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Have-a-Heart Campaign Begins February 1st at Area Malls for the Benefit of Ronald McDonald Houses

R. W. George Foehner, Chairman of the Campaign, has released the schedules for this year's Project. Since 1988, the Masons of Monroe District, now including the surrounding Districts, Order of the Eastern Star Chapters, Concordant Bodies and Prince Hall Affiliates, have held this fundraiser to support the Houses.

The schedule for Marketplace Mall is at right; the schedules for The Mall at Greece Ridge Center and Eastview Mall are on Page 3. Please check to see when your Organization is covering the *Have-a-Heart* Booth, and offer your support. If that time is inconvenient, and you still wish to help, call Brother George Foehner and ask for a contact number for the Organization whose time slot fits your schedule. Maybe the group assigned at that time could use your help! □

The Staff of the Masonic Times sends our Best Wishes to You and Yours for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2012! Happy New Year!

"Have-a-Heart" Campaign Schedules

The Ronald McDonald House "The House Love Built"

Marketplace Mall

Mall Chairman - Steve Phillips (314-6569)

Date	Time	Lodge
Wed., February 1st	Noon - 3 p.m. 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Union Star 320 Genesee 214 Mount Morris 122
Thu., February 2nd	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Livonia 778
Fri., February 3rd	Noon - 9 p.m.	Oatka 759
Sat., February 4th	Noon - 9 p.m.	Nunda Station 682 Livonia 778
Sun., February 5th	Noon - 6 p.m.	York Rite
Mon., February 6th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Eureka 36
Tue., February 7th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Union 45
Wed., February 8th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Union Star 320 Oatka 759
Thu., February 9th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Scottish Rite
Fri., February 10th	Noon - 9 p.m.	Union Star 320
Sat., February 11th	Noon - 9 p.m.	Oatka 759
Sun., February 12th	Noon - 6 p.m.	Union Star 320
Mon., February 13th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Eureka 36
Tue., February 14th	Noon - 6 p.m.	Union Star 320 Oatka 759

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DeMolay Open House Wednesday, January 11th 7 p.m. at Fairport Masonic Hall

Young men ages 12 to 21 and their parents are invited to an informational meeting about the Rochester Chapter of DeMolay

Interested young men are asked to email secretary@valleyofrochester.org with their name, address, phone and age

Monthly meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays will be held at Fairport-Flower City Lodge 87 South Main Street, Fairport

Parents do not have to be a member of the Masonic Fraternity for a son to participate.

The Rochester Chapter of DeMolay is supported by:

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Damascus News see page 9



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Editor's Corner

Please forgive me. Due to health issues, I didn't feel up to writing a column this month. I hope to be back to my regular duties in a couple of months.

Skip

Rochester Forest No. 133



Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America

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We hope your Holidays were all you expected and filled with the usual joy and merriment.

Masonic life is one of service. Thus our service is to God, Country, Community, our Fraternal Bodies, families and ourselves. Since there were no additional nominations since the last newsletter, the Slate of Officers from 2011 were nominated and elected to serve in the same positions for the 2012 Masonic Year. They were then installed at the November 23rd meeting by PGTC Zabel, at the request of PDDSTC Don Brugger.

The Officers for this year are:

Grand Tall Cedar	Joseph A. Raubar
Sr. Dep. GTC	Ted Powley
Jr. Dep. GTC	Cy White
Secretary	Don Bell
Treasurer	John Zabel

We all thank the collective membership for their trust in our demonstrated management of the Forest affairs during 2011 and will try to maintain the same level of accomplishment in 2012.

Special Note: Usually the outgoing GTC is nominated to join the "elected" Trustee Staff. Since a member cannot hold two elected positions, PGTC Angelo DiCataldo joined the Trustee Staff replacing Brother George Springett. Thank you, George, for your long years of diligent service. We hope you will enjoy your well-earned rest.

We Need Your Assistance

All the appointed Officer positions still need filling. These are: Preceptor, Chaplain, Rangers, Guides and Sentinel. If you have the ability, please contact PGTC Don Bell at your earliest convenience and let him know the position for which you wish to volunteer. Your Installation will occur at the January or February meeting.

Mark Your Calendar

January 25th - Next meeting.

June 27th - Hold this date for our Sausage Roast Fundraiser held at Camp Smile. □

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R.W. Joy Woodley was elected President of the Masonic Service Bureau by the Board of Directors at the December meeting. She succeeds R.:W.: Gary Sanford, who completes his two-year term. Installation is scheduled for January 11th. It is expected that the 2012 Budget will also be approved at that time.

Sister Joy is well known in Eastern Star circles as well, as to Brothers in the Fraternity, for her involvement in numerous activities and for cooking and serving dinner for many meetings and events for many years. She

has served as Vice-President for the past two years and on many Committees over the years.

Other Officers for 2012, either re-elected or elected, include:

Vice-President - **Derek VanHouten**
Secretary - **Barbara Goodrich**
Treasurer - **Herbert Spencer**
Executive Director -
Charles Waterstreet

Trustees - **Terry Wihlen**, 3-year-term succeeding himself (term expired) and **Kenneth Milner**, completing unexpired term of Derek VanHouten.

Members of the Advisory Council include: Mae Bauer, Gary Burke, Bob Crystal, Ramona Dimino, Dave Foster, Phil Hurwitz, Nancy Lynch, Roger Lynch, Roy Moses, George Nasra, Fred Stahl and Glen Stahl.

The Masonic Service Bureau Board of Directors meets the 2nd Wednesday of every Month from September to June at the Damascus Shrine Center at 12 Noon. Organizations are encouraged to send a representative to these meetings to keep abreast of the activities of the Bureau, provide input and suggestions for the Officers to investigate. □

Is this for you?

Our Social Functions:

- Summer Sausage Roast
- Fall Steak Roast
- Winter Holiday Party

Tall Cedarism

Tall Cedars are Master Masons dedicated to the principles of Fun, Frolic and Fellowship. We are a social part of the Fraternity.

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Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America

Our meeting place is the Penfield Masonic Temple. We meet on the fourth Wednesday of the month from September to June.

Contact: Don Brugger (458-6125), Angelo DiCataldo (738-9700), Don Bell (258-0647) or John Zabel (223-3228) for membership information.

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Date	Time	Lodge
Wed., February 1st	Noon - 3 p.m. 3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Eureka 36 Social 713, Kendall
Thu., February 2nd	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Starlight Chapter 507
Fri., February 3rd	Noon - 9 p.m.	Clio 779
Sat., February 4th	Noon - 9 p.m.	Unity 479
Sun., February 5th	Noon - 6 p.m.	Inspiration 109
Mon., February 6th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Inspiration 109
Tue., February 7th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Grotto
Wed., February 8th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Caldron
Thu., February 9th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Clio 779
Fri., February 10th	Noon - 9 p.m.	Unity 479
Sat., February 11th	Noon - 9 p.m.	Inspiration 109
Sun., February 12th	Noon - 6 p.m.	Fame 722
Mon., February 13th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Fame 722
Tue., February 14th	Noon - 6 p.m.	Eureka 36

Eastview Mall		
Mall Chairman - Gary Sanford (944-6872)		
Date	Time	Lodge
Wed., February 1st	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Seneca 797
Thu., February 2nd	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Eagle 619
Fri., February 3rd	Noon - 9 p.m.	Webster 538
Sat., February 4th	Noon - 9 p.m.	ERAC 163
Sun., February 5th	Noon - 6 p.m.	Northfield 426
Mon., February 6th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Wakan-Hubbard 154
Tue., February 7th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Fairport-Flower City 476
Wed., February 8th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Eastern Star
Thu., February 9th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Wakan-Hubbard 154
Fri., February 10th	Noon - 9 p.m.	Seneca 797
Sat., February 11th	Noon - 9 p.m.	Webster 538
Sun., February 12th	Noon - 6 p.m.	Northfield 426
Mon., February 13th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Daughters of the Nile
Tue., February 14th	3 p.m. - 9 p.m.	ERAC 163



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I hope everyone had a very enjoyable Holiday Season.

We've Moved!

I thank the Officers and members of Fairport-Flower City Lodge for the great hospitality shown to the James A. Hard/Wayne Charter Post No.12 over the past (almost) ten years. We have enjoyed many good meals, programs and activities in Fairport.

Our new home will be Webster Masonic Hall for 2012. A big thank you to Greg Ludwig, John Ponschok and Emil Schirano who helped move the MWV supplies and float to the new location.

There will be **no business meeting** in January.

January 18th - Our first activity in 2012 will be a Birthday Party at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center. The Party will be in Building 7A at 2:30 p.m. If you have time for lunch, come early at 12:30 p.m. to the Villager Restaurant on Main Street.

February 23rd - We will have a Lodge of Remembrance at 7:30 p.m. at Webster Masonic Hall, 30 Orchard Street, Webster. All those who have worn a military uniform in the US or Allied Service are welcome. New members are encouraged to join Post No. 12.

WANTED: Gently Used Clothing

We will be collecting gently used clothing for the thousands of service personnel returning home from active duty who are in need of civilian clothes. Please bring in shirts, trousers, sweaters and jackets to our next meeting and they will be donated to the Veterans Outreach Center at 459 South Avenue, Rochester.

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**James A. Hard - History 4 ...
Life after the Army**


James A. Hard's Regiment mustered out of the Army on June 3, 1863. Quite a few men re-enlisted in the Army for another tour of duty. James had a friend from his hometown who invited him to Washington and offered him a job with the Transportation Corps of the War Department. His friend was Superintendent of the railroad construction work. James hired 50 men as carpenters for \$3 a day plus Board.

They started work in Virginia to help build the railroad for General Grant's Army. The work was very hard and consisted of rebuilding the railroad bridges the Rebels had destroyed. During the Winter, they worked South into Tennessee and Georgia and were very close to the fighting several times, but never got into any battles.

Their hardest project was to build a trestle over the Chattahoochee River near Atlanta, GA. They didn't have any lumber so they had to chop down trees, strip them and then build the bridge. James had about 100 men working on the bridge and they finished it in a couple of days.

James quit the Government Service just before the end of the war. He went to work for a railroad at Lanesboro, Pennsylvania. Shortly after starting this job, he heard that President Lincoln had been shot. The war ended right after that and everyone was glad the Union had been preserved. Every town had lost a lot of men and it was a sad time for some of the Soldiers to go home. James was almost 24 years old, ambitious and decided to go West and see if he could better himself. *More to come ...* ☐

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A better explanatory statement about Freemasonry could be to make the world a better place, one man at a time. For what good would I be if I spend my life improving myself and I never contribute to those around me? I have said it before - Freemasonry is truly an applied science. At the same time, Freemasonry has certain teachings hidden within its Ritual. Make no mistake about it, Masonic teachings are neither easy to acquire, nor are they intuitive.

A Mason will spend a lifetime in the pursuit of the meaning of the Ritual, studying and exploring the different concepts and the truths hidden within those lines that we are all familiar with, and which we learn and memorize. The words may seem simple, but they carry layer after layer of deeper meaning which can only be revealed after years of careful study and reflection.

This is the true secret of Masonry. It is not intuitive because the Masonic teachings of Friendship, Tolerance and Brotherly Love often go against human instinctual drives of tribal mentality that locks us into ideologically distinct camps, as well as the need to follow the crowd and be accepted by our own kind which pushes us to reject others who think differently from us. The founders of Freemasonry understood that sectarian division is the enemy of Masonic ideals and they set strict requirements forbidding sectarian discussions of religion and politics among Masons.

As humans we tend to seek like-minded people to bolster our own views of the world and make us feel good about ourselves, thus living in the illusory belief we hold the truth when, in reality, we live in a world where very little is certain.

As Masons, on the other hand, we constantly challenge ourselves to be open to new and different ideas, we never take our knowledge for granted and we constantly seek further light. We understand that the perfect Ashlar is a constantly moving target. We know close-mindedness is the enemy of Freemasonry. We can only grow when we allow ourselves to be open to new ideas and when we challenge ourselves to never believing we have reached that ultimate truth; therefore, we constantly just seek.

As Masons, we also understand that inherent in the concept of Brotherly Love is the respect we afford to our fellow man, no matter how different from us he may appear to be. By listening, sharing and debating, we ultimately learn about them and about ourselves through that process.

Remember, my Brothers, Masonry is yours to grasp, through hard work and intense labor; never take it for granted. Read, study, learn and uncover its secrets; you will find the process ennobling, and you will be a better man and a better Mason. More importantly, you will be a part in making this world a better place.

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

A new calendar year is starting and I take this opportunity to extend my best wishes to all of you, my Brothers, and your families. A new year is also a reminder of rebirth and renewal. In that same spirit, the Purple Club has been busy with succession planning for the District Leadership Team and I am happy to announce we have selected the nominees to recommend for the 2012-2014 Grand Lodge Officers. I thank R.: W.: Lew Perna, R.: W.: Richard Friedman, R.: W.: Herbert Spencer and R.: W.: Don Tubman for their leadership and assistance with this process.

On November 28th, I had the honor and privilege to be part of Unity Lodge's Dinner Celebration in honor of R.: W.: Donald Darrohn for having received the Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Medal from the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. The event was well organized and very well attended. W.: John Lemke deserves credit for making it a success. The Honoree for the evening is beyond any doubt a good man and a good Mason who has dedicated his life over the past many years for the service of his fellow Brothers and our beloved Fraternity. R.: W.: Don Darrohn is a hard worker who has done so much for so many and all those who spoke that evening made mention of his numerous contributions to furthering the cause of Freemasonry in his Lodge, the District and New York State.

In my short speech that evening, I reminded those present of the words of Brother Joseph Fort Newton who in his book "The Builders" said, "Everyone can do a little, and if each does his part faithfully, the sum of our labors will be very great..."

How true those words are today as they were when they were written in 1914. Freemasonry is truly about Friendship, collaboration, hard work and dedication to an ideal - that of making the world a better place "fairer than we found it, richer in faith, gentler in justice, wiser in pity..." A true Mason is a man who has made a commitment to do his part for the betterment of himself and of society as a whole. What we say about Freemasonry - that it is about making good men better. That is certainly true; however, Freemasons do not live a monastic life away from their fellow men and society.

Another New Year is here. Hopefully, one of your New Year's Resolutions is to attend a Lodge meeting or function. Your Lodge needs your input regarding one of our major concerns for 2012 -- where will Ark Lodge meet in the future? We have been looking for a meeting place more suitable to our needs and your input on this matter would be greatly appreciated.

A Fraternal thank you to all Brothers who "rang the bells" and helped distribute food boxes in December for the Salvation Army.

The Annual Lodge Christmas Party was a great success.

The Secretary has sent out the 2012 Dues letter. Please make an effort to pay your Dues as soon as possible. Also, remember the Brotherhood Fund for this year. Brother Charles Rouse, Jr. is our Brotherhood Chairman.

In November, five Candidates were initiated. A 2nd Degree has been set for the January 18th.

In November, seven Brothers traveled to Seneca Lake Lodge in Dresden. Brothers Abraham, Brandow, Colegrove, Khoury, Mattick, Rouse and Smart made the trip and took home the Traveling Gavel. We were reminded that the Traveling Gavel was turned by R.: W.: Charles Rouse, Sr. We invite any and all of the O/S/Y District Lodges the opportunity to visit and take the Gavel home.

We continue to plan for programs on the first Wednesday of the month. Brother Charles Rouse, Jr. and his wife, Lisa, have agreed to present a program on Birding in March. Both are avid Birders and have traveled extensively throughout the world to bird watch.

If you have a program you would like to share with the Lodge or if you have a topic of interest you would like to hear about, give me a call and we will try to set up the program. These programs allow the Brothers and their ladies an opportunity to experience great fellowship and get to know each other better. We need program ideas for the first Wednesday in February. □

On November 29th, we held a Special Communication at which we Raised Edward Minns, grandson of Brother Ernest Day. Thank you to all participants who helped with the Degree; a special thank you to George Stanton for serving as King Solomon.

