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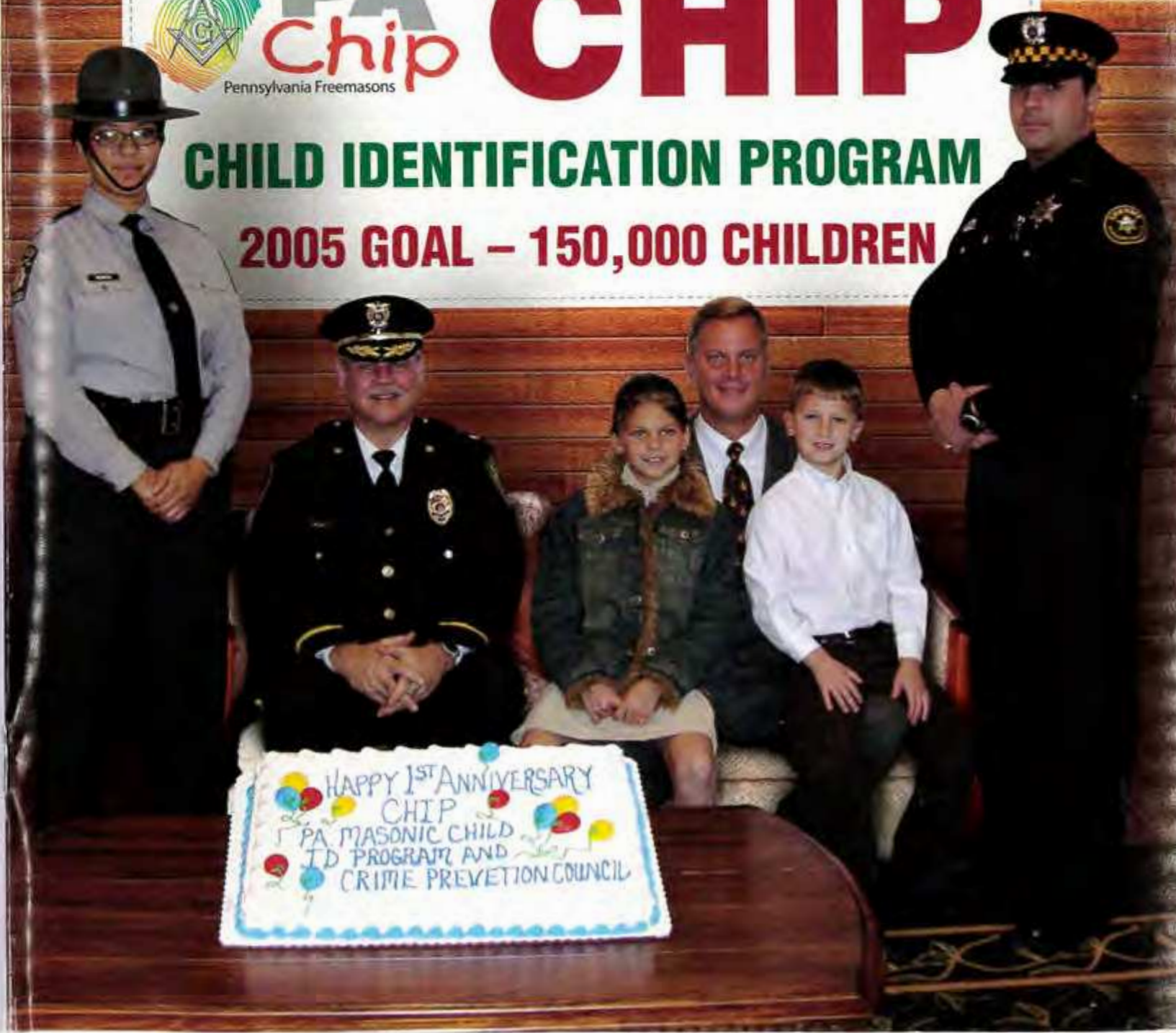
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CHIP

CHILD IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

2005 GOAL – 150,000 CHILDREN



Masonic Village at Warminster Celebrates New Masonic Center with Cornerstone Ceremony

The Frey Southampton Masonic Center at Masonic Village at Warminster was completed in September. Construction of the new addition to the campus was made possible by a generous contribution from the Southampton Square Club through funds originated from the estate of John Frey, Jr. The Southampton Square Club had the honor of being the first group to host an event in the new building on September 27, 2004.

On October 22, 2004, a datestone ceremony was performed by William Slater II, R. W. Grand Master, and the Grand Lodge Officers. In his remarks, Grand Master Slater acknowledged the organizations who made the project vision a reality: "I am honored to be part of this celebration recognizing the unified vision of Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, Order of the Eastern Star, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the Southampton Square Club, and many individual members of our family who have come together to realize the completion of such an exciting project that will serve this region well. I congratulate you all on your efforts, which will continue to Share the Light well into the future."

A calendar of events for use of the Masonic Center is being developed. Several local Masonic-family organizations are scheduled for monthly meeting usage.

Left-Grand Master Slater shakes hands with Bro. Anthony Medaglia, President of the Southampton Square Club.



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 evening and Dinner/Dance
 Cruise on Saturday.

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The CHIP project of the Grand Lodge celebrated its 1st birthday at the Masonic Village in Sewickley with a special news conference. In attendance and members of the Western Pennsylvania committee are: State Police Trooper Robin Mungo, Monroeville Police Chief, Bro. George W. Polnar, Grand Master William Slater II with daughter Sidney and son Wes, and Allegheny County Deputy Sheriff, Bro. Jason Tarap.

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Grand Lodge Officers Serve Up Lots of **FUN!**

On December 9, 2004, Grand Master William Slater II, the Grand Lodge line officers and Joseph E. Murphy, CEO for the Masonic Villages, challenged the youth of the Masonic Children's Home to a few games of volleyball. The score wasn't as important as having a good time. After several games and great competition, the group enjoyed a pizza party.



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Autumn Day

at Masonic Village at Elizabethtown
September 24, 2005

FLORIDA MASONIC REUNIONS

Grand Master William Slater II will host three Masonic reunions scheduled for Pennsylvania Freemasons who now reside in Florida permanently or during the winter months.

The purpose of the reunions is to increase awareness about the expansion of services and opportunities provided through the Masonic Villages of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

Dates and Locations

Thursday, February 24, 2005 Tampa Airport Marriott
Friday, February 25, 2005 Sahib Shrine Center - Sarasota
Saturday, February 26, 2005 Palm Beach Gardens Marriott

Reunion Schedules

11:00 a.m. - Reception
11:45 a.m. - Lunch
1:00 p.m. - Program

Grand Master Slater will award 50-year Emblems of Gold to Brethren in Florida. Bro. Joseph E. Murphy, chief executive officer of the Masonic Villages, and members of the Masonic Villages staff will share information about the benefits and full continuum of services provided for Masons, their families and others by the Masonic Villages in Elizabethtown, Lafayette Hill, Sewickley and Warminster.

Pennsylvania Masons residing in Florida should have received invitations the beginning of January to attend one of the reunions. If you have not received an invitation and would like to attend, please call (717) 367-1121, extension 33488.

**Grand Master's
Charity
Mini Grand Prix
June 25, 2005
Rain date - June 26, 2005**

To sign up... Call (717) 367-1121 ext. 33488
or e-mail bsweigart@masonicvillagespa.org by April 15, 2005.

**Practice Date:
Saturday, May 21, 2005,
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at
Masonic Village at Elizabethtown**

**Benefits the
Masonic Children's Home**

Above: Grand Master Slater presents checks from the proceeds of the 2004 Charity Mini Grand Prix to the Masonic Villages and the Central PA Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation.

Man to Mason One-Day Adventure for 2005

Due to the success of the Man to Mason One-Day Adventure in 2004, the R. W. Grand Master is authorizing a second edition of this successful initiative.

Class Locations

Locations for the One-Day Class will be determined by the District Deputy Grand Masters. Each District Deputy may select the Saturday of his choice in the months of October or November. Only the three Symbolic Degrees will be conferred that day, unless the Scottish Rite or the Shrine wish to participate. District Deputies are encouraged to join together to create a multiple District area for the location.

If multiple Districts are involved, the Deputies will select a "Lead DDGM" to be the coordinator or they may select another Brother to be the coordinator. He will have the same responsibilities as the 2004 Regional Coordinator. He will determine, after consultation with other DDGMs, what location will be used. The Lead DDGM must report back to the Grand Secretary prior to **March 15, 2005** stating what Masonic Districts are joining together, what location they have selected, and if any Scottish Rite or Shrine are participating. The Lead DDGM will have total responsibility for location and should expect full cooperation of the other DDGMs. The Grand Lodge videos will be shown.

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite

The Scottish Rite may choose to have the same participation as last year or may choose to have a reunion following the One-Day Class. It is the choice of each Valley or the Deputy. The AASR will be given an allotment of time during the day to make a presentation and show a video. They will also be permitted to have a table in the lobby area where they can pass out petitions, etc. The Scottish Rite may set their fees as they deem necessary or as normal.

Shrine

The Shrine may choose to have the same participation, with the approval of the R.W. Grand Master, as last year or may choose to have a ceremonial following the One-Day Class. It is the choice of the Potentate. The Shrine will be given an allotment of time during the day to make a presentation and show a video. They will also be permitted to have a table in the lobby area where they can pass out petitions, etc. The Shrine may set their fees as they deem necessary or as normal.

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

The Tall Cedars of Lebanon are permitted to have a table at the various locations holding a One-Day Class. Information on the locations may be obtained from the R.W. Grand Secretary.

Lunch

The decision on payment for lunch will be made by the Lead DDGM.

Director of Ritualistic Work

The Director of Ritualistic Work will assign a Regional Instructor or an "Assigned Instructor" to cover each location. **The locations must be decided by March 15, 2005.**

The process of selecting Degree Teams will be the same as last year. All duties assigned last year will

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2004 MAN TO MASON RESULTS

District	Deputy	Members	10% Goal	One-day	Year Total
A	Robert A. Ciampitti, Sr.	2,113	211	54	82
B	Robert J. Taylor	1,729	173	49	91
C	Gary Davis	2,517	252	44	83
D	Charles T. Graham	2,921	292	72	121
E	Raymond T. George	2,663	266	39	101
1	Robert S. Conway	3,540	354	63	112
2	Kenneth E. Beard, Jr.	4,349	435	140	212
3	John L. Stains	3,711	371	113	175
5	Harry E. Hackman, Jr.	2,801	280	40	83
6	David K. Beaulieu	2,525	252	31	79
7	Mark A. Haines	3,239	324	76	118
8	William A. Wetterau	2,815	281	39	106
9	Raymond A. Robey	1,570	157	20	60
10	Robert W. Steckel	3,249	325	101	147
11	Carl F. Berger	1,360	136	18	31
12	Hugh E. Williams, Jr.	2,857	286	192	235
13	Gordon M. Conniff	1,042	104	19	32
14	Alvin W. Hollister	1,101	110	23	58
15	Martin W. Migliori	1,004	100	36	91
16	John R. McHenry	1,044	104	8	26
17	Gary B. Stahley	1,018	102	15	38
18	Richard A. Loreman	3,296	330	50	85
19	Merrill R. Shaffer	1,990	200	50	78
20	Dale A. DeLozier	2,564	256	163	200
21	James A. O'Connor	1,982	198	40	72
22	Bradley A. Lewis	1,272	127	15	33
23	Gerald L. Gates	1,458	149	31	74
24	Donald A. Snyder	2,309	231	58	93
25	Jack E. Flaugh	1,296	130	69	114
26	S. Robert Marziano, Jr.	1,880	188	67	93
27	Roger A. Johnson	3,131	313	122	160
29	Thomas M. Gasmire	2,334	233	52	93
30	Jeffrey M. Wonderling	2,908	291	119	166
31	Barry L. Wheeler	2,083	208	72	106
33	Carl R. Johnson	931	93	11	22
34	Richard L. Wagner	1,787	179	38	62
35	Luther J. Black	928	193	26	45
36	Robert J. Bateman	2,432	243	30	68
37	William H. Weichsel	2,206	221	42	62
38	Norman E. Flaherty	3,024	302	138	169
39	Richard A. Carnes	1,999	200	26	53
40	Thomas Gamon, IV	2,408	241	38	78
41	John D. Ream	1,958	196	39	63
42	James R. Eisenhart II	3,403	340	77	138
45	Donald W. Weaver	1,613	161	71	82
46	William R. Swinehart	2,468	247	28	61
47	D. William Roberts	2,411	241	132	197
49	Jeff A. Biddle	2,148	215	61	83
50	Michael J. Febbo	1,823	182	44	81
52	Donald L. Miller	1,967	197	14	47
53	Timothy P. Templeton	2,283	228	72	97
54	Kurt R. Tesche	2,529	253	66	111
55	Raymond T. Dietz	3,439	344	174	239
56	C. Donald Nelson	1,039	104	21	43
57	David W. Morgans	2,512	251	64	109
58	John M. Morgan, Jr.	1,083	108	38	50
59	Victor J. Capocci	1,582	158	76	124
60	Noble P. Johnson	3,335	333	178	254
TOTALS			2004	3604	5786

