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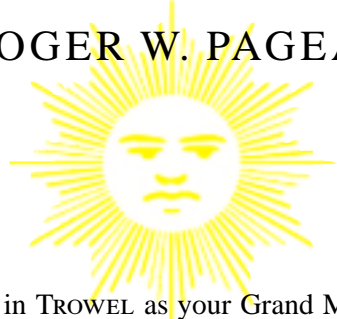
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**2010 Masonic Anniversaries**

## From the East of Grand Lodge

ROGER W. PAGEAU



Brethren,

Since this is my final message in TROWEL as your Grand Master, it would probably be appropriate for me to reflect on some of the memorable events and accomplishments during the past three years. However, I will not waste this last opportunity to address you by just focusing on the past.

I want to thank every member for his contribution and participation. You are the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. Our success or failure is a result of your actions. When our membership increases, it is because of your actions. When our lodges are active, it is because you made it happen. When new programs are successful, it is because you supported them. Without your support your Grand Lodge would soon cease to exist.

During the past three years, we have focused on building on the success and programs of previous generations and administrations. When we find aspects of our Grand Lodge that need to be improved, we must make those improvements. Mediocrity should never be an acceptable condition of this Grand Lodge. It is only by adopting the philosophy of continuous improvement that our Grand Lodge will remain the leader among Grand Lodges.

Although my role will change soon, I pledge my continued support; I look forward to seeing each of you in the days and months ahead.

May God bless our great nation, our great fraternity, and each of us.

Cordially and fraternally,

Roger W. Pageau  
Grand Master



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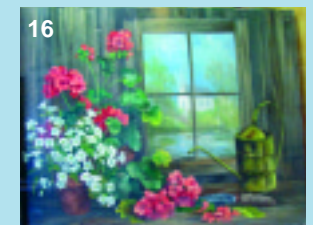
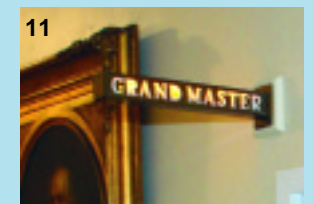
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## Freemasonry Still Survives

Shortly after you receive this winter  
issue of TROWEL, the December Quar-  
terly Communication of Grand Lodge  
will be held and a new Grand Master  
elected. The three year term of Grand  
Master Roger W. Pageau comes to an  
end at the Stated Communication on  
December 27, 2010. At that meeting, we will celebrate the  
installation of a new Grand Master and observe the Feast of  
Saint John the Evangelist. This sequence of events follows  
a plan determined in 1733. We have, as a fraternity, enjoyed  
278 years of uninterrupted leadership marked by orderly  
and peaceful change, and a democratic form of governance.  
Few of Man's organizations have achieved this longevity  
and enjoyed this blessing.

Rt. Wor. Walter Hunt's series on Grand Masters of  
Massachusetts continues in this issue with the stories of  
Grand Masters Isaiah Thomas and Benjamin Russell: two  
men who shared a love for Freemasonry, independence, and  
the free press. Trowel's 28th year of publication ends with  
the annual listing of Masonic anniversaries. More than 400  
men have reached their 60th, 65th, 70th, or even 75th years  
as Masons. Congratulations! Fraternally, *John Doherty*



## Letters to the Editor

### Grand Representatives

On page 6 [of the Fall 2010 issue] you show new Grand  
Reps. Grand Reps are appointed by the Grand Master of  
other jurisdictions to represent that Grand Lodge at our  
meetings and report back to them. Our Grand Master rec-  
ommends them to be appointed but does not appoint them.  
Their proper title is Grand Representative of the Grand  
Lodge of X, near the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

*Rt. Wor. Joel Peterson*

**Editor's comment:** Thank you. You are correct. My wording  
was careless. I should have said, "Our Grand Master  
announced the appointments . . ."

### Old Colony Lodge

In the story on John Cutler it is mentioned that there are  
three Lodges in Mass still meeting and chartered during his  
term. Old Colony Lodge met in Hanover from 1792 through  
1807, when we moved to Hingham. Phoenix Lodge now  
meets in Hanover.

*Wor. Joseph C. DeNicola*

### Republican Lodge, Greenfield

On page 9 of the Fall 2010 TROWEL Magazine there is an  
article on past Grand Masters that reads in part: "During  
Cutler's administration, he granted eight additional lodge  
charters . . . Republican in Greenfield . . ." I believe our char-  
ter was signed by Paul Revere on February 7, 1795.

*Thomas R. Goodwin, Secretary*

**Author's Response:** Cutler granted the charter, but Revere  
signed it.—*Rt. Wor. Walter Hunt*

# Lodge & District

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## Masons Return to Provincetown

Provincetown's Pilgrim Monument was rededicated on August 5, 2010. One hun-  
dred years earlier, President and Bro. William Howard Taft led the first dedication  
of the recently completed, 252-foot tall monument that commemorates the landing  
of Pilgrim settlers in Provincetown in November 1620.

Grand Master Pageau, leading a group of approximately 160 Masons, arrived by  
sea and was joined by a large delegation of Cape Cod Masons. The entire assem-  
bly then processed from the harbor up High Pole Hill to the monument. The pro-  
cession of Masons in top hats, aprons, and jewels was likely the largest public dis-  
play of Freemasonry in the Commonwealth since the procession conducted in  
Provincetown in 2007.

Masons may remember this earlier event chronicled in the winter, 2007 issue of  
TROWEL. President and Bro. Teddy Roosevelt and the Grand Lodge of Masons of  
Massachusetts conducted the original cornerstone laying (continued on page 22)



## Nehoiden and Beth-horon Merge

On Thursday, July 29th, a merger cer-  
emony was held in Needham to bring  
together Nehoiden Lodge of Needham  
and Beth-horon Lodge of Newtonville.  
Most Wor. Grand Master Roger W.  
Pageau presided over the ceremony  
and afterwards, Brother Pageau and  
his suite of Grand Lodge officers  
installed the lodge officers.

Beth-horon Lodge previously met in  
Newtonville in the Fifth District. This  
newly merged Beth-horon Lodge will  
meet in Needham and belong to the  
Second Masonic District.

— *RW David Newcomb*



L-R: RW David P. Newcomb, DDGM  
District 2, MW Grand Master Roger W.  
Pageau, Wor. Bruce Newman, Master  
of the lodge and RW Paul Bushey,  
DDGM District 5.

## Jewish Freemasons Workshop

A workshop on "Jewish Freemasons",  
sponsored by Temple Isaiah, was held  
in Lexington to explore the connec-  
tions among Freemasonry, Torah, and  
Jewish tradition. Brothers participated  
from Simonds, Simon W. Robinson,  
Moses Michael (continued on page 23)



## Demolay Legion of Honor Conferred in Worcester

The Legion of Honor is the highest  
degree and honor conferred by the  
International Supreme Council of the  
Order of DeMolay. The degree is  
awarded to a senior DeMolay for out-  
standing leadership in some field, or  
for success in fraternal life including  
adult service to DeMolay. It can also  
be awarded to a Mason who has per-

formed unusual and meritorious ser-  
vice on behalf of DeMolay or who has  
shown a spirit of cooperation and  
appreciation for the Order.

In October, six Masons received this  
honor at a ceremony held in the  
Worcester Masonic building. The  
group included four active DeMolays:  
Wor. Henry Rand, (continued on page 22)

Roger W. Austin,  
commander in the  
East, addresses the  
Legion of Honor  
recipients.  
(L to R) R.W.  
Richard Stewart,  
Wor. Henry Rand,  
Bro. Brian  
Rushlow, Bro.  
Ronald Elz, Wor.  
John Brainard, and  
Bro. Matthew  
DeFronso.





# THE MASONIC LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE – REDUX

*Rt. Wor. George J. Bibilos  
Chairman, Grand Lodge Education and Training Committee*

On September 10, 2010 in Westborough, the Right Worshipful Brother Benjamin Franklin Class re-launched the Masonic Leadership Institute (MLI) with new leadership and a new attitude. The new MLI class is smaller, more focused on leadership, subject to an actual admission process, and committed to once again proving the value of the MLI to our fraternity.

The new class has a markedly different makeup than previous classes. The personality profile of the class, based on the Myers Briggs Personality Tests (MBTI), is significantly more leadership-oriented than in the past. In addition, roughly 75% of the class is composed of younger Masons raised during the last six years.

As a result of the new makeup and the new attitude of the Franklin Class, the MLI leadership team saw a lot of positive results. The participants were much more responsive to the requests of the leadership team. All of the MBTI tests were conducted and completed before the first weekend started—a first ever for the MLI. All of the participants showed up for the weekend and all of the team project plans were approved Saturday night. These things happened because both the leadership team and participants were keenly focused on the work at hand and kept social activity to a minimum.

The Franklin Class was pleased to welcome our Deputy Grand Master Rt. Wor. Jay A. Jolicoeur, who spoke to the class and the MLI alumni about his perspectives on leadership and how all of us can grow and develop our ability as leaders no matter what our role is in the fraternity.

The MLI teams will now go to work on their approved projects, and they will reconvene in March 2011 to see how they have succeeded or failed and draw upon the lessons learned. As Rt. Wor. Brother Jolicoeur pointed out, in order to lead, one must be willing to risk failure and take chances. That is the approach these



MLI teams should apply as they move forward with their respective projects. The MLI recognizes that all of the projects will not succeed, but people can often learn as much from failed projects as they can from successful projects.

The Franklin Class is looking to build on the many successful projects of previous MLI classes such as:

- The Masonic Troop Support program that is now administered by the Grand Lodge Service Committee.
- The MYCHIP Program that is also now administered by the Grand Lodge Service Committee.
- The newly chartered Brazilian-speaking Independence Lodge.
- The 275th Anniversary coin program that raised in excess of \$20,000 for the Grand Lodge Scholarship Program.
- The highly successful Beyond the Third Degree membership engagement program that is now administered by both the Education and Training and Membership Development Committees.
- The 275th Anniversary book featuring pictures of lodge rooms throughout the Massachusetts jurisdiction.

Demand for the MLI and other educational programs is growing as we continue to bring in more and more new members. These members are our customers and it is important that we meet their needs in a number of areas

including education and training so that they will stay active and involved in the fraternity. The new MLI is an important venue for these members to make a positive impact on the fraternity with their projects and participation in the program.

Best of luck to the Franklin Class; we're counting on you! ■



Rt. Wor. Jay A. Jolicoeur addresses the R.W. Bro. Benjamin Franklin Class during the re-launch of MLI in September.

## The Grand Master's Address

at the September 2010 Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts

*Excerpts from the Grand Master's speech, September 9, 2010*



Brethren, as I approach the final three months of my term, the two questions which I hear most frequently are, "Are you starting to wind down as you approach the end of your term?" and "What are you going to do after your term ends?" Both of these are legitimate questions that, I suppose, every Grand Master is asked so I will attempt to satisfy your curiosity and give you a little insight into the nature of the job.

As to the first question, I find myself as busy, if not more busy, than I have been at any time during my term. The many invitations to attend meetings, events, and other Grand Lodges that I have received are both humbling and gratifying and I will attend as many as I am able. It now appears that the end of my term will be much more like stepping off a cliff than walking down a gentle slope!

My schedule after the completion of my term should be somewhat less hectic although I will remain as an ex-officio, non-voting member of many of our boards of directors and will hopefully continue to receive invitations to some of your events.

### Activities in the Third Quarter

One thinks of the summer months as being devoid of Masonic activity with the lodges in darkness and the membership enjoying a well-deserved rest. Such has not been the case for the past three months for this Grand Master and this Grand Lodge.

