

Seven Created Past District Deputy Grand Masters

Seven Brethren have been created Past District Deputy Grand Masters in accordance with Masonic law as expressed in the Ahiman Rezon, Article XII, Section 13.

The law provides that a District Deputy Grand Master, "... having served as such for a period of five years or more, may retire from that office as a Past District Deputy Grand Master."

Past District Deputy Grand Master status was conferred on each of the following as of December 27:

Bro. John R. Rouse, past master of Eureka Lodge No. 366 held at Union City, 24th Masonic District, appointed May 2, 1968.

Bro. Byron K. McGinnis, past master of Olive Lodge No. 557 held at Tionesta, 56th Masonic District, appointed December 27, 1968.

Bro. C. Edward Weaver, past master of Crescent Lodge No. 493 held at

Philadelphia, Masonic District "H", appointed December 28, 1970.

Bro. John H. Crilley, past master of Hebron Lodge No. 575 held at Mercer, 53rd Masonic District, appointed December 27, 1971.

Bro. Leonard F. Treat, past master of Liberty Lodge No. 505 held at Port Allegany, 44th Masonic District, appointed

December 27, 1972.

Bro. Richard A. Rudisill, past master of Spring Creek Lodge No. 802 held at Hershey, 60th Masonic District, appointed December 27, 1972.

Bro. David M. Clawson, past master of Glenshaw Lodge No. 793 held at Glenshaw, 48th Masonic District, appointed December 27, 1973.

Communication Schedule for 1979

The March Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will be held at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia on Wednesday, March 7.

A meeting of the Grand Lodge Committee on Finance has been scheduled for 10 a.m. that day with a meeting of the District Deputy Grand Masters set for 2 p.m.

The communication will convene at 7 p.m. in Corinthian Hall. Refreshments will be served in the Grand Banquet Hall following the meeting.

The Grand Lodge has accepted an invitation from the Valley of Coudersport to use its facilities in the Scottish Rite Cathedral for the June Quarterly Communication.

While plans for the June Quarterly are not yet complete, it has already been determined that Masters and their ladies will be able to attend a dinner and some form of entertainment on the evening of Wednesday, June 6.

The lodges will receive complete information concerning the program in early May.

The quarterly communications for September and December and the Annual Grand Communication will be held in Philadelphia.

All Master Masons are invited to attend Grand Lodge communications.

Corrected Ritualistic Schedule

It had been previously reported in the November issue of The Pennsylvania Freemason that the sectional meeting of the School of Instruction in Meadville would take place on Saturday, September 22nd. The date has now been changed to May 19th.

In addition, a new date has been set for a sectional meeting of the School of Instruction in Lock Haven for Saturday, May 26th.

To assist those involved, the complete schedule, as changed, is listed as follows:

March 17—Charleroi
March 24—Pittsburgh
March 31—Harrisburg
April 7—Allentown
April 21—New Castle
April 28—Johnstown
May 5—Tionesta
May 12—Williamsport
May 19—Meadville
May 26—Lock Haven
October 6—Philadelphia

All rehearsals of the ritualistic work at the sectional meetings are conducted by the regional instructors and are under the supervision of the instructor of the ritualistic work. All Master Masons are welcome.



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Bro. Wells Begins Second Year as R.W. Grand Master

The highlight of the Annual Grand Communication held at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia on Wednesday, December 27 was the installation of Bro. Walter Pierre Wells to his second year as Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania.

The ancient ceremony, in keeping with Masonic law and tradition, was performed at noon on St. John the Evangelist's Day.

