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BRETHREN,

From what I observe, the brethren in most of the lodges across the state did far more in June than make the customary motion to call off from labor for July and August. In the weeks leading up to vacation time, a large percentage of the lodges were hosting **Friend-to-Friend** programs to tell their good friends who we Freemasons are, what we do, and what we believe. Feedback indicates that it is an effective public educational effort and it is motivating worthy men to learn more about our Fraternity.

So, it can be said that our Membership Committee is moving forward on a positive plane with Operation Rescue/Recovery. There are many exciting stories about quality men inquiring for more information and asking for petitions. In this issue of *The Pennsylvania Freemason*, you can read about and share the enthusiasm that exists among the brethren as they host **Friend-to-Friend** get-togethers in their lodge buildings.

I'm convinced public education is necessary and important. I was at a lodge recently and observed two men walking by when brethren in tuxedos and their ladies in gowns were arriving for an anniversary banquet. One man asked the other, "What's going on in there?" The response he got was, "Oh, that's some organization — I don't recall the name." So you see, Brethren, we must educate good men in order to gain, and maybe surpass, our goal of breaking even this year.

September will be "Youth Month" in our Blue Lodges. During the Summer, the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation has been sending a short video-taped program to each lodge for the September stated meeting. Come out and show that Masons care about youth. They will be our leaders of tomorrow.

As I travel across this great jurisdiction, I am impressed with the strong ties of fellowship among the brethren. It is so obvious how much our members enjoy each other's company and look forward to renewing old and long-standing friendships. That's a cherished value in our Fraternity.

For the golfers — or those of us who just play golf — there are two Grand Master's Charity Golf outings on the calendar. In Western Pennsylvania, it will be at Sewickley on Sept. 16. In the East, it will be at Lulu Country Club on Sept. 23. Brethren, get your clubs ready! I'll look forward to the fellowship on the golf course. Information and entry forms are on pages 20 and 21 of this magazine.

Please note, there will not be a Quarterly Communication in September. The next Quarterly Communication will be 10 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 4, in the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia. In conjunction with it, we are planning a Grand Master's banquet with entertainment. Plan to join us there.

As we approach the anniversary, we remain horrified because of the evil events of Sept. 11, 2001. Let us stand firm in our patriotism and maintain heartfelt memories of our heroes who served mankind so valiantly. God Bless America!

Sincerely and fraternally,

Marvin A. Cunningham

Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr.,
R.W. Grand Master



The Right Worshipful Grand Master's
WORD TO THE CRAFT

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Lodges: Honor Veterans in November

Every lodge is encouraged to conduct a program during its November stated meeting to recognize and honor veterans. Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., R.W. Grand Master, a retired Navy veteran, believes strongly that it is important to recognize and honor those who have served and protected our country. It is suggested that lodge officers and program chairmen refer to the guide for honoring veterans that the Committee on Masonic Education provided to each lodge last year. It contains a series of suggested activities.

Two Junior F.B.I. Classes Graduate In Foundation's Adopt-a-School Program

On May 29 and 30, the first two classes of elementary school students graduated from the Junior F.B.I. Program that is offered as part of the Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children's Adopt-a-School program. The unique program is presented by the Philadelphia office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in conjunction with Joseph H. Brown Lodge No. 751, Philadelphia, and the Foundation. The two schools are Fairhill Elementary in North Philadelphia, and Joseph H. Brown Elementary in Northeast Philadelphia.

The agency's Philadelphia outreach specialist, Tanya Jetter, presented the Junior F.B.I. Program in the schools during the entire academic year. Each meeting began with the "agents" (students) reciting the Junior Agents' pledge in which they promised to be good citizens, obey laws, and be positive role models in their neighborhoods. They also pledged to stay drug-free and to practice non-violent behavior in difficult situations. During the term, the students visited the F.B.I. office and learned about polygraphs from Special Agent Jerry O'Callaghan. Upon their graduation, each group chose a Junior Special Agent-in-Charge.

Joseph H. Brown Lodge has adopted its namesake elementary school and the officers and members have become involved in helping the school by providing funds to purchase books for the library and Shrine Circus tickets. Lodge members attended many of the Junior F.B.I. meetings during the year as well as the graduation.

In recognition of the Lodge's and Foundation's efforts, the F.B.I. presented certificates to John N. Welsh, W.M., and Charles E. Lankert, S.W., and a plaque to the Foundation Executive Director Raymond G. Brown.

R.W. GRAND MASTER'S CALENDAR

September

1-4	Supreme Council, 33°, A.A.S.R., Boston
5-9	50-Year Reunion, Rhode Island
11	Pension Fund, Consolidated Fund Mgs. - 9 a.m.; Finance Mtg. - 1 p.m., Philadelphia
13	Grand Master's Glass, York Rite College, Allentown Masonic Temple
14	125th Anniv., Edensburg Lodge No. 550 & Allegheny Valley Lodge No. 552, Knox
16	Western PA G.M.'s Charity Golf, Diamond Run Golf Club, Sewickley
19	Elected Officers Mtg., Masonic Homes - 7 p.m.
20	Masonic Homes Bldg. & Grounds Comm. - 11 a.m.; Finance Comm. - 1 p.m.; Comm. on Masonic Homes - 3 p.m.
21	Autumn Day at Masonic Homes
23	Eastern PA G.M.'s Charity Golf, Lulu Country Club, Plymouth Meeting
28	150th Anniv., York Lodge No. 266

October

11	Spring Creek Lodge No. 802, Hershey
12	125th Anniv., Coaphia Lodge No. 551, Mt. Joy
19	Academy of Masonic Knowledge, Elizabethtown
21	Stated Mtg., Shokoh Lodge No. 246, Chestnut Hill
24	Elected Officers Mtg., Masonic Homes - 7 p.m.
25	Masonic Homes: Bldg. & Grounds Comm. - 9 a.m.; Compliance Comm. - 10 a.m.; Comm. on Masonic Homes - 1:00 p.m.
28	Southampton Square Club, Speaker

November

2	200th Anniv., George Washington Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, Virginia
5-10	World Conference of Grand Lodges, India
14-20	Masonic Reunion, Phoenix, AZ
23	Scottish Rite Reunion, Valley of Reading

Friend-to-Friend Contact Brings Results

Personal contact and using the **Friend-to-Friend** brochure has been the reason Watonsontown Lodge No. 401 has initiated nearly 60 members in the past year and a half — 21 in the first five months of this year. In the beginning of 2001, Roger Mills, then-W.M., sent each member of the lodge a letter with a **Friend-to-Friend** brochure and a blank form of petition to have on hand when an inquiring friend returned the brochure. Richard A. Loreman, D.D.G.M. (right), 18th Masonic District, acknowledged the continuing special efforts of the lodge, congratulating David C. Walize, W.M. (center) and Patrick N. Maynard (left).



On the Road to Membership Recovery



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John E. Adams, Jr.,
Chairman of the
Grand Lodge
Membership Committee

Friend-to-Friend dialogs in lodges across the state are fostering an understanding of Freemasonry in our communities that can lead the Fraternity along the road to membership recovery. Achievements so far in 2002 confirm progress. Forecasts for more **Friend-to-Friend** activities in the Fall signal a promise for achieving – or even surpassing – the break-even membership goal.

"There is good reason for optimism," said John E. Adams, Jr., Chairman of the Grand Lodge Membership Committee and leader of Operation Rescue/Recovery. "I'm gratified by how enthusiastically so many of the districts have charged into the program," he said. "There are districts where all of the lodges have hosted **Friend-to-Friend** programs and among the rest of the districts, except for one or two, a good percentage of the lodges have presented programs."

"It works," says James A. O'Connor, D.D.G.M., 21st Masonic District. "There's a lot of excitement among the brethren . . . all seven of the lodges had programs this Spring and will again in the Fall – and we'll have them again in 2003. Half those guests who attended this Spring sought a Masonic friend to be a recommender."

Bro. O'Connor gave his opinion as to why the program is effective: "Every lodge is at liberty to 'do their own thing' in setting up the meetings with-

in the guidelines. Many of the brethren are eager to join in hosting the guests and want to join in presenting the program. They find the discussions are not only interesting for those who are not Masons, but also enlightening for themselves."

According to G. Kent Hackney, P.D.D.G.M. and Director for Region 1, "This is a simplistic program that generates its own results. At first, the master of one lodge was concerned about solicitation; but the established agenda that stresses **Friend-to-Friend** dialog and answering questions for those who are not Masons, puts that concern to rest. That lodge had excellent **Friend-to-Friend** meetings and over the following six weeks 11 friends sought petitions."

It's the same story in the 6th Masonic District according to Hal E. Zweiback, D.D.G.M., who described the typical program as ". . . successful in terms of the guests' high level of interest. The dialog was stimulating . . . especially when (the guests are) in the lodge room where there is a question and answer session. After the 'Tools of the Craft' video is shown, there is another question and answer session, which again commands high interest and involvement."

Bro. Zweiback said, "It's really a great experience for the Masons, too. I note how excited the brethren are when they make presentations and answer questions. They learn as much from the interchange as do the guests."

Thomas R. Reich, P.D.D.G.M., Area Chairman for Regions 3 and 6, remarked: "When the program was announced, some asked, 'How do I do that?' But, when the program was explained and the materials provided, they found that the format is so simple that, with easy organization and personal enthusiasm, it clicks like clockwork – and it's fun."

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Director for Region 1

ing their lodge to their neighbors – to those people who had no idea what those men dressed in tuxedos do. At a **Friend-to-Friend** get-together, the answer to one question leads to another question and that answer leads to another. Instantly, there is a genuine interest and a wholesome dialog."

