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And now abideth
Faith, Hope, Charity
these three, but the greatest of these is

Charity



**The Grand
Master's
Appeal**



From the East of Grand Lodge
MOST WORSHIPFUL RICHARD MAGGIO

Brethren,

The foundation of Freemasonry is the three principal tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. Each of us as Masons have our own unique experiences and perspectives of what these tenets mean:

- We have all had the opportunity to feel the warm fraternal glow of Brotherly Love.
- Experiencing, witnessing, or presenting our degrees provides every Mason a unique perspective from which to contemplate the Truth embedded within Freemasonry's system of teaching.
- And anyone who has given of his time, talent, or treasure for the benefit of others without expecting or wanting anything in return knows the power of providing Relief.

But what is it like to experience Relief? How many of us really understand the importance of Relief?

The past two years have provided me with a perspective of Relief I could not have previously imagined. I appreciated the great philanthropic programs our Fraternity is so well known for, such as the Shriners Hospitals for Children, the Children's Dyslexia Centers, and our own Grand Lodge Scholarship Program. However, I was not intimately familiar with the stories behind the charity we provide.

As Grand Master, I read the requests from our Brethren and widows who have appealed to The Brotherhood Fund for Relief. I spoke with the Grand Master of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Rhode Island following the fire that destroyed their building. I spoke to the Grand Master of Kentucky about the impact Massachusetts Freemasons had on their Brethren and their families of his jurisdiction as we responded with our Charity to the devastating tornadoes last December.

We can do these things and much, much more because of the generosity of Brethren like you and the support we receive every year for the Grand Master's Appeal – the cornerstone of our charitable and educational programs.

The cover story of this issue of TROWEL is Masonic Charity and the Grand Master's Appeal. As we have done for the past several years, we recognize and thank donors who have contributed to the Appeal. We have also given you the opportunity to participate in the 2022 Grand Master's Appeal.

We learn "the greatest of these is Charity" because it "extends beyond the grave, to the boundless realms of eternity." I hope you share my pride in Massachusetts Freemasonry's commitment to Relief and to caring for each other and for all mankind.

May the Great Architect of the Universe bless you and your family, and may He continue to bless our great Fraternity.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Most Worshipful Richard Maggio

Grand Master

P.S. "Brother, when you are in need, lean on me..."

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Charity: The Masonic Model

I never gave blood before I was a Mason. I tried to be a good driver, but my Masonic plate makes me a better driver. I never helped the hungry until I became a Mason. While I wanted to help, thought helping was good, or applauded others who helped, I did very little myself.



Even now, as a Mason, I feel like I do very little. But I am surrounded by Masons who do a lot. I have models – Brothers - who are working tirelessly to help those less fortunate. Some of them I know, many of them I don't. The Grand Master's Appeal, Brothers of the White Ash, and endless other programs show the Craft's commitment—done individually, cumulated into a massive number—to help.

Mount Olivet, my lodge, has some very charitable Brothers—I'm not one of them. The team is Bros. Thomas Michael DeWitt and Daniel Michael Mehigan. They feed the hungry. Twice a week, they pickup donated bread and vegetables. They deliver this food to locations in three towns - Cambridge, Lynn, and in Boston right next to Grand Lodge.

At our recent Communication, Rt. Wor. Robert Stanley (R) presented Bro. DeWitt (L) with the Joseph Warren medal. Bro. DeWitt has never been Master of the Lodge. He is pleased with being the Chaplain for many Masters. He is the very picture of what this Mason strives to be: kind, charitable, and humble.



In Freemasonry, we enjoy meals with men like Bros. DeWitt and Mehigan and we see lists of other Brothers whom we don't yet know. All are involved with the good we wish to do and be. As a Mason, I have given blood, I have improved my driving (a little), and I have given to charities both my time and money. I'm better because I'm surrounded by those better than me.

Fraternally, Lee H. Fenn

In the prior issue, Rt. Wor. Michael Craven and Grand Lady Rin Chibiki-Craven were misnamed. I apologize for the error, LHF.

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The Union of the Unions in Dorchester (L) and on Nantucket (R).

Union between Union Lodge (N) and Union Lodge (D)

What keeps things interesting? What keeps the members of a lodge coming back? New ideas is what, and that is precisely what Worshipful Nicholas Bontempi and Worshipful Shawn Robichaud wanted to do. Never in the 250 years of Union Lodge Nantucket (N) or the 225 years of Union Lodge Dorchester (D) is there any history of the two Lodges working together, so why not work together! The two Masters decided to hold two joint meetings. On February 12, Union Lodge Nantucket would travel to Union Lodge Dorchester, who meets in Norwood, and perform a First Degree for the candidate from Union Lodge (D). The day was truly special because not only did we have the first of two meetings, but we also had the honor and privilege to welcome Rt. Wor. Glenn Lawrence Kubick, Senior Grand Warden of our Grand Lodge, who happened to be acting Grand Master that particular day.

The second meeting was held on March 12, one month to the day following the first joint meeting. The Brethren from Union Lodge (D) would board a ferry and travel to the Sovereign Nation of Nantucket. The Grand Architect of the Universe must have

been on our side because the weather forecast was not in our favor and the day almost did not occur. Rough waves and thoughts of potentially getting stranded did not stop us, however. The second joint meeting was truly exciting, as it was the first time many of the brethren of Union Lodge (D) had travelled to Nantucket to meet our brothers there and to see their truly beautiful building. Union Lodge (D) occupied the Officer stations and preformed the Second Degree on the candidates

from Union Lodge (N). Rt. Wor. Robert Buchanan, Sr. held his Fraternal visit that day, again making the day even more special.

Brethren, I cannot begin to tell you that these types of events are what help to make our great Fraternity even more special than it already is! We urge other lodges to consider holding a joint meeting with another lodge, growing fraternal relations, and strengthening our bonds.

-Wor. Shawn C Robichaud



Bro. Hiro's Warren Presented

At the stated meeting for Sinim Lodge on March 15, 2022, Bro. Hiroyuki "Hiro" Takayama was presented with a Joseph Warren Medal for Distinguished Service. You rarely meet such a selfless and devoted person, and we are blessed to have Bro. Takayama in our lives. In addition, we were honored to have in attendance the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Japan, M. Wor. Jeremy C. R. Entwisle, and Sinim's own and the current Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Japan, Rt. Wor. Anand J. Murti. Bro. Takayama is a credit to Sinim Lodge and is wholly deserving of the recognition that he received.

-Rt. Wor. Michael Craven

Faith requires you to dig deeper

by *Rt. Wor. & Cantor Seth Landau*

Brethren All, there is certainly no need for me to explain to you how difficult these last two years have been for each of us, our families and friends, and the Fraternity as a whole. What we took for granted in our daily lives before the pandemic we now look upon from (hopefully) a very different perspective. This period tested our faith at perhaps a scale which many of us have not seen in our lifetimes. In Yiddish, we say *Zei Gezunt*, meaning “be healthy,” or in a sense, to stay safe. Of course, we are all familiar with *Gesundheit*, the expression to wish someone health and blessing when someone sneezes. We are ultimately showing faith that this person will remain healthy. This courteous expression seemed helpful enough in the past, although for the last several months people were more likely to be very anxious when someone sneezed near them. Did they have COVID? Or was it just one of many other typical causes? Our faith for health has waned during the pandemic. It has not fully recovered.

What seemed relatively benign in the past is no longer such. Going to the grocery store or to the doctor was a major chore, like eating at a restaurant or flying on a plane, when you could. Even praying was significantly altered. You could not walk into your church or synagogue for many months and most everything was offered on-line, assuming your denomination permitted such allowances. Of course, of much more importance and devastating, is the loss of millions of people around the world due to this virus and the many millions more who became very ill and still struggle. How do we reconcile this devastation within ourselves? How do we move forward when there is so much pain from the recent past? How do we recover economically and socially? How do we restore our faith in the future?

That faith seems to be tested more and more every day. We do not have to look any further than what is taking place in Eastern Europe right now, specifically with the increasingly horrific situation which is Ukraine. While governments have to address this from multiple and perhaps conflicting standpoints, we, as individuals and communities, should observe closely at how the people of Ukraine are handling this test. Soldiers and civilians are either standing up to a much larger and more powerful force resulting in injury or

death, or braving hunger, cold, a lack of medicine, and dangerous travel as refugees who are forced to flee with their families to other countries through no fault of their own. The people of Ukraine have dug deep to their core and have inspired many of us throughout the world. Despite the overwhelming odds, they continue to have faith that eventually they will be able to return to the lives they were forced to abandon and be like the rest of us. Many are willing to die for that faith.

Of course, the bedrock of Masonry is the concept of faith. Faith in our Supreme Architect, faith in our families and friends, faith in our ideas, faith in our leaders, faith in our fellow brothers. Faith requires trust. It springs hope. It can ultimately lead to charity. Faith, Hope, and Charity – interesting concept. Another consequence of the pandemic has been a loss of our own sense of value. A loss of faith in ourselves, with some-

times tragic consequences. We as human beings are made in the image of the Architect of the Universe. In Masonry, we are obligated to demonstrate our belief in a Supreme Being. So, if we were to apply triangulation to this scenario, shouldn't we strive to believe in ourselves? To be able to improve ourselves as brothers and fellows. Some of us have forgotten this obligation. It requires us to have faith in ourselves. Masonry is not immune from this test.