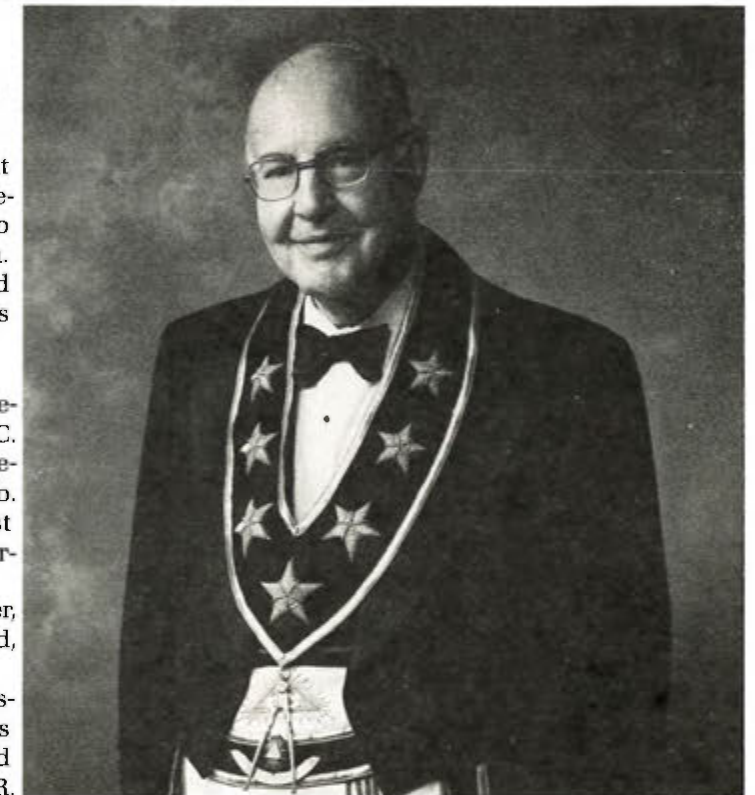
Other Grand Lodge officers installed include:

Bro. Joseph E. Trate of Philadelphia, a retired Bell Telephone Co. engineer, as Deputy Grand Master; Bro. Samuel C. Williamson of Pitcairn, superintendent of the Chemicals Department, U.S. Steel Corp., as Senior Grand Warden, and Bro. Thomas H. Burgess of Hazleton, a vice president and trust officer of the Hazleton National Bank, as Junior Grand Warden.

Also, Bro. Arthur R. Diamond of Philadelphia, an engineer, as Grand Treasurer, and Bro. William A. Carpenter of Upland, as Grand Secretary.

Bro. Wells, senior judge of Pennsylvania's 55th Judicial District, Potter County, was elected to the Grand Lodge line as Junior Grand Warden in 1971. He served as Senior Grand Warden and Deputy Grand Master prior to his election as R. W. Grand Master on December 27, 1977.

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Bro. Walter P. Wells
R. W. Grand Master

Homes' Committee Awards Contract for Renovation Project

The Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes has awarded a \$966,300 contract to the Warfel Construction Co. of Lancaster for the complete renovation of two residential guest buildings at the Masonic Homes in Elizabethtown.

Work has already begun on the renovation of the John Henry Daman and Dauphin County memorial buildings. The work, designed to replace the interior of the buildings without disturbing the stone facades or rooflines, is expected to be completed by late October.

The committee, based on the experience gained in this operation, ex-

pects to extend the project to all residential units in the Allegheny County, Lancaster County, Berks County and Paul L. Levis memorial buildings as well as the Edward W. Kuhlemeier and McKee cottages.

To assist in financing the project, the committee has reinstituted the memorial program during construction of the medical buildings in the Health Care Center complex.

Bronze plaques will be placed at the entrance to rooms and in other suitable areas within the buildings to acknowledge gifts and memorials as follows:

Single Room \$10,000
Single Room Furnishings \$ 1,500

Double Room \$15,000
Double Room Furnishings \$ 2,500

A number of individuals, lodges and other organizations have already responded to the memorial program. All contributions are deductible for tax purposes.

When completed, the buildings that were constructed in keeping with the life style of the early 1900s will provide individual living quarters with private baths for all guests.

The new construction will contain elevators, air conditioning, full carpeting and those innovations now available in keeping with modern life and safety standards.

