have a copy of the LSOME pamphlet and DVD. Any serious effort at recruiting Candidates and engaging Brothers begins with this program. Don't take my word for it. Get the LSOME DVD. I'll bet that what inspired you to become a Mason, still rings true after viewing this DVD. Chances are this DVD is floating around in your Lodge. If not, then copies of the DVD and pamphlet can be obtained through Grand Lodge Sales. I'll have information on how you can obtain these items at the end of this article.

I can attest to the fact that this LSOME Program has done more for my Lodge (ERAC) in retaining new Brothers, than any other Grand Lodge program I can think of. The thing is, it's so easy to implement and maintain. All it takes is a Brother who has, or Brothers who have, a willingness to assist other Brothers in seeking further light in Masonry.

I have been on a number of Investigating Committees in my Lodge. This LSOME DVD is made for this activity. The first part of the DVD explains what our Mystic Craft is all about. This is important, especially where the Candidate has a family. This DVD answers questions and can alleviate many fears that a spouse/significant other may have about our Fraternity. I have seen first-hand how this DVD can serve to reaffirm a Candidate's decision to pursue light in Masonry. A supportive family can be the difference from turning a Candidate into a Brother.

The logistics of this Program are simple to execute. All you need is either a laptop or a DVD player to exhibit it. The Program itself is broken down into four parts - The first part is shown to the Candidate and his family; each succeeding part is then shown to the Brother as he proceeds through the three Degrees.

This LSOME program only requires a Lodge that is:

 Serious about attracting Candidates to the Craft, and

Retaining these new Brothers after they become Master Masons.

All it takes is one or more dedicated Brothers who can make some time available. Your Grand Sword Bearers are asking every Lodge to identify the Brother(s), and have them contact R:W: Phil Hurwitz at either 720-6019 or email at phurwitz@frontiernet.net with their name and contact information. Communication and coordination is the key to allowing us to help you succeed in pursuing this opportunity to attract and retain members.

### How to Order

The DVD is item VCR-3. The pamphlet for participants is item #1234-4. The pamphlet for instructors is item #1234-5. These items can be obtained through Grand Lodge Sales at (212) 337-6648, Ext. 648.

### Other Opportunities

There are other educational opportunities open to all members of the Craft. Other components of Masonic education include the Masonic Development Course (MDC), the Road to the East (RTTE), Leadership Development Course, and the Masonic Reading Program.

Beginning with this edition of the Masonic Times, you will find a published schedule listing the dates, times, locations and contact information for both the Masonic Development Course (MDC) and the Road to the East (RTTE). The cost listed is for materials and refreshments.

For the Road to the East, you will need the most recent edition of the 24-inch Gauge (hence the higher cost). Due to administrative responsibilities, and to ensure that you have the best learning experience, paid reservations by the deadlines noted are a must.

Don't hesitate to contact any of the Grand Lodge Staff Officers of your District if you have <sup>any</sup> questions.

#### Make Your Presence Known

You have probably heard this before, but it bears repeating. We (the Craft) need to do more to publicize what we do. Be it a presentation of a 50-year Certificate, DeWitt Clinton Award, holding a blood drive or helping someone in need (to name a few).

Your Grand Sword Bearers have taken on the task to help each Lodge in publicizing your events. R.: W .: George Foehner, along with Brother Robert Kostin, will be the District Communication Officers. Their task is to develop and implement a variety of communication tools for the District to promote awareness of events, maintain contact with the membership and increase participation in Masonic activities. R .: W .: Phil Hurwitz will be your District Public Relations Officer. His task is to increase awareness of Freemasonry as an organization and showcase in a positive light its ideals, service projects and activities.

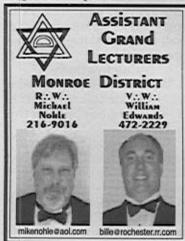
Both of your District Staff Officers and Brother Kostin will need your help to make this work. That's why we are asking each Lodge to identify a Public Relations Officer in their Lodge. Their mission is to work with R.W. Hurwitz is putting the word out to the community as to what your Lodge is doing. Rather than spilling more ink describing how your help is needed, I will be discussing this initiative during our Official Visit to your Lodge.

Another initiative you will be hearing more about is the Twain Award. This award is given annually by the Masonic Service Association. This initiative presents each Lodge with an opportunity to take it to the next level. I invite you to visit the Twain website at:

www.msana.com/twainaward/

Further details will be forthcoming in future editions of the Masonic Times.

Setting the Craft to work is part of who we are as Masons. Having fun and increasing opportunities for fellowship and Masonic awareness is what helps set us apart.



The time is here for us to return to the quarries of Masonry and on this occasion, we, your Monroe District Assistant Grand Lecturers, express to you warm Fraternal regards. We hope you have all had a nice and restful Summer and have enjoyed time with family and friends.

The subject matter scheduled for the August 31st School of Ritual was Opening and Closing of Lodge. We hope you have all learned something new or have found a mistake or two to correct.

Please be reminded of the importance of regularly reviewing the Standard Work to be sure your Ritual work is accurate. It can be easy to learn with a few glitches and sometimes tough to repair those mistakes. If we focus on accuracy early in the year, we can keep it on track for the duration.

We are hoping by now that all Masters of Lodges have appointed a Ritual Director to direct your Degree work and to serve as a contact person within the Lodge. We wish to know what the Brethren desire in terms of Ritual training and hope the Ritual Director will communicate this. As well, we have messages regarding the Ritual which we may convey via this Brother.

#### **Looking Ahead**

We will have our second School of Ritual on Thursday, September 30th, at the Spencerport Masonic Hall. The time is 7:30 p.m. and we understand it will be preceded by a Masters and Wardens Association Dinner meeting. The subject of the evening will be the first part of the Fellowcraft Degree.

Beyond this, mark your calendar for the Grand Lecturer's Convention to be held on Monday, October 18th, at Fairport Masonic Hall at 7:30 p.m.

History of Masonic Ritual

Over the coming months we will explore different topics related to the Ritual. The history of the development of Masonic Ritual is an interesting topic of study. The earliest known operative Masonic documents are called the Old Charges or Manuscript Constitutions. The oldest existing texts are the Regius Manuscript which is dated 1390 and the Cooke Manuscript which is dated 1410. There are approximately 115 known doc-uments that make up the collection of Old Charges.

The Old Charges typically began with an opening prayer, the legendary history of the Craft, regulations related to operative Masonry and the swearing of an oath to abide by these regulations. The book of "Masonic Law for the Grand Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons of The State of New York" includes a copy of the Old Charges. It states that these Old Charges were "extracted from The Ancient Records of Lodges beyond sea, and of those in England, Scotland and Ireland, for the use of the Lodges in London." They are to be read "At the making of New Brethren, or when the Master shall order it."

It is interesting to see how, over time, certain themes from the Old Charges became incorporated into the Ritual. This includes the Opening Prayer, Obligation, the Charges and legendary history. The legendary history begins before Noah's great flood. Jabal discovered the art of building and Tubal-cain discovered metal building. They were aware of the coming flood and wrote their arts on two great pillars which survived the flood. This knowledge was rediscovered and passed down through the ages.

The history includes Nimrod and the Tower of Babel, the Egyptians, King Solomon and his temple and the English stone masons. The legendary history of the Craft also explores the connection between Masonry and Geometry found in our lectures.

Next month we will begin the exploration of the Masonic Catechisms. The catechisms were originally concerned with the manner to give the Masons word and series of questions and answers to test someone claiming to have the Masons word. The earliest known catechism is dated from 1606.

# Monroe District New York Masonic Safety Identification Program

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By R .: W .: Don Tubman

I trust all had a great Summer. Last year we held a number of events and processed identifications on more than 900 youths. Our goal this year is to process 2000 IDs and we would like to make greater use of the ID equipment by having events supported by each Lodge.

Congratulations to all the new Officers of the Monroe Lodges, Concordant Bodies and Grand Lodge. Now is the time to plan Masonic Safety Events for your Trestleboards, schedule the equipment and appoint your Lodge's new Child ID Coordinators. We have only heard from a few Lodges. If each incoming Master were to appoint a Chairperson for their Lodge, we would have a Masonic force to set up and deliver a high-quality Child ID Program that could really serve the community.

There has recently been a renewed interest in the Program and, over the Summer, Oatka Lodge staged a Program at the Chili Fest where 35 youths were processed. Union Star Lodge conducted an ID Program during the Honeoye Falls community festival and IDd more than 40 youths. Members of Fairport-Flower City, Wakan-Hubbard and Unity Lodges assisted the Greece Police with several public safety events and a Neighborhood Watch Night Against Crime where over 100 youths were administered.

I met with representatives of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in Rochester to better coordinate our efforts. They will provide speakers for any programs you might want and can provide literature at ID events on a wide range of topics regarding child abuse and abductions.

Ian McNelly, son of Tim and Carol McNelly achieved his Eagle Scout Award on June 13th from Boy Scout Troop 134 at the Rush Fire Hall. He has completed several Child ID Programs, processing about 100 children at these events. Additionally, he translated the permission slips, demographic forms and some other materials into Spanish.

Contact Information about the Masonic Safety ID Program is available online at

http://www.nychip.org/

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the program and involvement from your Lodge!!!

To schedule an event, we can be reached most easily by email at:

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CHIPs Training Coordinator, Sean Brown, (Wakan-Hubbard Lodge) can schedule an event for you as well. You can contact Don Tubman at 889-4725 if you have questions or suggestions.



R.W. Donald Tubman receives a Mentor's Pin from Ian McNelly at the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony in June.

### McNelly Earns Eagle Badge



Mom Carol pins Eagle Badge on Ian's uniform.

In the 100th Anniversary Year of the Boy Scouts of America, Ian James McNelly, son of Carol and Timothy McNelly (ERAC Lodge) was awarded his Eagle Scout Badge at a Court of Honor in June. A member of Troop 134 in Rush, Ian earned 33 Merit Badges on his journey, which began as a Cub Scout in 1999. His accomplishment makes him the 50th member of the Troop, which is sponsored by the Rush Fire Department, to become an Eagle Scout.

In addition to the Child ID project Ian selected to earn his

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Ian affixing Mother's Pin to Carol's shirt; Dad observes.

### More Light in Masonry Masonic Development Course

November 10th

Union Star Lodge Hall 3 North Main Street; Honeoye Falls

December 8th

Hesperus Lodge Hall 12 South Lake Avenue; Bergen

January 12th

Eunice Lodge Hall 3141 State Street; Caledonia

All times are 7 to 9 p.m.

Cost - \$35

Reservation with Payment Deadline October 20th
Payment must accompany reservation

Make check payable and mail to the respective Staff Officer of your District:

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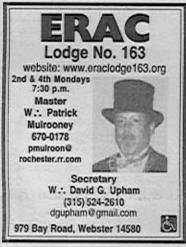
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Eagle Badge, he and Troop 134 have spent several weekends on overnight stays at Camp DeMolay in Sodus Point. There they have helped clear brush, cut up fallen trees and split the wood for use in the Camp's fireplace and Fire Pit, among other activities and Scout programs.



Dad Tim adjusts Eagle neckerchief for Ian.

The Masonic Service Bureau applauds Ian on his accomplishment and thanks his fellow scouts for their assistance in maintaining the Camp DeMolay property.



As I sit here pondering what I will write in my first article for the Masonic Times, I cannot help but reflect on the events of the past few months.

We began the Summer with

can only be described as magical. The energy that filled the room was unmistakable. An estimated 135 Brothers, family and friends witnessed and took part in an Installation Ceremony that will remain in their hearts and minds for a long time to come. I thank each and every one of you for making that evening something my fellow Officers and I will never, ever forget!

On July 18th, we hosted the 2010 ERAC Scholarship Picnic. I was honored to be able to present 35 of our extended family members with checks to assist them with their future educational endeavors. Again, a record attendance!

In addition to the Scholarships, R:.W:. George Nasra, DDGM, presented Mitchell Haynes, son of Brother Kern Haynes, with a check and beautiful Certificate from Grand Lodge. Mitchell placed 6th in the Totton Essay Competition. Well done, Mitchell!



Brother Kern Havnes receiving Totton Essay Award on behalf of his son, Mitchell, from R.: W.: George Nasra, DDGM, Monroe District.

A very special presentation was then made. Our own Brother Tim "Bond, James Bond" McNelly, was presented with the Daniel Carter Beard Award for Excellence in Scouting. A well-deserved award indeed! Congratulations,

### **Upcoming Events**

For me to say that we have an Installation Ceremony that an exciting year planned would

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Brother Tim McNelly receiving the Daniel Carter Beard Award. Presented by Past Master, W.: Pat Nicholson.

be a gross understatement with the unprecedented assistance of ERAC's Right Worshipfuls, Past Masters and Brothers, I have been fortunate enough to construct a Trestleboard filled with new and exciting programs, brimming with Fellowship and Further Light! Your Junior Warden, Brother John Hellaby, has been working diligently to plan a menu for the year that will be just as satisfying. A copy of the menu should have been delivered to you along with a copy of the Trestleboard. To provide such an incredible array of food, it will be necessary for us to be very strict about reservations. Unless otherwise instructed, please make your reservations no later than the Friday prior to each meeting.

September 13th - our first meeting of the year. It will be a special meeting indeed. It is our Annual Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. If you know of a gentleman you think would benefit from membership in, and be a benefit to, Freemasonry, please extend our invitation for him to attend. He will be our guest for dinner, which will be Bar-B-Que Chicken, salt potatoes, corn and dessert.

Our September 27th meeting, will be one you won't want to miss. The program for the evening will be a Treasure Hunt of Knowledge. This will be an opportunity for you to test AND improve your Masonic knowledge and poke a bit of fun at your Officers in the process. Fear not, there will

not be a test. In future articles, I will be including an "Ask the Past Masters" Section. This will be your opportunity to ask any Masonic-related question you wish and have the answer published in the Masonic Times. All questions will be reviewed by selected Past Masters and one chosen and answered by them. If your question is chosen and published, you will be the guest of the Lodge for a future dinner. For the time being, questions may be submitted to me at the address listed at the beginning of the article. If you do not have access to email, please feel free to contact me by phone.

September 27th is also the deadline for submission of Petitions, which will be read in Lodge. They may be given to the Secretary prior to the meeting that evening.

I thank each and every one of you for your faith in me and my fellow Officers to lead this great Lodge through the ensuing year. It is indeed an honor to be a part of the leadership team of ERAC. I will not ask you to come out and support your Officers; rather, I will ask you to come out so your Officers may support you!

I look forward to greeting each of you as Masons do.





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Some say we have had a hot Summer, some say it's been a classic Summer, others say it's been a sad Summer, while still others say it's been a fantastic Summer with great parties, picnics and all sorts of outdoor functions. Now it's time to be back in our Lodges and back with our Brothers to prepare for the 2010 Fall Season.

June 1st, I was Installed as Master of the Lodge for another term. The Installing Team consisted of V:.W:. Hugh Woodside, Installing Master; R.: W.: Michael Nohle, Installing Chaplain; and W.: Joseph Steffen, Installing Marshal. My sincere thanks to them for a terrific job! My thanks also to our new District Deputy Grand Master, R.: W.: George Nasra, who presented the Charge. Attending with him were the Grand Sword Bearers, R:W: Phillip Hurwitz and R∴W∴ George Foehner. In addition, I am grateful to Brother Jacob Jarosinski for piping the Officers of the Lodge into the room for the Ceremony.

On August 21st we ventured out to Camp DeMolay for the Lodge Picnic under the direction of our Head Chef, R. W .. Skip Waterstreet, assisted by Junior Warden, Brother Scott Rice. They provided another great eating experience. I know some said it's too far to drive, but if you drove out Lake Road, it's a beautiful drive and Camp De-Molay has so much to offer groups for get-togethers and functions.

### Sickness and Distress

Sadly, we have lost two longtime members of the former John A. Robertson Lodge-side of Craftsman Robertson Lodge. R:.W: Paul Robertson and R:.W: L. Edward Walker. They have laid down the Working Tools of life and will be missed. We will always remember them and their presence in our Lodge.

Brother Paul was Grand Sword Bearer in 1987-88, when the Grand Lodge Officers' terms ran in conjunction with the Grand Lodge Masonic year and before they became two-year terms. He also served two terms as Master of the Lodge.

Appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Kansas near the Grand Lodge of New York in 1991, Brother Ed was also a two-time Master of the Lodge and was the Secretary of the Lodge until our merger. We had a good turnout of Brothers for his Masonic Memorial Service.

Worshipful Brother Bill Hook is still rehabilitating and would welcome visits. Please call before you do visit to be sure he is not tied up with therapy - 671-6452.

His Brother-in-law, Brother Rene VanDeVeire had hip replacement surgery and is getting out and about again.

Brother Gib Blew continues his battle with health issues.

**Upcoming Events** September 7th - Our very first meeting of the Fall Season will be the Official Visit of the new District Leadership Team and we expect to see all Brothers who can make it, come out and support R: W: George Nasra, R::W: Phil Hurwitz and R:.W: George Foehner. The dress for the evening will be tux or dark suit. Official Visits are important as this is the opportunity for the DDGM to share the Grand Master's Message and plans for his term in Office with the Lodge.

September 21st - According to our Trestleboard, we are scheduled for a presentation on the "Duties of Conductors" by our Assistant Grand Lecturers, R:.W: Michael Nohle and V:.W: William Edwards. This should be very informative and helpful. You never know when you may be asked to perform that function.

Of course, any and all of the activities listed in the Trestleboard are subject to change. We will attempt to keep you posted throughout the year. Do we have a current email address for you? If not, please send an email message to me so we may update our list.

### Celebrations

We extend Happy Birthday wishes to the following Brothers who are celebrating this month:

William Kaufman (2nd); Robert Waldeck (3rd); Robert Shartran (10th); Gilbert Blew and Joseph Steffen (14th); William Stark (16th); John Shannon (18th); Brian Bell (21st); and Donald Conner (25th). We hope you enjoy your day.

### Road to the East

### February 19th

Union Star Lodge Hall 3 North Main Street; Honeoye Falls

### February 26th

Constellation Lodge Hall 21 North Main Street; Perry

March 5th Eunice Lodge Hall

### 3141 State Street; Caledonia All times are 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Cost: \$75

Reservation with Payment Deadline January 15th, 2011

### Payment must accompany reservation

Make check payable and mail to the respective Staff Officer of your District:

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It's time to get back to work in the quarries. We had a nice night for our Strawberry Social in June. Not only did we have a barbershop quartet (Flower City Express) for entertainment, but Brother John Rehbach was presented with his Dedicated Service Award.