Following the June Quarterly Communication, we met in Charlton for the Annual Grand Master's Country Fair. While rain threatened throughout the day, those that attended were able to enjoy our beautiful campus in

Charlton and meet and greet old and new friends while we enjoyed the events of the day. Once again, Rt. Wor. David C. Turner and his dedicated staff are to be congratulated for a job well done.

We traveled to Toronto in July for the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario; followed immediately by the Northeast Conference of Grand Masters in Trenton, New Jersey, where the thermometer registered in excess of 100 degrees. Upon returning home, we attended the institution of the Scouters Lodge in Holden, where the work of the evening was admirably performed by Rt. Wor. John Andrews. This new lodge will welcome members who are Eagle Scouts or their equivalent and operate under a dispensation for a year, when they then will hopefully receive their permanent charter. Two days later we saw the merger of Nehoiden and Beth-horon Lodges with the hope of forming a stronger lodge to better serve their brethren and

their community. We wish these lodges success in their new ventures.

### Provincetown Rededication

The month of August saw the voyage of the Grand Lodge officers and families on the Provincetown II from Boston to Provincetown for the celebration of the rededication of the Pilgrim Monument. We were met at the dock by a large contingent of resident brothers and visitors from Cape Cod and processed up the hill to the monument. On hand to greet us and to participate in the rededication were local dignitaries and Governor Deval Patrick.

Massachusetts DeMolay state officers served as Color Guard. (L to R) Bro. Winston O. Joseph, state marshal; Bro. Daniel C. Lora Jr., state junior councilor; Bro. Jacob T. Yanovich, state chaplain.





## DeMolay Conclave

The Grand Master and Grand Lodge officers were also invited to attend the DeMolay Conclave at Nichols College in Dudley. The young men, their families, and advisors were suitably impressed when a large contingent of Masons entered escorted by Wor. William Crawford with his bagpipes. I was pleased to learn of the success DeMolay has been experiencing with the initiation of many new brothers and the restoration of several chapters. As this is important to the future of our country and our fraternity, we should all be very appreciative of the effort of our youth and their advisors.

In late August, I joined more than 100 Massachusetts Masons and their families in attending the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in Philadelphia, where Rt. Wor. Donald Moran was coroneted an Active Member; fourteen Massachusetts Masons received the 33rd Degree and twelve were elected to receive the 33rd Degree in Chicago next year. I extend my personal congratulations and that of this Grand Lodge to all.

## Significant and Upcoming Events

As I previously stated, the next three months are expected to be very hectic also. Along with installations and visits to lodges and lodges of instruction, we will celebrate the chartering of The Independence Lodge here, at Grand Lodge, on the evening of September 17. This should be an impressive event with the inclusion of many Masonic dignitaries from the country of Brazil. Later in the year, we expect to participate in the restoration of the charter to Samuel Crocker Lawrence Lodge, another sign of the success of our membership renewal programs.

I would like to thank Rt. Wor. James K. Ray for his service as chairman of the Lodge of Instruction Committee

**Grand Master Pageau is presented honorary membership in the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay. Presenting the jewel are RW Brian Noble and MW Albert T. Ames.**



**Above: Grand Master Pageau announces candidates for the office of Junior Grand Warden: RW James C. Holmes, Past DDGM, Brockton 29th District (left); and RW Wayne M. Vinton, Past DDGM 15th District.**

**Below: Candidates for the office of Senior Grand Warden: RW Robert A. Goewey III, Past DDGM Springfield 18th District (left); and RW David E. Pace, Past DDGM, 28th District.**



upon his resignation. Brother Ray and his team have done a fine job of updating the lodge of instruction program. Replacing Brother Ray, effective immediately, is Junior Grand Warden, Rt. Wor. Phil Drouin. Brother Drouin will report to Rt. Wor. George Bibilos and assume his duties effective immediately.

I also thank Rt. Wor. Paul Cataldo and the members of his district for their fine work at our new Overlook facility in Northampton. These brothers gave of their time and resources to remove trees and brush, paint, install a phone jack, and complete other projects at that facility. We will host a lodge of instruction at the facility in September.

Finally, I would like to thank each of you for your support and help. Any organization is only as great as its members and this is truly a great organization. May the Grand Architect of the Universe bless our nation, our Grand Lodge, our families and each of us. ■

# Let There Be Light

## Removing the Blindfold for the First Time

by Rt. Wor. and Rt. Rev. Brian R. Marsh  
Grand Chaplain

During the winter months, especially here in New England, we crave the sunlight that appears during the too short daylight hours. The physical presence of light is essential to us; it is necessary for our physical and spiritual well-being.

Symbolically, the image of light has great meaning for Masons. We enter the lodge for the first time in darkness. We are assisted to see the light by our friends and brothers. We are then directed to look at certain objects that we have held in our hands. We have known these objects by touch alone. But once the veil of darkness is lifted, we can see these objects with the certain clarity that only light can give. There before us are three things: a book of Holy Scripture and two simple tools. Perhaps we figured out what they were when they were placed between our hands. Still, it is the coming of the light that has given us our first look at what they truly are. Darkness has been lifted; the light gives us an environment in which to work. The light has given us the first glimpse of what our physical and spiritual work must be.

Most of us are likely too captivated—or too nervous—during the ceremony that is being performed for our benefit to understand the true significance of what we are seeing. But the simple placement of working tools (two of the Great Lights in Masonry) upon a book of scripture has profound implications. It suggests that what we build in this life, both temporally and spiritually, must be based on the firm foundation of God's Word.

Although Masonry is not a religion, religious belief is essential to every man's journey through the temporal life. In this simple way, the practical tools of the stonemason join with the Word of God.

Light is such an important part of our work as Masons that the images of sun, moon, and stars

adorn many of the jewels, aprons, and artwork that we see in every lodge. Just as the sun and moon represent essential and reflected light, so do we seek to enhance the knowledge given to us in the lodges we have joined. In a very real way, our very membership in Masonic lodges identifies us as "enlightened" men.

Masons do indeed embrace the principles established in the Enlightenment. Indeed, the great Enlightenment itself celebrated the coming of the light of truth to civilization. And, although the Enlightenment is sometimes regarded as promoting secular truths as opposed to religious ideas, we remember that, just as the first Great Light in Masonry is the support of the physical working tools of our Craft, so also is God's Word the basis of all knowledge.

When a man, still in darkness, holds between his hands both the sacred scriptures and the practical tools of our ancient Craft, he is embracing the spiritual and physical aspects of the world in which he lives. When he regains his sight, he sees the truth of what he has held when he made his solemn pledge.

This truth may not be immediately apparent to a man who is initiated into the Craft. But what becomes very clear to this new Mason is this: he is absolutely surrounded by light. The place where he is kneeling is the brightest spot in the lodge. This is by design. It symbolizes the coming of truth and knowledge and enkindles within each particular man the profound awareness of a bright new beginning. ■

*Rt. Wor. and Rt. Rev. Brian R. Marsh is a member of Vernon Lodge, Belchertown and Jerusalem Lodge, South Hadley Falls; past master of Vernon Lodge; past DDGM, 27th District; a grand chaplain; and a bishop in the Anglican Church of America.*





# Grand Masters of Massachusetts

## Isaiah Thomas and Benjamin Russell Printers, Patriots, Freemasons

By Rt. Wor. Walter Hunt

As Massachusetts Masons we are passionate about the written word. Among the many factors that contribute to our longevity here in the Bay State is the attachment we have to our own documentary record, which has survived fire and flood and anti-Masonic storm for nearly three centuries, and which brings back the words, and through them, the deeds of those who have gone before us.

It should therefore come as no surprise that two of the united Grand Lodge's earliest leaders were intimately connected with the written word—as writers, printers and publishers—and each played a role in the founding of our United States: Isaiah Thomas and Benjamin Russell.

They were associates and friends, and each occupied the Oriental Chair of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts:

Thomas for four years (1803–1805 and again in 1809) and Russell for three (1814–1816).

During his tenure, each helped shape the fraternity that we know today and each left behind a lasting legacy.

Photos of portraits and miniature by Bro. John Doherty



### ISAIAH THOMAS

*From Spy to Antiquarian*

Isaiah Thomas, one of our best-known Grand Masters, was born in Boston a generation before the Revolution. He was apprenticed at an early age to a printer in the town, Zachariah Fowle, but his independent spirit ultimately forced him to seek employment elsewhere. Like another famous printer and Mason, Benjamin Franklin (whom he idolized), it had been young Thomas' intention to make his way across the ocean to London to improve his knowledge of the printing trade, but his travels only took him as far as Nova Scotia, where he found employment at the *Halifax Gazette*. His activities soon showed his political inclinations, forcing him to depart in haste after he published commentary in the newspaper regarding Nova Scotians' opposition to the Stamp Act.

By 1767 Thomas, now 18 years old, had returned to his native Boston and reconciled with his former master, who employed him as a journeyman. After a brief sojourn south—which resulted, among other things, in his marriage to Mary Dill in Charleston, South Carolina, on Christmas Day 1769—he returned and established himself in partnership with Fowle. By the fall of 1770 he had bought out Fowle, and was now the sole publisher of a newspaper of his own, the *Massachusetts Spy*, that reflected his own increasingly radical point of view. The paper, and Thomas himself, became increasingly associated with the Sons of Liberty, attracting contributors who favored the Patriot cause and opposed British rule. On April 19, 1775 he even

published an account purported to be an eyewitness account of the battles of Lexington and Concord—electrifying news back in Boston. Shortly afterward, it became necessary for Thomas and the *Spy* to depart Boston; for the next few years both had a somewhat itinerant existence. Thomas finally settled in Worcester, which thereafter became his home. Despite the economic hardship of the Revolution, the young printer was able to flourish due to the prodigious output of his “forge of sedition.” He made a number of close friends who assisted him in his efforts: prominently, Joseph Warren, Paul Revere, and Timothy Bigelow; Warren and Bigelow assisted him in transporting his press and type to Worcester just ahead of British soldiers, and Revere's engravings appeared in the *Spy* and even more frequently in the literary publication that would soon be renamed the *Massachusetts Magazine*.

In 1779 Isaiah Thomas remarried. Unusually for the time, he had been granted a divorce on the justifiable grounds of adultery on the part of his wife. His second wife Mary Thomas Fowle would be a loyal and loving companion until her death in 1818. In 1780 he was conscripted for military service, but his apprentice Benjamin Russell went in his stead and served with distinction. Thomas, meanwhile, built success upon success, establishing himself as the most prominent printer in Massachusetts and ultimately in the entire United States; in addition to his periodicals he began to print almanacs and books, including many children's books and some of the earliest editions of popular novels as well as the original Constitutions and Regulations of our Grand Lodge. In 1789 he acquired the rights to Noah Webster's spelling and grammar books, ultimately a very lucrative investment that helped establish his fortune.

Bro. Thomas' Masonic career began in the old Trinity Lodge in Lancaster, chartered by the Massachusetts (Independent) Grand Lodge, where he was initiated some time after 1787. His first appearance (continued on following page)



Old No. 1—The press called the “sedition factory” by British authorities, moved from Boston to Worcester by Thomas.

“...a small old printing press at which I worked as an apprentice and which I bought when of age and began business in Boston,” wrote Isaiah Thomas.

Courtesy of the American Antiquarian Society

### BENJAMIN RUSSELL

*“Faithful Soldier, Reliable Editor”*



Benjamin Russell was fourteen years old when the Minutemen and Redcoats met at Lexington and Concord. The son of a stonemason, Russell had become a capable apprentice typesetter at Isaiah Thomas' Boston printing shop, and his curiosity drew him out to witness those battles on that April morning. In the aftermath, the presence of British troops in and around Boston prevented him from returning; he accordingly found himself employed as an errand boy in the Continental Army. It was his first brush with military service, leaving a lasting impression. When young Russell was able to return, he was welcomed by his father with relief, and it is said, with a sound thrashing. Shortly thereafter, he was apprenticed to Thomas to follow his chosen profession; he accompanied the young firebrand printer to Worcester, and he soon demonstrated that printing and journalism was his true profession, though there were some detours along the way.