Our time is precious. We have seen this during the pandemic. We have seen this with the inexcusable loss of life of innocent people in Ukraine, or with maladies across the world due to war, hunger, lack of proper resources, natural disasters, and many other situations. We as Masons have a lot of work to do. We need to revive that faith in ourselves which makes Freemasonry such an exceptional organization so that we can fulfill our critical obligations to others. That we can continue to set the example of what it truly means to be a brother. Faith requires digging deeper within yourself. It requires introspection. It requires stepping out of your comfort zone. Let's not waste our precious time squabbling on trivial matters. This is no time to lay down our working tools. This world needs Freemasonry. I have faith in that. ■

Rt. Wor. Seth Landau is the current Spiritual Leader of Congregation Sons of Israel of Peabody, and a Past Master of Norumbega Fraternity Lodge.



THE MARCH 2022 QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS



by *Wor. Lee H. Fenn*

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Richard Maggio, heard the Grand Marshal, Rt. Wor. John E. Kelley, Jr. proclaim, “Brethren, the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master,” at 1:30pm on March 9, 2022. All Brethren present stood, many let out a loud whoop, and applauded their Grand Master.

“Good afternoon, Brethren, thank you for joining me today.” The Grand Master smiled. “We will continue to live stream and record our meetings for those who are not able to join us. For those online, thank you for tuning in.” On a more somber note, he continued, “With the passing of our dear Brother George Wiseman, Grand Organist, who faithfully served Grand Lodge for the past 10 years, please welcome Brother Robert Cook and Brother Joseph Camara. They will be attending to the musical services of Grand Lodge today. Please greet them with a warm welcome.” The Brethren welcomed the new Grand Organists, who were later installed as such.

Members of Taleb Grotto, Monarch Jonah McCall, Past Monarch Ronald McKim, Past Monarch John Knox, Prophet Vincent Mood, and Prophet William Wayne, presented the flag of the United States of America, to which the Brethren pledged their allegiance. The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, District Deputies, guests, and assembled Brethren belted out “The Star-Spangled Banner.” With the retirement of the Color Guard, the Grand Master opened the Communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts in ample form.

The Grand Master demonstrated the Clap (a single clap instead of applause) and introduced the following guests:

- M. Excel. Ernest A. Bean, Grand High Priest, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts
- M. Ill. Andrew C. Maninos, Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of Royal and Select Master Masons of Massachusetts
- Sir Knight Peter A. Mooradian, Rt. Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, and the Appendant Orders, of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America:

- Ill. George F. Hamilton, 33°, Deputy for Massachusetts
- Ill. Donald M. Moran, 33°, Active for Massachusetts
- Ill. Robert C. Schremser, 33°, Active for Massachusetts
- Ill. Peter R. Smith, 33°, Active Emeritus for Massachusetts
- Ill. Ralph I. Sewall, 33°, Active Emeritus for Massachusetts
- Ill. Robert E. Godbout, Jr., 33°, Active Emeritus for Massachusetts

Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts:

- M. Wor. Yves R. Maignan, Grand Master
- Rt. Wor. Gerald R. Thaxton, Deputy Grand Master
- Rt. Wor. Justin A. Petty, Grand Senior Warden
- Rt. Wor. Collin Herelle, Grand Junior Warden

- Rt. Wor. Oscar Zepde, Grand Representative, Grand Lodge of Baja California, Mexico

Shrine International:

- Ill. Robert H. Brown, Potentate, Aleppo Shrine
- Ill. Jeffery A. Hastings, Potentate, Melha Shrine

- Rt. Wor. Dad Philip Drouin, Executive Officer, Order of the DeMolay, Massachusetts

- M. Worthy Charles H. Jones, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, Order of the Eastern Star

Streaming

District of Panama:

- Rt. Wor. Albert C. Hopper, District Grand Master

Tokyo, Japan:

- Rt. Wor. Anand J. Murti, A member of Sinim Lodge of this Grand Lodge, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Japan

Brazil, Grand Lodge of Minas Gerais:

- M. Wor. Sergio Quirino Guimarães, Grand Master
- Rt. Wor. Wilson Filho, Grand Secretary of International Relations

Rio de Janeiro:

- Rt. Wor. José Carlos de Seixas, Grand Secretary of Foreign Affairs

Past Grand Masters:

- M. Wor. Albert Timothy Ames
- M. Wor. Arthur E. Johnson (streaming)
- M. Wor. Donald Gardner Hicks, Jr.
- M. Wor. Jeffrey B. Hodgdon
- M. Wor. Richard J. Stewart
- M. Wor. Harvey John Waugh
- M. Wor. Paul Fulton Gleason



The Grand Master and Grand Marshal enjoy their entrance into the Lodge room.



The Color Guard from Taleb Grotto are Monarch Jonah McCall, Past Monarch Ronald McKim, Prophet Vincent Mood, Prophet William Wayne, and Past Monarch Knox.

The Grand Master introduced the First Responders: Rt. Wors. Jerry Bergeron (Captain), David Maxim, Kevin Hamel, Jeffrey Arnold, Wors. Jack MacNeill, and Ed Burg. Production of audio and sound was directed by Wor. Charles Caroselli. The Information Services team of Rt. Wor. Elliot Chikofsky, Wor. Patrick DelVal, Wor. Scott Sherman, and Bro. Timothy Maxwell provided the live stream.

The Grand Master turned over the floor to the Deputy Grand Master for the purpose of installing the new Grand Organists. He congratulated Rt. Wor. Douglas Eames, who will be installed as Grand Lecturer in Tokyo, Japan, later this month.

The Grand Master entertained reports. The Voting Power of Lodge and Recognition of Proxies reports were delivered by M. Wor. Bro. Ames, as well as a Petition for Consolidation of Day Spring and Thomas Lodges to be known as Thomas Day Spring Lodge under the charter of Thomas Lodge. M. Wor. Bro. Gleason spoke about the 100th anniversary of the George Washington Memorial. This fantastic memorial houses over 3,000 artifacts and should be a destination spot for every Mason. Rt. Wor. W. Warren Richardson reported on the Records Committee and Rt. Wor. Steve Cohn reported on the Committee on Charters and By-Laws. Eight changes were proposed, and all of the above that needed approval, received it.

Rt. Wor. John F. Sullivan, Deputy Grand Master, shouldered the sad responsibility of providing the Brethren with the necrology. The Craft mourns the loss of nearly 200

years of Masonic experience.

The Grand Master called upon Rt. Wor. Walter Hunt, the Grand Historian, to recall for us the lives of Rt. Wor. William E. Holland and Wor. George A. Wiseman.

Rt. Wor. William E. Holland 1948-2022

“In the Masonic Fraternity we often speak of greatness. The idea of what constitutes great has been bent and stretched all out of proportion in our time, and like many words, is altered to meet the whim of the speaker. The generation gradually passing away has been characterized as the Greatest Generation, for what they did and what they stood for. It’s a burden to bear, especially when the term is so malleable.

The subject of this memorial, Rt. Wor. Bro. Holland, did understand what constituted greatness. In his speech as Deputy Grand Master in December 2005, he asked, ‘Whom are you going to help make great?’ He was asking the audience who they might introduce to the Fraternity - someone in their life for whom they might be a friend,

a mentor, a guide into and within the Craft. He had spoken about his own career, from the time he joined DeMolay until the present, and the men who had done this for him, not just as a young man, but as a new Mason, and as an experienced Brother. By extension, he was also talking about himself, about the role he had played in making other men great. This, among many other things, is what characterized our Brother and friend, and its absence will surely be missed.



Two new Grand Organists, Bros. Robert Cook and Joseph Camara, take their oath and are installed by the Deputy Grand Master.

Rt. Wor. Bro. Holland was born in 1948, and was active in his youth as a DeMolay, which led him directly to Norfolk Lodge, where he was raised in 1971. It was the beginning of an active Masonic career, in his Blue Lodge and both the York and Scottish Rite. He served as Master of his lodge, District Deputy Grand Master in the Brighton 5th District, and as noted above, Deputy Grand Master. In the Scottish Rite, he was Commander-in-Chief of Massachusetts Consistory, receiving the Meritorious Service Award in 1993, and the Thirty-Third Degree in 2001. After a long engineering career, Brother Holland became the Director of Operations for the Supreme Council, a position he held until the time of his death.

A mere recording of Bro. Holland's Masonic resume does little to convey his active participation in, and his love for, the Fraternity. His first introduction to Masonry was through the Order of DeMolay in Needham. There he met Rt. Wor. Carl Gordon, whose lodge he joined. Norfolk Lodge was, and is, active in the community, and Bro. Holland was a part of its activities. For the last several years, he was the Treasurer for the Needham Building Corporation, both administratively and hands-on. Among other things that bear his mark are the cabinets in the dining hall. He was also responsible for planning and directing lodge trips, including a memorable one to Scotland, accompanying M. Wor. Bro. Hicks.

Identifying problems, finding needs, and solving problems are the hallmarks of Brother Holland's life and Masonic career. One of his contemporaries and close Masonic friends spoke fondly of him, saying that whenever he took on a project he 'couldn't be stopped' and 'engaged one hundred percent.' If there was something that needed to be done, he did it, and carried it through to its completion.

