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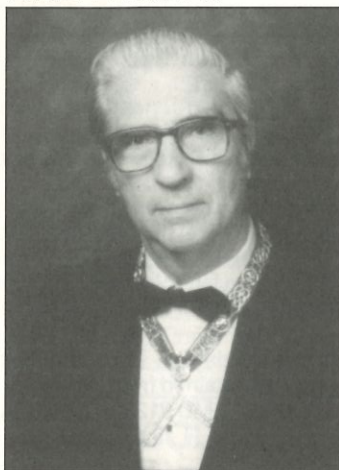
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BRETHREN:



Much has been said and written about the state of our Craft and many reasons given why fewer good men are petitioning our Lodges. Some jurisdictions have gone so far as to remove parts of our obligations they perceive to be objectionable, and no longer require proficiency examinations in the degrees. So far as I can determine in my visitations to other jurisdictions, the success of these miraculous changes has been minimal at best. Change for the sake of change usually brings disappointment and unhappiness.

The Ten Commandments

Moses brought down from the mountain are just as valid today as they were thousands of years ago; so, too, are the tenets of our profession.

It is time, past time, for a renewal of spirit, a rededication to the morals and teachings of our Fraternity that has withstood the test of time and brought us safely to the present.

In short, we need to return to the basics and practice the virtues of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. If we are to prosper, and I am confident we will, we must always remember we cannot just practice these virtues while in the Lodge, but each waking hour of the day and each day of the week.

It is true that there is comfort in numbers. Numbers alone, however, are not enough. Give me a small Lodge that practices what we teach, is active in the community, serves as a model for all to follow, believes in God, Country and Family. . . and it will prosper. Numbers alone do little. Though we need continually to be bringing good men into our Fraternity, we must never forget our purpose and our teachings.

Freemasonry is not something we turn on or off like a water spigot. We must always remember as we proudly proclaim our Brotherhood that eyes are upon us in our daily life. A good deed or a good life is like a diamond in the rough. It can be cut and shaped and turned into something of great value and beauty. So, too, can an unkind word or deed have the opposite effect on the uninitiated.

A historian whose name I can't recall once said that a man's greatness is determined by the good he leaves behind. Freemasonry has left much good behind in our country, ourselves and for all mankind. Let us keep the light burning.

Sincerely and fraternally,

B. Hope Harrison
Grand Master

IMPORTANT DATES

- July 15 Northeast Conf. of GMs, DGMs & GSs, Washington, D.C.
- 18 GM to annual communication of G.L. of Ontario.
- 23 Fellowship Day for Youth at Wildworld.
- 23 GM & Wife have lunch with Prince Frederick #142.
- Aug 5 Family Night Baseball Game, Memorial Stadium, Balto.
- 12 GM & Wife attend "August Scene" in Cockeysville.

GRAND MASTER'S FAMILY NIGHT BASEBALL GAME.

The Orioles/Rangers game and fireworks display on August 5 is a sell-out! All that remains is for the 4,000 Masonic fans to get to the ball park early enough to park and enjoy the pre-game ceremonies which begin at 6:18 p.m. Busses will be accommodated in the East lot on the left side of the Stadium. The Orioles charge \$9.00 per bus for parking. A sign should be placed on the bus windshield showing the Lodge name and number or other identification so that passengers can locate the bus for the return trip.

Pre-game activities include:

- Grand Master B. Hope Harrison making the second ceremonial pitch of the game.
- Award presentations on the field to Heavy Hitters (Organizations selling 250 tickets or more) to the following:
 - Representing Jephthah Lodge No. 222, 335 tickets, W.M. Joe Robertson.
 - Representing Corinthian Lodge No. 93, 250 tickets, W.M. Ronald Leard.
 - Representing Baltimore Forest No. 45, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, 250 tickets, Grand Tall Cedar Ray Vogel.

These presentations will be photographed and featured live on Diamond Vision.

