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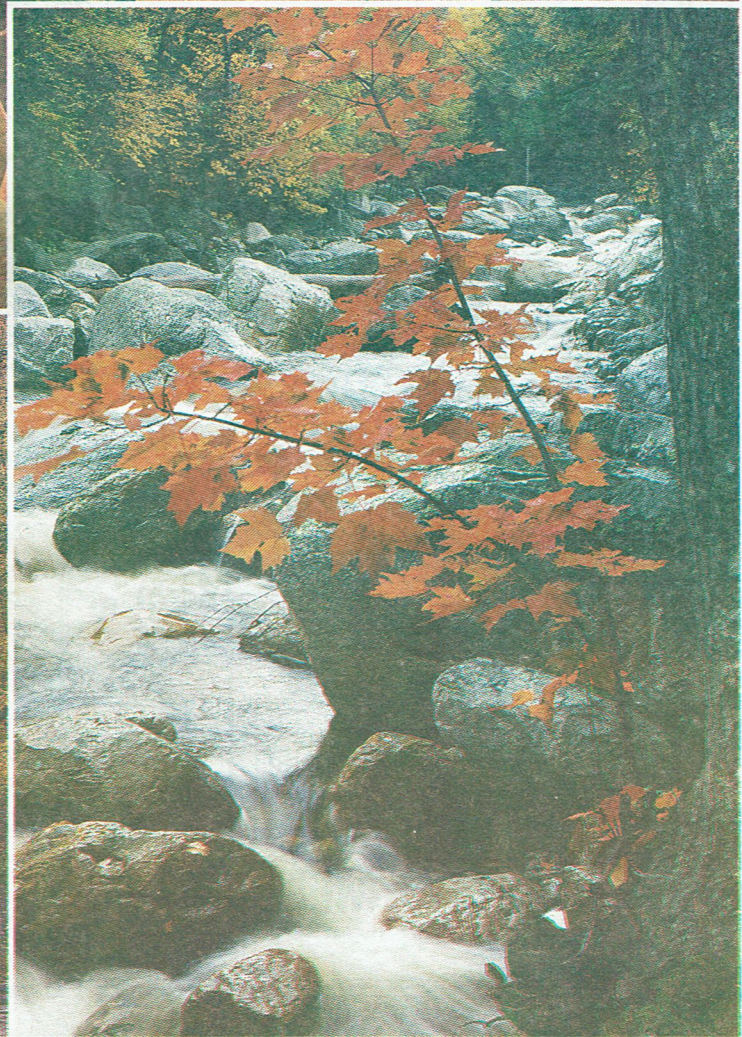
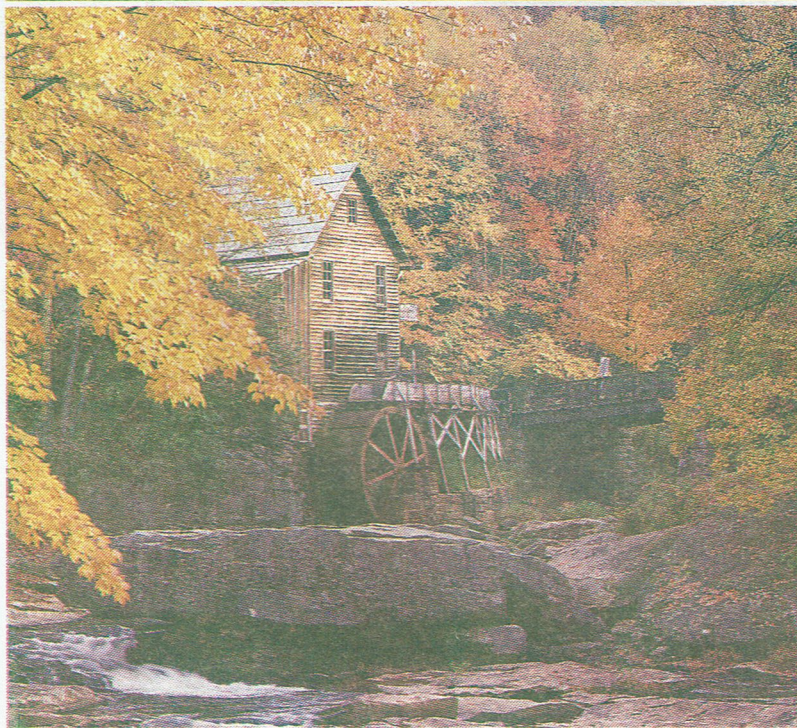
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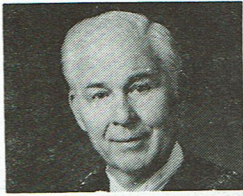
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Fall 1988 is in Full Bloom !!!



Allegiance

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



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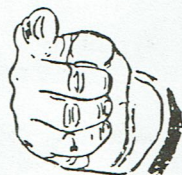
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YOU**

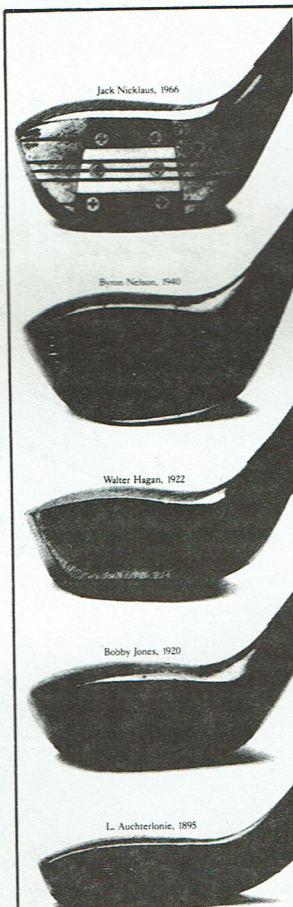


**OBTAINED
A
NEW MEMBER?**

*Which of your
Masonic Friends*

Will be proud new members of our
FALL REUNION
Saturday, October 15th

REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMEONE.
Put a petition in his hand and
ASK HIM TO SIGN
IT TODAY.



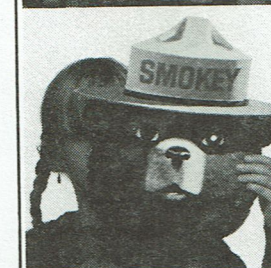
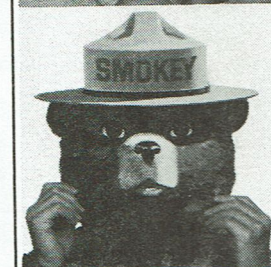
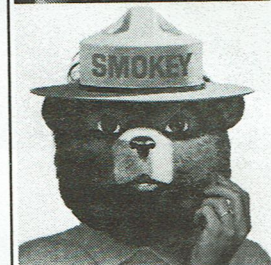
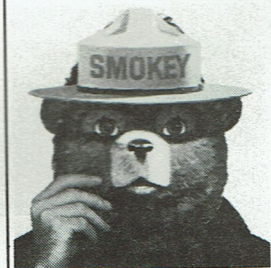
**No trees.
No woods.**

Hold a persimmon driver in your hands. The way Jones, Nelson, and Hagan did. Feel its grace and elegance. Its precision and power. Remember, without trees, there would be no woods. And only you can prevent forest fires.



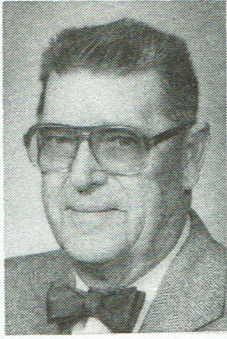
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CAN PREVENT
FOREST FIRES.**



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The C-I-C's Message



Thank you for re-electing me as Commander-In-Chief for a second term, during which time I hope we can improve our degree work and increase our membership. I am sure we can do this by working together.