The Gala



The Masonic Foundation for Children held its first *Sharing the Light Holiday Gala* on Saturday, December 4, 2004 at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia with 250 guests attending.

More than \$110,000 was raised for the 2005 Child Identification (CHIP) Program. CHIP screens children through CD interviews, fingerprints and DNA for identification in case they turn up missing.

In 2004, over 130,000 Pennsylvania children were processed in the CHIP program, costing about \$1.70 per child.

The Grand Lodge has committed to both funding and staffing the Child Identification Program in 2005. However, the program is in need of additional volunteers and businesses to sponsor the project in the hope of adding 50,000 more children for a goal of 150,000 children going through the program statewide this year.

At a recent news conference at the Sewickley Masonic Village, the Grand Master talked of the need for the Masonic Community, in partnership with the Crime Prevention Association of Pennsylvania, to continue the program that they took on in January of 2004. He also reached out to seek more volunteers to go into schools and more businesses and individual donors to fund the program.

"CHIP addresses the alarming fact that over 1,000,000 children are reported missing in the United States each year. We want to make sure that every parent has the tools they will need in the event their child is



Ed Neilson, GM William Slater, Robert Henon



John Lanckowski, Sam Blum, GM, Joe Sbaraglia, Tom Hopkins



Thomas K. Sturgeon, Donna Weglewski, Jim Howell

abducted. If we are to increase the identification process to a goal of 150,000 children, we are going to need help." Also, at the news conference, the Grand Master put his two young children through the program as a demonstration.

CHIP is provided free of charge to the public and all of the identifying items generated during CHIP are given to the child's family.

The program includes the following:

- **CD with Audio:** Using a digital picture with audio - children are asked a series of questions to provide information in front of a height chart backdrop. The CHIP interview captures the appearance, speech, mannerisms, and other important personal characteristics of a child. The picture and audio are recorded on to a 3" CD and given to the parent or guardian. It is the cornerstone of the CHIP program.

- **Fingerprints:** Children are fingerprinted and a hard copy given to the parents.

- **DNA:** A DNA kit is provided to the parent or guardian to be completed at home as soon as possible. (fingernail clippings, hair follicles and oral swab)

Funding for this program comes from generous contributions to the Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children and are tax-deductible as a charitable contribution.

Donna Weglewski, Executive Director of the Crime Prevention Association of Pennsylvania, based in Gibsonia, PA, works in partnership with the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and oversees the program in western



Pennsylvania.

"I hope the work that this program is doing will never be needed. But, I realize that should the need arise, the information generated from the CHIP program will prove to be a tremendous asset to law enforcement."

On December 4th the Grand Lodge opened the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia to the public for a *Sharing the Light Holiday Gala* to help fund the CHIP Program in 2005. Over \$110,000 was raised for the program, but that is about a third of the necessary operating budget for 2005.

Individuals or Lodges interested in making a donation or underwriting the CHIP program should contact the CHIP Project Director at 800-537-6525 or visit www.pagrandlodge.org and go to the Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children, or e-mail CHIP Coordinator Ray Brown at rgbrown@pagrandlodge.org. All donations are tax-deductible.

The Gala was chaired by Robert Ciampitti, Sr., DDGM of District A. The 2005 Holiday Gala is scheduled on Saturday, December 10. For information call 610-660-8550. *

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

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Grand Master William Slater II with son Wes



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Robert Ciampitti, Chairman



Around The STATE Of The Craft

One Day Class Creates Masonic Family



The Masonic Family of Emanuel K. Miller, Mount Moriah Lodge No. 300 in Huntingdon, PA of the 34th Masonic District, had four new members in the Man to Mason Class on October 2, 2004. Standing (l-r) is Emanuel Miller, 25-year member, Kenneth E. Miller, Emanuel's son and new member. John A. Skipper, son-in-law and new member, Samuel K. Miller, son and 21-year member. Seated in front are Jason A. Skipper, grandson and new member and Christopher K. Skipper, grandson and new member. *

Bro. Paul G. Reidler, 75-Year Member



Brother Paul G. Reidler, a member of Schuylkill Lodge No. 138, Orwigsburg, PA was recently presented with a 75-year membership certificate and pin by Bro. Carl C. Berger, DDGM of the 11th Masonic District. Bro. Reidler received the certificate and pin at the Willow Valley Retirement Community in Lancaster. Pictured: DDGM Berger, Bro. Reidler, Bro. Norman L. Stine, PM of Frackville Lodge No. 737, Bro. Robert C. Baessler, WM of Schuylkill Lodge No. 138, and Bro. Earl A. Deibert, PM of Schuylkill Lodge No. 138. *

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Fireside Fraternity

"An informal chat"
by Martin Migliori, PDDGM



Hello Brethren, I hope this column finds you all in good health.

Almost all of us have heard the expression that Freemasonry makes 'a good man better.' What does this mean and how does it do this? Freemasonry works under the belief that if you have a good man and give him the proper tools to help guide his life, you will have a better man. By making a man better, you can make the community in which he lives better, which in turn will make all of society better.

What are these tools? They are too numerous to list all of them here, but I will give you some of them.

- The first and foremost is the Trestle Board given to us by the Great Architect of the Universe. It is the rule of our faith and the guide to our actions. It is something you can always turn to even in your darkest hour.

- The next would be the obligations taken at the altar. If we live by our obligations, we will become better men without even trying. The obligations, along with the lessons taught in the degree work, are the backbone of the fraternity. Live by them and you will show how great the fraternity is by your words and actions.

- The third is the interaction between the brethren. I know this sounds like a surprise to many of you, but I would like to share some thoughts on the fraternity as they were told to me by a brother at the school of instruction.

The brother mentioned that the real part of the fraternity is not the meeting, but the fellowship after the meeting. He told me the story of a man who had been going to lodge, and was even filling a chair, when all of a sudden he stopped coming. When asked why he stopped coming the reply was that he didn't get anything out of it. The real truth was that member would get to the lodge in time for the meeting, sit through the meeting, and bolt for home as soon as the Pursuivant got to the outer door. Sometimes he would get to the door before the Pursuivant. I have heard this story about other men also. I'm sure many of you have heard me say, *you will get ten times more out of Freemasonry than you put into it. But you have to put something into it!*

Involvement in your lodge and district will help you grow as a man and a mason. It is the experience and knowledge we gain as we interact with our brethren that sets us apart from other organizations. If we do not offer this in our lodges, then we are

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Joseph E. Murphy, N.H.A.
Chief Executive Officer



At the beginning of a New Year, we often reflect on what we have accomplished over the past year, contemplate our achievements and challenges and make new resolutions on how to improve ourselves. Our Masonic Villages are no different. We rate our success based on satisfaction surveys, which this year yielded extremely high results from our residents and families, and on the many letters of appreciation shared by members of our Family of Freemasonry and their loved ones.

Here is a sampling of the commendations that motivate us to rise up and work together to do even better:

To the Masonic Village at Warminster from Jane Schondelmeyer, daughter of Hannah Overholt:

"Mother was truly happy and content at your home, and I was most relieved to know she was loved, respected and well cared for by an incredible group of people. Every request or need was addressed with a smile, cooperation and kind words. You should know you provide a remarkable service, dedicated, professional staff in lovely surroundings... They were part of my life by becoming Mother's extended family. May God bless your organization with all the wonderful people as I have had the privilege to know at Warminster. Their work is difficult, but accomplished with a smile and humor, devotion and tenderness to all those they care for, and a blessing to the families of those who reside at the Masonic Village."

To the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill from Steven and Fredda Savett, son and daughter-in-law of Lee Savett:

"On behalf of our family, we would like to express our appreciation to your Nursing staff for the wonderful, loving care they gave to my mother, Lee Savett, for the last five days of her life... As soon as she was brought to your facility, the high level of care swung into action. My wife has a lot of experience working in a nursing home environment, and the professionalism of all the people at the Masonic [Village] that she came into contact with... was most apparent... From day one, we were treated like family, and it really meant, and still means, a lot to us. We intend to spread the word about the fine care your facility provides its residents."

To the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown from Carol A. Barnes, daughter of Bro. Charles and Eleanor Koltz:

"I want you to know how proud you should be of your staff. Everyone with whom we have dealt has been caring, patient and interested in their care. Best of all, from the very beginning all of your staff has been dedicated to mom and dad maintaining their dignity... We can never thank you or your staff enough for everything that has been done for my mother and father. My husband and I are on the waiting list to come to Masonic Village in a few years and know we made the correct decision. Bless you all as you continue to provide professional, caring and top-notch employees and facilities for your residents."

To the Masonic Village at Sewickley from Gary E. Hare, son of Kenneth E. Hare:

"We are ever so grateful to all of you... The entire nursing staff will be held close to us in our highest esteem for the comfort that was given to dad and our family. Your tender love and thoughtfulness through our recent loss became a tower of strength to lean on. When shadows fell across our lives and dimmed the sunshine's glow, in many ways you helped us bear our grief, and onward go."

So what are our New Year's resolutions for 2005? Well, our goals, as in all years past, are based upon input, direction and support from Pennsylvania Masons, members of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star and their families. We hope to see more individuals moving into their new homes in

Sewickley and Elizabethtown. We will consider plans to upgrade and possibly expand the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill and make excellent use of the new facilities at our Warminster location. But most importantly, we look forward to earning many, many more letters sharing kind words of encouragement and thanks, as well as comments on how we can improve and grow. After all, we are YOUR Masonic Villages.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve this Mission of Love through the benevolence of our Masonic family. *

Receives Honorary College Degree



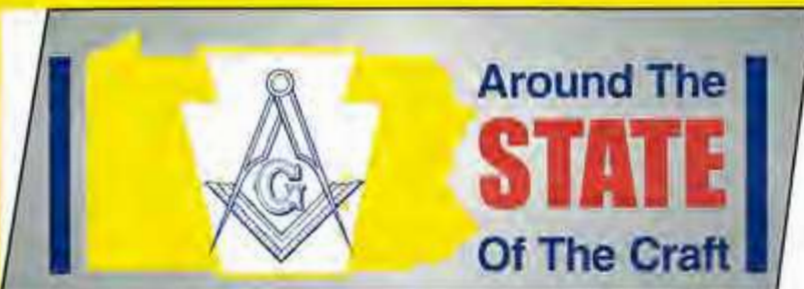
Bro. Jeffrey W. Coy, R.W. Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania received an Honorary Doctor of Public Service Degree from Shippensburg University on December 18 during the school's Winter Commencement.

