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From The East—John D. Will W.M.



Greetings from the East

Brethren, This will be my last newsletter as your Master. I want to take this

opportunity to thank my great officer core for being the talented, enthusiastic leaders that you are. Special thanks goes out to Bill O'Connell who filled in for me on the degree work and did his usual flawless work. With my overseas trips I have had to rely on Bill and all the brothers to step up and provide excellent

quality degree work for the candidates. I also really enjoyed our Monday practices. They were made interesting with a mix of newly raised brothers and Masonic veterans equally struggling with Floyds square corners and trying not to step on the yard sticks. Floyd is no doubt the finest instructor

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Stated Meeting is the first Tuesday of the month.

Special Meeting is the third Tuesday of the month.

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ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

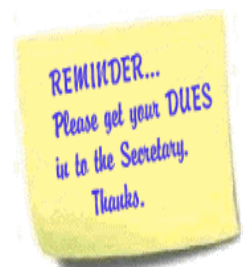
The annual meeting of Euclid Lodge will be held at 7:30 PM on November 4, 2008 at the Lodge hall. Reports of the Worshipful Master, Secretary and Treasurer will be presented. The annual election of officers will also take place. This is one of the most important meetings of the year and your attendance is requested.

GRAND LODGE

The 169th Annual Communication of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois is now history. Euclid

Lodge was represented by WM John D. Will, SW Christopher D. Tabb and JW Michael D. Ault. Also attending Grand Lodge from Euclid were Secretary Thomas C. Behr, James W. Patton, Floyd H. Sullens and J. Robert Stockner. If I have missed anyone it is a pure oversight and I am sorry. Not much of earth-shaking news came out of Grand Lodge. The meeting was well organized and conducted in a business-like manner with very little lost time. None of the attendees from Euclid were adventurous enough to

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Past Master Highlight

Thomas Naper 1860

Born April 22, 1835, in Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois.

He married Julia A. Thayer December 25, 1856, the Rev. J. E. Kenney officiating. From this union they had two sons, Charles Arthur and Burt Thair.

While the Naper Academy was being built in 1851, he was employed to keep watch over the building to make sure that the contractor did not disassemble the

building due to not being paid for his work. The building was eventually finished due to the Lodge purchasing the 3rd floor room for its meetings for \$700.00.

His house is still standing on the West side of Mill Street, just North of Jefferson Avenue.

He worked as a merchant in the family business and also ran the grist mill on the bank of the DuPage River.

He was elected and served as Naperville Village Trustee, May 1859 to April 1860.

Raised a Master Mason on December 9, 1856.

He also served as Junior Warden in 1859 and as Senior Deacon in 1858.

He died July 26, 1864, in Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois.



THOMAS NAPER

One of four of Joseph Naper's sons, all of whom were members of the Lodge.

From The East Continued

in the Northeast.

In terms of our year in review; we set forth an agenda in November that included qualification for the Grand Masters Award of Excellence, Community and Lodge Builder Awards, IL-Chip events, Lodge Clean up, Lodge Officer Competition, Participation in the Last Fling parade, social events [cook out, poker nights, corn eating?]. The bottom line is we did it as a vibrant living breathing lodge. Thanks again to all that made my year so special. As the hour glass of sand continues to fall we are drawn to think about our own lives and those that have made an impact. Thank you all for making an impact on my life.

I am thankful for Stu Heberg for having faith in me to put me in line.

We think of him at this time when he struggles with health issues. Please keep Stu and Dorothy in your prayers as well as Bill Ackermann who recently lost his father. We were privileged to have had his father visit our Lodge on several occasions and are thinking of Bill and his family at this time. On a happier note, Steve Rosensweig is turning 50. He really doesn't look bad for a guy who spent a great part of the 70's following the Grateful Dead around the country. This may explain his A.D.D. when it comes to driving a car.

That's all for now. Until we meet again.

John Will

WM Euclid Lodge



George Washington

By Hattie Elizabeth Burdette

November 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	1
2	3 Euclid 65 Practice	4 Euclid Lodge stated meeting 7:30 p.m.	5	6	7	8
9	10 Euclid 65 Practice	11 Euclid Chapter stated meeting 7:30 p.m.	12	13	14	15 Installation of Offi- cers 3 PM Open to the Public
16 District Breakfast Wheaton Lodge	17 Euclid 65 Practice	18 Euclid Lodge 65 Dinner 6:30 p.m. Special Meeting 7:30 p.m.	19	20	21	22
23	24 Euclid 65 Practice	25 Temple Board 7:30 p.m.	26	27 Thanksgiving	28	29
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Schedule of Events