Due to a situation in our Temple the Annual Meetings and Installation were held on May 19th, 1988, and not on May 12th, as planned. The Installing Officers were Ill.: Frank Miner, 33°; Ill.: Eugene L. Rogers, 33°; Richard F. Cesare; and Russell J. LaGrange, Jr., MSA. The following Officers were installed: **Richard A. Fuller**, *Thrice Potent Master*; **Fred C. Fredrickson**, *Sovereign Prince*; **Edward T. Rose**, *Most Wise Master*; and **myself**, *Commander-In-Chief*. Each of the newly installed Presiding Officers gave a talk regarding his plans and hopes for the coming year. Refreshments were served in the dining room under the direction of Ill.: Richard G. Barrell, 33°.

The Public Installation for the Delta Bodies in the Valley of Troy was held on May 20th following a dinner with the ladies present. The Installing Officers were Ill.: Newton Buckner, 33°; Ill.: William Assini, 33°; Ill.: Byron J. Howe, 33°; and Alexander R. Grone. The Officers installed were: Ill.: **Richard Welkley**, 33°, *Thrice Potent Master*; **Malcolm Ogden**, *Sovereign Prince*; **Lewis Slocum**, *Most Wise Master*.

On June 1st, 1988 the Executive Board Meeting was held at which time the following Officers were elected: **President** - Ill.: Albert W. Mills, 33°; **1st V.P.** - Edward T. Rose; **2nd V.P.** - Fred C. Fredrickson; **3rd V.P.** - Richard A. Fuller; **Treasurer** - George Deveneau; **Secretary** - Ill.: Richard G. Barrell, 33°. Plans were made for the 1988 - 1989 year. Please check your Schedule of Events and each issue of the Rite Light for Programs and Meetings for this busy year. I particularly direct your attention to the "Family Life Week Program" under the Chairmanship of James Fuller. His plans include a Poster Contest and a Pancake Supper. In addition to our Board Members

our guests were Ill.: Robert F. Case, 33°, Active, Deputy for New York and Grand Secretary General; Walter Purnell, Commander-In-Chief of the Sigma Consistory, Valley of Schenectady; George "Doc" Deveneau, Chief Rabban of Cyprus Shrine; and Lewis O. Slocum, Chief Rabban of Oriental Shrine.

Membership being very important to the life and growth of the Valley of Albany it becomes necessary that we all work to bring in new members for the Fall Reunion on October 15, 1988. We need about 60 to 70 Candidates to fill our quota. If you would like to take part in the Fall Reunion, please come to us. We do not know where you are. You may call our degree directors:

Ill.: Jack P. Spear, 33° (4°) 489-7356
 Ill.: John A. Sainz, 33° (14°) 793-0278
 Aloysius Curran, MSA (15°) 828-1952
 Robert F. Parslow, MSA (17°) 237-5786
 Harold J. Clark, MSA (18°) 784-5210
 Ill.: Eugene Rogers, 33° (20° & 32°) 449-7886

We also need substitute characters in each of the above degrees, so please call, as parts will be open soon. If you would like to help the Custodian call James E. Johnston at 489-4702; or help with the Costumes call Alfred Krueger at 869-7873.

Ill.: Clayton E. Simons, 33°, 1st Lt. Commander, and his wife Gladys have been actively involved as Chairman of the Dinner in honor of Richard C. Mills and Stuart Sturges who have been elected to become Honorary Members of the Supreme Council, 33° on September 27, 1988. In anticipation of this event the Testimonial Dinner will be held at Mario's Theatre Restaurant, Campbell Avenue, Troy, N.Y. Social Hour will be at 6:30 P.M. and the Prime Rib Dinner will be at 7:30 P.M. at a small cost of \$25.00 per person. Ladies and Guests are invited. The Reservations are by check only, payable to A.A.S.R. by October 14, 1988. Check the notice in this issue of the Rite Light or your invitation for name and address where you send your check.

The Valleys of Albany and Troy were well represented at the 119th Council of Deliberation held at The Pines in South Fallsburg, New York on July 8th, 9th, and 10th, at which time Harold Clark of Albany and Robert F. Parslow of Troy were elected to receive the Meritorious Service Award. Congratulations also to William Fagg, MSA of the Valley of Schenectady.

Ill.: Robert F. Case, 33°, Deputy for New York, presented a Plaque to Thrice Potent Master Richard A. Fuller of the Lodge of Perfection, Valley of Albany for best percentage of New Members of 14° in 1986

and 1987.

May I thank all of you for your thoughts after my accident at The Pines. Thank you for your phone calls and cards. I feel much better now.

Hope to see you soon!

Ill.: **Albert W. Mills, 33°**
Commander-In-Chief

The Lure of Masonry

Why has Masonry outlived all other human organizations on the face of the globe? Why has it withstood the ravishes of time and the munitions of empires in all climes and in all ages?

One answer to be found is that Masonry contains and teaches things that appeal to the brightest and the best informed mind of the day.

Its philosophies are deep and appealing. In its teachings, Masonry, and Scottish Rite Masonry in particular, touches on the truest democracy known to life.

All start equally and the path of advancement is open to all. Work is the sole requisite. That's why the busy men of the mart and forum take the time to study hard work - the degree work - and labor long in their robes to make the lessons impressive on the candidates.

You see them at every reunion . . . these brilliant minds and earnest citizens . . . striving hard to preach the blessings of tolerance, charity, patience, etc.

The reward may seem small to the profane, but to the real Mason the wages paid are ample. That's why men live fifty, sixty, seventy, and eighty years beneath the banner of the square and compass and at the end feel supremely well paid. Masonry always means lots of work. But it is worth the effort.

—from Davenport Scottish Rite

**SAFETY
IS
EVERYONE'S
RESPONSIBILITY.**

*"Resolve not to be poor;
whatever you have, spend less."*

—Dr. Samuel Johnson



For Your Information:

The Illustrious Albert W. Mills, 33°
Commander-In-Chief
of the
Albany Sovereign Consistory
takes pleasure in announcing
that the Active Membership of the Supreme Council
Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite
of Freemasonry
Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U.S.A.
has elected

Richard C. Mills

and

Stuart Sturges

to become

Honorary Members of the Supreme Council, 33°
on

September 27, 1988

Anticipating they will be coroneted
in Grand Rapids, Michigan
the Valley of Albany will hold
a Testimonial Dinner
in their honor at

Mario's Theatre Restaurant
Campbell Avenue, Troy, New York

October 21, 1988

Complimentary Social Hour
at 6:30 p.m.

a deLuxe Prime Rib Dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Ladies & Guests Invited

Black tie/evening
gown optional

\$25 per person

Reservations by check ONLY (payable to AASR) to either:

Russell LaGrange, Jr.
794 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12203


Clayton E. Simons
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Albany, NY 12205

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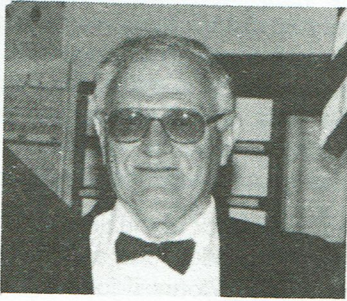
Deadline — October 14

Your tickets will be held at the door.

Honorary Members of the Supreme Council, MSA Holders and Officers will wear tuxedo, cap and jewel.



A Word from the Thrice Potent Master



First of all, I want to express my deep appreciation to the Respectable Brethren of the Ineffable and Sublime Grand Lodge of Perfection for their confidence in allowing me the honor and privilege of serving as their Thrice Potent Master for the ensuing year.

It is a difficult task to follow in the footsteps of my brother, James, who has made a start to improve the interest and attendance at Lodge, with his sports programs, trips and the inclusion of the ladies in our programs. However, I shall do my best to continue his programs and extend them to include other ideas of my own.

Documented records in Lexington, Massachusetts confirm the Lodge of Perfection in Albany, New York was founded in 1767, and the degrees of the Rite were conferred on December 20, 1767. While there has been much controversy in the Scottish Rite Body as to whether the 4th through the 14th degrees are higher than that of Master Mason, it is generally agreed that the primary purpose of the degrees is to enhance our understanding of Freemasonry. Throughout the history of the Lodge of Perfection, the underlying theme is fellowship, charity and the curing of social ills. The other, and possibly most important theme that can be derived from reading the history of the Lodge of Perfection, is that its founders intended the Lodge remain modern.