When the Declaration of Independence was read in Worcester the following July, Russell celebrated with a number of fellow apprentices, only to discover the following morning that he had enlisted in the Continental Army. Isaiah Thomas was unwilling to lose his skilled apprentice, who was only fifteen years old at the time, and through his influence Russell was excused from service. Four years later, however, he did join the Continentals in the stead of his master. His experience there (continued on following page)



**Thomas** continued from previous page

in the Proceedings is in 1793 at the constitution of Morning Star Lodge in Worcester, where he was the first installed master. He was one of the first district deputy grand masters after the positions were established, and by 1802 he had risen high enough in the Grand Lodge that he was chosen as Grand Master of Masons to succeed Samuel Dunn. His three-year term was extremely active; he granted thirteen charters, including five in the District of Maine and one in the State of Ohio (Scioto Lodge in Chillicothe, which would soon surrender its Massachusetts credentials to help found the Grand Lodge of Ohio). After Most. Wor. Timothy Bigelow's first three-year term, Bro. Thomas returned as Grand Master; his most memorable act was the recognition and welcome of the Lodge of Saint Andrew to Massachusetts jurisdiction, according it the second position of precedence behind only Saint John's Lodge of Boston.

Like his long-time friend Paul Revere, Thomas was



**The Isaiah Thomas Sebastian miniature commissioned by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.**

well-known outside the fraternity as well as within it. His success as a businessman permitted him to retire in 1802, and gave him ample time to devote his attention to other interests. In addition to Freemasonry, Thomas was a skilled antiquarian; he published the seminal *History of Printing in America* in 1810, and in 1812 was a principal founder of the American Antiquarian Society, to which he ultimately donated his extensive library. He served as president of that organization until his death in 1831.

The building containing his 1796 printing office is currently located at Old Sturbridge Village; it lies a few hundred yards from the town green, near the stately house of Bro. Salem Towne. The press and other facilities are modest, yet it is the workplace of a skilled craftsman, a master of his trade in a small but growing town. It is in some ways quintessentially American, the sort of humble surrounding from which came the sorts of words that could start a revolution or build a nation. It is a fitting memorial to the indomitable spirit of Isaiah Thomas. ■

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included two significant events, as reported by our Past Grand Master Melvin M. Johnson in his Saint John's Day address in 1914:

He was one of the guard of Major André [a conspirator with Benedict Arnold] on the day of his execution; [and] . . . he once saw by accident a lodge of Freemasons in session in a tent. The Sergeant-Major of one of the regiments sat on an elevated seat on the Master's Chair, while Washington was sitting uncovered among the Brethren.

Brother Johnson pointed out these two incidents to describe Russell's character, both as a witness to important events, and as an impressionable young man "charmed with the idea of the practical equality of the Brotherhood." He emerged from the service of his country an ardent supporter of the new nation and as a Freemason, a member of Rising States Lodge chartered under the Massachusetts (Independent) Grand Lodge. His name is among the roll of officers elected and appointed for the united Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, as grand sword bearer for Grand Master John Cutler.

His presence and bearing recommended him for further advancement. He appears frequently on the pages of the Proceedings, prominently as Grand Master Revere's choice as grand marshal in 1795, when he was only 34 years of age. He and the station of grand marshal for the new Grand Lodge grew together; he occupied that chair for fifteen years for five different Grand Masters, and the man and the role must have seemed inseparable. In 1811 he was elected

a grand warden, and served in that capacity during Grand Master Bigelow's second three-year term. At the end of that time, the Grand Lodge chose Brother Russell as their Grand Master.

Even before he undertook that responsibility he had demonstrated a capacity for coolness under fire. Grand Master Johnson related a story of his evident bravery; learning of a kinsman who had been detained a prisoner aboard the British frigate *Nymph*, he sought and was refused a flag of truce to visit him; instead, he hired a boat and approached the frigate, and despite being threatened when hailed, he was able to reach the vessel where he "inquired for the captain, made himself known a Freemason, and received the hospitality which was his due." He was able to thus free his relative as well as four other Americans, and return to Boston in triumph.

Grand Master Russell's term was one more of consolidation than expansion, during which he dealt with the complexities of a fast-growing fraternity in Massachusetts. He entered office while the country was still at war, and much of his early effort was to help address the needs of prisoners and veterans. He governed the Craft during a difficult period, when a third of our subordinate lodges were days away in Maine, and when the relationship between subordinate lodges and the Grand Lodge was still evolving.

Professionally he had made, and would continue to make, his name as a prominent newspaperman, the publisher of the pro-Federalist and ardently patriotic *Columbian Centinel*. Brother Russell's skill in his profession has given us two memorable (continued on page 29)

# Working with the Grand Master's Office

by Rt. Wor. William R. Currier  
Executive Assistant to the Grand Master

After serving as executive assistant for the Grand Master for four years, I thought it might be time for me to share what I have learned, in hopes of helping lodges and individual Masons find their way through some of our fraternities' rules, customs, and practices.

## Office of the Grand Master

The title of the office suggests an imposing and formal bureaucracy. The reality is that we have a staff of two people: the Grand Master and his executive assistant!

The Grand Master is the chief executive officer of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge. He presides over ceremonial and administrative meetings of our Grand Lodge, and presides over or serves as a member of numerous committees and various Masonic boards of directors. He is also responsible for maintaining fraternal relationships and consequently travels throughout the Commonwealth, the United States, and around the world visiting other Grand Lodges and appendant organizations of Freemasonry.

The role of executive assistant is designed to support the Grand Master in the administrative aspects of his job; the grand secretary assists with matters concerning the board of directors and out-of-state travel; and the grand marshal handles ceremonial duties.

## Most Frequent Reasons for Contacting the Grand Master's Office

Here are a few of the most frequent topics that require a lodge to contact the office, along with my suggestions for getting the answer you need.

**Invitations** The Grand Master receives numerous invitations; he wants to come out and visit and meet brothers, but please bear in mind that there is little chance of him attending if you invite him with very short notice. It is preferred that he receive a minimum of two months notice to an event. This is because he invites other Grand Lodge officers to accompany him on his suite; his office must send invitations to them, and, as a matter of courtesy, they are sent with at least thirty days notice.

An invitation should include information about the type of event; whether ladies are invited; and the date, time, and location. If the event is an installation of officers, you must state whether you want the grand officers to install the lodge officers; otherwise, the Grand Master will just observe the ceremony and speak at the appropriate time.

If the Grand Master does accept an invitation, a complete listing of invitees accompanies every invitation. A reply card is enclosed and the executive assistant coordi-

nates all of the replies and makes sure the local lodge (or other Masonic body) knows who is attending, so they will have an accurate head count for dinner and names for the head table. The local lodge should do the name cards for the head table.

I would recommend, when you have the flexibility, that you give the Grand Master three different dates from which to choose. Because of his intense schedule, there is a better chance of him accepting your invitation if you offer him some choices.

**Dispensations** A lodge is required to obtain a dispensation, if they wish to deviate from their bylaws or the Grand Constitutions. For example, if a lodge wants to change their meeting night because they meet on the first Monday,

and the September meeting falls on Labor Day, the master would write a letter (or the lodge secretary on behalf of the master) to the Grand Master, requesting that the meeting for that month be changed because of the conflict with the holiday. Here is a tip: a lodge can easily avoid this by restructuring their bylaws to move the meeting to a different night anytime the regular meeting date conflicts with a holiday.

If you hope to get a response prior to your meeting, you must submit, in letter form, a dispensation request at least three weeks prior to your meeting. Please be considerate of the Grand Master's time and realize that he is not in the office every day. There are times when he is out of the office for two weeks straight. Here is another tip: if you receive dispensation, you must report in your lodge notice that the meeting is "held by dispensation of the Most Worshipful Grand Master."

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**Will Currier at his work station outside the Grand Master's suite.**



**Joseph Warren Medal** Nominations for the Joseph Warren Distinguished Service Medal are sent to the Grand Master. A lodge master is the only member who can write to the Grand Master to recommend that a brother be considered for this honor, with one exception: if the master is the brother being recommended, the senior warden may write the letter. No other lodge member is authorized to make such a recommendation. The master should give a full accounting of the brother's activity and labors in his lodge, in his community, etc. If the Grand Master is in favor of this nomination, a letter is sent to the master acknowledging receipt of the nomination letter, and directs that a packet is sent to the district deputy grand master, so the brother's background can be further reviewed. A report is due back from the district deputy grand master within thirty days. In all cases, it is inappropriate to inquire about the status of such a nomination.

### Other Duties of the Executive Assistant

Written communication is a workload staple in the office. In addition to the topics mentioned above, correspondence is also necessary with other fraternal groups in the Masonic family. These groups keep the Grand Master informed of activities within his jurisdiction and often invite the Grand Master to one of their sessions; a response is sent, and the



**The Office of the Grand Master, Suite 305 on the third floor of the Grand Lodge building in Boston.**

ing the quarterly luncheon all require significant time and attention. Tickets for the Feast of Saint John, held on December 27 of each year are also handled in the Grand Master's office. The assistant works with caterers, the grand marshal, building department, grand secretary's office and visiting dignitaries to make sure the entire day of meals, meetings, and ceremonies runs smoothly.

### Contacting the Office

As you know, The Grand Master does a great deal of traveling inside and beyond Massachusetts. The executive assistant stays behind and main-

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customary invitation process is followed.

The assistant also works with the District Deputy Grand Master Training Team to make sure they have all of the necessary information for their weekend training sessions in November and their official visit training in August. The January DDGM Training Workshop always requires much work including arranging for the luncheon, preparing handouts from the Grand Master, and all the other related logistical items.

The executive assistant organizes the Grand Lodge Quarterly meetings held in March, June, September, and December. Preparation of the Grand Master's agenda, controlling the listing for visiting dignitaries to ensure proper introductions, and coordinat-

Commandery #2, K.T. and Aleppo Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.. In Scottish Rite, he joined the Valley of Boston in 1980, has been a degree worker in all four bodies in Boston or Lowell; served as sovereign prince of Lowell Council – Princes of Jerusalem in 2000, a member of the Massachusetts Consistory Guard in the Valley of Boston since 1983, serving as captain since 2006. He holds the Meritorious Service Award.

Rt. Wor. Brother Currier worked in the banking and mortgage-lending industry for thirty years, including eleven years as an independent mortgage lending contractor for the FDIC, Office of Thrift Supervision and numerous Wall Street firms, before starting work in the Grand Master's office in January of 2007.

Chevaliers and second vice president of Massachusetts Court, LOH.

Raised in North Reading Lodge in March of 1978, he served as master in 1989 and was also master of The DeMolay Lodge in Boston in 1984-85 and 1994-95, senior grand deacon in 2000, master of Frank W. Thompson Lodge in Bedford 2005-06, DDGM of the Fourteenth District for 2008 & 2009. He was awarded the Henry Price Medal by M. W. Brother Hodgdon in 2007. In the York Rite, he is a past high priest of Waverly Royal Arch Chapter, past district deputy grand high priest and currently serves as deputy grand high priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter. Will served as illustrious master of Haverhill Council – Royal and Select Master Masons; is a member of Boston

**Will Currier** joined North Reading Chapter Order of DeMolay in 1971; presided as master councilor in No. Reading in 1974 and presided in Lynnfield Chapter in 1977. On the state level, he was a district representative, state junior councilor, and then presided as state master councilor of Massachusetts in 1977-78. He is a Frank S. Land Fellow, holds the Founder's Award, Blue Honor Key, Degree of Chevalier and the Active DeMolay Legion of Honor (LOH). Will is a past chapter Dad of North Reading Chapter. On the executive officer's staff, he has served in numerous roles over the last twenty five years. A past commander of Charles W. Hunter Court of Chevaliers, he is currently commander in the west of Bay State Court of

# Traditional Observance Lodges

*by Bro. Lee Fenn*

The brethren have lined up outside the lodge. They walk once around the altar and stand in front of their chairs. The officers then march slowly around the altar and stand at their respective positions. The entire membership is there, every single entered apprentice, fellow craft, and master Mason is there. The candle-lit lodge is quiet. The officers are in black tie and tuxedo. The members are in black tie and tuxedo. The gavel strikes and the quarterly meeting of Templum Fidelis Lodge No. 746 opens.

