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Restoration to Good Masonic Standing

A member of a Masonic Lodge in Pennsylvania, who has been suspended for non-payment of dues, can be restored to good Masonic standing and membership.

If a member desires to reaffiliate with the Lodge in which he stands suspended, he may, if he pays the delinquent dues within eleven months of the date of suspension, be restored to membership by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the stated meeting

MASON SHARES BIRTHDAYS

A Philadelphia Mason has a very unique way of celebrating his Masonic birthdays.

Each year Brother Abraham Pearlstine, a member of Athelstan Lodge No. 482, sends a check to Grand Lodge amounting to one dollar for each year of Masonic service.

The check this year was for \$57.

Brother Pearlstine, of R. D. 1, Collegeville, was made a Mason on October 3, 1905. His checks are placed in the Hospital Reserve Fund of the Masonic Homes.

at which action is had on the motion to restore him.

Such restoration to membership must be consummated by a vote of the Lodge within one Masonic year of the date of suspension.

Since the motion to restore must be laid over for one month before action can be taken on it, the delinquent dues must be paid and the motion made within eleven months of the date of suspension.

A suspended member who has not been restored to membership within the year, but subsequently desires to reaffiliate, must first pay the delinquent dues owed at the time of his suspension.

After the delinquent dues have been paid, he may be restored to good Masonic standing by a majority vote of the Lodge.

He may then present a petition for membership to the Lodge from which he was suspended, or to any other Lodge of his choice in this or any recognized Jurisdiction.

A unanimous ballot is necessary for his election to membership, at least so far as Pennsylvania Lodges are concerned.

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Officers of Grand Lodge, installed to serve a second year, include: Left to right, front: Bro. Earl F. Herold, R.W. Deputy Grand Master; Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, R.W. Grand Master; and Bro. Robert E. Deyoe, R.W. Senior Grand Warden. Left to right, rear: Bro. Ashby B. Paul, R.W. Grand Secretary; Bro. John K. Young, R.W. Junior Grand Warden; and Bro. Louis Bacharach, R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Annual Election Results

Grand Master Starts Second Term

Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, a Philadelphia attorney, was installed as R. W. Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, to serve a second year, at the Annual Grand Communication of Grand Lodge on December 27.

Other Grand Lodge officers elected to serve for another year include:

Bro. Earl F. Herold, of Butler, R. W. Deputy Grand Master.

Bro. Robert E. Deyoe, of Oil City, R. W. Senior Grand Warden.

Bro. John K. Young, of Philadelphia, R. W. Junior Grand Warden.

Bro. Louis Bacharach, of Philadelphia, R. W. Grand Treasurer.

Bro. Ashby B. Paul, of Harrisburg, R. W. Grand Secretary.

It is the custom of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for the line officers to serve two years in each office. However, there is an election and an official installation each year.

Brother McKinley announced that
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Grand Master Names New District Deputies

Eight new District Deputy Grand Masters have been appointed by the Grand Master. They include:

Bro. Joseph E. Trate, of Lodge No. 3, Masonic District "C," vice Bro. William Gauer.

Bro. Theodore K. Warner, Jr., of Lodge No. 609, Masonic District "J," vice Bro. John Harper.

Bro. David C. Adams, of Lodge No. 795, 9th Masonic District, vice Bro. Albert R. Eisenhauer.

Bro. Clyde M. Canouse, of Lodge No. 344, 14th Masonic District, vice Bro. Robert H. Rayner.

Bro. Walter L. Sykes, of Lodge No. 297, 29th Masonic District, vice Bro. John E. Baily.

Bro. Herbert D. Casner, of Lodge No. 503, 42nd Masonic District, vice Bro. T. Dale Taylor.

Bro. M. Wayne Podvia, of Lodge No. 593, 43rd Masonic District, vice Bro. George W. Youngman.

Bro. Lowell Seldon Carpenter, of Lodge No. 556, 44th Masonic District, vice Bro. Edward T. Fuller.

In This Issue

This issue of The Pennsylvania Freemason is largely devoted to the farms at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

Visitors to the Masonic Homes have an opportunity to purchase surplus farm products.

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he is continuing the following Brethren as his appointed officers for the second year:

Senior Grand Deacon: Bro. Willard G. Cutler, P.M., Lodge No. 783, Export.

Junior Grand Deacon: Bro. W. Frederick Warren, P.M., Lodge No. 340, Green Tree.

Grand Steward: Bro. Raymond A. Myers, Sr., P.M., Lodge No. 781, Camp Hill.

Grand Steward: Bro. Claude A. Campbell, P.M., Lodge No. 382, Emporium.

Grand Marshal: Bro. Ralph W. Temple, P.M., Lodge No. 380, Philadelphia.

Grand Sword Bearer: Bro. Robert W. Dietrich, P.M., Lodge No. 292, Philadelphia.