One of their concerns was that the Lodge of Perfection would become outdated. You must move forward. Too many times, my Brothers, you hear the words "That's not the way we used to do it," and "This temple used to be full." We must move on, look forward, set new objectives, but at the same time, preserve our glorious heritage. Maybe we can again "fill our temple."

At each of our Reunions we impress our candidates with our performance in our degrees. People are the backbone of the

Lodge of Perfection and our candidates are the best source for recruiting players and understudies for our degrees. Let's not let them pass by us to the Shrine without at least getting them to stop, look and listen to what we have to offer in Scottish Rite.

We need help and you don't have to be a great actor. Our candidates put in a long day and it's important that they leave with the best impression we can give them.

I believe that if people have a good time at meetings, it is very likely that they will attend more. Additionally, it is important to generate fellowship by providing the proper environment for its development. I plan to continue the fishing trips initiated by my brother, as well as some field trips. Further information on these plans will be forthcoming, and while you cannot please everyone at the same time, it is hoped that overall, a program will be held that interests you.

Our first Stated Communication will be held on Thursday, September 1st. This will be the ice breaker to start the year rolling. On October 6th we will hold the traditional Feast of Tishri. The usual twelve toasts will be offered prior to beginning the evening with a mouth-watering dinner. More about this later, but be sure to mark it in your calendar and make it a point to be there. We'll have a guest speaker, who promises to make it worthwhile your attendance.

Finally, I urge everyone in each of the Bodies to work together to promote the Fraternity. There's a lot of competition out there for members and their free time. I'm certain that our problems are not any more difficult than those faced by our founding fathers. It is my earnest hope that at some time in the future I can ask anyone on State Street "where is the Masonic Temple?" and have a 90% chance for a correct answer. It can be done, and it will take much time and effort. But, let's start!

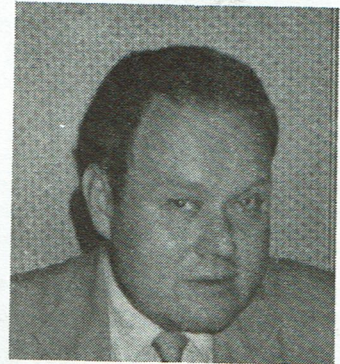
Again, I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve and it is my sincere wish that during the coming year, you will find both the time and the desire to support some of the programs in the Lodge of Perfection.

Richard A. Fuller, 32°
Thrice Potent Master

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Country Yodeling from the Sovereign Prince



As I assume the seat of Sovereign Prince, with humble thanks to the Brethren of the Valley of Albany, I ask myself the question; what can I do to improve the attendance and participation of our beloved craft?

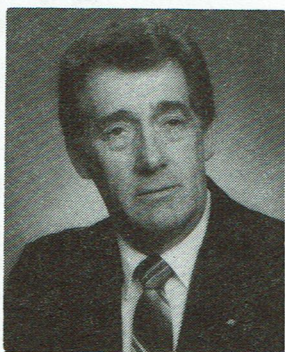
Without entering into the rhetoric of what has caused our present decline, let us first come to grips with the fact that we are not designed for every man. In fact there are numerous segments of our society that we simply do not want among our membership. Let us be selective to recruit only the man that we can take pride in. Let us remember that quantity does not insure quality. Also let us remember - if every man was a member of our ranks, that we would not be that special group that we are. Stop and think, isn't that why you joined in the first place?

During the upcoming year I will attempt to have enjoyable and interesting communications. With guidance from my predecessors and advice from all, let's have some fun. Let's look forward to Thursday evenings in Albany. They are your meetings brothers. Let's accent the positive, enjoy what we have and let the others do what they may!

In answer to my opening question, I really do not have any cures. I'm not really certain that the craft has any ills. I am certain the craft has survived this long because of solid footings and concrete tenants. It has reached this date due to not swaying to adapt to whims and fads of current situations. The great deeds that our Fraternity has accomplished are more than ample to fill any Library several times over. When we speak of Masonry we are first speaking of pride. Self pride, that is, we don't need a cure. In fact the cure may be the problem!!

Fred Fredrickson
Sovereign Prince

Message from the Most Wise Master



I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the Knights of Rose Croix of the Valley of Albany for electing me to serve as their Most Wise Master for the ensuing year. To the other Officers of the chapter I offer my congratulations and look forward to a year of harmonious fellowship in an effort to continue the important work of our Craft.

It was a pleasure representing our Chapter at the Council of Deliberation at The Pines, July 8 - 10, 1988. There were many informative programs and a very motivating presentation by the Most Worshipful Grand Master Roswell T. Swits. The theme of this year's meeting was that leadership, not membership, is one of our problems. There is much to be considered from this, for it is true without good programs and communications the membership finds it difficult to be supportive. However, when dedicated leaders provide direction, it becomes the obligation of the members to support the program. No great leader was ever successful without the support of his members.

This year we will attempt to provide programs of interest to our Knights with the following schedule: on Nov. 17, 1988 the guest speaker will be Charles R. Treadgold, Risk Manager - whose topic is *Love Thy Neighbor, Dream The Impossible Dream and Properly Insure Your Assets* - for members only; on Jan. 19, 1989 Ill.: Robert F. Case, 33° Active, Deputy for New York, will speak on a topic to be announced later - ladies are invited to this meeting; on March 16, 1989 Ill.: Fred B. Hill, Jr., Board Member of Springfield Hospital for Crippled Children will speak on *The Progress of New Hospital* - ladies invited; and on March 19, 1989 - *The Feast of the Paschal Lamb* will take place at the Masonic Temple.

I am pleased to announce, with pride, that our guest speaker for the Feast of the

Paschal Lamb on March 19, 1989 will be Right Worshipful Richard P. Thomas, 32°, newly elected Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of the State of New York. Due to the outstanding acceptance and success of this past year's ceremony we will again be celebrating the Feast at the Masonic Temple in Albany.

Also, we are going to attempt to provide refreshments at the Temple following our meetings.

As we return to our Blue Lodges this Fall, begin to search out Brother Master Masons who you would be proud to present as candidates for the Fall Reunion. Remember that new members are the blood-line of our fraternity and we must all work together to preserve our great heritage.

If I or any of my Officers can be of any assistance to you during the coming year, please feel free to call upon us.

Edward T. Rose
Most Wise Master

"Where did you and your husband go on your vacation this year?" a woman asked her friend.

"We had a marvelous time in Curacao," her friend replied.

"I've never heard of Curacao," the first woman said, "Where is that?"

"I don't know. We flew."

QUOTE

What About The Blue Lodge?

Ever stop to think that if you had not been honored by some Blue Lodge, you would never have received any of the degrees of the Scottish Rite? Ever stop to think of those three obligations you received in the Blue Lodge and the duties they imposed.

Ever think back to the time when, as an Entered Apprentice, and as a Fellowcraft, you were fitting yourself for better work in this world.

Remember the fellows who sat with you on the sidelines.

Perhaps you have been keeping pace in this fast moving world and have drifted from your Blue Lodge association. Many of the Brothers of your time were able to keep up the pace and still be found there. They probably wonder why you haven't dropped around to visit. Stop in next week. They'll be glad to see you.

Attend your Blue Lodge. It's a better lodge when you attend.

THE
Family:
make
it  in your
Life
SCOTTISH
RITE MASONIC
FAMILY LIFE WEEK

Commitment

A pig and a chicken were walking along one day when the pig realized that he hadn't had breakfast. Just as he mentioned that to the chicken, the chicken noticed a restaurant across the street. A sign on the restaurant window said, "Special: Ham & Eggs—99¢."

The chicken started to walk up the steps briskly. The pig, however, paused. The chicken urged the pig on, saying, "Let's go, I'm hungry."