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Dedications, Anniversaries highlight officers' schedule

The schedule for Grand Lodge Officers the next five months includes:

February 17-21—Grand Lodge Officers, Conference of Grand Masters, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

February 23—Grand Lodge Officers, meeting, Committee on Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

March 7—Quarterly Communication, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

March 23—Grand Lodge Officers, meeting, Committee on Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

April 6—Grand Lodge Officers, Special Communication, Cornerstone Laying and Dedication, Hermitage Lodge No. 810, Mercer County.

April 7—Grand Master, 125th Anniversary, Milnor Lodge No. 287, Pittsburgh.

Freemasonry Through Education—Part 2

The 12 education conferences held throughout the state in 1978 were most successful in promoting the Grand Master's theme of "Freemasonry through Education."

The participation in these conferences by Grand Lodge officers and the give-and-take atmosphere played a great part in their success and in the enthusiastic interest shown.

The Grand Master expressed his gratitude to those attending the conferences for their dedication to Freemasonry, especially in the face of such keen competition as fishing and hunting, holidays, and family concerns. He was also appreciative of the efforts put forth by the many brothers responsible for organizing and conducting the conferences.

Those brothers who took advantage of the education conferences expressed their pleasure and satisfaction with the information they gained and with the manner in which it was presented.

The Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Culture is formulating a new and different conference program for 1979 which will continue the Grand Master's theme. The program will take the form of Area Seminars directed toward "motivating others."

The meetings will be educational in character with emphasis placed on promoting Masonic learning at the

lodge level and on developing a better understanding of the objectives of the proficiency examination.

They will be conducted by Area Masonic Culture Chairmen with the cooperation of the District Deputy Grand Masters, District Masonic Culture Chairmen and Regional Instructors of Ritualistic Work.

Masonic culture seminars are being scheduled in four areas of this jurisdiction. As soon as details have been finalized, Brethren involved will be informed of the place, date and time of the meetings.

Area "A"—Bro. J. Keith Howe, chairman
Districts: A, B, C, D, E, F,
G, H, I, J,
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,
8, 9, 10, 19, 36,
40, 42 and 60

Area "B"—Bro. Arthur T. Yaggi, P.D.D.G.M., chairman
Districts: 11, 12, 13, 14,
15, 16, 17, 18,
35, 45, 46, 50,
58 and 59

Area "C"—Bro. Walter L. Sykes, P.D.D.G.M., chairman
Districts: 20, 27, 28, 29,
30, 31, 32, 34,
38, 39, 41, 43,
47, 48, 49, 51,
54, 55 and 57

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not just Members

April 21—Grand Master, 125th Anniversary, Bethlehem Lodge No. 283, Bethlehem.

April 27—Grand Lodge Officers, meeting, Committee on Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

April 28—Grand Master, 125th Anniversary, Columbia Lodge No. 286, Columbia.

May 12—Grand Master, 100th Anniversary, Meyersdale Lodge No. 554, Meyersdale.

May 25—Grand Lodge Officers, meeting, Committee on Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

June 2—Grand Lodge Officers, Special Communication, Dedication, Claysville Lodge No. 447, Washington.

June 6—Quarterly Communication, Coudersport Consistory, Coudersport.

June 16—Grand Lodge Officers, Special Communication, Cornerstone Laying and Dedication, Mount Union Lodge No. 688, Mount Union.

June 22—Grand Lodge Officers, meeting, Committee on Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

June 23—Grand Lodge Officers, Special Communication, Cornerstone Laying and Dedication, Tyrian Lodge No. 612, Wilmerding.

Committee Reports on Retirement Community Survey

The establishment of a retirement facility for Masons in the vicinity of the present Masonic Homes' complex at Elizabethtown is feasible, according to the initial report of a special committee appointed by the Grand Master to study the issue.

