

Grand Master's Itinerary

MAY THROUGH AUGUST

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Pennsylvania Youth Foundation—Bro. Thomas R. Labagh, Executive Director of the foundation.

Masonic Charities, Lodge Finances and

Lodge Funds—Bro. Arthur R. Diamond, R.W. Grand Treasurer.

Schools of Instruction and Ritualistic Work—Bro. James K. Thompson, Instructor of the Ritualistic Work.

Lodge Audit Reports, General Returns, Procedures on Restoration to Membership and to Good Masonic Standing—Bro. Thomas W. Jackson, R.W. Grand Secretary.

Lodge Bylaws, Amendments to Bylaws, Masonic Charges and Trials and Merging Lodges—Bro. Henry G. Schaefer, Jr., Chairman of the Grand Lodge

Committee on Bylaws.

Masonic Halls, Temples and Lodge Rooms—Bro. Joseph I. Greenberger, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Temples, Halls and Lodge Rooms.

Petitions, Transfers, Healing Rejections and Courtesy Degrees—Bro. Robert A. Pote, Past District Deputy Grand Master.

The R.W. Grand Master conducted a critique of each day's sessions and periods for questions and answers.

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Masons Join Fight Against Drug, Alcohol Abuse

Members of the Masonic fraternity in the United States, more than 3 million strong, have joined the battle against drug and alcohol abuse as it affects the lives of children.

Top leaders from every state in the nation, meeting in Arlington, Virginia in mid-February at the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America, have agreed to form a National Foundation for the Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Among Children.

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania became the first charter member of the national foundation by pledging \$50,000 to the effort. Pennsylvania also agreed to cover the legal costs involved in establishing the foundation.

The Grand Lodge of Maryland became the second charter member by pledging a contribution of \$37,500 and the Grand Lodge of Connecticut is listed as the third charter member by virtue of a \$30,000 pledge of financial support.

The proposal for a national foundation was presented to the conference by Bro. Carl W. Stenberg, Jr., R.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and Bro. C. David Haacke, M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland and chairman of the 1986 Conference of Grand Masters.

In a formal presentation to the conference, Grand Master Stenberg detailed the efforts over the previous two years, beginning with the conference held in Seattle, Washington in 1984, to convince the Grand Lodges to unite in creating a National Foundation for the Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Among Children.

"The abuse of drugs and alcohol by children is a problem of epidemic proportion, involving every level of society in



Bro. Raymond H. Bachman, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America and a Past Grand Master of Illinois, congratulates Bro. Carl W. Stenberg, Jr., R.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, on the acceptance by the conference of his proposal for a National Foundation for the Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Among Children. Bro. C. David Haacke, M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland and Chairman of the conference, looks on.

every corner of the nation," Grand Master Stenberg told the conference delegates.

"Substance abuse is a disease that is destroying the minds and bodies of our greatest resource, our children," he said, adding, "We must alert them to the danger and teach them how to avoid the traps. We must do everything in our power to end this tragic waste of lives."

The structure of the national foundation will be patterned after the Pennsylvania Foundation for the Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Among Children that was formally established earlier this year as a cornerstone of Grand Master Stenberg's administration.

The Pennsylvania foundation, operating as a pilot program, has already estab-

lished a series of programs in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Pennsylvania Department of Health wherein school teachers and administrators are trained to recognize signs of drug and alcohol abuse among their students.

The Pennsylvania foundation also funds a program that provides psychiatric counseling for children who live in homes where one or both parents are alcoholics as well as in and out patient services for persons recovering from bouts with drugs or alcohol through agencies scattered throughout the state.

Like the Pennsylvania foundation, the national organization expects to concern

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Judge Robert E. Woodside, Jr. Receives Pennsylvania Franklin Medal

The Honorable Robert E. Woodside, Jr., a Past Master of Susquehanna Lodge No. 364 in Millersburg, has been awarded the highest honor granted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, the gold Pennsylvania Franklin Medal.

The presentation was made at the Quarterly Communication held at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia on March 3 by the R.W. Grand Master, Bro. Carl W. Stenberg, Jr. The Grand Master was assisted in the ceremony by the R.W. Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Arthur J. Kurtz, and Bro. John K. Young, R.W. Past Grand Master.