"It has been a total commitment and a really positive experience in the 49th Masonic District," said John W. Hisiro, D.D.G.M. All of the lodges in the district have hosted **Friend-to-Friend** meetings. He reported that the eight lodges have hosted 22 men who were not Masons, 14 of whom were accompanied by their ladies. He explained that the whole family is welcome to the program that lasts 35 to 40 minutes, followed by refreshments.

Every Mason can help his lodge along the road to recovery simply by cultivating an understanding about Freemasonry among his friends and neighbors. Personal contact, with the **Friend-to-Friend** brochure as a tool, is the best way to talk to a friend about the values of Freemasonry and create a congenial opportunity to invite him to a sociable meeting at your lodge. If you need **Friend-to-Friend** brochures, just ask your lodge Secretary. At the same time, why not put a petition form or two in your pocket so you're prepared to help your friend when he comes back and asks to become a Mason.

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Hal E. Zweiback, D.D.G.M., 6th Masonic District



How It's Said When Speaking Friend-to-Friend

It's not just the friend who is invited to a lodge's **Friend-to-Friend** program who has a memorable experience. Brethren who have "been there, done that" are quick to say that they had a great time and learned as much as those who were not Masons.

Here is the suggested presentation provided by the Committee for Operation Rescue/Recovery. You will find it interesting and educational and it will equip you with guidelines for your conversations about Freemasonry with your worthy friends.

I am the Worshipful Master of the Lodge. I want to thank our members for attending and I am especially pleased that they have extended the invitation to you, their valued friends, to join with us for this **Friend-to-Friend** Program. Our hope is that both the members and guests will find this to be a rewarding experience. Before we proceed, I have asked our Chaplain to offer an invocation.

The purpose . . . (is to) explain to you what Freemasonry is, who Freemasons are, what they believe, and what they do. The Masonic lodge that meets here, elects and installs officers annually to run the meetings, and conducts the necessary business. I was elected to be in charge of the lodge for this year and was given the title of Worshipful Master. You might think of me as the president. The other officers . . . are the Senior Warden, the Junior Warden, the Secretary, etc.

Those brethren assist me in conducting the business, (such as) paying bills, receiving income, voting on petitions for membership, etc. The only difference between our meetings and those of most other organizations is that we tend to be a bit more formal in how our business is conducted.

You may have noticed that I referred to these men as "Brothers." We are all "Brothers" in the Lodge. "Brother" is the title we give to every man when he becomes a member of the Masonic Fraternity.

Our meetings are conducted in this room. As Worshipful Master, I preside . . . in the East. The Senior Warden is in the West, the Junior Warden in the South, and the Secretary and Treasurer to the right and left of the Master. The other officers are located around the room. (There is) an altar upon which is *The Holy Bible* – the rule of our faith and a guide to our actions.

All these men, whom I call "Brothers," have a belief in a Supreme Being and have become members of our lodge by asking for a petition for membership from a man who was already a member and would agree to recommend him for membership. The recommender

then presented the petition at a stated meeting of the lodge. The petitioner was then voted upon by the membership and, if the vote was unanimous, he then gained full membership by receiving the three Masonic degrees at lodge meetings over a period of several months. Every Mason has experienced those degrees and it was during those degrees that we were all taught the principles of Freemasonry.

Like all organizations, we need money to operate and to help fund the various charities that we support. That money comes from annual dues and from an initial application fee from men who desire to become members. Of that initial fee, \$100 goes to our Grand Lodge in Philadelphia and \$5 goes to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Fund.

Our Masonic lodge is . . . chartered, by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, headquartered in Philadelphia. The state is divided into 59 Districts, each consisting of six to 10 lodges, and a District Deputy Grand Master is in charge. (If the District Deputy Grand Master is present, he should be introduced to discuss the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and the Family of Freemasonry. He also should provide the Internet address of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania: www.pagrandlodge.org.)

Now, we will show you a video about Freemasonry in Pennsylvania entitled "Tools of the Craft." It should answer many of the questions you might have about the Masons. The brethren will be glad to address other questions after the video.

It is very important for you to know that as Masons we are not permitted to ask or solicit you to join this organization. We are permitted to tell you about what Freemasonry is, what Freemasons believe, and what they do. However, men who desire to become members must seek that membership on their own by asking a member of the Masonic Lodge to recommend them.

I would encourage you to take the packet of material that has been made available, read it, and share it with your family members. In particular, I recommend that you read the **"Friend-to-Friend"** brochure. If, after reading that material, you have any questions or desire to know more about Freemasonry, your friend who invited you will be pleased to answer your questions or obtain the answers for you. [Note: Petition forms are not to be included in the packets or distributed. A person must ask to be recommended.]

Now, if you will rise, we will be led in a closing prayer.

MacCalla Lodge Gives Community A Striking New Town Clock

It took time – 18 months of dedicated effort by MacCalla Lodge No. 596 – to give the Souderton community a striking new landmark, a distinctive town clock.

On Saturday, June 1, on the corner of Main St. and Reliance Rd. (Rt. 113), Clarence Heffendrager, Jr., P.D.D.G.M., 8th Masonic District, was the master of ceremonies when the lodge officers, led by Robert G. Lynch, W.M., presented the new landmark to the President of the Borough Council, John U. Young. It was the mayor, Bro. Charles H. Allebach, Jr., who introduced the idea to MacCalla Lodge to raise the funds to purchase the town clock.

The clock is a replica of the popular post clocks produced by Seth Thomas and the Howard Company in the late 19th and 20th centuries. Measuring 16 feet high, the clock has dials facing in four directions, each three feet in diameter. The lodge name and the Masonic square and compasses are hand-painted on the faces, encircled by the Roman numerals.

The funds were raised through donations from the lodge members, citizens, businesses, and organizations as well as from the sale of eight-inch miniature clocks. The Chairman of the Town Clock Committee, G. Carson Freeman, P.M., and a Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge, reported that donations completely supported the cost of the clock and the base plaques.



Masons Care About Youth September is Masonic Youth Month:

The Right Worshipful Grand Master, Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., has declared that September 2002 is to be Masonic Youth Month in all Pennsylvania lodges as a time to recognize and demonstrate our support for Masonically related youth groups and to learn more about them. The purpose of this program is to share the unique value of the youth groups, and the importance of providing a Masonically related youth group opportunity to the young people in your community.

The Pennsylvania Youth Foundation will be providing each worshipful master with a videotape for an in-lodge presentation including introductory and concluding notes for a presenter. The video will be approximately 10 minutes in length, so the total program, with remarks, should be no longer than 15 minutes. The program can be presented either in the lodge room when called off from labor or in the social room. If presented in the social room, it would be a good program to which ladies and family members could be invited.

Masonic Youth Month is a time to share what a Masonically related youth group is, what it does for young people, what it does for your Masonic community, and how you can get involved. It also will share information about other Pennsylvania Youth Foundation programs that are available to young people who are affiliated with lodge members. Additional topics to be covered include scholarships, the Life Skills Conference, youth speakers for the lodges, and special events for the Masonically related youth groups.

The videotape and program outline will be mailed to all worshipful masters in mid-August so that they will have time to review the materials prior to the presentation. The worshipful master may choose to have the chairman of the Lodge Youth Committee, an elected lodge officer, or a past master present the program.

After the program, lodges will be able to keep the videotape to circulate to members who were not able to attend the lodge's Masonic Youth Month meeting.

YOUTH REFERRAL FORM

Do you know a young person between the ages of 12 and 18 who could benefit from membership in a Masonically related youth group? Use the referral form on the adjoining page to let us know his or her name and location.

LOOKING FOR SPONSORS

You don't have a youth to recommend joining one of the Masonically related youth groups, but you are still interested in supporting these young people and the spreading of these youth organizations across the Commonwealth? Well, you or your lodge, or appendant Masonic organization can help the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation by sponsoring the production of promotional materials to spread the light about Masonically related youth groups. Through the generosity of the 30th Masonic District Youth Chairman, Bro. Rodney E. Boyce, Westmoreland Lodge No. 518, Greensburg, promotional posters, flyers, and placards with reply cards have been designed for the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation. The Pennsylvania Youth Foundation now needs your help in underwriting the production of those promotional materials that can be placed in your lodge hall and the surrounding community promoting Freemasonry's support for the advancement of today's youth through Masonically related youth organizations. If you are interested in learning how you can make a tax-deductible contribution, or how your lodge or appendant Masonic organization can help, please call the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation at 1 (800) 266-8424. You can be a contributor in making tomorrow's leaders, today!

Our Future Is YOURS

Masonically related youth group members are the future of all Masonic adult organizations. Together we can increase membership!



How can you help?

I recommend the following for membership to:

- ☐ Rainbow (for ages 11 to 17)
- ☐ DeMolay (for ages 14 to 21)
- ☐ Job's Daughters (for girls ages 11 to 18)

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Web Site: A Useful, Time-Saving Service

ON-LINE PAST GRAND MASTERS GALLERY

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania web site includes a wealth of functional and historical materials to help you be a more informed member, officer, and supporter of the Fraternity. One special feature of www.pagrandlodge.org is the Past Grand Masters Gallery. It gives you a "snapshot" of the lives and accomplishments of the 113 men who have served the Fraternity as Right Worshipful Grand Master. This is not a comprehensive history of the office of Grand Master. That feat was addressed in the third volume of *The Master Builders: A History of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania*. It is a scholarly work of detailed research by Dr. Wayne A. Huss that includes biographies of each Right Worshipful Grand Master through Bro. Arthur J. Kurtz, 1988-1989. It was that three-volume work that provided the material posted on the web site. It is fascinating reading and those who take the time to browse the gallery often find themselves reading the full biographies. Each Grand Master's personality comes to life in the portraits. See for yourself. Go to www.pagrandlodge.org/gmaster/history.