Basing its recommendations on the results of a survey conducted through use of the August 1978 edition of The Pennsylvania Freemason, the committee reported at the December Quarterly Communication that the basic question has been answered in that a number of Pennsylvania Masons have expressed strong interest.

The committee received more than 2,700 voluntary responses to the survey questionnaire with more than 2,600 persons reacting favorably to the question, "Would you be interested in purchasing a unit and paying a monthly charge to cover costs in a retirement community to be established near the Masonic Homes in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania?"

While the committee has recommended the project proceed, it must be noted that realization of construc-

tion would be several years away, assuming all problems were solved with reasonable ease.

There are any number of questions yet to be answered concerning size, cost, financing, structure, staffing, management, operation, etc.

The information already gained from the respondents to the survey

has been a great help to the committee in defining the overall problem and will be of further value should the Grand Lodge eventually decide to proceed.

In submitting its report, the committee extended its appreciation to the respondents to the survey for their cooperation and the many worthwhile ideas and suggestions advanced.

13 Elected to Committee on Masonic Homes

Thirteen members of the Committee on Masonic Homes, charged with the responsibility "... for the establishment of, admission to, and management of Masonic Homes in this Jurisdiction ...", were elected during the December Quarterly Communication.

The constitution of the Grand Lodge provides that the committee consist of the six elected Grand Lodge officers and seven members of the Grand Lodge.

Those Grand Lodge members elected include:

Bro. Robert E. Woodside Jr., past master of Susquehanna Lodge No. 364, who has been a member of the committee since 1934.

Bro. Ellis E. Stern, past master of Coatesville Lodge No. 564, a committee member since 1954.

Bro. Milton Fritsche, past master of Olivet Lodge No. 607, a committee member since 1967.

Bro. Theodore K. Warner Jr., past master of Progress Lodge No. 609, a committee member since 1970.

Bro. Walter B. Wilson, past master of Eureka Lodge No. 302, a committee member since 1973.

Bro. P. Thomas Feeser, past master of

Page Lodge No. 270, a member of the committee since 1975, and

Bro. Richard M. Wilson, past master of Lewisville Lodge No. 556, who became a member of the committee in 1978.

The R. W. Senior Grand Warden, Bro. Samuel C. Williamson, was elected by the members of the committee to serve as chairman for 1979.

Bro. Williamson served as chairman of the Committee on Masonic Homes during 1978.

New Appointments

The following new appointments were announced by the Grand Master at the Annual Grand Communication held at Philadelphia on December 27, 1978:

Bro. H. Alvan Sallack, past master of James W. Brown Lodge No. 675, Grand Pursuivant, vice Bro. Gershom G. Krom who was appointed District Deputy Grand Master for the 5th Masonic District.

Bro. Sallack will continue to serve as the Northwestern Regional Instructor.

Bro. Donald D. Davis, past master of Apollo Lodge No. 437, Aide to the Grand Master, vice Bro. Richard M. Wilson who was elected to the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes.

In addition, three new members were appointed to the Grand Lodge Committee on Finance as follows:

Bro. Robert D. Hanson, past master of Euclid Lodge No. 698, vice Bro. Paul R. Swab.

Bro. Arthur R. Diamond, R.W. Grand Treasurer, Philates Lodge No. 527, vice Bro. James W. Fry.

Bro. George H. Hott Jr., Senior Grand Deacon, Charleroi Lodge No. 615, vice Bro. John S. McCans.

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Mergers Approved

The merger of lodges in Masonic District "A" and in the 37th and 55th Masonic Districts were approved by the Grand Lodge during the Annual Grand Communication.

In Masonic District "A", the merger of Lodge No. 51 and University Lodge No. 610, to be known as University Lodge No. 51, will become effective April 1, 1979.

In the 37th Masonic District, the merger of Beaver Valley Lodge No. 478 into Parian Lodge No. 662, to be known as Parian Lodge No. 662, will become effective March 15, 1979.