Bro. Woodside, who holds the distinction of having served as a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes for 36 years (1943-1979), is a distinguished jurist who, at the age of 37, began a 10-year term as a Judge of Dauphin County. He was Pennsylvania's Attorney General under Governor John S. Fine before serving for 11 years as a Superior Court Judge.

Judge Woodside is a graduate of the Dickinson College School of Law and still maintains an active teaching position. He recently authored a 630-page text on Con-

stitutional Law in Pennsylvania. He has served five terms in the General Assembly and was twice considered for a gubernatorial nomination. He served as chairman of the Woodside Commission in promoting constitutional reform.

The Dauphin County Juvenile Detention facility in Swatara Township is named the Woodside center in his honor.

When called upon for remarks during the medal presentation, Bro. Woodside noted he served as a page boy for the legislature at the age of 17. "When a man starts young and grows old he lives long enough to receive many honors, but this is my greatest," he said.

He said he especially liked the fact the medal was named after Bro. Benjamin Franklin who was, in his humble opinion, the greatest man this country ever produced.

Judge Woodside also made reference to his tenure record as an elected member of the Committee on Masonic Homes, noting he served with one person who was a member of the original Homes' committee.

"I accept this medal as a tribute, not just to me, but to so many people who

have served the Masonic Homes and the many who have liberally contributed their time and money," he said.

He also offered praise to the officers and members of Susquehanna Lodge No. 364 for their record of growth. "I consider myself a symbol of their efforts; a symbol of so many who have worked hard to advance the cause of Freemasonry," Judge Woodside stated.

The Pennsylvania Franklin Medal was introduced in 1979 by the then Grand Master, the late Bro. Walter P. Wells. Bro. Wells, was a great admirer of Benjamin Franklin who twice served as Grand Master of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. It is presented by consent of the four elected line officers to recognize those persons who give distinguished service to Freemasonry in general and to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in particular.

It is made of 18K gold in the image of Franklin as created by the noted sculptor, Donald DeLue, and is suspended from the neck by a royal blue ribbon to hang just below the knot of the tie.

Recipients of the medal are also made honorary members of the grand Lodge, but Bro. Woodside, by virtue of his status as a Past Master, is already a full member of the Grand Lodge.

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Grand Lodge Task Force for Project SOLOMON II®

The Grand Lodge line officers have formed a Grand Lodge Task Force for Project SOLOMON II, the Rebuilding of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania. The Grand Lodge Task Force will serve as a model for the subordinate lodges and will give the line officers the means to constantly display their commitment to the success of the project.

The Grand Lodge Task Force is headed by the R.W. Grand Master, Bro. Carl W. Stenberg, Jr. It includes the R.W. Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Arthur J. Kurtz; the R.W. Senior Grand Warden, Bro. W. Scott Stoner; the R.W. Junior Grand Warden, Bro. Edward H. Fowler, Jr., and the Director of Project Solomon II, Bro. Melvin S. Mundie, Assistant to the Grand Master.

The Deputy Grand Master and the Senior and Junior Grand Wardens have ac-

cepted the responsibility of monitoring SOLOMON II activity within an equal number of Masonic Districts.

The District Deputy Grand Masters, under the Grand Lodge Task Force concept, will be expected to take a more active part in the conduct of SOLOMON II programs within the lodges in their districts. Traditional lines of authority have been established.

The Director of SOLOMON II will maintain responsibility for the overall conduct of the program and for communications and the supervision of staff support.

The Regional and Assistant Overseers in the seven regions throughout the state will continue to monitor reporting systems, provide leadership, and train members of lodge task forces.

Individual lodge task forces are being reorganized to a degree to reflect minor

changes in procedure called for by the experience gained over the past two years. The operations manual suggests the Worshipful Master establish a task force consisting of the lodge's Past Masters, but experience has taught us that the Past Masters are not necessarily the best group for support. Accordingly, the Masters are now being urged to use all interested Masons on task forces, regardless of how long they have been members of the fraternity. Newer Masons, in many instances, are the most active workers for Project SOLOMON II.