Mark Your Calendar

We will have a Pot-Luck Dinner, starting at 6:30 p.m. at our first meeting in January. All Brothers are welcome, just come with a dish-to-pass and enjoy. It will also be the Official Visit of R.: W.: Fred Newton, Staff Officer.

Game Nights

January 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th - Game Nights starting at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish-to-pass and come join in the fun.

On January 17th, a 1st Degree is scheduled for two Candidates. Come and welcome our newest Brothers.

Thank you to Brother Jed Brandow for obtaining the Poinsettia plants and the Brothers who helped in delivering them to our Surviving Spouses this year. It's such a great feeling to see their smiling faces when they open their doors and you wish them a Merry Christmas and hand them the Poinsettia plant.

Our Lodge participated in the Annual "Ringing of the Bell" for the Red Kettle Fund of the Salvation Army at the Big M Store in Clifton Springs. Thank you to all Brothers who volunteered their time and also to Brother Ernest Day for Chairing this event.

January Birthdays

We send January birthday greetings to John Walti (7th), Elliott Schocken (15th), Tim Piper (17th), Dave Smith (21st), Bruce Andrews (22nd), Fred Gifford (25th), Tom Hudson (26th) and Scott Upchurch (31st).

Masonic Anniversaries

The following Brothers were Raised in January:

1975	William Amber
	Kenneth Overslaugh
1996	Robert B. Taylor III
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2001	Carl Carlson
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By George Foehner

I hope everyone enjoyed the Holidays and are looking forward to a great New Year. Hopefully 2012 will be a special year for all my Masonic Brothers and Sisters.

Have-a-Heart Campaign

Don't forget that the Have-a-Heart Campaign is only a month away and we need all the help we can get. Let's beat last year's mark of \$19,000 ... remember, everything goes to the Ronald McDonald Houses of Rochester.

November was an exciting month for me throughout the District and beyond. Three Official Visits - two in Monroe District - at Northfield and Unity Lodges. Both had wonderful meals and were very well attended. The third Official Visit was in Livingston District at Union Lodge in Lima. It was the visit for good friend, R. W.: Mike Grady, and his message was well done as always.

I attended two Table Lodges - Oatka Lodge with a packed house and loads of fun; the other at Union Lodge in Lima and was, again, a good time. The main speaker was Senior Grand Warden R. W.: Tim McMullin who is always a fun guy.

Squeezed between Official Visits and Table Lodges was a business trip to New Hampshire and a week-long cleaning of the house preceding a large family Thanksgiving Dinner.

Last, but not least, it was my great pleasure to attend a dinner honoring R. W.: Don Darrohn, 33°, President of the Board of Trustees, Masonic Hall and Home. The dinner was hosted by Don's Lodge, Unity; it was their way of honoring Don for receiving the "Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Masonic Medal."

Don was the perfect choice for this Award. This quiet and unassuming gentleman from our District represents the best of the best. His history of many years of dedicated service to Masonry, community and family was told to all in attendance by the many speakers - both Civic and Masonic. R. W.: James E. Sullivan, Deputy Grand Master, gave the main address. Congratulations, Don, this District is very proud of you.

"A Proud Mason" □

By R. W.: Phil Hurwitz

Masonic Development Course (MDC) is an Under-rated Resource

The MDC booklet is divided into four parts. The introductory portion provides a broad overview of what Freemasonry is and who is qualified to petition a Lodge for membership.

The remaining three parts cover each of the three Degrees. Within each of these three parts is a broad overview of the particular symbols and allegories that are particular to each Degree.

Following each overview are a series of questions. Some questions are coupled with multiple choice answers from which to choose. Other questions

ask whether the proposition presented is either true or false? There are also questions that require some thought and discussion with your Brothers. It is in all of these questions that the value of the MDC becomes apparent.

While some of the answers to the questions can be found in the introductory material preceding each section, the majority of the answers require research. Where to start your research can seem daunting. Freemasonry goes back in time and spans the centuries. I have found that a good place to start to discover the answers can be found in the Ritual Book. I have found that hunting for the answer there helps me better understand both the structure of our Ritual and what lessons can be learned.

Road to the East

Reserve the date for the annual Road to the East Program. This year's lineup of speakers is impressive and will be sure to generate and provoke thought and discussion.

The Course will be held in two sessions - February 18th and 25th, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Union Star Lodge, Main Street in Honeoye Falls. The cost is \$35. You will need a copy of the 24-Inch Gauge, The Handbook of Masonic Law and a copy of your Lodge's By-laws. Pre-paid reservations are required and can be sent to R. W.: George Foehner. A reservation form has been sent to your Lodge Secretary or can be obtained by sending an email to R. W.: Phil Hurwitz at phurwitz@frontiernet.net.

To be continued ... □

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By R. W.: Mike Nohle

We hope you have all enjoyed the Holidays and you were able to spend quality time with family and friends.

School of Ritual

As 2012 begins, we are pleased to announce some upcoming events. First, on Tuesday, January 31st, we will have our next School of Ritual. It will be hosted by Webster Lodge; the Webster Fellowship Club will be providing a Spaghetti Dinner prior to the event. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the cost will be \$9. Reservations are a must, so please contact your AGLs to make a reservation.

The topic of the evening will be the Middle Chamber Lecture. We will cover the correct wording of the Ritual, appropriate nuances, the floor work and the work with the staff. We will also cover some of the history, symbolism and meaning of the lecture. We hope the weather will cooperate and many of you will be there to join us.

Thank you in advance to Webster Lodge for hosting this event.

Final School of Ritual

Looking ahead to March, we are planning a very special event for the final School of Ritual for the year, which will be a Ritual competition. This competition will be open to all Brothers in the District and will be hosted by Clio Lodge, Hilton. We are in the process of

working out the details and will share them as soon as possible. We are excited about this program and hope many Brothers will participate in what is sure to be a fun and rewarding event.

We look forward to seeing all of you at the various Edict Degrees and Schools of Ritual around the District in the coming months. As always, please call on us if we can be of assistance in any way.

Happy New Year! □

Monroe District New York Masonic Safety Identification Program

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By R. W.: Don Tubman

To all Officers of the Monroe Lodges, Concordant Bodies and to the Grand Lodge Officers ...

I have decided we need a new tact and have called and discussed with some of you the plans for 2012. Instead of you calling me and/or Rick Downs, I will call you and request that you appoint a Chairperson from each Lodge and for each Concordant Body.

My request and challenge to each of you is for your group of Brethren to plan and host at least two Masonic Safety ID Programs. We will supply the equipment and always needed supplies, i.e., pens, paper, printing ink ... and you will plan, advertize and provide the manpower.

There are under-served youth, people with handicaps and Senior (Seasoned) Citizens who are at risk and in need of the Masonic Safety ID Program. If we can prevent the tragedy of an abduction or cause the recovery of an older person who wanders away from their living arrangement, you and I have been faithful to our Masonic Oath. Instead of three events, why not 30???

If I have not reached you by the time this is published, I urge you to please call me at 889-4725 to plan your Masonic Safety Events for your Trestleboards, schedule the equipment and appoint your Lodge's new CHIP's Coordinators. We will have a Masonic force to set up and deliver a high-quality Child ID and Masonic Safety Program that could really serve the community and make a difference.

There has recently been a renewed interest in the Program and Deputy Grand Master James Sullivan has indicated to me that this program will continue during his term.

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

We can be reached most easily by email to schedule an event at:

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You can contact Don Tubman at 889-4725 if you have questions or suggestions. □

Monroe District Masters and Wardens Association

W.: John S. Lemke, President M&W

On January 14th, at 8:30 a.m., Masters and Wardens will hold a meeting at Union Star Lodge Hall, 3 North Main Street, Honeoye Falls. This is a Breakfast meeting.

Grand Lodge Session

If you plan to attend Grand Lodge Session in New York City this year, or in future years, you will want to attend to hear the particulars on navigating the ins and outs of arranging lodging and organizing your stay in an economical and enjoyable manner. Failure to attend may result in a loss of money and maybe an annoyed wife. We will also discuss (and may vote on) expending Masters and Wardens funds, maybe related to our travels to NYC. We also will consider new quorum requirements and may have a first vote, in a two-part process, on the new quorum. We will work through the meeting with dispatch, taking appropriate time, but not more than needed. I expect the meeting to last about an hour. □

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Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed the Holidays. At our meeting in December, we celebrated the Holiday Season with our family members and enjoyed a great dinner. Entertainment was provided by our very own Oscar Wilson which included close-up magic and balloons for the children.

January Meetings

This month's meetings are on January 12th and January 26th. At both meetings, we will concentrate on Degree work.

January 12th is our dinner meeting; it will be a delicious Chicken Dinner. Come and enjoy a great meal with your fellow Brothers.

Also, January 31st, a School of Ritual is scheduled at Webster Lodge Hall.

May the New Year bring you and your family peace and happiness. See you in Lodge. □

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By John Lemke

December 12th saw us engaged in labor - the 3rd Degree. Many helped to make this successful. We have had a good Fall and early Winter and we all welcome our many newly Raised Brothers.

Mark Your Calendar

January 9th - Regular Communication. The program for the evening will be "The Right Word." In our Ritual, we know that being diligent in getting words right is important and doing it well is rewarding. The program will be about how actual words, spoken by Winston Churchill in May of 1940, may have determined the outcome of WWII. Words are important. The right word can make all the difference.

January 23rd - Table Lodge. We have not had a Table Lodge, a Festive Board, at Unity in a number of years. It is an enjoyable experience you will not want to miss. I do expect it to be festive. Junior Warden, Jeffrey VanSice, will see that it is not too festive.

On January 31st, at 7:30 p.m., we need to attend the School of Ritual at Webster Lodge, 30 Orchard Street in the Village of Webster. There are several good reasons to attend. Please don't just burn it off. It is good to meet Brothers from other Lodges. You probably will learn something. You may also remember that attendance at these School of Rituals is competitive. Unity has had a tradition of good Ritual and winning the Attendance Banner. Attendance helps in both regards.

January Birthdays

Happy birthday to the following Unity Brothers: Blake Trowbridge, Robert Allen, Leslie Armstrong, Ron Arndt, Salvatore Augello, Ferman Bailey, James Bauer, Harold Boughner, George Burke, Charles Cork, George Deichert, Warren DeWitt, Millard Fairley, Richard Felgner, Karl Janson, F. Stanley Johnson, Richard Kern, Ernest Kirkpatrick, Chad Kyler, Jeff Liebenow, Leonard Mack, Ralph Maibohn, Charles Markham, Dayle Martin, Francis Morris, Bruce Palmer, Richard Pappert, John Seaman, Ralph Smith and Cliff Short. Now, if it

turns out your birthday is not really in January, please let Cliff Short know. Happy New Year. □

Rising as a Phoenix

By R.: W.: Jay McCullough and
W.: John Lemke

The following is the story of the Square and Compasses on the move physically and metaphorically in Western New York.

Gleaming in the sun, high above the Village of Spencerport on the South side of Unity Lodge, is the Square and Compasses. W.: George Sage (1963) of Monroe Lodge in Brockport designed and created a stainless steel Square and Compasses with dimensions of about 4x4-feet. The material was acquired through means involving Kodak Park Salvage Yard scrap. It was transported in George's pickup to Brockport where members of the Lodge were waiting, with a "cherry picker" supplied by Brother Roger Bidleman.

Four, stainless steel bolts were driven into the brick wall of the building above the second floor level. W.: Calvin Tripp (1962) and Brother Bidleman completed the installation and the Emblem hung proudly and flawlessly for over 40 years. R.: W.: Jay McCullough was Master of Monroe Lodge at this time in 1967.

In the year 2007, W.: Joe Matela arranged the building purchase by the Garlock Family; they tragically experienced family loss and consequently sold the property again through Matela. The property was sold to Mr. Smith, a local contractor. A recent *Democrat and Chronicle* front-page article describes how that former Masonic Temple is being made into loft apartments at this time.

Investigation began again in 2011 - this time by members of Unity Lodge in Spencerport - into the possibility of acquiring the Emblem for Lodge identification on their Masonic Building. W.: Matela did gain permission for the Masonic Family to regain the Emblem, and he even had the amenable owner use some of his people to remove it from the building. Matela then transported it in his vehicle to McCullough's home where it rested until R.: W.: Cliff Short relocated it to temporary storage in the Spencerport Temple.

R.: W.: Short, acting on his own, refurbished the Southern exterior with sturdy wood and new paint before hanging the emblem in a highly visible location on the building. This action was preceded by W.: Tom Michielsen, as building landlord, attending the Village Architectural Review Board meeting to gain authorization for public display of our "traveling" Emblem. □

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Now that we have officially balloted on our sixteen Petitioners and are awaiting word on our Dispensations for this year's Degrees, I want you to note the preliminary schedule. I again thank all top-line signers and Interview Committee members who made this happen so smoothly.

Per Grand Lodge, class size is restricted to eight Candidates per evening, comprised of two groups of four. Thus, ERAC will be hosting two full sets of Degrees this year. Please come out and support your Officers and our new Brothers by making every effort to attend both sets.

As long as our Dispensations are approved, the following will be our schedule:

January 2nd - 1st Degree Rehearsal
January 9th - Regular Meeting; Program "How Should He Be Prepared?"
January 16th - 1st Degree Rehearsal
January 23rd - First 1st Degree
January 30th - Off
February 6th - Second 1st Degree
February 13th - Regular Meeting; Program "Phylum Feast Celebration of Science & Masonry"
February 20th - 2nd Degree Rehearsal
February 27th - First 2nd Degree
March 5th - Second 2nd Degree
March 12th - Regular Meeting; Program "Masons & Pop Culture"
March 19th - 3rd Degree Rehearsal
March 26th - First 3rd Degree
April 2nd - Second 3rd Degree
April 9th - Regular Meeting; Program "Walk-About Lodge"
April 16th - Off
April 23rd - (A Well-Deserved) Table Lodge

For the set of Degrees held on January 23rd, February 27th and March 26th, a regular meeting night and as scheduled at the beginning of the year, there will be the normal meal beforehand and an official start of 7:30 p.m. For the second set of Degrees held on February 6th, March 5th and April 2nd, food will be provided, but there will be no formal sit-down dinner with an official start time of 7:00 p.m.

Upon receiving a response to our Dispensations the Trestleboard on the ERAC website will be updated, so please verify with the website for any updates.

I recognize this is an ambitious schedule my Brothers, but we should

be honored by the respect exemplified by Petitioners and their top-line signers. As we drape our Altar and continue to deal with the fallout of the economy and rationalization of our member's budgets as they retire, we are reminded of the importance of making new members to sustain our Fraternity.

Thank you, in advance, to All of You Who Will be a Part of Making this Work.

From the Secretary's Desk ...

W.: David Upham, DSA

January! A new year. A new beginning. A month where we begin the process of introducing sixteen new Masons to the Craft. Certainly a new beginning for them, but how about us?

As we watch the progression of Degrees with our new Brothers, a process we've all watched and participated in before (some of us many times), will it be just more of the same old thing to us, or will there be an experience that will trigger something inside of us and cause us to see Masonry in a new light? Something, perhaps, that will focus on how Masonry has changed over the years ... our own personal Masonry? Are we, for example, the same men we were when we first joined a Lodge? If so, perhaps Masonry has failed us.

Well? Perhaps it has. Is it not our credo that we take good men and make them better? And if Masonry hasn't changed you for the better, then it stands to reason that Masonry has failed you.

But, wait! There's more. You took the same Degrees I did and I distinctly remember being led to the Altar where the Worshipful Master pointed to the Bible resting thereupon. I distinctly remember him telling me that within the covers of that Great Book would be found all of the guidelines upon which to build a righteous life. And, I distinctly remember him telling me to faithfully study that book.