In the 55th Masonic District, Fellowship Lodge No. 679 has merged into Washington Lodge No. 253, to be known as Washington Lodge No. 253.

The effective date was December 27, 1978.

My heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the many Masons and their wives who sent prayers, thoughts and cards to me in the hospital.

A healthy and prosperous year to all.

Rosemary Wells

Payment of Dues Both Obligation and Privilege

Keeping yourself in good Masonic standing is both a Masonic obligation and a Masonic privilege.

Failure to pay your Blue lodge dues when due can cause you problems. Being delinquent on the books of your symbolic lodge can often result in your being suspended for non-payment of lodge dues.

If suspended by your Blue lodge you are not only out of good Masonic standing as a Pennsylvania Mason, but you are automatically out of good standing in all your other Masonic bodies.

An interruption in your Blue lodge membership will affect your eligibility for a 25-year emblem from your lodge and a gold Grand Lodge 50-year service emblem when you should receive them.

Standing suspended in your Blue lodge could also affect your eligibility for admission to the Masonic Homes and even more ways and means of assistance.

Your symbolic lodge membership card, that small piece of light-weight cardboard, about 3-1/2" x 2-1/4" you carry in your wallet, could well be your most priceless possession. But, it must always be current.

Your paid-up Blue lodge membership card should constantly remind you that you have been accepted into the most important and most exalted

level of our ancient and honorable fraternity, the symbolic lodge.

Your current Blue lodge membership card actually makes all your journeys in Freemasonry possible. It confirms your good Masonic standing in a symbolic lodge which is a prerequisite for membership in all other Masonic bodies. Yes, it is a valuable piece of paper, your Blue lodge membership card.

Brethren, pay more attention to that small piece of lightweight cardboard you are privileged to carry in your wallet. It makes you a rich man. It makes you an unusual man. It confirms that

Past Master 50 Years

Bro. John T. Bachman of Saint John's Lodge No. 115, Philadelphia, had the pleasure of assisting Bro. Robert M. Grieve, District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District "J", in presenting Grand Lodge Fifty-Year Masonic Service Emblems to five of his Brethren who were entered in 1928, the year he was Worshipful Master.

Bro. Harvey L. Sokoloff, Worshipful Master, read highlights of the 1928 minutes of the lodge and then surprised Bro. Bachman by presenting him with a beautiful plaque honoring him for his 50th anniversary as a Past Master.

you have petitioned and been accepted—without a dissenting vote—in one of the most noble and most altruistic organizations for men in the entire world.

And, remember, keeping yourself in good Masonic standing is both a Masonic obligation and a Masonic privilege—and don't you forget it.

Add Another Centenarian

Another addition to our increasing list of centenarians is Bro. Joseph Malborn, a 60-year-member of Kiskiminetas Lodge No. 617, Vandergrift, who celebrated his 100th birthday on October 28, 1978.

Bro. Malborn is now residing at 1841 Colonnade Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44112, and loves to hear from his Brethren in the craft.

Another 50-Year Past Master

Bro. Lester Fine, Worshipful Master of Crescent Lodge No. 493, Philadelphia, last year had the pleasure of traveling to Hendersonville, N. C. and visiting Bro. Raymond A. Weikle.

The purpose of the visit was to present Bro. Weikle with a special certificate, suitably engraved, in recognition of Bro. Weikle's 50 years as a Past Master of Crescent Lodge.

Several Rodds Equal Masonic Milestone

At the Stated Meeting of Chartiers Lodge No. 297, Canonsburg, this past December, Bro. Robert C. Rodd, the newly elected Worshipful Master, was installed by his youngest son, Bro. Robert C. Rodd, II, Past Master.

Bro. John T. Rodd, Past Master and his eldest son served as Senior Warden. The new Worshipful Master's younger brother, Bro. John R. Rodd, Past Master and Secretary of the Lodge, acted as Junior Warden for this momentous occasion.