Special efforts are also being made to have the task forces report to the Computer Tracking Center promptly each month by using the addressed card designed for that purpose. A delay in reporting by one lodge delays reports for its district and creates communication backlogs.



The following five people have qualified for the Project SOLOMON II® throat medallion by having brought at least 12 members to the Fraternity since the beginning of the project.

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BRO. ROBERT B. JONES
Lodge No. 657
Annual Grand Communication
December 27, 1985

BRO. PETER A. SACCO, JR., P.M.
Lodge No. 584
Quarterly Communication
of Grand Lodge
March 5, 1986

Masons Join Fight Against Drug, Alcohol Abuse

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itself with programs designed to prevent drug and alcohol abuse, rather than treatment. Primary emphasis will be on education and the dissemination of information.

The programs to be funded will not be conducted by Masons, but by professionals with particular skills in dealing with problems of drug and alcohol abuse.

The national foundation will be supported by contributions from the Grand Lodges as indicated earlier in this report and by contributions from individual

Masons and Masonic groups. It is to be established as a non-stock, not-for-profit, charitable institution under regulations of the Internal Revenue Service so that contributions are tax deductible.

The National Masonic Foundation for the Prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Among Children will begin its work immediately, according to the Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Conference of Grand Masters, Bro. Raymond H. Bachman, a Past Grand Master of Illinois.

The initial Board of Directors has been

seated and will begin reviewing proposals for funding from agencies throughout the country as they are received.

The legal work is being handled by Bro. Herbert L. Emanuelson, Jr., now a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, who was one of the earliest and most avid supporters of a national foundation.

Corporate offices will be maintained at the George Washington Masonic memorial in Alexandria, Virginia.



October 18 – Rededication Day at Masonic Homes

The completion of an eight-year renovation program; the rededication of Grand Lodge Hall upon the occasion of its 75th anniversary; an open house view of Grand Lodge Hall and the residential buildings; all the color and pageantry of a parade through the grounds with every Shrine unit that is available in the state; bright circus tents, and free food and beverages for all who attend.

Saturday, October 18 has been named Rededication Day at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown and the R.W. Grand Master, Bro. Carl W. Stenberg, Jr., has extended an invitation to all members of the fraternity, their families and friends.

It is expected that thousands will take advantage of the offer. Special plans are being made to control traffic, admission

to the Masonic Homes' grounds and parking. The experience gained from last year's Autumn Day at the Homes on October 12 will be put to good use.

More than 3,000 persons attended the 1985 program and the crowd this year is expected to be much larger.

Activity is being scheduled between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The tentative schedule calls for the special Rededication Service for Grand Lodge Hall to be conducted at 11:00 a.m. The parade will start at the entrance to the Masonic Homes on Freemason Drive promptly at 1:30 p.m.

The food and beverages will be available constantly between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. from service areas that will be manned by Homes' per-

sonnel. The menu will feature hot dogs on a bun, Masonic Homes' sausage sandwiches, sauerkraut and apple butter, and ice cream, soda and coffee.

The open house for Grand Lodge Hall and the other buildings that provide quarters for the residential guest population will begin at noon. As indicated by the photographs accompanying this article, the work on Grand Lodge Hall continues as scheduled and all will be ready for inspection on October 18.

Of particular interest will be a museum and a guest service area that features an ice cream parlor ambiance at ground level in areas that had been used for storage. The ice cream parlor is being created in space that once served as a stage and theater.

Grand Lodge Hall was the first major building constructed on the grounds of the Masonic Homes. The laying of its cornerstone was accomplished with due ceremony on September 26, 1911 and it is the 75th anniversary of that event that will be commemorated on Rededication Day.

Renovation of the Grand Old Lady of the Masonic Homes' complex will complete a program begun by the Committee on Masonic Homes in 1979 that has resulted in the complete modernization of all residential guest buildings. It is somehow fitting that the first building to be constructed is the last to be renovated.

Every effort has been made to retain the original form and substance of the building. The facade of the building with its Holmesburg granite and Indiana limestone trim has not been disturbed.