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Davis Bequest For Deceased Mason's Children

A \$5,000 grant from the Samuel Davis Bequest administered by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was presented by William M. Spade, III, W.M., Perry-Ionic Lodge No. 796, Wexford, to the family of the late Bro. Samuel A. Flamgletti, who died March 8 at the age of 42. The grant, established in the early 1900's, is designated to assist minor children of a deceased Master Mason until they reach age 18, or age 21 if attending college. The presentation by Worshipful Master Spade (rear) was accepted by (front, l-r): Mrs. JoAnn Flamgletti, mother of the deceased brother; Nicole Flamgletti, 13; Jack D. Flamgletti, 16; and Mrs. Terri L. Stevens, mother of the recipients.



Grand Master Presents Three 50-Year Awards

Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., R.W. Grand Master, presented 50-year Emblems of Gold to three brethren in Shrewsbury Lodge No. 423 during the March stated meeting. Pictured for the presentation are (l-r): Gregory P. Smith, W.M.; Henry G. Stover, and Leroy E. Krebs, P.M., both recipients; Grand Master Cunningham; Larry S. McClung, a recipient; and James R. Eisenhart II, D.D.G.M., 42nd Masonic District. The well-attended meeting was followed by Shrewsbury Lodge's annual oyster night.



Correctional Officers Confer M.M. Degree

By dispensation, a team of uniformed officers from the Mercer County Correctional Facility of the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections conferred the Master Mason's Degree in Grove City Lodge No. 603 on Jason E. Stobert, also a state correctional officer. The degree team pictured with the new Master Mason are (l-r): Front — Dale E. Moore, Ronald D. Lewis, Bro. Stobert, Michael E. Holley, and Vincent Schaffer; Center — Stephen R. Leslie, Robert J. Young, and David R. Hockenberry; Rear — David Stanford and Samuel K. Williamson III.



TREASURES OF THE TEMPLE

By Laura Liberti, Curator,
The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania

The stained glass window at the front of the Masonic Temple has long been admired for its jewel-like colors and vibrant illustrations of Masonic symbolism. Additionally, the window is also a wonderful example of Philadelphia stained glass. However, few realize that the window seen today is not completely original. The first window was designed by Benjamin H. Shoemaker, whose studio was located at 205-207 North 4th St., Philadelphia, and was installed in 1873 at a cost of \$3,443. The window was composed of three sections: the rosette at the top, the central portion, and the bottom portion, which was subdivided into four panels. The central portion, which was the largest section of the three, was composed of a myriad of Masonic symbols: Moses on Mount Horeb at the Burning Bush, the brazen pillars of the porch of King Solomon's Temple, six figures representing Wisdom, Strength, Beauty, Faith, Hope, and Charity, and the phrase *SIT LUX ET LUX FUIT*.



Unfortunately, the beauty of this Masonic "sermon in glass," as it was referred to, was short-lived. On Jan. 24, 1874, a powerful windstorm swept over Philadelphia and destroyed the central portion of the window. The rosette and bottom portion of the window remained intact. Grand Lodge swiftly set about returning the window to its former glory. Shoemaker was called upon again to design the new central section of the window. It was decided not to recreate the original window. Instead, the plan for the new central portion expounded upon one part of the original window's design, Moses and the Burning Bush. The new window was installed in April of 1874 for the sum of \$1,200. To ensure that such destruction would not happen again, an iron bracketing system was put in place to reinforce the new window.

Over the years, the window has been repaired, re-leaded, and reinforced with additional iron bars. However, the reinforcements could only slow, not stop, the effects of time and gravity on the window. In 2002, it was decided that, in order to ensure the window's existence for another 128 years, drastic measures had to be taken. The Willet Stained Glass Studios, Philadelphia, was contracted to remove and restore the window.

The Willet team extracted and packed every section of the rosette and central portion of the window. At their studio, every piece of the window is being systematically examined and documented.

The lead, which had turned brittle with age, is being reinforced, and glass that has been cracked by the pressure of the iron bracketing system is being repaired or replaced. Using new innovations in technology, a state-of-the-art reinforcement system will be installed when the window is returned to its home, which is scheduled for October.



Ligonier Lodge Aiding Family of Shooting Victim

Ligonier Lodge No. 331 is coming to the aid of the widow and children of a May 1 shooting victim. There was no insurance when Bill Wagner died and Staci (center) and her three children, Zack, 9 (left), Ashley, 7 (center), and Nichole, 11, were left without an income. The Lodge plans to raise funds to help Staci complete nurses training at Westmoreland Community College so she and the children can move on with their lives. Staci is the daughter of William Carl Penrod, Jr., S.W. (left), of Ligonier Lodge.



Lodges Raise \$18,000 and Place 13 A.E.D.s

Through the outstanding efforts of Mount Lebanon Lodge No. 226 and Mount Olivet Lodge No. 704, Lebanon, more than a dozen automated external defibrillators (A.E.D.) were placed with area fire and ambulance companies and in municipal buildings throughout Lebanon and Berks counties. The two lodges held a seafood and prime rib banquet as their main fund-raising project entitled Operation Jump Start and, along with lodge members' donations and local business banquet sponsorships, \$18,000 was raised to place A.E.D.s throughout the two-county area. The program was such a success that plans are being made to make the seafood and prime rib banquet an annual event, possibly to help place more of these life saving units in their communities. Pictured at a press conference in front of the 13 A.E.D. units are (l-r): Roy Meyer, President, American Heart Association (A.H.A.), Lebanon Division; Joseph W. Dows, D.D.G.M., 60th Masonic District; Kathy Andrew, Division Director, A.H.A., Lebanon Division; Donald Ryland, W.M., Mount Olivet Lodge, and Operation Jump Start Chairman; Lorie Machara, Chairperson, A.H.A. Lebanon County Operation Heartbeat; and Thomas Bender, Committee Member, A.H.A. Lebanon County Operation Heartbeat.



Editor's Note - Deadline information received: Subsequent to the placement of 13 A.E.D.s, a second Operation Jump Start banquet was held this time including Williamson Lodge No. 307, Womelsdorf, of the 60th Masonic District that raised \$16,000 for the placement of seven additional A.E.D.s throughout Lebanon and Berks counties.

Lodge No. 368 Donates A.E.D.

The Bucks County Rescue Squad's bike team received an automated external defibrillator (A.E.D.) donated by Williamson-Corinthian Lodge No. 368, Philadelphia. Pictured at the presentation (l-r): Kneeling are two bike team members, Jay Colella, J.D. of Williamson-Corinthian Lodge, and Eric Ziegelhofer. Standing are Howard Gurak, P.M.; Dr. Randy Gurak, Chairman of the Lodge Charity Committee; John Russell, bike team; Crole Miller and Dorian Wells, both of the Pennsylvania Heart Association; Thomas W. Burgess Sr., W.M.; Scott Kaman, S.W.; Bernd R. Latsch, P.M.; and Thomas W. Burgess Jr., S.D.



Kennett Lodge Gives A.E.D. to Sheriff's Department



Kennett Lodge No. 475, Kennett Square, presented an automated external defibrillator (A.E.D.) to the Chester County Sheriff's Department as part of the Operation Heartbeat Program of the American Heart Association. Jason Constant, W.M. (center), presented the A.E.D. to Andrew E. Dinniman, Chester County Commissioner, and Sheriff Carolyn Welsh. At left are Cpl. Wayne O'Connell and County Commissioner Colin A. Hanna. In the back (l-r) are Dr. George Zeiner, S.W., and Joseph Evans, J.W.

Phila.'s Forrest Theater Receives A.E.D.

Columbia Lodge No. 91, Philadelphia, presented an automated external defibrillator (A.E.D.) to the Forrest Theater in Philadelphia. David Caplin, P.M. (center-left), presented the A.E.D. to Mark Schweppe, General Manager. At left are Harry P. Mazer, W.M., and George Haynes, S.W. At right are Dr. Jean Will, Philadelphia Operation Heartbeat Committee Chairwoman, and Michael Epstein, Lodge Sec.



Education Programs Make Steady Progress

The Committee on Masonic Education continued its busy pace through the second quarter of the year by offering training for the leadership of the lodges, providing tools for lodge programming, and fostering increased Masonic knowledge among the brethren.

Training workshops for junior and senior wardens have been completed in all of the seven Masonic regions across the state. More than 350 wardens attended the sessions that included the definition of Freemasonry, how Masonic ritual provides a strong foundation for our Fraternity, why there are lodges, the role of various lodges, and the important process for a senior warden to plan for his year in the East.

To help lodges obtain good Masonic programs, the 2002 edition of the *Speakers Book* has been distributed to all of the Pennsylvania lodges. Edward O. Weisser, R.W.P.G.M., chairman of the Committee on Masonic Education, invited brethren who enjoy public speaking to become part of the team. If you are interested in being listed in a future *Speakers Book*, contact your lodge education chairman for details.

The Grand Master has continued the practice of having a copy of *The Exemplar* presented to each new Master Mason as a gift from Grand Lodge. The Committee on Masonic Education provides the books to be presented by the membership chairmen of the lodges.

Brethren, Take Notice:

The next Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will be Wednesday, Dec. 4, in the Masonic Temple, One North Broad St., Philadelphia. Grand Lodge will open at 10 a.m.

There will not be a Quarterly Communication in September.

