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TRESTLEBOARD

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From The East - Michael Ault - Worshipful Master

Rrethren

March began with the official visit of Brother Herb Lindberg, District Deputy Grand Master of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the 10th Northeast District of the State of Illinois. It was an honor to have him visit as well as observe our knowledge of the Craft through a difficult round of questions in our annual Eureka Challenge.

March was also a busy month for work at Euclid Lodge as we initiated 2 new Brothers as Entered Apprentices and raised 4 others to the sublime degree of Master Mason. As always, the brethren of Euclid Lodge demonstrated their respect for the Craft through excellent ritual, fine floor work and the solemn ceremonies of our full regalia, courtesy of a special dispensation from the Grand Master. I am pleased to announce that Euclid Lodge has raised 14 new brothers to the sublime decree of Master Mason so far this Masonic year. And we still have 15 other candidates at various steps in receiving their degrees. Clearly, our fraternity continues to grow and I encourage each of you to take time to talk to other

men who you think would make good Masons and invite them to petition for membership!
Following are the names of our new brothers who were raised over the first part of this Masonic year:

Brother Russell Mowry
Brother Dennis Cassidy
Brother Christopher Lance
Brother Daniel Mao
Brother Rafael Ramos
Brother Thomas Duff
Brother Patrick Temsuary
Brother Brandon Zears
Brother Gary Gocal
Brother William Zukauskas
Brother John Cressman
Brother Humam Amara
Brother Lucas Park

It is important that we remember that a new brother's Masonic journey does not end when they "take a seat as a member thereof, entitled to all the rights and privileges of a Master Mason". It is actually then that their journey begins in earnest. And we, as members of Euclid Lodge, play an important role in that journey! First and foremost, these gentlemen are now our Brothers

and are deserving of our friendship, brotherhood and, in times of need, our charity. And, as many of you know, the true beauty and wisdom of "the secret arts, parts and points of the hidden mysteries of Ancient Freemasonry" are learned and experienced over a lifetime through the support and guidance of our Lodge and our fellow Brothers

So I encourage you to take the time to meet and welcome our new brethren. Make them feel welcome and comfortable at our meetings and events. Help them understand how they can get involved in ways that are meaningful to them. And finally, guide them and share in our collective search for "more light in Masonry" through the tenets of every Mason's profession – brotherly love, relief and truth.

Fraternally, Michael D. Ault Worshipful Master Euclid Lodge No. 65



Michael Ault Worshipful Master.

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From The Secretaries Table

Thomas C. Behr Secretary

EUCLID DUES: As of this writing we still have 36 members who have not paid their dues nor have they contacted the lodge to explain their situation. You are probably tired of reading about it but I can assure you that you are not half as tired as I am writing about dues. We all took an obligation stating "I will not cheat, wrong nor defraud a Master Masons' lodge". I feel that not paying your dues constitutes cheating and defrauding. As has been stated many times over, if payment of dues creates a financial hardship, please let us know and we can assist. But we need to know before we can take any assisting steps. If we do not hear from you, we are left with the assumption that you could care less about your Masonic membership. We do not like to suspend anyone but when a brother does not pay his dues, nor does he respond to written communication, nor contact the lodge, there is no practical alternative left for the lodge. Please contact the WM or the Secretary if you need help and don't let yourself get suspended.

The following members will celebrate a birthday this month on the day indicated

Paul S. Perkins Apr 02 Joe L. Cherry Jr. Apr 03 Gary E. Czyz Apr 05 William E. Love Apr 06 David A. Johnson Apr 09 Evan G. Henderson Apr 12 Mark C. Mortimer Apr 15 Douglas H. Huntington Apr 16 Gennaro Barbato Apr 19 Harry K. Radel Apr 21 Robert E. Morris Apr 21 John W. Sims Apr 25 Robert E. Myers, II Apr 29 Michael L. Hamman Apr 29 Gene E. Darfler Apr 29

Anniversary of The Master Mason Degree The following members will observe

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

J. Robert Stockner Apr 02 (47) Don J. Cowart Apr 03 (11)

William A. Heisler Apr 04 (12)