- A Scoreboard Welcome will be given to the following Lodges and other organizations which sold 40 or more tickets:

Organization	Tickets Sold	Organization	Tickets Sold
Concordia #13	50	Lebanon #175	51
Amicable #25	50	Esdraelon #176	100
Door-To-Virtue #46	75	Granite #177	49
Union #48	88	Mt. Hermon #179	40
Cambridge #66	46	Centreville #180	47
Adherence #88	65	Sincerity #181	50
Annapolis #89	50	Sharon #82	80
Howard #101	46	Chillum Castle #186	43
Centre #108	50	Aberdeen #187	49
Freedom #112	66	Palestine #189	47
Chester #115	47	Prudence #190	60
Mt. Moriah #116	68	Glen Burnie #213	75
Maryland #120	50	Silver Spring #215	50
Temple #128	110	Amos #226	50
Choptank #138	40	Camp Springs #227	47

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GRAND MASTER'S FAMILY NIGHT BASEBALL GAME.

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Organization	Tickets Sold	Organization	Tickets Sold
Prince Frederick #142	48	Oxon Hill #231	60
Plymouth #143	50	The 4 O'Clock Gang	63
Chesapeake #147	45	Bethel #55, IOJD	40
St. Columba #150	48		

Planning and implementation of the Grand Master's Baseball Night project was accomplished through the efforts of RWGS Jack R. Frazier, Mrs. Charlotte Daugherty, Mrs. Lucy Kelly, Oriole's Director of Sales (photo below) whose assistance and cooperation were invaluable, and Project Coordinator Bro. Seymour Lipshitz, Chmn, Committee on Public Relations.



NEWS FROM BONNIE BLINK. Bro. H. Arnold "Hap" Perkins and the Bonnie Blink staff report the following:

- Birthdays: Cards will be appreciated.

JULY	LODGE
10 Hilda Jennings	Mt. Moriah #116
10 Edith Marcks	Tuscan #202
22 Elizabeth Heng	Waverly #152
22 Edna Weisman	Oriental #158
25 Clara Woolston	Doric #124

AUGUST	
1 Clara Fox	Hiram #107
5 Mayme Getz	Landmark #127
5 Olga Krute	Palestine #189
5 Mildred Schutz	Warren #151
7 Hap Perkins	Mt. Moriah #116
13 Nita Kraus	Amicable #25
14 Earl Rullman	Ben Franklin #97
15 Eberhard Martin	Highland #184
15 Alverta Courtney	Lafayette #111
18 Edna Gaines	Sincerity #181
20 Marie Nickles	Mt. Nebo #229
22 William Crabbin	Adherence #88
23 Mary Lewis	Doric #124
25 Katie Northam	Mt. Vernon #151
25 Virginia Kentner	Monumental #96

SEPTEMBER	
1 Lillian Baker	Fervency #200
2 Helen Kurtz	Mt. Moriah #116
7 Lester Miles	Mt. Moriah #116
15 Margaret Busch	King David #68

SEPTEMBER

16 Helen Turner	LODGE Centre #108
21 Edward Copenhaver	Arcana #119
23 Helen Ashburn	Washington #23
27 Margaret Krumholtz	Oriental #158 (will be 102)
28 Eleanor Watson	Mt. Hermon #179
29 Audrey Swann	Millington #166

• Lodge Meetings from January to June:

Participating Lodges included Charity #134; Doric #124; Palestine #189; Patapsco #183; Pickering #146; and Mt. Nebo #229.

Average attendance was 45. Highest was 75. Approximately 14 Guests of the Homes attend regularly.

AUGUST SCENE X.

This event will be held at Bonnie Blink from August 11-13. Open to all Master Masons, families and guests, the August Scene offers an informal weekend activity so that all may participate in the social affairs of the Masonic Family.

The 1989 theme is "Freemasonry in the Community". Speakers include Bros. Joseph C. Bryan III, MWPGM; C. Herbert Grauling, Jr., MEGHP; B. Hope Harrison, MWGM; Wilbur Jensen, O.G., Boumi Shrine Temple; Donald H. Jett, SGIG in Maryland, Scottish Rite; Benjie G. Owens, MIGM; Calvin W. Parker, PGHP; and Rev. Thomas E. Weir, REGC.

All social functions will be held at the Holiday Inn-Timonium Plaza in Timonium. Registration forms may be obtained from Bro. Roy H. Rayman, Sr, 7847 St. Fabian Lane, Dundalk, MD 21222. Cut off date is August 2.

LODGE OF LOW VALE.

W.M. James R. Elliott of Hagerstown #217 invites all Master Masons to attend this 9th Annual event to be held on Friday, Sep 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Elks picnic grounds which is located on MD Rte 63, approximately three miles North of 1-70 interchange marked "Williamsport-Huyettes".