A long-time friend of the new Worshipful Master, Bro. Howard F. Rhome, served as Pursuivant during the installation.

Matter of Distinction

Bro. Sol A. Marks, Past Master and Secretary of Brotherhood Lodge No. 762, Pittsburgh, has a rather interesting record in the making.

Made a Mason in Oakland Lodge No. 535, Pittsburgh, on April 15, 1929, his activity in the lodge was delayed for a few years due to his employment. In 1945 he was appointed Chaplain of his lodge. Long attracted to the ritualistic work of the symbolic lodge, he qualified at the Pittsburgh School of Instruction and conferred each of the three symbolic degrees in 1945.

In 1949, Bro. Marks resigned from Oakland Lodge No. 535 to become a warrant member of Brotherhood Lodge No. 762, also held at Pittsburgh, and constituted that same year.

He served as Junior Warden in 1950; Senior Warden in 1951 and as Worshipful Master in 1952. Since becoming a Past Master, he has served as Treasurer of his lodge for four years and is now serving his twelfth year as Secretary.

Bro. Marks' love for the ritual has never left him. As of October, 1978, he has conferred 86 entered apprentice mason's degrees, 60 fellow craft mason's degrees and has had the privilege and pleasure of raising 104 members to the sublime degree of a master mason.

To top it off, Bro. Marks tells us he has, from time to time, conducted installations of the various elected officers in his lodge and even in sister lodges.

And, at age 77, Bro. Marks is still making Freemasonry a major part of his life.

Rededication at Its Best

Brethren of the 48th Masonic District, Allegheny County, not only enjoyed a delicious dinner on an evening set aside for a District Rededication Ceremony, but discovered after receiving the caterer's bill for the dinners served that a balance of \$114.00 remained.

It was then suggested that the \$114.00 be contributed to the Guest and Building Fund at the Masonic Homes.

And, so it was done.

Bro. William A. Carpenter

R. W. Grand Secretary



THREE MASONS TOTAL 214 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP—Bro. Cyrus H. Cheeks, a member of Centennial Lodge No. 544, Carnegie, is shown in the center with his beautiful framed Grand Master's Scroll, presented in recognition of his 75 years of continuous membership. To the far left is a friend, Bro. Earl E. Barton, Past Master and oldest living Warrant Member of Coraopolis Lodge No. 674, who has been a Mason for 70 years. On the far right is Bro. Henry W. Luft, another friend and a member of Hailman Lodge No. 321, Monroeville, who has been a Mason for 69 years. To Bro. Cheek's immediate left is Bro. John J. Johler, his Worshipful Master, and to his immediate right is Bro. Wesley E. Smith, Sr., District Deputy Grand Master for the 47th Masonic District, who made the presentation in behalf of the Right Worshipful Grand Master. Bro. Cheeks is 97 years old; Bro. Barton is 94 years old and Brother Luft is 90; a total of 281 years.

Many Masonic Books Are Available In Grand Lodge Circulating Library

Our new 32-page Circulating Library brochure, containing the rules, regulations and listings of over 250 Masonic books now available for Masons of Pennsylvania Lodges to borrow, is available for distribution in quantities to Lodges.

The Masonic books available are classified in seventeen groups and a brief description of each book is given to assist the borrower in locating the particular books of his choice.

Members of Pennsylvania Lodges

92 and Going Strong

Bro. Clarence E. Wise, Past Master of Corinthian Lodge No. 573, Pittsburgh, is 92 years old. He was entered in 1908 and served as Worshipful Master in 1914.

Bro. Wise seldom misses a meeting of his Lodge and negotiates the stairs to the third floor without too much trouble.

One of his long-time hobbies has been dancing and he still loves to choose a lovely lady for a few trips around the dance floor, but says disco is not for him.

may borrow books from the Circulating Library or Grand Lodge either in person or by mail. Two books are permitted at a time and may be held for a three-week period, or longer, free of charge, except for the return postage, if needed.