A former Chairman of the Shippensburg University Board of Trustees, Bro. Coy addressed the more than 400 students that attended the program held at the Heiges Field House.

Bro. Coy recently retired from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives after serving his 11th term as State Representative for the 89th Legislative District of Franklin and Cumberland counties. He was active on multi-state committees and served nine years on the Chesapeake Bay Commission with representatives from Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia.

Bro. Coy begins his 2nd term as the Grand Lodge Treasurer.

He and his wife Jo Anne, reside in Shippensburg. *



Lodge 716 presents Samuel Davis Bequest



At the December 2004 Meeting of North Hills Lodge No. 716, Bro. Norman E. Flaherty, DDGM of the 38th District presented a \$5,000 Grand Lodge grant from the Samuel Davis Bequest Fund, to Mrs. Christine M. Summers, widow of deceased Master Mason Shawn M. Summers of North Hills Lodge No. 716, who passed away in September 2004. Pictured (l-r) are: Thomas F. Montgomery, PM, Secretary; Kendra L. Summers, Bro. Shawn's sister; Norman E. Flaherty, DDGM; 3-1/2 year old Michael S. Summers; Mrs. Christine M. Summers with 2-year old Callie M. Summers, and Timothy J. Heeter, WM, who also presented a Lodge check to Mrs. Summers.

The financial assistance is for Michael S. Summers and his sister Callie M. Summers. *

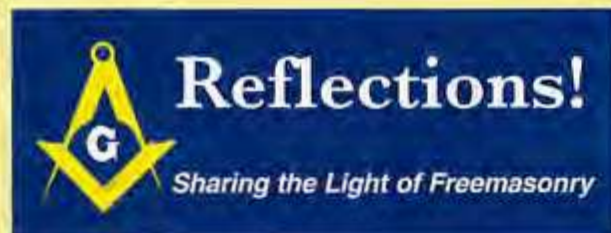
One-Day Class Members Serving Hiram Lodge No. 81 as Floor Officers



Bros. (l-r) David A. Vahey, Senior Deacon; Robert D. Duffy, Chaplain, and David W. Hirschbuhl, Junior Master of Ceremonies, are now serving Hiram Lodge No. 81 in Chestnut Hill, PA as appointed officers.

Bro. Jack W. Fenstermaker, who first-lined signed all three petitions, reports that all three Brothers have been attending all rehearsals and extra instruction meetings. They have been very active.

At their first meeting on January 12, they did excellent work and are also serving on committees and advancing through the chairs to become Worshipful Master. *



I would like to take this opportunity to express what Freemasonry means to me.

I became a Mason in 1996, following a Masonic tradition that extends far back in my family.

Upon joining the Lodge, I was impressed with how many fine men were members. As I learned more about the philosophy and ethics of the Lodge:

- I realized that the Masonic ideal impels a man to be a good citizen, a good father, a good husband, a good neighbor and a good friend.

- That the process of going through the chairs really symbolizes the principle which says in order to be ready to lead, you must first know how to serve.

- That some of our greatest Masonic traditions are about being faithful to your word regardless of the cost to you personally. In other words, courage, not a vainglorious courage, but a courage born of the true conviction of a civilized man that he must do right.

- I learned that our ideals are about peace, good order, fair play, and charity for all. Regardless of the faith one elects to follow, any one would say these are laudable, indeed sacred ideals, that are pillars of any society.

- If followed, these ideals can only lead to a good end or ends.

This set of ideals has given me strength, it has given me courage and faith. While I decline to boast, I would like humbly to point out some accomplishments of mine since 1996 that I see as having in part or whole been an outgrowth of the benefits of Freemasonry.

My wife and I have adopted two beautiful children. I have been twice elected to public office. I have been able to be a help and support to my family and friends in a way that I was never able to do in the past.

Freemasonry helps a good man to be better. It has helped this man do things he never believed he could do.

— Charles Whitney

W.K. Bray Lodge No. 410
Jenkintown, PA

Ed Note: *Reflections!* will be a regular feature of the *Pennsylvania Freemason*. If you would like to reflect on how Freemasonry has affected your life and family, or if you would like to reflect on a Brother of the Craft, please write to: Editor, *The Pennsylvania Freemason*, 5415 Fifth Ave., Suite 102B, Pittsburgh, PA 15232-2256. Pictures are welcome and become the property of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

2005 One-Day Class

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continue this year to include the Mentor instruction.

Lodges

Lodges will be responsible for the necessary mentors as they were last year. Each DDGM is responsible for registration of the Lodge candidates within their District. Each Lodge should be represented during registration. The Lodge Secretary is responsible for submitting a Monthly Return immediately after the One-Day Class to the Office of the Grand Secretary.

Packets with Bibles and educational material will be forwarded from the Grand Lodge to each site location.

Each area will have a Lodge that will be designated as a "Host Lodge" who will open and close the Degrees. The Host Lodge will be performing the courtesy degrees on behalf of all of the Lodges in the combined Districts. The One-Day Communication will not be a Grand Lodge Communication as it was last year.

The Grand Master is encouraging the Lodges to have Special Meetings prior to the One-Day Class to receive and ballot on petitions in accordance with Masonic Law. The petitions must be received by the Lodge, read at a Lodge Meeting, a Committee of Investigation appointed, and be balloted upon. The petition must be sent on a Monthly Return for clearance. A cut-off date is to be established

to complete petition requirements prior to the One-Day Class in the area. Candidates who would like to complete the balance of his Degrees may do so at the One-Day Class.

There is no provision for a "Mason at Large" this year.

Grand Master

The Grand Master will designate a Right Worshipful or a personal representative at each location as last year to oversee the site functions. He will also publish all of the necessary decisions to make the One-Day Class comply with Masonic Law.

Digest of Decisions Amendments for the One-Day Class

The following decisions are effective immediately and may be used **only** for the One-Day Class in October/November 2005.

- A petition for degrees shall be in the form prescribed by the Grand Lodge, and shall be presented to the Lodge at a Stated, Extra or Special Meeting.

- The petition shall be read, noted in the Minutes and referred to a Committee of Inquiry.

- The petition shall lie over to a subsequent Stated or Special Meeting and be voted on.

- The Masonic Month requirement is waived if a Special Meeting is called for balloting.

- Petitions printed for the 2004 One-Day Class may be used for the 2005 One-Day Class.

- Lodges meeting in the month of the One-Day Class (October/November) may vote on petitioners at a Special Meeting without publishing the names in the Notice provided the Committee of Inquiry has reported favorably. Postcards notifying the Members of Special Meetings may be used provided no names of petitioners are printed on the postcard.

- Multiple balloting will be permitted on any number of petitioners.

- Approved petitioners may be held for the One-Day Class regardless of their date of approval waiving the six-month rule.

- Website applicants may have the recommenders' signatures typed or printed, provided the Lodge Secretary verifies them.

- Proficiency before advancement will not be required; however, Lodges are requested to have Mentors/Members available to instruct candidates.

- The conferral of all three degrees on one day (October/November) is authorized without seeking the approval of the R.W. Grand Master.

- Organizations which have as a prerequisite membership in the Masonic Fraternity may solicit and receive petitions from candidates for the One-Day Class for their respective Bodies.

A new petitioner may progress through the degrees in the traditional manner, if desired. *

See page 13 for additional Lodge stats.

Grand Master's W. Pennsylvania Charity Golf Tournament Raises Over \$15,000



The lift equipment purchased from the proceeds of the 2004 Grand Master's Golf Tournament provides a safe and comfortable transfer from one surface to another surface for Valley Care Masonic Center residents, and reduces the risk of back injuries to the employees. Pictured are members of the Grand Master's 2005 Golf committee with several Valley Care Masonic Center employees who utilize the equipment. (Front row l-r) Ray Dietz, Linda Cobb, CNA, Bernie Anderson, CNA, Grand Master William Slater II, Donna Sipes, CNA, Stacie Liberty, LPN, Jane Binley, Richard Stemmler. (Back row l-r) Bill Magnotti, Randy Hobaugh, William Hartland, Norman Flaherty, and Leonard Santimyer.



Donald L. Albert
R.W. Grand Secretary

Masons from the One-Day Class are making it happen!

Our 2004 One Day Class members are responding to meet the challenge in attendance at the meetings of their lodges and to fulfill our lodge's greatest need of becoming lodge officers.

They experienced the best of degree work. You, as mentors, provided them with the desire to continue with their journey in Freemasonry.

Many thanks to all of you who have taken the time to assist these new members in responding with your assistance to *Share the Light* to provide your knowledge to make this all possible for them. Your love of our Fraternity and your travels in it, I am sure, has inspired them to respond successfully.

Along with us, our new members are now part of Freemasonry for tomorrow, and all of our actions will be obvious as to how those non-members view us. Our goal should be to assist all good men to be members of our Fraternity that they can see how its teachings have made our lives better.

During this new year we ask, as you attend your lodges, to encourage those who might not attend to come to lodge with you. Let us not forget those who might attend if you provide them a way to travel with you.

Remember always Brethren:
Share the Light of Freemasonry. *

Petition Hotline
1-800-990-1935

You're invited to attend the

JUNE QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

of the

Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania

Saturday, June 4, 2005 - 10:00 a.m.

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center

PLAN NOW TO ENJOY THESE SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, June 3, 7:00 p.m.

Pittsburgh Pirates vs Atlanta Braves



at the state-of-the art PNC PARK

\$24.95 per person

INCLUDES PIRATE BASEBALL CAP

FIREWORKS FOLLOWING GAME

Saturday, June 4, 6:00 p.m.

Dinner/Dance Cruise on the Three Rivers

Aboard the Gateway Clipper Fleet

\$39.95 per person

June Quarterly Event Coupon

Please send me tickets for the following June Quarterly events:

[] _____ ticket/s for the June Quarterly at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center

[] _____ ticket/s for the Pirate Baseball Game @ \$24.95 each = \$ _____

[] _____ ticket/s for the Dinner/Dance Cruise @ \$39.95 each = \$ _____

Make check payable to the Grand Lodge of PA Total \$ _____

I have enclosed a self-addressed/stamped envelope for return of tickets.

Name _____ Ph _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mail to: Joanne Patterson, Masonic Temple, One N. Broad St. Philadelphia, PA 19107



A Family Affair



Bro. John Resch Sr. (front row left) of Lambertson Lodge No. 764 of Lancaster, performed the Guide duties for his son, James Resch; son-in-law Salvatore Grimaldi; and son, John Resch Jr., during their Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason degrees.

A 44-year member, John Resch Sr. has been responsible for introducing nine members to the Craft.