- **Nov 3** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 pm
- **Nov 4** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 pm Annual Meeting, Election of Officers
- **Nov 10** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 pm
- **Nov 11** Euclid Chapter 13 Stated Convocation 7:30 pm
- **Nov 15** Installation of Officers Open to the Public 3:00 pm
- **Nov 16** District Breakfast Wheaton Lodge 7:00 am
- **Nov 17** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 pm
- **Nov 18** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7:30 pm Possible multiple 1st degrees
- **Nov 24** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 pm
- **Nov 25** Temple Board 7:30 pm
- **Dec 1** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 pm
- **Dec 2** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 pm Refreshments following
- **Dec 8** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 pm
- **Dec 9** Euclid Chapter 13 Stated Convocation 7:30 pm
- **Dec 13** Lodge Christmas Party 12:30 pm
- **Dec 15** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 pm
- **Dec 16** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 pm Meeting at 7:30 pm
- **Dec 21** District Breakfast Wheaton
- **Dec 22** No Lodge Officer Practice
- **Dec 23** Temple Board Meeting 7:30 pm

Committees



Dainon Setzer Chairman
Steve Rosensweig, Tim Ory
Carl Crownhart, Don Cowart

Education

Tim Ory Chairman, Don Cowart

Finance \$\$\$\$

John Will, Christopher Tabb, Michael Ault, Jerry Yingling

Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Jack Gelston Chairman

Entertainment

John Aemmer Chairman
Steve Rosensweig, Mike Ault,
Tom Moylan

Award of Excellence

Andrew Siedelmann Chairman

Community & Lodge Builder Award

Dainon Setzer Chairman, John Will

Lodge Cleanup

Dainon Setzer Chairman, John Will

Lodge Membership and Retention

Bill Ackerman Chairman

Academic Bowl

Steven Rosensweig Chairman, John Will, Neville Diamond

Community Days

Gerald Yingling Chairman

PAST MASTERS DINNER

Greetings Brothers,

I would like to thank all the Past Masters, members of Euclid Lodge and guests who could attend the Annual Past Master's Dinner this year. It was held at Long Island Sound in Aurora on the third Wednesday of October, as is the tradition. It was well attended with thirty-five present.

There was special recognition of the recipients of the "Lodge Builders Award" for 2008. The recognized brothers have shown exceptional devotion and work toward the benefit of the Lodge. This years awards go to WBro. James Sleith, PM, Bro. Tim Ory, WBro. Walter Qualkenbush, PM, Community Builder Awards were given to Naperville Mayor George Pradel and Debbie Rickert (Support Our Troops).

This years presentation was given by Bro. Tim Ory . He spent many long hours researching the history of Euclid Lodge and its members. As we all know, the biographies of all the Past Masters and Past High Priests of Euclid are now on our web site for us to enjoy. Brother Ory's PowerPoint presentation at the Dinner was on the various locations of Euclid Temple and some background on it's earliest founding members. Great job Tim!

I hope to see everyone at next years dinner on the third Wednesday of October, or at any Euclid function in the coming year.

Until then,

"May Brotherly Love Prevail"

WBro. Don Cowart

ILCHIP

On Saturday, October 11th approximately two dozen brethren arrived at the First Presbyterian Church on Weber Road in Bolingbrook to host yet another Euclid-sponsored IL CHIP event. The church was hosting a "Kids Come First" day, which included anything and everything related to children's health and safety, a natural fit for a program like IL CHIP!

We had our registration table set at the entrance to the church, so virtually every parent eagerly signed the permission slip and the children were on their way to get fingerprinted, have their cheek swabbed for DNA , and have their moment of fame in front of the camera. Even with three computers we had a line from time to time!

In addition to all the Brothers who volunteered their time we were pleased to have a Crime Prevention Specialist from the Bolingbrook Police Department there to help with the fingerprints. Hopefully that's the only time those children get fingerprinted by someone wearing a badge! Special thanks to Neville, John & Kevin who went across the street with fliers to recruit additional families from the stores in the area.

When it was all said and done we had "CHIP'd" 48 children in just over 3 hours. Thank you to all the Brothers who made the event a success!