Grand Pursuivant: Bro. William H. Davis, P.M., Lodge No. 466, Olyphant.

Grand Tyler: Bro. Charles Higgins, P.M., Lodge No. 646.

Grand Chaplains:

Bro. Arthur Murray, Lodge No. 436

Bro. Fred Pierce Corson, Lodge No. 197

Bro. G. Mason Cochran, Lodge No. 552

Bro. Beecher M. Rutledge, Lodge No. 726



The "Memorial Book" has been created to recognize gifts to Grand Lodge for its many activities. It is on display in the Museum, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

"Memorial Book"

Displayed in Grand Lodge Museum Room

Grand Lodge has a "Memorial Book" to recognize those who contribute \$1,000 or more toward its activities.

The huge, gold book has been placed in a glass covered case in the Museum of Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

A second book, containing the same

Bro. Alfred Nevin Sayres, Lodge No. 476

Bro. Carl C. Rasmussen, Lodge No. 629

Bro. Joseph E. Law, Lodge No. 232

Bro. Richard Radcliffe, Lodge No. 528

Bro. Marshall D. Berryhill, Lodge No. 290

Bro. A. Culmer Schultz, Lodge No. 433

Bro. Donald B. Baldwin, Lodge No. 382

Bro. Harry W. Pedicord, Lodge No. 787

Bro. Wesley N. Wright, Lodge No. 458

information as that in the "Memorial Book" has also been placed in the Museum. This second book provides an opportunity for visitors to inspect the contents of the "Memorial Book" without disturbing it.

This marks the first time in the history of Grand Lodge that a "Memorial Book" has been established to recognize those who have helped to endow its many projects.

The starting date for the names to be entered into the "Memorial Book" was set as January 1, 1962, by Brother W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master.

Since that date, all those who have contributed \$1,000 or more to any Grand Lodge activity, such as the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown or the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys, will be entitled to an entry in the book.

Since it would be impossible to list the names of all contributors, regardless of size, the figure of \$1,000 or more was established.

Rosh Hashonoh Services Conducted At Masonic Homes

For the first time in the history of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, High Holiday services were conducted for Jewish Guests at the Homes.

This was made possible through the direction of Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master.

40 Persons Attend

On Saturday, October 27, the services for Jewish Guests were conducted in the Sell Memorial Chapel at the Homes. Approximately 40 Jews and Christians attended.

The service marked the start of the High Jewish Holidays—Rosh Hashonoh—the opening of the Jewish year 5723.

Rabbi Hillel Fine, pastor of Ohev Sholom Temple in Harrisburg, conducted the service. He was assisted by Bro. Arthur Lehrman and Bro. Kurt Moses.

Regular Services Planned

Bro. McKinley, who was in attendance, announced that arrangements have been made to conduct regular Sabbath services for the Jewish community of the Masonic Homes. He said:

"We must provide religious services for all our Guests, regardless of their religious beliefs.

"As Masons, we profess the belief in one God. How we worship God is a personal choice.

"Therefore, it is our Masonic responsibility to provide religious services for all our Guests."

Transportation Provided

Bro. Paul S. Shank, superintendent of the Masonic Homes, also provides transportation to Guests in the Masonic Homes wishing to attend Synagogues in the Lancaster and Harrisburg areas.

Bro. McKinley invited the Jewish community of Elizabethtown to worship with Guests at Sabbath services.



Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master, welcomes Rabbi Hillel Fine to Masonic Homes. Left to right: Rabbi Fine, Bro. Arthur Lehrman, Bro. McKinley and Bro. Paul S. Shank, superintendent of the Masonic Homes.



Rabbi Hillel Fine welcomes a blind Guest of the Homes to Rosh Hashonoh services in John S. Sell Memorial Chapel. Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master, looks on.



Apples by the bushels, all choice and neatly stored in a controlled temperature room, are ready for visitors to purchase.

Visitors Can Purchase Excess Masonic Homes Farms' Products

Visitors to the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown can now purchase many of the excess farm products. These can be purchased at the Fruit Storage Building.

For instance, there is a surplus supply of gallon cans of peaches, green beans and tomatoes.

Visitors to the Homes can purchase 12 one-gallon cans of peaches for \$8.00, or 80 cents a gallon for a single can.

Green beans and tomatoes can be purchased for \$7.00 for 12 one-gallon cans, or 70 cents for a single gallon can.

Apple cider, made from the best apples, can be purchased for 75 cents a gallon.

Apples can be purchased, year around, by the bag, half bushel or bushel. The price depends on the type of apple selected. Apple butter can be purchased in pint and quart jars.

Fresh vegetables of all kinds can be purchased in season.

Fresh eggs can be purchased when an excess occurs.