New Masonic Fashions Available

Show your "Masonic Pride" by wearing exclusive clothing available through the Gift Shop of The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania. The Gift Shop recently added two specialty items to its line of clothing embroidered with the square and compasses. For cool weather, or that not so sunny day, try on the new 100% cotton blue denim jacket with navy blue embroidery (A). This jacket is modestly priced at \$40 and is available in sizes L, XL, and XXL. The second addition, which is very versatile for wearing with casual or business-casual attire, is the 100% cotton polo shirt. The polo shirt comes available in white with navy embroidery (B) and navy with white embroidery (latter not shown) in sizes M, L, XL, and XXL for only \$14. So show off your "Masonic Pride" today with Masonic fashions exclusively available through the Gift Shop by calling 1 (800) 336-7317 or order on-line at www.grandlodge.org/giftshop.



P.O.S. of A. Camp Presents Flag to Lodge

Bernville Camp No. 113, Patriotic Order Sons of America (P.O.S. of A.), presented an American flag to Williamson Lodge No. 307, Womelsdorf, after the March stated meeting of the Lodge. Many of the brethren of Williamson Lodge are members of the P.O.S. of A., which has donated flags to businesses and organizations in the area for the 32 years of its existence. Robert Shartle (front, left) makes the presentation of the flag to the elected officers of Williamson Lodge (front right): Harold E. Troutman, III, W.M.; William Loos, S.W.; and Jon Chadwick, J.W. P.O.S. of A. members who are Masons and participated in the presentation are (rear, l-r): Brian Yoh, Richard Hassler, Lester Breining, who is the National President of P.O.S. of A., and Scott Shultz.



Masons Answer the Call for Salvation Army

Staffing the phones for the Salvation Army's Coats for Kids telethon, officers and members of Lamberton Lodge No. 476, Lancaster, raised \$8,620. Picking up on the spirit of giving, two months later the lodges of the 1st Masonic District contributed another \$4,000 to the Salvation Army. At work by the phones at WGAL-TV, Lancaster, are the brethren of Lamberton Lodge (l-r): Front - Edward R. Lloyd, Chaplain; James E. Gustafson, W.M.; Douglas M. Wiker, then-D.D.G.M.; Richard C. Bledsoe, P.M.; and R. Steven Sturdevant, S.W. Rear - Charles E. Landis, P.M.; Lester Turner; Walter R. Mull, P.M.; Charles H. Rahe II, Treas.; and Charles Smithgall, who also is the Mayor of Lancaster.



DID YOU KNOW?

FACTS ABOUT FREEMASONRY

Who was the first Grand Master of Pennsylvania?

Some might say that there were four "first" Grand Masters of Pennsylvania. They were Daniel Coxe, Provincial Grand Master of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania (1730); William Allen, Provincial Grand Master of Pennsylvania, "Moderns" (1731); William Ball, Provincial Grand Master of Pennsylvania, "Ancients" (1761); and William Adcock, Grand Master of Pennsylvania (1786).

Daniel Coxe, 1730-1732

Daniel Coxe was born in London, August 1673. He studied law and medicine prior to visiting America to take charge of his father's estate sometime about 1701-1702 and took residence in Burlington, NJ. Bro. Coxe was very involved in politics and served in several appointed and elected capacities of the Colonial government. On June 5, 1730, the Duke of Norfolk, then the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England formed in 1717, deputized Col. Daniel Coxe of New Jersey, a member of the Lodge at the Devil Tavern within Temple Bar, London, to be The Provincial Grand Master of the Provinces of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. His deputation took effect June 24, 1730, and extended to June 24, 1732. The deputation authorized Bro. Coxe to appoint his officers for the two years he was the Grand Master. This would explain the entry in *Liber B*, the account book of St. John's Lodge, Philadelphia, which lists William Allen as Grand Master on June 24, 1731. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania recognizes Daniel Coxe as the first Grand Master for Pennsylvania, but William Allen as the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

William Allen, 1731-1732, 1747-1761

William Allen was born in Philadelphia, Aug. 5, 1704. He was a successful merchant and lawyer, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia in 1735, and Chief Justice of the Province of Pennsylvania from 1750 to 1771. He was the brother-in-law of Bro. James Hamilton and together they erected the State House in Philadelphia, now known as Independence Hall. In 1765, Bro. Allen laid out the city of Allentown in Northampton County, Pennsylvania, where he owned a large property. He also had a fine estate, Mount Airy, in Philadelphia. Bro. Allen was appointed Grand Master on June 24, 1731, then elected Grand Master on St. John the Baptist's Day, 1732. In

1747, Bro. Allen once again became Grand Master, and served this Grand Lodge until 1761. William Allen was a member of St. John's Lodge No. 1, "Moderns," Philadelphia.

William Ball, 1761, 1764-1765, 1767-1772, 1776-1782, 1795

William Ball was born in Philadelphia, Oct. 6, 1729. He was a skilled goldsmith who prospered in his business and, through the rental income from vast property holdings, became one of the richest Philadelphians of his day. He served as Justice of the Peace in 1776 and 1779 and Judge of Orphans Court for Philadelphia County in 1779. William Ball became a Mason by joining Lodge No. 2, "Moderns," Philadelphia, in January 1751. Apparently uncertain as to the direction of Pennsylvania Freemasonry, Bro. Ball also joined Lodge No. 2, "Ancients" in January 1760 without demitting his membership in the "Modern" lodge, which he retained for another three years. Finding himself at the forefront of the movement of "Ancient" Masons for a new Grand Lodge, Bro. Ball was elected Grand Master of "Ancient" Pennsylvania Masons in February 1760 and received official recognition as Provincial Grand Master of Pennsylvania "Ancients" on July 15, 1761, from the Right Worshipful Grand Master of England "Ancients." In 1795, William Ball was also the first Grand High Priest of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.

William Adcock, 1786-1788

William Adcock was born in England, August 1731. He was a merchant, shopkeeper, and later half-owner of a 15-ton sloop, "Industry." By the early nineteenth century, Bro. Adcock became one of the wealthiest men in Philadelphia. He was active in politics, especially during the Revolutionary War, and served as Justice of the Peace and Judge of the Orphans Court for Philadelphia County in 1779. It is not known when William Adcock became a Mason, but in April 1779 he first appears as a member of Lodge No. 3, Philadelphia. The most noticeable accomplishment of Grand Master Adcock was his presiding over the establishment of the independence of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania from the Grand Lodge of England, officially accomplished on Sept. 26, 1786. No known likeness of Bro. Adcock exists.

(Sources: *Cavalcade of Pennsylvania Freemasonry*, by Frank W. Bobb, March 1986, *The Masonic Library & Museum of PA*, and *The Master Builders*, vol. III, by Wayne A. Huss, 1989, *Grand Lodge F. & A.M. of PA*)



Autumn Day 2002

at the Masonic Homes

Come by car, bus, or unicycle
if you have to, but just make sure
to get to Autumn Day at the
Masonic Homes at
Elizabethtown on
Saturday, Sept. 21, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Blood Bank Will be at Autumn Day; Make an Appointment to Donate

The Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank will be at Autumn Day in Elizabethtown, Sept. 21, to conduct a blood drive for the benefit of the residents at the Masonic Homes. Contributions of blood will be taken at the blood bank from 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Anyone 17 years of age and older who is in good health and weighs 110 pounds or more is eligible to donate blood. The Blood Bank asks that donors be sure to eat within four hours prior to donating blood. Also, it is requested that persons desiring to donate blood make an appointment by calling 1 (800) 771-0059 from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and ask for Sue Billett.

Saying that the greatest gift a person can give is the "Gift of Life," the Blood Bank reminds everyone that every three seconds someone is in need of blood. It could be a member of your family, a friend, or a co-worker. While you're at Autumn Day, why not join the ranks of the "Quiet Heroes?"

CALL THE BLOOD BANK IN ADVANCE AT 1 (800) 771-0059. (Please do not call the Masonic Homes for these appointments.)



Join the Grand Master in celebrating the Masonic Homes' annual open house and enjoy:

- Clown antics
- Delicious "Homes-made" food
- Musical entertainment
- Jugglers
- Resident talent show
- Children's activities
- Magician acts
- Tours
- Information booths about various Masonic organizations
- Farm market stands

Visit family members, reunite with friends and tour all of the service areas at the Masonic Homes.

If you and your family are planning to attend Autumn Day, complete and mail the coupon. The Masonic Homes is unable to provide wheelchairs, so please bring your own if needed. Handicapped parking will be available; however, you must advise the Masonic Homes on your coupon if handicapped parking is required so special tickets can be forwarded to you prior to Autumn Day.

Don't miss this great day of fun, excitement, and fellowship!

Autumn Day September 21 at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown

Name _____

Lodge/Chapter No. _____

No. of Adults _____ No. of Children _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Transportation:

☐ Driving Own Car ☐ Passenger

☐ Charter Bus ☐ Arriving by Train

☐ Require Handicap Parking*

* If handicapped parking is required, enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope with this coupon. A special parking permit will be sent, which you must bring with you.

Complete coupon and return to:
Autumn Day
Masonic Homes
One Masonic Drive
Elizabethtown, PA 17022



Outreach Thanks You for Success

By Bro. John Suchanec, Outreach Director

The Masonic Homes' Outreach Program has been meeting the needs of Pennsylvania Masons for more than eight years. During that time, Outreach has helped young and old, men and women, Masons and those who are not Masons. Our hand has been offered to those in need, experiencing financial distress, faced with fear, and uncertain where help can be found.

How does Outreach learn of someone in need? How is our offer of help made known to our community? Brother, it's you. You are our contact in your community. You are our eyes and ears where want resides. Suffering and pain exists where you exist. And you are the conduit that brings relief. Your interest and devotion bring us to that place where consolation is needed.