The pig replied, "Ham & Eggs—for you, chicken, that's a contribution; for me it's a total commitment"

COMMUNICATIONS BRIEFINGS

On Aging

A new driver, filling out a form for a driver's license at the Motor Vehicle Bureau, hesitated at the space marked, "Age."

After waiting politely, the clerk leaned over the counter and whispered very discreetly, "The longer you wait, the worse it gets."

What Is a Parent?

Parents ... bear infants, bore teenagers, and board newlyweds.

PEL-I-CAN NEWS, Morton Thiokol, Inc., Shreveport, Louisiana. Art Warfel, Editor.

Supreme Council Session

An attendance of more than 2,200, composed of nearly 1,100 Thirty-third Degree Masons and their ladies', is expected to visit Grand Rapids, Michigan between September 23 and 28 as the Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Freemasonry for the fifteen-state Northern Jurisdiction holds its 176th Annual Meeting.

This year's Supreme Council sessions, the first since 1934 at Grand Rapids, will feature the conferral of the Thirty-third Degree upon 173 Scottish Rite Masons who were nominated and elected to receive this high honor at the 1987 meeting in Boston. The Thirty-third Degree is awarded for outstanding achievement in the Fraternity or for significant contributions to others reflecting credit on Freemasonry. The impressive ceremony will take place in DeVos Hall, Grand Center, on Tuesday evening, September 27.

Executive business sessions attended by the Active Members and Officers of the Supreme Council will occupy Friday, September 23 and Saturday, September 24, at convention headquarters, the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel.

Large-scale events begin on Sunday afternoon, September 25, when the DeVos Hall, Grand Center, will be the scene of the traditional Supreme Council Vesper Service. The Reverend Asa T. Compton, Pastor Emeritus of Faith United Methodist Church of Trenton, Michigan and a member of the Class will deliver the Vesper Sermon, assisted by Sovereign Grand Commander Francis G. Paul of Lexington, Massachusetts, Reverend Kenneth V. Kettlewell, Grand Prior of the Supreme Council and Pastor of Trinity United Presbyterian Church, Zanesville, Ohio, and Reverend James M. Lichliter, retired minister of the Congregational Church, Battle Creek, Michigan.

Sovereign Grand Commander Francis G. Paul will preside over the general sessions of the Supreme Council. These general sessions will occur on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, September 26, 27, and 28 at DeVos Hall, Grand Center and the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel where distinguished leaders of other Masonic organizations in the United States, Canada, Europe, and Latin America will join Northern Jurisdiction members to hear reports and participate in discussion periods.

A number of other events have been scheduled, including a luncheon for all ladies attending the Grand Rapids meeting, which will take place in the Welsh Auditorium of the Grand Center on Monday, September 26. Mrs. Bette Paul, wife of the Sovereign Grand Commander, will preside and the Harmonettes, a singing trio, will entertain. On the same evening, DeVos Hall will be the site of a concert entitled "An American Spectacular" by the Grand Rapids Symphony with John Varineau conducting.

Another event of interest to those attending the Supreme Council activities as well as the general public is the special exhibit called "Fraternity Yours" on display at the Gerald R. Ford Library and Museum. This exhibit, on display from August 15 to November 30, 1988, was developed by The Museum of Our National Heritage located in Lexington, Massachusetts, which is sponsored by the Supreme Council. The exhibit contains Masonic as well as many other fraternal organizations' memorabilia including various items of regalia, paintings, prints, music and photographs. The exhibit is one of the most important and extensive of its kind in the United States.

In addition to these and other events sponsored by the Supreme Council, many smaller social functions will take place throughout the week under the auspices of the fifteen participating states and local Scottish Rite groups located in cities and towns across the Northern Jurisdiction.

The events will conclude on Wednesday morning, September 28th, with a final general session in the Ambassador Ballroom of the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel. There will be an announcement of the names of those chosen to receive the Thirty third Degree at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1989.



Family Night Pancake Supper

On Thursday night, November 3, 1988 at 6:30 p.m. there will be a pancake and sausage supper at the Temple. The price is \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for children (10 & under); and a max of \$6.00 per family.

Dads' and Grandpas' - here's a chance to bring your family and friends to the Temple and get them acquainted. Who knows, if you bring them around once in a while, as they get older they may just keep coming.

This program will be catered towards the kids. We'll have entertainment to keep the younger ones busy, and we will get you out by 9:00 p.m. so they'll be set for school the next day.

Reservations are needed by October 28 to either Dick Fuller at 356-0887 or Jim Fuller at 456-5122.

You bring the family and we will send you home proud and happy!

Fishing - Fishing

There will be another fishing trip to Lake Ontario and to the Salmon River. The date for this adventure is scheduled for October 4, 1988 and we will be fishing for Coho Salmon. For further information or answers to your questions (keep in mind - right answers cost a little more than wrong ones!), call Dick Fuller at 356-0887 or Jim Fuller at 456-5122. Please get your reservations in early though, available room is limited.



**ARRIVE ALIVE.
DON'T DRINK
AND DRIVE.**

FALL REUNION — OCTOBER 15, 1988

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite

NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION, U.S.A.
VALLEY OF ALBANY, N.Y.
MASONIC TEMPLE, 67 MAIDEN LANE, ALBANY, N.Y. 12207

PETITION FOR { DEGREES AFFILIATION (Cross Out One)

To the Officers and Members of

INEFFABLE AND SUBLIME GRAND LODGE OF PERFECTION 14°
GRAND COUNCIL PRINCES OF JERUSALEM 16°
ALBANY SOVEREIGN CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX 18°
ALBANY SOVEREIGN CONSISTORY S. P. R. S. 32°

I, the undersigned hereof, humbly show that I am desirous of being admitted as a member of your honorable body, and request that I may be received among you, and I will ever pray for the prosperity and glory of the Fraternity and the welfare of the Brethren.

In making this application, I promise on my word of honor that, should I be elected and become a member of your honorable body, I will bear true faith, allegiance and fealty to the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-third and last Degree, of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, under whose authority the said Body is now holden, and will support and abide by its Constitutions, Orders and Decrees; that I will hold allegiance and be loyal to the said Supreme Council as the Supreme Power of the said Rite within the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States; that I will hold as illegal and spurious every other Body of whatever degree claiming to be of the said Rite, that may be established within its Jurisdiction, that is not holden mediately or immediately under its authority and will hold communication whatever in Scottish Rite Freemasonry with any member of the same, nor allow him to visit any body of the said Rite of which I may be a member; and should I violate any part of this promise I consent to be expelled from Scottish Rite Freemasonry and to forfeit all my rights therein, and in any Body of the Rite, and be denounced to every body thereof in the world as a traitor and forsworn.

Name in Full (Print) _____
(First Name) (Middle Name) (Last Name)

Date of Birth _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

Place of Birth _____
(Town) (State or County)

Residence _____
(Street and Number) (City) (Zip Code)

Have resided in above place since _____

Have resided in New York State since _____

Occupation _____

Business Address (or Employer) _____

Your Mailing Address _____
(Street Number) (City) (Zone No.)

Telephone No. _____

Were you ever a member of the Order of DeMolay? _____

I have _____ before petitioned for the degrees of the Rite; and was _____

I am a member of _____ Lodge, No. _____ Located at _____

I am a member of _____ Lodge of Perfection _____ Council, P. of J.

_____ Chapter of Rose Croix _____ Consistory; located at _____

Date _____ Candidate's Signature _____

Recommended By _____ Signature _____
(Please Print)

	Lodge	Council	Chapter	Consistory	Total
Initiation	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$135.00
Dues	\$ 6.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 19.00
Assessment	\$ 2.00				\$ 2.00

NOTE: Rules and Regulations—Article 1. Section 20. An accepted petitioner must be present himself for the degrees within one year of his election, or the election shall lapse, unless the time is extended by unanimous vote of the body by ballot. Each extension by vote shall be for one year.