For the past years, approximately 95 per cent of all the food consumed at the Masonic Homes has been raised on the 1,500 acres that make up the Masonic Homes. For example, the production of the vegetable garden, alone, shows the following:

Asparagus, 9,280 pounds; broccoli, 307 bushels; red beets, 158 bushels; beans, 1,000 bushels; cabbage, 304 bushels; cauliflower, 613 bushels; carrots, 154 bushels; celery, 177 bushels; sweet corn, 2,366 dozen; cantaloupes, 166 bushels; eggplant, 85 bushels; lettuce, 110 bushels; rhubarb, 246 bushels; sweet potatoes, 340 bushels; 635 gallons of sauerkraut; and 2,182 baskets of tomatoes.

This is only an example. Practically all known types of vegetables are raised in the gardens.

The value of the garden produce has been set at approximately \$21,000.

The cannery at the Masonic Homes processed approximately 15,000 gallons of asparagus, sweet cherries, red beets, tomatoes, plums, pears, spiced crab apples, green beans and peaches.

There also are processed more than 15,000 gallons of frozen fruits and vegetables.

Each year the orchards produce approximately 14,000 bushels of apples, 160 bushels of pears, 50 bushels of crab apples, 5,000 quarts of plums, 9,000 quarts of strawberries, 800 quarts of raspberries, 12,000 quarts of cherries, 8,500 bushels of peaches, 50 quarts of blueberries and 500 gallons of cider.

The vineyard produces nearly 12,000 pounds of grapes.

The poultry production includes approximately 60,000 dozen eggs and nearly 50,000 pounds of fowl for the tables of the Homes.

The cows on the farms produced nearly 450,000 quarts of milk, of which 180,000 quarts were consumed by the Homes for table use and cooking.

There isn't adequate space to list all the production of the farms, but a visit to the Homes to see first-hand the tremendous undertaking is recommended.



Fresh cider by the gallons can always be purchased at the Masonic Homes. There are also plenty of apples for sale.



The poultry farm at the Masonic Homes produces some 60,000 dozen eggs and 50,000 pounds of fowl for the Guests at the Homes.



Visitors at the Masonic Homes can purchase gallon cans of fruit and vegetables.



Apples at the Masonic Homes are systematically sprayed many times and properly harvested to assure the best crop possible.

Pittsburgh Civic and Industrial Leader Was Made Mason at Sight

Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master, made W. Cordes Snyder, Jr., president of Blaw Knox Company, a Mason at Sight. This high Masonic honor was bestowed upon Bro. Snyder at a Special Communication of Grand Lodge on November 2, in Masonic Temple, Pittsburgh. Bro. Snyder received all three degrees in Freemasonry.

More than 400 Pittsburgh District Masons, along with other Grand Lodge Officers, attended the Special Communication.

Bro. McKinley said he selected Bro. Snyder for this Masonic honor because of his leadership in the fields of industry and public service.

Bro. Snyder was born June 12, 1903, at Snow Shoe in central Pennsylvania.

While studying mining and metallurgical engineering at Lehigh University, he spent his summer months working in coal mines, in surveying and as a laborer at Wheeling Mold and Foundry Company.

After leaving school, he began working full time at the foundry, first as a molder's helper, then in the pattern shop, and finally as a chemist. In 1927 he joined Lewis Foundry and Machine Company of Pittsburgh as a metallurgist.

At the age of 32 he became president of Lewis Foundry, which in the meantime had become part of Blaw Knox. He was also elected Vice President of the parent company.

In 1945 he left Blaw Knox to become president of Continental Foundry and Machine Company. Two years later he joined Koppers Company as vice president in charge of engineering and construction and internal operations of a steel plant in Chile.

In 1951 he left Koppers Company and returned to Blaw Knox as president, which position he now holds.

Bro. Snyder is a director of the



Bro. W. C. Snyder



A huge crane prepares to carry the steel supports for the new Masonic Hall at Valley View. It will be the meeting place for Valley Lodge No. 797.

Masonic Hall Under Construction Before Valley Lodge No. 797 Was Constituted

Five years of dedicated Masonic interest were highlighted on December 1 when Valley Lodge No. 797 was constituted at Valley View, Schuylkill County.

Approximately 80 Brethren, living in the Hegins and Mahantongo Valleys, the foothills of the Appalachian range, became Warrant Members of the new Lodge.

While new Lodges are constituted every year, it is seldom that new Lodges start to build a beautiful Masonic Hall before the Lodge is actually in existence. This happened at Valley View.

While many of the Brethren dug deep to provide the necessary funds, others contributed their time and skills to make the new Lodge and Masonic Hall a reality.

In the past five years the Brethren were not given much hope of forming a new Lodge. However, last March Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master, approved.

Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland; Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad; Wheeling Steel Corporation; the National Industrial Conference Board; Tri-State Industrial Association; and the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce.