Dainon Setzer

From The Secretaries Table Continued

partake of the noon lunch on Friday so we have nothing to report. Perhaps we will garner together enough courage to venture back into the hotel dining room in a couple of years and try it again.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Euclid Lodge is very good at getting petitions submitted and making Entered Apprentice Masons. After that point we do not do a very good job. We have at least 11 Entered Apprentice Masons who have not advanced. Some of these are well over a year old. What happened to cause these men to lose interest? Did the investigation committee not do a good job and screen out a few who perhaps were not ready for Masonry? Did the 1st Degree Team not do an impressive job that would cause a new man to lose interest so soon? Did we as a Lodge disappoint a new man in how we welcomed and treated him during his one night in lodge? Did we not assign a poster or mentor and if we did, did that poster and/or mentor call the candidate and work with him on the catechism, call him and invite him to a degree or take him to a neighboring lodge to witness a degree in a different lodge? Brethren, the list of questions could go on for many pages but the point is we need to make changes and get these candidates advancing and completing their degrees. With recent changes enacted by the Grand Master Yandel there should be no reason a candidate cannot advance through the catechism. Come to lodge and learn about the change and take an active part in

helping this list of Entered Apprentices be converted to Master Masons and active members of our Lodge. As cleaning up the Work In Progress is a requirement of the Grand Master's Award of Excellence Program your efforts will pay double dividends.

GRAND LECTURERS & CERTIFIED LODGE INSTRUCTORS

On Saturday, Nov. 25, 2008 at a GL & CLI school held at Downers Grove all GL's & CLI's were given the challenge to recruit one new GL or CLI to replace themselves. It seems that the number of commissioned instructors is very low in the state and we need to increase our numbers in order to maintain the high quality of the Standard Work that is taught by the Board of Grand Examiners. At the last exam only one GL candidate presented himself for the examination. This needs to improve in the next year. Please consider this challenge and see either Bro. Sullens, Bro. O'Connell or Bro. Behr who will be very happy to help you meet this rewarding challenge.

2009 DUES CARDS

Last Friday, the 2009 Dues Cards arrived from Grand Lodge. They will be processed and in the mail in a couple of weeks. Please watch for them and remit your payment as soon as possible. We have several members that have not paid their 2008 dues and will now be subject to suspension if their dues are not made current. Please do not let this happen to you.

The following Brothers will celebrate a birthday in November on the day indicated.

Johnny B. Perry	Nov 03
Alan R. Spies	Nov 04
Charles E. Macyunas	Nov 04
Steven J. Rosensweig	Nov 08
Bruce E. Derylo	Nov 11
Arthur C. Tancl Jr.	Nov 12
Robert E. Beck	Nov 14
Robert J. Falta	Nov 16
Charles W. Wiggins	Nov 25
Leon E. Litzelman	Nov 25
William G. Dixon	Nov 28
Vaneet K. Kapoor	Nov 29
Elmer A. Dagenais	Nov 29
Jack D. Chasteen	Nov 29

The following members will observe the anniversary of their Master Mason Degree on the date indicated. The number in () is the number of years.

William T. Fetner	Nov 06 (32)
Brett A. Osborn	Nov 08 (15)
Mark R. Hopf	Nov 15 (03)
Andrew B. Siedelmann	Nov 15 (15)
Charles E. Kreps	Nov 15 (20)
Ronald R. Rudniski	Nov 19 (06)
Charles E. McLaughlin	Nov 23 (26)
Norman L. Gieske	Nov 29 (59)

So Brethren, until next month, "There is nothing on the Secretaries table, Worshipful".

Thomas C. Behr
Secretary

Euclid Chapter No. 13 Royal Arch Masons



Constituted by Dispensation January 29, 1851
Chartered by The Grand Chapter of Illinois
October 3, 1851

Officers 2008

Neville Diamond	Excellent High Priest
Timothy Ory	King
Don Cowart	Scribe
Andrew Siedelmann	Treasurer
John Buckler	Secretary
Walter Qualkenbush	Chaplain
Jack Chasteen	Captain of the Host
William Ackerman	Principal Sojourner
David Oakes	Royal Arch Captain
William Dixon	Master 3rd Veil
John Gelston	Master 2nd Veil
Dainon Setzer	Master 1st Veil
Kevin Cassidy	Marshall
Thomas Behr	Sentinel

The Chapter meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Naperville Masonic Temple, 34 W. Jefferson Avenue, Naperville, Illinois.

Naperville Masonic Temple Board

Members

Andrew Siedelmann	President	Euclid Lodge
John Buckler	Vice-President	Euclid Chapter
Christopher Tabb	Secretary	Euclid Lodge
Jerry Yingling	Treasurer	Euclid Lodge
Thomas Behr		Euclid Lodge
Don Cowart		Euclid Chapter
Michael Wells		Euclid Lodge
Michael Ault		Euclid Lodge
Timothy Ory		Euclid Chapter

The Temple Board is comprised of six members appointed from Euclid Lodge No. 65 and three members appointed from Euclid Chapter No. 13.