From the Secretary

just a note



Richard G. Barrell, 33°
Secretary



Thanks so much to you who have made my job a bit easier by sending in your 1988/89 dues. Although a lot of work and long hours are involved in the process, it is gratifying to see hundreds and hundreds of returns filling the mail box so soon after annual statements have been mailed.

For those that have yet to remit their dues, remember, my Brothers, your dues are the life blood of the Valley of Albany. Without your prompt payment, many of the Valley's programs are either curtailed or cancelled. As evidenced by your new presiding Officers' messages, they have adopted a positive and enthusiastic approach for next year's calendar. To help them reach their goals and succeed, they need your help and support. This can be done by your participation and payment of dues. If you haven't already done so, how about writing that check today!

October 15th will soon be upon us. Have **YOU** obtained that petition yet? Candidates are all around us. All you have to do is **ASK**. And while you're asking, be sure to tell your prospective Blue Lodge candidate that the numbering of our Scottish Rite Degrees in no way suggests that they are "higher" than the Master Mason degree, but, rather, an extension of the moral lessons taught in Symbolic Lodge. Scottish Rite work amplifies and elaborates on these lessons.

To the newly elected and appointed officers - congratulations! Rest assured, my office is open to you at all times, and if I may be of service to you, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Thank you, my Brothers, for your continued cooperation and support.

FALL REUNION — OCTOBER 15th

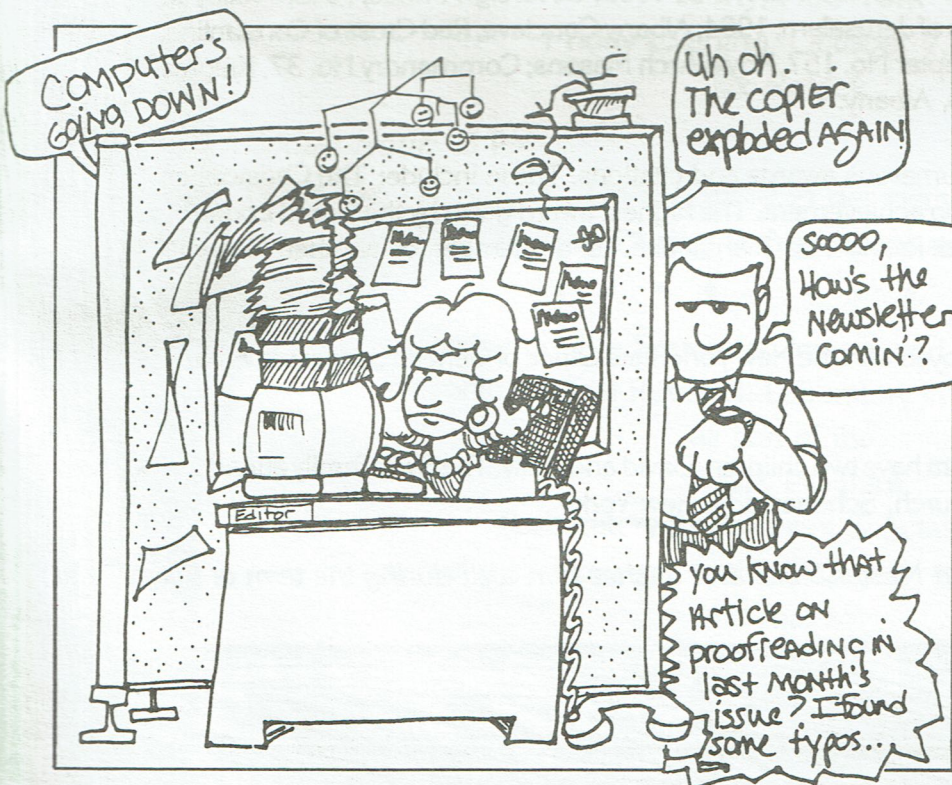
Local Student Awarded Abbott Scholarship

The Rite Light is pleased to announce that this year's recipient of the Abbott Scholarship was awarded to Anthony Gene Harris of 1206 Van Huesen Road, Castleton, New York.

Anthony is a graduate of Maple Hill High School and plans to attend Norwich University, Northfield, Vermont. He is the son of Adele and David B. Harris, 32°, and grandson of Lauretta and Donald B. Harris, 32°. Both David and Donald are members of the Valley of Albany.

Abbott Scholarships are given to the children of Scottish Rite Masonic families or to young people who have been active in Masonic-related organizations such as DeMolay, Rainbow and Job's Daughters. The grants are made throughout the fifteen state jurisdiction.

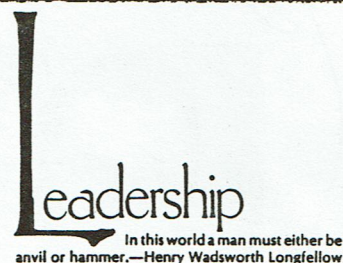
The Rite Light extends congratulations to Anthony Harris and wishes him well at Norwich.





M.:W.:ROSWELL T. SWITS

*Grand Master of Masons
in the State of New York*



M.:W.:Roswell T. Swits

M.:W.:Roswell T. Swits of Schenectady, New York was elected to the office of Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, at the Two Hundred Seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, held in Niagara Falls, New York, May 3rd & 4th, 1988.

The Grand Master became a Master Mason in St. George's Lodge No. 6 in 1967. He served as Master of his Lodge in 1974.

Brother Swits served as Grand Standard Bearer, 1976-78; as Senior Grand Warden, 1984-86; and as Deputy Grand Master, 1986-88. He was active in the Grand Lodge Charity Corporations Committee, 1977-80 and served four years as a Director of the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory at Utica, New York.

The Grand Master holds several honorary Lodge memberships as well as active memberships in related organizations which include: Scottish Rite Valley of Schenectady (AASR-NMJ), coronetted 33° by the Supreme Council AASR-NMJ, 1985; Sovereign Prince, AASR Valley of Schenectady, Council of Princes of Jerusalem, 1984; Albany Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, Past Recorder; St. George's Chapter No. 157, Royal Arch Masons; Commandry No. 37, Knights Templar; Shrine (A.A.O.N.M.S.), Albany.

Brother Swits has received numerous awards and citations. These include: The Christopher Champlain Medal for outstanding achievement. The highest award given by the Grand Lodge of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, to a member of another Masonic jurisdiction.

Brother Swits has been employed with the New York State Office of General Services in Albany since 1954.

Brother Swits and his wife Elvira have two children, David and Holly. The Swits family attend the Broadway United Methodist Church, Schenectady, New York.

The Rite Light salutes Grand Master Swits and wishes him well during the term of his stewardship.

It's A Formal Affair

1988 Grandmaster's Ball

We are pleased to announce the upcoming extravaganza
honoring

Our Beloved and Most Worshipful Roswell Taylor Swits
Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York

will take place
in the

Empire State Plaza Convention Center
Albany, New York

Friday Evening, October 7, 1988
six o'clock

Social Hour: 6 PM
Black Tie

Veal Dinner: 7:30 PM

Donation: \$35 per person
Dancing During Refreshment and Dinner

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All proceeds from the Souvenir Journal and Dinner will be for the
Masonic Medical Research Laboratory in Utica, New York

as part of the

L.E.A.F. Program

(Laboratory Endowment & Action Fund)


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Red Hat = NEWS =



Troy's New Red Hat Robert F. Parslow, 32°, M.S.A.

We are pleased to announce that at the recent Council of Deliberation convocation, Robert F. Parslow was awarded the Meritorious Service Award.


Born in Watervliet, N.Y. in 1927 to Mr. & Mrs. John F. Parslow, Brother Parslow was educated in the Troy, West Sand Lake, and Averill Park school systems. After a two year period in the U.S. Navy, he married his wife Ellie in 1947 and went to work for Ehrlich Auto Parts in Troy where he stayed for 39 years. He presently works for D & W Diesel and Electric in Troy. During that time they have raised two wonderful children, John and Helen, and now have six grandchildren.