So, we begin by saying, "Thank you." Thank you for all that you do. Thank you for watching and listening when those around you need help. Thank you for bringing them to us. And most of all, thank you for counting on Outreach to help meet the needs of those whom you know are suffering.

Let me tell just a little of what Outreach has done because of you.

We've helped a young family find funding for nursing care for their teenage daughter. Thirteen years old and in a coma, this young girl's life has been permanently altered as has her family's. Because of our brothers, we advocated on her behalf to find 16 hours of daily nursing care that up until then had been provided entirely by the family. We organized a drive to supply non-perishable items for their use. And we've assisted in the acquisition of other services including counseling, financial help, and durable medical equipment.

Outreach is helping families with medical expenses. It's no secret that drug costs have soared far beyond reasonable amounts that would permit seniors on limited incomes to pay for them. We frequently encounter seniors who find that they must stop taking prescribed medication because they have no means of paying for it.

Our collaboration with physicians and drug companies has facilitated a reduction in monthly drug bills for many persons. Frequently, pharmaceutical companies offer gratis drugs. Other times they provide grants or reduced prices. Outreach has worked closely with parties to bring relief of this burden. In some cases Outreach has provided financial assistance to purchase prescription drugs.

There's more. We've helped move several individuals from their homes in other parts of the country to their new residences at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown and the Masonic Village at Sewickley. In some cases, we arranged land transportation. At other times, we coordinated air transportation. When the need is demonstrated and documented, financial assistance may be available.

Outreach doesn't exist in a vacuum. We rely on calls from our brothers to let us know where the needs are. You help us meet our mission.

Outreach offers direction. We provide a phone number

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Prime Locations Still Available in Sewickley

Act Now To Reserve Your First Choice!

As prospective retirement living residents come to visit the Masonic Village at Sewickley, they make different choices for different reasons.

For example, a prospective resident recently came to visit the marketing office. A single woman, she was looking at floor plans for the one-bedroom apartments. After walking through the furnished model apartment, she took a ride with a staff member to the construction site so that she could get a better perspective as to where the various apartments are located within the building.

They drove to a place where she could look out over the site (see photo). Upon discussing the numerous types of apartments and their locations, she suddenly became infatuated with one particular apartment. The more they talked about it, the more excited she became. The apartment was the last of its type unreserved in the first phase building. It was on the top floor with a balcony that looked out over the wooded valley below. From the side of the balcony, some of the beautifully landscaped garden areas of the campus would eventually be in plain view. Upon further discussion, however, she decided that she preferred to give up the balcony for an apartment at a more convenient location. As they drove away, they discussed what a great time she will have living at the Masonic Village at Sewickley.

Two days later another wonderful woman walked through the model apartment and also visited that construction site. Her heart was taken by the balcony on the top floor; the same one that the first lady originally had fallen in love with. She reserved that apartment and can now be spotted at the viewing area pointing it out to her friends.

The moral of the story? That's easy. Two different people made the perfect choice for their perspective needs and desires. But there's a second moral to this story. With increasing reservations, getting a first choice soon will become more of a challenge. To make sure that you get just the right accommodation for your lifestyle, call today for an appointment: 1 (866) 872-0664.



As the building of retirement living at the Masonic Village at Sewickley remains on schedule, future residents should call now to get their first choice in location. (photo taken May 10, 2002)

Plan for Retirement Living Now!

"Don't wait, come to Retirement Living while you can still enjoy it!" This is often the advice from our residents to visitors touring retirement living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

Many of our future residents have taken that statement to heart by placing their names on the priority list. To have the opportunity to experience and enjoy retirement living at Elizabethtown requires planning and the planning process needs to begin now!

A recent change to the priority list process now allows persons between the ages of 55 and 65 to place their names on a pre-age qualified priority list. Bro. and Mrs. David A. Gontz of Palmyra, have taken advantage of this opportunity and, because of their foresight, have enhanced their ability to select the accommodation of their choice at age 65 when they become eligible for admission to retirement living at Elizabethtown. (In the case of two spouses, at least one must be age 65 to be eligible for admission.)

Quality retirement communities in the United States are experiencing growing waiting lists and retirement living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown is no exception. This is especially true for continuing care retirement communities such as the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown where quality health care services are available on the campus should these services be needed in the future. David's mother has been a resident at the Masonic Health Care Center for seven years, and Bro. and Mrs. Gontz have personal knowledge of the excellent care and services offered at the Masonic Homes.

Bro. Gontz, S.W., Brownstone Lodge No. 666, Hershey, explains that he has seen too many people fail to plan adequately for their future and ultimately find themselves in a position where their options are limited. Just as you cannot wake up one day when you are about to retire and begin to plan for your retirement, neither can you wait to begin to plan

for your move to a quality retirement community. By placing their names on the pre-age qualified priority list, the Gontzes know they are now in a position to plan and control their own destiny rather than placing this responsibility on their children.

If you, too, want to plan your own future and control your own destiny, call the retirement living Marketing Office at 1 (800) 676-6452 to learn more about waiting lists and to arrange a personal appointment. You may also request a brochure and/or retirement living video by returning the coupon.



Bro. and Mrs. David A. Gontz visit the Retirement Living Clubhouse at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown as they plan for their future.

Send me more information about Retirement Living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Send me a:

☐ Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown Brochure

☐ Retirement Living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown Video

Please complete coupon and return to:
Marketing Office
Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown
One Masonic Drive
Elizabethtown, PA 17022

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for a senior center, a list of assisted living facilities, or a call to the local support group. We help people find the services they need to help themselves.

Outreach offers education. We go to lodges to speak of our mission. We bring life to our deeds by showing you, our brethren, what we do for you.

Outreach offers financial relief. We help families experiencing financial distress. When a family is in crisis, and when that need is demonstrated, Outreach provides the means to move beyond that and create a plan to improve a life. It may be through an appropriate referral or by providing financial help.

Whatever we do, we do it all because of you. Your action, your interest, your concern about and for our brothers helps us meet our mission. Thank you!

Academy of Masonic Knowledge Schedules Meeting on Oct. 19

The Academy of Masonic Knowledge will be held on Saturday, Oct. 19, in the Deike Auditorium in the Freemasons Cultural Center of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown. The Academy sessions will be open only to Master Masons who have pre-registered using the attached coupon. Sign-in on Oct. 19 will begin at 8:30 a.m. The program will begin at 9:30 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 3:00 p.m.

As with all previous sessions, two outstanding Masonic leaders will make presentations, each followed by a question and answer period. One of the featured speakers will be Michael W. Walker, who has been the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Ireland for 21 years. He also is the Grand Secretary General of the Supreme Council, 33°, Ancient and Accepted Rite for Ireland. Bro. Walker will speak on the historic development of Irish Freemasonry and its connection with the Antients Grand Lodge.

It also was announced that in 2003 the Academy will meet on Saturday, Mar. 15, and Saturday, Sept. 6, at the same location.

The Academy sessions are an excellent way to increase your knowledge of Masonic history, philosophy, and the contemporary status of the Fraternity. Why not invite a Brother Master Mason to join you for an enlightening Masonic experience?

Registration for Oct. 19 Session of Academy of Masonic Knowledge

Advance registration is necessary for the Saturday, Oct. 19, Academy of Masonic Knowledge of the Pennsylvania Academy of Freemasonry at Elizabethtown. Please complete the coupon and send it by Oct. 10 to: **Office of Masonic Education, Masonic Temple, One North Broad St., Philadelphia, PA 19107-2598**

I plan to attend the Academy of Masonic Knowledge on Oct. 19 at Elizabethtown.

I am a Master Mason:

My Lodge is _____ No. _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (_____) _____

Email: _____

Advisory Boards for Sewickley and Warminster Busy Enhancing Services in Their Communities

When the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania affiliated with the Eastern Star Homes of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, Order of the Eastern Star, advisory boards were formed for the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East and the Masonic Eastern Star Home-West. Since the residents and staff of the Pittsburgh facility transferred to the Masonic Village at Sewickley, the advisory board there also refocused its efforts on that new community.

The purpose of the advisory boards is to enhance the comfort and enjoyment of the residents of each facility. The advisory boards provide services and equipment not covered by each facility's budget through methods approved or proposed by the Committee on Masonic Homes.

The advisory boards hold meetings six times a year. Membership on the advisory boards is open to anyone interested in the well-being of the residents of either facility. Officers are elected for the following positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer/Comptroller. The following committees address various issues important to each of the facilities: Nominating Committee, Membership Committee, Program Committee, Public Relations Committee, Hospitality Committee, Volunteer Services, and Gift Shop Committee.

The Advisory Board for the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East is working on the following projects:

- Annual Penny Party fundraiser. The first, held in September 2000, raised \$2,290. The second, held in April 2002, also raised almost \$2,300, to be used toward a companion radio system.
- Gift Shop, where more volunteers are needed and donations are welcome.
- Greenhouse Project. Refurbishing the greenhouse for use by residents.

The Advisory Board for the Masonic Village at Sewickley is focusing on the following:

- The Village Shoppe (gift shop).
- More entertainment for residents.
- More activities for residents, i.e. annual ice cream social, Winter carnival.
- Use of the new Assembly Room in the Star Points Building by lodges and chapters.
- Planning a fund-raising trip to the Lancaster area.

If you are interested in volunteering for one of the advisory boards, please contact:

Masonic Eastern Star Home-East: John Groves, Advisory Board President, home (215) 657-3864 or cell (215) 880-6323.