What about all those Symbolic Tools of Masonry? Each one was faithfully explained to me and I was encouraged to find the way to apply them in my own life.

How many times and how many ways did Masonry suggest to me that I delve within its principles ... its history ... its philosophies ... its teachings to learn to apply the lessons of Masonry for myself? The opportunities to grow in Masonry have been there right along. I was encouraged to apply myself to the path of nobler deeds and greater achievements. And, if I only sat there and waited for it to happen, was it really Masonry that failed me? Or was it I who failed Masonry?

That's the question my Brothers. That's the question only you can answer for and about yourselves as you watch the next generation of Masons join our ranks. What can you give that will encourage a new Brother to learn the way? What can you do to give them the direction to find that Light to illuminate their pathways? □



Brothers in attendance at the ERAC Lodge Official Visit by R.: W.: George Nasra, District Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Steward, R.: W.: Phillip Hurwitz.

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Happy New Year! As we begin this New Year, let us move forward re-energized in our commitment of making good men better. Education is but one of the many avenues to achieve this goal. Attending Lodge meetings and Schools of Ritual are only two of the many tools we have at our disposal.

We have completed many tasks this past year and done them well (Degrees, fundraisers, etc.), and with your continued help we can keep moving forward and get Union Star Lodge and the whole of the Fraternity more familiar with the community.

Degrees

We are on our way toward welcoming new Brothers into our Masonic Fraternity. The 1st Degree was well presented and we are now preparing for the 2nd Degree on February 27th.

After too long a time, Union Star Lodge and Union Lodge came together to honor our Ladies at a Christmas Party held at the Mendon Country Club. All enjoyed a fine meal and social time. Plans are in the works to keep this an annual event.

We have implemented a phone communication that will allow us to mass call Brothers in the area informing them of Lodge closings, Degrees, Masonic Funeral Services and other unexpected events.

January Birthdays

Those who have matured this month include Charles Swartz, Richard Judge, Martin Reitz, Harold Schofield Jr., Rodney Rittenhouse, Dennison Ripley, Raymond Beedle, Howard Stanley, Robert Foehner and John Burchill.

Upcoming Events

January 9th - Summoned Communication - Budget
January 23rd - Fellowcraft Meeting
January 31st - School of Ritual, Webster Lodge Hall

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Happy New Year to all Brothers of Inspiration Lodge and their families. We wish you the very best for 2012 in health, happiness and prosperity. Stay safe!

We had a great evening last month where we conducted a Lodge of Remembrance. It was a beautiful ceremony, honoring our recently departed Brothers. Everyone present seemed pleased with the Ritual, especially the Ladies who were invited to attend. It is a good thing to remember our loved ones who have left us for, "that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

Good News

At our last gathering, we held a brief Tiled meeting to read six Petitions we re-

ceived. There is a possibility we will receive two more very soon, if they haven't been turned in already. I hope this trend continues and we can begin reversing the membership numbers, which have continued to decline since our consolidation.

Sickness and Distress

The following Brothers have or are experiencing some health issues recently. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers, including a respite from their ailments: W.: Nelson Bertch, Jose Diaz, R.: W.: John Faro, Charles Freida, R.: W.: Mathew Gingold, Royden Guess, W.: William Hook, W.: Ralph Jurgens, W.: David King, Kenneth Mertz, Wallace Roworth, William Scheer, Norris Shapiro, W.: Kenneth Skidmore, W.: Duane Smith and Rene VanDeVeire. If we have missed anyone, or new illnesses occur, please let us know. We don't want to neglect anyone and, unless you tell us, we don't know who might be in difficulty.

Birthdays

Congratulations go to the following Brothers who are celebrating Birthdays in January: Robert Guileful, John Sanna and Douglas C. Spencer (1st); James Woodruff (5th); Martin Suter (7th); John Bardo (9th); Jose Diaz (12th); Robert Stear (14th); Royden Guess (15th); Jerome Fogel and Robert Stewart (17th); David Braun (19th); James Clark (20th); Jim Greene (21st); Kenneth Skidmore (24th); Joseph Holt, Jr., and Aaron Hughes (25th); Robert Ogden and Robert Bishop (26th); William Babcock, Jr. (27th); and Irving Schuth and William Wimberly (28th). This is quite a list! Brothers, we hope you enjoy your day.

Special Event

R.: W.: Skip Waterstreet and I, along with W.: Ken Goodrich (from Vermont) and Brother George Lloyd (from Arizona), spent the weekend of December 10th in Washington, DC, attending the Installation of Most Worshipful Joseph Crociata as Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia. He is a member of Inspiration Lodge (Raised in Craftsman Lodge in 1981). A full report will be presented in the next issue.

Have-a-Heart Campaign

With the Consolidation of our two Lodges, we now have three dates to participate in the Have-a-Heart Campaign. Please check your schedules and sign up for any or all of the dates you might be able to help. Once again, we will be staffing the booth at The Mall at Greece Ridge Center. The dates and times are:

Sunday, February 5th - Noon to 6 p.m.
Monday, February 6th - 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Saturday, February 11th - Noon to 9 p.m.

The full schedule is published elsewhere in this issue. If you can't help us but are available other times, feel free to call the Organization scheduled to work then. They might be in need of help, and your support will be appreciated. This is a lot of fun and supports a great cause - the Ronald McDonald Houses of Rochester. I hope to see you there.

Mark your Calendar

January 3rd - 1st Degree Rehearsal (tentative)
January 10th - Regular Meeting
January 17th - 1st Degree Rehearsal
January 24th - 1st Degree, W.: Mike Hueston conferring the Degree
January 31st - School of Ritual, Webster Lodge
February 14th - Ladies Night and Service Awards Presentations
February 21st - 2nd Degree Rehearsal
February 28th - Regular Meeting

Dues are Due

You should have received your Dues Statement by now. The Secretary and Treasurer will appreciate it if you take the time to send in your check. It will give you peace of mind and ease their burden.

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You may recall last month I mentioned Webster Lodge was very fortunate to have earned the Attendance Banners for the School of Ritual and the Grand Lecturer's Convention, and now had its eyes set on the Traveling Gavel. So how did that turn out? Keep reading, as I will address that in a moment. But first, now that I have your attention, what else happened in December?

A Brother Bring-a-Friend Event was the program on December 1st. It was very well attended. Webster Lodge welcomed about 10 potential members who were treated to a fantastic Spaghetti Dinner provided by our Fellowcraft Club. Nick Haldoupis, Warren Patterson, John Clapp, John Ross, Jim Clancy and others did an outstanding job in and out of the kitchen, attending to our members and guests.

After dinner, we gathered in the Lodge Room to watch the first part of the L SOME DVD. Then, as Master of Ceremonies, it was my pleasure to introduce Brothers Allyn Borrino, Chaz Campbell, Bill Edwards, Tom Pellett, Jr., Mike Nohle, Andre McQuade and Bruce Chilton. Each took a few moments to talk on some of the various aspects of Freemasonry. We even heard from one of our new Fellowcraft members, who talked about his experiences so far in the Degree process. As a result, many Lodge Petitions were distributed that evening. I am so thankful to all who helped make that program so successful.

Webster Lodge continues to grow and educate; it looks like we will once again have a good group of new Candidates to welcome to our Spring Class.

On December 2nd our Fellowcraft Club was again in action to help contribute to our community service efforts by putting on their monthly Spaghetti Dinner. The tradition continues on the first Friday of each month!

January Events

On January 5th, R.: W.: Richard Friedman will present the Walk-About Lecture. This will be of particular interest to our newer members. The Walk-About will call your attention to things in the Lodge Room of which you may

not have been aware - even for some of the more seasoned members. Rich is the Grand Lodge Custodian of the Works, and his ability to make things interesting and educational is well known. Please put this date on your calendars. Snacks will be served in the Lodge Hall after closing.

January 6th will be the date of our next Spaghetti Dinner. One of the best around! The cost is just \$8.00. Help from our members is always needed and appreciated in the kitchen for preparation, or with dishwashing. The work these dedicated individuals do each month goes a long way to helping various Webster organizations. So, won't you take some time to come out and give them a hand?

On January 8th, we're hoping to gather at a location yet to be determined to watch some Playoff Football action, and enjoy some good food and drinks. Since so many of us are fans of BOTH sports (football and eating!), I thought this would be a fun way to spend a Sunday afternoon. Everyone is invited to bring your friends and spouses along. Keep watching your email for more details which will be forthcoming very soon.

January 19th will be a Regular Communication. A Lodge of Remembrance Program is on the Trestleboard for the evening. I hope to see you all in Lodge for this moving program.

Finally, on January 31st, the next School of Ritual will be held at Webster Lodge at 7 p.m.! This is a prime opportunity to attend your home Lodge for some great Masonic Education.

As you know, the race for the next Attendance Banner Award is close. Since we are fortunate enough to host the School, I see no reason why we should not pack the Lodge Room with our own members. You'll be receiving several email notices about this event in the days to come.

A Spaghetti Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. preceding the School. The cost is \$9.00. It will be prepared and served by our Fellowcraft Club. This Dinner is open to members of ALL Lodges who would like to join us. Reservations can be emailed to our Junior Warden, Joe Lewis, at joelewis4@gmail.com and should be received no later than Friday, January 27th.

Special Recognition

I mentioned earlier in this article that several members of Webster Lodge were eager to complete our clean sweep of Awards this year by obtaining the illusive Traveling Gavel. To that end, I am very honored and proud to announce that Webster Lodge was successful in that effort and the Award now graces our Lodge.

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Brothers of Webster Lodge proudly display the Traveling Gavel. Brother Andre McQuade led a group of our members to Clio Lodge on November 15th where the Gavel resided for some time. Joining Andre were W.: Warren Patterson, W.: Scott Cronk, W.: John Clapp, W.: Paul Krueger and Brothers Kevin Gerhard and Jon Collom.

Webster Lodge

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Happy New Year!

In closing, I wish you all a very Happy, Healthy, Prosperous and Joyful New Year. Great things are on the horizon for Masonry and I sincerely hope the same is true for all of you in the coming year. Let's all have a fantastic 2012! □

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By Stephan Michener, Junior Warden
"Lost Time is Never Found Again"

Benjamin Franklin

May this be a joyous and prosperous New Year for you and all those you hold dear. Brother Benjamin Franklin had it right that we cannot regain lost time. As we turn the calendar to another year and approach the halfway mark of our Masonic Year, we should remain diligent in our labors, remembering another Franklin bit of wisdom that "Diligence is the mother of good luck."

Looking Back

At our first meeting in December, we had John Paul from the Children's Dyslexia Center in Honor of Frank & Bette Paul give us a presentation about the activities of the Center. The Center uses the Orton-Gillingham method to assist students who have Dyslexia in learning strategies to facilitate reading. This method is a very well regarded approach to Dyslexia. The presentation highlighted the valuable work the Scottish Rite supports.

Also, at this meeting, we were visited by Ed Atkisson, who is a Brother from Hiram Lodge No.7 in Franklin, Tennessee. Ed has visited us before as his wife is from this area. It was interesting to hear about his historic Lodge Building which he said was occupied and served as a Union hospital during the Civil War.

On December 2nd we had our Holiday Party. A special thanks to Crystal, wife of W.: Mike Zona, who decorated the Lodge in a festive manner for the evening. W.: Mike is also to be thanked for organizing the festivities. Thanks also to W.: Dave Adams who brought his projector and some Christmas movies for the kids to watch in the Northfield Theater/Lodge Room. The Brothers and their spouses who attended brought dishes-to-pass and a good time was had by all.

On December 6th, we lit up the Lodge and had an Open House to celebrate Candlelight Night in the Village of Pittsford. A special thanks to Brothers Tony Henderson, John Dudley, Bill Spillane, Don Fox, Devon Littlefield and Steve Michener for serving as hosts for the event.

Looking Forward

At our January 5th meeting, we have Past Masters' Night. This will be an opportunity for our Past Masters to shine and inspire those of us making our way through the Chairs.

Our January 19th meeting will be conferral of a 1st Degree.

A Special Recognition

Our own beloved Brother W.: Don Fox (whom we share with Unity Lodge) is this year's class sponsor of the incoming Scottish Rite Class. Don has done the prologue for the 18th Degree for over 50 years! He also frequently fills in as our Chaplain whenever another of our beloved members, Brother Ed Rumler, can't attend. Both of these men bring a great deal of distinguished class to Northfield.

Another word of thanks should also go to Brother Jonathan Buck who has done a fantastic job in keeping the Lodge neat and clean.

Let's Eat

As a reminder, the Junior Warden is attempting to have a meal at every meeting this year. Please contact the Junior Warden with a reservation, by the Monday before the Thursday meeting. Keep in mind that a reservation made is a reservation paid. I can be reached either at 746-3960, or you can send an email at smichene@rochester.rr.com. Meals are usually about ten dollars. □

Wakan-Hubbard

Lodge No. 154

2nd & 4th Mondays

7:30 p.m.

Master

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334-7953

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Secretary

W.: Donald C. Bell

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1822-A Penfield Road, Penfield 14526

The best to you, your family and loved ones in the New Year; may it be healthy, happy, peaceful and prosperous for all.

Upcoming Events

January 9th - We have two Fellowcraft Brothers now working with their Mentors and they will be ready to be Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. The meeting will be preceded by a dinner. Junior Warden, W.: Angelo DiCataldo, will choose the fare and promises to keep the price at that astronomically low amount of \$10 per person. We will gather at 5:30 p.m., Dinner at 6:30 p.m. The Stewards always put on a good meal ... come join us.

Saturday, January 21st - 6:30 p.m., Brother Bring-a-Friend Program. There may even be a hot Playoff game on the television. Even if the game is not your thing, come eat and enjoy the camaraderie of a few good men. Watch your email messages and Postal Service mail for a notice on confirming the date, time and menu. Special thanks to W.: Wayne McCrossen for arranging this event.

Cancellation Notification Procedure

For the safety and welfare of all, if it becomes necessary to cancel a Lodge meeting due to inclement weather, the following media in the Rochester area will be informed:

- TV ... Channel 13 WHAM-TV; 13WHAM.COM; CW-WHAM
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Hopefully, this covers all listening choices of our members. If not, and the Internet is available, there will be an email message from the Secretary. You may also phone the Master and leave a message ... identify yourself and someone will either answer or will call back. □

CLIO

LODGE No. 779

www.cliolodge.org

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

Master

W.: Michael Postilli

392-1908

mpostilli@gmail.com

Secretary

Gregory Blake Keller, 451-1557

gbkeller@gmail.com

287 East Avenue, Hilton, 14468



By Pete Matthews, Junior Warden

My Road to the East was a much shorter route than I'd ever expected. Early on, I was told that I'd first have to go to a blind center in the east, and then to our new group of Clio Brothers.

As nervous as I was those two years ago, wondering what the heck was going to happen and what in God's name was I getting myself into, it was nothing compared to the apprehension I felt when taking the gavel from Clio Master Mike Postilli. To kick my anxiety up a few more notches was the fact there

were six Candidates coming through, so I would be doing it twice in one night! I'm sure, even you seasoned Masonic veterans can relate and recall the jitters felt the first time you were about to spout Ritual to a crowded room.

But, thanks to study and all the help from Worshipful Mike Postilli (who had listened to me recite Ritual for two months) and the knowledge that I stood among Brothers, once I got the first few lines out, the butterflies disappeared and the Degree went well; by night's end, there stood six new Brothers.

Things are ramping up quite nicely here at Clio. When I first became a Master Mason, I was the only Brother sitting in the non-Officer seating area (or as I like to call them, the "cheap seats.") Another Brother, Matt Scheffer, was brought in during the Spring Degree and the next year we found ourselves Deacons and suddenly on our way through the Chairs.