The Board meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm to discuss and work on all issues pertaining to the Masonic Temple building.

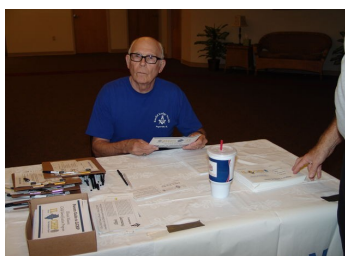
Past Masters Dinner Photos

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Bolingbrook ILCHIP Event Photos

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The George Washington Masonic National Memorial

www.gwmemorial.com

One of the charities we give to is the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. The following article may help you to better understand the importance of this national monument to Freemasonry.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial is a masonic lodge and memorial dedicated to the memory of George Washington, the first President of the United States of America and a Mason. George Washington belonged to Alexandria Lodge 22, and was named the lodge's Charter Master in 1788. Records of Washington presiding over the lodge are non-existent, possibly due to a fire at the lodge's original location in Alexandria's City Hall, which is where the lodge met until moving to the memorial in the early 1940's. Ground was broken in 1922, the Cornerstone laid in 1923; it was completed in 1932. It is located in Alexandria, Virginia, atop Shuter's Hill (named after a union fort on the same location) and affords views of Alexandria and Washington, D.C. to the north. The tower is fashioned after the Lighthouse of Alexandria, in part because of the town's namesake, and the masonic interest in great buildings of the ancient world. It is near the King Street station of the Metro.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial is the only Masonic building supported and maintained by the 52 Grand Lodges of the United States. This is counter to common Masonic practice, where a building is only supported by the Grand Lodge of the state in which it resides. The building also houses the collection of the Alexandria Lodge, which contains most of the fraternal artifacts of George Washington, including: Watson and Catsoul Apron, Sash, Past Master portrait, Working Tools and Trowel used to lay the cornerstone at the United States Capitol.

The building was built entirely with on-hand funds and donations; no loans were made for the construction. The design commission was awarded to the New York architectural firm of Helmle and Corbett. Designed in the classical style, the entrance is Doric, while the interior of the main hall (Memorial Hall) is Composite. The tower sections are Doric, Ionic, and Corinthian. The tower is capped with an Egyptian pyramid, and capped with a flame-like finial, as a homage to the lighthouse of Alexandria. All the murals inside were done by a single artist.

There are ten floors from the basement to the top; select rooms are used for the public guided tour. The fourth, fifth, seventh, eighth and ninth are all furnished by Masonic appendant bodies, in particular the York Rite, Grotto, and Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

The first floor contains three large, distinct areas; the Shrine Rooms, Assembly Hall, and Dining Rooms. The Shrine Rooms are dedicated to the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, (Shriners), who have established orthopedic hospitals and burn centers for children. The Assembly Hall is in the center space of the first floor, with eight New Hampshire green granite columns eighteen feet tall. Around the room are dioramas depicting scenes from the life of George Washington. This room also contains an animatronic George Washington owned by the Scottish Rite. The Assembly Hall (South Lodge Room) is used by the Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22 and other visiting Masonic Lodges.

The great aim that was set forth by the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was, "to hand down to coming generations a testament of the love of our Fraternity for him who was the glory of his country and an ornament to Freemasonry. Erected of enduring materials, the temple will stand throughout the ages. It will carry to generations yet unborn, and to those to whom we may seem an ancient race, the message of human brotherhood. It will perpetuate the attributes of self-denial, patriotism, love of country and fellow man, which were typified in the life and work of the great Mason, the master-builder of our nation, George Washington."

Submitted by,

Brother Ralph E. Gray



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The History of Illinois Freemasonry

The bicentennial of organized Freemasonry in Illinois was celebrated in 2005 with the observance of the chartering of Western Star Lodge, established in 1805 in the town Kaskaskia in what was then known as the “Indiana Territory.” Shadrach Bond, Illinois’ first governor, became a member of this lodge in 1806 and went on to serve as its presiding officer in 1815 and again in 1818, the year in which Illinois achieved statehood.

The first Grand Lodge of Masons of Illinois was formed by a small group of Lodges in 1822 and flourished for several years before ceasing operations in 1827, a period that coincided with the short-lived anti-Masonic national political movement. However, by 1839, Freemasonry was on the rebound and Illinois’ current Grand Lodge was formed in 1840.

Today, the Masonic Fraternity under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Illinois is comprised of more than 500 Lodges and 70,000 Masons—men of character from every walk of life all working together to build a better world!