Walter L. Qualkenbush Apr 04 (21)

Donald G. Knudsen Apr 06 (56)

Steven A. Fuesting Apr 06 (31)

Albin R. Anderson Apr 06 (27)

Gerald W. Bussell Apr 15 (24)

Robert C. Liska Apr 17 (48)

Stanley S. Wynoowski Apr 19 (11)

Jeffrev M. Adler Apr 19 (05)

Andrew F. Wolfe Apr 25 (12)

Brian T. Sweeney Apr 30 (12)

Gary J. Mannon Apr 30 (08)

Leon E. Litzelman Apr 30 (42)

In reviewing the above listings I noticed that 2 of the birthdays and 3 of the MM Degree Anniversary listings are also on the delinquent dues list. So, you can see that the lodge has not given up on you

and we would trust that you have not

given up on your lodge.

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

Past Master Highlight Roy Allen Mather 1896

Roy Allen Mather was born May 27th, 1870, in Wheatland Township, Will County, Illinois. He was the son of Samuel Mather (PM) and Malvina Ballou.

He was a direct descendant of Increase Mather, one of the first Presidents of Harvard College. He attended Northwestern College (North Central) and the University of Illinois, graduating in the class of 1892 with a degree in Civil Engineering.

His experience included work on the Chicago Elevated Railroads, bridge draftsman for the C. B. & Q. railroad, and draftsmen/engineer for the American Bridge Co. He was also an instructor for the American Bridge Co. apprentice school and a member of the Corps of Engineers. He invented the Rectifying Curve, patented in 1911. His hobbies included Astronomy and Photography.

He married Emma Anna Maria Hammerschmidt on October 21, 1896. From this union the following seven children were born: Margaret S., Lawrence Hammerschmidt, Helen Caroline, Rachel Bertha, Jean A., Doris Allen, and Virginia.

He also served Euclid Lodge No. 65 as Junior Warden in 1894 and 1895, Secretary in 1898 and 1899, and Junior Deacon in 1893.

He died November 22, 1941, in Lark Inn Fields, Leetsdale, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. He was buried in Naperville Cemetery, Naperville, Illinois.



ROY A. MATHER

Instructor Draftsman Civil Engineer Euclid Lodge No. 65 Trestleboard Page 3 Volume 3 Issue 5

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	29 Lodge Officer Practice	30 Lodge Special Meeting	31	1 April	2	3
4	5 Lodge Officer Practice	6 Lodge Stated Meeting	7	8 ILCHIP Training 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	9	10 Naper Boulevard Cleanup
II	12 Lodge Officer Practice	13 Chapter Stated Meeting	14	15	16	17 ILCHIP Event Bolingbrook
18 8th & 10th NE Districts Breakfast	19 Lodge Officer Practice	20 Lodge Special Meeting	21	22	23	24 GL School Villa Park 8:30 to 2:00
25	26 Lodge Officer Practice	27 Temple Board Meeting	28 Intender Program	29	30	1 May

Schedule of Events

- Apr 5 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- Apr 6 Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Apr 8 ILCHIP Training 7 to 9 p.m. at the Lodge
- Apr 10 Naper Boulevard Cleanup 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
- Apr 12 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- Apr 13 Euclid Chapter 13 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Apr 17 ILCHIP Event First Presbyterian Church of DuPage Bolingbrook 4 to 8 p.m.
- Apr 18 District Breakfast Hi-View Rest.
 Villa Park 7:00 a.m.
- Apr 19 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00

- p.m.
- Apr 20 Euclid Lodge Special Meeting
 Degree conferral Multiple Second degrees
- Apr 24 GL School Villa Park No. 1113, 8:30 to 2:00
- Apr 26 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 n m
- Apr 27 Temple Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Apr 28 Intender Program Entered Apprentice Training 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- May 3 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- May 4 Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- May 10 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