But since that time, we have brought in sixteen new Brothers dedicated to the Lodge and Masonry and hope to add more in the Spring. It's very pleasing to see all the people in Lodge during our regular meetings and helping out at our various events, such as our bi-weekly Spaghetti Dinners and Hilton's Apple Fest and Parma Days. If you haven't yet tried our Spaghetti Dinners, come on down to Clio for some pasta!

Chili Cook-off

Speaking of events, we are planning to hold a Chili Cook-off on Saturday, February 11th. It is our first attempt at this and the details are not completely hashed out, but we're looking at \$5 to come in to eat lots of chili and vote for your favorite. Or ... \$10 dollars to enter your chili and also taste the competition's offerings. Humble prizes for the winners will be awarded. More details will follow. If you would be interested in entering a crock-pot of chili, give me a call at 392-0799 and I'll sign you up! □

Fairport-Flower City

Lodge No. 476

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

Master

W.: Seymour Kopen

377-4435

Secretary - 271-7446

W.: Bernard D.

Lazerson

lazerbd2@aol.com



Fairport Masonic Hall
87 South Main Street



Happy New Year to one and all. There are many predictions for the year 2012 - some good and some bad. We will plan for only the good things.

The 3rd Degree will be conferred on January 9th. We have a class of two Candidates and will introduce them to you next month. W.: Sy Kopen will preside, if he is up to it.

Union Star Lodge, Honeoye Falls, will join us on January 23rd for a Table Lodge. Chili, Limburger Cheese, wine, soda and water will be the fare. Join us for gathering of fellowship, good food and toasts.

Sickness and Distress

Our Worshipful Master, Sy Kopen, is out of the hospital. Fluid around the lung caused one lung to collapse. Five pounds of fluid were removed and he is recovering slowly. He hopes to be back in action in January. We hope so, too.

Rev. Hugh B. Chittenden passed away on November 14th at the Fairport Baptist Home. He was an active community person while serving as Pastor of the First Baptist Church.

We were happy to hear from W.: Ted

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Damascus News

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GARY BURKE
POTENTATE

It is with a great sense of pride and deep humility that I begin this term as your Potentate. I deem it an extreme honor to be numbered among those Shrine Masons who have taken upon themselves the Mantle of leadership of Damascus Shrine Temple Number 2.

Let me begin by saying that it has been a pleasure to have served in various Divan positions since 2004 when Robert L. Anderson II asked if I'd be interested in doing something in the Shrine. I had joined Damascus on April 24, 1999, when my dear friend and Brother, Paul Gleason, was the Class Sponsor, so I was a relative newbie in the Shrine at this point. Although, for those who know me, I've been around the Shrine since I was 14 years old. While in DeMolay, I've worked at so many circuses I can't count them all and certainly must admit, miss them. So it may seem to many that I wasn't such a newbie after all. Again, for those who know me, you can say with some level of certainty, that once I get involved with something, I'm involved!

2004 was the beginning of a journey, and what a journey it has been. I thank all those who have had any part in the journey to this point. I would especially like to take this opportunity to thank the Order of DeMolay, as an Organization, and all those individuals who gave to me and so many other young men, the opportunity to experience what DeMolay has to offer. I can say with all my heart and soul that, if it were not for DeMolay, I would not be where I am in this organization of Freemasonry or in my life in general.

There are too many to single out; you know who you are ... THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart. But special thanks goes to my lovely wife and partner, Debi, and my two children Josh and Ashley for their understanding and support of my total Masonic commitment all these years. Without that understanding and support, I could not (and

would not) have been able to do all that I've done in Masonry.

It has also been a pleasure to work with a number of dedicated Shrine Masons over the past eight years on the Divan. Each year we have grown and continued the journey to a more positive and thriving Temple. We have strived to dwell on the positives of what goes on every day, not the negatives. Each new Divan has moved towards a goal of improvement in each of us and the Temple as a whole. Join us as we continue that journey. I thank each of the Potentates with whom I've served for your unique talents and commitment to Damascus and Shrinedom. I hope you will continue to offer yourselves to this and future Divans as we move forward.

Communication and Membership

This past year you saw that we concentrated on communication. If you didn't know what was happening at Damascus, it had to be because you were living under a rock. In fact I had comments like, "If I get another email from Rich, I think I'll turn my computer off." Well, mission accomplished. That same commitment to communication will continue into the future.

You saw a commitment to membership. Membership being the lifeblood of this and any other organization, you can be certain that same sense of urgency will continue. With that in mind, start gathering those names of potential Candidates for our Spring Noble Bring-a-Brother Event on March 10th and Petitions for the Ceremonial on May 12th.

Last month's article stated there would be a Membership Incentive Program that was sure to make you look good. Remember that? So what did I mean? If you are the First-line Signer on three (3) Petitions during 2012, you will receive a Damascus Shrine shirt to wear and show off. Not the Damascus Pride Shirt, but a special "Potentate's Membership Award" shirt. So get those Petitions in and walk around looking quite smart in your new shirt.

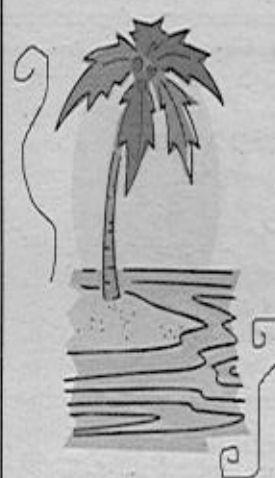
I've written in my last couple of articles that we will be concentrating on the IRR factor. That factor is **Involvement, Retention and Restoration**. I will be encouraging each of you to become more **Involved** in your Shrine. Support the activities to a bit higher level than you have in the past. If you attend one more meeting a year or go to one more social activity, that will be a benefit to Damascus as a whole. That involvement will build a greater sense of commitment and give you a reason to **Retain** your membership well into the future. This past year you saw the Potentates Passport Program as our way of encouraging new membership growth.

This next year we will utilize a similar type of program for those members that we have lost over the past several years. Here is where we will work on **Restoration**, thus completing the IRR (**Involvement, Retention, Restoration**) factor. The 2012 Potentates Pass-

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Hope to see you there! Thanks!

port Program will focus on reaching out to those Nobles who have dimitted or been dropped from our roles for Non-Payment of Dues, to invite them back and give us an opportunity to possibly fulfill their unmet expectation(s) of what Damascus Shrine Masons are all about. We failed them in some way. We did not meet their expectation(s). Some of these Nobles we may be able to get back, some not. I realize that Masonry and Shrinedom may not be for everyone, but we need to try our best to at least make the effort to get them back.

What's Coming this Year?

We will try to offer a balance between social activities and the necessary meetings of our Shrine. Some tried and true activities, like the Hoe Down Square Dance being held on February 1st will be back by popular demand. We'll do a Pig Roast in July and a cruise down the Erie Canal in August. Take a bus trip to our Hospital in Erie during June to see the good work we do there and experience first-hand how we take care of our children. Do you like to fish? Well, during September we'll have a

Fishing Derby out of Point Breeze which will be a Hospital Fundraiser. In June we'll have our second Arts & Crafts Show and the hosting of the Finger Lakes Classic Car Show in July, also Hospital Fundraisers. It can't be Summer without the "almost world famous" Damascus Shrine Friday Night Car Cruz from May 11th - September 7th. Well that gives you a flavor of what's coming this year. I ask for your support.

Final Thanks

In closing, I thank Rich Friedman and Lady Joanne for their leadership, sincere commitment, dedication to and vision of just how great Damascus Shrine is and especially their friendship. It has been a pleasure to work with them over this past year as well as to learn from Rich's talents. He has raised the bar for all of us and "together we can" move Damascus forward. If it's one thing I've learned these past eight years, and especially this year, is that when we work together on the positive, spending less time on the negative, we can move mountains while on our journey through this life. Join with me as we move mountains. ☐

January Birthdays

Patrick Andrews	Joseph A. Gilotte	Victor C. Nelson
Scott E. Barnard	Claude E. Gramse	Robert F. Ogdan
Culver K. Barr	Thomas M. Green	Robert N. Ossont
Donald R. Baylor	Robert Hadlock	David R. Porter
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Ronald M. Freeling	James R. Moorehouse	Nelson G. Wolford
Leonard E. Fulmer	Guy Morse	Howard C. Wood
Manhal A. Ghanma	Roy W. Moses	Jeffrey C. Wright
Russell E. Gilett	Gerald F. Neeley	John G. Wright

Dedicated to the Memory of Nobles:

Donald F. Krech
December 11, 2011

Clark M. Long
August 30, 2011

Leon Salmen
November 19, 2011



Damascus Legion of Honor Meeting Wednesday, January 11th

at Damascus Shrine Center
979 Bay Road, Webster

Social Hour - 5:30 p.m.
(Hors d'oeuvres ... Cash Bar)

Dinner - 6:00 p.m. Meeting - 7 p.m.

Salad * Ham * Scalloped Potatoes
Vegetables * Rolls & Butter * Coffee * Dessert
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Directors Staff Dinner Meeting Wednesday January 25th

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PERRY SHRINE CLUB

Submitted by Alice Anderson

We had a nice time at The Lumberyard Restaurant for our November meeting. Past Potentate Bob Anderson was the program speaker. He presented a talk on the Hospital System - with a special emphasis on what was going on at Shriners Hospital for Children® - Erie. The talk began with a video about Garrett Burgess, a patient at our Philadelphia Hospital. He followed that with an explanation of the changes at the Erie Hospital.

Our Shriners Hospital for Children® - Erie is one of the busiest Hospitals in the System, delivering care to the children at one of the lowest costs in the System. Erie is well on its way toward being an ambulatory surgery center. This will allow it to provide greater services to more children more economically. The only change in its delivery model will be

that patients who will require overnight care will have their operations done by our doctors at a partner hospital.

The outpatient clinic, rehabilitation services and day surgery services will be done in the Erie Hospital physical plant. We will be able to rent our previous inpatient area, to be used as a hub for other pediatric subspecialty clinics for the Erie community and our patients, run by those specialists. This will allow us to follow our mission to care for the kids. ☐

Dates to Remember ...

February 7th -
Winter Picnic
Punta Gorda, Florida
March 10th -
Spring Noble Bring-a-
Brother



March 17th -
St. Patrick's Day Parade
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Springfield News

Shriners Hospital Changed My Life Forever

By Stephanie Thibault

From the time I started walking, my parents could tell there was something wrong with my legs. I still remember crying myself to sleep every night and waking up from a dead sleep screaming in agony.

After many doctor's appointments and countless referrals to specialists, I was finally referred to Shriners Hospital for Children®; however, the diagnosis was the same - "It's just growing pains." Defeated, my family and I gave up on finding a diagnosis and I realized at the age of eight I would have to live with pain for the rest of my life.

A year later we received a phone call, the message was simple: "I have been thinking about your daughter and I think she has Rickets." Dr. Lawrence Zemel, a doctor whom I had only met once was still thinking about my case a year later.

After a simple blood test it was confirmed; I had X-linked Hypophosphatemic Rickets. I remember that day so clearly; I sat on the beach with my mother and cried with joy. My pain had a name.

Ever since that day, Shriners Hospital for Children® and its staff - especially Dr. David Drvaric - made it their mission to give me the quality of life I deserved. They spent countless hours creating a treatment plan ... deciding which medications I should take, making a leg brace and performing surgeries to correct the bowing of my left leg.

Shriners allowed me to go from standing on the sidelines, watching my childhood flash by my eyes, to participating in my childhood. For the first time in my life I was not in pain.

I can honestly say that Shriners Hospital for Children® changed my life forever. □



Shriners International Personal Essay Contest

By Jack H. Jones, Imperial Recorder
Executive Vice-President

We know every Shriner has a story to tell. The 140th Anniversary of Shriners International is quickly approaching in 2012 and this is the perfect time to reflect on our rich history. We cannot think of a better way to do so, than by listening to the voices of the men who have made this organization so well loved and respected.

Shriners International is hosting a "Personal Essay Contest" that is open to all Shriners. Help us commemorate the 140th Anniversary of Shriners International by sharing your memories. Both Shriner and non-Shriner-affiliated judges will read all personal essay submissions anonymously and vote for the top three essays.

Winners will receive a plaque and pin; both the Shriner and his Temple will be acknowledged at the 138th Imperial Session in Charlotte, North Carolina, July 2012 in the presence of their fellow Nobles. The top three essays will appear in a commemorative anniversary coffee table book that will also premiere at Session.

Change in Deadline Date
Essays must be submitted to: shrinepr@shrinenet.org by **January 31, 2012**. For a complete list of rules and guidelines, visit: www.shrinersvillage.com or call (813) 281-8162. □

- Personal Essay Contest Rules and Guidelines**
1. Your essay must be typed and double-spaced.
 2. It must not exceed 1,500 words.
 3. All essays must be non-fiction.
 4. Must be a Shriner in good standing.

5. You must not include any personal names in your essay.
6. Each applicant must only submit one essay. It must be the original work of the submitter.
7. Each applicant must complete an Application Form.
8. Please spell-check your essay and use proper grammar.
9. A panel of Personal Essay Contest judges decides which entries win. Three entries will be chosen. All decisions will be final.
10. By submitting an essay, you acknowledge it has NOT been published before and it will become property of Shriners International. By submitting your essay, you give permission to Shriners International to publish your essay and/or parts of your essay, regardless of whether your entry is chosen as a winner. You also agree and understand you will receive no compensation, payment, or royalties from publication of your essay, and you agree to promptly execute any release necessary to allow publication by Shriners International.
11. Shriners International has the right to announce the winners of the Contest by any manner in which it deems appropriate.
12. **Entries must be RECEIVED no later than January 31, 2012.** □

WAYNE COUNTY SHRINE CLUB

By Frank Russell, Vice-President

On December 15th, the Wayne County Shrine Club had a relaxing dinner at the Phelps Hotel with family and friends. Music was provided by the Bobby McGee Band. As usual, our Invocation and Benediction were ably handled by Lee Coller. President Jerry Rohrer welcomed our many guests, including two of our new Nobles - Charles Filler and Tom Pusateri. Joining with us were members from the Geneva and Perry Shrine Clubs.

Lois Rohrer presented her Annual Holiday Trivia Quiz. After much discussion, we learned that Rudolph is a male reindeer. Ernie Day generously donated many handmade door prizes. The 50:50 Drawing was won by Lynn Ward. The Club donated \$250 to each Shriners Hospital for Children® of Erie and Springfield Hospitals.

Noting the closing of the Red Rooster Restaurant, the previous usual meeting place of the Club, Jerry solicited

suggestions for alternate restaurants in which to meet. He also sought suggestions for programs for 2012. He then, introduced Divan Representative, Jim Miller, who re-capped the Shriner activities for 2011. The Club had the pleasure to meet Jim's wife, Mary Lou.

The 2012 Officers of the Club were announced:

President **Frank Russell**
Vice-President **Ernie Day**
Secretary/Treasurer **Pete Adams**

The next meeting will be held jointly with the Geneva Shrine Club on Thursday, January 19th, also at the Phelps Hotel. Past Potentate Lance Ward, a member of the Board of Governors of Shriners Hospital for Children® - Springfield, will present a program on the new Cleft Lip and Palate Treatment rendered at that Hospital.

The Club thanks Jerry and the other Officers for their fine efforts during this past year. □

AUBURN SHRINE CLUB

By David Bowman

Well, by the time you read this the Holidays will be over. Of course, if you count the Bowl Games, the Season is only half over. Last year I froze at the Pin Stripe Bowl in New York City. Unfortunately, I didn't freeze this year as Syracuse couldn't repeat last year's record.