During the following years Bob has been a member of Albia Lodge of Odd Fellows, member and Past President of the former Troy Vocal Society, Treasurer of Troy Astronomy Club, member of Albany Amateur Radio Club, member and present Commodore of Van Schaick Island Yacht Club, member of Christ Church United Methodist in Troy and has been soloist at several area churches.

Masonically, Brother Parslow became a member of King Solomon's Primitive Lodge #91 in 1971 and served as Master in 1976 and has served as Treasurer since. He has served on the District Masonic Education Committee and also a member of the Old Seventeenth Past Masters' Association and Secretary of King Solomon's Past Masters' Association. Presently he is Chairman of the House Committee and an Officer in the Troy Masonic Temple Association.

In 1973 he became a member of Troy Delta Bodies and Albany Sovereign Consistory after which he has served as Most Wise Master and Sovereign Prince as well as Degree Director and Degree participant. He is also presently serving as Master of Ceremonies in the Albany Consistory, Hospitaler for the Valley of Troy, and Trustee to the TMTA. Brother Parslow is also a member of Oriental Shrine Temple, Troy Shrine Patrol, Past President of Troy Shrine Club, as well as being Associate Patron of Palestine Chapter #270, Order of the Eastern Star.

Congratulations Bob! You've earned it!



Albany's New Red Hat Brother Harold J. Clark, 32°, M.S.A.

Brother Harold Clark was honored at the recent Council of Deliberation by being granted the prestigious Meritorious Service Award. Brother Clark commented recently "*it surprised the dickens out of me*". Be that as it may, the Award is truly justified.

Harold has served the Masonic Fraternity well since being raised in Guttenberg Lodge #737 in 1977. In addition, he continues to render exemplary and unselfish volunteer service to St. Peter's Hospice in Albany.

Harold has served as Worshipful Master of both Guttenberg Lodge #737 and Washington Lodge #85 and is also a member of Wadsworth Lodge #417. He is a member of the Fellowcraft Club of all three Lodges, the Square Key Club, and the Nite Owls. In Scottish Rite he served as Most Wise Master of Albany Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix. Harold is also a member of Cyprus Shrine Temple and its Clown Unit, the Albany District Degree Team, and the Capital District Masonic Association. In the latter he serves on the committee on relief.

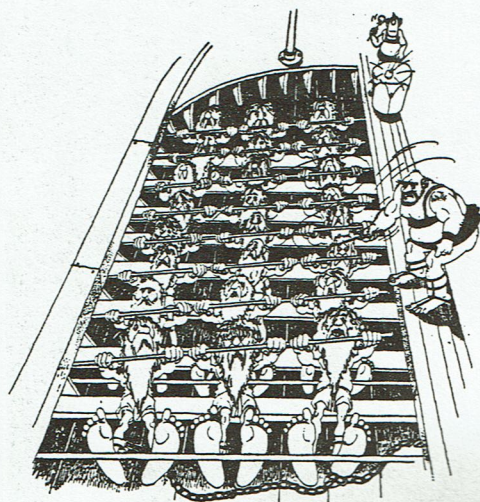
Harold is a long time member of the Bethlehem Community Reformed Church and has served the Church as an Elder.

St. Peter's Hospice is dedicated to the care of terminally ill patients and Brother Harold has served it faithfully as a full time volunteer for a long time. He transports patients, feeds those who need such help, cooks for them, and — as he puts it — does anything at all that needs doing.

A Testimonial Dinner, honoring Brother Clark, will be held at the Colonie Elks Club on Saturday, November 12th at 6:30 pm. Reservations may be made with either Russ LaGrange (438-7128); Ed Rose (784-2291); or Fred Werking (271-7906).

Congratulations, Harold, on this well deserved honor!

It Takes a lot of Hands to Keep a Ship Moving!



Ask any Degree Director. The Valleys of Troy and Albany are fortunate in having dedicated members to exemplify the several degrees conferred during our Class Reunions. And especially are we blessed in having such dependable Degree Directors. Our two Directors of Degrees - Ill.: Albert W. Mills, 33° and Ill.: William S. Assini, 33° - Albany and Troy respectively, are to be commended for their time and effort. Together with Ill.: Eugene L. Rogers, 33°; Ill.: Jack B. Spear, 33°; Ill.: John A. Sainz, 33°; Russell J. LaGrange Jr., MSA; Aloysius H. Curran, MSA; Harold J. Clark, MSA; Richard H. Welkley; Donald MacKenze, Lewis O. Slocum; and Robert F. Parslow, MSA, our beautiful degrees reflect the hard work and cooperation in putting them on.

And let's not forget those that "keep the ship moving". Here are the names of the participants in the upcoming Fall Reunion:

4° Cast

Director: Jack B. Spear, 33°

Solomon, King of Israel Richard C. Mills
(Thrice Potent Master)
Adoniram Russell J. LaGrange Jr.
(Deputy Master)
Abda Bruce Pavloff
(Senior Warden)
Zabud Fred B. Hill, Jr.
(Junior Warden)
Zadok Donald R. Morrell, Jr.
(Orator)
Ahisher Philip H. Mero
(Master of Ceremonies)
Zerbal Aloysius H. Curran
(Captain of the Guard)
Neophyte Member of the Class
Three Levites James M. Fuller
James L. Fuller
Richard A. Fuller
(Guards)
Organist Glen P. Cook

14° Cast

Director: John A. Sainz, 33°

Thrice Potent Master John A. Sainz
Deputy Master William V. Iacocca
Senior Warden Richard F. Cesare
Junior Warden William F. Tschumi
Captain of the Guard William S. Assini
Orator Malcolm L. Ogden
Master of Ceremonies Robert F. Parslow
Prologue & Moses ... Rev. Donald J. Gardner
Inquiry Rev. Richard H. Welkley
Exam - Questions William V. Iacocca
Exam - Answers Robert F. Parslow

15° Cast

Director: Aloysius H. Curran, M.S.A.

Cyrus (King of Persia) Michael Weisberg
Sysina (Master of Cavalry) Robert Brown
Nebuzaradan Russell J. LaGrange, Jr.
Daniel J. Richard Wilson
Abazar Edward T. Rose
Ratim Gordon Gibson
Zerubbabel Richard C. Mills
Zemira To be announced
Satrap, Guards, attendants-walk on, non speaking parts will be volunteers as available.

17° Cast

Director: Robert F. Parslow, M.S.A.

1st Section

Most Wise Master Newton Buckner
Senior Warden Lewis O. Slocum
Junior Warden William Tschumi
Orator William S. Assini

2nd Section

Ven. Master Richard H. Welkley
Ven. Night S.W. Alexander R. Grone
Ven. Night J.W. Donald Gardner
Resp. Night M.C. Lewis O. Slocum
Resp. Night Capt. of Guard Robert Haizlip
Voice Newton Buckner

18° Cast

Director: Harold J. Clark, M.S.A.