- May 11 Euclid Chapter 13 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. Annual Meeting, Election of Officers
- May 16 District Breakfast Hi-View Rest.
 Villa Park 7:00 a.m.
- May 17 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- May 18 Euclid Lodge Special Meeting Degree conferral
- May 22 ILCHIP event Kennedy JHS
- May 24 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- May 25 Temple Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- May 31 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Committees

New Member

Bill Ackerman Chairman Vaneet Kapoor Co-Chairman Carl Crownhart, Jim Simpson III

Member Participation

Dainon Setzer Chairman

More Light in Masonry

Don Cowart Chairman

Entertainment

John Will Chairman Michael Molloy Co-Chairman

Communications

Timothy Ory Chairman Michael Molloy Co-Chairman

Historical

Timothy Ory Chairman Don Cowart Co-Chairman Neville Diamond, Brandon Zears, Christopher Tabb, Walt Qualkenbush

Finance

Michael Ault Chairman Neville Diamond, Timothy Ory, Jerry Yingling, Andrew Siedelmann

Award of Excellence

Andrew Siedelmann Chairman

Community Days

Jerry Yingling Chairman

IL-CHIP

Mark Hopf Chairman

Community & Lodge Builder Award

John Will Chairman

Academic Bowl

Steve Rosensweig Chairman

Past Masters Dinner

Don Cowart Chairman

Rockin For The Troops

Steve Rosensweig Chairman

Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Jack Gelston Chairman

Trestleboard



The Euclid Lodge ILCHIP Committee is holding 2 events this spring.

The first event is on Saturday, April 17th at First Presbyterian Church of DuPage (180 N Weber, Bolingbrook) from 4-8 pm, to coincide with their annual Spaghetti Supper. Volunteers should plan to arrive at 3pm for setup, and stay after for takedown as required.

The second one is Saturday, May 22, at Kennedy Jr. High school in Naperville from 9am to 12pm in conjunction with the Lisle Police Dept. Volunteers please arrive at 8am for setup.

TRAINING: Those who wish to volunteer but have never had training, or require a refresher course, please attend the training Thursday, April 8th from 7-9pm at Euclid Lodge (34 W. Jefferson, Naperville).

Mark Hopf

New Member

Intender School class for Entered Apprentice Intending will be held Wednesday, April 28th, at 730 pm in the Lodge club room.

A more detailed explanation of the Entered Apprentice Guidebook will be presented by Brother James Simpson III.

More Light In Masonry

"The Hidden Truths of the Cardinal Virtues" will be presented at the stated meeting, Tuesday, April 6th.

Historical

The Historical Committee presented their ideas to the Naperville Masonic Temple Association Board for the renovation of the Preparation Room, Tylers Room and other areas of the Lodge building.

The Temple Board has agreed with the recommendations and will be contacting a contractor to give them an estimate for the planned work.

Rockin for the Troops will be holding their 5th annual benefit concert on July 17th at Cantigny and will be looking for volunteers to help park cars. Contact Brother Steve Rosensweig for further information;

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Historical

Record Euclid Lodge No. 65, A.F. & A.M. Masonic Hall, Naperville February 3, 1852

The committee appointed to procure a cane to be presented to Br. Aylmer Keith made their report and presented the cane to the Lodge with a bill of seven dollars for the cane and engraving – said report and cane were accepted, the committee discharged and the bill ordered to be paid.

The Worshipful Master, Naper, in behalf of the Lodge then presented the cane to W. Aylmer Keith remarking in substance as follows.

"Worshipful Brother Keith, I rise to perform a pleasing and agreeable duty, that devolved on me as Master of the Lodge, who being desirous of manifesting in a tangible form their appreciation of your course during the period of your connexion with them, and their appreciation of the services rendered this Lodge by you, I have the honor of presenting to you on their behalf this cane as a token of their esteem and fraternal regard.

The time honored custom of presenting gifts and tokens of affection as rewards of merit is alike honorable to the donor and recipient. You will observe that the head of the cane is inscribed with certain emblems, highly significant to the initiated. May the principles signified by these emblems be the rule and guide of your life and the staff be a support to you in your declining years."