On July 24th, we had our Annual Corn and Sausage Roast at Doug Jones' cottage. While it did rain a little, we made the best of it. Long Pond was over 80° and Doug took the kids in attendance out "tubing" behind his "Jet Ski."

Upcoming Events

Our first meeting is Thursday, September 9th, and it will be preceded by a dinner. Our phone committee will be calling. If you are not contacted by the Tuesday before, please call me at 429-6572 and I'll take your reservation.

Lastly, about that work in the quarries. In order for our Lodge to survive, we need new Brothers. Please think about any of your friends, sons and/or grandsons who would make good Masons. We are planning a Bringa-Friend Night for January 13th.

That's plenty of time to come up with some names.

Website: www.monroemasonic.com

Just remember that many hands make light work. We'll see you in Lodge.

#### Fame Lodge Brother Receives DSA

At Fame Lodge's last meeting before Summer, there was a surprise in store for one of our Brothers. Only six people knew about it beforehand and they were as tightened up as a submarine. One was to receive the Dedicated Service Award.

This Brother was none other than John F. Rehbach. Brother John has been a member of the Craft for over 63 years. He served on numerous committees and has been a dedicated sideliner for many years before accepting the position of Chaplain about five years ago. Last year he was appointed Tiler for the ensuing year.

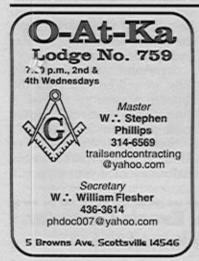
Besides his service to Fame Lodge and Freemasonry as a whole, John served our Country during World War II, receiving a Purple Heart. He is active in his church and for the last 20 years, John has been volunteering for Meals on Wheels.

John has been married to his wife, Patricia, for 63 years - as long as he's been a Mason. He is a dedicated family man and his grandson, Jason Gartland, is the current Senior Warden of Fame Lodge. John is retired from the R.T. French Company.

If there is a definition of a DSA recipient, Brother Rehbach would be it. When you see him the next time, thank him for his continued service to our great Craft. Congratulations,



V.: W.: Dan Walker, Master of Fame Lodge, congratulates Brother John Rehbach (center) after presenting him his Dedicated Service Award Apron. Past Master, Doug Jones (right), participated in the ceremony.



A new season is upon us and we are excited to get the new Masonic Year started.

Summer Activities

Many of the Brothers of Oatka Lodge have been meeting throughout the Summer every Wednesday to help renovate and make repairs in our building. Our main focuses have been on our Fellowcraft Room and the storage room.

This Summer we also tried our hand as a food vendor, as well as helping parents to protect children with the Masonic Child ID Program, at the Chili

At the Scottsville Fest we tried our hand selling ice cream vs. the usual chicken dinners.

It has been a very productive Summer for Oatka and it appears the enthusiasm will continue throughout this Masonic Year.

See you at Lodge.

### CLIO LODGE No. 779 www.cliolodge.org

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As I write this first article for the Masonic Times, I am experiencing many emotions. I am very honored and proud that you have entrusted me with the role of Worshipful Master of Clio Lodge. I am excited at the prospects of our year together. I also feel a tinge of apprehension about what is to come. My

Brothers, I can promise you I will give my best effort to make the 2010-2011 year a successful one for all of us. I will look to the Great Archi-

tect of the Universe for spiritual support and guidance. I will look to each of you, my Brothers, for worldly support. I know our success can only be achieved by working together.

To that end, I am committed to giving my best effort and I ask each of you to commit to giving Clio Lodge your best effort. Only together, in unity, can we make this a great year. We are facing some great challenges. Our meeting attendance is low as well as our event and Spaghetti Dinner attendance. We have not brought in many new members in the last few years, we do not have large cash reserves and our building is in need of costly repairs. I write this not because I am negative on Clio Lodge, but because we need to be honest about what we face.

These are the challenges; let me enumerate some of our strengths. We have a core group of committed Brothers. I have worked alongside you and know you are committed to Clio Lodge and will give your best effort in keeping us going. In the last year, we Raised Pete Matthews and Matt Scheffer two outstanding Brothers who have really stepped up and shown their commitment to the Lodge and the Craft. We have several Past Masters who have given me assurances of their support and provided me with good advice. We have Brothers who have taken on leadership roles including our Head Cook, Bill Hunn, and our new Junior Warden, Patrick Purcell. We have three new Candidates this Fall. We held a fundraiser this past week and sold out all our food. These are just some of our strengths and positive signs.

As I see it, we are very much like a small snowball on the top of a hill. With a slight push we can get the snowball to start rolling downhill and you all know what happens once a snowball starts rolling. I see my role as Master this year as the person to give us that slight push.

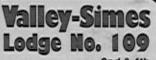
I intend to get the ball rolling in two ways - First, I want to make at least six new Master Masons at Clio by the end of our Masonic year. Second, I want to re-invigorate our meetings by making them an event that a Brother wants to attend. The first goal is self-explanatory. The second needs a little more explanation. I believe a meeting should be interesting, it should be only as long as needed, it should be focused on what is important, it should be (Masonic) educational, and it should be an experience a person wants to repeat.

My commitment, to you Brothers, is to make sure our meetings are a reflection of the above. My goals are not grand but they are definitely obtainable and will provide a solid push to get our ball rolling in the right direction again. I hope to see you all this year.

As of this publication, W:. Frank Celona, W. Dick Barnes, and Brother Don Cambisi will have recently celebrated birthdays. Be sure to wish them well.

Keep R∴W∴ George Todd in mind as he deals with ongoing health issues.

I want to hear from all Clio Brothers. Please keep me posted on any concerns you may have or that the Lodge should know about.





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I hope everyone had a great Summer; the weather was hot, but in a few months we will all wish for those nice sunny days.

Our Lodge had a very nice clambake at Brother Frank Sackett's house on July 18th. There was a lot of food and some nice memories shared by all. Our thanks to Frank and his wife, Kay, for a superb job of hosting and helping to cook and clean up. We even had "The Boss," Norris Shapiro, cooking at the grill.

Your Officers have been studying hard and want to see as many Brothers who can make our first meeting on September 14th at the Shrine Center.

**Upcoming Events** 

September 7th - Officers' Meeting at Brother Nelson Bertch's house starting at 6 p.m. There will be hot dogs and

September 14th - Welcome Back Meeting at the Shrine Center; Appetizers and Dinner before the meeting.

September 28th - Valley-Simes Award Ceremony. We have 15 Brothers who will be honored, so many will be attending. This meeting is open to all family members and guests; there will be a dinner before the Awards Ceremony.

Sickness and Distress

We will all look forward to seeing Brother Bill Scheer back in Lodge. He has had a rough couple of months and your prayers have been much appreciated by Bill.

Also, please keep Brother Art Cohen in your prayers to help him with a full recovery.

2010 Lodge Dues

As of this writing, we have 14 Brothers who have not paid their 2010 Dues and 7 of those also owe 2009 Dues. Please contact me or the Secretary if you have any questions or are in need of assistance. The Lodge will be sending reminders shortly.

September Birthdays Please join me in wishing the following Brothers Happy Birthday!!

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

**Masonic Anniversaries** 

Congratulations to Brother Irving Black for 55 years of service to our great Fraternity.

I look forward to seeing as many of our Lodge Brothers who are able to come out to our meetings and events and I am honored to be the Master of Valley-Simes Lodge.

All Reservations ...

When reservations are required, they should be made with either Mike Hueston (Ph: 509-0606), email:

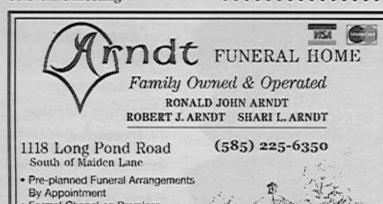
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Brothers, the Summer has gone by way too fast. I hope all of you have had a great Summer and I look forward to seeing you back in Lodge. Don't forget to check our website for the latest Trestleboard at: www.unionstarmasons.org

To keep costs down, we will continue using the Masonic Times as our main means of communicating Lodge events. If something changes between printings we will email everyone and mail information to those who have requested it to the Secretary. Please make sure the Secretary has your latest contact information.

Masonic Anniversaries

The following Brothers received Masonic Anniversary Awards at our June meeting:

55 years Richard Judge 50 years Francis Fitzgerald Howard Stanley Robert Eisenberg 45 years Ronald Morthorst Raymond Beedle 40 years Gale Gridley 35 years Thomas Dunn 30 years 20 years William Hartman IV 15 years John Williams Brian Miller **Upcoming Events** 

September 27th - Brother Bring-a-Friend Night. We will be having pizza and wings as part of the evening. Start thinking/planning to bring some of your friends whom you think would make good Masons. It's a great way to introduce them to us and for us to tell them who

October 11th - Official Visit. Let's show our Union Star pride and pack the Lodge. Please make this meeting if possible, so you can hear the DDGM's message. There will be a dinner prior to the meeting.

Reservations

You can sign up at the first Lodge meeting or contact Scott May (330-9889), or email: scott.may@frontiernet.net

to make a reservation before October 8th.

September

13th - Regular Communication - 7:30 p.m.

27th - Brother Bring-a-Friend Night - 7 p.m. Dinner

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30th - School of Ritual at Spencerport Masonic Hall -7:30 p.m.

#### October

11th - Special Communication, DDGM Official Visit - 7:30 p.m., Dinner - 6:30 p.m.

18th - Grand Lecturer's Convention at Fairport Masonic Hall - 7:30 p.m., Dinner - 6:30 p.m.

21st - Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award at Shrine Center 7 p.m.

24th - Interfaith Service and Brunch at Shrine Center - 10 a.m. 25th - Fellowcraft Meeting -



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We return to the quarries for the new year. Some people think the new year comes on January 1st; farmers would tell you it comes in March. People around the world have their own reasons for establishing a new year. While our new Officers took their stations and places in June, work will now begin anew.

**Upcoming Events** 

The first Communication on September 13th will concentrate on the Annual Budget, as prepared by Brother Adam Junod. Serious discussion concerning our Dues structure will be covered. We are not able to pay our local Lodge bills. Too many of our older members are Life Members and pay only Grand Lodge assessment. That may be an entitlement that has outlived its purpose. The Lodge needs to spend \$70,000 on outside building improvements and there is no money on hand or potential payback for a loan. Brother Adam will show us where we are financially and we will have to decide where we will go.

A Brother Bring-a-Friend Night is scheduled for September 20th at 7 p.m. Each guest and his sponsor will eat free that evening; all others will pay \$10.

The September 27th Communication will further the discussions of our financial needs.

Everyone has a birthday. Who cares? Each individual's birthday is his special day, however you choose to recognize it.

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The following Brothers have birthdays in September:

Burton Gordon (1st), Gerald Greenberg (5th), Eric Prince (6th), James Comstock and Lawrence Schulman (7th), Leon Sporn and Douglas Higgins (9th), Easton Kelsey and William Hockenberger (13th), Robert Koehler and Cosmo Pusateri (16th), Brennan Coon (19th), Jerome Pulver (20th), Paul Israel (21st), Arthur Bennet and Henry Shulman (27th) and David Denz (30th). Best wishes to all for a memorable day and health and happiness throughout the year.

Please come out and support our NEW, YOUNG Officers as they lead us into the future.

### Northfield

Lodge No. 426 Instituted March 1857 www.northfieldlodge.org

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



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I welcome you back, and greet you first-timers, to Northfield Lodge as we re-kindle the light for the coming operational

No Summer Slumber

Although the Lodge has been officially dark, we have not slumbered. For those who have been away, let's recap some of the off-season events that have transpired.

Rest assured, the Officers of Northfield have been diligent in meeting through the Summer and preparing for this coming year. Work has been unceasing in and around the Lodge, and later in this article we'll give you a snapshot of our roles. Our thanks and respect go to the Trustees who toiled through the Summer to ensure that the Lodge Hall remained not only presentable, but in good condi-

For those who missed it, on July 31st Brother Jason Zona put together a first-rate picnic for our annual offering in Stony Brook Park. Although the attendance was light, we shared a feast of grilled fat hotdogs and hearty cheeseburgers. To this, attendees brought brownies (with and without nuts), pasta salad, potato salad, various forms of chips, and even a homemade Bulgarian Apple Pie! All were invited to play ring toss, catch, climb trees (a favorite of the younger set), play in the waterfalls and brook and, of course, hike the Rim Trail (a two-hour excursion). We had so much fun that we all stayed well past our intended time of departure, only packing up to leave when the Rangers came around preparing to close up the park for the night.

On August 7th, W .: Erik Loepker attended the Grand Lodge's new pilot program, "Master's Chair" Course, A supplemental course beyond that offered in the Road to the East, the Master's Chair covered a wide range of topics including etiquette, protocol and various aspects of Masonic Law. The Course was informative, and there were moments of intense discussion.

Upcoming Events

Coming up, although Northfield Lodge does not go light officially until September 16th, the Lodge will be meeting unofficially on Thursday, September 2nd, just to knock the dust off of our memories and practice Opening and Closing, as well as cover any other Ritual nits that any Brother may want to examine. Then we go light on September 16th!

Highway Cleanup

All hands are requested to come out and assist with our Lodge's Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup on Saturday, September 25th. As usual, we'll start at 10 a.m. and work until completion - the more of us there are, the faster this gets done! Doughnuts, coffee, milk and juice are provided, as well as safety equipment (hard hats, orange vests, pokey sticks, gloves and collection bags). Not only does this help us help our community, but it is a fantastic way to get us into the public eye.

On Thursday, September 30th, the School of Ritual will be held at Spencerport Masonic Hall at 6:30 p.m. These events are always fun and informative. It affords opportunities to meet with Brethren you normally wouldn't see. We really hope to see you there!

As promised, let's give you a snapshot of our Officer Line for this coming year:

Master Erik Loepker Sr. Warden Michael Zona

Jr. Warden Jason Zona Treasurer **David Adams** Secretary John Dudley Trustees

James Deasey William Spillaine Trustees-at-Don Smith Raymond Beardsley Large Chaplain **Ed Rummler** Sr. Deacon Mark Edgecomb Jr. Deacon Stephan Michener Sr. MC **Devon Littlefield** Jr. MC Jason Higley **Todd Enright** Stewards

Charles Sawyer Marshal Josh Loepker Tiler Randy Griswold Historian Raymond Beardsley Organist Martin Reitz

Family Involvement

In closing, there is one more item that should be mentioned. Of the goals set for us for this coming year, one that is very dear to us is family involvement. This isn't just at our local Lodge; this is something that is dear even to the District and Grand Lodge levels. Our families are long-suffering supporters, allowing us to do what we do. But, although they trudge with us through some of our labors, they are often not included in what we do. This year, there will be an emphasis on incorporating families more directly. We're not talking about chores and labor, but sharing significant events and fun times with them.

As a result, you and your family will be seeing invitations to more communal events hosted by the Lodge - frequently on the same night as our Stated Commu-

nications (so we know YOU'LL be there!). Such activities will include presentations and lectures, as well as live music and hands-on skill sharing. So, keep an eye open.

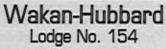
As always, if you need an update, check out our web page at www.northfieldLodge.org, or call our information line at 586-2976.

We look forward to seeing you back in Lodge!

> **Upcoming Events** September

2nd - Rusty Nail (at Lodge)

16th - Official Open Night (at Lodge), dinner at 6:30 p.m. 25th - Adopt-a-Highway (at Lodge) 10 a.m.



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



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I hope you all had a good Summer. It's now time to get back to work.

During the Summer

Over the last few weeks we have been rehearsing and working on Opening, Closing and Balloting. We held our Steak-n-Bake at Powder Mills Park where food, fun and fellowship were the order of the day. Thank you to all who came out; I know you had fun. Thank you to Rick Yendall, our Junior Warden, for all his hard work and the rest of the Brothers who helped out.

Upcoming Events

September 11th - Highway Cleanup Day. We meet at Dunkin' Donuts (on Penfield Road, near the Lodge Hall) to make our plan of action.

September 13th - First Lodge Meeting and Official Visit of R:.W:. George Nasra, DDGM. A dinner will precede the meeting. Please come out, if you are able, and show your support. Please make your reservation for dinner with Brother Rick Yendall, 889-5895 or email at:

ryendall@ rochester.rr.com. We are very lucky to have so many new Brothers and new members who are at different stages of the Degrees. We will be working very hard to get them all to become Master Masons by the end of the year.

September 27th - Wasting no time, we will be conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree. A dinner will be served; please make your reservations early.

September 30th - School of Ritual at Spencerport Masonic Hall. Come show your support.x

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that time of year as Summer

winds down and we must once

again gather our Working Tools

and head to the quarries. I can

only hope all my fellow Broth-

ers have had as enjoyable a Sum-

mer as I have. It was filled with

hot weather and enjoyable times

with family and friends. It gets

harder and harder for me each

year to cope with the fact that

time seems to be moving faster

and Summer goes by so quickly.

It seems like just yesterday that

my first child was born and this

Fall she will be entering 6th

We are quickly approaching

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#### Recent Events

Unity Lodge's Pancake Breakfast was a great success due to the addition of our new griddle. Thanks to all the Brothers who assisted. A special thanks to our Junior Warden, Byron Barnes, for all his efforts with the Breakfast leading our Brothers to a great weekend.

Our Senior Warden, John Lemke, hosted a Jazz Night at Unity Lodge on July 24th. His

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LODGE NO. 538

Bernard Russell

Soon it'll be September 2nd,

our first meeting after being

dark for the Summer. In the old

days, going dark in the late

Summer was to benefit our ag-

ricultural Brothers. Today it's

more for those of us who like to

see where it would be of neces-

sity for our Brothers to stay in

touch, helping each other with

crops, etc. I often wonder if we

stay in touch during today's

breaks in our usual Masonic ac-

tivities. We all have those

Cabletow activities which keep

us occupied throughout the

year, not to mention July and

August. I'd like to think that we

would stay in contact with one

another throughout the year

and just enjoy one another's

participation with the Webster

Firemen's Carnival and Parade

went wonderfully. There were

plenty of hands to work the

concessions and 12 of us partici-

pated in the parade. Even the

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son and friends entertained the community with a night of Jazz Music during the Spencerport Canal Days.