Most Wise Master Robert L. Brown
Senior Warden Richard C. Mills
Junior Warden James R. Wilson
Orator Warren D. Moessner
Master of Ceremonies Aloysius H. Curran
Captain of the Guard David J. Baul
Voice Norman Johnson

20° Cast

Director: Eugene L. Rogers, 33°

Master Ad Vitam Opening

Venerable Master Lewis O. Slocum
Senior Warden Richard C. Mills
Junior Warden Richard F. Cesare
Orator William A. Webster
Treasurer John Russell
Secretary Lee P. Perry
Senior Deacon Newton Buckner
Junior Deacon Richard A. Fuller
Hospitaler Edward T. Rose
Tiler Richard H. Welkley

Dramatic Section

James Mercer Alexander R. Grone
Edmund Randolph Alan C. Lewis
Gen. G. Washington ... Frederick A. Werking
Marquis De Lafayette ... Robert D. Webster
Gen. Israel Putnam John A. Sainz
Gen. Henry Knox Glen P. Cook
Gen. Mordecai Gist Charles W. Fake
Col. John Sullivan William S. Assini
Sir Francis Cranston Robert F. Parslow
Col. Gilbert Beltower William V. Iacocca
Thomas Gerry Russell J. LaGrange Jr.
Col. Samuel Crisp Clifford Thomas
Benedict Arnold Albert W. Mills

32° Cast

Director: Eugene L. Rogers, 33°

Ceremonial (First) Section

Commander-in-Chief Albert W. Mills
1st Lt. Commander Clayton E. Simons
2nd Lt. Commander Alan C. Lewis
Orator William V. Iacocca
Chancellor Russell J. LaGrange Jr.
Master of Ceremonies Robert F. Parslow
Engineer & Seneschal Richard F. Cesare
Hospitaler James J. Van De Wal
Standard Bearer Lewis O. Slocum
Asst. Standard Bearer Robert D. Webster
Guard Alexander R. Grone
Thrice Potent Master Richard A. Fuller
Sovereign Prince Fred C. Fredrickson
Most Wise Master Edward T. Rose
Worshipful Master Raymond A. Zink
Organist Glen P. Cook
Trumpeter George B. Hunt

Allegory

Bishop Clifford Thomas
Prince Commander Alexander R. Grone
Herald Lee P. Perry
Knight Lodge of Perf. William A. Webster
Knight Pr. of Jerusalem .. Richard H. Welkley
Knight of Rose Croix Lewis O. Slocum
Knight Kadosh William V. Iacocca
Constans Richard C. Mills
Florio Robert F. Parslow
Urban Robert D. Webster
Rufus Glen P. Cook
Ignatius Richard F. Cesare
Captain of the Guard Jack F. Finnegan
Priest Newton Buckner
Priest John Russell
Crucifer Gordon L. Kirkland
Thurifer Raymond A. Zink

As you can see there are several members who take part in more than one degree. This shouldn't be. Many of the parts are merely walk-ons or have very little to say. How about offering your services and take part? It will make everyone a bit happier, and you'll be glad you did.

Mother: "Now, Josh, be a good boy and say 'Ah-h-h,' so the doctor can get his finger out of your mouth."

The Officers of the Valley of Albany wish all of our Jewish Brethren, their families and friends —

Best Wishes
for a
Happy
New Year

לשנה טובה תכתבו



REINSTATEMENTS

In every community in this jurisdiction, there are Masons who have allowed their membership to lapse. The restoration of these brethren is very important, really just as important as, or more so than, securing new applications. Many of them need only to be asked to reinstate. Possibly being a bit timid, they do not know just how to proceed and a word from you would bring them back into the fold. If you know of a suspended Brother, won't you cooperate by seeing him at once, and asking him to write the Secretary or see him personally for the procedure of reinstatement. A satisfactory adjustment can be arranged for all who apply.

UNIFORMITY (and this time we're not talking blue jeans!)

Public schools in two cities will open this September with children sporting a new "in" look. Students in Baltimore, Maryland and Washington, D.C. will have to be wearing uniforms.

Parents, initially opposed to the new dress codes, are taking an enthusiastic second look, because the clothes are reasonably priced and well designed for durability. Kids, who initially thumbed their noses at the idea, are warming to the thought of "belonging" that uniforms instantly convey.

Is this the beginning of a new trend? Some educators hope so. They are counting on uniforms to improve morale and discipline in their schools.

MERCY

A woman tried to make her way through the crowd gathering around a traffic accident victim. Suddenly she was shoved aside by a man who declared: "Step back! I've had a course in first aid."

The woman watched the man for a moment, then tapped him on the shoulder and said, "When you get to the part about calling a doctor, I'm already here."

Accidents or health catastrophies can strike at anytime. If you have not drawn up a will, your property may be disposed of in ways you never wanted or envisioned, sometimes to the detriment of your immediate survivors.

When there is no will... states generally require the surviving spouse to share half to two-thirds of your estate with children, parents, brothers, sisters, and possibly nieces and nephews, even if only your spouse helped you accumulate your property.

When there is no will... and children are left, they generally receive equal shares of your property, regardless of their age or ability to handle the property. When there are no apparent heirs, your estate automatically goes into the treasury of the state in which you lived.

Now this may not be what you would want, but in many states it's the law... unless **you** make out a will and spell out how **you** would like your personal and real property to be disposed of upon your death.

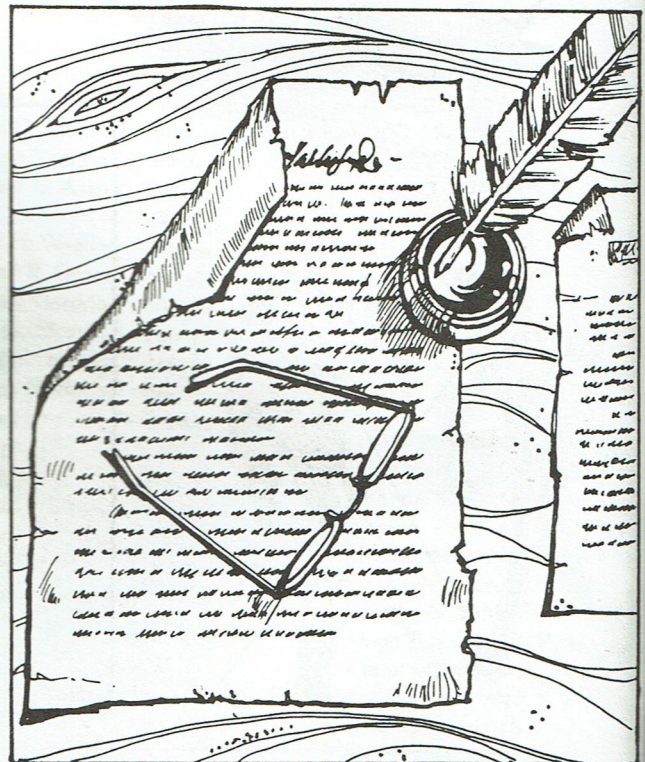
A will is essential for proper property distribution, whether you own only the clothes on your back and maybe a car, or the equity in a house, other parcels of real estate, bank accounts, stock and the like. In fact, a will is the only way you can retain control of how your estate will be handled.

A will allows you to name an executor, a person to represent you in probating your will. After proving it valid in court, your personal representative can distribute your property as directed by your will. With a will, you can provide for your spouse the way you would prefer and you can decide who should be responsible for the care of minor children and how they should have access to your funds.

Because a will has no legal effect until you die, you can change it as your circumstances change. In other words, if you marry, you can include your wife and family. If you divorce, you can alter your will accordingly. Having an attorney draw up your will as specified by state law is, without a doubt, the best way to go. While you can write your own will, you can't be certain that your handwritten document will hold up to challenge in probate.

It's never too early! If you don't have a will, take the time to get in touch with an attorney to prepare one. Buy peace of mind... for yourself and your family, and do it **today..**

Do You Have a Will?



**SERVICE
MEANS
PAYING
ATTENTION.**

**Did you hear the one about the
botanist who crossed poison ivy
with a four-leaf clover and came up
with a rash of good luck?**

FARMERS ALMANAC

*People judge
Freemasonry
by what they see in
Freemasons*

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Congratulations!



R.W.:RONALD H. NOLL
District Deputy Grand Master
Albany District

Brother Noll appointed District Deputy Grand Master

Our newly appointed Master of Ceremonies of the Albany Sovereign Chapter of Rose Croix, Ronald H. Noll, 32°, was pleasantly surprised — as we were — last May, when he was informed by Most Worshipful Roswell T. Swits, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, that he had been appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the Albany District for the year 1988/1989.

Brother Noll's achievement in attaining this high honor presented by the Grand Master gives him additional responsibility with its appropriate recognition.

Ronald H. Noll was born on January 17, 1934 in Albany, New York. He graduated from Albany High School in 1953 and later attended the College of Saint Rose and the Adirondack Community College. After serving with the United States Army, he was honorably discharged in 1956.