Today it is the six hundred and fourth Masonic Lodge in Pennsylvania.

Its new Lodge room will be ready for stated meetings in March.

This appears to be just the start of Masonry in the Valley View area. The Lodge already has received many petitions for initiation and membership.

Following the Grand Lodge architectural specifications for a Modified Colonial building, ground was broken for the new building in September.

The building is 40 by 80 feet, which will allow approximately 100 permanent seats in the Lodge Room.

The construction material is cinder block, with brick veneering. It will have a full basement for a large social room.

The 120 by 180 foot lot slopes away from the street, making it possible to have ground level access to the social room and the Lodge Room.

It is estimated that the construction cost will be approximately \$30,000.

The selected officers of Valley Lodge No. 797 include: Bro. Albert D. Boyer, Worshipful Master; Bro. Paul T. Masser, Senior Warden; Bro. Marlin Spotts, Junior Warden; Bro. Horace Sagner, Treasurer; and Bro. Harry A. Spotts, Secretary.

Bus at Masonic Homes Kept Busy

The bus for the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown—a gift from Pennsylvania Masons—has proved to be one of the best investments ever made for the Homes.

Purchased last summer, the bus has been in constant service since its delivery.

It has been used daily to take Guests into Elizabethtown.

Once a week it makes a regular run to a shopping center in the Lancaster area. This gives the Guests a touch of home—and an opportunity to spend their \$8 a month allowance, provided by Pennsylvania Masons through the Christmas, Entertainment and Recreational Fund.

During the canning season, the bus also provided needed transportation to Guests who volunteered to work in the cannery.

It has taken the children of the Masonic Homes on several educational trips to such places as Gettysburg, Cornwall ore mines, the home of President James Buchanan in Lancaster and other points of historical and educational interest.

The bus was used to take the children to see a major league baseball game in Philadelphia where they were guests of the Philadelphia Phillies management, and to University Park to see the Penn State-Maryland football game.

Patton Masonic School also uses the bus for various functions, including transportation for its athletic teams.

With all its need, probably the greatest need of all is to benefit the Guests at the Philadelphia Freemasons' Memorial Hospital.

First, the bus is used to take the ambulatory Guests up the hill to the hospital in order that they can visit those unable to leave their rooms.

The bus is even used to take the Hospital Guests for bus rides. Until the bus was purchased, the world of these Guests was within the four walls of a hospital room.

For instance, one Guest has had both legs amputated. He hadn't been out of the hospital for nearly nine years. This Brother was formerly a horse dealer and at one time supplied the

'Darling' of the Homes

Centenarian Guest for Five Years



A rocking chair and the Bible help Mrs. Alverda Kawel pass her leisure hours.

A 101-year-old Guest at the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, is the "darling" of the Philadelphia Freemasons' Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Alverda Kawel was born on July 8, 1861, in Columbus, Ohio. She became a Guest at the Masonic Homes on December 6, 1957, at the age of 96.

Although she is very deaf, she enjoys conversation and company. In fact, advanced years have not dulled her wit.

Her husband, Bro. William Franklin Kawel, died in 1931. They had no children.

Mrs. Kawel is sponsored by Cumberland Lodge No. 197, Carlisle.

She has a sister who is 93 years old and a niece, living in Harrisburg.

Mrs. Kawel's father fought in the Civil War with Company K of the 83rd Pennsylvania Infantry.

Her grandfather fought in the Revolutionary War and also in the War of 1812. He was a drummer boy in the Revolutionary War. He also was a member of the Masonic Fraternity.

Reminder

If you have not sent your yearly contribution to the Christmas, Entertainment and Recreational Fund for Guests at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, there is still time to be included.

Send your contribution to Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, Pa.

Letter Tells the Story

Brother W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master, has received many letters, especially from Brethren about the Christmas, Entertainment and Recreational Fund program.

Probably the most unusual letter came from a Pennsylvania Mason who is a Guest in the Motion Picture Country Hospital at Woodland, California.

This Brother wrote:

"R. W. Grand Master, I am in the Motion Picture Home which takes in people who have been in their employment for a period of 20 years.

"They give you \$10 to spend monthly. Your clothing is expected to last at least two years. After that, they will furnish you your clothing.

"I am enclosing \$10 for the Christmas, Entertainment and Recreational Fund for the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

"I wish I could make it more. I am now 85 years old and am sorry I can't give more.

"May the good work you are doing continue for my Masonic Brethren."

Pennsylvania National Guard with horses at Mt. Gretna. When the bus took him through the Mt. Gretna area, this Brother was having his Christmas early.

Seated next to him on the entire trip was a hospital orderly, making sure he was steady and safe throughout the ride.

Multiply this story at least a thousand times. This should give the Pennsylvania Masons enough satisfaction to continue their generosity for the Christmas Fund. Incidentally, the bus was purchased from this Fund.