If there is any monument to accomplishment that should be esteemed above all others, it is commitment to excellence. The desire and ability to get things done, and to do them right. Only square and true stones are suitable for the temple of virtue, and leading by example and inspiration, Bro. Holland wrought many of them and taught others to do so as well.

We have lost a just and upright Mason, and we have lost him all too soon."

Wor. George A. Wiseman 1943-2022

"Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast. To soften rocks, or bend the knotted oak." "William Congreve's words have been spoken many times since they appeared in a poem in 1697, and we take them to heart when we hear

beautiful music. A pall of silence reminds us of its absence, and of the one who brought it to us.

We commemorate that absence today in our memory of Brother George Albert Wiseman, the Grand Organist for this Grand Lodge for the last ten years. Though well known to all in blue lodge, Grand Lodge, York Rite, Scottish Rite, and other associated bodies. Bro. Wiseman was a very private man. He was born in 1943, on a day of birth we shared, and was raised in Reading, Massachusetts. He was active in the Civil Air Patrol and was a model railroad enthusiast. He served in the United States Air Force and was stationed in Europe during the Cold War. He played the organ from the age of 12, and played in his own church, the North Congregational Church of Woburn, for more than thirty years, as well as our Grand Lodge, the Grand Bodies of the York Rite, and many Lodges and other Masonic and Masonic-affiliated bodies. In his travels, he visited many famous organs around the world. It was said he had an encyclopedic knowledge of pipe organs.

Bro. Wiseman was proud of his Scottish heritage and was Secretary of the Clan MacBean, and in his younger days he attended and participated in the Highland Games at Loon Mountain. He wore hand-made tartan kilts of many Clans with which he had familial ties.

In his later years he was the primary caregiver for his beloved wife Barbara, who predeceased him by three years. As with so many things in his life, this was a private matter, and he continued to soldier on, a sincere, gentlemanly, and honorable Brother who was known by so many in this jurisdiction and beyond. Ours is a diminished, quieter world without the

music of our dear Brother, but the memory of his skill will comfort us.

I would like to acknowledge the help of Rt. Wor. Brother Francis Mitrano in preparing this brief memorial."

Rt. Wor. Richard Haley, Senior Grand Chaplain, led the Brethren in solemn prayer.

The Grand Master led us to the nadir of the Quarterly, suspensions or expulsions. Of the thousands of Masons in this jurisdiction, one man failed and was suspended indefinitely. The Brethren approved the suspension.

The Grand Master brought Masters or representatives and District Deputies to the East to celebrate their anniversaries: 100th, Wamesit Lodge, chartered March 8, 1922; 150th, Hampshire Lodge, chartered March 13, 1872; 225th, Saint Paul Lodge, chartered January 26, 1797.

He brought Rt. Wor. Neal Packard to the East for a presentation for Bro. Mark Richard Collum for his



The Grand Master presents Recognition for Life Saving for Bro. Mark Richard Collum, accepted by Rt. Wor. William E. Yanakakis.



The Grand Master receives a plaque commemorating Grand Organist Rt. Wor. George Wiseman's service from members of William Parkman Lodge and Mt. Horeb Lodge.



Wor. Phil Privitera and M. Wor. Yves R. Maignan, Grand Master of Prince Hall Grand Lodge present a donation to the Grand Master.

life-saving, self-endangering action. After having lost his wife and daughter to fire 23 years ago, Bro. Collum rushed into a burning building to answer a woman's cries for help. Bro. Collum saved her life. In his words, he just 'did the right thing.'

Rt. Wor. Bro. Hunt and Rt. Wor. William E. Yanakakis presented to the Grand Master a new New Member Handbook.

The Grand Master conferred the Grand Master's Award on the following Lodges: Pequossette Lodge, 3rd Dist.; Converse Lodge and William Sutton Lodge, 4th Dist.; Celestial Lodge, Orient Lodge, and Union Lodge, 6th Dist.; William Parkman Lodge, 13th Dist.; Corinthian Lodge, 14th Dist.; Daniel Webster Lodge, 18th Dist.; and The Meadows Lodge, 28th Dist.

The Grand Master received Rt. Wor. John Ferrante, District Deputy for the 6th District. He presented the Grand Master with a donation from the Holiday Gala fundraiser.

Members of William Parkman and Mt. Horeb Lodges assembled in the East and presented the Grand Master with a plaque in the memory of Wor. George Wiseman. Wor. Phil Privitera presented the Grand Master with a substantial donation to mental health support through the Brotherhood Fund.

Rt. Wor. Michael J. Leonard presented Uncle Kimo on his first visit from Hawaii (see page 11).

"In the past, at your request, I have updated you on what

I and the Grand Lodge Officers have been doing. This last quarter has been busy. Today I will only hit some of the highlights. All the events will be in my written comments and be included in the next issue of the TROWEL as well as the Grand Lodge Proceedings," said the Grand Master to introduce his remarks.

In December, on the 9th the Grand Master met with our Portuguese cipher committee. "We hope to roll out a Portuguese cipher soon to supplement our regular and Spanish ciphers." On the 12th, the then Acting Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Peter Culbertson and Grand Lodge Officers installed the Officers of Winslow Lewis while the Grand Master laid a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington, D.C. "Later that evening, at their installation, I was to be elected honorary Past Grand Master and member of the District of Columbia," said the Grand Master. On the 13th, Acting Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Bro. Culbertson led approximately 80

Masons in the annual Holiday Parade in the North End, another parade in collaboration with Aleppo Shrine. On the 20th, the Grand Master, with Rt. Wor. Robert Shedd, and several other Masons from the 6th Masonic District, visited Brother Roger W. Campbell on the occasion of his 103rd birthday and 70th year as a Mason. In connection with the Feast of St. John, the Grand Master hosted a banquet for visiting Brethren on the 26th, and enjoyed the installation and feast the next day. Speeches were given by



Uncle Kimo is escorted by Rt. Wor. Michael J. Leonard to be presented to the Grand Master.

Bro. and Brigadier General John Driscoll, District Grand Master Rt. Wor. John Sullivan, and M. Wor. David Collins, Grand Master of New Hampshire. The Grand Master closed out the year on the 30th by attending “the last blood drive of 2021 at Wamesit Lodge, bringing the yearly total units collected in the 12th District to 3,291 units, 1705 at Wamesit Lodge!”

“I, along with many Officers attended various holiday parties throughout the jurisdiction. I am often asked why I attend certain functions. The answer is first you need to invite us, and then I attend as many as I am able, sometimes delegating others to the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, or Junior Grand Warden when I am not able to attend.”

In January, on the 8th, the new Deputy Grand Master, Rt. Wor. John Frederick Sullivan greeted all the Grand Lodge Officers for our Organizational meeting. “I was unable to attend,” lamented the Grand Master, “As I finally succumbed to COVID after being held hostage 662 days!”

On the 11th, the Grand Master celebrated the 250th Anniversary of Tyrian-Ashlar-Acacia Lodge with the Masters Carpet Rededication Ceremony. The next day, the Acting Grand Master was at the St. Bernard Commandery #12 where he received a substantial donation from the Brethren for many of our Grand Lodge Charities. The Grand Master thanked St. Bernard Commandery #12. On the 14th, the Grand Master “had the honor and pleasure of attending Bro. Enoch O’Dell Woodhouse’s

95th Birthday celebration at American Heritage Museum that culminated in a fine dinner where I presented Bro. Woodhouse the Henry Price Medal for his past, present, and future service to God, Country, and Freemasonry. He is one of the last surviving Tuskegee Airmen from World War Two, a retired Lt. Colonel from the Air Force, and our Brother!” On the 15th, The Grand Lodge Officers attended the Aleppo Ceremonial where Brother Robert Brown was installed as Potentate. On the 22nd was the reception of the new Deputy Grand Master, hosted by Morning Star Lodge (see page 15.) The bowling battle between DeMolay and Grand Lodge was held the next day. “I am happy to report we all had a fun time and enjoyed lunch together,” said the Grand Master. “I am not happy to report the Grand Lodge Officers lost. We are considering proposing another challenge to the DeMolay Boys. Maybe axe throwing!”

In February, on the 11th, the historic signing of a new 10-year treaty with Grand Lodge of Panama was held (see

page 25). On the 17th, the Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. On the 26th, Celestial Lodge hosted a wonderful reception and dinner for Rt. Wor. Glen Lawrence Kubick, our Senior Grand Warden (see page 15). On the 28th, “Bro. Robert Caron of Waltham Triad Lodge presented me three large plaques memorializing all the Governors of Massachusetts that were Masons. Thirty-four percent of our Governors were members of our Craft. Who knows, maybe Governor Baker will continue the tradition!” hoped the Grand Master.

On the 5th of March, the Grand Master was honored as he was invested with the Legion of Honor by the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay. “The beautiful ceremony was performed right here in Ionic under the direction of Rt. Wor. Geoff Kromer and Rt. Wor. Phil Drouin.” On the 6th, “The Grand Lady and I attended the Second Annual Supply Drive for My Brother’s Table to aid Homeless Women, sponsored by Star of Bethlehem, and Lynnfield-Zetland Lodges in Wakefield, along with a Formula One Diaper Drive to benefit the Massachusetts Department of Children and Families, organized by Bro. Richard Legier of North Reading and William Parkman Lodges.”