Prior to conferring the MM Degree in an outdoor setting, illuminated by lanterns and candles, an evening meal will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. consisting of a 14 oz. char-broiled Delmonico steak, baked potato, garden salad, rolls, corn on the cob (if available), peach half and hot coffee or soda. Price of the meal is \$8.50 per person. Prepaid reservations must be made prior to August 28 with Bro. Jesse H. Wyant, 117 Patrick Rd, Hagerstown, MD 21740 (1-301-733-9037). Make checks payable to Hagerstown Lodge #217, AF&AM and send it with a stamped self-addressed envelope to Bro. Wyant who will mail you your meal tickets. Only a limited number of meals will be prepared. Walk-ins will be handled on a first-come first-serve basis if any meal tickets are left. Last year more than 350 Master Masons from the Tri-State area enjoyed an evening of good food, fraternal fellowship and ritual in this unusual setting.

The degree this year will be performed by the Past Master's Degree Team, Hagerstown Forest No. 95, Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

BALDRIC CLUB.

The first meeting in the Fall will be at Noon, September 12, at the Merchants' Club. For details contact Clint Larmore, 1101 N. Calvert St, Balto, MD 21202. (301-837-9767).

Take a Good Look at
YOURSELF

You're Somebody's
Impression of
MASONRY

FIRST ANNUAL REGIONAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT.

The tournament is being conducted primarily for the purpose of raising funds to support the Student Assistance Program and the Educational Grant Program to encourage and train today's students to become tomorrow's leaders.

The tournaments will be conducted at four locations and feature a full day of food, fellowship, fun, and prizes.

- Play in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area will be on Tuesday, October 10 at the Suburban Country Club in Baltimore. Area Chairman is Marc A. Komins, of 8 Baroness Ct., Owings, Mills, MD 21117, 301-433-7600.
- Play in Southern Maryland will be on Monday, September 25 at the Breton Bay Country Club, Leonardtown, MD. Area Chairman is Harry S. Shipp, Jr., Box 438, Glenn Dale, MD 20769, 301-262-1683.
- Play on the Eastern Shore will be on Monday, October 2 at the Talbot Country Club, Easton, MD. Area Chairman is Theodore W. Landskroener, Country Club Estates, Chestertown, MD 21620, 301-438-3102.
- Play in Western Maryland will be on Thursday, October 12 at the Fountain Head Country Club, Hagerstown, MD. Area Chairman is John W. Miller, 1902 Maplewood Drive, Hagerstown, MD 21740, 301-791-1184.

TO PARTICIPATE IN A TOURNAMENT, mail the following Golfer Entry Form to the Chairman of the particular area tournament you wish to enter together with your check in the amount of \$125.00 for each participant, payable to: "Masonic Charities of Md." Any questions, additional details or information should be addressed to the particular Area Chairman.

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GOLFER ENTRY FORM

Name: _____ Phone No: () _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Amount on enclosed Check: \$_____ What is your handicap? _____

Will you provide your own foursome? _____ If yes, please provide names and handicaps:

HARVEST HOME DAY & BLOOD DRIVE.

This annual event will be held on Saturday, Oct. 21 at Bonnie Blink. Registration begins at 6 a.m. Food service closes at 10 a.m.

Parking is limited to the Executive Plaza of the McCormick Industrial Park. Shuttle busses will operate between the parking area and center of activities. Transportation will be provided for the handicapped.

A BLOOD DRIVE will operate from 7 to 11:30 a.m. The goal is something way in excess of 50 units of blood. The availability of nourishing food and refreshment should amply restore vigor in having provided the Gift of Life. The names and Lodges of donors will be published in The Freestate Freemason. Brothers definitely planning to be donors may call Bro. Martin Hocker at the Grand Lodge Temple: 301-752-1198.

MARYLAND MASONIC RESEARCH SOCIETY.

After a presentation to the Old Line Council of the Allied Masonic Degrees on his fascinating research on King Solomon's Temple, Bro. Leighton Harrell was asked to give it to a wider audience. Following an invitation extended by W.M. Ralph M. Painter of West Gate #220, an appreciative audience enjoyed the fruits of Bro. Harrell's labors,

the fellowship and the refreshments.

The Society's September meeting will feature a paper by P.P. Harold Albrecht in celebration of the Society's 10th Anniversary either at Joppa #132 or Bonnie Blink. The Annual Meeting will be held at Howard #101 on Wednesday, Nov 29 when Officers for 1990 will be elected and installed.