Back row - David L. Tappany, PM; Peter J. Ruggieri, WM; John F. Farrell, SW; and John J. Brackbill, JW. *

Serving in Iraq



On December 15, 2004, Marion Lodge No. 562, in Scottdale, PA conferred all three degrees upon Robert J. Reeb. Bro. Reeb, a US Army National Guard Sergeant with the HHC 1st Battalion 110th Infantry Regiment (Mechanized) received orders that his unit was shipping out for Iraq the first week of January. A special Dispensation was granted to confer the three degrees only six days after he was balloted on. Also in attendance were two of Bro. Reeb's fellow soldiers that were deployed with him. From left to right are Bro. Brian E. Shick, SW then JW who conferred the 1st degree; Bro. Robert D. Sheets, WM then SW who conferred the 2nd degree; Bro. Laverne Campbell of Hebron Lodge No. 575 in Mercer, PA; Bro. Reeb; Bro. Christopher D. Clark of Washington Lodge No. 164 in Washington, PA; and Bro. Robert S. Zelmor, PM, then WM who conferred the 3rd degree. *

2004 Lodges Meeting 10% Goal (36)

District B

1. University 51
2. Pilgrim 712
3. William Penn 732

District E

4. Melita 295

District 2

5. Harrisburg 629

District 3

6. Gen. James Chambers 801

District 8

7. Penn-Morris 778

District 9

8. Prosperity 567

District 12

9. George M. Dallas 531

District 15

10. Freedom 328

11. Bluestone 338

12. Nicholson 438

13. Mount Hermon 472

District 17

14. Cowanesque 351

District 20

15. Juniata 282

District 25

16. Lodge 408

17. Pine 498

District 27

18. William H. Miller 769

District 29

19. Washington 164

District 30

20. Marion 562

District 31

21. Monessen 638

District 38

22. North Hills 716

District 42

23. Friendship 663

District 47

24. Doric 630

25. Oakdale 669

26. Coraopolis 674

District 49

27. Duquesne 731

District 54

28. Bethel 789

District 55

29. Lodge 45

30. Dallas 508

District 56

31. Corry 365

District 57

32. William D. McIlroy 758

District 58

33. Frackville 737

District 59

34. Wyoming 468

35. Moscow 504

District 60

36. Abraham C. Treichler 682

Districts Meeting 10% Goal (0)

PETITION **HOTLINE** 1-800-990-1935

www.pagrandlodge.org

Edward D. Miles Appointed DDGM at Large



The R.W. Grand Master, William Slater II, has announced the appointment of Bro. Edward D. Miles as District Deputy Grand Master at Large and assigned him to The Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation For Children.

He will be working with Bro. Raymond Brown, Executive Director of the Foundation for Children, to coordinate and assist with Public Relations for the **CHIP** project.

Bro. Miles was recently DDGM of the 36th Masonic District and belongs to Concord Lodge No. 625 in Concord, PA. *

The Grand Lodge 2005 District Deputy Grand Master Corps & 2

District A - Robert A. Ciampitti, Sr., DDGM



St. John's 115 Richard P. Dimucci
Hermann-Humboldt 125 Richard W. Aust
Richmond 230 Jerry O. Richards
William L. Elkins 271 John J. Fikentscher
Atheletan 482 Arthur C. Hayes
Robert Lamberton 487 Walter B. Marvel
Equity 591 Martin T. Gregorski

District B - Robert J. Taylor, DDGM



Solomon's 3 Samuel Blum
University 51 George P. Magargal
Washington 59 Richard E. Barkman
Philadelphia-Potter 72 Kevin F. Carroll
Mozart 436 Thomas Wible
Fernwood 543 Robert Laurelli
Pilgrim 712 John Lancowski
William Penn 732 Harold F. Wankel

District C - Gary Davis, DDGM



Hackenburg-Mt. Moriah 19
..... Christopher M. Carroll
Columbia 91 Barton D. Sklar
Lodge 126 Mark J. Perlman
Palestine Roxborough 135
..... Arthur W. Shannon
Williamson Corinthian 368 Ernest Freedman
St. Alban 529 Joseph A. Fletcher III

District D - Charles T. Graham, DDGM



Penna. Meridian Sun 2 Michael J. Horton
Lodge 9 Wayne D. Greenberg
Harmony 52 Christopher C. English
Widener-Apollo-Kensington 211
..... William A. Boharsik, Sr.
Frankford 292 Richard J. Wisniewski
Jerusalem 506 John T. (Jack) Jones
Tacony 600 David J. Brett
Harry A. Houseman 717 George H. Defwiler
Joseph H. Brown 751 Leonard E. Smith

District E - Raymond T. George, DDGM



Concordia 67 Darrell E. Swank
Hiram 81 Jack W. Fenstermaker
Shekinah 246 Louis A. Golin
Melita 295 Adam C. Heese
Mitchell 296 Fredric K. Weiss
Richard Vaux-Ivanhoe 384
..... Lawrence R. Haney
Friendship-Williams 400 Louis A. DeCenzi
Thomas R. Patton 659 Frank Romano

District 7 - Mark A. Haines, DDGM



Lodge 62 Ronald I. Simon
Chandler 227 Edward L. Gottschall
Teutonia 367 Domenick A. Fiore, Jr.
Huguenot 377 James P. Ferry
Vaux 406 Michael A. Black
St. John's 435 Harold L. Kahn, Jr.
Union 479 Keith A. Bortz, Jr.
Reading 549 Dennis W. Dender
Isaac Hiester 660 Lee D. Brisan

District 8 - William A. Wetterau, DDGM



Bristol 25 George C. Morris
Doylestown 245 Benjamin T. Hanbicki
W.K. Bray 410 Wayne F. Birster
Newtown 427 Bruce W. Stevens
MacCalla 596 Robert G. Lynch
Fairless Hills-Levittown 776
..... Ronald E. Meredith
Penn-Morris 778 Thomas G. Laird
Southampton-Radiant Star 806 John H. Cole

District 9 - Raymond A. Robey, DDGM



Easton 152 Scott D. Odenweider
Bethlehem 283 George B. Hixon
Dallas-Lafayette 396 William R. Parks, Sr.
Prosperity 567 Raimon R. Jones
Chapman 637 Frederick F. Scott, Sr.
H. Stanley Goodwin 648 John J. Fresh

District 10 - Robert W. Steckel, DDGM



Porter 284 John W. Thomas III
Lehigh 326 Frank E. Speer
Slatington 440 David J. Hohenshilt
Saucon 469 Timothy B. Hunsicker
Quakertown 512 Lee L. Myers
Greenleaf 561 Gaetan T. Giannini, Jr.
Jordan-Martin 673 Brad R. Steigerwalt
New Temple 720 David A. Sell
Emmaus 792 David A. Faust

District 11 - Carl F. Berger, DDGM



Schuylkill 138 James H. Seigfried
Pulaski 216 Gerard V. Frantz
Cressona 222 Dale E. Leonard
Swatara 267 Jeffrey R. Sieger
Valley 797 John T. Carl

District 17 - Timothy S. McConnell, DDGM



Friendship 247 Lee W. Harvey
Ossea 317 Kevin A. Borden
Bloss 350 H. Lee Hoar
Cowanesque 351 Jerald H. Price
Tioga 373 Gary E. Cooper II
Osceola 421 Ryan M. Morgan
Westfield 477 David R. Grist
Lewisville 556 Todd C. Hamilton
Galeton 602 Richard B. Darrenkamp

District 18 - Kenneth W. McClintock, DDGM



Lodge 106 Richard L. Betron
La Fayette 189 Louis S. Slack
La Belle Vallee 232 Robert L. Greene
Muncy 299 Gerald D. Wagner
Eureka 335 David M. Fox
Watsonstown 401 Larry E. Sholly, Jr.
John F. Laedlein 707 Scott L. Ingraham
Dietrick Lamade 755 Donald A. Cicero

District 19 - Merrill R. Shaffer, DDGM



Lewistown 203 Douglas S. Cramer
Adams 319 Barry E. Enck
Union 324 Ronald L. Hoover
Tennis 371 Bruce D. Hengst
McVeytown 376 John E. Shingler
Newport 381 Dwain D. Leshner
Perry 458 Larry V. Shumaker

District 20 - David B. Smith, DDGM



Portage 220 Robert E. Lee
Mountain 281 David M. Rose
Juniata 282 Stephen W. Dively
Logan 490 Todd K. Wilkin, Jr.
Tyrone 494 John E. Morrissey, Sr.
Woodbury 539 Robert E. Bialowas
Coalport 574 Joseph G. Blake
Hiram 616 Danne R. Kendle

District 21 - James A. O'Connor, DDGM



Bellefonte 268 Dwight W. Smith
Clearfield 314 James O. Duncan
Moshannon 391 Andrew J. McClellan
Noble 480 David L. Mays
Osceola 515 Robert A. Hanna, Jr.
Old Fort 537 Peter G. Theodoros
State College 700 Wayne C. Runk

District 27 - Roger A. Johnson, DDGM



Armstrong 239 Howard D. Berner
Kittanning-East Brady 244 Jeffrey P. Jackson
Butler 272 Charles R. Manos, Sr.
Argyle 540 Thomas H. Sherwin
Leechburg 577 Frank L. Gadley
Victory 694 Norbert F. Slezak, Jr.
John E. Mair 729 Donald L. Balla
William H. Miller 769 Michael D. Sherman
Seneca 805 Robert P. Myers

District 29 - Thomas M. Gasmire, DDGM



Waynesburg 153 Nelson M. Martin
Washington 164 Robert J. McKivitz
Beallsville 237 Paul W. Terry
Chartiers 297 Kevin P. Shutz
Claysville 447 James L. Armstrong, Jr.
Richard Vaux 454 Russell E. Clemens
Valley 459 W. Christopher Decker
Sunset 623 Edward E. Cochran

District 30 - Jeffrey M. Wonderling, DDGM



Philanthropy 225 Clarence W. Cook
Loyalhanna 275 George J. Frederick
Ligonier 331 John R. Patton
King Solomon's 346 Timothy L. Shumar
Westmoreland 518 Charles H. Johnston
Marion 562 Robert D. Sheets
LaMonte 568 Douglas F. Carlquist
Shilde 601 James A. Kospasko
James Cochran 614 Jay D. Whipkey
Jeannette 750 John D. Copeland

District 31 - Barry L. Wheeler, DDGM



Brownsville 60 Charles A. Rapp
Fayette 228 Samuel Frazee II
Gummert 252 Carl T. Cathers
Henry M. Phillips 337 William A. Ball
Monongahela Valley 461 Jack C. Klein
Blyth 593 Larry E. Risku
Charleroi 615 James I. Gorton
Monessen 638 Carl W. Suppo
Tri-County 643 James H. Staff, Jr.
Laurel 651 Richard L. Hudson

District 33 - Guilford G. Rowley, Jr., DDGM



Elk 379 Daniel Shannon
Emporium 382 John R. Kautz
Renovo 495 Roy G. Schoonover
Driftwood 532 Scott D. Clay
Kane 566 Eugene R. Staiger
Wilcox 571 Carl R. Johnson
George E. Wagner 639 Marcus T. Young
James W. Brown 675 Kyle E. Nelson

District 39 - Richard A. Carnes, DDGM



Indiana-Franklin 313 Byron W. Kelsey
Acacia 355 William J. Ostach
Williamson 431 Brian E. Bielek
Apollo 437 Dwight M. McMaster
John W. Jenks 534 Kenneth J. Hinderliter
Kiskiminetas 617 Edward A. Denison

District 40 - Thomas Gamon IV, DDGM



Phoenix 75 Christopher J. Wollter
Stichter 254 James C. Drumheller III
Mount Pickering 446 Frederick C. Hanson
Spring City 553 Keith H. Meitzler
Royersford 585 John W. Fontaine II
Perkiomen 595 Robert C. Christman
Boyertown 741 William E. Harner III

District 41 - John D. Ream, DDGM



Cambria 278 Larry J. Nanna
Summit 312 Raymond D. Berkheimer
Somerset 358 Roger A. Rayman
Greater Johnstown 538 Franklin D. Reffner
Meyersdale 554 Stanley L. Scheller

District 42 - James R. Eisenhart II, DDGM



York 266 Erik L. Quesenberry
Good Samaritan 336 James J. Leaman
Patmos 348 David A. Auchey
Shrewsbury 423 John E. Grinnalds
Zerredatha 451 Arthur C. Wertz
Hebron 465 John J. Curran
Riverside 503 Martin H. Lorah
Red Lion 649 Charles J. Wilson
Friendship 663 Dennis K. Schmuck
White Rose 706 Robert W. Smith

District 45 - Donald W. Weaver, DDGM



Tamaqua 238 Dean E. Deem
Carbon 242 Edward H. Hawk
Hazle-Azalea-Fellowship 327
..... Mark S. Frumkin
Laurel 467 George W. Maehrer III
Arbutus 611 John L. Mowery
Lehigh 621 Dale H. Ott
Panther Valley 677 Robert R. Breiner

District 53 - Timothy P. Templeton, DDGM



Eureka 290 William W. Owens
Kedron 389 Gary W. Facemyer
Sharpsville 517 Walter B. Gardner
Hebron 575 Charles M. Gill
Grove City 603 Samuel K. Williamson III
Shenango Valley 810 Gary B. Solomon

District 54 - Kurt R. Tesche, DDGM



Poiltock 502 Thomas E. McBride
Valley 613 James F. Rosipal
Tyrian 644 Robert J. Schall
Forbes Trail 783 John B. Laufer
Bethel 789 John E. Sennett, Sr.
Plum Creek-Monroeville 799
..... Anton Anker, Jr.