Masonic Village at Sewickley: Lorene Sinclair, Advisory Board President, daytime (724) 843-4390 or evening (724) 846-3169.

First Law Enforcement Scholarship Winner Graduates

C. David Smith, the first recipient of a Grand Master's Law Enforcement Scholarship, graduated from Shippensburg University on May 11 with a degree in Police Science. He is the son of Bro. Charles D. Smith, Cromwell Lodge No. 572, Orbisonia.



The Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children began awarding the Scholarship of \$2,500 a year for four years in 1998 when then-R.W. Grand Master James L. Ernette, a retired state trooper, sought to aid youth who desire to follow a career in law enforcement. Since then, the Foundation has awarded eight scholarships to youth throughout the Commonwealth who have a Masonic affiliation.

Elizabethtown and Warminster Homes Achieve CCAC Designation



The Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown and the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East at Warminster recently received official notification of accreditation by the Continuing Care Accreditation Commission (CCAC), sponsored by the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging. The Masonic Village at Sewickley was not eligible to participate this time because it is under construction. CCAC's accreditation program is based on the belief that accreditation promotes and maintains quality and integrity in the retirement living industry.

CCAC holds its accredited communities to the highest standards of excellence by reviewing three important areas: resident life, health and wellness; financial resources and disclosure; and governance and administration.

A CCAC site team visited the Masonic Homes and the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East last Fall to assess the two communities on 16 standards, which evaluated every aspect of the operations of our retirement communities. These Masonic Homes are part of a select group of retirement communities in the nation to complete this national accreditation and meet all standards with no recommendations.

Youth Appreciation Day Celebrated at the Masonic Homes

The Masonic Children's Home at Elizabethtown celebrated its 79th annual Youth Appreciation Day with an awards banquet in the Brossman Ballroom of the Freemasons Cultural Center on May 24. All 36 children residing at the Home were recognized for their varied activities throughout the year and several were given special recognition for outstanding achievements in the areas of creativity, scholarship, vocation, athletics, and citizenship.

Special focus was on this year's graduates, Liz Pilkerton and Rus Skidmore. Liz will attend Indiana University of Pennsylvania this Fall and will major in nursing. Rus will attend Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology this Fall and will be a resident student in the carpentry program. Along with their graduation certificates, Liz and Rus were presented with a Bible from the Rev. and Bro. A. Preston VanDeursen, Director of Pastoral Care at the Masonic Homes.

Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., R.W.G.M., extended special congratulations to the youth from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and the Committee on Masonic Homes for their accomplishments and an extraordinary year. He also recognized the two graduating seniors and told them they will continue to be a part of the Masonic Homes' family and the values, skills, and friendships they have formed will help them attain personal goals as responsible adults in the community.

In attendance were parents; relatives; friends; Dr. Allan Thrush, Dr. Donald Donley, Richard Schwarzman and Steven Houser, all from the Elizabethtown Area School District; Masonic Children's Home



staff members and residents; and the Committee on Masonic Homes.

Rus Skidmore built a bench in memory of the late Donna Krue, former Secretary to Children's Services, and the late Bro. Gerard Migrala, former Assistant Director of Children's Services. The bench was dedicated and placed in the Memory Garden at the Masonic Children's Home.

To commemorate the day and conclude the ceremonies for the seniors, a tree was planted on the grounds of the Masonic Children's Home.



This year's graduates, Liz Pilkerton and Rus Skidmore join Bro. Gilson "Buz" Cash, Director of the Children's Home, and Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., R.W.G.M. in planting a commemorative tree.

Human and Social Services Are Important Also When Investing For Retirement

When a person hears the phrase, "investing for retirement," financial investing immediately comes to mind. However, physical, social, and emotional investments are equally important. Considering the residential living area of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown may meet those investment needs.

Residential Living is ideal for individuals who enjoy living in a homelike environment, with assurance that housekeeping chores are taken care of and amenities are easily accessible. All meals are served in the Grand Lodge Hall Dining Room, housekeeping services are provided twice a month, and personal laundry services and transportation are offered.

The residents living in this area have access to outpatient, clinical, subacute, and nursing services. And, if they become in need of some assistance on a short-term basis, such as recovering from hospitalization, assistance is available through on-campus health care services. Emergency assistance is available 24 hours a day. Residents also feel secure knowing that long-term assisted living and nursing services are available when needed.

Social needs are met through various activities, social functions, wellness programs, education, community outings, and volunteer opportunities. Emotional needs are met through the support of the staff, spiritual services, and interaction with other residents.

Consider residential living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown as a retirement investment. Through the continuous financial support provided by Freemasons and others, all eligible applicants will find a financial arrangement that can make this your next home. Call 1 (800) 422-1207 or e-mail admissions@masonichomespa.org for more in-depth information. Your inquiries are welcome.



Residents invest time in social activities in the residential living area of the Masonic Homes.

New Guest Apartments to Open At Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown

The Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown will be opening two new and improved guest apartments for overnight visitations by family and friends of residents. The guest apartments will be located in the Village Green area, across the street from the Berks and Goodyear Buildings. The plans are for those rooms to become available during the month of August and will replace the present guest rooms in the Allegheny Building.

Each guest apartment will accommodate four persons and includes a bedroom, living room with sleeper sofa, television, bathroom, eating area, and shared kitchenette. The per-night rate will increase at the time of the opening to \$54 plus a 6% Pennsylvania occupancy tax of \$3.24, for a total cost of \$57.24 per night.

There will be no changes in procedures to inquire about reservations and the area to check-in will remain at the receptionist's desk in Grand Lodge Hall. You may phone for reservations at (717) 367-1121, ext. 33314. You will reach an automated answering system on which you can leave your name and phone number, along with the dates you are requesting lodging. A guest apartment volunteer will return your call to review your request.

Medallion Presented to Bro. Brossman

Jay G. Brossman, a Pennsylvania Mason in Ephrata Lodge No. 665, is currently Worshipful Master of Breckenridge Lodge in Colorado. Recently, on behalf of Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., R.W. Grand Master in Pennsylvania, William Slater II, R.W.D.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, presented a Grand Master's Medallion to Bro. Brossman.



Masonic Eastern Star Home-East Continues Serving Masons

Since the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East at Warminster became part of the Mission of the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1998, the facility serves Masons and Eastern Star members. The admissions policy established by the Committee on Masonic Homes is the same for all three locations at Elizabethtown, Sewickley, and Warminster. The Warminster facility also focuses on serving day-one Medicaid recipients from Philadelphia County.



If you would like more information about assisted living or nursing services at the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East, call (215) 672-2500.

Masons of Note

While **Eugene G. Painter, P.D.D.G.M.**, 29th Masonic District (right), served as the Guide for his grandson, **Eugene G. Painter, III**, in Richard Vaux Lodge No. 454, Burgettstown, **Frederick J. Blanchard, P.M.** (left), conferred the Master Mason's Degree for the fiftieth time in his Masonic career. Bro. Blanchard, who was a member of the former Garfield Lodge No. 604, is now a member of Richard Vaux Lodge. The senior Bro. Painter served as D.D.G.M. from 1973 to 1982 and now is serving on the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Temples, Halls and Lodge Rooms.



Charles F. Korman, Sr., P.M., Pollock Lodge No. 502, Tarentum, was twice honored in one evening for his dedicated service to others. **Kurt R. Tesche, D.D.G.M.**, 54th Masonic District, presented the Grand Lodge Community Service award recognizing his years of service in the communities of Tarentum, Natrona Heights, and Brackenridge. The Lodge presented a plaque commemorating his 37 years of work within Freemasonry. He was W.M. in 1982.

At 100 years of age **Gary F. Smith, P.M.** (center), Portage Lodge No. 220, Hollidaysburg, was honored for 75 years of service to Pennsylvania Freemasonry. Bro. Smith was raised a Master Mason in March 1928 and served as Worshipful Master in 1935.



Dale A. DeLozier, D.D.G.M., 20th Masonic District (left) assisted by **Jeffrey F. Krause, W.M.**, and **Richard M. Coleman, P.M.**, honored Bro. Smith with the presentation of the Grand Lodge 75-Year Certificate.

It's a special family reunion for three generations of **Melnicks** as they recall the days when the two younger brethren traveled through the degrees together in Abraham C. Treichler Lodge No. 682, Elizabethtown. Celebrating together are (l-r): **Mark N. Melnick**, grandson; **Steven A. Melnick**, son; and **Wassel Melnick**, father, who has been a Mason for 38 years. At right is the father's nephew, David Welker, of Schuylkill Lodge No. 138.



Paul A. Swarthout of Oil City Lodge No. 710 was presented the Grand Lodge Community Service award by **Glenn L. Farren, D.D.G.M.**, 23rd Masonic District, in recognition of his volunteer musical services. He plays the organ at the Oil City, Petrolia, and Rouseville Masonic lodges and every week he visits Beverly Health Service, Presbyterian Home, The Caring Place, and Sugar Creek Station where he plays the organ for shut-ins.

He Gets Clipped to Make "Wigs for Kids"

For so long, people in the Pottstown area recognized Bro. Andrew "Andy" Weitzenkorn for his long hair (see photo). But, his hair is not so long now. He had it cut and sent the hair to Wigs for Kids, an offshoot of the American Cancer Society that provides wigs for children who have undergone chemotherapy and radiation.



The hair's so long.

Bro. Weitzenkorn, S.W., Stichter Lodge No. 254, Pottstown, who has had long hair for most of his adult life, explained that he heard about an organization that made wigs for special children and decided to make use of his hair in a positive way. He contacted the American Cancer Society and found that in order to donate one's hair, it must be natural in color, conditioned properly, and at least 12 inches in length.