EDUCATIONAL GRANT AWARDS.

- On June 15, the rose garden at Albert Einstein High School in Kensington, MD was the scene of pride and happiness. Rebecca Middleton was presented with a \$500 Educational Grant on behalf of Kensington #198 (W.M. Richard E. Murphy, Sr) and the Masonic Charities of Maryland. This is a first for Kensington Lodge which wholeheartedly supports the program. Shown in the photo below are: Dr. Diane Mero, Principal; Mr. Middleton, Rebecca's father; Rebecca; Mrs. Mary Trickett, Rebecca's mother; PMs E. Joseph Steiner and W. Frank Soper of Kensington Lodge. The photo was taken by Bro. Robert L. Maier of Kensington Lodge.



- On June 28, at a special presentation ceremony in Prince Frederick #142, presided over by S.W. William Kugel, in the absence of W.M. Edward J. Dyckman who had arranged the program, a \$500 Educational Grant was awarded to the great-granddaughter of our late PGM Arthur W. Dowell, Miss Deborah Mohler who will be attending the University of Delaware. Bro. Dowell was Grand Master in 1954 and 1955.

WALTER SCOTT CAMPBELL — 60 YEARS A MASON.

Thanks to PM J. Wendell Davenport of Mt. Nebo #229, we can report on the presentation of a Grand Lodge 60 Year Service Emblem to Bro. Campbell of Warren #51. Gathered at Bro. Campbell's bedside were Mrs. Campbell; Grand Inspector Joel Davis, representing the Grand Master in making the presentation; W.M. Norman H. Willey and PM Huebschman of #51. Present also were W.M. Theodore M. Kammar, Jr. and four PMs of Mt. Nebo #229 where Bro. Campbell is an honorary member, having given countless hours on many maintenance projects at the Mt. Nebo Temple.

Shown below is W.M. Kammar and Bro. Campbell most pleased with the emblem. Suspended above Bro. Campbell is a triangular device to which enables him to shift about in his bed. It is interesting to note that the triangle is also Freemasonry's symbol of Deity — being without beginning or ending.



HIGHLIGHTS-GRAND LODGE SEMI-ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

May 15, 1989

Preceding the communication, traditional Religious Services were conducted on Sunday, May 14, 3 p.m. at Bonnie Blink. Worshipful Grand Chaplain, Bro. Donald F. Etherton conducted the service; music by the Grand Organist, Bro. Frederick H. Fogler, Jr.

The following items of general interest were covered by the Grand Master at the communication:

- Our MASONIC HOMES have been given a 100% rating by State authorities with great credit due to Bro. Bob Fish, Administrator in Training; and Ms Slaysman.
- Action is under way to establish a DAYLIGHT LODGE at Bonnie Blink in September.
- YOUTH ACTIVITY is being supported by Cambridge #66 which will sponsor a Bethel and a DeMolay Chapter. Coats #102 will also sponsor a youth organization.
- AWARD of the Josiah Hayden Drummond Medal to the RWGS Bro. Jack R. Frazier by the Grand Lodge of Maine.
- APPOINTMENT of Bro. C. Burton Vansant of Chester #115 as Deputy Grand Lecturer-at-Large after service as a Deputy Grand Lecturer for 40 years.
- RECOGNITION of Bro. Clarence O. Theis, Jr of Landmark #127 who has maintained perfect attendance at his Lodge for 36 years.
- PRESENTATION by Grand Master and Bro. Jerome Harris, Pres. Bd of Grand Inspectors (State Area) of an Honorarium to retired Grand Inspectors David Litton, William Dalley and Harry Rowe.
- PRESENTATION of a 50 Year Service Emblem to PGM William B. Stansbury, Jr by Grand Master and G.I. John E. Towles.
- PRESENTATION of a 60 Year Service Emblem to Bro. William A. Stansbury of Highland #184, currently a guest at Bonnie Blink, who was heard to say in the clearest of tones: "We need a new piano at Bonnie Blink!"
- PRESENTATION to Bro. Moses Apple, Amicable #25, of a suitable apron to match his title of "Grand Lecturer-Emeritus" by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary.
- RECOGNITION by Grand Master and Bro. Jim Mortimer, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Blood Bank of brothers who have donated more than 5 gallons of blood including Bro. Herschel Levin of Amicable #25 who has given 12 gallons.
- PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND LODGE. All 11 proposed amendments were either found not suitable for presentation to Grand Lodge or defeated upon vote.
- MERGER. Grand Master announced approval of the merger of Monumental #96 with Sincerity #181. The number of Maryland Lodges now stand at 128.
- FORTHCOMING EVENTS were announced including Family Day at Bonnie Blink on June 17; the August Scene on August 11; and Harvest Home day on October 21.
- IN MEMORIAM. From Nov 21, 1988 to April 30, 1989, 416 Master Masons have passed from our mortal sight including Bro. C. Gene Higdon.