Br. Keith arose and said, "Worshipful Master and Brethren of Euclid Lodge, I thank you for this token of your affectionate and fraternal regard, and accept it with a grateful heart." Here appearing very much affected, said, "Brethren, I will add a few words when I am a little more composed."

After a short pause, Br. Keith arose and spoke as follows.

"Worshipful Master and Brethren of Euclid Lodge, I said on receiving this cane that I accepted with a grateful heart this token of your regard, and although no words that I can use will express the feelings of my heart, I will add that I appreciate the motives that prompted its bestowment. The feeble service that I have rendered this Lodge, from its first organization to the present time, has not been for hope of gain, but from a sincere love

of Masonry, and the good its principles are calculated to impart to those who come under its influence. The objects and aims of Masonry are not selfish, but Masons who understand the true spirit and character of Masonry, are such from a desire of knowledge and of being serviceable to their fellow creatures."

"As the staff will be a support to my limbs in my declining years, so may the genuine principles of Masonry strengthen and confirm me in the practice of all Masonic virtues and particularly in the Tenets of a Mason's profession, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

The head of this staff is embellished with Masonic emblems, here is the plumb, square and level, these are most beautifully explained in our ritual, 'the plumb admonishes us to walk uprightly in our several stations before God and man, squaring our actions by the square of virtue, ever remembering, that we are travelling upon the level of time to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns; here is also a Beehive which is emblematical of industry; next the Pot of Incense which is an emblem of a pure heart, which is always an acceptable sacrifice to Deity; and as this glows with fervent heat, so should our hearts continually glow with gratitude to the great and beneficent author of our existence for the manifold blessings and comforts we enjoy; next an Anchor, this is an emblem of a well grounded hope, and my Brethren when we shall have been wafted over this tempestuous sea of troubles, may we be safely anchored in that peaceful harbor, where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary find rest. Here is also a past Masters Jewel which I suppose is intended to denote the relation I sustain to this Lodge. And in the most prominent place is the 47th Problem of Euclid from which this Lodge derives its name, this teaches Masons to be general lovers of the Arts and Sciences."

"Again my Brethren, I thank you for your gift. And now we as brethren of the Mystic Tie endeavor so to regulate our lives and conduct, that when the chilling winds of death shall come sighing around us, we may be prepared as living stones for that spiritual building, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

On motion of Brother Willard T. Jones, Resolved, the whole matter of presenting the cane to Br. Keith including the remarks of the Worshipful Master and of Br. Keith be spread upon the records. (It is not known what became of the cane. It may have been placed in Aylmer's coffin when he was buried.)

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Our Temple

A large part of our ritual is allegorical and symbolical. We never learn the real secrets of Freemasonry until we learn something of the meaning of our Allegories, until we are able to give interpretations to some of our Symbols. The effort will prove an entrancingly interesting one . I shall attempt to give meaning to the Allegory of the Temple, also interpret it as a symbol.

The Temple of King Solomon, so spacious and so magnificent, and constructed by so many celebrated artists - greatest structure of all times - is a Symbol of the Living Temple, more spacious and more magnificent and constructed by an even more celebrated artist. This Living Temple also has never had a counter part.

Our feet may be the Entered Apprentices or bearers of burden, our hands may be the Fellow Crafts who shape the stones for the Builder's use, and these are directed in their labors by the Master Mind.

This Temple of ours is not less beautiful than that of King Solomon. It has its aisles and Winding Stairway, an outer and inner chamber. We certainly have within us a Holy of Holies for the worship of the Great Artificer of the Universe, who gave us this Temple, this building not made with hands, finished without with the burnished gold of service to our Fraternity and within with the Precious Jewels of love of our fellows.

This Mortal Temple, in imitation of the other, may be brought low by perfidy, by intemperance, by flaunting disregard of the laws of God, Nature and Reason; and also it may be rebuilt, for Nature is quick to repair if given opportunity, but let us be warned that, like the Temple on Mount Moriah, this Mortal Temple, when once destroyed, may never be rebuilt in its original splendor. Also, this Temple shall crumble and mingle with its parent dust. Whether its glory lives after depends upon the use to which we put it while it is ours.

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