This is the beginning of lodge night at the first Traditional Observance (TO) lodge in Canada. The beginning of TO Masonry, however, started long before.

### Origins

Part of TO Masonry's origins can be traced to the Masonic Restoration Foundation, or MRF. The MRF is not interested in proselytizing or becoming another Masonic club. "Traditional Observance style lodges can only come about when Freemasons organize themselves and seek the MRF's assistance and support. MRF does not recruit new lodges. The MRF should be seen as a clearing house of ideas, or as a support group of like-minded Freemasons each trying to work locally," explains Wor. Mark A. Tabbert, secretary and treasurer for MRF.

Wor. Ian Troyer was part of a group of like-minded Masons discussing Traditional

Observance. "We all attend our mother Craft lodges, or as they are called in the United States: Blue lodges, but we thought there should be something more. We found that we wanted a deeper experience beyond the business meeting – then ritual – then discuss the picnic – and then close style of many of our lodges."

One of the catalysts for TO Masonry came from a degree team, to which some charter members of Templum Fidelis belonged. "Many of the brethren with 60 to 70 years as Masons came up to us and said that our degree work was how ritual could, and should, be done. We started to realize we had something. We found that at the heart of a TO lodge was impeccable ritual work. It was not simple, but all these things led us to form a TO Club to discuss how a TO lodge would look."

Five brothers formed the TO Club on May 5, 2007. The club set in place certain rules including adherence to the Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. "We are not rogue in any way; we are

### Members and officers of the first Traditional Observance Lodge of Ontario, Templum Fidelis.

*Front Row, Left to right:* Wor. Gordon Mylks, acting senior warden and historian; RW Thomas Hogeboom, immediate past master; Wor. Ian Troyer, master; Wor. Arthur Cooke, junior warden.

*2nd Row: Left to right:* Wor. Tim Barber, treasurer; Wor. Steve Hampton, director of ceremonies; Wor. Sean Peré, junior deacon; RW David Quinn, tyler.

*3rd Row, Left to right:* Bro. Jan Kahlen; Wor. Roland Morrow, chaplain; RW Cliff Farber, secretary; Bro. Mark Elkins; Wor. Jeffrey Gatcke, senior deacon.





part of regular Masonry,” said Wor. Bro. Troyer, “And we wouldn’t have it any other way.” The process continued and invitations to charter members followed; then came meetings under dispensation. Of the many debates, one focused on the question of the district structure; this meant they could either be “the” TO Lodge of Ontario under the Grand Lodge or “a” TO Lodge in a district. The club chose to hope for more TO lodges, to be one of many, and to be part of a district.

### Lodge Practices

The lodge consecration was on June 6, 2009. “We determined that we would not be elitist, would not denigrate or downgrade the standard lodge experience,” explained Wor. Bro. Troyer, who continues his attendance and active participation in his mother lodge, Prince of Wales Lodge #146. “To enhance our Masonic life, however, we needed more solemnity, formality, ritual excellence, and a focus on initiation.”

The solemnity was achieved by the exclusion of business and housekeeping aspects of lodge meetings. These parts of a meeting were handled outside of the actual opening of a lodge. This made the lodge meetings themselves far more focused on the growth of the man in Masonry rather than the conduct of the lodge as a businesslike entity.

Solemnity is further enhanced by the periods of reflection (silent meditation), which precede the opening and the closing of the lodge. This solemnity creates the space for personal Masonic work in lodge. “Such work requires that a man get inside himself, that he make the journey into his deepest inner nature, that he affirms or challenges what he knows, or has previously been taught, to discover the real nature of truth: who he is, his unique gifts, and his purpose in the world. He must acquire the tools to resurrect himself in life as a better man, that is, a man who is consciously aware that the actions he takes and words he speaks every day have an impact on other people—and can impact them for the better,” according to president of the MRF, III, Robert G. Davis, 33°, G.C.

Part of that space for reflection, for personal lodge work, is created by formality. Templum Fidelis Lodge, after much debate, wrote into their bylaws a strict dress code: “All attendees are attired in formal black-tie dress with officers in white gloves.”

Dues structure also assures seriousness. Canadian lodges usually charge \$100 for dues and meet once a month. Templum Fidelis meetings are quarterly and the dues are \$350. “I know the dues are more,” said Wor. Bro. Troyer, “but the dues really signify a commitment to the lodge.”

The dinners, called Agape—the Greek term for unconditional love—range from \$40 to \$60. “Agape is much more than a dinner, it is closer to a table lodge,” explained Wor. Bro. Troyer. “We have four courses and a series of toasts. In addition, we have incredible speakers after each meal.

### Crucial Ingredient

The system of initiation is crucial for TO Masonry. A sponsor takes on the responsibility for not only finding the candidate, but for assuring that the candidate is suitably proficient in the preceding degree. This means that during the six months between degrees, the candidate must learn his obligation and produce a paper about the degree. This paper is presented before the lodge prior to the conferral of the next degree.

### A Complementary System

“With all we have and all we offer to the brethren, and as much as I enjoy Templum Fidelis, I would not give up Prince of Wales Lodge. I wouldn’t even want Traditional Observance Masonry to replace other lodges. This is not an Ancients vs. Moderns question. It is more of a question of complementary systems. With Traditional Observance as an addition to my Masonic life, I can enjoy all that both have to offer,” continued Wor. Bro. Troyer.

After the final knock and the lodge is closed, all the brethren assemble for the Chain of Union. When the circle is complete, a single candle lights the lodge room. The officers take off their gloves. Everyone wraps their arms across their chests, clasps the hand of their neighboring brothers, and listens to the master proclaim their pledge to their “common commitment to virtue, and in raising our minds and hearts to our Order’s ideal, let us strive to bring all men closer together through fraternity. Freemasons, let our resolve be as unbreakable as the brotherly affection forming this mystic chain and let us promise to work without rest in building the temple of peace.” ■

### New Secretary of the Year Award

The Grand Secretary announced at the June Quarterly Communication that the Grand Lodge will present an award each year called the Secretary of the Year Award. “We want to encourage and reward those lodge secretaries who are doing a great job with their lodges,” said Rt. Wor. Grand Secretary Jeffrey L. Gardiner.

The award will be presented each year at the December Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. Two lodge secretaries will be selected for this honor each year. In order to ensure full opportunity for all lodge secretaries, winners will be eligible to receive the award only once in any five-year period.

A special plaque will hang in the Grand Secretary’s office acknowledging the yearly recipients of the award. The selection of winners will be made by the Grand Secretary’s office staff based on the criteria of timeliness, courtesy, efficiency, and the overall effectiveness of the lodge secretary.

For further information, please contact the Grand Secretary’s office.



# The Prodigal Mason

by Richard Thompson



I was riding in the back seat of a Saturn, hardly something remarkable or worthy of mention. However, it was the contrast inside the car that makes the event noteworthy. Here I was, dressed in a tasteful brown sportcoat, looking like I was headed to any Masonic social event. In the front seat were two people who looked more like Paul and Sarah Revere.

Dressed in 18th century garb, they looked like they would be more at home riding in a horse-drawn buggy.

We were heading to the Wayside Inn in Sudbury for a meeting of the Colonial Craftsmen, a group of Masons who study history and Masonry from the inside. Driving the car was Wor. David H. Hicks, president and captain of the Colonial Craftsmen, accompanied by his wife Susan. (In the spirit of full disclosure, I should point out that Wor. Dave Hicks is my cousin and his wife is my sister-in-law.)

As much as I thought Dave and Sue looked out of place in that 21st century car, I looked equally out of place in that 18th century inn: surrounded by men and women who looked like they had just stepped out of a book on colonial American history. Sitting down to dinner further reinforced the illusion of stepping back in time.

We were in the main dining room, which was lit by small orange bulbs that gave the impression of candlelight. As I looked around the room, at people dressed in 18th century-styled clothes in a room lit by candlelight, I thought for a brief moment that I was there, in the colony of Massachusetts. I fully expected someone to jump up to complain about the British tax on tea, closing the port of Boston, quartering troops in private homes. I thought I could hear the sounds of horses’ hoofs and the creaking of wagon wheels. I realized I was the one that looked out of place. I was the one in modern attire.

There were a few others dressed in modern attire. The most notable was Most Worshipful Grand Master Roger William Pageau, accompanied by Rt. Wor. Grand Marshal Richard J. Stewart. Bro. Pageau reflected on his term as

Grand Master and how he was looking forward to the next phase of his Masonic life. He also noted how many friends were around the banquet table.

The Grand Master did not leave empty-handed. The Colonial Craftsmen gave him a check, a donation to the Masonic Health System, that the Grand Master was pleased to accept.

The Colonial Craftsmen’s Club of Colonial Massachusetts was founded in 1973, as the nation was preparing to celebrate the Bicentennial. Since the nation was looking back to that time, it makes sense that Masons would as well, given the contribution colonial Masons made to the founding of our nation. It is a great avenue for those Masons who want to do more than just read about our earlier days. Club members are ready to travel from lodge to lodge to help with the work of the evening. They are ready to perform our modern degrees while dressed in colonial garb, but their specialty is performing *On the Square: 1775*, a reenactment of an 18th century lodge. The reenactment includes a degree, a business meeting, and the refreshment periods common at lodge meetings of the time. This exhibition is done in a tyled lodge for Master Masons only.

The club can also provide a complete evening for a lodge, including entertainment for the ladies. The Colonial Craftsmen include a group for women: The Distaff Side. This group demonstrates costuming and life in the 18th century.

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**Grand Master Pageau, Wor. David Hicks, president and captain of the Colonial Craftsmen, and his wife Susan.**



Richard Thompson is a past master of Merrimack Valley Daylight Lodge.



# NEWS FROM OVERLOOK

## OPENING DAY AT THE GROVES IN LINCOLN: JULY 19, 2010

by Patrick McShane

A breathtaking July morning marked the opening of Masonic Health System's newest community: The Groves in Lincoln. The soft chirping of birds from the surrounding trees was momentarily disrupted by the first of five moving vans rumbling down the main road and getting ready to deliver our earliest residents' belongings to their beautiful new residences.

The Groves employees gathered early that morning to go over all the last-minute to-do lists and all anxiously awaited the first arrivals. A banner hung off the second level of the main lobby with the simple but poignant message: Welcome Home.

"It was certainly an exhilarating time," said Rob Fallon, executive director of The Groves. "When you open a new building you are well aware that some things are going to go awry. They always do, but the employees and residents were all so excited and happy to be a part of this momentous occasion that there were no complaints. There was plenty of laughter and people working together as a team—actually, more so as a family—to get everyone settled and into high spirits."

There is a special energy to opening day. There is a pulse that excites all who are involved and a true sense of pulling together to accomplish all sorts of miniature miracles. Contributions were seen wherever you looked: salespeople lugging boxes, the program director ushering moving vans, the move-in coordinator running a mini-marathon from suite to cottage and back to the suites ensuring that all were happily settled.