2012 should be an active year for the Auburn Shrine Club. The draft of the year's meetings will be discussed at our kickoff meeting on January 16th, featuring Dinner with the Potentate, Gary Burke, who is scheduled to be installed January 4th. Seems like just yesterday that our newest Potentate was our con-

tact person with the Shrine. We must be good!! Anyway, congrats to our Potentate and let's have a good turnout to meet and greet him that evening.

Let's plan on bringing an extra \$10 for Dues in January. I know there are many Dues collected this time of year, but it will help our treasury's balance.

I cannot leave this writing without expressing our thanks to Ken Pollard for his service to the Shriners Hospital for Children® - Springfield. Ken's work cannot be matched and he will be missed at the meetings and his reports at our dinners. Thanks, Ken; try to find a way to fill those Thursdays. □



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Come All!
Old-Fashioned
Square Dance
and Bar-B-Que**

**Bring Your Lady
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February 1st

at Damascus Shrine Center

Bar-B-Que at 6 p.m.

Square Dance to follow

\$15 per person

Renowned Caller, **Mike Callahan**, will be back to teach those who have not square danced before and call for those who are experienced. It will be a night of fun at Damascus.

The evening will begin with a Bar-B-Que of Grilled Chicken, Pulled Pork, Cornbread and all the fixings for \$15 per person! The dinner will be served at 6 p.m. with the dance to begin at 7 p.m.

Based upon all the fun we had last year, this is a night not to be missed. Great food, great fun!

Make your reservations by calling the Office at (585) 671-7701 or the Reservation Line (585) 671-3565 by Noon on Monday, January 30th.

Thank You to all Our Veterans! We Appreciate Your Service!



Review of Recent Shrine Events ...



Harvest Dinner participants enjoy a Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings! Way to carve that turkey!!

Everyone is helping sales of the Damascus Shriners Cookbook ... a project "for the kids." Even our Snowbirds in Florida are helping sell the great collection of Shriners' favorite recipes.



Fritz Friedrich was recognized as the only World War II Veteran in attendance.



First Lady Patty's Program

As the wife of the Imperial Potentate of Shriners International, it is customary for the First Lady to sponsor a fundraising program. First Lady Patty Severe's 2011-2012 Program, "Stepping Forward Toward a Brighter Future," is focused on increasing awareness and fundraising for pediatric burn care education and training for medical professionals.

Burn awareness is a subject that is very personal to First Lady Patty, who lost a brother to burn injuries sustained in a tragic accident. After speaking with medical professionals, she learned there is a pressing need to plan for the future of this specialized field of medicine.

"Current residents and medical school students interested in burn medicine must be fully prepared to enter this challenging and crucial field," said Lady Patty. "The best way to do this is to provide a comprehensive training and education environment."

First Lady Patty's goal is to raise funds and develop an educational fellowship for medical professionals entering the burn reconstruction field. The fellowship will allow the recipients to spend time at one of the four Shriners Hospitals for Children® specializing in burn care, learning the necessary treatment and models of practice from their peers.

To join Lady Patty in this effort, please visit First Lady Patty's program page: www.shrinersinternational.org/Press/FirstLadyProgram.aspx

Everyone is helping sales of the Damascus Shriners Cookbook ... a project "for the kids." Even our Snowbirds in Florida are helping sell the great collection of Shriners' favorite recipes.

Legion of Honor to Retire US Flags

By John R. Faro, PC

The Damascus Shrine Legion of Honor has undertaken the task of retiring your US Flags. Brethren, if you have an American Flag in disrepair and it should be retired, please bring it to the Shrine Center at 979 Bay Road, Webster, and leave it in the container provided in the NORTH FOYER. Please see that it is folded so it will fit in the container provided.

The Legion of Honor is currently preparing a program for the retirement of flags. Hopefully the ceremony will take place as near to Flag Day, June 14th, as possible. I fully expect the Shrine Band to participate.

I am currently in the process of writing that, following government guidelines, with the consent of current Legion Commander, Kenneth R. Milner.

Look for particulars in your future *Damascus News* and *Masonic Times*.

In closing, to paraphrase John Muir, "In every walk through Masonry, one finds more than he seeks." □



What's New in Erie...

New Marketing Campaign to Address Erie Hospital Transition

As Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Erie transitions to an ambulatory care facility, a comprehensive marketing and communications campaign is being implemented in 2012. The goals of this campaign are to convey important messages about the transition to the general public, medical community, patients/families, donors/potential donors and Shriners in SHC-E's primary service region of Northwestern Pennsylvania, Southwestern New York and Northeastern Ohio.

This marketing and communications campaign, which has the full support of Shriners International headquarters, will include television, billboards, newspapers, magazines, program advertising and sponsorships. In addition, two new hospital brochures will be developed for use with general audiences as well as with donors/potential donors. The overall marketing and communications effort will be under the supervision of the Public Relations department at the Erie facility. In addition, two professional outside agencies have been retained to provide creative and technical assistance. The new campaign is slated to begin in mid to late March.

Erie Hires New Engineer for Movement Analysis Lab

Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Erie has announced the appointment of Kevin M. McGinnis as the new biomechanist/engineer in the hospital's Movement Analysis Lab (MAL).

A native of Cherry Hill, NJ, McGinnis received his B.S. degree in physics from the University of Delaware and his M.S. degree in biomechanics, also from the University of Delaware.

While a student, he served as both an undergraduate research assistant and a graduate assistant.

McGinnis began his duties at the Erie hospital in mid December.

Coaching Staff Named for East/West Shrine Game January 21st

Brad Childress and Bobby Ross have been selected as head coaches of the 87th Annual East-West Shrine Game® benefitting Shriners Hospitals for Children®. Kick-off is at 4 p.m. on January 21st, at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, FL.

From 1999-2005, Childress was head coach of the NFL's Philadelphia Eagles and went on to coach the Minnesota Vikings from 2006-2010. He also has been on the coaching staffs at the University of Illinois, University of Utah, University of Wisconsin and the Indianapolis Colts.

Ross has served as head football coach at The Citadel, University of Maryland, Georgia Tech. and the U.S. Military Academy. In addition, he has coached the Detroit Lions and the San Diego Chargers of the NFL, leading the Chargers to Super Bowl XXIX in 1994.

To learn more about the East-West Shrine Game or to order tickets, please visit:

www.shrinegame.com

For additional information, contact: Bob Howden (814) 875-8782. □



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Fairport-Flower City

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Summers. All is well with him and his family. His involvement with the Pittsford Fire Department keeps him from attending Lodge for the most part. He was Master in 1972. We would enjoy hearing from YOU, too.

January Birthdays

Leonard Simon (1st), Robert Cameron (4th), Thomas Green (6th), Joseph Klein (8th), Harold Feinberg (9th), Ruby Baker

(11th), Ronald Weber and Gregory Hampton (16th), Leonard Fulmer (17th), Glenn Schaefer (18th), Ronald Freeling (22nd), Joseph Lynn (24th) and Morey Waltuck (29th). We hope you have a great day and wish for you a healthy, prosperous year ahead.

Do yourself a favor this year ... Attend Lodge at least once, if within the length of your Cabletow. Witness the young Brothers who now fill the Chairs and meet and greet new and old friends. □

and think of what might take place in December. Think about tomorrow and what each of us might do to "lead by example" and "make the world a better place than we found it." It's your legacy. It's OUR legacy as Masons. Carry the torch well my Brothers. That light travels fast and is seen by many. Let's see just where that illumination falls.

I look forward to sharing that light with all of you in 2012. □

Livingston District

District Deputy Grand Master - J. Michael Grady, (585) 738-1243

District Deputy Grand Master Livingston District

R.:W.:
J. Michael
Grady
738-1243



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Wow! 2012. If you are a believer in Mayan Folklore, this might be an interesting year! Personally, I think the guy who made that stone calendar that everyone fears, just ran out of room when he got to 2012! Either that, or he was locked up for some crime and was passing the time carving that stone calendar. He was released or escaped when he was on 2012. I guess no matter how you look at it, there seems to be some interest or fear of this December 2012 being the end of the world.

What if it was true? What would you want your legacy to be? I guess if there was nothing left, a legacy is not that important. For the sake of the argument, let's say not everything was gone but you definitely were. How do you want to be remembered? For those of you who took the Masonic Development Program with R.:W.: John Gallant and me, does this question ring a bell?

That question being, if you are the true author of your life story, how do you want it to read? What would be said about you? What was your life's purpose all about? The answers to all those questions can be found in what we do each and every day. You are actually "building" your legacy,

or to word it Masonically, you are building a Temple more glorious than that of Solomon. A Temple of Honor, of Purity, of Justice and of Truth.

Being Masons, we are drawn closer to the importance or focus to these ideals than maybe others who have not received the same light as we did. Maybe it is, or should be a little more at the forefront of our daily thoughts. The real question - how much do we focus on that daily dose of building that Temple, by "being an example" of a "Temple Builder."

If I've thoroughly confused you, the more simpler statement might be - "Lead by Example and make the world a better place than you found it." A tall task, but that's what Masons do. A new year, maybe a new focus. Sounds like a plan.

A great example of education and building programs - the Livingston and Genesee-Wyoming Districts *Road to the East* Program is underway. Further light in Masonry to educate our next round of Lodge Leaders. We have transformed the *RTTE* Program into two sessions - one on January 7th at Mt. Morris and one on February 4th at Constellation Lodge in Perry. It is a joint collaboration between Livingston and Genesee-Wyoming Districts.

A number of the Lodges in Livingston District are underway with Degree work. Others have Degrees scheduled to commence this year. This is further confirmation we have the great opportunity to increase our numbers and broaden our Masonic influence. Helping to "Build Temples" and being an example of a "Temple Builder" is an awesome and important task, one we have done for centuries, and will continue to do so for centuries yet to come.

As we look forward to this new year ahead of us, think not of myths and superstitions. Don't be in January

Union Lodge No. 45

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

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Secretary
R.:W.: James Slocum
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Lima Masonic Hall
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I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday and will have a Great New Year! Time has flown by the last half of this year and everyone seems to be excited about what's in store for the Craft in the coming year.

I was real pleased with what happened at Union Lodge in December. We had a Candidate who is in the Navy. He signed his Petition in May; was examined and voted on, but had to return to Duty before he could get his 1st Degree. Well, he came home for Thanksgiving and the Brothers of Union Lodge responded in force to give our Candidate his 1st Degree. To see a turnout for a Degree on a Saturday morning at 8 a.m., was a thing of beauty. This is what we are all about, Brothers. For a last-minute calling, we came together. I am very, very proud of my Brothers; I know I can count on them when in need.

Have you noticed that new Candidates are getting younger? I have, and have also noticed they are very enthusiastic about belonging to the Craft. I must ask all of us older Brothers to make an effort to talk to any younger men about the Craft. These men just might surprise you - they want to belong. They are different than in previous years; where younger men didn't want to join anything. Let's make that effort to go after these men; they are our future in the Craft. □

Eunice Lodge No. 830

1st Thursdays
7:30 p.m.

Master
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624-9629



Secretary - 226-9042
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Happy New Year, Brethren. I thank all the Brothers who participated in the in-depth discussions we had about our Dues plans at the December meeting. I know topics like this can be very divisive, but it was a very necessary and civil meeting.

As a result of the discussion, we will, as an experiment, be setting our Dues at \$50 for this year. We realize that operating a Lodge with this artificially low amount will be completely dependent on a set of successful fundraising projects throughout the year.

During the review of our plans, we acknowledged the amounts targeted for the fundraising projects are conserva-

tive and we feel comfortable they can be reached. I have to ask our members to please assist us to reach our goals as we roll out the fundraising projects.

I am also very happy to announce that our new website is up and running! Check out:

www.EuniceLodge830.org

I extend my deepest gratitude to R.:W.: Dennis King who was instrumental in getting this "off the ground."

Now that we have a new Dues structure in place, our members can pay their yearly Dues and donate to the Brotherhood Fund via PayPal with the click of a button. The website is a work-in-progress; we have many more updates planned and it is our intention to keep the photos and activities pages up-to-date, so check it often!

Our pre-meeting dinners, at Q's Restaurant have continued to be very successful. It is our goal to continue this tradition of starting the evening with dinner at a local restaurant. We will be eating at 6:00 p.m. and then commence our meeting at the Lodge Hall at 7:30 p.m. If you are able to join us, please let me know so I can get a working headcount for the Restaurant. We all look forward to seeing you there.

These next few months we will be planning a number of extra Lodge events, such as a Winter Dinner Party for our families, work on increasing our membership and preparing to confer a set of Degrees. The Officers and I are looking forward to our new year! We are excited about working together to support a different direction for the future of Eunice Lodge! □

Nunda Station

Lodge No. 682

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

Master

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Secretary

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All of us go about wishing one another "HAPPY NEW YEAR," and we should. What could be a more humane decency than to hope for those around us to experience good health, prosperity and the love of family and friends? And, as those are highly esteemed values by Freemasons, we might want to claim this annual time of reflection as a special time for Masons in Lodges everywhere. As we go about the business of resolution-making for ourselves, we also do so as a Lodge:

- We resolve to continue making "good men better."
- We resolve to continue to find ways to strengthen our community.
- We resolve to act in ways consistent with the will of a loving God.
- We resolve to be always ready to help a worthy Brother.

Last meeting we had visitors from Pike and Arcade Lodges and it was good to have them join us. I am hopeful we can go visiting to some of our neighbor Lodges in the near future.

Though the January 12th of this year is a busy time, we will be working for the Talent Show in the Spring. Share this information wherever you can and encourage your family members to participate or attend the show. This is a great opportunity for our young folks in particular.

Holiday Charity

My thanks to Rotary and Kiwanis for setting up the Community Christmas

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Scottish Rite NEWS

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

The Commander-in-Chief has invited members of the Valley of Rochester to contribute articles of general interest to the **Masonic Times**. I take this from the current issue of the *Northern Light* which is the quarterly publication all members in the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction receive.

As many of you out there have seen in the newspapers and news broadcasts, in late May a very powerful Tornado wiped out a large area of Joplin, MO. What most of you haven't heard or seen is the response of the Joplin Valley of the Scottish Rite and how their members really helped the City in the days and weeks following this natural disaster.

According to Ill. Richard Lowery, 33°, Executive Secretary of the Valley of Joplin, members just showed up and decided to put their large professional

kitchen to good use. Reaching out to first responders, they began the process of cooking breakfast, lunch and dinner for them. The Valley publicized that hot meals were available at the Scottish Rite Center through Facebook and other communication venues and soon they were providing 2,500 meals up to Memorial Day.

The spirit of volunteering was in full operation by these Scottish Rite Masons; I was impressed by their efforts and wanted to share this story with you.

Veterans Night

On November 17th, the Valley honored the Veterans and guests of the Valley of Rochester. Most Wise Master, Donald Tubman, 32° DSA, of the Rochester Chapter of Rose Croix, aided by the other Officers of the Rose Croix Line, conducted this tribute to our Veterans.

Following a festive social hour, our hosts presented a Table Lodge to celebrate a Day of Adar. Adar is the happiest, most joyous month of the Hebrew Calendar. In fact, its motto is "When Adar comes, joy is increased." The dinner featured the Valley's famous "Wurst" Plate which everyone devoured. Included in the evening's events was the presentation of a "Missing Man" Table, which commemorates POW/MIAs with commentary by Sy Kopen, 32°, MSA.

The Brothers present then assembled in the Lodge Room for the celebration of our Veterans. Commander-in-Chief Ill. Joseph Bourcy, 33°, welcomed the Brothers who attended and asked the Active Service Members of the Valley to present the colors.

Lt. Col. and Brother Ted Sargent was the guest speaker for the evening. Brother Sargent showed us a slide presentation of his several tours to Iraq and Afghanistan

and how his Masonic Life was integrated into his military duties. Thanks, Brother Ted, for all you have done for our great Fraternity and our Country.