After a year and a half, Bro. Weitzenkorn finally had the required length. He called a friend who is a hair stylist, Bro. Gross Painter (in photo), a 50-year member of Mt. Pickering Lodge No. 446, Upper Uwchland, who was more than willing to donate his services and take a great weight off Bro. Weitzenkorn's shoulders.

Bro. Weitzenkorn said, "We can only hope that the child who receives this gift will live a long and healthy life thanks to the efforts of the American Cancer Society." He added, "Perhaps this will show others the 'lengths' some Masons will go in order to help those in need."

So long hair!



Contribution Aids National Foundation

Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., R.W. Grand Master (left), presented the annual contribution from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to the National Masonic Foundation for Children. The National Foundation President, William F. Stovall, Jr., M.W. Past Grand Master of California, accepted the \$10,000 check during the annual meeting held in conjunction with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America held in Milwaukee, Feb. 17.



G.M.'s Western PA Charity Golf Outing at Sewickley on Sept. 16

The Grand Master's Charity Golf Outing in Western Pennsylvania, to be held Monday, Sept. 16, at Diamond Run Golf Club, Sewickley, will benefit the Masonic Village at Sewickley.

The shotgun start will be at 12:30 p.m. on the course that is reserved exclusively for this tournament. Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. and lunch will be ready at 11 a.m. There will be a social hour from 5 to 6 p.m. followed by an awards dinner. The fee for the outing is \$125 per golfer, which includes bag drop, personalized bag tag, greens fees, cart, use of practice ranges, lunch, dinner, skill prizes, and door prizes.

Send reservations with a check to either Richard Stemmler, 1315 Trent Dr., Latrobe, PA 15650 [Phone (724) 537-7940 or (724) 539-9431] or to William Hartland, 2030 North View Dr., No. Huntingdon, PA 15642 [Phone (724) 863-6469]. Deadline for reservations is one week before the tournament, unless the maximum number of golfers is reached before then.

GOLF RESERVATION FORM

Enter the golfers listed below at \$125 per person in the Grand Master's Charity Golf Outing to benefit the Masonic Village at Sewickley. (Payment must accompany reservation.) Enclosed is my check made payable to "Masonic Charity Golf Tournament" in the amount of \$_____.

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Phone _____	Phone _____
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Donald L. Albert, R.W. Grand Secretary Two Magnificent Sites For You to Appreciate

During Secretaries Seminars this year, two areas of great interest to all Masons were highlighted by the presentations and conversations that related to our Masonic Temple in Philadelphia and the Masonic Homes.

It was recommended by the lodge secretaries that we advise all members and lodges that they should visit both locations to gain a better appreciation for what we do and what we are all about.

The Masonic Temple in Philadelphia is open for tours most weekdays, except on holidays. After you have visited the Temple, I am sure you will agree that words cannot describe what you have seen, nor express what you experienced. The Masonic Temple's on-line "Tour of the Temple" at www.pagrandlodge.org will provide you with a portion of what you will experience with an on-site visit. Should you desire to plan a tour of this architectural masterpiece, you can find the tour hours on the same web site or call (215) 988-1917 for information.

The Masonic Homes is a must for you to visit. Likewise, under "Masonic Homes" on the same web site as above, on-site tours are available which include information for your personal visit. Additional information can be obtained by calling (717) 367-1121. A very good time to visit is on Autumn Day, Saturday, Sept. 21. You can find complete information about Autumn Day on page 13 of this issue of *The Pennsylvania Freemason*.

One topic in regard to the Masonic Homes that has come to our attention during meetings with lodge secretaries is a misunderstanding of the policy regarding the treatment of finances upon an individual's admission to the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East at Warminster, or the Masonic Village at Sewickley. Residents maintain ownership of their financial resources; they do not turn assets over to the Masonic Homes. This has been the practice since June 6, 1988 (14 years). The Masonic Homes bills available assets for services provided to residents. The charitable mission to provide services to individuals according to their ability to pay has never changed. Two-thirds of our residents benefit from fraternal (financial) support from our great Fraternity.

I hope this basic information will inspire you to visit two of the magnificent locations that you, as a Pennsylvania Freemason, are providing.

"Lodge Vigils" in Memory of 9-11 Victims, Heroes

We cannot - we will not - forget the events of Sept. 11, 2001, especially the memories of the victims and the heroic men and women who put mankind before selves. Ever will we maintain our patriotic resolve.

Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., R.W. Grand Master, has asked that each lodge again conduct the "Lodge Vigil" at the close of its September stated meeting. The Vigil was first conducted in lodges at their stated meetings last October. During the Summer, Larry A. Buzzard, Director of Ritual of the Ritualistic Work, has been assuring that all lodges have the "Lodge Vigil" script.

Arizona Masonic Reunion Scheduled for November

There will be a reunion at the Phoenix Airport Marriott, Phoenix, AZ, on Saturday, Nov. 16, for Pennsylvania Masons and their ladies who now reside in Arizona, or who are in that area during that time. Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., R.W. Grand Master, and Rosalie, as well as the other Grand Lodge officers and their ladies, will greet the brethren and their ladies at the reunion.

The Grand Master will take the opportunity to present 50-Year Emblems of Gold and to increase awareness about the services and opportunities provided through the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The schedule for the reunion begins with a reception at 11:00 a.m., lunch at 11:45 a.m., and a program from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. For those interested, an informational gift planning workshop will be held prior to the reunion, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania Masons in Arizona, mark your calendars now! If you do not receive an invitation by Sept. 20 and you would like to attend, please contact the Masonic Homes at (717) 367-1121, ext. 33488.

BULLETIN: Minnesota Withdraws Recognition of G.L. of France

Reacting to the suspension of recognition by a number of sister jurisdictions, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota resolved at its 148th Annual Communication to withdraw its recognition of the Grand Lodge of France. In a July 13 communication to all Grand Lodges of North America, the Rev. Terry L. Tilton, M.W. Grand Master, communicated the resolution that concluded in part:

Therefore, Be it resolved that it is my order to forthwith suspend our recognition of the Grand Lodge of France to the end that we may again enjoy the fraternal benefits of mutual recognition and visitation with all sister jurisdictions...

Resolution Adopted at Pennsylvania's June Communication

At the Quarterly Communication held on June 5, 2002, the following Resolution was adopted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania:

Whereas, the Grand Lodge of France has failed to meet all of the requisite requirements that are deemed necessary to qualify for regularity as a Masonic Grand Lodge; and

Whereas, the Commission on Information for the Conference of Grand Masters of North America has met with and reviewed a request from this Grand Lodge for several years and has found them deficient in each case; and

Whereas, the accepted protocols regulating the stability of regular Freemasonry requires that only one Grand Lodge be recognized in a jurisdiction unless mutual recognition exists between each of them; and

Whereas, there is no mutual recognition between the Grand Lodge of France and the French National Grand Lodge; and

Whereas, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota has granted recognition to the Grand Lodge of France in circumvention of this protocol.

Now, therefore be it resolved that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania suspend recognition of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota until the said Grand Lodge once again adheres to those principles with which all well-governed regular Grand Lodges agree. Be it further resolved that the Grand Master be empowered to take similar action against any other Grand Lodge circumventing this protocol.

G.M.'s Charity Golf Outing in East At Lulu Country Club on Sept. 23

The Grand Master's Charity Golf Outing for the Benefit of the Masonic Children's Home at Elizabethtown will be held Monday, Sept. 23 at Lulu Country Club, North Hills, near Plymouth Meeting in Eastern Pennsylvania.

The shotgun start will be at noon. Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. and a buffet lunch will be ready at 11 a.m. There will be a social hour from 5 to 6 p.m. followed by an awards dinner. The fee for the outing is \$150 per golfer, which includes greens fee and cart, refreshments on the course, lunch, dinner, and awards.

Send reservations with a check to William Greet, 2125 Parkdale Ave., Glenside, PA 19038. Phone (215) 887-4915. Deadline for reservations is one week before the tournament, unless the maximum number of golfers is reached before then.

GOLF RESERVATION FORM

Enter the golfers listed below at \$150 per person in the Grand Master's Charity Golf Outing to benefit the Masonic Children's Home at Elizabethtown. (Payment must accompany reservation.) Enclosed is my check made payable to "Masonic Charity Golf Tournament" in the amount of \$_____.

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Some New Books Available In the Masonic Library

The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania constantly adds to its collections. The following books are new additions and are available to Masons of Pennsylvania lodges through the Circulating Library.



The American Revolution and the Craft by I. Lewis Langley. Published in 2000 by Anchor Communications, Highland Springs, VA. This large-format book consists of reprints from the *Philalethes Magazine* articles in "The American Revolution Bicentennial Series." This volume is a chronological compilation of articles on the battles and events before and during the period of the Revolution (1764-1783) and the influence Freemasonry had on the formation of an independent nation.



The Freemasons: A History of the World's Most Powerful Secret Society by Jasper Ridley. Published in 1999 with a first edition release in the U.S. in 2001 by Arcade Publishing, Inc., New York. This is a substantial work on the development of Freemasonry from its origins to the present day. The author, who is not a Mason, puts into perspective the contributions of the Craft to civilization over the centuries, refutes many of the outrageous allegations against the Fraternity, while at the same time acknowledges its shortcomings.



Young Hickory: The Making of Andrew Jackson by Hendrick Booraem. Published in 2001 by Taylor Trade Publishing, Dallas, TX. A biography of the man who would become Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee and President of the United States, this book begins with the Jackson-Crawford clan's immigration from Ireland, focuses on the events that shaped his life, and concludes with Andrew's entrance into the practice of law.