Special care has been taken on the first floor to maintain original construction. The beauty of woodwork, plaster ceilings and appropriate fixtures has been preserved. The Blue Room where guests gather for religious services and special programs, for example, will look much the same as it did in 1913 when the building was first pressed into service.

The most noticeable changes are the installation of elevators at both ends of the building and the resulting change in stairways and fire doors.

The second and third floors were gutted (except for the original Committee Meeting Room at the top of the second floor stairs that has been retained with its



carved, wood paneled walls and vaulted, plaster ceiling) and rebuilt from the floors up. All mechanical systems, plumbing, heating, wiring, air conditioning, etc., are brand new.

The sanitary sewer and water piping systems in the basement level have been replaced and the entire building meets or exceeds all modern standards for safety of guests and staff.

The October 18 open house schedule calls for Grand Lodge Hall to be viewed from noon to 1:30 p.m. when the special rededication ceremony will take place.

A turnout of thousands for Rededication Day on Saturday, October 18 will require some controls if adequate arrangements are to be made for such things as food and beverages and parking.

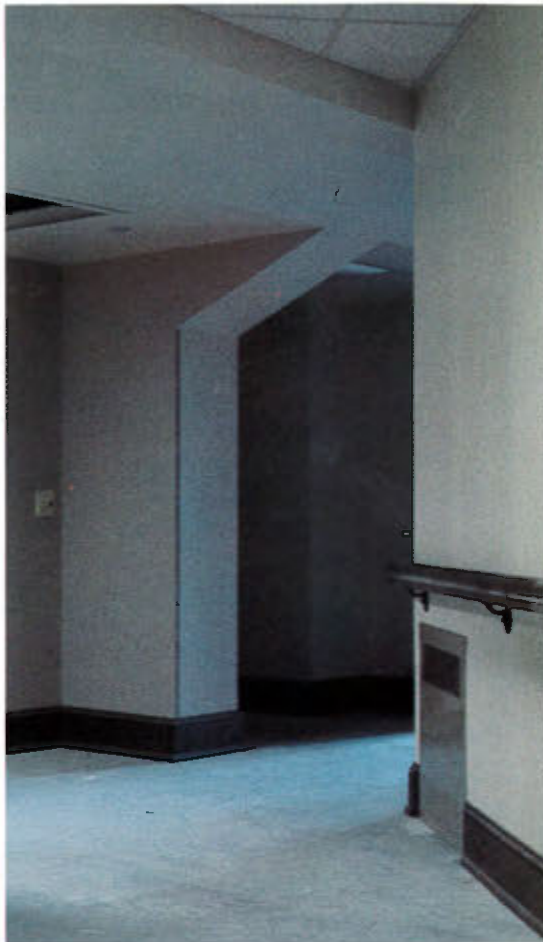
A registration coupon accompanies this article. You are invited to complete it and

send it to the Office of the Grand Master at the Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107. Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope so that admission tickets can be sent to you as quickly and efficiently as possible.

The number of ticket requests will be used to determine the amount of free foods and beverages that will be needed. Since most of the food will be prepared in advance so far as is possible by Homes' personnel, an accurate count is an absolute necessity.

The registration coupon also contains a section to indicate how you will travel to the Masonic Homes so that the space needs for cars and buses is known in advance.

Lodges and the appendant Masonic organizations are urged to use buses wherever possible. The Grand Master has



authorized the use of lodge funds to defray the costs of bus transportation to encourage their use. Please note that lodge funds can be used for bus transportation of family and friends as well as Masons.

Make your plans now and send your coupon and stamped, self-addressed envelope as soon as possible. Your admission tickets will be sent to you as soon as your requests are received.

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200th Anniversary (1786-1986) Celebration

1868 Cornerstone Items to be Redeposited at Special September Meeting

The lead box that was placed in the cornerstone at the northeast corner of the Masonic Temple at Broad and Filbert Streets in Philadelphia on June 24, 1868 has been recovered and its contents are now on display in the temple museum.

Many of the items will be redeposited as part of a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge on September 26 in celebration of the 200th anniversary of our independence from the Grand Lodge of England. Details are reported at the end of this story.