District 55 - Raymond T. Dietz, DDGM



Lodge 45 Daniel G. Conway, Jr.
Franklin-St. John's-Trinity 221
..... E. Charles Sellinsky
Solomon 231 Bradley S. Dornish
Milnor 287 Paul E. Pongrace III
McKinley-Stuckrath 318 Edward Foster
Dallas 508 David C. Allison
Corinthian 573 J. Louie Hendrix, Jr.
Chartiers Valley 725 Mark J. Schnupp

District 56 - C. Donald Nelson, DDGM



North Star 241 William D. Timmins
Corry 365 Robert W. Hill
Stillwater 547 Paul E. Yeagle
Olive-Temple 557 Larry E. Wright
Acacia 633 James E. Hanson
Joseph Warren 726 John W. Hawk

District 57 - David W. Morgans, DDGM



Monongahela 269 Ralph F. Mueller
Germania 509 John D. Penberthy, Sr.
Dormont 684 D. Michael Tanner
John A. Brashear 743 Stanley J. Kader
William D. McIlroy 758 William J. Kline
Pleasant Hills-Guthrie 759 John G. Borman
Bethel 761 Derek J. Podolak
Whitehall 794 James Truchan
South Gate Marshall 808 Michael S. Kasyan

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District 1 - Robert S. Conway, DDGM



Lodge 43 William J. Barry
Washington 156 Jay N. Hastings
Columbia 286 Gary J. Lookingbill
Ashara 398 Duane C. Hevener
Christiana 417 Charles R. Evenson
Lamberton 476 Peter J. Ruggieri
Charles M. Howell 496 Bruce H. Jackson
Casiphia 551 Larry A. Derr
Manheim 587 Terry Millard
Ephrata 665 Harold R. Long

District 2 - Kenneth E. Beard, Jr., DDGM



Perseverance 21 Granville S. Strachan, Jr.
Susquehanna 364 Steven L. Gingrich
Robert Burns 464 Henry J. Federowicz
Prince Edwin 486 Duane A. Stillwell
Harrisburg 629 Dale H. Espenshade
West Shore 681 Keith E. Murray
William S. Snyder 756 Aaron N. Dym
Steelton-Swatara 775 Daniel A. Nettling
Lowther Manor 781 Dreher L. Richards, Jr.

District 3 - John L. Stains, DDGM



George Washington 143 Carl F. Larson
Cumberland Star 197 Stephen L. Willhide
St. John's 260 Richard G. Sebring
Orstown 262 Timothy T. Cramer
Eureka 302 Eric S. Joyner
Cumberland Valley 315 Daniel L. Baumgardner
Big Spring 361 Jay B. Weikel
Mount Pisgah 443 Robert P. Daley
Acacia 586 William W. Wepking
Gen. James Chambers 801 Donald E. Swan

District 5 - Harry E. Hackman, Jr., DDGM



Williamson 309 Richard H. Graham
West Chester 322 Ronald J. Lux
Thomson 340 Richard E. Ciccotelli
Skerrett 343 Donald F. Tennant
Oxford 353 Allen G. Wood, Jr.
Brandywine-Goddard 383
Howell 405 Robert H. Phillips
Kennett 475 Kenneth W. Player
New London 545 John W. Fritsche
Howard J. Bowhall

District 6 - David K. Beaulieu, DDGM



Charity 190 William A. Staneruck
Cassia-Mt. Horeb 273 Leonard R. Bazar
Fritz 308 John G. Carfagno
Warren 310 Benjamin H. Ziegler
Shiloh 558 Joseph E. McQuillin, Jr.
Norristown 620 Richard Jones
Community 744 J. Louis Bellamy, Jr.

District 12 - Hugh E. Williams, Jr., DDGM



Lodge 61 Robert Gaiteri
Plymouth 332 Jeffrey S. Rittenhouse
Kingston 395 John F. Taylor, Jr.
Landmark 442 Joseph M. Matchko, Jr.
Coalville 474 Theodore Strunk
George M. Dallas 531 Barry T. Wagner
Nanticoke 541 Jason H. Pearce
Fidelity 655 Paul Stevens
King David 763 William H. Brandt, Sr.

District 13 - Gordon M. Conniff, DDGM



Union 291 Russell L. Fenton
Peter Williamson 323 James W. Sharp
Hyde Park 339 James P. Fanning
Aurora 523 James J. Kilonsky
King Solomon 584 Robert J. Piappert
Oriental Star 588 Kenneth P. Murray
Green Ridge 597 Todd T. Parry

District 14 - Alvin W. Hollister, DDGM



Honesdale 218 John W. Peper
Carbondale 249 James M. Reilly
Salem 330 Allen D. Crouthamel
Milford 344 Frederick H. Catanzariti
Kingsbury 466 William Tomasovitch
Waymart 542 Fred J. Glavich

District 15 - Nathan A. Foster, DDGM



Warren 240 Lenthel C. Drachler
Temple 248 David J. Orlando
Freedom 328 Erwin Hermann
Bluestone 338 David A. Hinkley
Factoryville 341 James L. Norconk
Canawacta 360 Edward F. Collins
Nicholson 438 Walter C. Adams
Harford 445 Jason Perez
Mount Hermon 472 Earl W. Obelenus

District 16 - John R. McHenry, DDGM



Rural Amity 70 Gerald H. Laninger
Union 108 Dale W. Butcher
Evergreen 163 Albert W. Kapler
Franklin 263 Robert M. Innamorati
Trojan 306 Thomas A. Calkins
Canton 415 Raymond G. Bagley
Roman 418 Julius Westori
Le Ray 471 Michael Maslov
Wyalusing 618 John H. Dabback

District 22 - James D. Gustafson, DDGM



Union 334 Dennis E. Wineberg
Eulalia 342 Brian S. Pekarski
McKean 388 Robert Wright
Liberty 505 Nelson A. Tanner
Northern Star 555 David M. Schenfield, Jr.
Arcana 580 Clarence H. Walker
Sharon 598 R. Joseph Graves
Bradford 749 Chris E. Burkhouse

District 23 - Gerald L. Gates, DDGM



Myrtle 316 Tracy H. Miller
Petrolia 363 David L. Reddinger
Lake 434 Clayton E. Marsteller
Fraternal 483 Marc A. Taylor
Edenburg 550 Cornelius W. Stover
Oil City 710 Edwin A. Evans
Titusville 754 William R. Fielding

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Lake Erie 347 Daniel P. Lemmon
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Lodge of the Craft-Westminster 433
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Moscow 504 Anthony L. Naro
Acacia 579 Thomas S. Musso
Moosic 664 Charles W. Cobb III

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Mount Olivet 704 William H. Semmel
Spring Creek 802 Daniel W. Geib

"Pennsylvania Masonry is shining brightly because Pennsylvania Masons are Sharing the Light and bettering our world! The future of this great fraternity is in YOUR hands."

— William Slater II, R.W. Grand Master





The Grand Master's

Brethren, thanks to YOU, the sun is shining brightly on Pennsylvania Freemasonry! Turn to page 5 and look at the results of the 2004 One-Day Man to Mason project. Last year was a testimony to how remarkable things can happen when we UNITE to *Share the Light*. Our charity -- our legacy -- becomes more than a flicker, but a brilliant torch burning for a shared purpose: a strong and glorious future for Freemasonry. You should be proud of what we accomplished!

This year, we will expand and improve upon many of these exciting and successful programs. Together, we will reach even higher and farther to accomplish more than we did in 2004.

If you enjoy motorcycling and spectacular sightseeing, you won't want to miss this year's Sturgis trip, scheduled for August 9th through the 13th. Gather your Brethren and friends; it's a great way to introduce nonmembers to Freemasonry. I guarantee that



2005 Ride with the Grand Master - Aug. 9 - 13, Rapid City, SD

it'll be an exhilarating ride and a journey of a lifetime.

If racing is more your thing, then mark your calendar for June 25th, our



2005 Mini Grand Prix - June 25 - Elizabethtown

second annual Charity Mini Grand Prix at Masonic Village -- Elizabethtown. This year's race will benefit the 40 youth of the Masonic Children's Home. Now is

the time to begin planning and training!

The annual Autumn Day at the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown will be held on September 24th. I encourage each lodge to coordinate bus trips so Brethren, their families and prospective candidates can enjoy the day

while learning about the many services provided through the Masonic Villages.

For all of you Golfers, the Western PA Charity Golf Tournament is scheduled for September 19th at the Allegheny Golf Club, and the Eastern PA Charity Golf Tournament will be held at the Lu Lu Country Club on September 26th.

The Masonic **CHIP** Program won an overwhelming victory over crimes against youth in Pennsylvania in 2004, and this year our charge is doubled. Brethren, hundreds of thousands of children are counting on YOU to protect them from abductions. I encourage you to volunteer your time and commit your lodge to ensuring the children in your communities are safe. Already this year, we have commitments to ID up to 200,000 youth across the Commonwealth, which is an enormous feat. The *Sharing the Light* Holiday Gala in December at the Masonic Temple raised over \$110,000 to help fund this program, but we need YOUR support to make it happen.

Our membership enrichment initiatives have grown our family by more than



Winter Message



6,000 new members, yet our work is far from finished. We have seen how our lodges thrive when we bring new men, new ideas and new leaders into our family. Now, we must continue to mentor our newly raised members so their pride in our Masonic heritage grows along with their commitment and involvement. Set an

example, be an inspiration, and continue to petition men who are worthy of being called, "Brother."

Districts will be encouraged to host their own Man-to-Mason One-Day Adventures during a Saturday in October or November this year, allowing qualifying men to receive degrees from the first to the 32nd and ending the day as a Shrine Mason, if they so choose.

Brethren, believe in yourselves and in your ability to pick up your torch and brighten another's path. *Share the Light*, don't keep it to yourselves. In doing so,



2005 CHIP Gala II - Dec. 10 - Philadelphia Masonic Temple

you will reach new heights!