The following is another partial listing of the many available and highly recommended books for Freemasons to read:

- The Holy Bible Holman Masonic Edition
- Introduction to Freemasonry Claudy
- The Story of the Craft Vibert
- The Newly-Made Mason Haywood
- Brother and Builders Newton
- The Speculative Mason MacBride
- Symbolism of Freemasonry Mackey
- Masonic Harvest Claudy
- Short Readings in Masonic History Tatsch
- The Story of Freemasonry Sibley
- Washington, the Man and Mason Callahan
- The Builders Newton
- These Were Brethren Claudy
- Facts for Freemasons Voorhis
- Our Ancient Brethren de P. Castells
- The Men's House Newton
- Short Talks on Masonry Newton
- What Masonry Means Hammond
- Masonic Speech Making Hobbs
- Masonic Gleanings Cole
- The Genesis of Freemasonry Knoop

This new Circulating Library brochure will be mailed upon request by writing to Librarian and Curator, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19107.



TEN GUESTS AND A CANDIDATE—Shown above are ten of our Guests at the Masonic Homes and an employee they entered at an extra meeting of Abraham C. Treichler Lodge No. 682 that meets in the Temple at the Homes. Their names: left to right, front row, Bro. Mack Murphy, age 85; Bro. Archibald Norman, age 102, who served as Worshipful Master for the conferral of the degree, and Bro. Harold Lawson, age 83. Second row, Bro. William Raynor, age 83; Bro. Leonard Vitale, age 72; Bro. James Bowen, age 83, and Bro. Alfred Crain, age 83. Third row, Bro. Richard Enk, candidate; Bro. Clifford Hoag, age 81; Bro. Clifford Montgomery, age 83, and Bro. Jack Reid, age 89. The combined ages of the ten Guests totals 844 years. Can any lodge top this?

1979 Travel Program Offers 3 Exciting Destinations

A choice of three exciting destinations awaits the families and friends of Pennsylvania masons who join in the travel program being conducted by the Grand Lodge for 1979.

The choice exists among three destinations: Hawaii (three plans, Munich (two plans), and Vienna-Budapest.

In total, the 1979 program has been designed to consider the time each of us is able to devote to vacation travel. It offers variety in the time of the year as well as the length of the vacation period.

Hawaii departures are scheduled for February, March and April and again in October and November.

Whether you are interested in one week in Honolulu, or Hawaii and the West Coast, or two weeks that include the outer islands—Hawaii is a never-to-be-forgotten experience.

Escape from winter's cold! Bask in sparkling sunshine on a wide expanse of sand, surrounded by coconut palms and the magnificent blue Pacific Ocean.

Complete details of the Hawaii tours are contained in the brochure sent to your home some weeks ago.

Departure dates in May, June and September for the Munich programs are detailed in a separate article on this page. A brochure fully describing the program will be mailed to you in the near future.

Complete details of the Vienna-Budapest program will also be mailed to you shortly. This one week tour with four departure dates—July 19, July 26, August 2 and September 27—includes

four nights in Vienna and three nights in Budapest.

Beautiful Vienna, from its architecture to its pastry, is a baroque city. Be prepared to indulge in excesses of visual and gastronomic delights and musical adventures.

The temptation to see, taste and hear is overwhelming.

Budapest is a city of timeless romanticism, soaring spires and magnificent

parks, divided by the Danube into ancient Buda and more modern Pest.

Departures have been scheduled from Philadelphia at \$799 and from Pittsburgh at \$869.

Additional information concerning any of the individual programs is available from the travel chairman, Bro. William Carey, by calling (814) 274-8555, or by calling Grand Lodge at (215) 567-5582.

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Masons Make Music at Nursing Home

Bro. Paul Williams and Bro. Lamont Nauman, both members of Pocono Lodge No. 780, Cresco, are noted in the Pocono Mountain area for the endless hours of entertainment they provide for the guests at the Holiday Hill Nursing Home, Newfoundland, Pa.