The exact location of the cornerstone box had long been a source of mystery to

the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Grand Lodge records, including photographs of the elaborate ceremony that was conducted almost 118 years ago when the cornerstone was laid, gave no close up views of the cornerstone box or the cornerstone itself.

Written records were strangely silent about the details of the resting place of the box or the stone that protected it. A list of the contents of the box had been preserved, but there were no reports of a cornerstone or datestone and there were no surface indications at the northeast corner to mark where the box deposited in 1868 might be located.

It was the construction of the commuter train tunnel in center city that finally provided the opportunity to locate the cornerstone and its box of Masonic treasures.

The foundation at the south side of the Masonic Temple was exposed completely as the train tunnel was constructed and the street and sidewalks on the east side of the building were torn up to lay new electric, telephone, gas and water lines.

A hole some six to eight feet deep was dug at the northeast corner exposing huge granite foundation stones weighing at least 10 tons each, but still no obvious signs of a cornerstone or datestone.

It was not until the stone at the corner, measuring five feet six inches in length and four feet nine inches in width, was x-rayed that a mass near the center of the stone was detected. Apparently a cavity had been cut into the stone that was plac-



ed at the northeast angle of the foundation due east and west.

A drill was used to cut four-inch cores out of the stone. On the initial cut the core material contained a piece of white marble. One leg of a compass had been carved into the marble and it was quickly realized that the box was covered by a slab of marble that contained at the very least a carving of the universal Masonic symbol, the square and compasses.

As much care as was possible was exercised in cutting out the marble stone and in exposing the cavity so that the box it contained could be recovered.

The lead box that was removed from the cornerstone measured 18 inches long by 12 inches wide and was 12 inches high. It showed no signs of deterioration and was tightly sealed with a lead solder. The cavity in which it rested for 118 years had apparently remained dry all that time.

The box was opened on March 4 in the presence of the elected Grand Lodge officers and the Past Grand Masters. Members of the Masonic Temple maintenance staff were present to open the box. Staff members of the Masonic Temple library and museum documented and catalogued each item as it was removed by the R.W. Grand Master, Bro. Carl W. Stenberg, Jr.,



from the box.

The entire recovery procedure was covered in detail by photographers.

When the top of the lead box, a single sheet of lead at least one-quarter inch thick, was peeled back and the contents exposed, only one-third of the space in the box was filled.

The first item to be removed by the Grand Master turned out to be a set of silver working tools and lodge jewels in a deep blue velvet covered box that was engraved with the name, Horstmann Bros. and Co., Makers, a firm that manufactured Masonic uniforms and regalia at the time.

Next came a small wooden box that contained a small fragment of a foundation stone from King Solomon's Temple with a note indicating it was found 40 feet below the Omar Mosque.

The box contained a number of United States coins from the period; a 1791 Washington penny, and a Franklin penny dated 1787. Two small, handmade

gold medals, one a circle, the other a key-stone shape, were also present as had been indicated on the original 1868 list.

Of interest is a copper medal struck to commemorate the election of the Prince of Wales as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England on November 24, 1790 and a silver medal struck to mark the administration of Peter Williamson as Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania for 1856-1857.

A Holy Bible; a copy of the *Ahiman Rezon*; a list of lodges for the jurisdiction; a copy of the 1867 Proceedings, and a copy of the 1868 Masonic register were among the papers recovered from the box. All the paper items were in excellent shape, showing discoloration only where some other item, such as a ribboned seal, had touched them.

Newspapers of the day and chips of wood from cedar trees in Lebanon, along with various other articles, rounded out the box contents.

Most of the contents are now on display in alarmed cases in the Masonic Temple museum. The display will be maintained in full form until Friday, September 26 when, at a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge to be convened at 3:00 p.m., many of the 1868 items, along with current Masonic treasures and items of today, will be redeposited.

The ceremony, which will be open to the public, will be conducted in the Grand Foyer on the first floor of the Masonic Temple. The event will be televised live to both Corinthian and Renais-



sance Halls so that as many as 2,000 persons will be able to view it.

The seating in the Grand Foyer will be confined to the officers of the Grand Lodge and distinguished visitors from other jurisdictions who will take part in the processional.