A presentation of the "Scottish Rite Tribute to the Flag" CD was then shown followed by a recitation of "This Ragged Old Flag" by 1st Lt. Commander, Rick Howe, DSA. Each Scottish Rite Mason then joined his fellows by service branch

for group recognition and pictures.

Degrees Presented

On December 3rd, the Valley of Rochester Lodge of Perfection and Council of Princes of Jerusalem presented the 4th, 14th and 15th Degrees for a class of 15 Candidates and 40 Valley members. We also had two Brothers from the Valley of Lockport/Buffalo who were traveling to fill their passports. We also had a visiting

Master Masons, Take Note ...

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OR

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This will be an enjoyable evening with
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Contact the Valley of Rochester Office at
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Valley of Rochester Winter's Here - 2012

January 14th at Social Lodge, Kendall
BBB Program - "The Last Full Measure" (**)
Social - 5:30 p.m. ** Dinner - 6:30 p.m. ** Program - 7:30 p.m.

January 19th at Shrine Center
"Lite from the Rite" Educational Program/Meeting (**)
Social - 5:30 p.m. ** Dinner - 6:30 p.m. ** Program - 7:30 p.m.

January 28th at Wayne Lodge Hall, Ontario
BBB Program - "The Last Full Measure" (**)
Social - 5:30 p.m. ** Dinner - 6:30 p.m. ** Program - 7:30 p.m.

February 16th at Shrine Center
"Lite from the Rite" Educational Program/Meeting (**)
Social - 5:30 p.m. ** Dinner - 6:30 p.m. ** Program - 7:30 p.m.

February 18th at Shrine Center
Presentations of 4°, 8°, 14° and 16°
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Degrees start at 9 a.m.

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Brother from Nashville Tennessee. Our visitors were very impressed with the Degrees presented. The hard work of the casts, along with our multi-media effects, provided an excellent exemplification of the Degrees. The 14th Degree Team was headed by Ill. G. Michael Morris, 33° Active, as Thrice Potent Master.

Knights of St. Andrew

On the afternoon of December 3rd, the Valley of Rochester, Knights of St. Andrew, were officially formed and the Officers elected and installed. The KSA from the Valley of Syracuse traveled to Rochester to install the new Officers. Thirty-two Brothers from Rochester were Knighted and installed members of the Knights of St. Andrew, of the Valley of Rochester.

After the Installation, we all partook in a lively social hour followed by a wonderful Table Lodge Dinner of Scottish-inspired food and drinks.

Cyrene-Monroe

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historical manuscript; however, don't let that mislead you this is a scholarly work. As Umberto Eco states in the foreword, "There are numerous books on the Templars. The only problem is that in 90 percent of the cases they are pure fantasy. No other subject has ever inspired more hacks from more countries throughout time than the Templars." He goes on "Barbara Frale's stunning discovery of the long-lost *Chinon Parchment* in the Vatican Secret Archives allows us to see in a new light the church's role in the process against the Templars." Umberto Eco is a Knight Grand Cross (an Italian award similar to the Presidential Medal of Freedom in the U.S.) best known for his novel *The Name of the Rose* (Il nome della rosa, 1980).

A weakness in the book would have to be the complete lack of maps. Certainly, any work of history that is noteworthy is deserving of illustrations that relate to the topography of the area being studied. I was also disappointed that Frale's biggest claim to fame was the re-discovery of the *Chinon Parchment* from its "misplaced" status in the Vatican Secret Archives that proved Clement V pardoned the Templars, yet this book did not contain a transcript of that incredibly important document.

If you're looking for a book that venerates the mysteries and conspiracies of the Knights Templar (especially unimaginable treasures found under the Temple of Solomon, their protection of the Holy Grail, etc.) this is not the book for you. This is a concise and direct history of the Order that outlines its formation, its role in the Crusades, its defense of the Holy Land, and its muddled dissolution due to conflict between the Pope and the King of France. While it does touch on some of the stranger initiation practices, it does not perpetuate the fantastical rumors of bizarre rituals or heretical acts. It simply addresses the Order's functions, characters and key players during its tumultuous history, which Frale does in a simplistic and well-researched way.

If you want to be part of a great new organization, check out the Knights of St. Andrew.

Light from the Rite

The New Year is almost upon us and we are again conducting the "Light from the Rite" Program. The 33 Club will be presenting the lessons from Lodge of Perfection Degrees.

The February meeting will consist of a presentation of the Sign and Symbols and Lessons of the Council of Jerusalem Degrees.


March will bring another evening of learning about the Scottish Rite Degrees. We will be presenting the signs, symbols and lessons of the 18th and 30th.

These are opportunities for all Scottish Rite members to obtain "More Light in Masonry." Please take these opportunities to increase your knowledge of our Fraternity. **TURN ON THE RITE LIGHT.** □

For more Templar History other books recommended to me are Malcolm Barber's *The New Knighthood: A History of the Order of the Temple* and *The Trial of the Templars* and Helen Nicholson's *The Knights Templar on Trial: The Trial of the Templars in the British Isles, 1308-11.*

May the belief in our Savior, Jesus Christ, reassure you when reading any historical beginnings of our magnificent Order. □

L. Raymond Whittaker
1918 - 2011



It is with sadness we announce the passing of L. Raymond Whittaker, 92, on November 4th. He is the father of Ill. and R.:W.: Stephen R. Whittaker.

Raymond belonged to the Scottish Rite in Providence, RI, and was a regular visitor to Seneca Lodge with his son for 25 years.

He will be missed by many Fraternal Brothers who will keep his memory in their hearts forever. □



Inaugural Meeting of Knights of St. Andrew Yields Election and Installation of Officers



New KSA Officers (l-r) James Champagne, 32°, Senior Warden; Adam Junod, 32°, Venerable Master; and Benny Vitullo, 32°, Junior Warden.

By Joseph F. Oelgoetz III

On Saturday, December 3rd the Valley of Rochester held the Chartering Ceremony for its Chapter of the Knights of Saint Andrew. A team of Knights from the Valley of Syracuse performed the Ritual of both the Initiation or Knighting Ceremony and the Installation of Officers of the Charter year. The illustrious Richard J. Powell, 33°, led the team from Syracuse.

The Installation of Officers was done immediately after the Knighting Ceremony. Again, this was done by our fellow Knights from Syracuse. The Officers for our Charter Year are:

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| Venerable Master | Adam Junod |
| Senior Warden | James Champagne |
| Junior Warden | Benny Vitullo |
| Senior Deacon | Charles Feller |
| Secretary | Cy White |
| Treasurer | Peter Cormack |
| Chaplain | Paul McLaughlin |
| Junior Deacon | Ralph Pate |
| Sentinel | Bruce Bernhard |

After the ceremonies, all retired to the Dining Room for refreshment. Illustrious Brother Knight Charlie Hancock, 33° gave a great talk on the history of the Haggis. Thanks go to Bruni and Charlie Hancock for the wonderful "Haggis Shots" that were enjoyed by all. The Chapter's Piper, Brother Knight Peter Cormack, 32°, performed all piping. It added a wonderful and traditional atmosphere for the day. He piped the novitiates into the Chapter Room, for the "bringing in of the Haggis," and during the recitation of the Order History.



KSA piper and Knight Treasurer (above), Peter Cormack, 32°; (Below), KSA Charter Members installed on December 3rd.

Thank you, Peter!

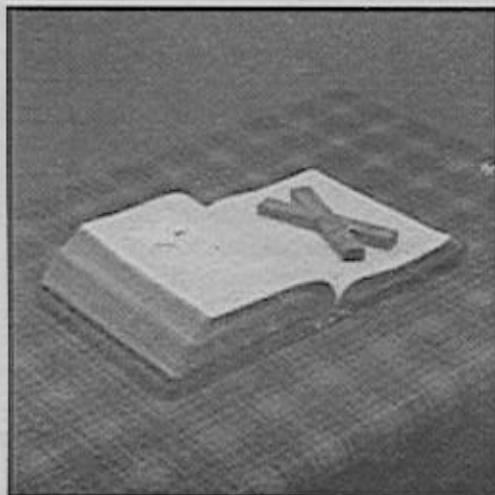
After a time of refreshment, we began our Festive Board in recognition to our Patron, Saint Andrew, and in celebration of the Chartering of the Valley of Rochester's Chapter of the Knights of Saint Andrew. We had a visit from a Knight Templar during our recitation of our Oral History. Thanks go to Brother Knight Chris Bowles, 32°, for his "Knighthly Duty" as a Templar.

Dinner was served which was a Scottish Beef Pie, along with all the trimmings. After dinner, we held eight toasts in recognition of Saint Andrew, the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and our Ancient Brethren, as well as other toasts. All enjoyed the evening.

The Valley of Rochester, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Chartering of a Chapter of The Knights of Saint Andrew is complete. This organization will be open to all 32° Masons. Active membership will be open only to 32nd Degree, Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, known as "Black Hats," as well as to the Dedicated Service Award recipients (Blue Hats). DSA recipients can vote, but cannot hold an Officer's role. Those Scottish Rite Masons who have been honored by either the Meritorious Service Award (Red Hat), Honorary Member of Supreme Council (White Hat), or Active Member of Supreme Council (Purple Hat) are welcome to join, but will hold an Honorary membership. Only Active Membership allows for the privileges of, but not limited to, voting, holding office within the Chapter (either elected or appointed - Black Hats only), as well as chairing committees of the Chapter of the Knights of Saint Andrew.

The Chapter of the Knights of Saint Andrew of the Valley of Rochester, A.A.S.R., is a service organization with the purpose of providing support for the Valley of Rochester in all areas. Specifically, in the areas of Degree Support (stage crew) and the keepers of the 29th Degree of the Scottish Rite. Further, it is planned to be a fun organization and one that will exemplify and portray great pride in its Scottish and Chivalric heritage. So don't delay, contact the Valley of Rochester's Office at 585-264-1160 or via email:

secretary@valleyofrochester.org for information and to get a Petition for yourself. □



York Rite NEWS

Hiram Chapter



No. 62
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What's Happening

Our Companions did their job and we did confer the Mark Master Mason and Past Master Degrees on our Candidates. It was an exhilarating evening with many Companions stepping up and doing what needed to be done. We will be planning the next two Degrees, the Most Excellent Master and Holy Royal Arch, to be conferred early in 2012. Our Candidates deserve the Conferral of these Degrees to complete their first step on the York Rite.

We have a committee working on planning a dinner party for our Companions and their spouses in January. More information will be sent to all the Companions as the details are finalized. This should be a great time for fellowship and social interaction outside a formal Chapter meeting.

Our upcoming meetings will be dedicated to learning more about the York Rite and its Degrees. This may also include going over the MEM and Royal Arch Degrees and assigning parts to willing Companions.

Musings

Most Companions are probably unaware that one of our constituent Chapters, Hamilton, was originally formed in 1819, went dark due to the Morgan Incident and was re-instituted in 1846 with the same name and number. That makes Royal Arch Masonry in Monroe County to be 193 years in existence with one break. That is a long time. There are few fraternities or clubs in our area that are close to that age. However, there is a Coin Club, the Rochester Numismatic Association, that will turn 100 in January. This is notable as the Club has met continually since its founding and has held over 2,000 meetings. I thank Hiram Chapter for contributing a quarter-page ad for their anniversary book. This will be good for them and good for us. Local Freemasonry seldom advertises in a non-Masonic organizations publication.

On another note, the reader will be interested in learning the current Dues for the Chapter have just about kept up with inflation. How do I know this? I found an inflations calculator on the internet that allows the user to enter a price, starting year and an ending year. The calculator then determines what the initial value should be in second year. As an example an initiation fee of \$40 in 1958 should be \$298 today to keep up with inflation. The calculator can be found at:

<http://www.westegg.com/inflation>

Using the calculator, Dues are closely keeping up with inflation, but our Initiation Fees may not be. This may mean that Freemasonry is a bargain today. Something to think about, don't you think?

While it looks like we are a bargain and our membership is rising, what do we need to do? Well, we need to define Chapter functioning and activities to attract our members to meetings and meet their Fraternal wants and needs.

How do we do this? We shorten our business and improve our programming at meetings. We also improve our Degree work to the point that both Candidates and Companions gain something from every Conferral of the Degrees. This all takes work, but it can also be fun. We are all looking for something that will be enjoyable and help us relieve tension that may be brought on by other parts of our lives. So, if you would like to help build our Chapter and improve its functioning, come to a meeting and volunteer to help in any way you can. As we work together, we will improve and become what we are intended to be and can then plan to be around for another 193 years.

We wish everyone the best for the New Year 2012!

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Happy New Year, Companions. I hope everyone had a nice break during the Holiday Season and, like Debbie and I, are looking forward to the New Year ahead.

During our January 18th meeting this month, we will be holding a very solemn event. We will be presenting a "Council of Sorrows" for our Companions who have completed their journey to that place of "wages, refreshment and rest." I hope all Companions can join us as we start a new year and reflect upon our friends whom we lost during this last year.

As I look forward to the next few months, I remind our Companions we will be conferring the Royal Master and Select Master Degrees. Our Degree Team Directors will be contacting their respective team members in preparation for the Degree work.

We are continuing our dinner tradition of having a Dish-to-pass Dinner, scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m. We hope everyone can join us and bring your appetite!

I look forward to seeing you all this month and I wish all our Companions a "not-too-snowy" January!



Zone 11 News

Zone Commander
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Another Holiday Season has come and gone and I hope everyone was able to spend time with family and loved ones.

On November 5th, DeMolay Commandery held their Annual Pilgrimage in Hornell and Knighted 13 new Sir Knights.

I thank all Sir Knights who helped with this Pilgrimage to make it a success.

The new Sir Knights are - DeMolay Commandery Sir Knights Jessie Bottomley, Terry Mehlenbacher, David Palmiter, Kyle P. Vance, Andrew Roby, Christopher Croston, Phillip Prat, William D. Ford and Earl Philpot; Cyrene-Monroe Sir Knight Steven Michner; Justin Quant of Hugh de Payens Commandery; and Paul Barbis and Chris Barbis, Commandery not listed at sign-in.

Congratulations to all new Sir Knights; I hope we will see all of them in their Commanderies and they become active members.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all. May God bless you all and keep you warm with His love.

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3rd Monday

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The Holidays are over and many of us now have time to catch up on our reading. Therefore, this month's programmatic article for all is a review and critique of the historical book *The Templars: The Secret History Revealed* by Barbara Frale. I just completed reading this book in November and found interesting elements and some content lacking.

At its height, the Order of the Knights Templar rivaled the kingdoms of Europe in military might, economic power and political influence. For over 700 years the tragic demise of this society of warrior-monks amid accusations of heresy has been plagued by controversy. This was owed in part because the transcript of their trial by the Inquisition, which held the key to the truth, had vanished.

Founded just after the First Crusade, the Knights of the Temple was a military-religious order subject only to the Pope and dedicated to Christian rule of the Holy Land. It lasted beyond the fall of the Crusader states by becoming a bank for Western Europe's super wealthy. Choosy about lending, the Templars frustrated French King Philip IV, who in 1307 had every Templar he could reach condemned by the Inquisition and arrested. He didn't tell Pope Clement V because he was still smarting from Boniface VIII's censuring him for taxing and trying to bring the

French church under his control. Clement eventually disbanded the Templars, and Philip executed its leaders, but its property went to another military order, the Knights Hospitallers. Clement didn't condemn that Order and it was never revealed why; however, it was long rumored that he had interrogated the leaders of that Order as well.

Barbara Frale is a historian on staff at the Vatican Secret Archives and a specialist on the Templars, the Crusades and the Papacy. She happened to be studying a document at the Vatican Secret Archives when she suddenly realized that it was none other than the long-lost Inquisition transcript, the *Chinon Parchment*. This valuable document disclosed that Pope Clement V had absolved the Templars of all charges of heresy. Using this sensational new information, Frale chronicles the spectacular rise and fall of the Templars against a sweeping backdrop of war, religious fervor and the struggle for dominance; finally lifting the centuries-old cloak of mystery surrounding one of the world's most intriguing "secret" societies.