Dave's Way: A New Approach to Old-Fashioned Success by Bro. R. David Thomas. Published in 1991 by G.P. Putman's Sons, New York. This book, written by the founder of Wendy's restaurants, is a cross between an autobiography and a sound, homey manual on "how to succeed."

NOTE: Biographies, while not listed online as part of the Circulating Library, may be borrowed by special request. Please visit the *Circulating Library Catalogue* online through the Grand Lodge web site at www.pagrandlodge.org or email questions to clgaimo@pagrandlodge.org or call 1 (800) 462-0430, ext. 1933.

Seneca Lodge Donates Scoreboard

Seneca Lodge No. 805, Kittanning, "put the icing on the little league cake" by donating a custom-made, state-of-the-art electronic scoreboard to the Kittanning Township Recreation Authority in time for opening day ceremonies for a new ball field.

The field was the culmination of many efforts over a number of years: land provided by the fire department; funding through a local grant and support from the State Senator and Representative, help from township officials, the elbow-grease and sweat of many in the construction, and Seneca Lodge's donation of the scoreboard including the custom lettering by lodge members Terry and Greg Dobrosky of Showtime Designs in Shelocta.

At the presentation of the scoreboard are (l-r) Scott Rothwell, Kittanning Township Recreation Authority Chairman; Bob Myer, S.D.; Jim Smathers, Pursuivant; Tom Atherton, P.M.; Joe Opauski, P.M.; Tom Baker, P.M.; Paul "Chip" Jackson, J.W.; Joe Schmidt, Treas.; Joe Miller, Sec.; Joe Ladasky, S.W.; and Don Stubrich, Recreation Authority Board member.



Ritual Reviews Exemplary Statewide

In a very busy first half of the year, the Director of Ritualistic Work and the seven instructors traveled throughout the state to review the ritualistic work exemplified at 10 schools of instruction. The total attendance at the schools was 1,512 brethren representing 405 lodges. Larry A. Buzzard, Director of Ritualistic Work, said, "The brethren were well prepared and the work was exemplified in a fine manner." He noted that he was well pleased with the good turnout of masters and wardens, especially since the Grand Lodge Membership Committee presented the Operation Rescue/Recovery program at each session.

Friend To Friend In Scouting: The Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Award



The Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award, created to honor those Masons who are actively serving the Boy Scout movement, continues to gain much attention and interest throughout the Commonwealth. All Master Masons are invited to recommend a brother for the award named in honor of Daniel Carter Beard, a New York Mason, who was largely responsible for the development of the Scout movement in America.

Petitions and criteria for the award can be obtained through lodge secretaries or by visiting the Grand Lodge web site at www.pagrandlodge.org/pyl/pgm/scouter. The award approved by the Boy Scouts of America consists of a neck medallion and knot patch to be worn with a Scout uniform, and a certificate endorsed by the Grand Master.

Brethren on record as having received the Daniel Carter Beard Award during the period from mid-March to the beginning of June are:

Robert H. Andrew, W.K. Bray Lodge No. 410, Hatboro.
David G. Argall, Tamaqua Lodge No. 238.
Leonard K. Beasom, Sr., Tennis Lodge No. 371, Thompsonstown.
Charles R. Beck, Jr., Lodge No. 62, West Reading.
Gregory T. Bell, Harmony Lodge No. 429, Zellenople.
Harold C. Bennett, Lodge No. 61, Wilkes-Barre.
Earl O. Blair, George Washington Lodge No. 143, Chambersburg.
Harris R. Boyce, Pleasant Hills-Guthrie Lodge No. 759, Pleasant Hills.
Robert K. Bricker, Reading Lodge No. 549, West Reading.
Michael J. Brigode, Charlestown Lodge No. 615.
William L. Bryan, Walsentown Lodge No. 401.
Jerry I. Bush, Osceola Lodge No. 515, Osceola Mills.
Charles R. Coldren, Reading Lodge No. 549, West Reading.
Arthur L. Cubbon, Fraternal Lodge No. 483, Rouseville.
William C. Diesinger, Jr., Cassia-Mt. Horeb Lodge No. 273, Ardmore.
Joseph V. Eckman, Marion Lodge No. 562, Scottsdale.
William C. Ehrhart, Harmony Lodge No. 429, Zellenople.
Harry G. Elcenbise, Lodge No. 62, West Reading.
Gary R. Enterline, Ashlar Lodge No. 570, Lykens.
Albert H. Eschert, Sr., Tacony Lodge No. 600, Philadelphia.
Edward P. Farrand, State College Lodge No. 700.
John K. Gingrich, Mount Pisgah Lodge No. 443, Greencastle.
Leroy C. Goerlich, W.K. Bray Lodge No. 410, Hatboro.
Frederick D. Goodman, La Monte Lodge No. 568, Derry.
George E. Hentschel, Jr., W.K. Bray Lodge No. 410, Hatboro.
William R. Hower, Sr., Friendship-Williams Lodge No. 400, Jenkinsville.
Richard H. Jones, Parlan Lodge No. 662, Beaver Falls.
James H. Kratt, Avalon Lodge No. 657, Pittsburgh.
James R. Kroh, Shrewsbury Lodge No. 421.
Mark A. Lewis, Edenburg Lodge No. 550, Knox.
Barry J. Lipson, Germania Lodge No. 509, Pleasant Hills.
John B. Mason, Edenburg Lodge No. 550, Knox.
Charles L. McElheny, Robert Burns Lodge No. 464, Harrisburg.
Gerald A. Mengel, Reading Lodge No. 549, West Reading.
Robert E. Miller, Blyth Lodge No. 593, West Newtown.
Llywellyn E. Mohr, Fairless Hills-Levittown Lodge No. 776, Fairless Hills.
Daniel A. Myers, Washington Lodge No. 265, Bloomsburg.
Emilio R. Navarro, Westmoreland Lodge No. 518, Greensburg.
Dean P. Norris, Hebron Lodge No. 465, New Oxford.
Sanford G. Oringer, Robert Burns Lodge No. 464, Harrisburg.
Dennis L. Palo, Western Star Lodge No. 304, Albion.
Merlin F. Phillips, Schiller Lodge No. 343, Scranton.
Robert W. Piper, Loyalhanna Lodge No. 275, Latrobe.
Lloyd A. Riggles, Jr., Seneca Lodge No. 805, Kittanning.
Dennis J. Rising, La Monte Lodge No. 568, Derry.
Mark J. Rutter, Plum Creek-Monroeville Lodge No. 799, Pittsburgh.
Leslie M. Sanford, Stillwater Lodge No. 547, Youngville.
Robert B. Schweigert, Hiram Lodge No. 81, Chestnut Hill.
George H. Senderling, Jr., MacCalla Lodge No. 596, Southport.
Russell C. Sexton, Oasis Lodge No. 416, Edinboro.
William G. Shaffer, Westmoreland Lodge No. 518, Greensburg.
Donald C. Sirlanni, Jr., Hiram Lodge No. 81, Chestnut Hill.
William C. Stever, Quakertown Lodge No. 512.
Francis D. Stillman, Philanthropy Lodge No. 225, Greensburg.
William E. Vild, St. James Lodge No. 457, Bridgeville.
Jeffrey H. Wahl, Harmony Lodge No. 429, Zellenople.
Allen L. Walker, Friendship-Williams Lodge No. 400, Jenkinsville.
Andrew M. Wheeler, John M. Read Lodge No. 336, Reynoldsville.
Hubert Woodsum, Philanthropy Lodge No. 225, Greensburg.

Scouter Went Camping for 100th Birthday

To celebrate his 100th birthday last January, Ira T. Reynolds, Canawacta Lodge No. 360, Susquehanna, spent the weekend camping with the Scouts. Bro. Reynolds, who received a Daniel Carter Beard Award earlier this year, joined the Boy Scouts in 1914, served many years as a scoutmaster, and obviously is still a very active Scouter.

Big Support for Pheresis Program

A big check was presented by Norman A. Fox (right), P.D.D.G.M., President of The Masonic Blood Club, and Edward Budman (center), P.M., Pennsylvania Meridian Sun Lodge No. 2, Philadelphia, to Stanley Roberts, Executive Director of the Red Cross for the Southeastern Region, during a Red Cross donors appreciation breakfast. The \$5,000 contribution, donated by Pennsylvania Meridian Sun Lodge and presented through the Masonic Blood Club, will be used for recruitment and publicity projects to promote the growth of the Pheresis Collection Program. Pheresis collection allows blood components



to be collected separately from whole blood, which can help in producing more positive results with cancer treatments and other special needs recipients.

"SS Freemason" Sails for Treasure Island

There's a new ferryboat called the "SS Freemason," so named in recognition of the continued support by the Masons of southeastern Pennsylvania for the Boy Scouts of America's Cradle of Liberty Council.

For the past three years, the Masons of the Philadelphia area have been helping the Boy Scouts fund capital projects for the three Boy Scout camps in eastern Pennsylvania: Russica Falls in northeastern Pennsylvania, Hart-Delmont in Red Hill, and Treasure Island in the Delaware.

This year, the Scout Council needed a new ferryboat to transport the scouts and equipment to the Treasure Island camp. The old ferry was beyond repair; so, once again, the southeastern Pennsylvania Masons showed that they care about scouting and are helping to fund the new boat. In recognition of the dedicated support, the new ferry is named the "SS Freemason." The Council planned to host "Freemasons Night" on July 19 at the closing campfire in the Treasure Island camp. Thomas J. Miller, Jr., D.D.G.M., Masonic District A, said that the Masons would be taking a ride on "their ferry" to take part in the campfire program at Treasure Island.