September 26 marks the 200th anniversary of the declaration by this Grand Lodge on September 26, 1786 of its independence from the Mother Grand Lodge, the Grand Lodge of England.

Another Special Communication of the Grand Lodge, in place of the usual September Quarterly Communication, will convene at 7:00 p.m. in Corinthian Hall.

A dinner will be served to Master Masons at 5:00 p.m. in the dining rooms on the lower level of the Masonic Temple. There is no charge for the meal, but because seating is limited to approximately 1,000 persons, tickets will be issued on a first-request basis.

A coupon for use in registering for the dinner is contained on page 11 of this issue. You are invited to send it to the Office of the Grand Master at the Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107 along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Please remember that ticket requests will be honored on a first-request basis until all available seats are reserved. Late ticket requests will be returned as promptly as possible, but those who do not receive dinner tickets are still welcome at the Grand Lodge meeting.



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*Carl W. Stenberg, Jr.
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Pennsylvania*



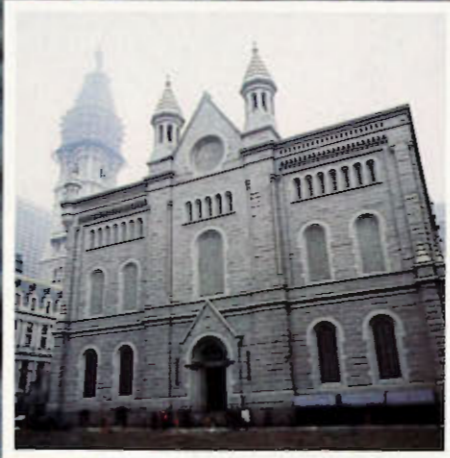
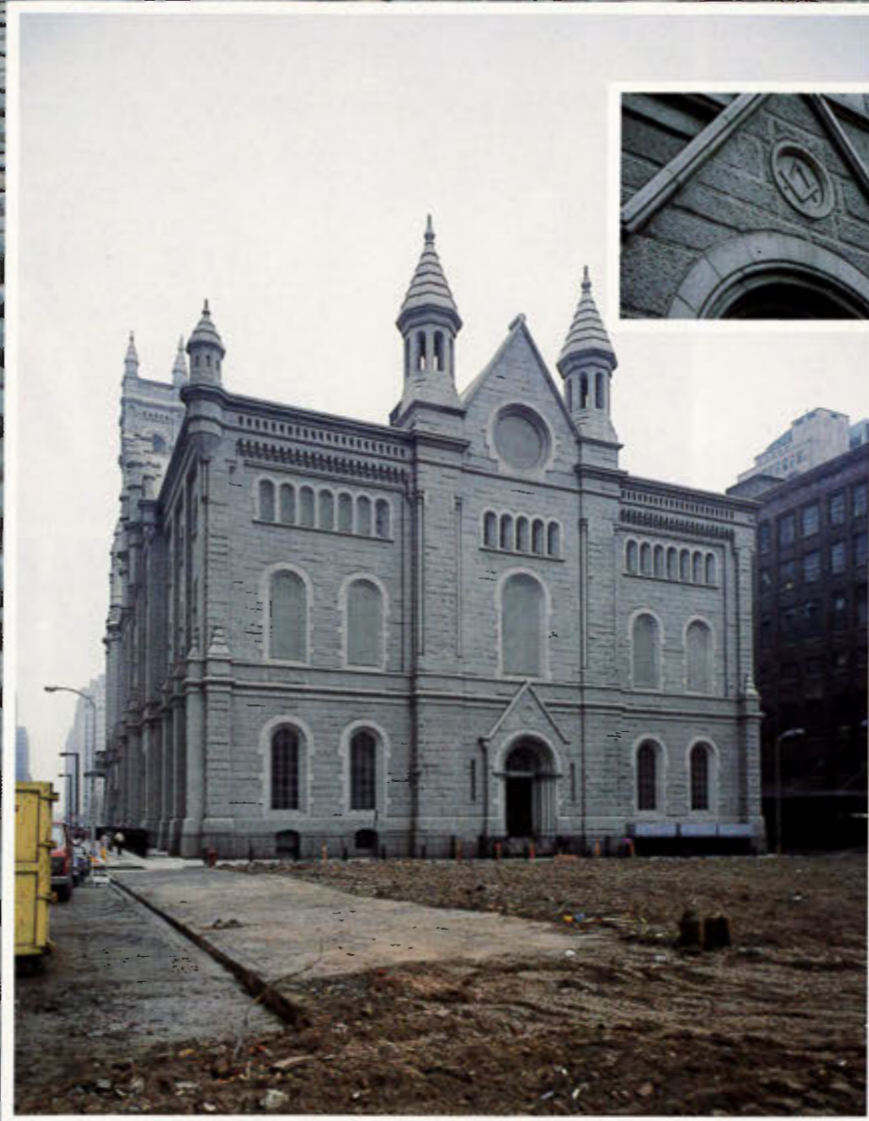
A Rare Glimpse of the Temple from the East