**Upcoming Events** 

Unity Lodge would like to welcome back all our Brothers on September 13th with our first meeting of the year. We will be having a Hawaiian/Wild Shirt Night and a Social Hour starting at 6:30 p.m.

Reminder ... Our Official Visit will be September 27th; Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Master's Comments**

Looking forward to a great year! Unity Lodge is still in possession of the Traveling Gavel and is looking forward to having guests from other Lodges visit this upcoming year.

Birthday Wishes

Best wishes to all of our Brothers who are celebrating their Birthdays in September, as well as belated wishes to all who enjoyed a birthday over the Summer.

Ed Malchoff were able to obtain the Shriner's hay wagon again, which came in handy. Although it's not quite as elegant as having a row of classic convertibles, it did help. So, many thanks to those who participated and

#### Official Visit

helped make it a good time.

Here's a reminder for our Line Officers. Study! By now we've had a few times to "practice" our Craft in Opening and Closing, but the real test is September 16th at our Official Visit. I'm always looking forward to having visitors at Lodge, especially our Grand Lodge representatives. They work hard to be there for us and I think it's only right that we demonstrate a sense of gratitude and respect befitting our Masonic nature. As always, I know Webster Lodge will do just that. We will also be serving dinner for this important evening at the usual time of 6:30 p.m. All reservations are to go to our Junior Warden, Brother Bill Gross.

Before you know it, we'll be back in the thick of Masonic activities again. There are already several Candidates balloted on for the 1st Degree. At the time of this writing, there are a few more upon which we have to ballot.

We've got plans for a variety of activities and let's not forget the Fellowcraft Club. It's a good way to keep after the needs of our building that we are so blessed to have, as well as a great way to stay in touch. So, keep the second inursday of the month in mind as well as the first and third, and hopefully we'll see more of you there.

Until next time, take care, and God Bless.

Open All Year

a half years gone by so fast? If anybody has the answer to that question, please share.

Assistant Grand Lecturer

We enter the new Masonic Year with some old faces in new places. Some of the Officers from Oakland Lodge have accepted new stations and places this year. The Officers chosen and appointed to lead Oakland Lodge are:

Master Kenneth Smith Sr. Warden Arthur Robinson Jr. Warden Treasurer Secretary Chaplain

**David Beardsley Richard Smith Keith Granger** Sr. Deacon Henry Robinson Jr. Deacon Richard Robinson Sr. MC Tommy Kemp Jr. MC Mike Rhodes Steward **Daniel Hamilton** Marshal **Thomas Scott** 

Robert Kemp

Please come out to our first Communication of this Masonic Year to meet and greet these Officers.

**Upcoming Events** 

Oakland Lodge will have two regular Communications during the month of September. The first will be September 7th at 7:30 p.m. The agenda of this Communication will be to catch up on any old business left from

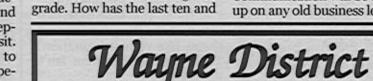
last year or taken care during the Summer and any new ideas and plans for the upcoming year.

Our second Communication will be September 21st at 7:30 p.m. This Communication will be the Official Visit to Oakland Lodge by our District Deputy Grand Master, R.: W .: Donald Kunego and his Staff Officer, Grand Sword Bearer, R.: W .: John Bearer. They will be addressing and enlightening us on the message from the Grand Master and some of the educational programs that will be offered this year. Let's fill the sidelines for this Communication in a show of support for our District leaders.

#### Our Meeting Place

For those Brothers from Oakland Lodge and other Brothers throughout the District who have not attended a Communication at Oakland Lodge in awhile, we are currently meeting at the American Legion Building just down the hill from where our Masonic Temple used to re-

I hope this article finds all my fellow Brothers enjoying a happy and healthy end to the Summer season. Never let us forget those who have and are still fighting to keep our great nation free and safe. May the blessings of heaven rest upon all my fellow Brothers and their families where ever they may be throughout the world.



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Another Summer has passed, and with September upon us, it is time to return to labor. I hope that you all have had an enjoyable Summer filled with family and friends.

### Lodge Scholarships

In June, many young men and women of our communities graduated from high school and are now beginning their further course of education. W .: Brother John Krest presented the Lodge's scholarships this year to two very deserving students - Delaney J. Seaman (Gananda) and Joseph Allison (Palmyra).

Joseph graduated with a GPA close to 86% and will be attending SUNY Fredonia to study Psychology.

Delaney was active in school and a participant in volunteer services, including missionary work in Costa Rica, she will be attending SUNY Binghamton and will be pursuing Nursing as

We wish them both good luck in achieving all their goals.

While I am on the subject of scholarships, it should be mentioned that Brother Tom Krest's son, Joshua, received a scholarship from the Grand Master on July 11th at the Damascus Shrine Center. Joshua will be attending Alfred University studying Engi-

### **Upcoming Events**

September 18th and 19th, Canal Town Days is in Palmyra and once again the Temple Association will be selling sausage and peppers, hot dogs and hamburgers. Please make a point to come and grab some great food. As always, I'm sure volunteers will be needed for this event. If you can, please help.

I plan on having a display set up again this year to inform people about Freemasonry. If you know someone who may be interested, ask them to come and look over the information that will be available.

R .: W .: William C. Benedict II, DDGM of Wayne District, and I had the distinct pleasure of presenting Brother Harry Redington, Jr. with a 60-year Certificate. I truly enjoyed my visit with Brother Redington and his wife, Louise. We talked about Masonry in the past and how things are changing as time goes on. Brother Redington is not able to get out much, but enjoys receiving the Masonic Times and the Empire State Mason so he can keep up on Lodge activities and Masonry around the State. It was a great honor to meet with him and I enjoyed the time I was able to spend vis-

If you know of Brothers who are unable to get out much, be sure to take some time and visit them. I'm sure they would enjoy it.

Mark your calendars for Se tember 15th, which is the first Communication of the year. Lodge opens at 7:30 p.m. Please make a point of attending the first Communication. I will be presenting my Trestleboard for the year and would like your feedback. Also, we will need Committee Chairmen for different activities throughout the year as well.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge!

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# Livingston District

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Livonia Lodge Benefit Golf Tournament

Saturday

September 18th

at Conesus Golf Club

Registration - 10:30 a.m.

4-Person Scramble, Shotgun Start – 11 a.m.

Dinner and Prizes - 5 p.m.

Tournament Packages – \$50 per Golfer

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### **District Deputy Grand Master** Livingston District

R∴W∴ J. Michael Grady 738-1243



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Where did the Summer go? It seems like we just had Installations and we are, once again, back in the quarries pursuing our labors.

We did have a fairly busy Summer with planning meetings with our Masters in the Livingston District. We also had a District Picnic, golf outing, St. John's Day in

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Utica, the Hemlock Fair and the Master's Chair Program for all incoming Masters.

This new Master's Chair Program was held at the Shrine Center on August 7th. It was a three-District event for Livingston, Monroe and Genesee-Wyoming Districts. Thanks go to the District Deputies and Staff Officers - GSB Dennis King from Livingston; DDGM George Nasra, GSB George Foehner and GSB Phil Hurwitz from Monroe; and DDGM Don Ku-nego and GSB John Wiktorowski from Genesee-Wyoming. Thank you for all you did in making the program a great success. Everyone pitched in to help teach the class and lead discussions on all the topics covered on being a Master of a Lodge. In addition, they all went out of their way to coordinate a great cookout for everyone. Thanks guys!

Now that we are in full swing Official Visits is below.

issue introduced our theme and focus for Livingston District ber what "2, 4, 6" is? It is makone after he has his 1st Degree. This follows on to the meetings after his 2nd Degree (meeting 4) and of course after his 3rd Degree, meeting number 6.

In addition, this spirit or focus needs to be used for Brothers who we might not see at our meetings any longer. We all have them. They were once active, but now we don't see them. How about a little extra attention for them? They need to "WANT" to come to Lodge. That usually starts with having a pleasant, enjoyable time. Call them up. Have a dinner. Plan a golf outing for a few of them. Use your imagination. These are your Brothers. Isn't it worth it?

I look forward to seeing everyone at upcoming meetings and Official Visits, not only in Livingston District, but all around our area. Welcome back!

#### Official Visits September

16th - Avon Springs

4th - Mt. Morris

14th - Geneseo

11th - Union

by a Dinner at 6:30 p.m.x

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Dennis King 298-0505

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around the District, there are many activities underway and planned. A number of the Livingston District Lodges have Degree work scheduled in September. We also kick off my Official Visits in September starting in Avon Springs on September 16th. The full schedule for

My first column in the June called "2, 4, 6." We hope this spirit and focus of involvement of our new Brothers will take hold in our District and to other Districts as well. Don't rememing sure that meeting numbers 2, 4 and 6 for a new Brother are ones that he enjoys. Brothers talk to him, welcome him and make him feel like he has made a great decision in becoming a Mason. And that starts with meeting number 2 which is the

21st - Phoenix

October

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7th - Eunice

20th - Livonia

November

All Official Visits are preceded

# **Livingston District** R::W::

dennis@phoenixlodge115.org

I feel honored to have been selected to serve as Grand Sword Bearer for the Livingston District Grand Lodge Team, which also includes R:W: Mike Grady as DDGM and R:W: Roy Moses as AGL. I am looking forward to working with these fine Brothers during the next two years.

The primary responsibility of a Grand Lodge Staff Officer is one of Masonic Education. To that end, we will be presenting the Masonic Development Course (MDC) starting later this Fall and the Road to the East in early 2011.

Grand Lodge has also developed a new course that all incoming Masters are strongly encouraged to attend. The course is titled the Master's Chair. This one-day course provides information that is essential for all Masters to effectively govern their Lodge.

Having recently attended the course as part of the Grand Lodge Officers Training, I can promise you that all Masters, regardless of how long they have been a Mason or how many terms served as Master, will learn something new or find they have been doing something not quite correctly.

This "no charge" class was conducted in conjunction with the Monroe and Genesee-Wyoming Districts on August 7th at the Shrine Center in Webster. Attendees enjoyed a cookout and fellowship with Masters from three Districts and picked up some great information. Watch this column for additional information on all three classes as time approaches.

In future articles, I plan to discuss other aspects of Masonic Education - both in programs available from Grand Lodge and

other sources. We are never too old to learn and we can never learn enough, particularly about Freemasonry.

**Biographical Information** 

R∴W∴ Dennis C. King was Raised in Phoenix Lodge No. 115 on March 19, 1974. He was Installed as Master of Phoenix Lodge in 2008 and served in that capacity until 2010. Dennis is presently a Lodge Trustee. He has also served on several Lodge Committees. In 2009, Brother King served as President of the Livingston Masonic Association. Other Masonic activities include membership in Hor-nell Dansville Royal Arch Chapter No. 20; Valley of Rochester, AASR; and Cyrene-Monroe Commandery No. 12.

Brother King holds an MBA from Alfred University and several professional certifications for Information Security. He is presently employed as Information Security Manager for ESL Federal Credit Union in Rochester. He resides in Dansville with his wife of 33 years, Patricia. They have one daughter, Jessica, who is a practicing attorney in Washington, DC.

### Livonia Lodge No. 778



1st & 3rd Wednesdays Master W .: Ronald E. Baylor 346-2563

Secretary R:.W:. Richard Trescott 226-9042 rtrescot@frontiernet.net 5 Big Tree Street, Livonia, 14487

Welcome Back! The Summer is all but over; I hope everyone had a pleasant one.

In July, I spent 15 days camping at Hi Tor in the Town of Middlesex at the Northeastern Primitive Rendezvous where several Brothers got together for a meeting of the North American "Order of the Beaver."

#### Beaver Lodge

We Initiated two new Brothers into the Order - Robert Watson and Robert Watson, Jr. both are from Livonia Lodge.

Others attending were Robert (Robyn) Perry (from Indiana and now living in Hornell), Gordon Hubbell (Seneca Lodge, Rochester), Kent Morris (Pear-isburg, VA), Ron Baylor (Livonia Lodge), Neil Parmerter (West Star Lodge, Gainesville), Charlie Oakes (Eureka Lodge, Tenant Harbor, ME) and Rick Sheridan (Ashlar Lodge, Jacksonville, FL).

### **Upcoming Events**

September 15th - 2nd Degree; all are welcome

Saturday, September 18th -Benefit Golf Tournament at Conesus Golt Club. Again, we welcome all participants and would appreciate the support of all Lodges.



(l-r) Bob (Robyn) Perry, Gordon Hubbell, Robert Watso, Kent Morris, Robert Watson, Jr., Ron Baylor, Neil Parmerter, Charlie Oakes and Rick Sheriden.

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Welcome to a new Masonic Year. I am extremely honored to be sitting in the East this year and I plan on making this a very

interesting time for the Lodge and its members.

Thanks to our elected Officers for this term:

John Gallant Master Sr. Warden Roy Moses Jr. Warden Dave Hansen Secretary Jim Slocum Treasurer Bruce Whitmore Joe Gallant Sr.Deacon

Jr. Deacon Tim Harvey We are all looking forward to having the entire Union Lodge Team working together; we have a number of exciting

things planned. We will be starting out our first month with a "bang," as we are having special events at both of our meetings this month.

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Shrine and Divan Meetings

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# TOM VASILE

Wow, what a Summer! The weather has been great and gatherings many. Where do I start?

**Imperial Session** 

On July 3rd, some of the Wheelers were kind enough to escort me to the 136th Imperial Session, which was held in the beautiful city of Toronto Canada. It was a great morning on the bike and, with passport in hand, we started out at about 8 a.m. from the Shrine Center, with plans to meet one of the other Divan members along the parkway. This certain Divan Member was going to follow in his vehicle. It is always nice to have a vehicle handy when taking a long trip on the bikes.

We were going to meet the Divan member at Route 259 and the Parkway. When we pulled up the Divan member was not there yet. We waited a short time and then called him on the phone. When he answered he was very surprised that someone could talk on the cell phone while riding a motorcycle. It seems he got to the meeting location before any of us did, saw four motorcycles pass by and began following them. It seems our Assistant Rabban was already five miles down the road following four motorcycles. It looks like our Assistant Rabban was very eager to get to Toronto. Needless to say he pulled over and waited for us to catch up so he wouldn't end up in some other part of the country. We all had a good laugh from this!

Well, there is not much to report on the Imperial Session. The weather was HOT and the visit from the Queen of England was interesting, However, not much went on as far as new legislation. The Hospitals are already profiting from the third party pay and the Imperial Divan has done wonders to increase donations on an international level. I personally thank the members of the Divan and all the Past Potentates and their ladies for attending this session. One of the highlights for me was conversing with our newly installed Grand Master, Most Worshipful Vincent Libone. It is always a joy to see old friends get together.

The Finest Brotherhood

As you all know by now, our Brother and Past Potentate, Larry Canfield, has been in treatment for throat cancer. Larry has been a big part of Masonry and the Shrine for a long time. We were made aware that Larry was struggling financially because of his sickness but never told anyone.

After being made aware of this, many Brothers and fellow Shriners stepped up to the plate and developed an assistance fund for Larry and his Lady Ellie. In keeping with our theme for this year, which is promoting Masonic Brotherhood in the Shrine, God allowed us to give assistance to Larry and Ellie within two weeks.

A fundraiser was held at the Shrine Center in June. The Masonic Service Bureau sponsored the event and assisted in collecting the donations, making them tax-deductible for the individuals.

At the fundraiser, Larry and Ellie were given the amount of the pledges, which totaled approximately \$15,600. With God's direction, all of the Masonic Bodies assisted in this effort. We were also blessed with the presence at the fundraiser of Deputy Grand Master, R∴W:. James Sullivan, and his Grand Marshal, R:.W:.John Krupp, who came from Lockport to attend our event.

Thank you again R .: W .: Sullivan, for your support and the support of Grand Lodge. This was truly an act of Brotherhood on everyone's part. My thanks to everyone involved and may God Bless you all. I know God will be with our Brother, Larry, during this trying time. Larry, we wish you God's Grace and Favor.

Cruz-in

The Cruz Nights are growing each week. We are continuously becoming more popular in the community for our Cruz Nights and those who pitch in are doing a great job. Our entire Shrine should be thankful and feel blessed by how hard these folks have worked to support this event. We are now averaging approximately 200 cars a week and selling out of food every Friday. If you would like to help, or just come for a great time, please do so. Thanks again gang for your hard work and support.

Website The website is ready to go. Our Chief Rabban, Rich Freidman, is working hard to ensure a high-quality product for all our members. Recently, we have sent a letter to all members to make sure your proper

contact information is up to date in the Office. If you think your information needs to be corrected, please call the Shrine Office during business hours and update your information or return the request form enclosed in the envelope. We also sent out a list of upcoming events for the remainder of the year. Please look over the events and make reservations as soon as possible with the Office.

**Springfield Excursion** 

One of our Divan members, John Cambareri, from Auburn, has put together a great overnight package to visit the Springfield Hospital in October. This trip will be on October 30th and 31st. We will leave the Shrine Center by bus about 7 a.m. on October 30th, stop for lunch in Albany and then travel to the Hospital where staff will be waiting to greet us.

In the afternoon, a tour of the Springfield Hospital is scheduled after which we will check into the Clarion Inn and then head out for dinner (order off the menu).

The next day we will have a breakfast that is included in the hotel stay and travel to an Outlet Center for some shopping and fun together.

This was all obtained for the low price of \$230 per couple or \$150 for single. The price includes bus, hotel, breakfast and a \$20 per person donation to the Hospital. The Shrine has reserved 25 rooms (50 travelers) and placed a deposit on the bus service. If you are interested in going please call the Office for details. All payments are to be made prior to October 15th and checks should be made payable to "Damascus Shrine" to reserve your spot. Make your reservations by September 25th.

**Upcoming Meetings** 

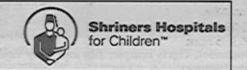
September 1st - Men only at this meeting; will cover upcoming events and housekeeping issues. One important issue to be covered is a vote from the Nobility on the purchase of the house and property at the end of the

October 6th - Joint meeting with the Ladies. It will include a presentation of the year in review and new public relations DVD from Imperial.