Pennsylvania Masonry is shining brightly because Pennsylvania Masons ARE *Sharing the Light* and bettering our world! The future of this great fraternity is in YOUR hands. Extend your hands to others and welcome them to enjoy the many benefits and opportunities that membership affords.

Be a beacon unto others to the strength of the Craft! *

The Grand Master's mother, Dee Rogers will attend the West Palm, Florida Reunion with her son, William Slater II



2005 Florida Reunions Feb. 24, 25, 26



2005 Autumn Day - Sept. 24.

Can we attain an even higher increase in membership than last year? I believe we can!

Your attitude almost always determines your altitude in life. Only you can determine how high you will soar and how brightly you allow your light to shine.



2005 W. Pennsylvania Golf Tournament - Sept. 19 - Allegheny Golf Club

Bro. & Dr. Timothy Rusnak, Bro. Lawton Stokes, Bro. Mac McIlraith, and Bro. Erich Gurnto enjoyed the 2004 W. Pennsylvania Charity Golf Tournament. Over \$15,000 was raised for the Masonic Village at Sewickley.



2005 One-day Class - Scheduled by Masonic Districts (Oct. & Nov.)



Around The STATE Of The Craft

E. PA Golf Event Raises \$12,000



The Eastern Region Charity Golf Tournament scheduled for September 28 was cancelled due to heavy rain and rescheduled on October 12. As a result, 68 of the original 100 golfers made the new date. In spite of the delay the tournament raised \$12,000 for the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill and the Masonic Children's Home at Elizabethtown. (l-r) Bill Greet, Co-Chairman, Therese Abruzzese, Neighbor Care, Dale H. Fera, Jr., and Dale H. Fera, Sr., Tournament Co-Chairman. *



Annual Eastern Pennsylvania MASONIC FAMILY PICNIC

DORNEY PARK **WILDWATER KINGDOM**
(10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.) (10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Rain or Shine - Saturday, June 11, 2005

"All You Can Eat"

Menu served 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Fried Chicken, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad,
Soda, Ice Cream, Condiments and More!

Adults \$30.00. Child 3 years to 48" Tall \$20.00

(2 years and under admitted Free)

Admission Price Pays for Both Parks

Discounted Parking \$6.00. Covered Pavilion for meals.

TICKET ORDER FORM

I enclose check for \$ _____ payable to **Masonic Picnic** for tickets below:

Adult tickets @ \$30 = \$ _____

Child tickets @ \$20 = \$ _____

Please send me Discount Parking Coupons to be paid for at gate.

(Do Not Send Money For Parking)

Name _____ Ph _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mail Ticket Order Form To:

Guy T. Matthews, 139 W. Richardson Ave., Langhorne, PA 19047

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE FOR TICKETS - MONDAY, MAY 27

Grand Lodge Website Update

The Grand Lodge's website continues to grow in information and services offered to our members. The website, which can be found at www.pagrandlodge.org, is primarily a reference tool to educate and inspire Masons and prospective members about the Craft.

In 2004 the website served up 3.1 million pages of information, an increase of 43% over the previous year, and logged over 621,000 visits to the site.

If you haven't been there recently you are missing a new home page, the new Masonic Villages site, 6 new Masonic Videos, an updated Speakers Directory and an on-line Gift Shop that is 100% safe and easy to use.

Here are some interesting statistics on our most popular pages:

- The Masonic Villages, over 100,000 visits.
- Grand Secretary's administrative module, 97,000 visits.
- Tour of the Masonic Temple, 46,800 visits.
- Grand Master's Programs, 36,200 visits.

Other popular areas include the Giftshop, the comprehensive Links to other reputable Masonic sites, the Library and Museum, the Pennsylvania Freemason, How To Join, the PA Youth Foundation, Masonic Education, The Academy of Knowledge and the Lodge of Research.

Another indication of the site's popularity can be found in the 134 messages left in the Guest Book from all over the world.

Participation in the On-Line Circulating Library grew dramatically in 2004 with 251 borrowing requests from qualified participants. That is an increase of 122%.

Use of the On-Line Speakers Directory grew by 70%, with the processing of 120 on-line requests from Masters and Senior Wardens looking to arrange programs for their Lodges.

To increase the variety of presentations available, there is a new process available whereby speakers can request inclusion in the directory, following approval by their District Deputy Grand Master.

The On-Line Masonic Employment Center continues to offer Pennsylvania Masons the opportunity to post resumes and job opportunities, exclusively for Brother Masons in PA. This is a private networking system where Masons share opportunities with their brothers. There is no charge or posting fee. It is entirely private, and therefore there is no record kept of any hirings — but it is a service that over 1690 Pennsylvania Masons are currently registered to use. It is not open to Masons from other jurisdictions as we can only verify the membership of PA Masons. At the close of the year, there were 18 Job Postings.

Go browsing today on the Grand Lodge web. *



Franklin D. Caltagirone, Director



Brethren: If you read my last article in the *Freemason*, I asked you to make arrangements to visit our Grand Lodge with other brothers or friends to see or re-aquaint yourself with Grand Lodge and know why

it is so important for you to have your name in the Gold Book or in the Philanthropic Society.

Your account is open, all you have to do is send your first check, in any amount, and it will start you on your way. We are asking you to be a partner with us in Grand Lodge as so many have done in the past.

We are having great success with both the Gold Book and Philanthropic Societies. This is why we continue to solicit donations from Masonic Lodges. Remember your commitment to Past Grand Master Marvin Cunningham. I am waiting to hear from you with your check. If you forgot what your commitment was, please contact your secretary.

I am sure that each member truly loves attending Grand Lodge and always remarks to one another about its significance as an architectural wonder in Philadelphia and through out the world. Your gift to the Masonic Temple is a meaningful way which will have a lasting impact on the Masonic Fraternity and world community. If you wish, you may designate your donation in memory or honor of someone special to you. If it is in the amount of \$500, their name will be placed in the Gold Book and if it is in the amount of \$250,000 their name will be entered in the Philanthropic book.

This paragraph is for the new Brethren of this year or last year who have not had the opportunity to visit Grand Lodge. You should make it a priority with the Brethren who signed your petition to visit the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia as it is a true wonder of the Masonic World.

If you have any questions, please call me at 610-777-7549 or e-mail me at frankdcal@cs.com. *

A Woman's Touch

by Deb Phillips

"What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal."

— Albert Pike



What will be your legacy?

It was after 9 p.m. I was in the fifth grade and the extra credit math problem still wasn't solved, and tears of frustration were flowing. I didn't need the extra credit — it would just add to my already over 100 percent grade — but my perfectionist tendencies won out. Later that night, I finally solved the problem and received the extra credit the next day. Looking back, it seems silly — who remembers their grade point average from fifth grade?

A few years later, as a member of Job's Daughters, I helped to deliver small gifts we made to residents at the Masonic Homes (now Masonic Village), and I spent over half an hour with one resident. She had no family or friends nearby and rarely received visitors. She was thrilled to have someone take time from their day and spend it with her. The gift, though appreciated, was not as important to her as the opportunity to share her stories with a new friend. I returned to visit several times after that, sometimes assisting her by writing letters for her, or

reading cards she received to her, but mostly just spending time sharing stories and listening. I learned an important lesson that day. How often in our lives do we get lost in the details? Solving that math problem was not for anything more than my own achievement, and who, besides me, remembers it; however, the memory of a pleasant conversation and friendship lingered long after that day.

As adults maybe it's not solving a math problem, but having a spotless home or perfectly manicured lawn or just having the right "things." But when we are gone, are those the only memories we want to leave behind? What is our legacy, or more importantly, what do we want our legacy to be? Will it be the perfect lawn or the museum-quality home, or will it be our kindness, graciousness and generosity to others?

It's never too late to re-evaluate our lives, and make changes to benefit others, and ourselves in the process — be it spending more time with family, serving as a tutor to struggling students, making regular donations to a charity, doing yard work for an elderly neighbor or visiting with residents of a nursing care facility. As members of the Masonic family, we have many opportunities to "Share the Light"—volunteer to assist at a **CHIP** site, share your time and talents at a Masonic Village, assist shut-in members—the opportunities are endless.

What will be your legacy? The fourth Saturday of October each year is designated as "National Make a Difference Day." Coordinate a project to "Make a Difference" in 2005 — include your family, Masonic family, friends, co-workers — and begin a legacy of service to others on October 22, 2005. *

Grand Tyler to receive 33°



Bro. Edward J. Stumm, Grand Tyler of the Grand Lodge and a member of Williamson Lodge No. 309 was nominated to receive the 33° in

Grand Rapids in August of 2005. But when the Freemason did not list him as one of the Grand Lodge officers nominated, he momentarily thought it had been withdrawn. Sorry about the omission Bro. Ed. Congratulations!

The Pennsylvania Freemason

Isn't That a Cult?

If you're around the family of Masonic fraternities long enough, you'll eventually hear someone ask this alarming question: "Isn't that a cult?" Members of our youth groups get asked that same question, sometimes by potential members and their parents.

In response to the question, the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation has released a new publication titled with that exact question and detailing, compellingly, why Masonic-related youth groups are emphatically NOT cults! The article is available to youth group leaders for their use when parents seem to be concerned about something false they have been told, or have read. This should be a valuable tool in combating some of the misunderstanding and misinformation about our organizations that is so prevalent today.

A sample of the brochure is available at www.pagrandlodge.org/pyf —look in the Programs section and then click on Publications. *

DeMolay Leaders Confer Degrees



The degree team included 2 members of the October 2nd Man-To-Mason Adventure, and 4 DeMolay Past State Master Councilors.

Bro. Nicholas C. Lessard-Chaudoin and his father, Joseph Chaudoin, were both scheduled to join Abraham C. Treichler Lodge No. 682 at the October One Day Adventure, but when Nick's Reserve Unit was called up to active service, both had to miss that event. Joe decided to continue the Masonic journey by taking the traditional EA and FC degrees in Lodge 682 during October and November, but Nick's situation was uncertain, until he received a Christmas leave from Fort Lewis, Washington. By virtue of a dispensation, Nick received all three degrees of Freemasonry on

December 30th, and Joe was able to complete his third degree, which accomplished their first goal of joining together! Nick's Advisors and Brothers from the Order of DeMolay conferred the degrees. His Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred by Bro. Keith A. Bortz, Past State Master Councilor, and presently the Chapter Advisor of Reading Chapter, and Worshipful Master of Union Lodge No. 479. His Fellowcraft Degree was conferred by Bro. Noble P. Johnson, District Deputy Grand Master, and Chairman of the Elizabethtown Chapter Advisory Council. The Master Mason Degree was

conferred on both Nick and his father by Bro. Brent D. Richards, Past State Master Councilor and Director of Publications for Pennsylvania DeMolay.

Also participating in the degrees were the following Active DeMolays-- Senior Deacon, Bro. Stephen L. Prazenica, PSMC; Junior Deacon, Bro. Nathaniel Prosser; Junior Master of Ceremonies, Justin D. Killian, State Master Councilor; and Advisors -- Senior Master of Ceremonies, Nathan P. Johnson, PMC; Eugene N. Weider, Pursuivant; William J. Prazenica, Guide; and Thomas R. Labagh, Executive Officer in PA; Guide. *

Rainbow Girls Present Books



The Erie Shrine Hospital was the recent beneficiary of children's books from members of North East Assembly No. 20, Order of the Rainbow for Girls. More than 100 children's books were presented through the charitable donations collected by the girls.