In addition, the Grand Master informed that, “Over the course of the last three months, I attended the regular meetings of the Grand Lodge Board of Directors, the Masonic Education and Charity Trust, and the multiple Boards at Overlook, in addition to many other meetings. We have approximately 30 committees with about 200 Brethren working diligently on a regular basis to find best practices as we oversee the fraternal and business side of the Fraternity while finding better ways to support our lodges and members.”

The Grand Master announced that the “250th Committee is up and running under the leadership of Rt. Wor. George Hamilton.” The vision statement is as follows:

Celebrate and educate the vision, ideals, and efforts laid forth by our Revolutionary Forefathers and Brethren. Develop imaginative, collaborative, and inclusive opportunities which link Revolutionary era ideas with civic education and practical engagement. Through collaboration, support, and partnerships, The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts will create meaningful and historic events with a focus on education, historical stewardship, fellowship, fraternity, and above all the love of the country, ideals, and patriotic drive that made all these things possible.



The Grand Master with M. Wor. Yves R. Maignan, Grand Master, Rt. Wors. Gerald R. Thaxton, Deputy Grand Master, Justin A. Petty, Grand Senior Warden, and Collin Herelle, Grand Junior Warden from Prince Hall Grand Lodge.

The motto is: I am the same man...in a different time!

The 300th Committee, for the Tricentennial Celebration of Duly Constituted Freemasonry in the Western Hemisphere and The Americas, was established. "In order to take advantage of the timeline, I have appointed a committee to plan the Tricentennial Celebration of Duly Constituted Freemasonry in the Western Hemisphere." The Grand Master envisions "a celebration of Freemasonry, its relevance, and strength in the modern world as a society of friends and brothers for 300 years, a span of time older than our country itself. This spectacular gathering of Freemasons, the likes of which has not been seen in decades, is intended to engage local and national media outlets. Save the weekend of Saturday, July 30th, 2033, as the pinnacle tricentennial anniversary date, with days of events leading up to July 30th." The Committee email is 300GLMA@gmail.com, should you like to help or provide ideas.

The Grand Master described a new initiative. The Affinity Project, being led by the Information Services Committee. On MassMasons, there is a Hobbies and Skills Profile. This will help us all identify new opportunities for Lodge and District programs by like interests. "Also, you are welcome to register your profession, skill, or area of expertise for a new Professions and Services list on MassMasons. This tool will help a Brother who is looking for advice, or has a service need, identify appropriate Brethren he might contact."

The Grand Master reminded the Brethren of the following dates [those which have passed are not included—Editor]:

The 2022 Golden Gavel Awards will be on Saturday, May 14th, at the Scottish Rite Museum in Lexington. "Not only is this a wonderful opportunity for your lodge to be recognized, but it also provides lodges with ideas of what they can do to promote Freemasonry within their community and the Commonwealth! Tickets are on sale via Massmasons.org for this premier social event. Three years ago, my Brother Bob wanted tickets, but the event sold out. Don't be like

Bob, get your tickets now!"

On April 25th, in Needham, the Scottish Rite will host a night for the Order of the Thistle. The Order serves to raise funds for the Children's Dyslexia Center and the Supreme Council Almoner's fund, which they raise funds for through their dinner. Since 2008, the Order has donated over \$45,000.

Town Hall listening tour meetings started on March 30th in Yarmouth and will be in East Long Meadow on May 25th. "I hope to see you there. The floor will be open for all questions or concerns, and they will be addressed. Please register on Massmasons so that we may have enough food for all."

St. John the Baptist Day is June 24th. "We have formed a community partnership with the First Baptist Church. We will be proceeding from Grand Lodge to the First Baptist Church on Commonwealth Ave. for a universal celebration of St. John the Baptist. Stay tuned for more details!"

The Masters Path dates are May 7th in Auburn and August 20th online. "If you are going in the East of your lodge, you need to complete Masters Path training within 30 months of your upcoming installation."

The Grand Master turned his attention to education in the new Deacon's Academy, which is "committed to Masonic junior leader development that incorporates new materials and a fresh training approach, complemented by coaching and mentoring as part of the developmental process. Students will learn together and share knowledge and experience on a variety of subjects like Lodge Mechanics, Leading Oneself, Building Your Leadership Style, Giving and

Receiving Feedback, and Leading with Confidence. Students will have access to coaches and mentors that will provide an attentive ear, examples, guidance, and encouragement. Students will be asked to reflect and share examples of important topics that will ultimately challenge their ability to effectively lead in their Lodges."

The program's first class of approximately 50 students began April 2. Check Massmasons for registration or

LODGE ANNIVERSARIES



Wamesit Lodge, 100 years



Hampshire Lodge, 150 years



Saint Paul Lodge, 225 years

your District Deputy Grand Master about the next class. "I look forward to seeing you at Deacons' Academy!"

Regarding Charity, the Grand Master was happy to report on efforts to help the devastation felt by Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky (the hardest hit), Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, and Tennessee by tornados. The H.E.L.P. (Hospital Equipment Loan Program), under the direction of Brother Brian Cavanaugh, raised enough funds in 48 hours to rent a truck, and drove with Bros. Michael Morris and Vincent Marino to Kentucky. They delivered a truck load of hospital equipment to be distributed by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

"At the Conference of Grand Masters of North America," the Grand Master reported, "The tornado devastation in Kentucky was discussed. Everyone was thanked as a group, but Massachusetts was singled out because of the work of Bro. Cavanaugh and his team. The Grand Master of Kentucky, M. Wor. James H. Gibson, informed us of the events and then, in an emotional moment conveyed to us a story about two young children, swept away by the tornado who survived and were able to utilize some of the special medical equipment donated by our Brothers. And you, Brethren, in three short weeks, donated \$16,500.00 to Kentucky through the MSA and your Board of Directors added \$5,000.00 for a total donation of \$21,500.00."

"Regarding Ukraine Grand Lodge and other pleas for donations, currently we are not doing anything as a Grand Lodge," the Grand Master announced, "until we better evaluate the situation. There is a letter going around from Ukraine Grand Lodge and we are determining its validity as well as what is needed. Several public groups have partnered with our lodges and our H.E.L.P. program in Woburn under the direction of Bro. Brian Cavanaugh [and they] recently made a large donation of hospital equipment."

District 12, said the Grand Master, has collected 3,291 units of blood that

UNCLE KIMO COMES TO MASSACHUSETTS

While on a trip to the big island of Hawaii this past January, Rt. Wor. Michael J. Leonard of the 23rd Masonic District and Past Master of Trinity Lodge, had the privilege and honor to visit the brethren of Kona Lodge F & AM of Hawaii. He was welcomed with friendship and brotherly love and was a welcomed guest as he has been there on other occasions. While partaking in the meeting and sitting in the east with Wor. James Lysiuk, Brethren from Kilauea Lodge in Hilo were paying a visit to return the lodge's mascot Uncle Kimo. Bro. Christopher Hannigan read Uncle Kimo's story.

Uncle Kimo was born on October 1, 2021, in Kona Lodge in the spirit of friendship and brotherly love. He was hand-crafted by Wor. Cary Cope, Past Master. Uncle Kimo's duties are to bring fellowship, brotherly love, and visitation to all Masonic Lodges that he visits. He will stay with that lodge until he is brought back to his home lodge in a timely manner. He should be displayed in the East. If not displayed, you will befall the wrath of the Past Masters, which we know is an everlasting curse!

The Master of Kona Lodge accepted Uncle Kimo home and a conversation ensued on where Uncle Kimo should travel next. It was suggested that he be brought to the Grand Lodge of Hawaii's Annual Communication in Lahaina, on the Island of Maui. A brother of the lodge suggested Uncle Kimo travel to the jurisdiction of Massachusetts. The Master invited Rt. Wor. Bro. Leonard to the west side of the altar to offer Uncle Kimo. Uncle Kimo was accepted on one condition, that he could not guarantee that Uncle Kimo could be returned in a timely manner as stated in his charge.

So, Rt. Wor. Bro. Leonard made a deal that a brother of Kona Lodge come to Massachusetts as his guest to retrieve him. A deal was made, and a brother from Kona Lodge is scheduled to retrieve Uncle Kimo in May by travelling to Massachusetts. In the meantime, Uncle Kimo has travelled to the 23rd District and beyond. He is hoping to collect as many pieces as possible of lodge memorabilia from around the jurisdiction and beyond to show the brotherly love he brings to all lodges.

If you would like to have Uncle Kimo sit in your lodge in the east, please contact Rt. Wor. Bro. Leonard of the 23rd Masonic District, ddgm23mjl@gmail.com, to make arrangements. We would love to come and spread the brotherly love Uncle Kimo brings from Hawaii. He has started to amass a large collection of pins, coins, and a very nice Lincoln Sebastian. Oh, and it should be noted that Uncle Kimo in English is Uncle Jim.

-Rt. Wor. Michael J. Leonard

The Brethren and DDGM Rt. Wor. Michael J. Leonard in Hawaii.



Uncle Kimo



will benefit 9,873 individuals, with Wamesit Lodge alone collecting 1,705 units under the guidance of Wor. David Hicks. “Rt. Wor. John E. Vankuilenburg informs me that D12, after only two months, has collected 558 units, which is 19% of their 3000-unit goal for 2022.”