"The Groves is a place where people will be able to maximize their independence and follow their passions while we take care of all the items that they consider to be headaches in their day-to-day lives," said Fallon. "What is important to remember is that one person's headaches are another person's passions. We never assume we know what motivates an individual. We are truly a community that believes that we are here to facilitate the wishes and ambitions of our residents. We like to say that we reshape this community to every new resident that moves on to our campus."

Residents were pleasantly surprised to discover that right from the get-go the pool and fitness center were open and ready for business; a July calendar of events had already been published; and last, but not least, Lemon Pippin Café was open and already attracting hungry residents with appetizing aromas. Dining director, Michael Spector assured residents, "We're ready with a wonderful menu that will grow and change with our residents' input. Everyone can look forward to a blend of sophisticated offerings and comfort foods designed to please a wide range of tastes."

The Groves is also drawing rave reviews as being a community that promotes a "living at home for life" philosophy. Meaning, the development is a departure from the more traditional continuum of care that houses assisted-living and skilled-nursing facilities on the same site. In The Groves model, we opened a branch of our Overlook Visiting Nurse Association right on the campus so if anyone ever needs a higher level of medical care it is offered directly to them in the comfort of their home. It is a design that does not make someone move for services but rather brings the services they need to their home. This concept has been greeted with much enthusiasm by those who have chosen The Groves.

If you have not yet had the opportunity, we invite you to come and visit this newest neighborhood in the Masonic Health System family. We will warn you up front, sometimes you just don't want to leave after you have seen all The Groves has to offer. Experience the warmth of our staff, the passion of our residents and the beauty of the buildings and grounds that make up The Groves in Lincoln. Please call 781-259-0800 and ask for Lance if you would like to schedule a personal tour. We hope to see you soon. ■

## Meet a Resident of the Overlook Life Care Community

by Gwen Breede

Ann Moran quotes an artist she knows, who says, "You can paint, you can make pictures, but if you don't have something to say you can't really be a creator." To be an artist you have to be inspired. Ann gains a great deal of her inspiration through her love of New England and flowers. She comments, "It is a beautiful world; leave it alone and enjoy it."

She began painting while in high school. Encouraged and supported by her family, Ann began the journey of becoming an artist. Her father was a printer of fine art reproductions and she was fortunate to be surrounded by magnificent works of the Masters from an early age.

Ann graduated from Pratt Institute where she studied two-dimensional design. She began studying fine art and oil painting with several artists, including George Gache and John Gould; she took advanced courses at Post College on Long Island and started painting on canvas and freelancing. Starting off, she painted whatever a client requested, but she is known best for her striking floral paintings that capture the likeness and the essence of nature at its most magnificent.

Ann became so popular in her local circles that she was asked to teach painting classes and has had numerous one-person shows and has exhibited in juried shows throughout New England. Her paintings hang in private collec-



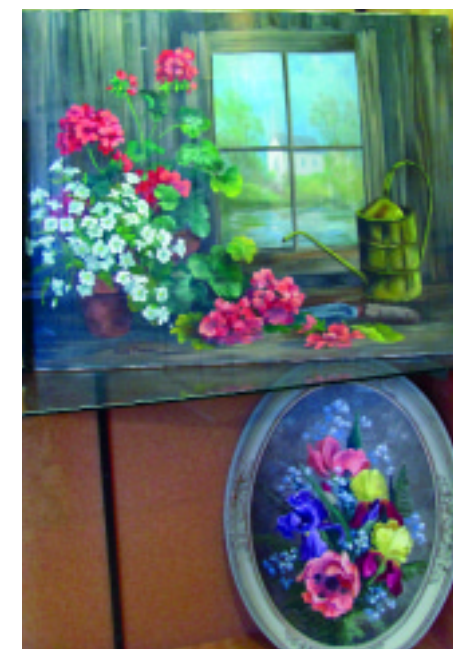
Above: Artist Ann Moran, in center. Below: Examples of Ann Moran's work on display at Overlook.

tions and are prominently displayed in banks, corporations, and municipalities. Kaplan Fine Art Publishing Company has published and distributed worldwide a series of her wildflower paintings. She is an honorary member of the

Lyme Art Association. The Florence Griswold Gallery, in Lyme, displays one of her paintings in their permanent art collection.

One of her favorite artists was asked which of his paintings he favored most; his answer was "the next one." Ann believes that sums it up beautifully and is very indicative of the creative person. Artists are about "the next one" and always thinking "I could have done this better." You are always evaluating and always stretching to make yourself better.

Ann's most recent art exhibit received rave reviews from all who had the great pleasure of viewing the collection. It was held outside the Performing Arts Center at her home in Charlton at the Overlook. ■



## Who Says Healthy Can't Taste Good

The challenge put to The Overlook at Northampton team was deliciously competitive. A number of employees stood poised over their blenders while residents anxiously waited to make judgment with paper and pencil in hand. The Ultimate Healthy Milkshake Contest was here and ready to be enjoyed by all. Each employee created their own recipe and residents had the task of tasting each shake and rating them across three categories: taste, originality, and nutrition.

The competition marked the celebration of two events. First, July was National Ice Cream Month. Each milkshake contained a couple of scoops of the scrumptious cold treat. Secondly, and more importantly, the

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Staff member Sophie Gaynor and resident Beatrice Blakesley



competition was a celebration of The Overlook at Northampton's successful elimination of dietary supplements for residents. Supplements such as Ensure, Boost, and Glucerna have traditionally been used to increase calories, protein, and other essential vitamins and minerals. Residents commonly do not like the taste of nutritional supplements and their disapproval is evidenced by their frequent refusal to take them and by the amount that is discarded.

"Give people what they want to eat," simply states David Turner, Masonic Health System's president and chief executive officer. "So many times professionals in our industry will approach a resident and ask if they are hungry. The resident says yes and is then offered a couple of choices. If the resident does not want either of the two choices they typically end up not eating. A report gets filed saying that the resident refused to eat and they are prescribed a supplement to handle this problem. This makes no sense! Buy the foods that the residents want, let them eat what they enjoy. As an

industry, we will then get back to normal, healthy eating and away from supplements in our residents lives."

As of June 30, supplements are no longer served at The Overlook at Northampton. In its place are numerous varieties of healthy and delicious homemade milkshakes and smoothies, made by caring staff members who are meeting the individual requests of residents. Residents have their choice as to what ingredients they would like in their milkshake or smoothie. Some resident favorites include bananas, frozen berries (like strawberries, blueberries, and raspberries), yogurt, ice cream, Carnation instant breakfast, fruit juices, peanut butter, and milk (all varieties including lactaid, soy, skim, and reduced fat).

Who won the competition? Everyone on the Northampton campus. In addition to unparalleled taste, the process of preparing and serving milkshakes has created opportunities for engagement between residents and staff. The transition away from supplements has been a huge success for everyone. Residents are enjoying healthy, delicious milkshakes and the Northampton staff is having a blast preparing them! ■

## PREPARING FOR HURRICANE EARL

### Just another Day for Overlook Visiting Nurses

The daily challenges faced by the Yarmouth Port branch of Overlook Visiting Nurse Association (OVNA) during the summer months are complicated enough, even before factoring in the hype of Hurricane Earl. Figuring out ways to visit our 300 patients on the outer and lower regions of Cape Cod is quite the challenge when tourists flow into town and swell the area's population from 220,000 to over 700,000. Creativity, planning, and a well-executed game plan are essential, but no matter how hard we try, getting anything accomplished is more difficult. Even the drive-through at Dunkin' Donuts for a morning coffee takes three times as long!

Everyone was looking forward to the Labor Day weekend because it signals the easing of difficult summer traffic maneuvers to get to visits. Then the news struck that a major hurricane was headed



OVNA Staff in Yarmouth Port: Front L-R—Cindy O'Neill, Pat Rosner, Susan Driscoll; Back L-R—Robin Feeley, Linda Morse, Vicki Mc Daniel

directly for Cape Cod. We have all heard of the calm before the storm; well, this was shaping up to be the storm before the calm.

"We went into our usual storm preparations as soon as we heard about the probability of the hurricane," said Carol Parece, regional administrator for OVNA. "We are in the habit of preparing for some pretty challenging snowstorms and getting ready for a hurricane is really not very different." Parece who is a resident of the Cape, knows that time is of the essence when going through the preparation phase of a storm. "We make sure every patient has a plan in place for emergencies as part of our admission process. If they have equipment that requires electricity, we

make sure there is a plan for them to move if power outages are a strong possibility." Each VNA patient and family receives a resource guide when they are admitted for ➤

## ASK THE GRAND LECTURERS

**Rt. Wor. Robert Johnston, Chairman of Grand Lecturers**



We have been asked questions about degree teams. All degree teams must be approved by the Grand Master. Send him a letter requesting permission for a particular team to work in your lodge. The Grand Master's secretary maintains a list of approved teams. Newly formed degree teams must first be approved by the grand

lecturers and then by the Grand Master.

The grand lecturers are always willing to attend lodge rehearsals if you need help. A full complement of officers must be present including your ritualist.

service. The guide contains extensive information about how families can prepare for emergencies.

Some ways to prepare for a hurricane include:

- Listen to weather updates and stay informed.
- Keep portable radio, flashlight, and fresh batteries on hand.
- Clear your yard of all loose objects.
- Store drinking water in clean containers.
- Shutter, board, or tape windows.
- Plan a flood-free evacuation route and know where to go in case of emergency.
- If ordered to evacuate, obey immediately! Take your hurricane evacuation kit (provided by OVNA).
- Let friends and neighbors know where you are going.
- Do not re-enter evacuated areas until local officials have issued an all clear.

Each patient's need for service is reviewed and prioritized. Staff locations are studied to assure that, if a patient must receive a treatment or service, there is a plan to deliver it. Hospitals and nursing homes anticipate discharges more carefully, thus assuring that they are not sending high-risk patients home during a storm. Our staff considers what their patients have for supplies and plans appropriately. Cell phones have made a tremendous difference in the ability of the staff to communicate about patients and visits.

OVNA's patient care liaison, Elena Medeiros, attends emergency preparedness meetings with local officials and she monitors such things as when the bridges will be open or closed. This information figures into planning for patients and their families. Back-up plans are made for working without computers and office equipment in the event of an extended power outage.

A lot of preparations were made this past September that were not needed—Earl was barely sputtering by the time he reached our location—but no one was disappointed. Practicing keeps Carol Parece and the Cape Cod team ready to go when the next storm rolls into town! ■

**Q** What is the proper placement of the square and compasses on each degree?

**A** Traditionally, they are placed on the left-hand page of the Great Book for the Entered Apprentice Degree, and on the right-hand page for both the Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees, because these are the more convenient locations for the candidate.

**Q** Is lodge business conducted only on the Third Degree?

**A** No. Business may be conducted on any degree. Also, a district deputy grand master may be received on any degree.

**Q** Should the warrant of the district deputy grand master—after being read by the district deputy grand marshal—be taken to the master for his inspection?

**A** Yes. Normally, the grand marshal should give the warrant to the lodge marshal, who takes it to the master.

**Q** Once again, I have heard the word brethren pronounced in different ways. What is the correct pronunciation?

**A** Brethren is a two-syllable word that should be pronounced as it is spelled: `breth – ren.

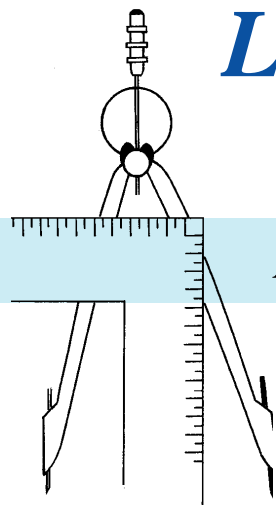
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I can remember seeing the Colonial Craftsmen some 30 years ago. I can remember how the lodge room looked different, but familiar. I can remember how the ceremony looked and sounded different, but familiar. I can remember all that, but I cannot remember where I was. As I think about that night, I may have been at a meeting of my lodge or I might have been at a meeting of the lodge of instruction. Actually, it does not matter where I was. All that matters is I remember that night and I remember how impressed I was with the work they did. I would really like to see it again.