Brother Noll has been employed with the Norstar Bancorp (formerly State Bank of Albany) since 1960. He is presently Vice President and Manager of the Norstar Corporate Headquarters, located in the old (but beautifully refurbished) Union Railroad Station on Broadway, Albany.

Ron was raised in Wadsworth Lodge No. 417, F. & A. M. on February 27, 1957. He served as its Master in 1973 and has been Treasurer of Wadsworth Lodge since 1974.

Soon after Brother Noll was initiated into the William D. Goewey Chapter, Order of DeMolay, Brother Noll advanced through the chairs and became Master Councillor in 1951. In 1987 he was awarded the prestigious Legion of Honor by the International Supreme Council.

Brother Noll was President of the Glens Falls Kiwanis Club in 1985 and received the distinctive Distinguished President's Award for his exceptional performance during his tenure of office.

Ron has also served as a member of the Glens Falls Salvation Army Board of Directors, the Adirondack Chapter of the American Red Cross and in 1980, Chairman of the American Heart Association Fund for Warren and Washington Counties.

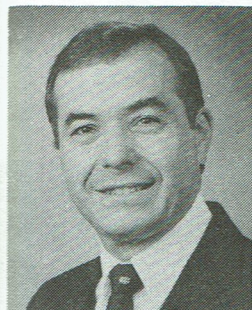
Brother Noll is married to the former Beverly Baxter. They have two children — David, who is a recent graduate of Norwich Military Academy, and Joanne, who attends Shaker High School.

The Rite Light extends its most profound felicitations to Brother Noll for this noteworthy milestone in his Masonic career and wish him great success in the many years ahead. We are proud to have you as a member of the Valley of Albany!!!

1988/1989 PRESIDING OFFICERS

Valley of Troy

Delta Bodies, Valley of Troy, held their Annual Public Installation of Officers on May 20th, 1988. The following were elected to preside over their respective organization for the ensuing year:



Thrice Potent Master

Richard Howard Welkley, born in Rochester, N.Y. (1937), is graduated from Fairport (NY) Central School (1955), Nyack College (BS 1960), and McGill University (BD 1969). He is an ordained minister of Troy Methodist Conference and is presently serving in Lansingburgh, NY. He is recently married to Arlene Armstrong of Troy. The Welkley family consists of sons Andrew & Matthew Welkley, William & Kerry Armstrong, and daughter Janice Armstrong.

Bro. Welkley was raised a Free & Accepted Mason in Champlain Lodge #237 in 1965. De-mitting to King Solomon's Primitive Lodge #91 Troy, NY) in 1975, he was elected Master in 1981. He was appointed Grand Chaplain in 1983 and has been reappointed annually since. Bro. Welkley joined Scottish Rite Valley of Troy and Albany Consistory in 1976. He served as Most Wise Master of Rose Croix in 1982 and is presently Thrice Potent Master of the Lodge of Perfection and Chaplain of the Valley of Troy. He is director of the Sixth Degree and enjoys parts in many other degrees. He is Chairman of Valley of Troy Membership Committee. He holds membership in Oriental Shrine Temple and in Troy Shrine Club. He is Past President of the Troy Area Masonic Veterans Association and is a life member of Capital District Masonic Association. In 1981 he was elected President of Rensselaer-Schenectady District Masters and Wardens Association. He is an honorary member of Evening Star Lodge #75.

Rev. Welkley has served a number of churches in Northeast N.Y. State. He has served Troy Conference in many capacities as chairman or secretary of Boards, Commissions, and Committees. His love of youth and camping has been in evidence as a Director and Counselor of youth camps since 1964 and Advisor to local church Youth Fellowships since his college days.

Bro. Welkley serves his community well as a member of many volunteer organizations. He has just been appointed to the Board of Directors of PAHL House, a charity of Delta Bodies. Bro. Welkley is also a charter member of the Lansingburgh Kiwanis Club.

Most Wise Master



Lewis O. Slocum is a graduate of Greenwich Central School and the New York State Agricultural & Technical Institute at Alfred, N.Y. He served in the United States Army from 1951 to 1953. Bro. Slocum is married to the former Carol M. Lane. The Slocum family consists of two sons, Lawrence and Douglas, and one daughter - Cynthia. They also have five grandchildren - Drew, Michael, Randi, Daniel, and Matthew.

Bro. Slocum is a member and Past Master of Da Wa Lodge #820; member and Past High Priest of Montgomery Chapter #257; member and Past 1st Master of Cryptic Council #37; member and Past Commander of Washington Commandry #33; Past District Deputy of the Saratoga-Warren Masonic District; and Past District Deputy of 5th Cryptic District. He is also a member of Troy Delta Bodies and Albany Sovereign Consistory A.A.S.R. Bro. Slocum is a Past Thrice Potent Master of Delta Lodge of Perfection, present Most Wise Master of Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, Standard Bearer of Albany Sovereign Consistory; member and Chief Rabban of the Oriental Temple A.A.N.O.M.S.; member and Past President of the Saratoga Shrine Club; and member and Past Patron of the Star of Liberty Chapter #359 - Order of the Eastern Star. He is a member of Trinity Priory K.Y.C.H.; member of Royal Order of Scotland; and a member of the Royal Order of Jesters Court #122.

Bro. Slocum is also a member and Past Treasurer of Yankee-Doodle Saratoga Battle Chapter - Sons of the American Revolution; member of the National Society of Founders and Patriots of America; Life Member of the National Rifle Association; and Past President of G.E. Quarter Century Club.

Bro. Slocum has been employed by General Electric Company of Waterford, N.Y. for 32 years. He is a member of Shenendehowa United Methodist Church and a member of the Administrative Board.

Sovereign Prince

Malcolm L. Ogden Sr. is a graduate of Fort Edward High School and of Albany Business College. He is a Veteran of the United States Air Force and is employed by General Electric of Fort Edward. Mr. Ogden and his wife Betty reside at 44 Center Street, Fort Edward, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Ogden's family is made up of five daughters and one son.

Mr. Ogden is a member and Past Master of Fort Edward Lodge #267 F. & A. M. He is currently serving as their Junior Warden. He is a member and Past Patron of Fort Edward Chapter #376 O.E.S. - where his wife and five daughters are also members. Mr. Ogden is a member of Cambridge Valley Chapter #570 O.E.S.; Past Assistant Grand Lecturer of Washington Masonic District for 1983 - 1985; Past Grand Director of Ceremonies for 1986; and Past District Grand Lecturer for Warren-Washington District O.E.S. for 1987. He is also a member of the Troy Delta Bodies; member of the Oriental Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.; and a member of the Saratoga Shrine Club.

Mr. Ogden's community activities include: member and Past President of the Fort Edward Lions Club; member and Past President of the George Satterlee Hose Company - where he served as Secretary for 13 years; and a member of the Board of Trustees and Past President of Sandy Hill and Fort Edward Union Cemetery Association. He is also a member and Secretary of the Village of Fort Edward Zoning Board of Appeals; member of the Village Baptist Church and Past Chairman of the Board of Trustees; member of the Tee Bird Country Club; and a member of the Volunteer Firemen's Bowling League - where he is currently serving his 14th year as Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Ogden enjoys driving the Shriners Transportation Van to Springfield, Montreal and Boston Hospitals. He also enjoys golfing, bowling and dreaming.

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QUOTE

FALL REUNION — OCTOBER 15th — GET THAT PETITION!

A visitor stopped at a fraternity house to pass some time and saw three young men and a dog playing cards. "Must be a smart dog," said the visitor.

No way," said one of the boys, "Every time he gets a good hand, he wags his tail."

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.

Chris, a teenager, applied for a job as a summer grocery clerk. The grocer wanted a serious-minded boy, so he put him to a little test.

"What would you do with \$1 million?" the grocer asked.

"Oh," answered Chris, "I wasn't expecting quite that much to start."

PETTY ANNOYANCES

George was more than a little annoyed when a neighbor telephoned at 3 a.m. to complain, "Your dog is barking so loudly that I can't sleep." So he thought he'd get even.

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