“At the December Quarterly,” the Grand Master recounted, “I received a donation of \$200,000.00 from the Princes of Jerusalem for the maintenance of this building and another \$50,000.00 for the Brotherhood Fund. Additionally, significant donations were received from the Massachusetts Consistory, Valley of Boston, Scottish Rite, the Consistory Guard, the Masters Lodge, Brothers of the Single Malt, The Grand Masters Table Lodge, the William Deadman Society, and several Blue Lodges. A few days later, a dearly departed Brother’s widow donated \$100k to the Grand Lodge Scholarship fund. Your generosity is appreciated by all.”

“Brethren, we are remarkably close to our goal of 3000 plates on the road. February was our largest revenue from the RMV, \$5,424.00. Think of how many of our Brothers

and their families will benefit, not to mention the great Masonic Awareness. Please visit your nearest full service RMV or go online to secure a plate. Grand Lodge will continue to reimburse you upon receiving your application fee receipt until we reach our goal.”

“As we emerge from the pandemic and see new devastating world events unfold around us, it is comforting to know that our Fraternity is a safe haven in a politically divisive world, and especially comforting to know we continue to take care for the basic needs of all our members.”

“As we adapt to an ever changing world, we look forward and focus on continuing to adapt to the world around us while maintaining our traditions and great heritage. During challenging and stressful times, let us always be kind to each other.”

“Congratulations to our installed elected Grand Lodge Officers, and our newly appointed Officers. Your skills and dedication to the Craft has led you to the next phase of your Masonic journey. I look forward to serv-

RECIPIENTS OF THE GRAND MASTER’S AWARD



Pequossette Lodge, 3rd District



William Sutton Lodge, 4th District



Celestial Lodge, 6th District



Orient Lodge, 6th District



William Parkman Lodge, 13th District



Corinthian Lodge, 14th District



Daniel Webster Lodge, 18th District

ing with all of you, with renewed excitement and energy in hopes to see you shine and the light you will bring to the Craft.”

“Brethren, the most important and valuable thing we have or can offer is not money, or celebrity status, or power, but it is our time. It is the only thing that we truly possess and control, despite its limited and defined quantity. Thank you for sharing your time with me today and thank you for all you do for the Craft. God bless you, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and God Bless the United States of America!”

After a standing ovation, the Grand Master closed the Quarterly in ample form. ■



Converse Lodge, 4th District



Union Lodge, 6th District



The Meadows Lodge, 28th District



by Rt. Wor. Sean LeBlanc

At Jupiter Light Lodge #340: Wor. Peter Colgan, Marine Lodge; Rt. Wor. Sidney Bearon, Marine Lodge; Rt. Wor. Sean LeBlanc, Marine Lodge; Wor. John Hammil, PM and current Master Satuit Lodge; Rt. Wor. Mason Russell, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; Wor. Ronald Doucette, Columbian Lodge, and Bro. Nicholas Harvey, St. John’s Lodge of Boston, who is the Lodge’s current Sr. Warden.

Rt. Wor. Sean LeBlanc travelled to Jupiter Light Lodge #340 in Jupiter, Florida, along with six other Massachusetts Masons. As a group, we presented the Master, who is a Massachusetts Past Master, with a stone from Jody Maggio, the Grand Lady. ■

A Widow’s Appreciation

To the Editor:

As a widow, I appreciate receiving TROWEL. Thank you! As soon as it arrives, I turn to “The Prodigal Mason,” written by my Eastern Star brother, Richard Thompson. I was pleased to see his suggestions for remembering Masonic widows.

At the beginning of the pandemic, King David Lodge in Taunton reached out to its widows, offering help if needed. I was having trouble climbing on the sink to replace the bulb over my medicine cabinet so I called the phone number they had given me. Kevin Fernandes, the Worshipful Master, came to my house and found that it would be a bigger job than I thought. He even ended up identifying and marking my circuit breakers.

Over the past 20 years, I have been invited to King David Lodge’s Widows Dinner at Christmastime. In 2020, we received gift cards instead of an in-person gathering. I have attended most of the dinners over the years and have really enjoyed the fellowship with the other ladies, the delicious dinners, the annual gift of a lovely poinsettia, and being waited on by such friendly and caring men.

Thank you King David Lodge!

*Elaine Jackson, widow of Past Master
Jeffrey Jackson, King David Lodge*

**RECEPTION FOR THE
JUNIOR GRAND
WARDEN**



**RECEPTION FOR THE
SENIOR GRAND
WARDEN**



**RECEPTION FOR THE
DEPUTY GRAND
MASTER**

THE GRAND MASTER'S APPEAL

DONORS DURING 2021

The Grand Master's Appeal is the foundation of Massachusetts Freemasonry's charitable and educational efforts. Each year, your Grand Master sends a letter to every Massachusetts Mason asking him to make a tax-deductible gift within the length of his cable-tow to support programs such as The Brotherhood Fund, Grand Lodge Scholarship Program, Samuel Crocker Lawrence Library, and many other great and important undertakings.

However, 2021 was a year unlike any previous year. In April, we launched an appeal to help our Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Rhode Island Brethren rebuild their Masonic building after a Christmas Day fire. And in December, we responded to the Masonic Service Association of North America's request for disaster relief following the devastating tornadoes that hit 11 states in the Midwest and South. After more than a year of a global pandemic causing tremendous financial uncertainty and hardship (in addition to its human toll), you, your Brethren, and our friends

responded with unimaginable generosity.

In just a few short weeks, you gave nearly \$80,000 to support our Brethren, their families, and our Fraternity at a time they needed help the most. This is in addition to nearly \$600,000 our members, Lodges, appendant bodies, and friends donated to support our normal programs and work.

My message from the March Quarterly Communication, reprinted in this issue, highlights some of the notable gifts we received last year. The following list recognizes all donors whose cumulative giving during the year was greater than \$50. Please consider using the convenient reply envelope in this magazine and making a contribution to the 2022 Grand Master's Appeal as part of your charitable giving this year.

Thank you for your time, your consideration, and for all you do on behalf of Massachusetts Freemasonry!

Sincerely & fraternally,

Most Worshipful Richard Maggio, Grand Master

\$250,000

Giles F. Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Valley of Boston, Scottish Rite^{BF, BMB} in memory of Bro. David J. Harty

\$100,00

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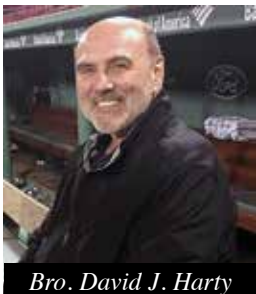
\$10,000 TO \$29,999

Massachusetts Consistory, Valley of Boston, Scottish Rite^{BF, PH, SP} Richard J. Stewart^{BF} in memory of Bro. David J. Harty

\$5000 TO \$9999

Norfolk Lodge^{BF} in memory of our departed Brethren who passed in the last two years

Austin R. Ryan^{BF}
Union Lodge (N)^{MSANA, PH}



Bro. David J. Harty

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Eric J. Rzepka^{PH}
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IN MEMORIAM

While we appreciate all donations to the Craft, gifts in memory of our departed Brothers are particularly meaningful. Just as these Brothers practiced the tenet of Relief during their lives, their passing inspired others to make a contribution in their memory. We are honored to be part of their legacy.

1733 IN RECOGNITION OF THE FOUNDING OF OUR GRAND LODGE IN 1733

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 William D. Deadman Society^{PH}
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in appreciation of the Grand Master installing the Lodge Officers

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Joy & Charity

Within the smoke, within Ezekiel Bates' Lodge Building in Attleboro, it was everything Masonic. The Brothers of the White Ash (BWA), a band of Brothers who enjoy cigars, Supported in this meeting: The Master Mason Coffee Company, The BSM (Brothers of the Single Malt), House of Brews Restaurant, and The White Ash Cigar Lounge. All for the purpose of promoting fellowship and raising money for charity.

There were cigars, coffee, a great meal, BWA apparel, and even Masonic pens for sale, while the Brethren enjoyed comfy chairs and laughs with each other.

Some spoke of cigars, others of their day, others of how they have to strip down in their garage so the wife will not be too upset. All with joy and charity for all.

There were 113 Brothers in attendance. They raised substantial funds for the Shriners Transportation Fund and the Grand Lodge Brotherhood Fund. For information about the BWA, contact Rt. Wor. Mike Douglas at broswhtash@gmail.com. The next scheduled meeting is Sunday August 7th.

-Wor. Lee H. Fenn



Epic Tornado Run to Kentucky



The Hospital Equipment Loan Program (H.E.L.P.) recently raised funds, rented a truck, and delivered a truck load of hospital equipment to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. These items were distributed by them to those in need on or around 12/28/2021, and to nursing homes, hospices, and hospitals destroyed in the tornado.

“The logistics of getting a 26-foot truck rented, all the Brothers who helped load it, and funding the trip were incredible. Then the ride down with live camera and tracking access to watch this epic journey showing the good will of Massachusetts Freemasonry,” said Bro. Brian Cavanaugh of the H.E.L.P. Program. “I can’t begin to explain how excited the Grand Master of Kentucky and his suite of Lodge Officers and Masons were to receive all the donations of water, blankets, food, and, of course, the much-needed medical equipment!”

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St. Patrick's Day Parade

South Boston • Sunday, March 20, 2022

Acting Grand Master, Rt. Wor. John F. Sullivan led a substantial contingent of Masons through the crowd of over a million spectators at Boston's St. Patrick's Day Parade. The crowd was immense and cheered the Freemasons as they passed, saying "We love you, Grand Lodge!"