It goes without saying that much of what has been written about the Templars is pure fiction. The Templars have been linked with the Grail legend, Dan Brown's book *The Da Vinci Code* and in movies such as "National Treasure" which didn't help clarify the mystery surrounding the Templars. In fact, Brown's other novel *Angels and Demons* probably enhanced the mysteries of the Templars even more. Still there are some wonderful books providing a valid insight into this historically famous (some would say infamous) band of Brother Knights. Barbara Frale's *The Templars: The Secret History Revealed* has to be one of the better reads in the very short list of generally accurate books on the subject. Thus, as a Vatican Secret Archives historian, Frale has access to a document trove virtually unlike any other in the world. She gives the reader an almost intimate introduction into the beginnings of the Templars.

During the middle ages the Holy Land had become the destination of many pilgrims from Europe. Jerusalem Christians had marked virtually all of the significant sites important to the faith. However, in the seventh century Jerusalem had been overrun by Muslim raiders and would remain in Muslim hands for quite some time. Initially, the Muslim rulers were relatively tolerant of the Christian citizens of the area as well as the pilgrims. Nonetheless, the pilgrims in time became easy pickings for raiders and this became the basis of the early Crusades.

Eventually Jerusalem was re-captured from the Muslims and became a Christian Kingdom. All the same, Christian Pilgrims were still harassed by Muslim bandits, laying the beginning of the Templars. Initially, established by Hugh de Payens to protect pilgrims from harassment, and sanctioned by Baldwin II, King of Jerusalem, the Templars would eventually become a military arm of the Pope, and responsible only to the Pope. The order was exempt from taxes, and were not beholden to any secular authority. In many ways, the Templars became a multinational corporation and terribly wealthy in the process.

The Templars: The Secret History Revealed is not a long book and thus is a quick read, which is not typical for a

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Lalla Rookh GROTTO News

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Happy New Year to all members of Lalla Rookh Grotto and your families. This is the third time I have had the pleasure to say this to you. 2012 is Lalla Rookh Grotto's milestone 120 years of operation. Starting in 1892, we have

Legion of Honor

By Richard Topel, Commander

Our Christmas Party with the Masonic War Veterans was a colossal success. The food was out of this world, plus all the raffles and merriment of the Holiday Season was super. A big thank you to those who made it possible.

We will meet Monday, January 16th, at the Grotto Office. Submarine Sandwiches at 6:15 p.m.; Meeting at 7 p.m. at which we will have Election of Officers and will work together to set up our Program for the year. This organization is open to all Grotto Veterans. Call Dick Topel at 663-2547 to order your sub. □

Telephone Message Center

By Ron Morthorst

Lalla Rookh Grotto has a Message Center System in operation that we use to contact you, our Prophets, when we have an announcement or a message of importance.

PLEASE listen to this computerized message, write down the information so you can act accordingly. Make your Lady aware of this new system so she isn't surprised by a call. Thank You for your cooperation. □

Sickness and Sympathy

Call the Grotto Office at 671-6320, or the Monarch at 334-4169, if you know of any Prophet in need of our aid or sympathy. □

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Fund, and the Brothers of this Lodge who generously donated. No person should ever be neglected at Christmas time.

I am currently Chairing a dinner event for the Livingston Association which will be held at Mt. Morris Lodge on March 15th. This dinner is to honor all the OES workers who, over the years, have helped with Masonic events and served countless dinners at Lodges and Association events. If you know of anyone who needs an invitation, please let me know.

Sickness and Distress

I ask all of you to keep Charlie Dur-

been going strong. As it stands, you are a member of the oldest active Grotto in the Realm. We can all be proud to wear our Fez anywhere and stand tall.

As this year's Monarch, I have a strong line of active Officers who have plans for all Prophets to take part in our 120th Anniversary Celebration.

Our Turkey Dinner preceding the December meeting, prepared by Dick Topel and Heinz Gunkel, was fabulous. I say "thank you" to the members who elected me; Installing Monarch, PM Ken Milner; Marshal, PM Al Pulcino III; Chaplain, Richard Bull; and all Prophets on the sidelines.

Following is the list of 2012 Officers:
Monarch **Ron Morthorst**
Chief Justice **James Toogood**
Master of Ceremonies **Richard Topel**
Secretary/Treasurer **Kenneth Milner**
Venerable Prophet **Frank Habitzreuther**
Marshal **Paul Farnung**
Chaplain **Richard Bull**
Captain of the Guard **Daniel Cashman**

Membership

By Ron Morthorst, PM

MEMBERSHIP, you are a member and some of you have been a member for many years. Did you realize your Grotto is going to celebrate its 120th Anniversary in 2012? We are the oldest, fully operating Grotto in the Realm and you are part of it. Congratulations are in order!

AN OPPORTUNITY EXISTS NOW for a Brother Mason to join Lalla Rookh Grotto through our Fee-Waived Initiation Program (that is, FREE). We have set up this Program for a limited time as part of our Anniversary Celebration. Let's face it, times have changed. We have many opportunities to spread our good works and fellowship to the members of our Craft and their families. Who are you going to ask to join you as a Prophet in your Grotto? I have all the necessary paperwork you need to present to a Candidate and I'm just a phone call away, at 334-4196. Call me today and we can take care of it.

Remember, we meet at the Shrine Center where there are NO stairs to climb and everything is on ground level, the wide-open parking lot is free and a well-lighted area for your safety!! I'm available to assist you at any time!!!!

We meet the third Wednesday of the Month at 7:30 p.m. □

It's Great to be a Grotto Member!

What Grotto Membership Means ...

- Enables you the opportunity of sharing in two great humanitarian projects - Cerebral Palsy Research and Dentistry for Special Needs Children.
- Because every Master Mason is eligible to become a member of the Grotto, he can join in the humanitarian work, which the Grotto is so fervently sponsoring.

Orator **Norris Shapiro**
Steward **Gregory Ludwig**
Outside Sentinel **William Fredenburg**
Trustees: **Al Pulcino III (2014)**
Easton Kelsey (2013)
Bernard Lazerson (2012)

Board of Governors:
Heinz Gunkel (2012)
Gregory Ludwig (2012)
Richard Bull (2012)
Paul Farnung (2014)
William Fredenburg (2014)
Dan Cashman (2014)

My theme this year is "The Opportunity is Yours!" Attend our regular meetings and get involved. Enjoy the programs we are planning. Check the scroll for meeting dates. Call me for information, 334-4196.

Our January Grotto meeting will be a preview of the year's events and any ideas you may have or would like to see incorporated into our programs for 2012. Please bring them with you to the meeting. See you on Wednesday, January 18th at 7:30 p.m. at the Shrine Center. □

Lalla Rookh Caldron Daughters of Mokanna

By Donna Laundry, MCO

The 2011-2012 year for Lalla Rookh Caldron has commenced. The new Officers were in place for our November meeting; some are Officers for the first time. We balloted on two Petitions that night and they will be Initiated at our January 12th meeting. It is always good to see our membership increase.

Sympathies Extended

Our sympathies to members who have recently lost loved ones. Sula Baxter's son died; Christina Eeckhout's husband passed away; the brother of Helen Francis died; and Marje Harding, a Canadian member, lost her mother after a long illness.

Preceding our January meeting, there will be a dinner, prepared by Carol Wynings. Thank you, Carol. The profit will go to the Caldron.

In My Absence ...

After the January meeting, I will be traveling for two weeks. For any problems or issues which need attention January 14th to January 29th, please call Jan Porter (663-6719).

Mark Your Calendar

Looking ahead, on February 3rd we will have our Caldron Birthday Party.

Attend Grotto Meetings

No Board of Governors Meeting in January

Monday, January 16th
Legion of Honor Meeting
Grotto Office -
Subs at 6:15 p.m.; Meeting at 7 p.m.
Election of Officers
Establish 2012 Program

Wednesday, January 18th
Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
2012 Program Preview

CLIP AND SAVE!
Information Hot Line
334-4196

The location has not yet been determined. Let's have a good turnout for that event.

April 26th - Inspection of the Supreme Mighty Chosen One. Please put that date on your calendar and prepare the part for your Office.

At meetings throughout this year, I have been passing on the history of common everyday things and I'll share some in this newsletter, as well.

The Hula Hoop - Think of the 50s? Not so fast. The first people to swing a hoop around their midriff were probably the Egyptians around 1000 BC, using dried grapevines. Children in Greece and Rome later caught on to the same game. A hoop craze swept England in the 1400s, and became known as the hula hoop in the 1800s when British Sailors noticed the similarity of hooping to hula dancing.

Until next month, think positively about snow. Each flake is a unique creation. □

Anniversary Celebration 2012

Plans are being worked on for our 120th Anniversary Celebration in 2012. This will be a class program for everyone to enjoy.

If you have an idea or thought for this endeavor, call your Monarch, Ron Morthorst, 334-4196. Don't be bashful, we need fresh ideas and your help on this!

We would hope all the Prophets will make an effort to attend this Anniversary Celebration. □

yea, Nancy Patridge, George Fulmer and Karen Ward in your thoughts as they struggle with health issues. I'm sure any one of them would enjoy a card or call.

Finally, Dues Notices have gone out. Your timely response makes less work for everyone. If you know a Brother who needs consideration, quietly bring that to my attention. Thank you all.

Mark Your Calendar

January 3rd - Annual Meeting (Secretary, Treasure, Trustee Reports)
January 17th - Regular Meeting
February 7th - Regular Meeting, Rehearsal for 1°
February 21st - Regular Meeting □

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~~~ Claude H. Wright ~~~

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# Order of the Eastern Star

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By R.W. Mae S. Bauer, DDGM

Here's hoping everyone had a Merry Christmas and Santa brought you all you wanted.

The New Year is upon us and 2012 already has many projects are on the pallet for many of the Chapters and especially for R.W. Kenneth Milner.

### District Charities

I am again asking for items for the Mary Cariola Center. Also, R.W. Robert Crystal and I are asking everyone to consider making donations to the "Honor Flight" Program to give World War II Veterans a trip to Washington, DC, to see the World War II Memorial. It is because of their sacrifice we can enjoy the many freedoms we have in this Country.

Those who took the weekend trip to Lancaster, PA, had a great time and enjoyed the "Miracle of Christmas" show at the Millennium Theatre. The itinerary included delicious foods and lots of shopping.

### Line Officers

January 7th - Line Officers meeting, 9 a.m., at Fairport Masonic Hall (weather permitting). The Matrons will be given a Wish List for the Mary Cariola Center. Many of these can be found at the dollar stores. I already have a good start with some items which have been given to me.

### Election Results

Secretaries of the Chapters ... don't forget to send your election results.

God bless and may the New Year be a blessing to everyone.

### From the District Grand Lecturer

By Robert Crystal, DGL

Our Ritual doesn't say how to go about the business of the Order, it gives us structure for our meetings and words for our message. We can be serious as we go about our business, giving the Officers the respect we promise in the Installation and, at the same time, enjoy ourselves. Do you remember the excitement of high school graduation? Ritual can be like that - serious, but still exciting. And we can still party after and let out a collective breath that it is over again. As the son of two high school teachers, I can tell you that even those responsible for keeping us in line during that ceremony, breathed a happy sigh when we got to the end.

I ask you, as you work towards your Official Visit, to remember this is serious but fun, exciting as well as hard work, and an adventure you will remember for a while. Keep that perspective on it and it will be great, I promise. Try to make

sure the organizers get the positive help and cooperation we promised at our Installations. I look forward to seeing all of you in the months ahead. Don't forget the cash prize for the Chapter with the most Initiates!

### Honor Flight

Honor Flight is always in my mind. My parents were World War II Veterans. I would have liked to see them visit the World War II Memorial. We, in Monroe District, can give that dream to our local Veterans. Please remember to set aside some money for that project. Let R.W. Mae Bauer and me know if you are doing something we can join in doing.

### Plan a Project

We have asked each Chapter to do a project for Ken's Operators. Have fun doing that. One of the things I remember from my youth is helping my Mom do Star projects for her District. I was the teen who carried all the decorated cookie tins into the Mall for their table, who sat at the craft fair selling net bags of soap balls, and who washed dishes after the Roast Pork Supper. But what I remember was how much fun my Mom's friends had doing all those projects. I still look forward to them. It IS fun!

May God be with you and make His face smile on you in the coming year! □

## NOLATKA

### Chapter No. 320

Order of the Eastern Star

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

Matron

W. Alice Hassett - 581-2053

Patron

R.W. Robert Crystal - 473-0279

Secretary

R. W. Carol Wynings

594-4692

Community Christian Church

2647 Chill Avenue, 14624

By R.W. Robert Crystal

Pat Dalykas turned over the gavel to Alice Hassett. Alice had her first "full" meeting December 6th. There were a couple of groans and a couple of cheers when she told us we were going to do at least two meetings in Ample Form. I made the joke that, until I lose more weight, ALL openings in which I participate are in ample form.

Seriously, when we have so few opportunities to do our wonderful Ritual work, the attempt to keep in touch with it and to take the scariness out of it is a good idea. It may be a little hard to start, but a good idea and it can be fun if we keep a good attitude. Like how much fun our Warder Linton Warner had with the new "door knocker." (Our new Chapter Room does not have a door, only an arch, so Linton has a sterling silver gavel and a stool from IKEA to bang it on.)

We are talking now about a pie-baking fundraiser. Jean Stewart is doing the research and has volunteered to coordinate if we vote to do it. I volunteered to get Health Department Certified for the baking and packing part of it. We will be taking orders so everyone can get the pie they want. (I want gooseberry.)

Our refreshments were provided by the chef de la maison, Madame Wynings. She made a yeast Stollen and a Summer-camp-sized bowl of Ambrosia. I was half way through my second helping of

each when I remembered she had promised to have a "secret ingredient." So I c-a-r-e-f-u-l-l-y looked through what was left on my plate. Then I tasted it, rolling it around on my tongue and I couldn't guess. So I asked. No one else could guess either. The answer was PASTA!

Our Cheer Chair, Jane LaPree, was happy to record there were no hospitalizations or other sickness to report. She sent out Thanksgiving and birthday cards. How great is that?

Nolatka, as I said in my remarks on December 6th, is like the Marines ... "The Few, The Proud, The Stars (Marines)." We can do almost anything we set our minds to do. We may not be able to fill a room, but we can accomplish anything. No, let's drop the almost. We can fill a room with laughter, seriousness, Sisterly love and pride. Let's have a great year and have fun doing it! □

## Corinthian/Fellowship Chapter No. 322

Order of the Eastern Star

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

W. Patricia Pearson, Matron

544-9171

R.W. Robert Crystal, Patron

473-0279

Secretary

R.W. Betty Reisinger

647-1391

805 Blossom Road

Rochester 14610

By R.W. Robert Crystal

Our new Matron, Pat Pearson, was installed and her granddaughter helped her get the year's program written, laid out, designed and printed. Worthy Pat is an inspiration of the "can-do" spirit. We all wish her the best of luck and we promise all our help and cooperation. But more than that, we promise to be moved, motivated, inspired, energized, het-up (I'm dating myself with that one) and animated by her efforts. We promise to live up to the promise we will make at her Installation!

Betty Reisinger is putting the final touches on the Dues cards. If you haven't sent your Dues, please do so. Eastern Star Dues are among the lowest of any Fraternal organization. I just got my Lodge Dues Notice for \$95.00. I'm not complaining about the Lodge. I am bragging that the OES, and specifi-

cally the Corinthian-Fellowship Chapter, does so much with so little. So put a check in the mail as soon as you can!