November 3rd - Joint meeting with the Ladies. It will include a presentation from "Honor Flight." This will be an opportunity for all Veterans to sign up for a trip.

December 1st - Men only meeting. We will have nominations and voting for new Officers for the year 2011.

Thanks for your time and until next time may God bless you and keep you in His care.





An Open Letter of Thanks...

On behalf of my Lady Ellie and I, we say a VERY BIG THANK YOU TO ONE AND ALL for being so kind and generous during our very difficult times. You cannot begin to know the emotions we felt with so many in attendance at the picnic on June 30th including Deputy Grand Master, James Sullivan. What a real treat.

We also thank Past Potentate, Bruce Chilton, for coordinating the Fraternal side and Mrs. Cheryl Haak for handling outside and church donations.

In fairness to the so many other folks who gave of their time and money, we chose not to put any names in our letter. You know who you are and you know your gift is really appreciated in so many great ways. We did not want to leave anyone out, so this is the format we se-

Fraternally and Yours in the Faith, Larry and Ellie Canfield



Coming Attraction ... **Harvest Dinner** November 20th

### SHRINEABILIA

By Derek E. VanHouten

I hope all of you have had a great Summer break and are enthusiastic about the upcoming Fall Season. Just before the Summer break, one of our main contributors, Noble Chuck White, approached me at the Joint Investiture Service with another package of historical material to review. There were several manila envelopes that h 1d pictures, programs and Dedication Ceremonies of several Temples.

When we went to the Imperial Session in Toronto, I made it a point to see the Potentates of the several Temples impacted with this information. They were very surprised someone would take the time to gather this material and then to make the effort to return it to them.

I especially thank Chuck White for obtaining this historical information that otherwise might have never been recovered or gone to non-Shriners. Noble White is a great resource for historical material and we look forward to what else he may find in his travels around the Realm.

# WAYNE COUNTY SHRINE

By Director Lee Coller

Wayne County Shrine Club held its Summer Picnic at the Red Rooster in Fairville on July 29th. Over 30 members and their wives met to celebrate the Summer. We were pleased to have our Divan Representative, Jim Miller, Oriental

Guide, in attendance, along with Director Lee Coller.

President, Gerald Rohrer, opened the meeting by calling on Lee Coller for the Invocation. He welcomed all in attendance and recognized the Past Presidents and Officers.

It was reported that Bill Guinup had eye cancer and Larry Canfield had throat cancer.

The 50/50 winner was Wilma Adams. Past Potentate and Erie Hospital Representative, Bob Anderson, gave a quick report on the Imperial Session and Erie Hospital. Then he showed the "Heroes Among Us" patient success story DVD from the Session. It tells the story of Taylor Long and Danny Happy, two patients of the Shriners Hospitals for Children®. It was impressive and appreciated by all.

Jim Miller closed the evening by reporting on the upcoming activities within the Damascus community.

President Rohrer reminded members the next meeting will be on October 21st and he then had the meeting closed with a Benediction.

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### HILLBILLIES UNIT

By Lance Ward

A meeting to revive the Hillbilly William Henry Clan #162 was called by its founder Dayne Tharrett, Past Potentate of Damascus, now a Noble of the Alhambra Temple in Chattanooga, TN. Dayne was surrounded by guests under the old Catawba tree; Lady Justine Holben; Don Holben, PP Isamilia; Birdie Averiette; and current Clan leader, Bob Curtis.

Everyone brought their shooting irons and Hillbilly Derek VanHouten got the most clay pigeons. Good thing we were not counting on these hunters for our food.

Also shooting, were Bob Curtis, Lance McFetridge, Henry Funk, Deloss Stuck, Don Dill, John Girard's Lady Diane, and Lance Ward. Derek VanHouten explains how he did it to Hillbilly Ladies Mary Merrit, Nancy Dainty, Kathi Tharrett and Barb Goodrich. Fetching was done by Lance's Golden Doodle, Jon Luke.

Food was served by the inside cooks, Justine Holben, Nancy Warder, Shirley



Dayne Tharrett surrounded by guests under the old Catawba tree - Lady Justine Holben; Don Holben, Past Potentate, Isamilia Temple; Birdie Averiette; and current Clan leader, Bob Curtis.

Funk, Carolyn Warder and our hostess, Lynn Ward.

The road kill was carefully prepared by the Chief Chefs, Tom and Patty

The Hillbilly feast was followed by a meeting held by our leader of the Clan, Bob Curtis. Ill. Lance Ward assisted in initiating ten new Hillbillies into our Clan. It was done in front of our sacred outhouse. New Hillbillies include: Gene and Peggy Bousselot, Tigris Temple; Jim and Judy Vanhouten; Tom and Patty Baroody;



Hostess, Lynn Ward overseeing buffet of delicious dishes.



John Girard and Jim Vanhouten

Lance and Wendy McFetridge; John Girard and Lady Dianne.

Also present, not mentioned above, were: Deloris Curtis; Judy VanHouten; Jenifer McFetridge; Harry Dainty, P.P.; Jim Kahn; Wayne McCorrsen and his Lady, Debbie. A great time was had by all.



Food was served by the inside cooks, Justine Holben, Nancy Warder, Shirley Funk, Carolyn Warder.



The cooks Tom and Pat Broody

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### Attention Ladies of the Shrine!

I'm planning ahead ... for a Cookbook

As part of my fundraising efforts for next year as First Lady, I will be putting together a

"Ladies of the Damascus Shrine Cookbook"

I would love to include your favorite tried-and-true recipes. Our objective is to print the book and sell it with all proceeds going to Shriners Hospitals for Children®.

Please submit your recipes to my e-mail address: joeyfletch@frontiernet.net

I will be gathering the recipes over the next several months and hopefully will have enough to go to print by December 2010.

The Cookbook will include recipes in all categories, i.e. Appetizers, Soups & Salads, Main Dishes, Vegetarian Dishes, Desserts, etc., so please submit as many as you would like in any or all categories. Also, please include your name so it can be printed in the Cookbook with your recipe(s).

I am very excited about the Cookbook, as well as my upcoming year as First Lady, and I thank you in advance for your help.

Joanne Friedman

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### Springfield Hospital Trip Saturday, October 30th & Sunday, October 31st

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7 a.m. - Pickup at Shrine Center Parking Lot

8 a.m. - Pickup at Weedsport Lodge Hall Parking Lot

(Additional pickup can be arranged in Syracuse area, if needed)

~ Lunch in Albany Area ~

2 p.m. - Tour of Springfield Hospital

4-5 p.m. - Check-in at Clarion West Hotel

6-7 p.m. - Dinner - Order Off the Menu

at your own expense. (location TBA)

### **Sunday Itinerary**

Breakfast at hotel (Included in room price)

8 a.m. - Depart for Home

Stop for Shopping and Lunch (Outlet Mall near NY/MA Border)

Late Afternoon/Early Evening - Arrive Home

PRICE: \$150 per single

(\$130 per person for Single Room plus \$20 Donation to Hospital)

or \$230 per rooming couple

(\$190 Per Rooming Couple plus \$40 Donation to Hospital)

Price includes Transportation, Hotel Room, Breakfast and Donation to the Hospital, which the Group will present on arrival. (Price based on 50 travelers)

Reservations must be made by September 25th to Nicole at Damascus Shrine Center (585) 671-7701

Pre-Payment must be made by October 15th - Checks made payable to Damascus Shrine Center, Memo "Springfield Trip" 979 Bay Road, Webster, NY 14580

### PERRY SHRINE CLUB



Thirty-three attended our Annual Picnic at Ed and Mary Louise Hollwedel's beautiful home. Chief Rabban, Rich Friedman, and Joanne were there as well as Assistant Rabban, Gary Burke, and Debi. The people, gardens, and food were great – the heat and humidity were atrocious. Everyone brought a dish-to-pass; Bob Anderson showed the patient success video from Toronto Imperial Convention. We had a nice tour of the gardens and a raffle which raised \$320 for Shriners Hospital for Children®-Erie. The Perry Shrine Club is such a generous group of people helping the children at Erie Hospital.

Submitted by Alice Anderson

Our May meeting was at The Hole in the Wall. It was great to be in the air conditioned restaurant and everyone enjoyed a wide variety of foods.

Our speaker, Phil Hurwitz spoke on the 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children, Inc. Dyslexia is estimated to affect some 15% of our population – more than 2 million school-age children in the US. Dyslexia is an inherited neurological disorder that manifests itself as a difficulty in reading, writing, spelling and sometimes mathematics — this is NOT a brain disorder. Such people as Thomas Edison, General George Patton, Winston Churchill and Whoopi Goldberg had or has this in their lifetime.

This year there were 25 children enrolled in the program during the academic year at the Frank and Bette Paul Learning Center located in Pittsford and sponsored by the Valley of Rochester, AASR. The Summer Session is currently in full swing. They have 25 students this Summer - 15 returning and 10 new students. There are nine Certified Scholars working this Summer and two new Trainees. Their current wait list remains at approximately 40 children – it has, in some cases, taken up to two years before an available slot opens up. The wait list is a PROBLEM!

There are 55 Learning Centers operating throughout the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. These Centers bring free services and proven teaching methods to the children. After an evaluation of their needs, it is a one-on-one service, twice a week for approximately two years. The cost for the centers is approximately \$5,000 per person, per year. The teachers work with the Orton Gillingham approach – a kinesthetic tactile learning system which has proven to be very effective. However funding to support this program is becoming increasingly difficult.

How can we help? Volunteering at fundraisers, direct contributions, walk-athons to raise money, sell candy, conduct a major fundraiser, etc.

Please plan to attend the September 23rd Perry Shrine Club Meeting at the Lumberyard Restaurant. The program will be "Directional Underground Drilling" by Bob Cox. As Always, meet and greet at 6 p.m., Dinner at 7 p.m.

The remainder of the 2010 year's meetings are as follows - Thursday, October 28th at the Hole in the Wall Restaurant; Wednesday, November 17th at the Lumberyard Restaurant; and Wednesday, December 15th at the National Hotel, in Cuylerville, for our Annual Christmas Party.

### SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL

By Ken Pollard

What a difference a year makes. A year ago, Imperial wanted to close 5 of the 22 Shrine Hospitals in North America. Included were Ericand Springfield hospitals - both involved directly with Damascus Temple.

Today both of these Hospitals have a bright future as changes have been made, new directions and efficiencies put in place and the mission of serving children has been reinforced with renewed urgency and dedication.

We Shiners should be very proud of our Hospitals Staffs. Last year, they read in the local paper their Hospital was going to close. This came out of the blue and had a demoralizing effect on the staff. Unless you are close to our Hospitals, you don't realize the pride and dedication these people have toward our children and our mission.

Let me give a recent example. This Spring, the Springfield Hospital received six children from Haiti who had been injured in the hurricane. These young children came without their parents, could not speak English and were alone in a strange place and a strange country. Our staff sought volunteers from the community who could speak the children's language. In a few weeks, with the medical expertise of our Doctors, Nurses and supporting staff, these children were ready to go home, recovered from their injuries. We saw some

of these kids before they left the hospital and their transformation was unbelievable. Each one was happy, mostly recovered from their injuries; smiling and playing with other kids in the hospital.

Because these kids were going home where there was no housing and living conditions were primitive, the outlook for these children was not bright. Our Staff took up a collection and provided each of the children with a large tent and equipment and food to take home with them. They did this on their own.

After observing our staff for over the seven years I have served on the Board of the Springfield Shriners Hospital as your Representative, I can assure you, without any hesitation or mental reservation, our Hospitals are special places manned by special people with extraordinary skills. They deserve our complete respect and our support. Be proud that you are a Shriner.

The Shriners Hospital for Children® Springfield will be celebrating its 85th Anniversary this October. The October tour
being planned by Damascus Temple to
Springfield is very appropriate timewise.
While this hospital was built in 1990, it
was constructed on the same grounds as
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Calendar Winners

May

WINNER

James Starkey

Shelly Palmer

Michael Hall

Michael Hall

Matt Bowman

Nancy Petro

Jean Tallada

Sara Seamans

Ben Heselton

Dan Dolph

Gregg Jones

Lance Ward

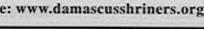
Justin Pelcher

Terri Williams

Bill Kinch

Clyde Delf

Damascus Shrine Center



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ful for your help.

Planning Ahead

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### June

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to join the fun and become a Shriner? It is easy to do and your friend will be grate-

Springfield Trip

field Area including our Hospital. The

dates are October 30th and 31st. The bus

will leave the Shrine Center parking lot

at 7 a.m. with a stop at the Weedsport

Lodge Hall parking lot to add our mem-

bers at 8 a.m. We will have lunch in the

Albany area and tour the hospital at 2

p.m. Accommodations have been made

at the Clarion West. We should arrive

there at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. Cost

of dinner is not included in the trip ticket,

but we're looking for a place to eat to-

gether, where we can order off the menu.

and plan to depart at 8 a.m. On the way

home we will stop for a little shopping

and lunch near the New York/Massachu-

Room) or \$190 per room for couples.

Add \$20 per person as a donation to the

Hospital and the total price of the trip is

\$150 per single and \$230 per couple.

Make reservations with Nicole at the

Shrine Center (585-671-7701) by Sep-

tember 25th. So now you know ... sign

up! The phone can't be that far away

from where you are, and you know you

All of this for \$130 per person (Single

The following day we will have breakfast at the hotel (included with our rooms)

There will be a bus trip to the Spring-

Do you know someone who would like

Calendar Winners

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Joe Rayburn	7/10
Becky Sanford	7/11
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Jeff Williams	7/14
William Heath	7/15
Trent Williams	7/16
Ann Marie Phillips	7/17
Richard Giles	7/18
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Ann Marie Phillips	7/22
Molly Tyson	7/23
Brian Stone	7/24
Frank Heselton	7/25
Buddy Swan	7/26
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# Calendar Winners

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7/1	206	Benjamin Merkley
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7/5	080	Damascus Shrine Center
7/6	115	Ken Peets
7/7	809	Damascus Shrine Center
7/8	205	Thomas Swan
7/9	509	Diane Waterstreet
7/10	302	Damascus Shrine Center
7/11	973	Damascus Shrine Center
7/12	805	Jo Kiesa
7/13	390	Damascus Shrine Center
7/14	941	Damascus Shrine Center
7/15	000	Rose Westfall
7/16	664	Sarah Wilson
7/17	613	Charlie Swenson
7/18	138	Christine Strobel
7/19	704	Herb Wilson
7/20	573	Damascus Shrine Center
7/21	284	Eileen Buckley
7/22	770	Damascus Shrine Center
7/23	249	Damascus Shrine Center
7/24	843	Melanie Colizzi
7/25	330	Damascus Shrine Center
7/26	795	Chrystal Crotser
7/27	800	Mary Heaton
7/28	698	Damascus Shrine Center
7/29	174	Scott Aman
7/30	192	Roger Rawleigh
7/31	932	Linda Zahn

### DAMASCUS LEGION OF HONOR

By John R. Faro, Commander **Summer Happenings** 

I sincerely hope everyone had an enjoyable Summer. The "Take me out to the ball game" night was cancelled due to lack of participation. Sad to say, there were two responses to this function. 'Nuff said.

The Summer Stag Outing had a nice response; as usual, it was enjoyed by all who attended. There was a PC meeting prior to the cookout to discuss future Line Officers. We will have three vacancies in the Elected Line and the only sure thing is Ken Milner for Commander. We do however, have two interested Nobles who are willing to assume Officer status and follow through to command the Legion. If any of you have a desire for leadership, please make me aware of this prior to the December meeting. Being an Officer of the Legion is a great honor. Every Legionnaire should think about this.

**Upcoming Events** 

CANCELLATION - The September meeting is cancelled in respect for our Jewish Comrades because it is the first day of Rosh Hashanah.

In October, Noble Charlie Hancock will present a talk on the life of Jacques DeMolay. I am opening this meeting to potential members of DeMolay. So, if you have a son, grandson, nephew or anyone you think would make a good DeMolay member bring him along. Who knows? Maybe a future Grand Master will be in attendance. I haven't given much thought to the menu yet but it will be enjoyable, I assure you.

### Sickness and Distress

I am happy to report we suffered no losses due to death during the break. However, Noble Bernie Skopinsky has been undergoing strenuous physical therapy for severe back problems. He is currently residing in Vernon to receive this therapy. Bernie is a new member of the Legion and I know, as Brothers, we will all keep Bernie in our thoughts.

Yours for the continuing success of the Legion.

# watch your mail (or email). This re-

Got Your Calendar Yet?

Damascus "Lotto" Calendars on sale now!

### AUBURN SHRINE CLUB

By David Bowman

Did you have a great Summer? The Shrine Club has been very active. Let's go back to our June meeting. Larry Pritchard set us up for a buffet dinner at Lakeview Country Club. The after-dinner speaker was Connie Reilly. She heads up the Auburn Business District and had some great insight into the workings of business and politics in cooperative working to make our area stronger.

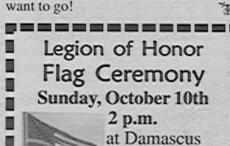
Also in June, the Shrine had a presence in the Auburn Founder's Day Parade. Paul Schenck saved the day with his transportation. (It was a hot one, just like most of the Summer) and we had a great turnout. Jim Kahn was there with his car zipping all around the town, Craig Coleman drove the 'vette (after a final polish), Bill Pipher showed our wild side with his movie tribute to "Easy Rider" (Theme of the parade was movies). Handing out candy along the route was our President, John Cambareri, Larry Pritchard, and yours truly.

From the deck of the wagon you could see Ted Tennant, Bob and Marilyn Coleman, Sandy Schenck, Carol Cambareri, Don Heath, Faye Pritchard, Beth Bowman, and more Shriners yet to be

August began with a bang with Shriner Day at the Bottle and Can Redemption Center in Auburn. All proceeds went to our Hospitals. Thanks to Bruce Christopher and the Shrine Center for this wonderful event.

Yet to come is our Steak Roast. hosted by Ken Pollard. I'm certainly looking forward to getting to the front of the line for that one.

September will see a dinner and talk. Details to come from Bob Coleman, so



Shrine Center



Auburn Shrine Club in Founders Day Parade





Details coming.