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The Prodigal Mason

by *Wor. Richard Thompson*



I often say, “I have six million friends. I just haven’t met most of them yet!” On a vacation in March, I was given the chance to move three brothers from the “Not Met Yet” to the “Met” column. And I met them in a rather unique place – the North Atlantic some 250 miles (217 nautical miles) off the New England coast. As I have mentioned before, both of my children live in England. Shelley, my daughter, has been there some 15 years and Jarrod, my son and Brother, has been there a dozen years. Because of this, my wife Janet and I have been going to England at least once, but more often, twice a year. Of course, COVID-19 threw a monkey wrench into our travel plans. Thanks to the pandemic, we returned from one trip to England in January 2020 and didn’t get back there until November 2021. The COVID pandemic disrupted countless numbers of lives, but, at the same time, it opened many new possibilities. Janet and I found one of those possibilities.

About a month before our Aer Lingus flight to Heathrow in November 2021, we found a way to go back to England in March of 2022 and make one of our dreams come true. We booked a second trip, but this time we were sailing. We booked passage on the Queen Mary II, the only ocean liner still making regular trips. The Queen Mary is owned and operated by Cunard, which has run transatlantic services since early in the 19th Century. Cunard is quite fussy about how you refer to its service. When you are on the transatlantic route, you are not cruising. You are crossing. There is also a flavor of Edwardian England on the Queen Mary. You dress for dinner, for example. Gentlemen wear jackets and ties and ladies wear cocktail dresses. Cunard has relaxed its standards, however. On this trip, the men did not have to wear ties.

There were two galas, one on day three and one on day six. For the gala, the gentlemen are urged to wear tuxedos. Being a lodge officer paid off those two nights. I decided that seven days at sea would give me an excellent opportunity to try to find Masonic brothers from around the world. I made sure I had enough of the clothing I needed to turn myself into a walking Masonic billboard, including a face-mask with a large square and compasses on it. If there was a brother on board, I would find him.

Richard Thompson is the Secretary for Merrimack Valley Daylight Lodge and someone who has six million friends.

On our first full day at sea, Janet was reading the program of events for the day when she spotted something. “11:00 am Masonic Brethren Get Together: Informal meeting for all lodge members from around the world.” I didn’t have to look for my brothers. We were going to find each other.

Finding something on board the Queen Mary is no simple task. I was looking for Boardroom, Deck 9, Stairway A (Port). On your first day on board, that is almost impossible to find. But by the time you get to day seven, it’s just difficult to find. I was the first to arrive. I gave myself a full half hour - 10 minutes to get there and 20 minutes to be lost. I was only lost for 15 minutes. In all, there were only four of us who attended, but it was a great time to be a Mason and a great time to meet new friends.

The first to join me was Bro. Charles “Chic” Reid III, a member of Patmos-Solomon’s Lodge No. 70 of Savage, Maryland. While talking with Bro. Reid I learned Patmos-Solomon’s is the home lodge for Masonic historian S. Brent Morris. I doubt there are many who are not familiar with Brent Morris and his work. Next in was Bro. Robert Tatton, a member of Ashlar Lodge No. 5219, Lincoln, in Lincolnshire, about 160 miles north of London. He was soon followed by Bro. Alex Haslett, a member of Trust and Fear Not Lodge No. 9698, St. Albans, in Hertfordshire, about 45 miles north of London. “Trust and Fear Not” is a motto for police officers, the membership of that lodge.

Bro. Reid and I boarded the Queen Mary II in New York City for the seven-day voyage to Southampton. Bros. Tatton and Haslett, however, boarded the ship in Southampton and went to New York City, the Caribbean, back to New York, and on to Southampton, a total of 28 days. The ship had one more stop after Southampton – Hamburg. We sat in the Boardroom, which resembled an ornate living room, swapping Masonic stories. At one point, I noticed we were talking like we were four old friends. I looked at my watch. We had known each other less than 20 minutes.

There is something about this Fraternity that can turn strangers into friends in no time at all. Here we were, four strangers who had nothing in common except the membership in our world-wide Fraternity. The differences quickly melted leaving us with the friendships we formed, one brother with another. That morning on the Queen Mary I realized what I often say is more than just a saying. It is a statement. “I have six million friends. I just haven’t met most of them yet!” ■



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Panama: Reyna-Maggio Masonic Treaty Signed

by District Grand Master (Panama), Rt. Wor. Albert C. Hopper III

The Reyna – Maggio Masonic Treaty was a result of six other Masonic Instruments or Treaties. These treaties, protocols, rulings, and amendments show the on-going agreement between the Grand Lodges so that lodges may operate in the geographic area of other jurisdictions. The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was the first Grand Lodge to recognize the Grand Lodge of Panama on January 30, 1917.

The instruments are the Johnson-Andreve Treaty and Protocol, signed in Panama City by Muy Respectable Gran Maestro Guillermo Andreve de la Muy Respectable Gran Logia de Panamá (GLP) and M. Wor. Melvin Maynard Johnson for the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts (GLM) on January 30, 1917; the Prince-Melhado Amendment signed in Panama City by M. Res. Gran H. A. D. Melhado for the GLP and by M. Wor.

Arthur D. Prince for the GLM on March 8, 1921; the Johnson Sossa Ruling signed by M. Res. Gran H. Víctor M. Sossa for the GLP, issued by M. Wor. Whitfield W. Johnson for the GLM on March 14, 1956; the Hodgdon Troncoso Amendment (Memorandum of Understanding) signed in the city of Boston by M. Res. Gran H. Mario Troncoso Ponce for the GLP and M. Wor. Jeffrey Black Hodgdon for



the GLM on March 14, 2006, in English and May 20, 2006, in Spanish; and the Stewart de Obaldía Treaty signed in the city of Boston by M. Res. Gran H. Raúl de Obaldía García de Paredes for the GLP and M. Wor. Richard J. Stewart for the GLM on December 27, 2011.

The Reyna – Maggio Masonic Treaty was planned to be signed by both parties at the Grand Lodge of Panama on

February 11, 2022, during Grand Master Most Worshipful Richard Maggio's official visit from February 7, 2022, through February 14, 2022, to his District Grand Lodge in Panama. As history records, the COVID-19 Pandemic changed the way in which Masonry conducts its business. The Republic of Panama was in its height of the Omicron Variant infection rate during the planned time of Grand Master Most

Worshipful Maggio's visit to Panama. Grand Master Maggio sadly had to send out his official cancellation notice two weeks prior to his visit to Panama. Hence, Option B had to be implemented. The use of video conferencing platform Zoom became plan B. So, as planned, the Reyna – Maggio Masonic Treaty was signed on February 11, 2022, via Zoom. ■

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN SOCIETY RECOGNIZES COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

by Rt. Wor. Frederick N. Nowell, III



service to their communities and provides encouragement to other Masons who are interested in community work.

Sixteen founding Fellows were inducted into the new Benjamin Franklin Society at its first Annual Festival, held at the Long Meadow Golf Club of Lowell in January. The new organization recognizes and promotes good fellowship among Master Masons who are active in

To qualify as a Fellow of the Society, an applicant must be a Master Mason in good standing and volunteer at least 40 hours annually to charitable, religious, non-profit, or governmental organizations. To remain active, a Fellow must maintain his Masonic membership, attend the Society's Annual Festival, and submit an annual statement of continuing service during the previous 12 months. The Society is named for one of the Founding Fathers, whose efforts as a young, community-spirited printer in Philadelphia led to the formation of several institutions that benefit mankind. President (R.W.) Frederick "Rick" Nowell commented, "We try to honor Brother Franklin's interest in his fellow man by celebrating the service that Masons give to those institutions that make the world a better place in which to live."

Master Masons may obtain more information about the Society by contacting the incoming President, Wor. Christopher Gugger, at csgugger@verizon.net. ■

FRATERNITY News & Events



Daniel Webster Lodge and DeMolay Create Star Shooters

The South Coastal Youth Rifle Team started in July of 2010 as the South Coastal DeMolay Rifle Club. It was open

to any DeMolay boy or Rainbow girl. We shot once a month, shooting .22 caliber rifles. It was a popular event and we learned marksmanship and gun safety. South Coastal DeMolay Chapter funded us, the Marshfield Rod and Gun Club hosted us and assisted in setting up the safety program and making me an NRA Instructor to run the program. In 2014, I was trained as a USA Shooting Level One Rifle Coach, and the Team, as we called ourselves now, started to compete in state and regional competitions.

We were expanding and opened up the program to any young person that wanted to try Olympic three position rifle shooting. DeMolay unfortunately ended their sponsorship, and the gun club started their full funding and support. Through grants and donations over the next few years, many by brother Masons, we purchased over \$15,000 worth of target rifles (five worth over \$2,000 each) and equipment to support competitions. Stands, spotting scopes, kneeling rolls, shooting mats, shooting jackets, slings, gloves, rifle accessories, and all the little items that are needed were bought. Money was spent on training for coaches, supplies, and an increasing need for ammunition. We set up two different groups, a Junior Rifle to learn the sport, ages 10 to 17, and the somewhat separate South Coastal Rifle Team for 12- to 21-year-olds that have the drive and the skill to become competitive. We have started to shoot competition air rifles now too.