The club will soon be taking the show on the road. While at that dinner at the Wayside Inn, members learned they had been invited to bring the show to Florida. They had been in Florida a couple of decades earlier and were now invited to return. This time, the visit includes performing *On the Square: 1775* at a number of lodges around the state. Florida Masons remembered the experience fondly and wanted to share it with the members of today.

It would be great to see the Colonial Craftsmen recreate an 18th century lodge meeting again. I am sure the group would like to have a couple of tune-ups before they take the show down south. Maybe some lodges will ask them to come to one of their meetings and maybe my cousin will let me know just where they are performing. ■





# Living Freemasonry by Rt. Wor. Steve Cohn

## Meet an Active Massachusetts Mason

Many people downplay the effectiveness of the one-day classes conducted in Massachusetts. They claim that we lose the impact that a traditional delivery of degrees has on a candidate, and that few one-day candidates take an interest in lodge affairs. While this may be true with some people, one Mason has certainly had a different experience. Worshipful Adam Mitchell, of Brockton's Saint George Lodge recalls

He took his degrees in the one-day class in November, 2005, and became a member of Baalis Sanford Lodge; he subsequently affiliated with Saint George Lodge.

Now having served as master of a lodge, Bro. Mitchell wishes he took his degrees in the more traditional manner. He says, "One-day classes are okay under certain circumstances, but are no substitute for actually participating in (as the Prestonian Charge states) your own drama." Regardless, he is still grateful for the opportunity a one-day class presented.

He says he never intended to become master of a Masonic lodge. Nevertheless, it was in Saint George Lodge that he felt he could contribute the most, and where he was elected master in 2009, and where he will be installed for a second term in 2010.

One of the master's accomplishments is line building. For the first time in five years, there are no past masters in the progressive line. Most of his 2011 officers have been Masons for less than four years. The new master has instituted a training program for the young officers by having them mentored by past masters or other senior members.

Prior to becoming a Mason, he was an admitted introvert. After seeing Wor. Bro. Mitchell in action today, you'd never know it. In preparation for his terms, he attended the Master's Path workshops three times. He also graduated

from the Webber Class of the Masonic Leadership Institute. Those training programs worked miracles for him. He is also active in his district as an ambassador, and serves as a moderator of "AskAFreemason.org." He and his wife are advisors to the Middleboro Assembly of Rainbow for Girls. His wife is a past worthy advisor of the Brockton Assembly, so it was expected that their daughter would eventually join, which she did last year and she is already taking an active role as an officer and forming her own bonds. Their son has

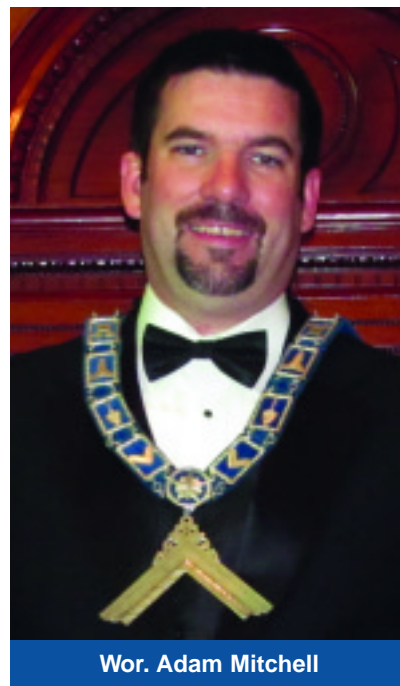
recently expressed an interest in joining DeMolay when he becomes eligible.

One of the lodge's local programs came from a radical idea. Brother Gary King asked a pointed question a few years ago after joining the lodge: "So, what do you do?" Brother Mitchell answered, "Anything you want! Put together an idea!" A test project serving meals at Mainspring, a Brockton homeless shelter, was funded with \$200 from the lodge. It was so successful it drew out an overwhelming number of lodge members. The project has grown to include other lodges in the district and reservations have to be made to work as servers! Wor. Bro Mitchell ensures that the lodge has ample financial and manpower resources to continue this noble project, which is living up to the tenets of our fraternity.

He conducts a toy drive each Christmas season, not for the young children, but for the often forgotten teenagers who reside in shelters. In the past four years since this project's inception, they have donated thousands of dollars in gift certificates to these needy young adults.

On a somewhat philosophical issue, he says of Masonic ritual, "Ritual is nice. Getting dressed up in a tux is fun. But that's not why we do this. If that's why you do this, you're doing it for all the wrong reasons. It's the sense of family that makes this a great fraternity. You make the time for the important things in life, and that all revolves around family." One of his goals is to have fun at meetings, yet still uphold the dignity of the degrees.

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Wor. Adam Mitchell

# SERVING AS GRAND REPRESENTATIVE

by Rt. Wor. C. William Lakso

The two men had never met and were enjoying each other's company over dinner in Bangalore, India. One was Most Worshipful Arun Chintopanth, Past Grand Master of Masons in India; the other, Mr. Thomas Gary of Mashpee, Massachusetts. Following their dinner, Brother Arun sent me the following message: "Dear Bro. Bill, It was indeed a very pleasant evening for me with Tom. Don't you think he needs to be made a brother among us! He's such a nice guy." I wholeheartedly agreed; I had previously broached the subject to Tom!

What unlikely circumstance brought these two strangers together? What was the reason for my involvement?

Tom Gary is my son-in-law. Tom is chief information officer of Keane Consulting in Boston, and he travels to India frequently in order to visit Keane's clients there. Brother Arun is the grand representative of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts near the Grand Lodge of India. I had made arrangements for their meeting to coincide with Tom's visit to one of the Keane offices located on the same street as Brother Arun's firm.

I was involved in this unlikely meeting because in 1998 Most Worshipful Arthur E. Johnson, then Grand Master, announced me as the grand representative of the Grand Lodge of India near the grand Lodge of Massachusetts. I was surprised, pleased, and honored to receive from his hands, the commission of appointment. I also received a medallion, unique to India, to wear when attending a lodge as a grand representative. The responsibility of the office and the medallion were previously worn proudly by my predecessor, Right Worshipful Robert C. Patey.



Rt. Wor. C. William Lakso was raised in Aurora Lodge, Fitchburg and served as worshipful master in 1965-1966. He was appointed grand pursuivant of Grand Lodge in 1970. He presided over Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection from 1993 to 1996; and became a sovereign grand inspector general, 33° in 1995.



The duty of a grand representative is to communicate with the Masonic jurisdiction you represent; this I did. A response came from Right Worshipful Brother Arun, then regional grand master for the southern region of India and the appointed grand representative to our Grand Lodge.

A steady flow of communication began immediately at a frequency of two or three exchanges each year. Brother Arun communicated immediately after September 11, 2001, expressing the shock and concern of the Masons of India at the terrorist acts in New York and Washington. Similarly, the feelings of sympathy and condolence at the

deaths of over two hundred citizens of India at Mumbai in 2008 were communicated by me on behalf of our Grand Lodge. Other exchanges of information tell of the efforts of the Masons of India to build a home for the elderly, updates on the progress and completion of our life care facility, Overlook at Charlton, and much more. It was also a pleasure for me to arrange a meeting between

Most Wor. Bro. Arun and Most Wor. Donald G. Hicks, Jr. during his term as Grand Master, at a conference of Grand Masters held in Santiago, Chile.

Bro. Arun became Grand Master of India in November, 2003. Over 2,000 Masons attended his installation ceremony! Interestingly, although he was now Grand Master, he did not choose to have another person appointed grand representative, but continued his dialog with our Grand Lodge throughout his three-year term and still now, as a past Grand Master.

Following his term as Grand Master, Bro. Arun authored a compilation of his many addresses entitled, *Charge of a Grand Master*. I was privileged to receive a copy, which I later presented to our Grand Master, Most.Wor. Roger W. Pageau.

Over ten years have passed since my appointment as a grand representative. The relationship with my counterpart in India has been and continues to be a stimulating and rewarding Masonic experience. To my son-in-law Tom, Thank you for being my representative at the table with Brother Arun.



Mr. Thomas Gary (left) and MW Arun Chintopanth, Past Grand Master of India share dinner at Bangalore, India.



# Lodge & District

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## Montgomery Lodge Fair a Fund-Raising Success

Montgomery Lodge held its second annual craft fair and exposition at Plains Park in Milford on August 21st. The event, which featured over 60 vendors, drew more than 400 people. In addition to the crafts, there were six local bands for both adults and children. The event also featured a flag retirement ceremony with the assistance of local Boy Scouts and the fair's master of ceremonies, Bro. Doug Freeman. The honorable disposal of old and used flags was a great service to the community. Montgomery Lodge



Boy Scouts assisted in the honorable disposal of old flags at the fair. was very happy with the turnout; it proved to be their biggest fund-raiser of the year. A portion of the proceeds went to Shriners Hospitals for Children. —*Bro. Jason Alger*

## DeMolay Legion of Honor from page 3



Worcester Chapter; Bro. Brian Rushlow, Worcester Chapter; Bro. Ronald Elz, Manamooskeagin Chapter, Abington; and Bro. Matthew DeFronzo, Battle Green Chapter, Lexington. Two honorary conferrals were made to Rt. Wor. Richard Stewart, Guiding Lights Lodge, Worcester; and Wor. John Brainard, Meridian Lodge, Natick.

There are fewer than 250 members of Massachusetts Court, Legion of Honor, selected from a membership that has seen tens of thousands join the Order of DeMolay in Massachusetts since 1922. —*Bro. John Doherty*

## 27th District Volunteers Aid Overlook Northampton

A group of Masons from the 27th District, organized by Rt. Wor. DDGM Paul Cataldo recently donated their time at The Overlook at Northampton to remove overgrown shrubs and dead trees and set up a phone jack in the entry way. One member commented that he felt great being part of such a wonderful cause and felt a sense of accomplishment working with his fellow Masons. The team in Northampton is very thankful for the assistance and have started a list of additional assignments for the volunteers. The crew looks forward to helping with future projects and of course welcomes more members to volunteer. *Shown are: Bro. James Perez (Chicopee Lodge), RW Marck C. Mueller and Bro. Bruce Carl (Mount Holyoke Lodge), Bro. Norman Cotnoir (Jerusalem Lodge), RW Ronald A. Jackson and RW Paul A. Cataldo (Mount Holyoke Lodge); in tractor, Wor. Joe Zajac (Chicopee Lodge).*



**Masons Return to Provincetown** from page 3 ceremony in 1907. The 100th Anniversary of this ceremony was celebrated in 2007 when Grand Master Hodgdon re-created the original ritual.

The 1910 dedication, celebrating the completion of the monument, took place on August 5, the date the Pilgrims set sail for America. This year, state and local dignitaries, led by Governor Deval Patrick, conducted the rededication ceremony at the base of the monument for an enthusiastic and appreciative crowd swelled by the presence of so many Massachusetts Masons. —*Bro. John Doherty*



## MALDEN MYSTERY: Where was this photo taken?

A large piece of paper, rolled into a tube shape, was stored in a dark corner of a closet in the Malden Masonic building. Upon investigation, it turned out to be a photograph: a very large print dating back to the early 1930s.

The 2 ft. by 6 ft. photograph shows a parade of Malden Masons. It is thought to be a picture of the parade held for the 50th anniversary of the DeMolay Commandery. This dates the photo to circa 1932, as do the cars seen parked around the square.