Both are professional musicians but manage to set aside the first Thursday of each month to entertain the confined guests at the nursing home with their instrumental and vocal music and a few hilarious stories now and then.

Eight Appointed District Deputy Grand Masters

Grand Master Walter P. Wells announced the appointment of eight new District Deputy Grand Masters during the Annual Grand Communication held at Philadelphia on December 27, 1978.

The appointments were made in Masonic Districts, "H", 5, 24, 44, 48, 53, 56 and 60 as follows:

Bro. William E. Riley, past master of Oriental Lodge No. 385 held at Philadelphia, Masonic District "H".

Bro. Gershom G. Krom, past master of Howell Lodge No. 405 held at Honey Brook, 5th Masonic District.

Bro. Robert K. Parrish, past master of Commonwealth Lodge No. 695 held at Erie, 24th Masonic District.

Bro. Robert W. Cooney, past master of Arcana Lodge No. 580 held at Austin, 44th Masonic District.

Bro. Robert O. Finley, past master of Corinthian Lodge No. 573 held at Millvale, 48th Masonic District.

Bro. William J. Gilmore Jr., past mas-

ter of Lake Lodge No. 434 held at Sandy Lake, 53rd Masonic District.

Bro. Paul O. Walker, past master of North Star Lodge No. 241 held at Warren, 56th Masonic District.

Bro. Marvin G. Speicher, past master

of Williamson Lodge No. 307 held at Womelsdorf, 60th Masonic District.

All eight District Deputy Grand Masters were officially presented to the members of their districts in January and early February.

Bro. Wells Begins Second Year as Grand Master

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A graduate of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and the Dickinson School of Law, Judge Wells was admitted to the bar in 1931. He first practiced law with his late father, John Walter Wells.

Elected district attorney for Potter County in 1933, Bro. Wells held that post until he became president judge of the 55th Judicial District in 1952; serving in that capacity until 1975.

A member of Eulalia Lodge No. 342 in his home town of Coudersport, the Grand Master served the lodge as Worshipful Master in 1940.

He is a Past High Priest of Coudersport Royal Arch Chapter No. 263; a member of Coudersport Council No. 63, Royal and Select Masters, and a member of Potter Commandery No. 69, Knights Templar.

Judge Wells served as Commander-in-Chief of Coudersport Consistory from 1963 to 1966 and has been a trustee of the Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Coudersport, for more than three decades.

A Past Most Wise Master of the Coudersport Chapter of Rose Croix, he was coroneted an honorary Thirty-Third Degree Mason in 1955.

The Grand Master holds active

membership in the Jaffa Shrine Temple, Altoona, and in many other affiliated Masonic bodies including the Royal Order of Scotland and Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076, London.

He has received the recognition of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay, by conferral of the honorary Legion of Honor Degree.

Judge Wells has served as a vestryman of the Christ Episcopal Church in Coudersport and holds membership in the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Huguenot Society of Pennsylvania.

A director of the advisory board of the Commonwealth Bank and Trust Company of Coudersport, he was president and a director of the former Coudersport and Port Allegany Railroad.

Bro. Wells is married to the former Anne Elizabeth Mulligan. They reside at 204 Allegany Avenue, Coudersport, and are the parents of four children: John Walter II, Rosemary Anne, Christopher Arthur and Patricia Anne.

Both sons are active Masons. John is the immediate past master of his father's lodge and is the Grand Sword Bearer. Christopher serves as Aide to the Grand Master.



BUILT WITH MANY HANDS—Two photos showing the exterior and the interior of the new Masonic Temple of Blyth Lodge No. 593, West Newton. All manner of contributions and hours of labor of many of the Brethren are reflected in the completion of this beautiful and



functional structure. The air-conditioned lodge room was dedicated at a Special Communication of Grand Lodge on Saturday, August 26, 1978.