It isn't often that we do a feature story on just one side of a building, even if that building happens to be the most significant Masonic structure in the nation—unless the view is from a perspective that hasn't been seen for 80 years.

The east side of the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia, the headquarters building of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, is now exposed to full view, a sight that hasn't been seen in center city Philadelphia since 1906 when the Evening Bulletin Building was constructed at the corner of Juniper and Filbert Streets, immediately across Juniper Street from the Masonic Temple.

Michael McGettigan, writing for the Philadelphia City Paper, described the eastern side of the temple as "friendlier looking than the rest of the structure; more fairy castle than imposing cathedral."

McGettigan is not a member of the Craft and his article reflects his inability to fully appreciate things Masonic. He misses the symbolism and concentrates on the fact most of the windows in the upper levels on the east side were filled with stone in 1902 to lessen the threat of fire from



stone in 1902 to lessen the threat of fire from a furniture factory that stood next door—until it was demolished to make way for the Bulletin Building.

He misses the huge compasses that extend from a line above the street entrance, and the square and compasses in a form representing one of the three degrees that is tucked below a peak.

Now more than ever one sees the contrast between the smooth stone on

one side of the building and the rough stone on the other.

Still, the view is temporary until the city comes to grips with its stated desire to build a criminal justice center on the site along Filbert Street between Juniper and 13th Streets.

The criminal justice center, if preliminary plans hold up, will be designed as a courthouse structure on the site of the former Bulletin Building and a detention center on the site of the old

Essex Hotel that stood on the corner of Filbert and 13th Streets.

Height is an important consideration and reports of the criminal justice center reaching heights of 10 stories, or 29 stories, even 40 stories, have been circulated.

Ten stories or 40, you can be sure the eastern aspect of the Masonic Temple will soon be again lost in the shadows of something high, but not necessarily mighty.

Youth Prove Value of Public Speaking Program

Three young people, representing Rainbow for Girls, DeMolay and Job's Daughters, delivered a joint address before 1,600 people at the Grand Master's Dinner Dance at the Hilton Hotel Ballroom in Pittsburgh on December 27.

They had received just seven hours of instruction, a crash course in the basic concepts that make up the public speaking program developed as a leadership training program for the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation.

The youngsters spoke without notes and used a unique memory system developed by Dean E. Vaughn, the nation's foremost expert on applied memory concepts. Their performance was flawless and gave credence to the promise of the training program—that people can learn to speak in public without fear, without notes, and with confidence in their ability to know



what to say and how to say it.

The three representatives of the Masonically related youth groups, shown during their presentation are, (left to right) Kay Frey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Frey of Newport and a member of Perry Assembly, Rainbow for Girls; Mike Hopple, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoppel of Hummelstown and the Master Councilor of Hershey Chapter, Order of DeMolay; and Karen Stoner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott Stoner of Lancaster and a member of Bethel No. 7, International Order of Job's Daughters.

Karen is the daughter of the R.W. Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.