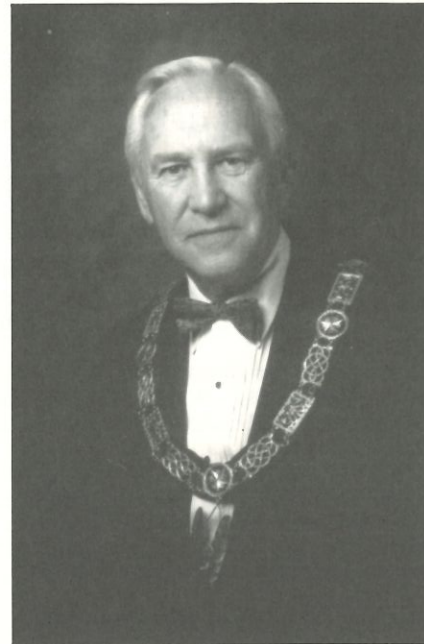
JOSIAH HAYDEN DRUMMOND MEDAL.

At the Grand Lodge of Maine's Annual Communication on May 2, this award was presented to the RWGrand Secretary Jack R. Frazier. The citation accompanying this award reads, in part: "Your expertise in providing the details and guidelines for our computer installation was the prime move in its success. The liaison hot-line existing to this day has ensured continuity and solution to the many facets of our program. A mere thanks to you and the Grand Lodge of Maryland would certainly be an understatement. It is, therefore, for the above, which shows your willingness to go beyond the normal requirements of interjurisdictional duties of a Grand Secretary that we honor you today with the presentation of the Josiah Hayden Drummond Medal for Distinguished Masonic Service."

In commenting on this award at the recent Grand Lodge Semi-Annual Communication, Grand Master Harrison mentioned that Bro. Frazier is the first Grand Secretary to receive this Medal and the first outside the rank of Past Grand Master to receive this honor. He also

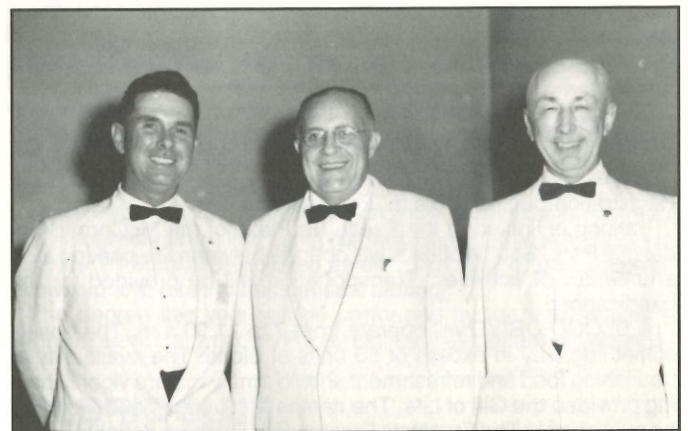
expressed his indebtedness to PGM Bryan for his efforts in providing this service to our sister jurisdiction and equally proud of our Grand Secretary and his staff.

Following is a photo of Bro. Frazier taken before he was startled and surprised when the presentation was made.



SHADES OF YESTERYEAR.

Recognize anybody in this picture? Give up? Well, the one on the left is no other than our MWPGM Joseph C. Bryan III (without moustache); next to him is our late Bro. C. Elwood Smyrk, RWPGGrand Treasurer; and our late Bro. Gerald M. Pine, RWPGGrand Secretary. The picture was taken just a few years ago during a meeting of the Grand Council of R&SM of New York when Bro. Bryan headed the Cryptic Rite in Maryland. The picture was recently sent to Bro. Bryan by a distinguished contemporary, Bro. Stanley W. Wakefield of New York.