The mystery is the location of the parade. Where is this square pictured in the photo? In the records in Malden, the only fact noted about this event is that 100 or so brothers attended. The location has been researched by Rt. Wor. Andrew Maninos in his quest to document Malden Masonry, but he has been unable to identify the exact location. If any Mason can pinpoint the location of this parade, please contact Lee Fenn, TROWEL news editor at trowellodgenews@massfreemasonry.net. —*Rt. Wor. Andrew Maninos*

## Mass. Rainbow Camp

For 62 years, Rainbow girls from Massachusetts and other jurisdictions have enjoyed “God’s great out-of-



doors” on Lake Maquan in Hansen. The Rainbow Camp of Massachusetts, Inc. operates the only actual camping program among the many Rainbow camps around the country.

The facility sits along the lake and consists of acres of tree-shaded grounds with cabins, indoor and outdoor activity areas, and a magnificent recreation hall with modern kitchen.

In 2010, campers had a choice of three one-week programs consisting of activities such as swimming, archery,

riflery, canoeing, arts and crafts, and liquid embroidery. Evening activities are carefully planned and include group singing and skits during each session. Each week’s program concludes on Saturday with the Council Fire Award Ceremony.



The program is operated by a board of directors that includes Mrs. Sharon Burke-Prescott, camp director; Mrs. Nancy Whalen, executive director; Mr. Rob Purpura, president and director of culinary arts; and Mrs. Denise Goff, registrar. For details on the 2011 sessions see [www.rainbowcamp.org](http://www.rainbowcamp.org).

—*Bro. John Doherty*





Petitioning brothers confirm their selection of Rt. Wor. Jay A. Jolicoeur as their first master.

## New Scouters Lodge Instituted

Another new Masonic lodge has been formed in Massachusetts. The Scouters Lodge was instituted on July 27, 2010; the lodge will hold its meetings for the next year in Holden under dispensation from Grand Lodge. The institution ceremony, rarely seen in recent years, was performed by Rt. Wor. District Deputy Grand Master John K. Andrews.

Rt. Wor. Jay A. Jolicoeur (who is currently the deputy grand master) was designated by the Grand Master to serve as master of Scouters Lodge under dispensation.

The newly formed lodge will be open to members who are former Eagle Scouts in the Boy Scouts of America organization. — **Bro. John Doherty**

## Old Colony Lodge Remembers Medal of Honor Holder



Old Colony Lodge joined with Hingham Veterans organizations and members of the Foss family to honor the service of Bro. Herbert Lewis Foss, Hingham's only Medal of Honor recipient. Bro. Foss received the medal for actions under fire during the Spanish-American War.

Bro. Foss was raised Aug. 10, 1918 and served as tyler of Old Colony Lodge for 17 years until his passing in 1937. Old Colony commemorates their former tyler by naming their scholarship fund, the Herbert Lewis Foss Scholarship.

Each year, Hingham veterans cele-

## Natick's John Eliot Chapter of DeMolay Goes on the Road to Help Needham

The Second Masonic District welcomed the John Eliot Chapter, Order of DeMolay from Natick to the Needham Masonic building where on October 14, three young men were initiated into the Order.

DeMolay was strongly represented in Needham many years ago by the Needham Chapter. Demolay friends and brothers from Natick recently agreed to hold meetings in Needham from time to time, with the hopes of again generating interest within the Needham community.

There were several Masonic lodges present to witness some fine work by the officers of John Eliot Chapter. A beautiful Initiatory Degree was performed and all present were treated to an excellent performance. Congratulations and welcome to the newest members of John Eliot Chapter.

— **Rt. Wor. Dave Newcomb**

Members of John Eliot Chapter during their visit to Needham.



brate his service to the country and his town by performing a service at his grave site. This year the lodge joined the observance and performed a Masonic memorial service. The family was shown the jewel Bro. Foss wore as a tyler and the sword he used as the implement of his office.

Shown are: RW H. Lee Potter, Bro. Arthur Kress, Bro. Ernest Sofis, Wor. Joseph DeNicola, Wor. James Gilmore, Bro. Phil Garrett, Bro. David Clinton, Bro. Donald Milley, Wor. George Szabo and Wor. Bob Olsson.

— **Wor. Robert J. Olsson**



## Massachusetts Senior Past Master Recognized in Colorado



M.W. Grand Master of Colorado Brian Cotter presents Wor. Carl E. Mesnig a Sr. Past Master Certificate from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

## Washington Inaugural Bible at Norumbega Fraternity Lodge



Wor. Scott Taylor and Grand Master Roger Pageau with the Washington Inaugural Bible. Photo © Rt. Wor. Phil Nowlan

More than 160 Masons and guests as well as the Color Guard from the USS Constitution attended the September installation of officers at Norumbega Fraternity Lodge. Grand Master Roger W. Pageau and several Grand Lodge officers joined the new master, Wor. Scott A. Taylor, for the festivities.

Two priceless American Masonic artifacts were used during the ceremony. The first was the George Washington Inaugural Bible; this bible is owned by St. John's Lodge No. 1 of New York and was used when Bro. Washington took his Presidential oath of office. The second item was a master's jewel made by M. W. Paul Revere and owned by King Hiram's Lodge of Provincetown.

Wor. Carl E. Mesnig, past master of Crescent-Pittsfield Lodge in 1959, received his Senior Past Master Certificate in his Colorado lodge. Bro. Mesnig moved to Colorado in 2004 to be close to his four daughters. He joined Douglas Lodge #153 in Castle Rock, where he serves as chaplain.

Bro. Mesnig has a long and distinguished record of service to the fraternity. Among the many accomplishments over the course of his 59 years as a Mason, he served Crescent-Pittsfield lodge as master twice, was marshal and secretary of the Pittsfield 16th Masonic District, and served the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts as junior grand steward in 1974. He received his Veterans Medal in 2000 and the Joseph Warren Distinguished Service Medal in 1996.

Wor. Bro. Mesnig had the pleasure of raising his grandson, Bro. Sean G. Hicks, in Douglas Lodge #153 last year. — **Bro. John Doherty**

## The Consolidated Lodge Supports Children's Wishes



Wor. Jeff Stoller, The Consolidated Lodge, presents a donation to Dana Hrabcsak, volunteer executive director of Children's Wishes of R.I. Also pictured, Kevin Martinez and his family, and Dianne Thibeault, chairman of the board of Children's wishes of R. I.

The Consolidated Lodge participated in the Summer Smash event held annually by the Rhode Island Hot Wheels Club. The event is sponsored by Mattel, the world's largest toy maker. Hot Wheels Club's president, Mr. Jim Lombardi and other Mattel representa-



The Bakers installing Bakers at Oriental-Martha's Vineyard lodge, Front row: Bro. Joshua Steven Baker, newly installed Wor. Jeffrey Scott Baker. Bro. Jayme Karras Baker, Back row-Wor. Stephen Lee Baker, Wor. Brian Dale Baker, and Bro. Bruce David Baker.

## The Baker Family Masons

Oriental-Martha's Vineyard Lodge installed their officers on September 11th, 2010. It was a family affair!

The Baker family's long history with Masonry started with Bro. Harold Baker Jr. and extends through his three sons and five grandsons.

Wor. Stephen Lee Baker of Marine Lodge in Falmouth installed Wor. Master Jeffrey Scott Baker.

Bro. Jayme Karras Baker and Bro. Joshua Steven Baker (home from his duty station with the Air Force in England) installed the elected officers. Wor. Brian Dale Baker, who served as the installing marshal, installed the appointed officers. In addition, Bro. Joshua Baker served as installing chaplain.

The team was completed by old family friend Rt. Wor. Andras J. Nyari, who for the day, asked to have his last name hyphenated to include Baker. Bro. Nyari-Baker did a terrific job with the charge and installing the organist.

— **Bro. Wor. Brian Baker**

tives attended this year's event and were pleased to receive the support of the Consolidated Lodge's Philanthropic Fund donation of \$1500 for the benefit of Children's Wishes of Rhode Island.

Children's Wishes is in the process of establishing their organization in Wilmington, Massachusetts this coming year. — **Wor. Jeff Stoller**



Moses Michael Hays Member 102 Years Old



Pictured (front): Bro. Matt Seifer and his wife Lillian; Back Row: RW David P. Newcomb, Wor. Herb Elsner, and Wor. Abner Salant.

Amicable Lodge Honors Past Master and DDGM Roach

In September, Amicable Lodge presented Rt. Wor. Jerry A. Roach a portrait commissioned by the lodge. The oil painting will hang in the Cambridge Masonic building. Bro. Roach is Amicable’s immediate past master, and is also finishing his term as district deputy grand master for the Third Masonic District.

Artist Matt McDonough is a friend of Bro. Christopher Duggan, who spearheaded the project; McDonough worked from photos provided by members of the lodge and TROWEL Maga-



zine in order to keep the portrait a surprise. Rt. Wor. Bro. Roach served three consecutive terms as master and led the lodge during a period of growth and genuine revitalization. “It simply seemed right to honor him in the same way Amicable has honored others among its membership that secured the future of the lodge for the next generation of Masons,” said Bro. David Riley, secretary. “And of course, this way he will always be greeted by a face he recognizes as he enters the lodge room.”

— Bro. David Riley



Sixty-Year Pin Presented

Wor. Irwin L. Gilbert of Moses Michael Hays Lodge, who now lives in California, was in Massachusetts recently. Rt. Wor. David Newcomb met with Bro. Gilbert and his wife Gail, and presented him with his 60-year anniversary pin. Bro. Gilbert’s pride was apparent as he spoke of his Masonic family. His grandfather, father, four uncles, six cousins, brother-in-law, two nephews, and his son are all Masons.

Bro. Gilbert has travelled the world, experiencing Masonry wherever he went. He has wonderful stories about Masonic experiences in Australia, New Zealand, Holland, and of course the United States. In Australia, he was invited to attend a lodge in the Outback where the members used military type regalia, wore kilts, and had bagpipes playing. His excitement was evident as he shared some of his favorite memories about Masonry.

At top: Gail and Wor. Irwin Gilbert and RW David P. Newcomb, DDGM.

Simonds Lodge Honors Eagle Scout



At the Boy Scout’s Court of Honor on Sept. 26, 2010 Simonds Lodge recognized Eagle Scout, Bill Ryan III. Pictured are: Bro. Wayne Higden, Wor. Elliot Chikofsky, Bill, and his father Bill Ryan Jr. — Bro. David Riley

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tains the office operations during the Grand Master’s absences. The Grand Master checks in periodically while away and operations continue uninterrupted. You can be confident that critical items will continue to receive attention.

The Grand Master’s office is in Suite 305 at the Grand Lodge building. Before calling with questions, I would recommend that lodge officers first contact their lodge master, and then their district deputy grand master. This process will often get you the information you need quickly. If you still need an answer, we are here to serve you. In December, I will have the privilege of staying on with the next Grand Master—the third Grand Master I have served—and I look forward to continuing to work with you. The office is a very busy place especially on meeting days. While we love to see visitors, I hope you will excuse me if I don’t always have time for a long chat when you stop by!

2010 MASONIC ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the nearly 500 Masons celebrating milestone anniversaries of their Raising. Below are the names and current lodges of brothers who are enjoying their 60th, 65th, 70th, and 75th years in Masonry. It is possible that very recent demits and deaths are not

reflected in this listing. Contact your lodge secretary if you have any question about your membership status. Note that it is possible that a brother might be listed under lodges to which he formerly belonged rather than his current lodge.

75-Year Anniversaries Brethren Raised in 1935

Major General Henry Knox Lodge

George Maurice Franklin

Mount Tom Lodge

R.W. Charles Milton Gillette

Rural Lodge

Bro. Joseph Benjamin Grossman Jr.