The books were presented to Mr. Richard Brzuz, Administrator of the Erie hospital. The books will be provided to children in the outpatient waiting rooms, inpatient activity rooms and surgical recovery rooms. *

Grand Master Honored By Pennsylvania DeMolay



On Saturday, December 4, 2004 more than 30 new members received their degrees in a statewide induction that was held in honor of "Dad" William Slater II, R.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The induction ceremonies, performed by an "all star" team of DeMolays, representing the many DeMolay Chapters meeting in Pennsylvania, were held at the Brossman Ballroom at the Freemason Cultural Center at the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown. The degree work was outstanding and left a lasting impression on Grand Master Slater and all who attended.

At the close of the induction ceremonies, "Dad" Thomas R. Labagh, Executive Officer for Pennsylvania DeMolay and Bro. Justin D. Killian, State Master Counselor, presented the R.W. Grand Master with a specially made Mini Grand Prix Wooden Collectible and a check in the amount of \$500.00 for the Child Identification Program, **CHIP**, the program of the Grand Lodge which collects identifying information on children, to be used by law enforcement departments in the event a child should become missing.

Following the induction, a week-and full of fun activities continued at the Masonic Conference Center. First-line signers for new members, who were inducted throughout the fall campaign, received prizes that included a personalized set of dog tags and either a navy-style hat or aviator-style sunglasses. The top first-line signers for the campaign received, by their preference, a "Lord of the Rings" RISK game; and the Chapter that inducted the most new members, which was Lorraine Chapter of Butler, received a mounted cavalry sword for display at their Chapter. *

DeMolay Month Scheduled

March 18, 2005 marks the 86th Anniversary of the founding of the Order of DeMolay in Kansas City, Missouri, and Chapters around the world will celebrate by dedicating the month of March to DeMolay. The goal of DeMolay Month is to have every DeMolay around the globe involved in lots of activities to show the world why DeMolay is great!

Pennsylvania DeMolay Chapters will be joining in this exciting celebration by holding special activities including Senior DeMolay Nights, Masonic Recognition Programs and participating in various civic service and Masonic service projects. Additionally, government officials will be signing proclamations recognizing March as DeMolay Month. Each DeMolay Chapter will also be attending a worship service at a local church, synagogue or temple in observance of the DeMolay Devotional Obligatory Day.

Also as a part of DeMolay Month, the Rose Croix Class will be held on Saturday, March 12, 2005 at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center. This annual induction class is sponsored by the Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose Croix and is held in honor of the Most Wise Master.

Pennsylvania DeMolay will recognize Chapters that report their DeMolay Month activities with the DeMolay Month Award of Excellence, which will be presented at the PA DeMolay Convention in Bethlehem in July. The three Chapters with the best observances will also be recognized with special plaques and cash awards. The DeMolay Month Competition is sponsored annually by Lodge No. 9 that meets in Philadelphia. *



Plan for Your Future Security Today!



The demand for Retirement Living accommodations in the Philadelphia area continues to increase and, as a result, the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill has recently added seven new deluxe apartments to the community. Each apartment is equipped with a washer and dryer, wall-to-wall carpeting, sheer curtains, electric range, refrigerator, emergency call system, smoke detectors and individually-controlled heating and air conditioning.

With the addition of these deluxe apartments, the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill now offers 77 units whereby residents have an opportunity to enjoy an active, vibrant lifestyle. New Retirement Living residents, as well as existing residents, also enjoy peace of mind in knowing that quality health care services are available should they ever need them. This continues to be the number one reason people are moving to one of the four Masonic Villages located throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Yes, there is a waiting list, and now is the time to begin planning your future security. To arrange for a tour or schedule an appointment, please call (610) 828-5760 or complete and mail the coupon below. We will be happy to discuss your specific preferences at your earliest convenience.

I want to learn more about Retirement Living at Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

☐ Send me a Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill brochure

☐ Call me to arrange a personal tour.

Please complete coupon and return to:
Marketing Office
Masonic Village
801 Ridge Pike
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

New Recognition Wall Unveiled



at Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill

On Thursday, October 21, 2004, almost 80 guests attended the Grand Master's reception to unveil the new Mission of Love Recognition Wall at the Masonic Village in Lafayette Hill. The recognition wall provides an opportunity to recognize and honor the individuals, lodges and chapters whose generosity makes a difference in the lives of the residents.

R.W. Grand Master William Slater II offered his deepest appreciation to donors and acknowledged the achievements of the Board of Directors and Life Members of the former Masonic Home of Pennsylvania: "These Brethren and their predecessors have created a solid foundation on which we continue for the future... The union of our Masonic Villages this year has not only brought our communities together but has also united our Family of Freemasonry in a shared purpose to ensure the highest quality of care and services for the residents of this community for perpetuity... This spirit of unanimity is exemplified in the Mission of Love Recognition Wall..."

Gifts at the Friend to Friend level honor all donors who contribute \$1,000 or more to benefit residents who are unable to pay for the full cost of their care at the Masonic Villages. Please consider sharing in the "Mission of Love" by becoming part of this new recognition society. For additional information about making a contribution, please call the regional Director of Gift Planning at one of the following numbers: Elizabethtown: (800) 599-6454, Lafayette Hill/Warminster: (610) 825-6100 ext. 1348, or Sewickley: (866) 872-0664.

The gift you make today will make a difference in the lives of our residents tomorrow.

Pictured below, left to right, are past board members of the former Masonic Home of Pennsylvania showing their continued support of the community: Bro. Albert Schoellhammer, Bro. Morton Lader, Bro. James Standish, Bro. Dallett Bowers, Bro. Richard Lownes and Bro. Kenneth Mills.



New in the Grand Lodge Library



Definitive Work of Masonic Bibliography

Freemasonry, Anti-Masonry and Illuminism in the United States

1734 - 1850

A Bibliography by Kent Logan Walgren

Worcester, MA: American Antiquarian Society, 2003 (2 volumes, \$195)

Review by: Glenys A. Waldman, Librarian

The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania

www.pagrandlodge.org

This work is the definitive Masonic bibliography for the first 116 years of Freemasonry in what is now the United States. It is an essential reference not only for Masonic libraries, but for academic and large public libraries. There are copies in the libraries at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia and The Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center.

The bibliography begins with the first Masonic publication in America, Brother Benjamin Franklin's 1734 reprint of James Anderson's 1723 Constitutions of the Free-Masons. 1734 was the same year Franklin first served as Grand Master of Pennsylvania Masons. Each entry lists an author and/or title, year and place of publication, as well as a physical description, appearance in other bibliographies, sometimes a summary of printing history, content, and the location of every known copy. At the end of volume 2, are author-title, general, and printer-publisher indices.

The research is impeccable, and the printing and binding are superb. The 110-page introduction includes lists of illustrations, short titles of references, a glossary of Masonic terms, calendars, abbreviations and an essay on previous Masonic bibliographies, as well as a solid historical section, in which Walgren begins by discussing Freemasonry in Britain and its early years in America.

Professor Steven C. Bullock (author of *Revolutionary Brotherhood*) follows with *Publishing Masonry: Print and the early American Fraternity*, telling the reader that with more than 5000 different books and pamphlets, and nearly three dozen Masonic periodicals, early American Freemasonry happily took advantage of the press. Only rituals remained secret, but later many would be printed, at least in code.

Bullock discusses the many editions of *Constitutions* (or *Ahiman Rezens*),

exposés of Masonry, and periodicals. S. Brent Morris, of the Supreme Council 33°, Southern Jurisdiction, completes the historical section with his essay on *The Early Development of the High Degrees* (those "beyond" that of Master Mason) and the work of Thomas Smith Webb and his successor Jeremy Cross, the two great early ritualists.

True to Walgren's friendly nature, among all of these helpful lists and essays, is tucked a wonderful acknowledgement of each of literally hundreds of people and institutions who helped to ferret out specific items, provide illustrations and bibliographic descriptions, and give moral and monetary support.

Kent Walgren wrote somewhat prophetically in his Compiler's Preface, "Like some mountain climbers, some bibliographers die before reaching their goal." Kent finished his work, but was found dead by the delivery man bringing his just-printed copies.

Thus this beautiful work must also serve as Kent's memorial. *

The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania borrowing privileges are extended only to Pennsylvania Masons.

One of the features of the Circulating Library, established in 1952, is to promote Masonic education and inspiration by the dissemination of Masonic literature among the members of lodges in the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania.

Information is available through the web site: www.pagrandlodge.org or write to: The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-2520. Phone: 215-988-1934. *

Books are Wondrous Things

With the words of a good author, they can take you on adventures you never thought possible or live life through another's eyes and experiences. With this thought in mind here are three books about Freemasons available from the Circulating Library.

This year continues the bicentennial of explorers Meriwether Lewis & William Clark exploration (1803-1806) of the Louisiana Purchase. *The Journals of Lewis and Clark* (B/L675/L675) begins with President Thomas Jefferson's instructions to Lewis on the undertaking of this trip to gather plant and animal samples and survey this new and uncharted territory and ends with their return to St. Louis in Sept. 1806. In between both men write of their encounters with Indians, wild animals, fur traders, the wonder & excitement of seeing new lands and the tedium of being far from home.

Quite a few readers are familiar with Rudyard Kipling's *The Man who would be King* in either its book or film version. It's the tale of two 19th C. Englishmen who convince tribesmen in the wilds of the Himalayas that they are God incarnate come to rule them and succeed for a time. This story makes for entertaining fiction but Josiah Harlan, Pennsylvania Freemason and Quaker, lived a life that would be the envy of Daniel Dravot and Peachey Carnehan. Ben Macintyre tells of Harlan's life and adventures in *The Man who would be King: the first American in Afghanistan* (B/H28355/M1525). He leaves this country in 1799 at the age of twenty-two after a failed romance and spends the next twenty years in Central Asia employed as a surgeon for the Maharaja of Punjab, revolutionary agent for the exiled Afghan King and commander-in-chief of the Afghan armies.

Outer space is often thought of as the last frontier and what better way to explore it than with *John Glenn: a memoir* (B/G558/G558), America's first astronaut to orbit Earth. John Glenn tells of his early years in New Concord, Ohio, his military career during W.W. II and Korea as a Marine fighter pilot, the early days of space exploration, his time in the U.S. Senate and his last space flight in 1998. In his memoir, Glenn tells of the men and women he met along the way, fought with in battle and inspired him to work and serve his country.

Check out the Circulating Library website for more books, audio and videotapes, CDs and DVDs about Freemasons and Freemasonry. *

Bro. William Vaupel Receives Jefferson Public Service Award

At ceremonies in Carnegie Music Hall in Pittsburgh on Thursday, January 27, Bro. William Vaupel received the Jefferson Award for Public Service in recognition of 9,000 hours of service to fellow veterans at the Veterans Hospital. The prestigious award is considered the Nobel Prize of volunteering. The awards are given

each year by the American Institute for Public Service.

In addition, the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System received a \$1,000 donation in his honor, from the Fisa Foundation.

Bro. Vaupel has reported for volunteer duty at the gastrointestinal lab of the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System twice a week for the past 14 years. From 7

am to 3 pm on Wednesdays and Fridays, he stocks shelves, cleans beds and jokes with veterans as he escorts them to their procedures.

Several years ago, the VA gave Bro. Vaupel a plaque in honor of his 7,500 hours of service. And in October, the Syria Shrine's Legion of Honor surprised him at a dinner with an award for outstanding volunteer service. He got into volunteer work after retiring from his

store (Vaupel Electronics) in 1989. "A buddy of mine was volunteering at the VA, and I went with him one day and I've been volunteering there ever since."

He was nominated for the award by Melinda O'Donnell, a former charge nurse at the GI lab, "he puts his fellow veterans at ease with funny stories and memories of his own time in military service." He served in World War II and the Korean conflict.