A note to the scale of our activities, we shoot a minimum of twice a week, the program runs pretty much all



A Lodge's Goodbye to Bro. Eric Wickberg

Bro. Eric Wickberg was diagnosed in Spring 2021 with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), commonly referred to as Lou Gehrig's Disease. ALS is a chronic, progressive, and terminal neuromuscular disease with no cure. Bro. Wickberg's paternal grandfather was a 32nd Degree Mason

and Shriner. He became a very involved Mason, devoting much of his adult life to the Blue Hill Lodge in Canton. As his disease progressed rapidly, he was presented with the Rt. Wor. Robert Johnson Service Award in his bed, in recognition of his years of service working behind the scenes as Secretary of the lodge. Despite his failing health, he continued as Asst. Secretary until he could no longer type. His lodge Brothers were very supportive of him during his illness, and he was further assisted by the Brotherhood Fund.

He and Kimberly (Kim) Currivan, his partner, originally planned to get married in early 2020, but were thwarted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Brethren facilitated their getting married at the Blue Hill Lodge in September, two weeks after their request. This was the first marriage ever conducted at Blue Hill Lodge in its 158-year history and was quickly organized due to the progressive deterioration of Eric's health. The Brethren of the 7th District also raised funds to assist them and continued in supporting Eric and Kim during their trying times.

After recognizing Bro. Wickberg, helping with his wedding and his life, the 7th District and the Brothers of Blue Hill Lodge said goodbye to their Brother on November 15th. The Brethren of Blue Hill Lodge diligently keep Eric's widow in their hearts, and she is surrounded by their continued Brotherly Love, outreach, and succor.

-Rt. Wor. Gordon M. Craig

year and goes through over 25,000 rounds of .22 caliber ammunition every year! As always, this marksmanship program is free of charge for all youth. After a quiet period in 2020 due to COVID, we have been slowly expanding. We have had shooters compete in every Massachusetts Junior Olympic Match since 2015. We have been in multiple Statewide matches every year, the Bay State Games, US Army Marksman Unit Eastern Championship, and have had fun competitions with Phoenix DeMolay and Braintree Rod and Gun Club's youth rifle programs. The Team's first three top marksmen were all Rainbow Girls. One of them became an NRA Distinguished Expert, and later Head Coach for the entire program. Our scores have been going up almost every year as we get better at coaching our athletes. Our serious competitors are members of the Olympic shooting organization USA Shooting. Our current top marksman is a 16-year-old Cohasset High School Junior Brian Li who shot a team highest ever score of 497 out of a possible 600 at the Junior Olympic match this year to put him in 6th place in the state.

My team goal for the next few years is to get one of our shooters to qualify for the Nationals. A 17-year-old would need a minimum score of 570. It is going to take a lot of work to get to that point. We currently have an active coaching staff of six. Some of the coaches (and me) are NRA/USA Shooting Level One Coaches and are Olympic Safe Sport trained. There are approximately 10 active youth on the team, and approximately 16 in our junior program. We run rifle shooting training events for the local Scout Troops and Junior Police Academies, and the team members are the ones doing most of the one-on-one assisting on the range. We have a Team Captain and Co-Captain, and they have many leadership and communication responsibilities.

Since 2019, we serve Marshfield's Daniel Webster Lodge's monthly dinners, and print the lodge communications for Konohassett Lodge in Cohasset. We get cash donations from the 18th District's Brothers all the time, and the cash and dinner money we earn goes to a separate fund. The extra money we have earned supplements our regular budget and we have used it to supply the program with Gatorade, snacks, ice cream, and pizza. I realized last year we had enough to start a scholarship for team members, and with the other coaches, we have come up with a program to hopefully give a deserving young man or young lady a \$1,000 benefit to help them for college or trade school.

Being a DeMolay Advisor, I run the program more every year like a DeMolay Chapter. We get young marksmen to take on leadership roles, helping the shooters that need help, taking charge mentoring the new ones that are nervous about matches, taking charge when serving dinners, and wherever possible on or off the range. There is an extreme level of trust that we place with kids in the program, especially the Rifle Team members. They have to show maturity and safety to be accepted to the team since we can't be watching them all the time, and these are real guns they are handling. In the sport of competitive shooting, you get to really know your athletes and spend a lot of time with them. We demand that they are respectful and courteous at all times, not just when they are with the team. Our rifle men and ladies that have helped out at the lodge dinner have learned about Freemasonry in the best way possible - seeing the kindness, care, and conversa-



Left to right: Bro. Chris Wright, Secretary; Wor. Griffith Joseph, IPM; Rt. Wor. David Catten, and the Master of the Lodge, Wor. Ato Kentish.

Greetings from the Caribbean

Rt. Wor. David Catten was a damned fool. He packed a suit, shirt, and regalia for his tropical vacation. With the kind permission of Mrs. Catten, however, they were useful. He attended a Fellowcraft Degree at St. John's Lodge #492 in St. John's Antigua and Barbuda, who send their fraternal greetings.

-Rt. Wor. David Catten

tions with the brothers. They have been invited to our Installation of Officers and award presentations. Several have participated and have experienced how the lodge works and have seen some of our public ritual. The team members look forward to the dinners, and they enjoy being part of it all. This year is already getting us higher scores, more fun, accomplishments, and memories. With a scholarship too!

-Bro. Ernest A. Studley

Members of the South Coastal Youth Rifle Team





Consolidated Donates to Aleppo

Wor. Brad Marston, Master of The Consolidated Lodge, presents a check from The Anderson Philanthropic Fund to Wor. Robert H. Brown, newly installed Illustrious Potentate of The Aleppo Shrine, to support Boston Shriner's Hospital.

-Wor. Brad Marston



Converse and Grand Lodge Reach to Florida

Wor. Bob Frechette and Rt. Wor. Ken Sprague recently presented Bro. Scott Barnes two certificates for his continued charitable contributions to Converse Lodge. One certificate was from the Grand Master, M. Wor. Richard Maggio, and the second was from Converse Lodge. The presentation was made in Orlando, Florida. Bro. Barnes, a second-generation Mason, was raised 12 years ago in a District-wide One-Day Class, and he continues committed to the Fraternity and its charitable works.

-Rt. Wor. Ken Sprague

Keeping the Commandery Sword in the Family

On Monday, February 7, our monthly meeting was a memorable evening. The highlight of the evening was a visit from our most recent Past Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Masonic Lodge of Boston, 33rd Degree Mason, Illustrious Deputy for Massachusetts of the Northern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, Rt. Wor. George Hamilton. Accompanying him was his father, Bro. George Hamilton. Bro. George (the father) is a very young 94-year-old Master Mason, who just finished his degree work, and has been raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason at the Grand Lodge of Boston during a One-Day Class this past October of 2021. The reason for this trip out to Quinebaug Lodge by our two Brothers was to visit our own Past Master, Wor. Harry Penniman. Bro. Harry is related to the Hamilton's by blood, and he is related to Rt. Wor. Bro. Hamilton's mother's first cousin. This was not any ordinary visit. The Bros. Hamilton visited Quinebaug Lodge for the purpose of making a presentation to Wor. Bro. Penniman. In their possession was a very, very old Commandery Sword engraved with the Name of Harry Moore, who was Wor. Harry's favorite uncle. This was the man he was named after and grew up spending much of his young childhood years with. The look on Wor. Harry's face was priceless when he was presented with his uncle's sword. Yes, Wor. Harry had a hard time speaking at first and was all choked up and very emotional.

-Bro. Robert St. Cyr

Left to right: Wor. Bill Belanger of Quinebaug Lodge, Wor. Harry Penniman with his uncle's shiny Commandery sword in hand, Rt. Wor. George Hamilton, Illustrious Deputy for Massachusetts Northern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, and his very young 94-year-old father recently raised new Master Mason Bro. George Hamilton.





Candlepin Challenge: DeMolay vs. Grand Lodge

On January 23rd, at Wamesit Lanes in Tewksbury, the Grand Master, M. Wor. Richard Maggio, put his tremendous candlepin bowling prowess on full display as he led a formidable team of Grand Lodge Officers comprised of Rt. Wors. Deputy Grand Master John Sullivan, Senior Grand Warden Glenn Kubick, Junior Grand Warden Russell Lowe, Grand Marshall John Kelley, and Wor. Jim Uzdarwin against an equally impressive squad of DeMolay Officers. The DeMolays were led by State Master Councilor Joshua Bickford, and supported by State Senior Councilor Ryan Saucier, State Junior Councilor Ethan Uzdarwin, State Marshall Max Roberts, State Senior Deacon Adam DeFronzo, and State Chaplain Patrick White. The Masons held the edge in wisdom and experience, while the DeMolays had a decided edge in speed and power.

The first string came down to the wire. Rt. Wor. Bro. Kelley bowled an impressive 80, followed by M. Wor. Bro. Maggio with a solid 75. The string came down to a dramatic 10th frame, in which the Green Team's Patrick White nailed a perfect shot on a 7 – 1 split, and Max Roberts finished with the top individual score of 87 on the strength of a strike and a spare. As a show of good sportsmanship, SMC Bickford offered M. Wor. Bro. Maggio the aid of a plastic dinosaur rolling ramp. The Grand Master took full advantage of the dinosaur, rolling a 10 on his final frame. The string ended in a hard-won victory for team DeMolay, whose six bowlers knocked down 391 pins for an average score of 65 per bowler to 420 pins for Grand Lodge's seven bowlers who averaged 60.