Call: 671-7701







Website: www.damascusshriners.org

Three members of the Damascus Divan support the Drive to collect aluminum can tabs on Saturday, August 7th, at the Recycling Center on Grant Avenue in Auburn. Gary Burke represented the Clown Unit and Chief Rabban, Rich Friedman, and Potentate, Tom Vasile, greeted those who brought bottles/cans to the recycling center. Those who donated were offered hot dogs, chips and a beverage for their support. Next month we will give a report of the funds raised. All the tabs are sold and the money is given to our Hospitals - every nickel. This project was started by the Auburn Shrine Club.

Make your reservation for dinner, NOW! Call the Reservation Hotline - 671-3565 or the Office - 671-7701

### Damascus Shriners! Clip and Save!

2010 Dinners for the Wednesday Night Shrine Meetings Social - 5:30 p.m.; Dinner - 6 p.m.; Meeting - 7 p.m. All dinners are \$10 per person; Reservations Required! Call Shrine Office – (585) 671-3565 (Reservation Line) or (585) 671-7701 by Noon Monday

Dinners include Salad, Coffee and Dessert

September 1st - BBQ Chicken October 6th - Baked Ham

November 3rd - Roast Pork Loin & December 1st - Chicken Cordon Bleu

Note: Chicken may be substituted for those not eating the pork entrées. Please let the Office know when you are making the reservation if you want chicken instead of pork.

By Norris Shapiro

### Damascus Legion of Honor September 8th Meeting is Cancelled

The meeting that would usually be held on September 8th falls on the first day of the Jewish High Holiday of Rosh Hashanah and, in respect for our Jewish Comrades, that meeting has been cancelled by order of the Commander.

See you at the October Meeting.



Joan Davis, Queen

By Ellie Canfield

Where, oh where, did the Summer go? Before long we will be looking at beautiful color leaves, fall flowers, and shorter days. Then we all know what will follow. But this is upstate weather and we should all be use to it!

Zama Temple had their Official Visit from Supreme Queen, Sue Layman, and it was a beautiful day. All Zama Temple Officers and members should be proud of their work and the hospitality they showed towards all who were in attendance.

We had our first Stated Session on August 14th at which we had some very serious decisions about continuing meeting at Fairport Masonic Hall or moving to Webster Masonic Hall. There was a straw vote taken to amend and it was voted that we move to Webster Lodge. "PLEASE" look for your next newsletter and I am sure you will find very important information in it.

#### Next-to-New Sale October 1st-2nd

The Next-to-New Sale this year will be at Damascus Shrine Center on October 1st and 2nd. Thanks to our Potentate and his Divan for letting us use the Shrine Center.

Donations of good, used items are appreciated from anyone who wishes to make them.

The set-up date will be Thursday, September 30th from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. This will be the only day we will accept items.

Acceptable Items - Fall and Winter clothing (only), household items, furniture, jewelry, etc.

DO NOT Bring - Pillows, under garments or shoes.

Sale Dates - Friday, October 1st from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, October 2nd (\$5-a-Bag Day) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Should you have any questions, feel free to call Ellie Canfield (315) 524-8729. If you would like to help the Nile by working any of these days, please do so.

October 14th - 17th - Several of us are going to Ahlem Temple No. 84 in Springfield, Massachusetts, for North East Days. This is a fun weekend where you will renew old friendships and make new ones. Anyone interested in going, please contact our Recorder, Carol Colegrove, or any other member of Zama. We will see that you get the proper information.

October 23rd - Our next big event will be a Fashion Show. Place to be announced in the newsletter.

In November, Zama Temple will be hosting an "Action Team Seminar." A weekend of teaching, learning and having fun. There will be more information on this at a later date.

This article has mentioned several interesting topics and we sure hope you will find that Zama Temple is trying to make things interesting. Please join us.

As always, I will leave you with: "God's friends are like stars; you don't always see them, but you know they are always there."

### **Next-to-New Sale**

at Damascus Shrine Center

### October 1st and 2nd

Friday, October 1st 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, October 2nd ... "\$5-a-Bag Day" 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. (All you are able to fit in a bag for \$5)

Donations of good, used items accepted on Thursday, September 30th, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Acceptable Items - Fall and Winter clothing (only), household items, furniture, jewelry, etc. DO NOT Bring - Pillows, under garments or shoes.

### Harvest Dinner, November 20th



Details coming.



Damascus "Lotto" Calendars On Sale Now!

Dedicated to the Memory of Robles:

Thomas M. Armstrong

June 7, 2010

Robert Cook Black August 5, 2010

Milo V. Gillam

June 2, 2010

Howard J. Ludington, Jr. August 6, 2010

Stanley Steinberg

June 7, 2010



Legion of Honor Flag Ceremony Sunday, October 10th 2 p.m. at Damascus

Shrine Center



59 Monroe Street Honeoye Falls. New York 14472



### September Birthdays

Dennis Andrews **Dwight Andrews** James Bailey Alan Bartholomew Daryl Bentley Kenneth Buckley Donald Cambisi Harold Carlson Eric Carlston James Champagne Ted Cisco Lee Coller Fredric Cornell Robert Cowley **Donald Davis Ernest Day** David Denz

William Fitch

Arnold Frear

Christopher Guenther

John Henderson

John Frost

William Hockenberger Charles Holliday Donald Jenks Lee Johnson Norman Johnstone Gordon Klehamer Christopher Kremer Charles Lewis Allen Luccitti Richard MacConnell Ronald Mack Richard Marchner Douglas Mason Eugene Melville Harold Metzler Gregori Monoenko Sean Noonan Joseph Nye Frank Panczyszyn William Patterson Lawrence Peters Terry Pickett

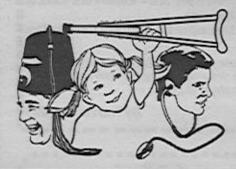
Richard Ponticello James Powell William Rindfleisch Charles Roberts George Romanyshyn James Ryan Frank Sackett Lawrence Schulman Joseph Shanks Raymond Sipple Acker Smith Scott Smith Joseph Steffen Rob Steinorth Harold Stewart Charles Thibault Frank Valente Paul Vick Sanford Ward Stephen Werner James Witt

### GENEVA SHRINE CLUB

Cruise on Esperanza Rose, Keuka Lake











### 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SPORTSMAN RAFFLE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup> 1-5 P.M. S20 DONATION

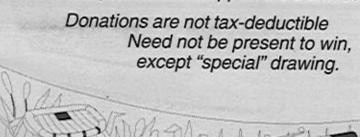
Includes Music, Food & Fellowship 50/50 Raffle and Special Raffles Through the Day

All guns to be picked up at Beikirch's 930 W. Linden Avenue, East Rochester

Benelli Nova 12 ga. 28" pump Stevens 200 30/06 Bolt Action Remington 870 Express 20 ga. Browning PBS 12 ga. 28" Pump T/C Omega z-5 50 cal. Muzzel Mossberg 835 12 ga. 3-1/2 28 Savage 93R17HMR Bolt Rifle Rugger 10/22 Carbine 22 S/A Remington 870 Express Remington 11-87 Sportsman Fishing Package Archery Package

Special Drawing: Marlin 336 30/30 Lever Must be present to win!

All proceeds to support the Damascus Shrine Center







### What's New in Erie!

### System-wide Smoking Ban Begins on September 1

All Shriners, including those who drive patients, are reminded that the Shriners Hospital system-wide smoking ban begins on Wednesday, Sept. 1. Beginning that day, smoking will be prohibited anywhere on hospital property, including the parking lots and private cars parked on the property. This smoking ban applies to everyone and is being implemented throughout the Shriners Hospitals system, including all hospitals and Shriners corporate headquarters. There are a variety of reasons why this policy is being put into place. As a health care organization, promoting practices that protect the health and safety of our children is part of our mission and vision. While everyone has the right to choose whether or not they want to smoke, Shriners Hospitals for Children® has an obligation to establish policies and procedures that are in the best interests of the organization, its employees, patients, families and visitors. Individuals who have questions about any aspect of the policy, including enforcement, should contact the Human Resources department.

### Golf Tournament Benefitting Hospital is a Big Success

The second annual Shriners Hospitals Charity Golf Outing held Aug. 16 at the Whispering Woods Golf Club near Erie was a big success. Although the final financial figures are still being tabulated, it is estimated that the outing will raise about \$8,600 for the hospital. This year's golf outing was a joint effort undertaken by a committee of hospital staff and community volunteers. In addition, many Eriearea businesses and corporations participated through sponsorships of various levels. Approximately 80 individuals participated in the golf outing and were treated to a dinner following the event. Planning will begin soon for next year's event. The hospital extends its' thanks to all those who participate in one way or another.

### Union Lodge Continued from Page 12

Preceding our very first meeting, on September 9th, we will be inaugurating our new program of "Fellowship, Facts-Masonic and Food." In our goal to introduce more Masonic Light and Education, we will be having presentations on various Masonic topics as part of a dinner before each of our "first" meetings of the month.

The dinners will be a "dishto-pass" and the Lodge will provide the main entrée, deliciously created by our two "Top Chefs," Brothers Greg and Steve. Following the dinner, one of our Lodge Officers will be presenting a 5-10 minute lecture or discussion on an interesting Masonic topic of their choice. All our members and

any visiting Brothers are welcome to join us and attend the dinner. We are expecting this program will be very exciting due to the very broad range of Masonic interests within our membership.

We will be performing the Fellowcraft Degree for our two Entered Apprentices who we initiated in May. These two gentlemen have been working diligently over the Summer and are looking forward to advancing. We will be enjoying "Manning's-Manly-Meaty" Chili for our pre-Degree dinner. I hope all our Brothers can join us on September 23rd and enjoy the dinner and Degree.

Once again, all the Officers are planning on having a very exciting year and we hope to see you in Lodge.

### Ontario/Seneca/Yates

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Grand Steward Frederick J. Newton (315) 568-9047 Assistant Grand Lecturer Bruce D. Huie (315) 789-2985

### Garoga-Sincerity Lodge No. 200

1st & 3rd Tuesdays



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Durso, Sr.
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I welcome everyone back as we start our 2010-2011 Fall Season. I hope everyone had a great Summer and spent time with their family and loved ones.

I will start by thanking all the Brothers who have elected me as Master for the ensuing year and I congratulate the following Officers for this coming year:

Sr. Warden
Jr. WardenWilliam Hargrove
Treasurer
Secretary
Sr. Deacon
Jr. DeaconStephen Durso, Jr.
Sr. MC
Jr. MC
Benjamin Wheat
Jr. MC
Daniel Biery

Chaplain Marshal Stewards Ernie Day Donald Tiffany Stephen Philips Carl Carlson

Tiler George Landstrom
As Master, I'm looking forward to serving you to the best of my abilities. With the help of the Brethren and past Masters, I'm sure we will have an exciting and successful year.

We are planning on having a 2nd Degree sometime in September. Please attend and assist your Lodge with the Conferring of this Degree.

September 7th will be our first meeting. We will have a Pot Luck Dinner starting at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a dish-to-pass. Call a Brother and bring him to our first meeting!!!

September Birthdays

Carl Carlson (2nd), Dave Bruzee (3rd), George Durkee and Terrance Mays (5th), Peter Cheney (16th), Donald Romeiser (20th), Bernard Dell (23p²), Charles Bird (25th) and Michael Klimeczko (30th).

Anniversary

Brother Jay Ford was Raised on September 12, 1967.

Come out and support your Lodge. Hope to see you all! \*\*

### Patients in "Timmy's Day Out" Program Enjoy a Summer of Fun Activities

Once again this summer the Shriners Hospitals for Children® – Erie patients who participated in the annual "Timmy's Day Out" program enjoyed many great activities. "Timmy's Day Out" is a program created to help children with spina bifida grow up to be as healthy, able and independent as possible. The program was developed by the hospital's myelodysplasia Specialty Care Team with initial funding from Candy Bollen and the ladies of Dendarah Court #10, LOSNA.

The "Timmy's Day Out" program introduces spina bifida children to such things as public transportation, healthy food choices, using public accommodations and participating in many fun activities. For example, with help from the hospital staff, the children received some "hands on" experience making healthy food dishes. The three teams of kids were given a variety of healthy ingredients and

were able to make a food dish of their choice. The dishes were "judged" by members of the hospital's Nutritional Services department and prizes were given out to all of the participants. The winning team members received a special Grand Prize consisting of special cooking utensils, healthy cooking ingredients and a book of healthy cooking recipes. Other "Timmy's Day Out" programs this year included trips to Splash Lagoon Indoor Water Park and the Erie Zoo, shopping at the Millcreek Mall in Erie, and a visit to a working farm. While staff from the hospital always accompany the children on these excursions, the activities give the kids an opportunity to experience life independently, away from their parents and family members.



November 20th

Details coming.



# Order of the Eastern Star

### Monroe District OES HiLights

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By Jean Stewart, DDGM

#### A Busy Summer

In June, nineteen people traveled to Oriskany for the Lilac Luncheon. We ate in the pavilion (with the flaps down and heaters in the corners) while we were entertained with music. A special surprise: M.W. Karen Marshall-King joined us for lunch! Following lunch, we attended a meeting of the Campus Star Chapter in their Chapel. The Chapel is lovely and the meeting was enjoyed by all.

Then in July, 31 people visited the LeRoy House and the Jell-O\* Gallery. Following the tours, everyone had lunch at the D & R Station in LeRoy. The food was delicious and everyone left with a package of Jell-O\*, compliments of the Jell-O\* Gallery.

The next event was Pilgrimage Day at Oriskany. Several from our District attended. What a variety of things to buy, food to eat and people to meet! On the way home, we drove

through a terrible rain storm; luckily, it didn't last too long.

The Chicken Bar-B-Que at Webster's Firemen's Field was August 14th. Many members volunteered their services and it was a sell-out success! Peach shortcake is a special treat.

**Upcoming Events** 

Now back to business ... Watch for letters in September with information about the District Banquet, which will be November 4th at Burgundy Basin.

Write-ups of the recipients for the Dedicated Service Awards will be due at the same time as the reservations for the District Banquet.

Remember ... The Dedicated Service Award is to honor someone who has NOT been a Matron but has contributed a great deal to the Chapter. If you wish to honor Past Matrons in your Chapter, you may do so at a Chapter event.

#### Line Officers

The September Line Officers' meeting will take place at 9 a.m. on Saturday, September 11th. This change was made as the original date fell on Labor Day Weekend.

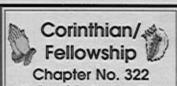
October 2nd at 9 a.m. is the next one. These meetings are especially important for the Matrons and Associate Matrons.

October 13th-16th - Grand Sessions in Binghamton.

Saturday, November 6th, is the East-West Luncheon at Spencerport. Matrons and Associate Matrons are involved; be sure to put that date on your calendar. District Banquet

Do you know when the District Banquet is? Are you planning to attend? Mark your calendar for November 4th. Nolatka always has a big contingent. So read the District Deputy's column and get your seat reserved with Carol Wynings as soon as possible. You will get to congratulate our Right Worthy Sister, Jean Stewart, on a job well done.

Remember, Sisters and Brothers, our meeting rooms are accessible and comfortable. If you need a ride, our Matron and Patron will be happy to help you get to the meeting, just a half-mile East of Route 204 (Exit 6) off Interstate 490. Hope to see you at the meeting.



Order of the Eastern Star 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.

W. Barbara McMinn, Matron H) 359-3934; C) 7214590

R.W. Claude Gramse, Patron (315) 597-1342 Secretary

R.W. Beverly VanHuben 647-1391 805 Blossom Road Rochester 14610

By Robert Crystal

Summer's end! We certainly had a tropical one. I hope each and every one of you is in good health and have stayed active through the sweltering heat.

Summer Happenings

I heard good reports of the picnic out on the horse farm. Thank you to the Gramses for their wonderful hospitality and fraternal welcome. I was unable to attend, but everyone I asked said it was a great event.

I can report that Oriskany was a trip more of us will have to make in the Summer of '11. The Grand Matron assured us the rain would end by the time the festivities started and, sure enough, it did. It was a wonderful day of sunshine, straw hats, fans and handkerchiefs and of kids playing in puddles, strawberry short-cake (YUM) and Merle maple syrup. I fondly remembered Muriel Murrer as I helped the District Deputy Staff the Monroe District pillow, apron and dishtowel booth. Muriel would have knitted up a storm for us if we asked. It was a memorable day and I hope next year we will have a big representation from our Chapter. It will be fun!

The 2010 All-Stars Chicken Bar-B-Que and Peach Festival is in the history books. I hope you were one of the sell-out crowd who benefited from the delicious chicken dinners, peach shortcake and peach pies.

So many times fellowship and fraternity happen around meals taken together and we take nourishment from being with each other. The Chapter always has a snack after we meet. It wouldn't be OES if we didn't. This Fall, why don't you O/S/Y District OES HiLights

DDGM R.W. Mary Ruggles DGL

R.W. Clayton Ruggles (315) 548-3573

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By Mary Ruggles, DDGM

The O/S/Y District held its Annual On-Station Picnic at the Canandaigua VA Facility in June. Chapters provided baked beans, macaroni salad, threebean salad, homemade cookies and rolls. District funds provided hots, hamburgers and cold drinks. Each Chapter had Representatives serving our Veterans. The meal was well appreciated by the residents and staff.

July 24th was the annual Pilgrimage Day at Oriskany. Our District provided a generator to be raffled at the Share Booth.

The O/S/Y District Picnic was held August 8th with 30 friends attending. Following the meal, an auction was held which yielded \$200 for the Canandaigua VA's Christmas Fund. We thank Phil and Karen Trautman for organizing the event each year.

August 14th, the Seneca Lake and Eagle Star Chapters were hosts for an ice cream party at the VA. The next VA ice cream party is September 11th with Gah-A-Yan-Duk Chapter hosting.

I extend a gentle reminder to all those who have not contributed to the 2010 District Project to benefit fire/ambulance personnel training in the three-county area. Please send any donations to DDGM, Mary Ruggles, by September 20th, at 1348 Griffith Road, Phelps, NY 14532.

The O/S/Y OES District Association will next meet on Friday, September 10th, at Royal-Garoga Chapter in Phelps. Our guest speaker will be a volunteer fire-fighter/medic.