The Consolidated Lodge

Bro. Irving William Rabb

65-Year Anniversaries Brethren Raised in 1945

Abraham H. Howland, Jr. Lodge

Bro. Edward Daniel Mackler, Sr.

Amity-Mosaic Lodge

Wor. Thayne Foster Symmes

Ancon Lodge

Bro. Wayne Eusebe Delchambre

Bro. Howard Chesley Richards Jr.

Bro. Maurice Asa Tewinkel

Bethesda (W) Lodge

Bro. Edward Charles Kurker

Boylston Lodge

Bro. Kenneth Louis Bates

Bro. Robert Edwin Chapman Jr.

Budleigh Lodge

Bro. John Graham Standley

Caleb Butler Lodge

Bro. Sanford Jay Goodman

Charles River Lodge

Bro. Charles Joseph Cotton

Converse Lodge

Wor. Allan Ira Glazin

Bro. Erwin Norbert Ziner

Dalhousie Lodge

Bro. Earl Whittemore Harrington Jr.

Elm-Belcher Lodge

Bro. Frank Manook Kaloustian

Garden City Lodge

Bro. Bernard Weinstein

Gate of The Temple Lodge

Bro. Alexander Athans Chandler

Gatun Lodge

Bro. James Cornelius Cullen

Bro. Robert Graham Forsythe

Bro. Allen Jackson Sellers Jr.

Golden Fleece Lodge

Bro. Donald MacKay

Bro. Fred Willis Proctor Jr.

Good Samaritan Lodge

Bro. Edward Rice Willett

Guiding Lights Lodge

Bro. Edward Joseph Chalecki

King David Lodge

Bro. Kenneth Grant Campbell

Bro. Everett Leon Hackett

King Philip Lodge

Bro. George Robert Williston

Bro. James Henry Wray

Major General Henry Knox Lodge

Bro. Howard C. Bender

Bro. Bertram Harold Stahl

Meridian Lodge

Bro. Kenneth Ellsworth Morrell Jr.

Morning Star Lodge

Bro. Warren Henry Jacobson

Moses Michael Hays Lodge

Bro. Herbert William Cohn

Bro. Hyman James Coran

Bro. Harold George Holmstock

Bro. Robert Myer Levine

Bro. Irwin Roblin

Bro. Joseph Zigmund Steinberg

Mount Carmel Lodge

Bro. Jacob Levine

Mount Holyoke Lodge

Bro. George Belales

Mount Hope Lodge

Bro. Charles Wolfe Stamper

Mount Moriah Lodge

Bro. Richard Gray Ramsdell

Mount Tabor Lodge

Bro. Isaac Prager

Mount Vernon-Galilean Lodge

Bro. Walter Elmer Rees

Bro. William Crickett Relp

Mountain Lodge

Wor. Howard Everett Stockwell

Mystic Lodge

Wor. Louis Emmett Boos

Mystic Valley Lodge

Bro. Henry Blandy Moore

Norfolk Union Lodge

Bro. Charles George

North Quabbin Lodge

Bro. Harold Harper Chaplin

Norumbega Fraternity Lodge

Bro. Leslie Wilbur Irving

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70-Year Anniversaries Brethren Raised in 1940

Ancon Lodge

Bro. James Roy Shirley

Artisan Lodge

Bro. Earle Sylvester Childs

Bay Path Lodge

Wor. Hudson Russell Bennett

Wor. Everett S. Allen

Seventy-year pin recipients Wor. Hudson R. Bennett and Wor. Everett S. Allen, with Rt. Wor. John K. Andrews (center).



Budleigh Lodge

Bro. Roger Sherman Drake

Delta Lodge

Bro. Everett Lyle Cook

Bro. Norman Joseph Satterthwaite

Globe Unity Lodge

Bro. Harry Russell Jr.

Golden Rule Lodge

Bro. David Elmer Russell

John T. Heard Lodge

Bro. Lawrence Lamson

King David Lodge

R.W. Robert Webster Williams III

Pequossette Lodge

Bro. George Washington Johnson Jr.

Philanthropic Lodge

Bro. Montgomery Farrington

Quinsigamond Lodge

Bro. Lebbeus Smith Case

Satuit Lodge

Bro. Gilman Bates Wilder

Solomon’s Temple Lodge

R.W. Elton Clarence Jones

The Consolidated Lodge

Bro. Jerome Grossman

Bro. Louis Morris Levy

Waltham Triad Lodge

Bro. Charles Walter Noke

Weymouth United Masonic Lodge

Bro. John Roulstone Hall

Wilder Lodge


Bro. Maurice Herbert Jaffe

Wyoming Lodge

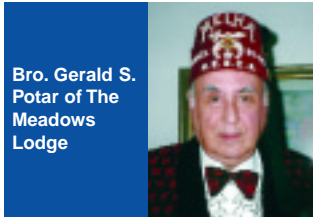
Bro. Richard Donald Foulkes



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<b>Old Colony Lodge</b> Bro. Luther Stephenson Leighton Bro. Philip Gordon Worrick
<b>Palestine Lodge</b> Bro. Richard Hugh Bond
<b>Paul Revere Lodge</b> Bro. John Robert Williams
<b>Pequosette Lodge</b> Bro. William Thomas Von Schoppe
<b>Philanthropic Lodge</b> Bro. Herbert Chester Heggie Bro. Keith Leslie Jordan Bro. Albert Henry Labastie
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One way of having fun is to have a family-oriented event every eight weeks. This keeps the spouses and children involved and they wind up forming their own bonds. He goes on to point out that by not having these programs, you potentially hurt the next generation of Masons and ultimately the future of your lodge.

Bro. Mitchell readily admits he could not be successful without mentoring from a number of people. He credits Wor. George Hebert, Rt. Wor. Jim Sarantopoulos, Rt. Wor.

**60-Year Anniversaries**  
Brethren Raised in 1950

<b>Alpha Lodge</b> Bro. David Fraser Dowling	<b>Caribbean Naval Lodge</b> Bro. Kenneth William Fritsche
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<b>Boylston Lodge</b> Bro. Howard Parker Rowell Bro. Richard Lindsey Seuss	
<b>Brigham Lodge</b> Bro. Erwin Seymour Bilsky Bro. David Barron Irvine Wor. Harold Richard Peacey	
<b>Bristol Lodge</b> Bro. Sidney Austin Maddocks	
<b>Budleigh Lodge</b> R.W. Willis Foster Quimby Jr. Bro. Winston James Rose Bro. James Francis Russell Jr.	
<b>Caleb Butler Lodge</b> Bro. Robert Edward Lorenzen Bro. Frank William Perina	

Dick Cusick, and Rt. Wor. Jim Holmes with laying the perfect foundation for him. They gave Bro. Mitchell the chance to display his greatness and encouraged his free-thinking and creativity.

Worshipful Adam Mitchell may be a young Mason, both in age and years in the Craft, but he has certainly demonstrated wisdom and experience beyond his years. In his short tenure as a Mason, he has certainly left his mark and has a bright future ahead of him. ■

**60-year Veterans** continued from previous page

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**Corinthian Lodge Plays Masonopoly**



Corinthian Lodge, in Concord, is conducting a novel fund-raiser to help with needed renovations to their historic building.

The lodge is promoting a variation of the familiar game of Monopoly. However, this time the board game will be called Masonopoly and it will have an entirely new Masonic look! Spots or “real estate,” on the board, will be offered to all interested Massachusetts lodges, and include naming rights, as well as a place for art work. Cost for a square on the board is \$300.

Games will be produced in early 2011 and be available for purchase and resale. The cost of the games will be \$15, with a suggested retail price of \$25. Corinthian Lodge expects Masonopoly will be an effective fund-raiser for participating lodges and a whole lot of fun.

Contact Bro. Dan Consoletti at dconsoletti@aol.com or visit Corinthian Lodge’s web site: <http://www.concord-masons.org/masonopoly> for updates on the availability of spots and more information. — **Wor. Doug Ellis**

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expressions; first, the “Era of Good Feeling,” a term he used to describe the presidency of James Monroe; second, the term “gerrymander,” arising from a cartoon in the *Centinel* showing a tortuously drawn Congressional district in a caricature of Governor Elbridge Gerry, who had designed it to ensure re-election of a political ally.

Until the end of his life, he was usually addressed as Major Russell, for the rank he had held in the Continental Army. He was widely respected and held in high regard by his brethren, not only within Massachusetts but beyond. For some time he took it upon himself to print and distribute laws and official documents for the government of the United States, a service he provided gratis until President Washington, learning of it, caused him to be reimbursed as a “debt of honor.”

When Bro. Russell died in 1845, he was eulogized in a memorial ceremony held at the Melodeon, a theater located on what is now lower Washington Street in Boston. The orator, Bro. and Rev. Francis Baylies, said of him:

From an early age until his death, there was scarcely a moment in which he was not occupied in doing something for the public good; and in all public trusts, he displayed more devotion to the public interests than his own. Those trusts were many, and he neglected none, but executed them with his best ability and with great success. He was a faithful soldier and an able editor.

Even today, more than a century and a half later, it is a fitting eulogy to a remarkable, devoted Mason. ■



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*Aleppo's Illustrious Potentate Jeffrey Arnold segways his way through Gardner's 225th anniversary parade. Marching in the parade were Masons from Gardner, including Hope Lodge, and the Eastern Star.— Bro. Ken Jean*

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## NEW MASONIC BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

*The Overflowing of Friendship*, by Richard Godbeer, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2009. Fraternal love in eighteenth century America. Inspired in part by the eighteenth-century culture of sensibility and in part by religious models, brotherly relationships were not only important to men's personal happiness but also had broader social, religious, and political significance.

*Crown of Serpents*, by Michael Karpovage, Karpovage Creative, Inc., 2010. (From book's back cover:) "With the discovery of a campaign journal from an American Revolutionary War officer who fought against the Iroquois Indians, the U.S. Army calls in their top field historian to assess its contents. Jake Tununda, combat vet, Freemason, and half-Seneca Indian, is stunned when he gleans from the journal's cryptic Masonic passages clues to the location of an ancient shaman's crown once protected by the White Deer Society, a secret cult of his forefathers." A dandy mystery involving hidden treasures and secrets!

*The Beauty and Glory of the Day: A Masonic Devotional*, by Walter William Melnyk, Common Gavel Press, 2009. A fascinating Masonic devotional designed for the use of members of the Craft. Religiously neutral, the devotional is likely to be suitable for any faith since the biblical quotations that appear throughout are appropriate and relevant. The book offers also a weekly program of practical exercises that challenge each Masonic student to live a more

authentically Masonic life (quoted from *Philalethes*, Spring, 2010).

*Into Masonic Light*, by Douglas H. Wood and Dimitar G. Mavrov, Sheridan Books, Inc., 2010. A book of Masonic essays from the brethren of Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22. Bro. W. Kirk MacNulty, in his endorsement of the book in *Philalethes*, Spring, 2010, states that "as brethren work with the symbols over time, they see additional and much deeper meanings . . . various symbols are seen to relate to each other in new and sometimes very profound ways." Bro. MacNulty recommends *Into Masonic Light* particularly for exploring these deeper layers of symbolism.

*The Art of Manliness: Classic Skills and Manners for the Modern Man*, by Brett and Kate McKay, How Books, 2009. To quote the review in the summer, 2010 *Journal of the Masonic Society: The Art of Manliness* revels in all things manly, often with great humor and insight. Taking lessons from Freemasons Teddy Roosevelt and Benjamin Franklin, the authors thoroughly examine what it means to be a gentleman, a friend, a lover, a hero, a father, a leader, and a virtuous man. One of the best things in the book is the authors' endorsement of fraternal organizations, particularly Freemasonry. They spend several pages giving five reasons why young men should join a fraternal organization. A great book for teaching men how to be better men!

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