Determined to prove that the first string was simply a well needed warm-up for the older athletes in purple, the Grand

Officers began the second frame with heightened intensity. Despite their best efforts, the DeMolay candlepin juggernaut proved too strong. SMC Bickford hit a strike, and SD DeFronzo racked up a spare, as did SM Roberts. In yet another display of the good sportsmanship that exemplifies the DeMolay spirit, the State Master Councilor took a frame for the Most Worshipful and racked up a strong nine on his opponent's score sheet. At some point, one of the Grand Lodge's two lanes put up the bumpers, but to no avail.

Perhaps fatigue had taken its toll, perhaps they had let the pressure get to them, or perhaps the generous collation provided by Grand Master Maggio had weighed the bowlers down. DeMolay had emerged victorious. Grand Marshal Kelley took one more impressive shot at personal glory. As the two-hour time clock ticked down to zero on our lanes, he nailed a beautiful strike. The scoreboard displayed the message, "You have thrown an unsequenced ball." He was a split second too late. DeMolay won the day, but a great time was had by the leaders of both fraternities, and the DeMolays expressed their gratitude to M. Wor. Bro. Maggio and the Grand Officers, some of whom whispered about "letting the youngsters win," for an excellent day of fun at the lanes, as well as for the tremendous support the Grand Master has continually shown for DeMolay. One can only wonder who among the State Suite might one day trade their green bowling shirts for Grand Lodge purple.

-Wor. Hans Schwartz, PhD



Dalhousie Lodge Celebrates Chinese New Year

With the rhythmic beating of the drum, clash of the cymbals, and banging of the gong, Dalhousie Lodge ushered in the Chinese New Year of the Tiger, 4720. The lion dance is a traditional Chinese cultural dance to bring good luck and fortune and is the iconic performance of the Chinese New Year. The lion dance was performed by The Gung Ho Club, named after the 1943 movie *Gung Ho!* with Robert Mitchum and the transliteration of the

Chinese word for "work together," is the Chinese Freemasons Athletic Club. They are led by club President Daniel Lam to perform in many venues.

A gathering of 70 brethren, guests, and a Fraternal Visit by DDGM Rt. Wor. Ian Mackenzie, and his distinguished suite, were present to witness the performance. Hopefully, everyone had a wonderful time. As much as they enjoyed the event, the brethren of Dalhousie Lodge and the Gung Ho Club equally enjoyed presenting it to all.

"Within the Four Seas, All Men are Brothers."
-Wor. Richard Leung

Fellowcraft Conferred at Rose of Sharon

On Saturday, March 26, our Masonic Brothers from Charles W. Moore Lodge in Fitchburg, MA, traveled to Rose of Sharon Lodge at the Overlook in Charlton, MA, to pass four Entered Apprentice Masons to the Fellowcraft Degree. Brothers Philip Anzalone and Edwood Jean-Baptiste joined Rose of Sharon Brothers Robert Walton Childs and Burton Ellsworth Goodrich for this purpose. Junior Grand Warden, Acting Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Russell E. Lowe, and his distinguished suite were received and welcomed to the Rose of Sharon. The lodge was opened by Wor. Dennis Rinki from the Charles W. Moore Lodge. The degree team consisted of members from both lodges. An almost flawless presentation was witnessed by nearly 60 Brothers and the candidates were very impressed by the degree work.

After the degree, Brother Jeremy Roush, Overlook's Chief of Culinary Services, prepared a collation in the Great Room and Brother Steve Dragon, Overlook's Brew Master, offered the liquid refreshment in the form of Senior Moment Beer. It is always enjoyable to share good fellowship with visiting brothers, working together to put on great floor work, breaking bread together, and sharing traveling experiences.

-Bro. Bill Kenyon

First Row Left to Right: Rose of Sharon FC Robert Walton Childs, FC Burton Ellsworth Goodrich, Charles W. Moore Lodge Wor. Dennis Rinki, JGW Russell Lowe, FC Candidate Bro. Philip Anzalone, FC Candidate Bro. Edwood Jean-Baptiste, Marshall Bro. Thomas Read. Second Row Left to Right: Charles W. Moore Lodge JS Bro. Michael Fimani, Secretary Bro. Joseph Firmani, SS Bro. Kevin Hayes, Electrician Bro. Lee Lodge Duckett III, Rose of Sharon Lodge Bro. Stephen (Bob) Munier, Charles W. Moore Lodge JD Bro Joseph Ford, Rose of Sharon Lodge Rt. Wor. Richard Heale.



Terraponic Garden at The Overlook – A Farm to Table Movement

One of The Overlook's top priorities is the health and well-being of our residents, and our farm-to-table culinary program is a key ingredient in that vision. Brother Jeremy Roush is helping lead this mission by "planting the seeds," while nurturing our culinary evolution. Chef Roush, in collaboration with Kristine Binette, discovered a system where The Overlook can grow organic produce throughout the year right here on the Charlton campus. It is a farming method that invites Overlook residents to participate while providing a bounty of fresh, flavorful produce even during our cold New England winters.

In March 2022, we partnered with EvanLEE Organics to install a terraponics system. Terraponics takes a much different approach to gardening than hydroponics does. Terraponics uses soil cultivation which reduces the knowledge needed, where hydroponics using nutrient infused water, requires more technical knowledge and training. The technology consists of a tiered portable rack system with trays of primitive soil, a timed lighting system, and a water reservoir below the trays so that water is drawn up by the plants' roots as needed. This system can grow almost any plant, is easy to use and maintain. The soil and seeds are organic and cold composting occurs after three harvests to re-fortify the soil base.

Ms. Binette said, "The system is working as promised. Our first crops consist of three varieties of basil and single units of arugula, dill, cilantro, Encore lettuce, parsley, Red Salad Bowl lettuce, spinach, and Crispino lettuce. We are still in the initial learning curve and are pleased with the results so far." As we have been in the exploratory stages, Chef Jeremy shared, "The results are outstanding, the flavor and quality of what we have grown far surpasses what is commonly found in commodity produce." We are now looking forward to expanding the resident partnership with culinary services, as we invite our residents that enjoy gardening and farming to participate in the planting, watering, and harvesting. We will all soon, literally, enjoy the fruits of our labor!

-Bro. Bill Kenyon

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ASK THE GRAND LECTURER

by Rt. Wor. Nicholas J. Mantello

Senior Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts



As the title reads, “Ask the Grand Lecturer.” Please never be hesitant to reach out to any of us for advice on floor work, protocol, or simply a word. I know I really enjoy receiving a call anytime between the hours of 9 am to 9 pm, or a text or email at any time. That is a fun part of our job and I know any one of our team of Grand Lecturers would also

welcome any correspondence. I do realize most lodges have many well qualified Past Masters and Lodge Ritualists who are very proficient that you could consult easily. I advise you to be cautious when you hear these two words, “I think.” If the Brother is sure, you are most likely to be fine. Having positive assurance is a comfort.

Fortunately, in the last round of publication, a few changes have occurred in our Cipher Book. One is the addition of a single letter to words that are often confused with another. We also have eliminated the parentheses in the Third Section of the Third Degree. Our Candidates deserve to hear the ritual in its entirety and will continue to be required to be exemplified. The written word may be

omitted in a Grand Lecture Workshop in order to provide more time for questions and floor work suggestions.

We work very hard in the memorization of our ritual and when a wrong word is memorized it is much more difficult to replace the incorrect word than to learn it correctly the first time. The Grand Lecturers are fortunate to have the reference book *The Book of Standard Work* given to us to consult if the words “I think” pass through our minds to make sure we supply you with perfect ritual.

The Grand Lecturers are also very easy to reach. Consult the Master of your lodge or your District Deputy Grand Master to find out who the Grand Lecturer is in your district. Refer to MassMasons.org, find the tab marked Directory, and click the dropdown for the list of Grand Lecturers. Our contact information will be available for you.

We always welcome good questions on etiquette, protocol, floor work, or generally anything that pertains to our Craft, and may use it in future articles in this column. I have been stumped, but believe me, the answers are out there, and we will find them. ■

To ask the Grand Lecturers a question, send an email to Rt. Wor. Nicholas Mantello, nicholas.j.mantello@gmail.com.



MASONIC HUMOR: TURKEY FOR 165



It was Thanksgiving. Philanthropic Lodge, true to their name, planned a turkey dinner for 165 people. Twenty-five Brothers were at the ready for this, the 11th Annual Dinner for the town’s Council on Aging. The idea for the COA event was hatched 11 years ago by Wor. John Belanger, now held in memory of Sophia Smith, a volunteer for many years who lost her battle with cancer at age 11.

Building Manager and Chef Louise Moore, who also cooks for the Valley of Salem, Scottish Rite, and Ascendus Lodge in Lynn, owns Every Little Breeze Catering and was charged with getting the turkeys. She went to BJ’s to get 16 Butterballs. However, BJ’s has a strict two-turkey per member policy. Louise had a waiver, but it was denied. The Floor Manager, Meat Manager, and General Manager were all summoned to the scene, to no avail. BJ’s policy was set in stone. All the brains in the room came together, and an idea was hatched. When she rolled the 16 turkeys to the door, the receipt checker was confused.

The receipt stated: 1 Turkey @ 298 lbs.

-Bro. Victor Cruz, St. John’s 11th District, Newburyport

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