C. BURTON VANSANT NIGHT.

There's a quick way of knowing whether the C. Burton Vansant Night on May 8 at Centreville Masonic Temple, was a success. Just look at the photo of Thelma and Calvin Burton Vansant below. Bro. Burt became a Master Mason in Chester #115 some 55 years ago and has been an active Mason ever since including service as a Deputy Grand Lecturer for 40 years. As shown in the photo, pride, pleasure and mutual support is reflected in this devoted couple.

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C. BURTON VANSANT NIGHT.

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The affair was a joint undertaking of Centreville #180 (W.M. Maxville V. Frye, Jr); Chester #115 (WM-Joseph C. Higgs); and Centreville Chapter #69, OES (Marion Miner, Worthy Matron). A dinner was served followed by a program including poetry, a harmonica duet by Bros Hans O. Wendt and Marshall Wade of Coats #102, and a fascinating and colorful performance by Bro. Al Miner. Testimonials were given by daughter, Ann Vansant and other family members; Marylin Wilson, Worthy Matron of Chester Chapter #86, OES; PM George Wilson of #115 and others. Also participating were PGMs Cover, Middleton (a first cousin of Bro. Vansant), Rothman, Hopkins and Haacke.

Wor. Grand Lecturer Edward B. Kraft assisted by DGL-at-large John Edmundson presented Bro. Vansant with a Certificate of Appreciation signed by the Grand Master. Bro. Vansant was then informed that he had been appointed by the Grand Master as a Deputy Grand Lecturer-at-Large. Truly an occasion deserving of an active and dedicated Mason.



A BIG NIGHT FOR DELMAR #201.

On June 7, W.M. Leonard N. Healy saw some 92 members and guests including the MWGM B. Hope Harrison and the Grand Line, enjoy a program he had organized. First off was a dinner prepared by PM Robert B. Herring and his wife. During the Lodge meeting which followed, Bro. Healy presented an honorary life membership in Delmar Lodge to the Grand Master.

The Lodge was then opened to guests. Following, Bro. Rufus L. Lowe, who was escorted into the Lodge by the members of the Delmar Fire Department, was presented with a 60 Year Masonic Service Emblem by the Grand Master assisted by the Worshipful Master. Joining in this ceremony was Bro. Lowe's life-long friend, Bro. Bundy of Temperanceville, Va, who is a 65 year Mason.

Mrs. Edward B. Daugherty and Mrs. Frank Hatton were then presented "Broken Column" emblems as a token of the respect and esteem for the ladies of departed Lodge members. These presentations were made by the Grand Master, Grand Inspector Bro. Elmer Sharpley and the Worshipful Master.

Valerie Fisher, an honor student at Delmar High School received special honors from The Grand Master and W.M. She had recently received a scholarship grant from the Masonic Charities Of Maryland towards her continuing education. Delmar High School Superintendent, Dr. Wayne C. Bastian was present to wish Fisher success.

Barbara Burn presented a painting she had recently completed in memory of her late father. This beautiful painting exemplifying the Altar of Freemasonry will hang in a place of honor in the Lodge Temple.

The foregoing events were carried in the local newspaper accompanied by pictures of the principals.

W.M. Healy is a PM and is currently serving in the Grand Line as Worshipful Senior Grand Steward. He is also a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Public Relations.

NEWS FROM CHARITY LODGE.

W.M. R. Frederick Lunn of Charity #134 reports that the Lodge celebrated its 121st birthday on May 20th with the raising of four brothers. One was raised by Members of the Knights of Mecca, Boumi Shrine Temple. PGM C. David Haacke presided in the East. The large number of attendees were served a delicious dinner by members of the Order of the Eastern Star. Another conferral of the MM Degree is planned for Past Masters' Night on October 14.

Bro. Lunn also reports that the Masonic Choir of North Wales which delighted audiences at Bonnie Blink, Annapolis 89, Ft. McHenry and Grace United Methodist Church in Baltimore during their 1987 visit, is alive and well. This year the 50 choir members from 29 Lodges in North Wales will sing in Pittsburgh and several locations in Ohio. Pictured below is Bro. Bill Hughes, Chairman of Charity Lodge's Community Relations Committee with North Wales Provincial Grand Master, The Lord Kenyon. They recently met in Wales and discussed plans for a joint concert in Llandudno with the Welsh singing with the Abu Bekr Shrine Choir of Sioux City, Iowa.



FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

On May 18, members and guests of Waverly 152, presided over by W.M. Theodore A. Harding, witnessed a new chapter in a family's Masonic heritage. Bro. Jeffrey L. Dill was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by his father, PM Leroy W. Dill, Jr. who was raised by his father, Bro. Leroy W. Dill, Sr. Assisting in the conferral of the degree was Bro. Albert C. Kaestner, Maryland Executive Officer of DeMolay, and other Past Masters who are DeMolay Advisors that worked with Jeff in his DeMolay years. Jeff is a Past Master Councilor of Overlea Chapter and was State Master Councilor in 1988.

Among the 47 brothers in attendance were PGMs Charles H. Cover, C. David Haacke; and Donald Mallorey of the D.C.

Masonry runs deep in Jeff's family. Grandfather Dill was raised in 1920 and Grandfather Frank X. Bartholme was raised in 1975 by PM Dill. Other Waverly family members include his Uncle, PM H. Gordon Wehr and two cousins. His Great-Grandfather, Gustavus A. Korb was raised in 1906 in Amicable #25. The list also includes family members in other Maryland Lodges.

On the female side, Jeff's mother is a Past Honored Queen of Bethel #8 and Past Matron of Maryland Chapter #2, OES. One sister is a Majority Member and the other is a Past Honored Queen of Bethel #47.

WHAT DOES 152 plus 70 plus 101 ADD UP TO?

Answer: A good time! The occasion was a "Low Vale Lodge" on June 21 when WMs Theodore A. Harding of Waverly #152, Russell H. Cook, Jr of Patmos #70, and Charles W. Greger III of Howard #101 jointly planned to gather at Herb Streaker's Farm in Howard County. However, the rains came . . . Nevertheless the great food and fellowship were enjoyed by all in the shelter of the Howard Lodge Temple.

THOUGHTS FROM THE EAST.

(Extracted from the May Trestleboard of Hagerstown #217. W.M. James R. Elliott) "Brethren: Earlier this year I attended a seminar in St. Louis which was titled 'The Winds of Change'. Well, one day we had some free time and I toured the City. While traveling about I saw the Scottish Rite Temple, The Shrine Temple, and a beautiful Three Story Blue Lodge 'FOR SALE' which left me with the question 'WHY?' And, how could this happen in our day and time? This has prompted me to write this month's message of which I am going to borrow the title 'Winds of Change' by John Norris, the owner of LENNOX INDUSTRIES and 'Society Today' by Brother Walter Brown of Illinois.

Society Today is being buffeted by the Winds of Change- changes in life style and morality. Unfortunately, many people are willing to compromise their principles. Too many people have given first class loyalty to second class causes. These second class causes have betrayed them.

The 'furthermores' which we took while kneeling at Masonic Altar with our hands resting on the Holy Bible, Square and Compasses, constitute the finest set of guidelines ever compiled by the mind of man. One sometimes wonders if some of our Brethren leave some of the 'furthermores' lying there on the altar instead of taking them into their life - incorporating them into their everyday living. To which we might add: Masonry is not what you get from it and what you give it, but . . . , when you live it!

Are you putting as much into masonry as you get out of it? If you are not, Freemasonry could end up like the farmer's cow who was not fed anything but her own milk- she eventually shrivelled up and starved to death.

We need Masons who see, who understand and who proclaim the influence of masonry on the individual, the family and the community. We need MASONIC FLAG WAVING. FLAG WAVING is not old-fashioned. Flag waving indicates we know a good thing when we see it, and that we want everybody to know about it.

We need masons who are 'MASONIC' examples to the newly raised Brethren. Enthusiasm is as contagious as a smile. The more we know about masonry, the more fascinating it becomes and the more we appreciate it.

In closing, I would like to leave you with a little something to think on. There was never a time in History when freemasonry was more important than it is today and if every Master Mason would truly live all of his 'furthermores', Freemasonry will yet see its final hour."

THAT OLD GANG OF MINE.

The Trestleboard of Camp Springs 227 for June 20 mentioned a dinner; a Past Masters' Night; Balloting; and Masonic Birthday Recognitions. All that was scheduled came to pass in a most exemplary manner. The W.M. presented embroidered caps to the PMs and PGM C. David Haacke who is an Honorary PM. The caps included the Lodge Name and Number, the name of the PM, and scrambled eggs on the bill. Grand Master Harrison was also presented with a cap separately.