The Homecoming for District Officers will be held September 19th at Royal-Garoga. Honorees include Clayton Barnard, Associate Grand Sentinel; Mary Ruggles, DDGM; Clayton Ruggles, DGL; Marlene Pohl, Grand Representative of Arizona; and George Horning, Grand Representative of Montana.

consider having a meal at the Liberty Diner on Winton Road and then stopping by for a meeting and dessert? We promise not to keep you out too late!

Well, Sisters and Brothers, by now you have probably heard that I have been nominated to serve the District and represent Corinthian-Fellowship Chapter for the ensuing term. I hope the Chapter is up to the task of keeping me in line and energized. I know from experience you can keep me well fed. I have visited every Chapter over the many years, but now for one term, I will be doing so officially, escorting Mae Bauer. I would be thrilled to have the Sisters of Corinthian-Fellowship out there in the sidelines as Mae and I look out from the East. And I hope we will have two tables at the Official Banquets (there is that food thing again), the Homecoming at the District Banquet and the Grand Matron's Official Visit. Plan for it now, because you can rest assured I will be asking you to come.

I offer tons of thanks to the Bake Sale Crew, led by Norma Lee. Under her guidance, the Bake Sale has been a strong support for the Chapter's treasury. I was grateful to deposit the proceeds when the Secretary gave them to me. If any of the members want to help out, remember to bake a batch of cookies for Norma to sell on the second Saturday, September 11th. We also sell mini-quick breads, scalloped potatoes, spaghetti and goulash stews. Call Norma to let her know what you're doing. And if you can staff the table, let her know.

As they say down at Eastern Carolina, where my dad lives, "Y'all Come, Ya Hear?" ×

# Order of the Eastern Star 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Matron W. Patricia Dalykas

429-6565 Patron

W. Robert Crystal 473-0279

R. W. Carol Wynings 594-4692

Community Christian Church 2647 Chill Avenue, 14624

### By Robert Crystal

What a wonderful Summer we have been given. We have had so many hot humid days with so much sunshine and enough rain to keep the fields and lawns green and beautiful. What a wonderful part of Creation we have been given in which to live. Driving to Mount Morris, Webster or Brockport is a joyful experience. I hope all of you reading this have enjoyed your Summer as much as I have.

I am here to tell you that the District trip to the Jell-O° Gallery and LeRoy House was a smash hit. I hope the next set of District Grand Officers have something as interesting planned. There are so many things of interest within less-than-an-hour's ride of Rochester. We got to meet some real characters who were our do-

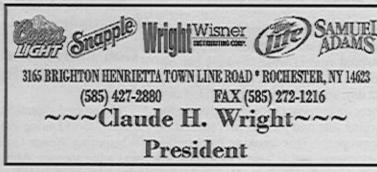
cents, got to see and be in the midst of some local history and to see our area's contribution to the great American culture. I was a little disappointed we didn't get to meet Bill Cosby, but I am sure he was disappointed in not meeting us, too.

Birthday Bash

The Nolatka Birthday Bash is Tuesday, September 21st. Carol Pickworth is the Chair of the Committee. It will be semi-potluck, semi-catered. Please come and dine with us. It will be fun, delicious and nourishing. If you are in town, don't miss this opportunity to schmooze with your Sisters. The ceramic spice rack and the Christmas centerpiece will be on display for you to check out and enter the drawing. If you are not going to be in town that evening, call Carol Wynings for more tickets to buy and/or sell. This is a fundraiser for Vickie Gross's bookkeeping. She is ever so much happier when the income is more than the outgo. (I am, too, or would be if I knew how it felt.)

### Fall Excursion

I talked to Pat Dalykas, and she has reserved the bus again this Fall. We will have to do our best to fill it up to keep the price down. Look here in the Masonic Times to get more details. So mark your calendar NOW and start talking it up with your not-yet-Star friends for October 9th.





## Aurora House is Open

By Jan Porter

Open House

Representing the Masonic Service Bureau, Joy Woodley, Elaine and Ken Milner, Skip Waterstreet and I attended the Open House of this new home for the dying, located in the Western part of Monroe County. Aurora House has been the recipient of two Charity Grants from the Masonic Service Bureau.

There are numerous hospice houses in Monroe County, but there seemed to be a need for one in the Western end so residents could remain close to their families. After several years of planning, raising funds and construction, Aurora House of Western Monroe County is open to receive patients for hospice care.

**Mission Statement** 

"Aurora House, a home for the dying and their loved ones, provides compassionate, palliative care in a loving home-like setting. We will strive to create an atmosphere of serenity through the final stage of life, address the physical, psychological and spiritual needs of the dying; respecting the dignity, values and wishes of individuals and their loved ones and ensuring adequate pain control.

"We also recruit and train dedicated volunteers for a wide range of services and offering bereavement care to families and friends."

Our families are referred to us from either of the two certified hospice agencies in our area, Lifetime Care or Visiting Nurse Service. Our job at Aurora House is to take on and enhance the role of the family, as the primary givers of care, love and support.

As believers and givers of "hospice" care, we are to the dying process what midwifery is to the birthing process.

Most people do not want to think about the inevitable conclusion to life. Aurora House is here to help our neighbors on that final journey, focusing on helping them to LIVE their life to fullest.



This ribbon-cutting ceremony officially opened the Aurora House on July 13, 2010, providing residents of Western Monroe County with a hospice care facility.



Living room just inside front door of the House



Resident room. Bed may easily be moved out onto the deck.

Features of the House

The House is beautiful, the layout is perfect and accommodations are well-suited for the residents and their families. When planning the facility, they gleaned ideas and recommendations from other hospice fa-

cilities in the area ... creating storage/work areas, meeting rooms, extra relaxation areas and a suite for out-of-town families to stay overnight when visiting their loved one.

An open central living area allows for visitors to relax in a comfortable living room adjacent to the kitchen and dining area. The two resident rooms are at opposite ends of the building and a full, finished, walk-out lower level is open for numerous activities. An outdoor deck that runs the length of the building, overlooks a rolling lawn and creek that flows into a wooded area that will be most colorful in the Fall. The doors of the resident's room accommodates the hospital bed so it can be rolled onto the deck from where the resident can enjoy fresh air and golden sunsets.

Volunteers

Volunteers are the backbone of hospice facilities and Aurora House is no exception. If you are interested – individually or as a group – to assist at Aurora House, feel free to contact them. There are many ways a volunteer can help.

Also, being such a new facility, there are still some "wish list" items needed. At the Open House, they had angels on a "wish" tree. Each angel had an item written on it and by picking one, you committed to pro-



Janet Porter, Office Manager, and Elaine Milner, Chair of the Charities Grant Committee peruse "Angels" adorning Wish Tree. Each Angel listed item(s) needed by Aurora House to help operate and maintain the facility.

viding it. We picked several for some of our organizations to provide. Thank you, Starlight Chapter O.E.S., for your donations.

If you have an opportunity, feel free to stop by to see the House, or think about volunteering (training offered). Aurora House is located at: 2495 Union Street

Spencerport, NY 14559 Phone: (585) 313-9553 Email: info@aurorahousewmc.com

Website: www.aurorahousewmc.com × Northeast Edge Dedication of Garden at Norton Village Recreation Center

Saturday September 25th 10:45 a.m.

Senator James Alesi will lead the dedication

All Veterans are welcome.
This garden features com-

memorative bricks for Veterans. Any Veteran or family member who would like their name on a brick in the park, call Nancy at 266-0210.

The bricks are free and will be a lasting memory to the Veterans who have served our Country.

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# OES Sisters attend St. John's Day activities in Utica

By Merilyn Israel

On June 26th, Patricia Pearson and Merilyn Israel from Corinthian-Fellowship Chapter and Barbara Smith from Starlight Chapter traveled to Utica for St. John's Day. We arrived in time for the Richard Thomas Health Pavilion dedication. We had the opportunity to speak with Mr. Thomas and his wife, Marge. It is a wonderful thing when the person honored can enjoy the benefits of this prime quality structure and all its compensation.

I had déjà vu as I reminisced over the orphanage house it replaced. As a child with 25 cents allowance, I was exposed to all kinds of penny candies and 5 & 10 cent knick knacks. We took pleasure in the freedom to venture around the Campus.

Barbara, Pat and I were in awe of the Investiture Service at Tompkins Chapel, which was preceded by the parade. We enjoyed the paraphernalia displaying the different Masonic groups from all over. Wouldn't it be grand to see the same display of Brotherhood outside the gates of this community – in many neighboring communities?

We took advantage of viewing the statues on the Campus, sharing a delicious luncheon of little tea sandwiches in honor of Richard Thomas and meeting people from all over – always curious and friendly families and children.

The Campus Wagon Tour was a highlight - exposing us to the new condos currently under construction and the fact that there was a place on Campus where we could "get away for a weekend." But for our visit this day, it was a "get-away weekend."

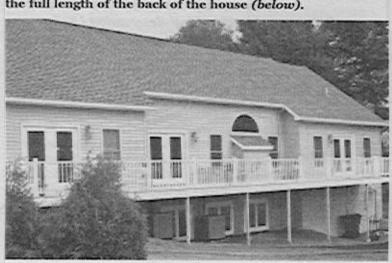
I close by sharing the text recently seen on an HSBC (The World's Local Bank) billboard – "0.3% of Saharan solar energy could power Europe. Do you see a world of potential? We do!"



l-r) Pat Pearson, Garry Hutchurson, Barbara Jean Smith and Merilyn Israel.



Joy Woodley, Vice President of the Masonic Service Bureau sits at table on back deck of the Aurora House. The deck runs the full length of the back of the house (below).



# Scottish Rite NEW

Consistory Chapter Rose Croix Council of Princes of Jerusalem Lodge of Perfection



Joseph E. Bourcy III, 33° Commander-in-Chief

The Summer has gone by way too quickly. It seems like only a week or two since I last wrote an article for the Masonic Times.

We started the Summer off on June 12th with an AASR Officer Academy at Fairport Masonic Hall. About 20 of the Valley's Officers attended the meeting, which gave each of them an insight into the Valley's organization, operations and programs. Officer Line responsibilities, roles and expectations were also presented for all four Bodies. Lots of questions and discussion followed the presentation.

Clambake and Steak Roast

On July 10th, 88 Brothers and family members showed up at Camp Morris in Springwater for the 4th Annual Clambake and Steak Roast. The weather really cooperated this year. Sun, sun and more sun. I don't think there was a cloud in the sky.

The festivities started at Noon when participants consumed about 20 pounds of hot dogs, followed by 160 dozen clams, steamed up by our very own Clam Chef, Steve Whittaker (Rhode Island Style). Eighty-eight steaks and a huge variety of "dish-topass" desserts and salads were also available so no one went away hungry. On top of all this, five lucky participants won a Maine Lobster at our first "Lobster Lotto." That lobster sure was good. Yes, I won one of them and it was not rigged.

Plenty of soda, water and lots of "suds" in a can plus the special refreshments from "The Old Tool Shed" were also part of the day's festivities.

If you missed this event this year you will want to make sure you make it next year. Mark the date ... July 9th - noon 'til. See you all there.

Council of Deliberation

This year, 23 Valley mem-bers attended the New York State Council of Deliberation meeting held in Liverpool on July 23rd and 24th where the Valley of Rochester presented "The Last Full Measure." It was very well done by a relatively new cast. Great job, Brothers. You made the Valley proud.

Thanks to the cast - Lincoln, John Lemke; Mr. Smart, Eric Lubberts; Warrington Blair, Adam Junod; Captain Carter Blair, Joseph Oelgoetz; Guards, Sy Kopen and Frank Habitzreuther.

During the evening banquet the Meritorious Service Awards were presented to ten Brothers throughout the State. Our own William Jones was presented his Meritorious Service Award that evening to a roaring applause from all the Valley attendees. Congratulations, Bill, and thank you for all you have done for the Valley of Rochester.

It was announced the Valley of Rochester's Sublime Prince, Derek E. Van Houten, was elected to receive the Meritorious Service Award at the 2011 Council of Deliberation. Congratulations, Brother Derek.

**Family Life Outing** 

On August 8th, 25 took the NYS Thruway to the Corfu Exit. There we found a great day at Darien Lake. The rides, food and water park were a great relief from the heat of the day. All who attended had a great time. Special thanks to SP Phil Hurwitz, DSA, and Jack Van Elzakker, MSA, for their hard work on putting this event together.

Fall Events

September 16th is our Annual Meeting and Awards Presentation Night at the Shrine Center. We will be honoring our 2010 Honorary Members of Supreme Council: Joseph E. Bourcy III, 33°; Charles R. Frear, 33°; L. Harris Fitch, 33°; and Glenn A. Stahl, 33°; the 2010 Meritorious Service Award recipient: William Jones, 32° MSA; and the 2010 John B. Mullen, 33°, Dedicated Service Award recipients: Garry Cranker, 32° DSA; Eric Lubberts, 32° DSA; Phillip Hurwitz, 32° DSA; Donald Osborne, 32° DSA; and James Pray, 32° DSA. We will also be presenting Service Awards to several of our Members.

Dinner for the evening will be Roast Beef at \$15. Please make your reservation early so you are not left out.

2010 Fall Calendar

This is the time to start Turning on the Rite Light to all of our Lodge Brothers. Several Bring-a-Brother Events are scheduled for this Fall and we will be starting our Degree Conferrals in December. Our goal for this year is 60 new members. Check the calendar in this issue for the exact date that will work for you.

Don't forget to "Remember the Blue Lodge." Attend your Lodge as often as you are able. Bring a new Brother into Lodge and you could receive a Remember the Blue Lodge Medallion from AASR Supreme Council. See the Valley Secretary for the appropriate form.

We will be having the Symbolic Lodge Awards Night in October. Make sure your Lodge Master knows about this event so he can nominate and present this important Award to a worthy Brother from your Lodge.

In November we will have our Veterans Recognition Program. If you know a Veteran, don't just thank him or her; invite them to a wonderful evening.

### **AASR Valley of Rochester** 2010-2011 Officers

Rochester Lodge of Perfection

Captain of the Guard

Frank Habitzrouther, 32" Seymour G. Kopen, 32" MSA John S. Lemke, 32" Bonald Smith, 32" David W. Taber, 32" DSA Bernard Skopinsky, 32" Gordon D. Hubbell, 32" Derek E. VanHouten, 32" DSA

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Ms. Ann Kaczka, Learning Center Director John W. Paul, Chair, Board of Governors

#### Allegiance

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

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III ... Jim Scott Deyo, 33" Grand Lieutenant Commander

III... Harold L. Aldrich, 33", Past Deputy/New York
III... Frederick D. Greene, 33"
III... Edward R. Trosin, 33"

III .: Stephen R. Whittaker, 33"

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|||.:. James F, Niehoff, 33" |||.:. Bruce Widger, 33", Past Deputy/New York
|||.:. Richard H, Welkley, 33" |||.:. Gary A, Henningsen, 33"

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### Valley of Rochester 2010 Fall Program

September 16th - Service Awards/Annual Meeting at Shrine Center Roast Beef Dinner (\*\*)

October 21st - Symbolic Lodge Awards Meeting at Shrine Center Pizza & Wings (\*\*)

> October 22nd - "Rite on the Road" BBB Membership Meeting at Hornell Dinner with Ladies (\*\*)

November 6th at Shrine Center "Public Degree" BBB / Evening Dinner w/ Ladies (\*\*)

> November 18th at Shrine Center Veteran Recognition Table Lodge Meeting "Wurst Plate" Dinner (\*\*)

December 4th at Shrine Center Degree Presentations (4°, 13°, 14°, 15°) Lunch (\*\*)

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

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

Baptist Churches Rochester/ Genesee Region in 1970; and from the University of Buffalo School of Law with a JD Degree in 1975. He was admitted into the practice of law in February of 1976.

R.: W .: Vick served as Worshipful Master of Seneca Lodge in Rochester in 1986. He was subsequently appointed an Associate Proctor of the Grand Lodge of New York for the Western Division, and continues to serve in this role. He was appointed as the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Potosi, Mexico, near the Grand Lodge of New York. He is a member of Hiram Chapter, RAM; Cyrene-Monroe Commandery, Knights Templar; St. Marks Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine and Damascus Shriners, AAONMS.

### Ill.: Robert H. Jackson, 33°, Award for Community Service to Paul Vick

of Deliberation announced the Annual Meeting. III. Brother Jackson was a member of the Valley of Jamestown who rose to national and international prominence. He is best known for his service on the United States Supreme Court and as Chief Prosecutor of the Nazi criminals at the Nuremburg Trials following World War II.

No more than one award will be presented in any one year and the presentation will be made at the Annual Convocation of this Council of Deliberation. Recipients must have performed outstanding service to society through some form of community service.

### Vick Honored

This year the Ill.: Robert H. Jackson, 33º Award was presented to R:W: and Rev. Paul A. Vick, Esq. R.: W:

The New York State Council nev as well as an active ordained Baptist Minister. From 1969 to establishment of the Ill .: Rob- 1972, he was the Executive Diert H. Jackson, 33° Award for rector of Community Outreach Community Service at the 2004 for the Southeast Ecumenical Ministries and then the Southeast Area Coalition.

The major portion of his legal career was spent as a partner in the law firm of Phillips. Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine and Huber, where he was the Partner in Charge of the Family Wealth Practice Group. He retired in December of 2007.

He is the former Chair of the Executive Council of the Estate and Trust Section of the Monroe County Bar Association. He was recognized by his peers in the national publication "Best Lawyers in America" and was selected as being in the top five percent of attorneys in the estate planning field in New York in the publication "New York Super Lawyers."

Since 1975, he has served on boards and committees of the Monroe County Association for Brother Vick is a retired attor- the Hearing Impaired, Alterna-

tives for Battered Women (Past Board Chair), Cameron Community Ministries, American Baptist Churches of Rochester/ Genesee Region (Past President and current Chair, Committee on Finance), Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School Board of Trustees (current Chair of the Finance Committee), the Fairport Baptist Homes Caring Ministries, the Fairport Baptist Homes Caring Ministries Foundation (Past Chair), American Baptist Churches USA General Board (as a nationally nominated representative), American Baptist Foreign Mission Society (currently serving on the Executive Committee), Immanuel Baptist Church (current Chair of the Board of Trustees) and American Baptist Churches NYS Outdoor Ministries Committee.

### Personal

Paul is married to Joyce and they reside in Rochester. They have three children and four grandchildren.