Bro. Vaupel's own health has not been without problems. He had a heart attack 10 years ago and has had two knee replacements and prostate cancer and is now dealing with high blood pressure and cholesterol. If it's slowed him down you'd never notice because the VA isn't the only recipient of Vaupel's efforts. He does maintenance work at two churches, collects clothes and food for the needy, and delivers soap to a men's shelter. He drives people who need rides, and any time he hears of medical equipment that's no longer in use, he finds it a new home.

"I have a philosophy," he said. "The road of life for all of us is not straight and smooth. It's got curves and rough patches. If I can straighten that out for someone, it makes me happy. And at my age, I want to be happy. Giving money is not enough. You've got to give where it costs you, inconvenience yourself. Take the time to help people who have no one else to turn to." He truly shares the Light of Freemasonry. *

Ed. Note: Bro. William N. Vaupel, 83, is a member of Corinthian Lodge No. 573. He is a 55 year Mason and has served three times as Worshipful Master of his Lodge - 1959, 1979, and 1984 of Theodore Roosevelt Lodge No. 697. He is now a member of Corinthian Lodge No. 573 following a merger of his former Lodge. He is also active in other Masonic bodies: Scottish Rite, Shrine, Grotto and York Rite Masonry.



History Made at Whitfield Lodge



Bro. Richard W. Shevalier, II (center) was raised in Whitfield Lodge No. 622, Tatamy, at an extra meeting on October 19. At the conclusion of the Master Mason degree Bro. Shevalier changed into a tuxedo and conferred the Entered Apprentice degree upon John J. Favere (right). Never before in its 103 years has a brother been raised and the conferring Master on the same night. Immediately after receiving his Entered Apprentice degree Bro. Shevalier began learning the ritual from his mentor Bro. William G. Smith, Jr., P.M. (left). Bro. Shevalier will confer the Fellowcraft degree in February and the Master Mason's degree in March on Bro. Favere.

Bro. Smith is a Senior Instructor in the 50th Masonic District School of Instruction and has mentored and taught ritual to over 100 Masons. *

Volunteering for CHIP



Volunteers at the first District C CHIP event on Jan. 26th at the Green Lane School in Roxborough, PA where 65 children were processed included (l-r) back row standing: Jason Brown, Bill Young, Tom Miller, PDDGM, Dean Spangler, Armando Duran, Bob Bateman DDGM 36. Next row standing: Gary Davis DDGM C, Kris Walkling, Jennifer Walkling. Kneeling - Robert Walkling, (sitting) Paul Feigel, Richard Jones, Charles Lankert in front: Ken Walkling. The event was made possible with the help of Brethren from District D and District 36. *

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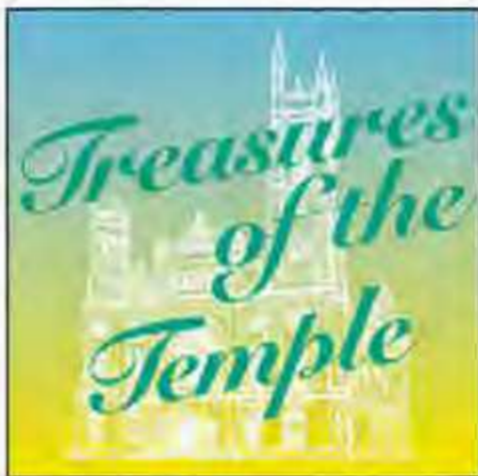
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by Laura Libert, Contributing Curator

Lean on Me:

Walking sticks from the collection of The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania

The majority of walking sticks encountered today in the United States are from the sixty or seventy years following the Civil War. Walking sticks from the first half of the nineteenth century are scarce, and those from before 1800 are rare. The late nineteenth century, the peak of the walking stick's popularity, was marked by an extreme proliferation of ornamentation, including fanciful shapes, colors, and materials.

Many walking sticks from this period were not expected to provide support but served as status symbols and were simply part of proper fashionable attire.

During the nineteenth century it became widely fashionable to present a suitably engraved walking stick of good quality to a loved one, friend, or anyone held in high regard. It was not uncommon for wood to be taken from a ship and inscribed to the vessel's captain or a victorious naval commander. One historically significant example in the collection is the Independence Hall walking stick, dated 1898. Made from wood taken from an original joist of Independence Hall, this walking stick was presented to William B. Reed, Past Master and historian of Washington Lodge

No. 59, from Samuel W. Pennypacker, also a member of Washington Lodge No. 59. Pennypacker would go on to serve as Governor of Pennsylvania from 1903-1907.

Walking sticks were often personally decorated for a user to identify himself as an individual or as a member of a group. A maker designed a stick to say what he wanted about himself or his world. The message might have been intended only for the bearer's friends or peer group or, alternatively, for the general public. A magnificent example of this type of personal walking stick is the Masonic/Odd Fellows walking stick, made some time in the late 19th to early 20th



Lodge and Chapter insignia is removed, an ivory-handled sword with brass hilt,

engraved "Old Crown Lodge No. 1839," is revealed.

If you would like to learn more about walking sticks, including our most recent one acquired from Brother John R. Moore, visit the display at the Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania. For additional information, be sure to take a look at American Folk Art Canes: Personal Sculpture by George H. Meyer, a recent addition to the library collection. *

Fireside Fraternity

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failing as brothers.

Brethren, it is our duty as Masons to help our brother. There are many men who can use that one night a month to get counsel, share friendship, talk over experiences, and get guidance during that social time. I urge each of you to attend your lodge and stay after the meeting for the fellowship. Also, encourage other men who are sneaking out of the lodge quickly to stay for a few minutes and unwind.

Remember, that the more you put into the fraternity, the more you will get out and the better man you will be. Also, the more you help your brother, the better man you will become. And, that's what it's all about.

Keep *Sharing the Light* and I'll talk to you next time.

Fraternally,
Marty

Ed. Note: Bro. Marty Migliori is a Past District Deputy Grand Master of the 15th Masonic District, retiring on December 27, 2004.

His column *Fireside Fraternity* will be appearing regularly in the *Pennsylvania Freemason*. He is also a Past Master of Factoryville Lodge No. 341.

Bro. Migliori is a graduate of the US Naval Academy, class of 1985.

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The Academy held its fall session in the Deike auditorium at the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown on Saturday, October 16 with over 150 brothers in attendance. The featured speaker was Wayne T. Adams, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of the State of Maine who spoke on "survival skills" as applied to our Craft. M.W. Brother Adams, a prominent attorney and articulate speaker is very well known as a Mason unafraid to speak his mind, with innovative ideas as well as criticisms concerning North American Freemasonry.

The afternoon session was devoted to discussion on "The Origins of Freemasonry" with presentations from Brothers C. DeForrest Trexler, P.M., Greenleaf Lodge No. 561; Dr. Theodore W. Schick, Jr., Jordan Lodge No. 673; and Gerald W. West, Jr., P.M., Perseverance Lodge No. 21.

Interest in the Academy continues to grow both within our jurisdiction as well as in many worldwide jurisdictions. Although membership in the Academy is limited to Pennsylvania Freemasons, we provide advice and assistance to other jurisdictions wishing to start any similar program.

The spring Academy session will be held on Saturday, March 19, in the Deike auditorium. Registration will open at 8:30 a.m. with the program beginning at 9:30. The program will be completed at approximately 3:00 p.m. All pre-registered Masons are welcome to attend. The featured speakers will be Brother and Doctor John L. Cooper, III, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California and Brother William J. Mollere, Past Grand Master



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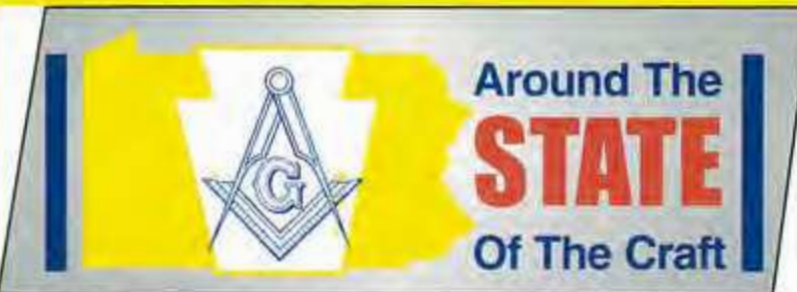
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DeMolay & Rainbow Assist Chip Program



Somerton Chapter, Order of DeMolay and Penn Valley Rainbow Assembly, assisted Newtown Lodge No. 427, Woodside, PA, with their first **CHIP** event, held at the Newtown Presbyterian Church. The youth are very good at getting the children to talk on the video, to help establish identifiable speech patterns. Working in the project were Bruce Stevens, WM; PYF Representative John Horn, and Charles Lankert, PM, John H. Brown Lodge 751. Officer Gregg from the Newtown Borough Police was on hand to help with fingerprinting. A total of 38 volunteers worked to "**CHIP**" 59 young people. *

Three Generations of Cochrans in Masonry



Bro. David Cochran of Manheim Lodge No. 587 sponsored his two sons, Troy and Kyle, in the Reading Man to Mason One-Day Class on October 2, which now brings three generations of Cochrans together as Master Masons.

Above (l-r) Bro. James Shaw, PM, Reading Lodge 549, mentor for the initiates; Bro. Troy Cochran, son, One-Day Class; Bro. David Cochran; Bro. Elwood Cochran, grandfather, Columbia Lodge No 286 (59 years a Mason); Bro. Kyle Cochran, son, One-Day Class, and Bro. Marvin Cochran, brother, raised in 2003.

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At Home at Masonic Village at Sewickley



If you want to find Jerry Sherman, your best bet is to visit the Barley Wellness Center about 7:30 a.m. A former engineer in the nuclear power industry and member of Lodge No. 725, Jerry enjoys his morning workouts almost as much as he and his wife, Billie, enjoy socializing in the dining room. "Occasionally, I have to look around the dining room to make sure we are not the last ones there," Billie added.

Jerry and Billie moved to Masonic Village last May and have never looked back. "We just made our minds up that we wanted to do this while we are still independent enough to enjoy it," Billie said.

At first, the Shermans considered downsizing to a one-level rental home. "Our son was instrumental in helping us to see that a rental was not the best decision," Jerry shared. "We would still have to seek out expensive home care services if one of us ever needed help." Billie added that they did not want to be isolated from other people.

After investigating retirement communities, the Shermans concluded that the lifecare concept was the best solution since it protects their assets as well as their health care options. They will continue to pay the same monthly rate, even if one of them should some day need assisted living or nursing services.

The Shermans enjoy the many benefits of the community, such as the varied floor plans to choose from, flexible meal plan, on-campus recreational and educational activities and transportation to cultural and sporting events and to shop.

The Shermans resided in the South Hills area of Pittsburgh and, after listing their house in the early spring, had an offer from the second couple who looked at it. Billie claimed it took very little time to begin referring to Masonic Village as "home" and likes to share with her visiting friends that, "we have never

regretted our move here, not even for a minute." The Shermans are always quick to point out how interesting and friendly all the residents are. And when their friends visit, they are amazed at how beautiful the community is.

Billie, who previously worked as a volunteer coordinator for a senior services organization, has been able to explore her artistic side by attending a watercolor painting class and a drawing class at the Masonic Village art studio. Jerry, on the other hand, prefers researching topics on his computer and just has been elected to serve on the Resident Executive Committee.

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Fernwood Lodge No. 543 recently donated 15 book cases and 1,000 books to the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill's library. Pictured above, left to right: Bro. Virgil D. "Burt" Penn, III, resident Ethel Naylor and Joshua Barol, recreation director.

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