As you may know, Edna Monell has agreed to be Treasurer. The cost of banking has gone up, and the complications of signing off as Treasurer and helping her sign on reminded me we are living in strange times. First, the Bank Officer didn't know what OES is. I used the teaching moment, of course, and encouraged her to consider joining. Then I had to ask Edna to help me stay calm. They had lost our entire file, and we had to do everything all over: Social Security Card, Tax ID, copy of our Charter and By-laws, a letter from an Officer and our Signature Cards. That, combined with the new anti-terrorism rules, had steam coming out of my ears. But it is done!

### Congratulations on Retirement

Everybody wishes Barbara McMinn a happy retirement! She has been a Protective Worker at DSS for many years. Lately, she has been following her husband, Kevin, around and making a home for him wherever his construction firm sent him. North Country, Southern Tier, Niagara Frontier ... everywhere, it seems, except Monroe County. He finally drew the line when they asked him to go to Mississippi. Now that Barbara is retired, we are in danger of not seeing her if they offer him Arizona or Florida. But she promised me she would stay a member and be active wherever she finds herself.

### Sickness and Distress

Norraine Voegtle is doing well at Unity Living Center. I am her Chaplain there and she is thriving. Send prayers her way.

Margery Williamson keeps promising to come to Chapter, but her doctor is being a wet blanket. Send prayers her way, too!

Norma Lee is also sending messages that she hasn't forgotten us. If we ever have leftovers from the Bake Sale, I will take them to her.

"Bo" Clark has been under the weather a while now, but I have been told she and her sons are OK.

I have been told that Beverly Van- Huben is doing well, too. We miss her candy saleswomanship. It just isn't the same without her.

Remember, Sisters and Brothers, to bundle up, keep warm and don't shovel the heavy snow. There is a rumor going around that hot cocoa loses all its calories when the temperature is below 10 degrees. □

## THE DAY CARE CENTER at OES Oriskany Campus

Continues to accept "UPC - TAGS" from the following products. Campbell's Soup Labels - the front label is no longer acceptable. You must clip just the UPC codes from the labels - there is usually a box around the UPC bar code. Cut along this box.

ONLY the UPC Code from:

Campbell's Beans Products

Campbell's Condensed 10 oz. Soups

Campbell's Condensed 26 oz. Soups (Family Size)

Campbell's Low Sodium Soups

Campbell's Fat Free Soups

Campbell's Kitchen Classic Soups (18-19 oz.)

Campbell's Tomato Juices (12 oz., 32 oz., 46 oz., 64 oz., multipacks)

Campbell's SpaghettiOs, Any Shape Pasta

Campbell's Gravies

Campbell's Chunky Soups

Campbell's Chunky Chili

Campbell's Healthy Request Soups

Campbell's Select Soups

Campbell's Select Gold Label Soups (carton)

Swanson Canned Chicken



# In Memoriam

## Widows to be Remembered

**Gibney, Doris R.**, 88, widow of James S. Gibney (Shrine), passed away December 12th.

**Walker, M. Dorothy**, 100, widow of Charles Walker (ERAC Lodge), passed away December 10th. □

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**Denton, Frank P.**

Frank Denton, 89, went to the Celestial Lodge on December 8th. He is survived by his wife, Jane; 1 son, 2 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Frank was a Navy Veteran of World War II and member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.

**Finch, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Finch, 77, laid down his Working Tools on December 3rd. His wife of 50 years, Judy; 3 children and 7 grandchildren are left to cherish his memory. He was a member of Oakland Lodge. May the joy of the Lord be your strength.

**Gallipeau, William H. "Pete"**

On November 19th, William Gallipeau, 84, was embraced by those who walked before him in faith. His memory will be shared by his wife of 59 years, Dolores; 3 children and 13 grandchildren. Pete was a US Army Veteran of World War II. He was a member of ERAC Lodge and Scottish Rite. A memory is a keepsake of time that lives forever in the heart.

**Gladding, Howard**

The loving arms of the Lord embraced Howard Gladding, 85, on December 15th. He is survived by 1 child. Howard was a US Navy Veteran of World War II. The members of Canandaigua Lodge will remember him. Your gentle spirit will live on in our hearts forever.

**Greene, George H.**

On September 13th, George Greene, 90, departed his Earthly family. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Geraldine; 2 children, 2 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. George was a US Navy Veteran of World War II and a 50-year member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge. May your tears become rainbows when you remember your loved one.

**Jarosz, Thomas J.**

We have received word that Thomas Jarosz, 80, passed away September 26th. He was a member of ERAC Lodge. May he find peace with the Lord.

**Krech, Donald F.**

Donald Krech, 83, was escorted by flights of angels to Heaven on December 11th. His wife of 61 years, Ruth; 2 sons and 2 grandchildren are left to remember him. Don was a member of Fame Lodge, Scottish Rite and Damascus Shriners. May His love see you gently through these difficult days.

**Long, Clark M.**

Word has been received that on August 30th, Clark Long, 90, was received into Eternal Glory. Clark was a member of Unity Lodge and Shrine. No length of time can take away our thoughts of you today.

**Proctor, Joseph Warren, Jr.**

Joseph Proctor, 77, was called to his Heavenly home on November 27th leaving 3 children and 6 grandchildren to remember him. Joe was a member of Canandaigua Lodge; Excelsior Chapter, RAM; and Palmyra Council. A page in our book of memories is gently turned today.

**Salmen, Leon**

On November 19th, the Lord called Leon Salmen, 75, home, leaving his wife, Joan, to remember him. Leon was a member of Wakan-Hubbard Lodge and Shrine. We wish you the gift of a memory whenever you need to know, the one you love still walks with you wherever you may go.

**Steele, James Edward, Jr.**

James Steele, 71, found loving peace in the arms of the Lord on November 14th. He is survived by his wife, Karen; 5 children, and 13 grandchildren. James was a US Navy Veteran and member of Drumlin Square Lodge. He labored hard for those he loved, then left us to remember. □



## Masonic Activities Looking Ahead

### FEBRUARY

- 1st Shriners Hoedown Square Dance
- 3rd Lalla Rookh Caldron Birthday Banquet
- 6th ERAC, 1st Degree
- 7th Shrine Winter Picnic, Punta Gorda, FL
- 11th Clio Lodge Chili Cookoff
- 18th Road to the East - Union Star, Honeoye Falls
- 25th Road to the East - Union Star, Honeoye Falls
- 27th ERAC, 2°
- 27th Union Star, 2°

### MARCH

- 5th ERAC, 2°
- 10th Shrine, Noble BAB
- 15th LIV Association Dinner - Mount Morris
- 17th Shrine - St. Patrick's Day Parade, Downtown Rochester followed by Party at Shrine Center
- 26th ERAC, 3°

### APRIL

- 2nd ERAC, 3°
- 21st Widows Luncheon, Burgundy Basin
- 26th Lalla Rookh Caldron, OV

### MAY

- 7-8th Grand Lodge Sessions
- 12th Shrine Ceremonial

### JUNE

- 27th Tall Cedar Sausage Roast

## Wish List for Ronald McDonald House

In Rochester, there are two Ronald McDonald Houses to care for families of very ill or hospitalized children. Within these facilities, there are four kitchens, multiple dishwashers, ten washers and dryers, 27 bedrooms and 25 bathrooms!

Now imagine the amount of staple foods, laundry soap, toilet paper and other necessities we need to keep these Houses stocked. This is where YOU can help! Keep them in mind as you shop for your everyday needs.

All items should be new for the health and safety of our families and volunteers.

(\*most needed items)

**Food**

- \* Snack foods (all kinds of individual sizes)
- \* Fresh & frozen fruits, vegetables and meats
- \* Juice boxes
- \* Coffee creamers and sugars
- \* Spaghetti O's
- \* Mayonnaise, salad dressings (NOT Italian, please!!)
- \* Granola bars, breakfast bars and cereal
- \* Individual-size microwavable meals

**Cleaning Supplies**

- \* Liquid hand soap
- \* Disposable cleaning gloves
- \* Dishwasher detergent

- \* Laundry detergent, pre-wash treatments and bleach
- Disinfectant wipes
- Trash bags (8-gallon and 50-gallon sizes)

- \* Soft scrubbing cleanser
- \* Toilet bowl cleaner
- \* Spray bathroom cleaner
- \* Window cleaner
- \* Sponge mops and brooms

**Paper Needs**

- Storage bags (all sizes, including 2-gallon and 2.5-gallon sizes)
- Styrofoam "take out" containers and disposable plastic containers
- Paper towels

**Linen/Personal Supplies**

- \* Standard-size white pillow cases
- Feminine supplies and shaving needs
- Beige colored bathmats and towel sets
- Heavy duty blankets, all sizes

**Other Essentials**

- \* Light bulbs (25W, 40W, 60W, 75W, 100W and 3-way)
- Nightlights and flashlights
- Gift cards to Wegmans, Target, Walmart, etc.)

The "needs list" is also registered at the following stores: Target, Kaufmanns, JC Penny, and Bed Bath & Beyond. For more information, call 422-5437. □

**Masonic Service Bureau 2012 Education Assistance and Charity Grant Applications will be mailed end of January. If you wish to receive an Application, or have a student or charity in mind, please call the Masonic Service Bureau and provide name and address of the person/charity to whom we can send one.**

**Phone: 671-9730**

## Mexican Spicy Chicken Lasagna

(or what to do with Superbowl Party leftovers)

Submitted by Robert Crystal

- Microwave two skinless boneless chicken breasts. When cooled, cut into half-inch cubes, or shred. Season with taco spices or red Italian pepper flakes.
- Heat a can of Campbell's Cheddar soup; dilute with no more than 1/2 cup flat beer instead of milk; it should be syrup thick. (You can substitute any creamy sauce here)
- Drain a can of the smallest black olives and cut them at least in half. Add to soup
- Cut up pickled peppers to taste and add to soup. (I prefer Italian cherry peppers)
- Re-hydrate, using flat beer, one dried smoked pepper (chipotle or serrano). Cut up and add to soup mixture.
- Parboil leftover carrot sticks, celery sticks and cherry tomatoes.
- Crack into 1/2 to 1-inch pieces, your leftover corn chips and taco chips. If there is leftover cheese, slice thin to be one of your layers. (Pepper Jack is the best)
- Spray a lasagna dish, starting with Fritos, layer ingredients like a lasagna, top with blobs of leftover onion dip, cover with crushed potato chips.
- Bake, covered at 350° until bubbles appear in the middle (sometimes they don't come through the chips) or at least 20 minutes.
- Serve with beer or "hair of the dog." If all out of these, substitute Vernor's Ginger Ale for more spiciness.

**Monroe District  
Widows Luncheon  
at Burgundy Basin  
Saturday, April 21st  
Watch for Details ...**



# Big Calendar for January 2012

| Sunday                                                                        | Monday                                                                                                                                                                           | Tuesday                                                                                                                               | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                   | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                | Friday                                                                                                                 | Saturday                                               |
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| <b>1</b>                                                                      | <b>2</b>                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>3</b>                                                                                                                              | <b>4</b>                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>5</b>                                                                                                                                                                | <b>6</b>                                                                                                               | <b>7</b>                                               |
| New Year's Day                                                                | Canandaigua - Shortsville<br>RAM - Palmyra/Eagle<br>KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Pitsford<br>OES - Etolian<br>Shrine Lunch Club                                                          | Clio - Hilton<br>Garoga-Sincerity - Phelps<br>Nunda Station, Annual Mtg<br>Oakland - Castile<br>OES - Fairport, Nolaka,<br>Startlight | Drumlin Square - Palmyra<br>Livonia<br>Olive Branch - LeRoy<br>Ark - Geneva<br>Damascus Shrine - Installation<br>OES - Lilac Star                                           | Eunice - Caledonia<br>Northfield - Pitsford<br>Webster, Walk-About                                                                                                      | Webster Lodge<br>Spaghetti Dinner<br>5-7 p.m. \$7 adult; \$4 Child<br>30 Orchard Street<br>Garoga-Sincerity Game Night | LIV - RTE, Mt. Morris<br>OES - Line Officers, Fairport |
| <b>8</b>                                                                      | <b>9</b>                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>10</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>11</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>12</b>                                                                                                                                                               | <b>13</b>                                                                                                              | <b>14</b>                                              |
| Clio Lodge<br>Spaghetti Dinners<br>January 11th & 25th<br>East Avenue, Hilton | ERAC - Shrine Center<br>Fairport-Flower City, 3°<br>Union Star - Honeoye Falls<br>Unity - Spencerport<br>Wakan-Hubbard - Penfield, 3°<br>Avon Springs<br>Shrine Lunch Club       | Inspiration - Shrine Center<br>Seneca - Webster<br>OES - Leah - Hilton; Mary Jane<br>Holmes - Brockport                               | Oaka - Scottsville<br>Masonic Service Bureau<br>Monthly Luncheon Meeting<br>OES - Corinthian-Fellowship<br>Shrine Legion of Honor                                           | Fame - Shrine Center<br>Milnor - Shortsville<br>Union - Lima<br>Webster - Fellowshipcraft<br>Hiram Chapter<br>Wayne District - M&W<br>Lalla Rookh Calderon - Initiation | Garoga-Sincerity Game Night                                                                                            | Masters & Wardens - Union<br>Star Lodge, Honeoye Falls |
| <b>15</b>                                                                     | <b>16</b>                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>17</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>18</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>19</b>                                                                                                                                                               | <b>20</b>                                                                                                              | <b>21</b>                                              |
|                                                                               | Canandaigua - Shortsville<br>RAM - Palmyra/Eagle<br>KT - Cyrene/Monroe - Pitsford<br>Groto Legion of Honor, E<br>Shrine Lunch Club<br>Auburn Shrine Club<br>OES - Etolian        | Clio - Hilton<br>Nunda Station<br>Oakland - Castile<br>Garoga-Sincerity - Phelps, 1°<br>OES - Nolaka, Startlight                      | Livonia<br>Olive Branch - LeRoy<br>Ark - Geneva, 2°<br>Drumlin Square - Palmyra<br>Lalla Rookh Groto<br>Doric Council - Pitsford<br>MWV Birthday Party at<br>Canandaigua VA | Northfield - Pitsford, 1°<br>Webster<br>Scottish Rite - Shrine Center                                                                                                   | Garoga-Sincerity Game Night                                                                                            | Wakan-Hubbard, BBAF<br>Sagoyewatha - Phelps            |
| <b>22</b>                                                                     | <b>23</b>                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>24</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>25</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>26</b>                                                                                                                                                               | <b>27</b>                                                                                                              | <b>28</b>                                              |
|                                                                               | Unity - Spencerport, Table<br>Lodge<br>Union Star, Fellowcraft -<br>Honeoye Falls<br>Fairport-Flower City, Table<br>Lodge<br>ERAC, 1°<br>Shrine Lunch Club<br>Geneva Shrine Club | Inspiration - Shrine Center, 1°<br>Damascus Wheelers Unit<br>Meeting                                                                  | Oaka - Scottsville<br>Tall Cedars of Lebanon<br>Damascus Directors Staff<br>OES - Corinthian-Fellowship                                                                     | Fame - Shrine Center<br>Union - Lima<br>Hiram Chapter<br>OES - Ken's Operators, Perkins<br>Restaurant (Ridge Rd)                                                        | Garoga-Sincerity Game Night                                                                                            |                                                        |
| <b>29</b>                                                                     | <b>30</b>                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>31</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>1</b>                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>2</b>                                                                                                                                                                | <b>3</b>                                                                                                               | <b>4</b>                                               |
|                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                  | School of Ritual - Webster<br>6:30 p.m. - Dinner (\$9)<br>7:30 p.m. - Meeting                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                        |                                                        |

Have-a-Heart Campaign  
February 1st - February 14th

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