Elected Grand Lodge Officers
Officers gather in the Grand Lodge foyer. First row, left to right, R.W. Grand Master Carl W. Stenberg, Jr., and Arthur J. Kurtz, R.W. Deputy Grand Master. Second row, W. Scott Stoner, R.W. Senior Grand Warden and Edward H. Fowler, Jr., R.W. Junior Warden. Top row, Thomas W. Jackson, R.W. Grand Secretary and Arthur R. Diamond, R.W. Grand Treasurer.

200th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Dinner for Master Masons Only at the Masonic Temple

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SEMINAR

District Deputy Grand Masters Attend Training Seminar

A seminar for the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania's 62 District Deputy Grand Masters was conducted at the Hotel Hershey in Hershey, Pennsylvania on January 10 and 11, 1986.

The two-day training session was designed with the newly appointed District Deputy Grand Masters in mind, but, because an average of 10 new Deputy appointments are made each year, the experience was a new one for many of those present.

District Deputy Grand Masters are appointed by the R.W. Grand Master and serve at his pleasure. The normal term of office for a District Deputy Grand Master is 10 years, providing he maintains the approval of five consecutive Grand Masters. Many District Deputies, however, take advantage of legislation adopted

in the mid-1970s that allows them to voluntarily retire as Past District Deputy Grand Masters anytime after five years.

The constant turnover in District Deputy Grand Masters requires a constant training program if they are to effectively carry out their responsibilities.

Bro. John K. Young, when he served as R.W. Grand Master in 1968 and 1969, created a manual for the District Deputy Grand Masters that has been in continual use. Because of changes in Masonic law and the effect of new decisions issued by subsequent Grand Masters over the years, the manual needed to be updated.

The current R.W. Grand Master, Bro. Carl W. Stenberg, Jr., assigned the task of revising the manual to three Past District Deputy Grand Masters—Brothers Robert A. Pote, Walter L. Sykes and Robert Batto. The three also planned the agenda for the January training seminar.

Grand Master Stenberg wel-



comed the District Deputy Grand Masters and explained the need for them to be consistent and uniform in making decisions in their individual districts on questions of Masonic law and procedure.

The District Deputy Grand Masters were divided into three smaller groups in order to gain a less formal atmosphere for the training sessions. They received instruction in 16 specific areas over the two day period.

The following is a list of the subjects for each section and the instructor:

Duties and Responsibilities of a District Deputy Grand Master—Bro. Arthur J. Kurtz, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.

Reference Materials—Bro. W. Scott Stoner, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.

Reports and Record Keeping—Bro. Robert A. Pote, Past District Deputy Grand Master.

Official Visits to Lodges and Grand Lodge Communications—Bro. Arthur Buzzard, Past District Deputy Grand Master.

Meetings and Communications with Officers and Lodges—Bro. Robert Batto, Past District Deputy Grand Master.

Proficiency of Elective Lodge Officers and Proficiency of Candidates and Newly Raised Masons—Bro. Edward H. Fowler, Jr., R.W. Junior Grand Warden.



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Once they understood the basic parameters of the plan, however, the most successful individuals or task force groups devised unique and innovative plans to supplement the basic program.

This page in each subsequent issue of *The Pennsylvania Freemason* will be devoted to those individuals, lodges and

Masonic districts who are willing to share their ideas in the expectation that others will benefit from their experience.

Each District Dupty Grand Master has been asked to seek out the success stories within his Masonic District and submit them to the editor. Individual Masons are also invited to make submissions by writing to the Editor, The Pennsylvania Freemason, at the Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107.

It may not be possible to publish all submissions because of space requirements and editorial discretion, but all submissions will receive a response.



The first SOLOMON II success story comes from the 53rd Masonic District by way of Br. John Erb, District Deputy Grand Master. SOLOMON II is Working in Mercer.

The date of February 22, 1986 will always be remembered with great pride by Brother Kenneth L. Moon, Sr., a member of Hebron Lodge -575. An extra meeting of the lodge was

held on this Saturday, when each of Bro. Moon's five sons were raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason.

Pictured, Brother William L. Collins, Worshipful Master, is shown congratulating Bro. Kenneth Moon, Sr., for his efforts in furthering the Solomon II program. In the back row, from left to right are brothers Douglas, Donald, John, Kenneth, Jr., and Mark.