Paul graduated from Kalamazoo College in 1967 with a BA; from Colgate Rochester Divinity School in 1971 with a M. Div; ordained by the American

### Attention



### Scottish Rite and York Rite Concordant Body Members

Have you recently been the First-Line Signer for a new Master Mason?

Are you in the process of sponsoring a new Master Mason

If so, a "Remember the Blue Lodge Medallion" can be yours by submitting a "Certificate of Raising to Master Mason" to the Remember the Blue Lodge Program Committee.

Applications are available from the Scottish Rite Office or your local York Rite Secretary. Detailed instructions and applications can also be found on the Scottish Rite website

www.valleyofrochester.com

### The Last Full Measure



Valley of Rochester Brothers who performed "The Last Full Measure" at the Council of Deliberation in Liverpool included (from left): Sy Kopen, Eric Lubberts, John Lemke, Joe Oelgoetz, Adam Junod, Frank Habitzreuther and Rick Howe.





Sy Kopen and Frank Habitzreuther portrayed Guards.



Lincoln in discussions with "Warrington Blair" and "Captain Carter Blair."



Do you know of a member who is experiencing sickness, distress or otherwise in need?

Please inform our Valley Hospitaler **Bill Jones** Phone: (315) 986-9150 wjones@rochester.rr.com

The Valley will follow up with an appropriate card or contact.

### Jones Receives Meritorious Service Award at New York State Council of Deliberation

William Charles Jones was Raised in Macedon Lodge in 1959 and celebrated fifty years in the Masonic Fraternity last year. He was Master of the Lodge in 1964. With the consolidation of Macedon Lodge with two other Lodges, he was elect-ed Master of Drumlin Square Lodge in 2006-2007. With that exception, he has been Lodge Secretary since 1984.

**Grand Lodge Offices** 

Right Worshipful Brother Jones served Grand Lodge as a Grand Steward in 1974-1975; as District Deputy Grand Master of the Wayne District in 2000-2002 and again for the 2008-2010 term. In addition, he is a member of several Grand Lodge and District Committees. He wrote the Guidelines for the Grand Lodge Surviving Spouse Program.

Valley of Rochester

Brother Bill joined the Valley of Rochester in 2003 and has served as Assistant Secretary for three years. He wrote a handbook/guide regarding membership development in the Scottish Rite.

Other Masonic Activities

Very active in York Rite Masonry, Brother Jones has been involved in leadership roles in all York Rite Bodies. He is a member of Genesee York Rite College where he has served as Governor twice, and was awarded the Order of the Purple Cross in 1990; Empire State Priory, KYCH, where he has served as Prior, and is current Registrar; St. Mark's Conclave Red Cross of Constantine where he presently is Senior General; Finger Lakes Council AMD where he has been Sovereign Master and is the pre-sent Secretary; and he's a member and current Deputy Preceptor in Good Shepherd Tabernacle HRAKTP.

Personal

Brother Jones is a native of Avoca, NY, and has resided in the Macedon area for many years. He and his wife, Mary Lou, have a total of eight children and six grandchildren. He



Sublime Prince William C. Jones holding Meritorius Service Award Certificate.

is retired, having spent 44 years as an operating engineer, and is a Veteran of the United States Marine Corps.



(Left to right): Ill :. Stephen R. Whittaker, 33°, William Jones, 32° MSA, and Deputy Grand Master and Sublime



Bill Jones , 32° MSA, and Ill .: Joe Bourcy, 33°.



Bill Jones and MSAs at Council of Deliberation.



Bill Jones with Valley of Rochester Officers.

### Scottish Rite Abbott Scholarship **Recipients Announced**

The New York State Council of Deliberation and the Valley of Rochester, Ancient Accepted Abbott Scholarships to the following:

Robert A. Verbridge, Junior at Clarkson University; Engineering and Management

Monica J. Cook, Senior at Rochester Institute of Technology; Imaging Science

Nichole L. May, Junior at Syracuse University; Information Studies/Business Management Maureen E. Shockey, Junior at Fashion

Institute of Technology; Illustration Monica T. Pollard, Junior at Stetson University; Digital Arts

A New York State Scottish Rite Charities Corporation Scholarship was also awarded to:

Justin R. Heil, Senior at University of Maryland; Landscape Architecture

Abbott Scholarships are awarded annually by the Scottish Rite to qualified students in recognition of scholastic and all-around achievement. The goal is to help young people fulfill their career goals by assisting them financially as they further their education beyond high school. The Scottish Rite and Freemasonry has historically been dedicated to the importance of education in our society, and these scholarships are another indication of this continuing Masonic commitment.

Abbott Scholarships are given to the children of Scottish Rite Masonic families, to young people who Scottish Rite, have announced the award of have been active in one of our Masonic-related youth organizations (such as DeMolay or Triangle), and to graduates of our 32° Masonic Learning Centers. Grants are made throughout the fifteen-state Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.

> Total scholarships for the coming academic year will be \$450,000. A year ago, 352 collegelevel students across the Jurisdiction were helped by \$1,000 Abbott Grants.

> Support for the growing Scholarship Program comes from the Scottish Rite's Supreme Council Education and Charity Fund established through the generous legacy of former Sovereign Grand Commander, Leon M. Abbott. In recent years, the fund has been strengthened by sharing in annual contributions to the "blue" envelope appeal by the Fraternity's 200,000 members.

> In addition to the Abbott Scholarships, the Scottish Rite Masons of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction also support The Scottish Rite Masonic Museum of Our National Heritage in historic Lexington, Massachusetts, and the 32° Masonic Learning Centers for Children, Inc. one of which is located in Rochester.

# York Rite NEWS

### **Hiram Chapter**



No. 62 2nd & 4th

Thursdays 7:30 p.m.

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By John Zabel

### What's Happening

The Summer Season is coming to an end as we approach Labor Day. We hope the Companions have had a very good, although hot at times, Summer. In the last issue of the Masonic Times, we stated that the Holy Royal Arch Degree was conferred in May. Well that did not happen. Why? Come to our Chapter meeting on September 9th to learn. There is much to be discussed about the Chapter at this meeting.

Over the Summer I have done some Masonic reading. Notably a book by Albert Mackey on the symbols of Masonry. This was my first free book for the family's new Kindle. Very interesting reading. There is much that can be learned from and about the various symbols used in both the Lodge and Chapter Degrees. Mackey's book goes beyond simple explanations of the sym-

He attempts to dig into the ancient meaning of such symbols as the triangle, the square, the ashler's and many more. Whether current archeology and knowledge of ancient societies uphold his explanations is yet to be determined. As the coming year progresses we will attempt to discuss some of these symbols and their meanings in Chapter meetings, other than Degree evenings.

#### The Degrees

The Chapter has active Petitions for the Degrees and there are indications there will be more Petitions as the Masonic year starts. It is the Chapter's responsibility to plan for and confer our Degrees to help enlighten Brother Freemasons further in their Masonic journey. When we will confer the Degrees is still in the process of being determined, which is one reason for the discussions that will take place at our first meeting in September.

As with all Masonic Degrees there is much the candidate can learn from our Degrees. Think about the teaching on working and earning taken from biblical text. Why should we work, when should we work and how much should we earn. All these concepts, although not directly answered in the Degrees, are given a starting point for the Companion to start his own internalizing of the concepts and how they can be used in his life for self improvement. If this does not ring a bell, then you need to experience the Mark Master Mason Degree again, or better yet, participate in the Degree.

Passing

We extend our sympathy and condolences to the family of Companion Ed Walker on his passing to the Eternal Lodge. Companion Walker was an active and faithful Companion of Hiram Chapter and an active Freemason. He will be missed.

Musings

I have come to really like everything that is contained in the Degrees of Freemasonry whether Lodge, York Rite or Scottish Rite. This is one reason I stay active in the Fraternity and why all Masons should be active members of their Lodge and Rites to which they belong. Titles are nice, but

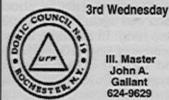
the lessons learned are better. This is what I believe.

Let us hope that all our Companions and Brothers are working on using Masonic lessons in their life. You will be noticed when you do.

Let us all have a happy and productive Masonic Year to come.

### **Doric Council** No. 19 Cryptic Masons

(Chartered 1861)



III. Master John A. Gallant 624-9629

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I had the honor of being elected to the East in June. I am excited and a little bit nervous to be a part of this great Council. I hope to make this year an interesting one for our mem-

### **Summer Activities**

I can say with pride that Doric Council has already had a very busy and successful Summer Season. It started right off in July with our 150th Re-Dedication Ceremony. We worked hard to have the event scheduled while our own M: I: Arnold Palmer was still the Grand Master.

On July 17th, Doric Council held its 150th Anniversary Celebration at the Masonic Hall in Pittsford. The program included a Social Hour from 2-3 p.m., followed by the Re-Dedication Ceremony which was conducted in the Lodge Room by the Grand Line of The Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of New York. The ReDedication was followed by a light dinner in the Fellowship

During the ceremonies, a brief history of not only the Council but of the Grand Council was presented to those attending. Doric Council has been honored by having twelve of its members elected to become Grand Master of the Grand Council including the most recent Grand Master, M∴I∴ Arnold E. Palmer.

Despite the heat, it was a very enjoyable day for all who attended. Congratulations to the members of Doric Council.

It was bright, sunny and a little bit warm Saturday afternoon when the Cryptic Council Grand Line joined us in Pittsford for the Re-Dedication. The ceremony was very impressive and it was interesting to learn about the Cryptic Symbolism. I am sure our visitors felt the same way. During the social hour before and following the ceremony, we were kept well fed! Through the outstanding efforts of Joy Woodley we had a wonderful dinner afterwards. I personally thank all our members and friends who attended. I also give special thanks to the Re-Dedication Committee; without their help, none of this would have been possible.

With the Re-Dedication behind us, we hosted the 187th Grand Assembly of the Grand Council in August. Doric Council, being the host Council, had the responsibility of Opening the Grand Assembly and receiving M∴I: Arnold Palmer, Grand Master. With this being my "first" official Opening of any Council, I was sure everyone could hear my knees knocking as we started. I don't think I did that badly. I do thank all the Officers of Doric Council and those Companions who helped out by stepping into the positions we needed. Everyone did an outstanding job!

### Accolades

Doric Council was also the recipient of a few awards. As a Council, we reached the Charity Fund Corporation's Grand Master's Level, we reached well above the \$5 or more charity gift per member, we had the highest charity amount contributed and we are once again the proud guardian of the Charity Fund Bible. Grand Honors to everyone who contributed!

This being the first time I had ever attended a Grand Council, I had a great time and learned a lot. I congratulate M∴I: Arnold Palmer for a great year and wish good luck to M:1: Dave Raymond for this upcoming year. I also congratulate R .: I .: David Hardy, our District's AGL, who was awarded the Cryptic Mason of the Year.

#### Let's Eat!

With all the excitement of the Summer behind us, I can now look forward to a new year as your Illustrious Master. I have decided to continue the tradition, started by R:1:. Tom Paglia, of having a dinner preceding our regular assemblies. Joy Woodley has graciously accepted to be our Cryptic Chef and keep us well fed for our meetings. Companions, we have to reach a minimum threshold of reservations for our dinners. We will be keeping the meals at \$10 and I ask you to please let me know if you will be attending. Joy always puts on a delightful feast and no one has yet to go home hungry! Degree Work

We also have the Select Master Degree coming up very soon. I will keep everyone informed of our schedule as we go forward. I hope everyone can join us and welcome our two newest Select Masters.

Once again Companions, I look forward to serving as your Illustrious Master!

### Taxes, Taxes, Laxes!

By Thomas Michielsen tmichie1@rochester.rr.com

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

While most income you receive is generally considered taxable, there are some situations when certain types of income are partially taxed or not taxed at all.

To ensure taxpayers are familiar with the difference between taxable and non-taxable income, the Internal Revenue Service offers these common examples of items that are not included in your income:

- Adoption Expense Reimbursements for qualifying expenses
- Child support payments
- Gifts, bequests and inheritances
- Workers' compensation benefits
- Meals and Lodging for the convenience of your Compensatory Damages awarded for physi-
- cal injury or physical sickness
- Welfare Benefits
- Cash Rebates from a dealer or manufacturer Some income may be taxable under certain circumstances, but not taxable in other situa-

tions. Examples of items that may or may not be included in your income are:

 Life Insurance If you surrender a life insurance policy for cash, you must include in income any proceeds that are more than the cost of the life insurance policy. Life insurance proceeds, which were paid to you because of the insured person's death, are not taxable unless the policy was turned over to you for a price.

· Scholarship or Fellowship Grant If you are a candidate for a degree, you can exclude amounts you receive as a qualified scholarship or fellowship. Amounts used for room and board do not qualify.

 Non-cash Income Taxable income may be in a form other than cash. One example of this is bartering, which is an exchange of property or services. The fair market value of goods and services exchanged is fully taxable and must be included as income on Form 1040 of both parties.

All other items-including income such as wages, salaries and tips-must be included in your income unless it is specifically excluded by

**Gambling Winnings** 

Gambling winnings are fully taxable and must be reported on your Tax Return. Here are the top seven facts the Internal Revenue Service wants you to know about gambling winnings.

 Gambling income includes – but is not limited to - winnings from lotteries, raffles, horse and dog races and casinos, as well as the fair market value of prizes such as cars, houses, trips or other noncash prizes.

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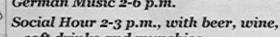
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## Lalla Rookh GROTTO News

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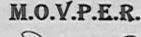
Wednesday

September 15th

Social - 6 p.m.

Dinner - 7 p.m.

Meeting - 8 p.m.





**Bernard Lazerson** Monarch 271-7446 lazerbdl2@aol.com

#### **Summer Activities**

In July, we had our first-ever Frank Ghyzel Day at Frontier Field, which was attended by several Prophets, many Bright-on Volunteer Firemen and a number of the Ghyzel family members. The Red Wings won and we had a ball.

August was supposed to contain a trip to Finger Lakes Gaming and Racetrack. Well, problems of participation abounded and we had to postpone it to a day in September or October.

The Canandaigua Lady Cruise had to be postponed until next year, due to boat refurbishing.

Lastly, our Annual August Picnic was salvaged, thanks to Dick Topel, our outstanding Master of Ceremonies.

#### Sad News

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to these Prophets and their families:

Prophet Howie Topel and his wife, Mary, suffered a terrible loss when their beloved daughter, Judy, age 55, died after a brief illness.

Prophet Ron Charron's wife, Kay, passed away suddenly.

Prophet Ken Milner's sister, Joan Whipple, died suddenly at her home in Florida.

#### September Call to Arms Welcome back to the Grotto

Fall Fun Calendar.

September 15th - is our first Fall meeting; Past Monarchs' and Awards Nights combined. A big turnout is requested for the Social Hour at 6 p.m., Dinner at 7 p.m. Please note the special times. Dinner will be at a nominal cost and good quality. We will also be honoring our many philanthropic recipients at that time.

September 16th-19th is the Fall Convention for the ESGA, and it promises to be a rollicking good time. The venue is the William Henry Resort on Lake George (which is sold out as of the writing of this article); however, there are many reasonably priced motels in and around Lake George. Boat rides, shopping for the Ladies and many other fun activities are planned. This is the one not to miss! Contact the Monarch for details.

October 2nd - The official (hopefully not-to-change) night of the Monarch's Ball at the Holiday Inn in Batavia. Trust me, if you can't afford to stay over, you can drive home from there. I have been to Batavia many times to see my family, and it is 45 minutes from Roch-

My Prophets and Brothers, I close with the most happy and healthy wishes to one and all!x

Secretary's Corner By Ken Hutchinson, PM

Our busy season of the year is upon us, with many activities coming up. If you want the very latest information on any event feel free to call our Monarch's answering service day or night. It's Bernie Laz-erson, 271-7446.

For those of us who attended the Supreme Council Sessions in Pittsburgh, PA, we had a great time with tours and the workings of the Sessions.

The Grand Monarch's Banquet was a proud night for us to honor Grand Monarch, Clarence E. Shawver, PM, who deserves our highest praise for a job well done. We were also there to witness the Installation of our new Grand Monarch, Shuards Sutherland, PM, of London, Ontario, Canada.

If you are coming to the ESGA Convention on September 17th - 18th, you will have another chance to meet him and his Lady Susan. Shu was born in Falkirk, Scotland, emigrating to Canada in 1959. Self-employed in refrigeration and design and service. He is PM of Corinthian Lodge, in London, Ontario, and Past Monarch of Xella Grotto, London, Ontario, and a Dual Member of Al Matta Grotto, Dearborn, MI.

**Upcoming Events** 

Plan to attend our upcoming meetings and enjoy the fellow-

The September 15th, Grotto Meeting will be Awards Night. This year Service Pins go to Jay S. Riggs, 60 years; Kenneth R. Milner, 50 years; Robert T. Uderitz, 30 years; Ronald J. Morthorst and Nelson G. Wolford, both 20 years; 10 years going to Glen Campbell, Frank V. Churnetski, Charles G. Hartwell, Thomas J. McCulloch, Kenneth R. Rhodes and James A. Slocum. It will also be a tribute to our Past Monarchs Night.

### Monarch's Ball

This year we will again be joined with Zuleika Grotto to put on the event at Holiday Inn in Batavia on October 2nd. For hotel reservations phone 1-877-859-5095.

### Sickness and Distress

Helene (Kay) Charron, 72, wife of Ronald Charron, PM, passed away August 4th. An Eastern Star Service and Memorial were attended by several hundred people.

Judy Topel, age 55, daughter of Howard and Mary Topel, passed away July 24th, after a short illness at her home in Greeley, CO.

Joan Whipple, sister of Ken and Elaine Milner, died suddenly at her home in Florida.

Moe Schirano recently visited Prophet Lou Campaniello, who resides at the Episcopal Life Communities Seabury Woods, 110 Dalaker Drive (off Buffalo Road near Elmgrove Road). His phone number is still 426-4950. Lou celebrated his 82nd birthday on August 13th. He would like to see some of his Masonic friends.

If you know of any Prophet in sickness or distress kindly notify our Monarch or any Officer.

Grand Historian



Kenneth Hutchinson, PM

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Another trip down memory lane - our local Prophets honored at the E.S.G.A. Convention in Buffalo on September 14-15, 1952. PM Frank J. Buehlman, (Creator of our Copper Mokanna Head in the Grotto Office) was elected Chaplain and G. Allen Smith, elected Secretary.