What the Trestleboard did not announce was that members of the 1981 Grand Line would be present. Of particular significance was that the W.M. of the Lodge, Bro. Miguel P. Banagan, whose petition had been signed by Bro. Art Reyes, was raised by the 1981 Line which included Grand Master Harrison who was RW Senior Grand Warden at the time.

Shown on the following photo are the 1981 Grand Line Officers who were present and W.M. Banagan: Front row, l. to r. RWDGM Hopkins; GM Rothman; W.M. Banagan; and RWSGW Harrison. Second row, WSGS Conway; WGM Edmundson; WJGD Mortimer; WJGS Owens and WGC Pferdoert.

As an interesting sidelight, both PGMs Rothman and Hopkins were members of Grand Master Dowell's Grand Line who were present when the cornerstone of Camp Springs Temple was laid.



(Photo courtesy of NJGS Gerard W. Jordan, #227.)

THE 82 YEAR OLD MEAL.

It was during his 22nd year, when Thomas J. Shryock was Grand Master in 1907, that the Grand Line journeyed by boat from Baltimore to Sharptown to celebrate the chartering of Roelma #26. A sumptuous was served of fried fish, roe, vegetables, biscuits and other goodies producing lip-smacking, finger-licking, and unabashed sounds emanating from the gastric area.

This event with the same fare has become an annual event last celebrated in May which drew Masons from all corners of Maryland and Delaware.

What's remarkable is that this tradition has been carried on by a Lodge with a membership of 50, plus their ladies. The membership situation is being aggressively remedied by W.M. Terry Herling with seven new petitions as of this past May.

A NEW START.

The first stated communication of the newly consolidated Lodges, Warren G. Harding-Brightwood No. 43 and King Solomon Lodge No. 31 of the District of Columbia was held on May 20. This event was celebrated with a breakfast at 8:30 a.m. followed by a Table Lodge featuring tri-color Kool Aid. Our own Grand Master B. Hope Harrison was heard as the guest speaker whose words on Masonry - Believe it! Live it! Show it! - received a standing ovation. Present were Grand Master Statler of the District of Columbia and Grand Line Officers.

PGM Elmer F. Stein is again the Worshipful Master of the Lodge having served as W.M. of the Lodge 50 years ago. The Lodge will meet on the third Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. preceded by breakfast at 8:30 a.m.

BROTHERHOOD NIGHT.

The spirit of fellowship at the recent Brotherhood Night in Delaware, attended by Masons of seven Grand Lodge Jurisdictions, is reflected in the following photo. The brothers are PMs John Dorsey and Joseph Turley of Brandywine #33 in Delaware, and PM Harry Schellender of Chester #236 in Pennsylvania.



DEMOLAY ACTIVITIES

• On June 24, Bro. Brian Remsberg of Frederick Chapter not only received the honorary degree of Chevalier but was also presented with a citation and Frederick County flag from the County Commissioners through its President, J. Anita Stup. On hand were SMC Carl Michel, EO Dad Kaestner and GC Ron Shaver. Bob Davis of Hagerstown Chapter also received the degree of Chevalier that evening. Other activities that day included installations of officers at Annapolis and RCC Chapters and David Diamond's Chevalier investiture by Catonsville-Palestine's Court of Chevaliers in Annapolis.

• This year, the Grand Master's Youth Day is being celebrated by treating the Masonic Youth of Maryland to an exciting day at Wild World Amusement Park.

• On June 6, Catonsville-Palestine Chapter held its annual honors and awards night. Dad Wally Harden received the Cross of Honor. Bros. Robert Goebel, Jr and Terry Wick, Jr were invested with the honorary degree of Chevalier. Also, Brother Doug Galeone surprised his grandfather, Charles Alliger, with the presentation of a 50 year DeMolay pin.

• New DeMolays welcomed at Glen Burnie included Bros William J. Spurlock, Alex P. Jezierski and Tully D. Fenner. Anthony J. Ferreria was welcomed at Kensington. New advisors reported by Frederick Chapter included Dads James Harris, Robert White, Gary Levy and John Cady.

• Future activities include attendance at the Family Baseball Night on Aug 5; MSADC Conclave at Salisbury State, Aug 3-6; MSADC State Installation at Grand Lodge on Sep. 8; Bourni Shrine Youth Night on Nov. 10; GM's Degree Class on Dec. 1.



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