Another Officer was President, John C. Hoffman, of Brooklyn (succeeding Herb L. Allen of Albany). The rest of the Officers were a cross-section of

most of the existing Grottoes of the times. They included Sidney, Poughkeepsie; Hamilton, Ontario, Canada; and Hamilton, NY; Buffalo, Toronto, Elmira, Rome, Syracuse, Auburn and Rochester.

Lalla Rookh Grotto was the recipient of several trophies in competition as follows: Band: Class A –1st Prize; Patrol: Class A - 2nd Prize; Chanters: Class A - 1st Prize; Revels - 1st Prize for Best Ceremonial Stunts; Band - 2nd Place in competition for Clown Bands in Grotesque Parade. Greeters - 1st Place for best Marching Greeters Unit.

The parade was held Saturday afternoon before several thousand spectators.

About 400 from Rochester, headed by Monarch Earl P. French and Officers of Lalla Rookh Grotto, attended the Convention. They included Earl G. Van Gelder, J. Norman Vail, George H. Lyon, Ernest R. Starr, William M. Yahn and James D. McLair.

So it was on a sunny Autumn day in September, 1952.

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Fellow Woodsmen, we will assemble again on September 22nd at 5:30 p.m. for our Opening Steak Roast at Camp Smile, Shangri La Lane, Webster. What a wonderful tradition; please attend! And, of course, our Cedarettes, Ladies and guests are most welcome.

Our June Sausage Roast was a pleasant evening, but we missed a lot of our Companions and Ladies. Our Steak Roast is a great opportunity to the Tall Cedars and socialize a story or two to tell us about with them. Call and invite them, our cost is modest for a great time. They can become United States of America.x

members at our October meeting, so now is the time to act.

For those with an active social calendar, please pencil in Thursday, December 9th, as the date of our Christmas Dinner. Tall Cedar, John Zabel, has found a nice spot in Fairport for this year's event.

### Sickness and Distress

Woodsman Don Brugger keeps contact with many of our members and has forwarded on these reports.

One of our widows, Helen Barry, has passed away. She will be missed.

Betty Kasher has moved to warmer climes and is in a nursing home facility in Georgia rehabilitating from a broken hip.

Frank and Jane Denton have moved to Colorado Springs to be closer to family.

These reports all show why we need to bring in new members. Who do you know who you would like to see a Tall Cedar? Don't be

shy; ask him or them! In closing, remember to bring good appetite to our tember 22nd Steak Roast. bring pro-spective members of Bring your lady and guests, and your Summer or life. May God bless you, our Fraternity and the

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2. Depending on the type and amount of your winnings, the payer might provide you with a Form W-2G and may have withheld federal income taxes from the payment.

3. The full amount of your gambling winnings for the year must be reported on line 21 of IRS Form 1040. You may not use Form 1040A or 1040EZ. This rule applies regardless of the amount and regardless of whether you receive a Form W-2G or any other reporting form.

If you itemize deductions, you can deduct your gambling losses for the year on line 28 of Schedule A, Form 1040.

5. You cannot deduct gambling losses that are more than your winnings.

6. It is important to keep an accurate diary or similar record of your gambling winnings and

To deduct your losses, you must be able to provide receipts, tickets, statements or other records that show the amount of both your winnings and losses.

**Upcoming Due Dates** September 15th - August Payroll Taxes

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If you have any tax questions, please forward them to: tmichie1@rochester.rr.com.

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|---------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1960-61 | Paul Hanks, Sr.         | Marvin Beattie         | Ralph B. Gray GSB               | Emerson Struck GST        |
| 1961-62 | Stanley V. Peterson     | Victor T. Anderson     | Minor J. Baker GSB              | Gordon E. Torkington GST  |
| 1962-63 | Sidney H. O'Dell        | Everett W. VanPutte    | James W. Henderson GSB          | Ward A. Smith GDC         |
| 1963-64 | Leonard Parker          | Harry H. Kennedy       | H. Frederick Seuffert GST       | Earl E. Maggs GDC         |
| 1964-65 | Frank C. Leach          | Donald M. Walzer       | Walter G. Fotch GST             | Kenneth J. Kingston GSB   |
| 1965-66 | Bennet A. Taylor        | Fred J. Belluscio      | George D. Ogden GST             | John A. Moll GSB          |
| 1966-67 | Norman H. Selke         | Myron E. Wilkes        | George H. Wager GSB             | Philip Averbach GDC       |
| 1967-68 | Clinton S. Ballard      | Robert P. Zabel        | Harold W. Pixley GSB            | William C. Gavitt GDC     |
| 1968-69 | Ralph L. Kellogg        | Robert J. Corbett      | Everett H. Vail GST             | Norman L. Jermyn GDC      |
| 1969-70 | C. Lawerence Kilmer     | Rodney R. Rittenhouse  | Ralph P. Young GST              | Conrad O. May GSB         |
| 1970-71 | Darwin E. Reed          | Francis J. Rabb        | Lawerence C. Alman GST          | Arnold Mundy GSB          |
| 1971-72 | George L. Wetzel        | Donald E. Rockcastle   | Roger Lowery                    | Paul Thone                |
| 1972-73 | Albert E. Goldman       | R. Kenneth Crawford    | Howard Strobel GST              | Donald Krech GSB          |
| 1973-74 | Myron L. Dox            | John T. Skalny         | Frank W. Fulreader GST          | Frederick A.Stahl GDC     |
| 1974-75 | Septimius DiLauro       | Walter A. Lindemuth    | Ellsworth A. VanGraafeiland GSB | William W. Mason GDC      |
| 1975-76 | Kenneth Dickinson       | Robert Avery           | Robert Orne GSB                 | Walter Schattner GST      |
| 1976-77 | William R. Wood         | Thomas L. Davis        | Bruce Brainard GDC              | Bert Steene GST           |
| 1977-78 | Gordon L. Hoag          | Earl C. Steffen        | Leon R. Perkins GSB             | Melvin L. Simmons GDC     |
| 1978-79 | Harold E. Weiser        | Gordon G. Davidson     | Roger H. Scott GST              | Donald P. Magruder GSB    |
| 1979-80 | William Dworkin         | Raymond R. Beardsley   | Ronald D. Mertens GST           | Richard L. L'Amoreaux GDC |
| 1980-81 | George A.Stear          | Frank J. Arnold        | Myron D. Kleinberg GSB          | Joseph Savage GDC         |
| 1981-82 | Harold R. Miller        | Donald F. Leisten      | Mathew Gingold GST              | William H. Wood GSB       |
| 1982-83 | Donald A. McTarnaghan   | Robert C. Pettit       | Willard L. Goodridge GDC        | Dennis A. Livingstone GST |
| 1983-84 | Wayne H, Slack          | Warren M. Trimble, Jr. | Robert E. Rudman GSB            | John W. Dense GDC         |
| 1984-85 | Keith L. Masten         | Kenneth E. Buckland    | Llewellyn R. Losinger GST       | Charles E. Daycock GSB    |
| 1985-86 | Gerald K. Becker        | Martin J. Reitz        | Alexander Arthur, Jr. GDC       | Jack S. Thibaut GST       |
| 1986-87 | Donald W. Wright        | Vernon L. Goodrich     | Lawrence K. Canfield GSB        | Duane M. Manchester GDC   |
| 1987-88 | Gerald J. Glaser        | Lawerence F. Geith     | H. A. Fritz Friedrich GST       | Paul A. Robertson GSB     |
| 1988-89 | David C. Clarke         | Kenneth L. Myers       | William A. Baldwin GDC          | Robert M. Dibble GST      |
| 1989-90 | F. Jay McCullough       | Lawrence W. Dunn       | Franklin G. Granata GSB         | Donald J. Brugger GDC     |
| 1990-91 | Stephen R. Whittaker    | Paul W. Spillane       | Charles C. Spiegel, Jr. GST     | George Simon GSB          |
| 1991-92 | Charles C. Spiegel, Jr. | Paul W. Spillane       | A. Wayne Engbrecht GDC          | George Simon GSB          |
| 1992-94 | Paul A. Moore           | Joseph J. Privitera    | Louis DiJames GSB               | Robert F. Sanford GST     |
| 1994-96 | Richard C. Friedman     | Terry W. Wihlen, Sr.   | Bruce Chilton GDC               | D. Scott Seltzer GSB      |
| 1996-98 | Cyrus Kloner            | David W.Jones          | Eugene G. Brendel GST           | William D. Spillane GDC   |
| 1998-99 | M. Donald Darrohn III   | David W. Jones         | Ruel R. Lovett GSB              | William D. Spillane GDC   |

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| YEAR      | DDGM                  | STAFF OFFICER(S)        |                        |
|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1999-2000 | M. Donald Darrohn III | Ruel R. Lovett GSB      |                        |
| 2000-2002 | William R. Lindsay    | James A. De Lorenzo GST | Clifford H. Short GDC  |
| 2002-2004 | John E. Zabel         | Derek E. VanHouten GSB  |                        |
| 2004-2006 | Louis J. Perna        | William J. Kuehne GDC   | Donald A. Tubman GSB   |
| 2006-2008 | Gary Sanford          | Derek E. VanHouten GSB  | G. Thomas Grape GDC    |
| 2008-2010 | Derek E. VanHouten    | Michael L. Nohle GST    | George L. Todd GST     |
| 2010-2012 | George S. Nasra       | George Foehner GSB      | Phillip R. Hurwitz GSB |

### PAST PRESIDENTS:

| 1992-1994 | A. JOHN TIJOU            | 2004-2005 | DONALD DARROHN   |
|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| 1994-1996 | REV. PAUL R. GLEASON JR. | 2005-2007 | CLIFFORD SHORT   |
| 1996-1998 | JOSEPH PRIVITERA         | 2007-2009 | JAMES DE LORENZO |
| 1998-2000 | STEPHEN R. WHITTAKER     | 2009-2010 | JOHN E. ZABEL    |
| 2000-2002 | CHARLES R. SPIEGEL JR.   | 2010-     | DONALD A. TUBMAN |
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| ROBERT ANDERSON  | NC-1989   | STEPHEN R. WHITI |
| DONALD SCRIVENS  | VA        | CHARLES N. WATER |
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| ROBERT CAMERON   | JAPAN     | DWIGHT TURNER    |
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### In Memoriam

#### Black, Robert Cook

Robert Black, 93, departed his Earthly family August 5th, leaving 2 children, 4 grandchilddren and 2 great-grandchildren to share his memories. Robert was a member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge, Damascus Shrine and Scottish Rite. Loving prayers are with you now and in the days to come.

#### Brown, Eugene Miles

On August 15th, the loving arms of the Lord embraced Eugene Brown, 85. Gene is survived by 3 children, 3 step-children and 1 grandchild. He was a US Army Veteran of World War II. Gene was an active member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge, Scottish Rite and Tall Cedars. There are special people in our lives who never leave, even after they're gone.

#### Holcomb, K. Norm

On June 22nd, Norm Holcomb, 74, entered Eternal Rest and will always be cherished by his wife, Judy, 2 children and a step-son, 8 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Norm was a member of Milnor Lodge and Excelsior Chapter-RAM. May he find peace with the Great Architect of the Universe.

#### Kamm, Albert H.

Reverend Albert Kamm, 94, was received into Eternal Glory on June 14th. Albert is survived by 2 children and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a US Army Veteran of World War II and a member of Garoga-Sincerity Lodge. May the joy of the Lord continue to be your strength.

### Lewis, Sr., Donald J.

On August 13th, Donald Lewis, Sr., was embraced by those who walked before him in faith. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Beverly, a daughter, daughter-in-law, 3 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Don was a US Army Veteran of the Korean Conflict, a member of Livonia Masonic Lodge and Order of the Eastern Star. Wishing you a garden of lovely memories.

### Ludington, Jr., Howard J.

Howard Ludington, 84, laid down his Working Tools August 6th. His wife, Betty, 6 children, 2 step-children and 7 grandchildren will miss him. Howard was a US Army Air Force Veteran of World War II He was a 52-year Mason – a member of Seneca Lodge, Damascus Shrine, Hiram Chapter-RAM and Cyrene/Monroe Com-mandery. Memories are like threads of gold, they never tarnish or grow old.

### Robertson, Paul A.

On July 10th, Paul Robertson, 91, found loving peace in the arms of the Lord. He will always be cherished by his wife of 65 years, Doris, 3 children, 4 grandchildren and 8 greatgrandchildren. Paul was a member of Craftsman Robertson Lodge and a World War II Veteran. A memory is a keepsake of time that lives forever in the heart.

#### Rohrbacher, William

On July 24th, William Rohrbacher, 88, went to the Celestial Lodge. His wife of 64 years, Mary, 3 children, 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren will keep his memory in their hearts forever. Bill was a US Air Force Veteran of World War II and a member of Unity Lodge. You left us with a garden of memories, sprayed with a million tears.

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#### Sawyer, Robert A.

Robert Sawyer, 85, met his Maker June 30th. His wife of 61 years, Dorothy, 3 children and 4 grandchildren survive him. Robert was a World War II Navy Veteran. He was a member of Webster Lodge. May your tears become rainbows when you remember your loved one.

### Schultz, Ronald L.

Ronald Schultz, 71, was escorted by flights of angels to Heaven on July 28th. His wife, Eleanor, 5 children, 20 grand-children and 6 great-grandchildren are left to cherish his memory. The Brothers of Unity Lodge will keep his memory in their hearts.

### Schutt, Hartley J.

Hartley Schutt, 93, went to the waiting arms of his wife June 3rd. Survivors include 3 children and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Hartley was a 70-year member of Webster Lodge and belonged to Hiram Chapter-RAM and Cyrene/Monroe Commandery. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.

### Steinberg, Stanley

Stanley Steinberg, 85, died June 7th, leaving 2 children, 4 grandchildren and a greatgrandchild to survive him. Stanley was a Mason for almost 60 years, a member of Fairport-Flower City Lodge; Damascus Shrine and Scottish Rite. His Masonic Brothers and family will miss him.

### Vanderbeck, Kenneth R.

Kenneth Vanderbeck, 85, went Home to his Lord on July 5th. Kenneth is survived by his wife, Lois, 2 children, 8 grand-children and 7 great-grandchildren. He was a World War II Veteran of the US Marines and a member of Unity Lodge. A page in our book of memories is gently turned today.

### Walker, L. Edward

Ed Walker, 90, said goodbye to his Earthly home July 30th. He is survived by a daughter. He was a US Army Veteran of World War II, and a very active Mason. He belonged to Craftsman Robertson Lodge, Hiram Chapter-RAM, Doric Council-Cryptic Masons, Masonic War Veterans and Purple Club of Monroe District. May he find peace with the Lord.

### Wayne, Ross M.

Ross Wayne, 83, departed from a full life of accomplishments on June 9th and his wife, Nancy, 3 children and many grandchildren are left to remember him. Ross was a member of Clio Lodge. He labored hard for those he loved, then left us to remember.

### Widows to be Remembered

#### Barry, Helen

Helen Barry, 91, widow of Mathias "Bud" Barry (Unity Lodge), passed away July 9th.

#### Bollotin, Sylvia

Sylvia Bollotin, 84, widow of Harold Bollotin (Unity Lodge), passed away July 4th.

#### Corbett, Fannie

Fannie A. Corbett, 89, widow of Fay Corbett (Unity Lodge), passed away May 29th.

### Domville, Alice E.

Alice Domville, 84, widow of Ted Domville (Union Lodge), passed away August 9th.

### Dygert, Angeline "Betty"

Betty Dygert, 94, widow of Larry Dygert (ERAC Lodge), passed away August 10th.

#### Nielsen, Bernice E.

Bernice Nielsen, 93, widow of Fred Nielsen (Wakan-Hubbard Lodge), passed away May 27th.

### Valley, Ann G.

Ann Valley, 79, widow of Jackson Valley (Union Star Lodge), passed away July 31st.

### Wood, Lillian H.

Lillian Wood, 89, widow of William Wallace Wood, Jr. (Craftsman Robertson Lodge), passed away May 20th. #

### Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

#### **OCTOBER**

2nd Grotto - Monarch's Ball, Batavia
2nd OES-Monroe District Line Officers, Spencerport
9th OES-Nolatka Chapter Fall Excursion
10th Legion of Honor Flag Ceremony, Shrine Center
14th-16th OES Grand Sessions, Binghamton
18th Grand Lecturer's Convention, Fairport

21st Scottish Rite Symbolic Lodge Award Night, Shrine Center

24th Interfaith Service and Brunch, Shrine Center

#### NOVEMBER

4th OES-Monroe District Banquet, Burgundy Basin
10th Masonic Development Course, Honeoye Falls
12th OES-Reception for Monroe District Grand Officers

#### DECEMBER

8th Masonic Development Course, Bergen 9th Tall Cedars Christmas Party

#### **JANUARY**

12th Masonic Development Course, Caledonia 31st School of Ritual

### FEBRUARY

Have-a-Heart Campaign

MARCH

30th School of Ritual

APRIL

23rd Widows Luncheon; Burgundy Basin

MAY

2nd & 3rd Grand Lodge Session

20th Investiture

JUNE

## Camp DeMolay Visited by Sodus Chamber of Com-



Flags flew! mittee and Officers of the Masonic Service Bureau. Many locals expressed surprise at the property's rustic beauty. Some life-long residents exclaimed they never knew the Camp was there!

Brothers of Sodus Lodge provided a picnic supper, with support from their Ladies. A pleasantly warm evening and gentle Lake breezes made for an enjoyable, informative evening for all attendees.



Message board showed Fall Events of Sodus Chamber.



Sodus Lodge Brothers and their wives prepared and served a picnic supper.

### Senior DeMolay Night

Sponsored by New York Niagara Frontier Region of the Order of DeMolay

### Honoring the Past Supporting the Future

### Friday, September 17th

Sweet Home Masonic Hall 641 Sweet Home Road, Buffalo

Dinner - 6:30 p.m. Majority Service - 7:30 p.m. Cost - \$15

RSVP to Bill Koller at (716) 803-4724 by September 10th

Any net proceeds from the dinner will defray the cost of Leadership Training Weekend to be held October 1-3 at Camp DeMolay, Sodus Point.

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