# Euclid Lodge No. 65, A.F. & A.M.



The Oldest Lodge In DuPage County

## **TRESTLEBOARD**

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## From The East - Michael Ault - Worshipful Master

### Brethren.

How often we hear that Freemasonry is about "making good men better". In my short time as a Free & Accepted Mason, I have found this axiom to be true in many powerful ways, from the brotherly love we share to those wise and serious truths of the most excellent tenets of our Institution.

Two of those fundamental tenets are brotherly love and relief. We are taught to aid, support and protect the human species as one family. We are also taught that to relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent on all men. I am pleased to declare, as your Worshipful Master, that the practice of those selfless tenets is alive and well at Euclid Lodge No. 65.

In April the brethren of Euclid Lodge held an IL CHIP event for the First Presbyterian Church of Bolingbrook to support parents in ensuring the safety of their children. Another event is planned on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at Kennedy Junior High School. If you would like to learn more about IL CHIP and how you can contribute to this worthy activity, please con-

tact our IL CHIP Chairman, Brother Mark Hopf.

We also held another Naper Boulevard clean up in April, continuing in our commitment to making our community a clean and safe environment in which to live.

Planning is underway for many other important events to support our community, which I hope many of you will be able to participate in.

Our Community Builder Award dinner and ceremony will be held before our stated meeting in June. This annual event provides us the opportunity to formally communicate our gratitude to three community leaders who have given self-lessly to the communities they serve.

We will be holding a Community Days Event on June 26<sup>th</sup> at the Naperville Loaves & Fishes charity organization to provide our time and services to help feed the poor and needy.

This summer, we will again provide our time and services

to the "Operation Rock The Troops" event to support our troops who are fighting for freedom in foreign lands.

Finally, the selfless aid and support our Lodge regularly offers to worthy distressed Brother Masons, examples too numerous to mention here, continue to demonstrate that "indissoluble chain of sincere affection" that links us together as Masons.

I look forward to working hand in hand with you, my Brethren, in these and future events as we practice faith, hope and charity remembering, "the greatest of these is charity".

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

Dues: Very little progress has been made since last months report. We still have ten (10) members who owe two or more years. There are twenty one (21) members who have not paid their 2010 dues. Those are the facts. Writing long articles each month about dues collection seems to have little affect so we are not going to bore you anymore with the details.

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

Norwood A. McDaniel Jr. May 04 Michael D. Ault May 05 Mark R. Hopf May 07 Trung-Viet J. Nauven May 11 L. Bryan. Wilcher May 11 Clyde J. Souza May 11 Robert B. Chasteen May 12 Andrew B. Siedelmann May 14 John A. Schoch Jr. May 20 Corin G. Grant May 22 Ronald D. Bynum May 23 Brian M. McLees May 23 William T. Zukauskas May 24 Dennis M. Cassidy May 24 Arwood K. Edwards May 25 Gregory A. Crawford May 27 Steven J. Venditti May 27

Timothy T. Scarbrough May 27 Mason C. Wright Sr. May 28 Humam H. Amara May 28 Frederick E. Huntington May 28 llani S. Valero May 30 Neil C. Jeffries May 31

#### 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

Guy P. Hamilton May 01 (03) Robert B. Hudetz May 01 (07) Michael L. Hamman May 01 (17) Neil C. Jeffries May 01 (59) Gregory K. Walker May 01 (10) Frank J. Cabrera II May 01 (06) Martin W. Schuele May 02 (43) David A. Dakes May 07 (16) Thomas C. Behr May 07 (29) George D Porter May 07 (40) Philip X. Katz May 09 (21) Wavne E. Ward May 12 (45) Tracy L. Oliver May 15 (20) William G. Dixon May 16 (38) Robert E. Morris May 16 (43)

Floyd H. Sullens May 16 (36)

John F. Prescott May 18 (34) Michael D. Ault May 18 (06) Steven A. Fay May 19 (18) James L. Grosskopf May 21 (27) Dwaine A. Churma May 22 (26) John E. Buckler May 22 (23) Charles L. Calderwood May 23 (57) Bruce E. Dervlo May 24 (48) Ross J. Decent May 26 (06) Robert J. Parson May 27 (42) Henry J. Ristic May 27 (41) Steven T. Chandler May 28 (18) James W. Patton May 29 (42) Robert E. Beck May 31 (65)

After completing the preparation of the above two groupings of members, I have to observe the month of May has historically been a very popular month to have been born as well as to having been raised.

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

Thomas C. Behr Secretary

#### Past Master Highlight Edwin Earl Sargent 1897, 1898, 1907

Edwin Earl Sargent was born March 8, 1866, in Lisle Township, DuPage County, Illinois. He was the son of Marquis Lafayette Sargent and Lois M. Ingalls.

He was educated in the public schools of Naperville, supplemented with a commercial course in the Northwestern College (North Central).

He married Celia N. Sprague Royce (widow of George E. Royce PM 1895) October 23, 1902. From this union three children were born, Lois, Charles Earl and Caryl (Mrs. Ralph Eugene Bentz).

Until the age of 31, he was engaged in agricultural pursuits, then he went to work for Dolese and Shepard Company, Chicago, as manager of the teaming department and later as paymaster. From 1904 to 1909 he embarked in a livery and teaming business of his own.

He served as Township Clerk for six years. Member of the Naperville Association of Commerce and the Naperville Cemetery Association. He was also the proprietor of the Fountain Garage, where he sold Reo automobiles. He served Euclid Lodge as Senior Warden in 1896 and 1903, Junior Warden in 1892, Secretary in 1893 and 1894, and Senior Deacon in 1895 and 1906. He served as High Priest of Euclid Chapter No. 13, R.A.M. in 1933 and 1934. He was also a member of Aurora Commandery No. 22, Knights Templar, Althea Chapter No. 206, O.E.S., and the Mystic Shrine of

He died October 16, 1937, in Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois. He was buried in Naperville Cemetery, Naperville, Illinois.



EARL E. SARGENT

Farmer Township Clerk **Livery Business** Owner **Auto Dealer** 

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# May 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 May	3 Lodge Officer Practice	4 Lodge Stated Meeting	5	6	7	8
9	10 Lodge Officer Practice	11 Chapter Stated Meeting Election of Officers	12 Table Lodge Medinah Shrine	13	14	15
16 8th & 10th NE Districts Breakfast	17 Lodge Officer Practice	18 Lodge Special Meeting 1st Degrees	19 Chapter 6th Degree Conferral	20	21	22 ILCHIP Event Kennedy JHS
23	24 Lodge Officer Practice	25 Temple Board Meeting	26	27	28	29
30	31 Lodge Officer Practice	1 June Lodge Stated Meeting	2	3	4	5

### **Schedule of Events**

- May 3 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00
- 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 12 Table Lodge at the Medinah Shrine Center, 550 Shriners Drive, Addison, IL (see details on page 5)
- 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 1st Decree conferral

- May 19 Special Chapter Mtg. 6th Deg.
- May 22 ILCHIP event Kennedy JHS 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- 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.
- Jun 1 Stated Meeting Community & Lodge Builder Awards dinner
- Jun 7 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- Jun 8 Euclid Chapter Stated Meeting
- Jun 11 New Member dinner
- Jun 12 Family Bowling and Pizza

- Jun 14 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- Jun 15 Special Meeting 2nd Degree Conferral
- Jun 20 District Breakfast Hi-View Restaurant Villa Park 7:00 a.m.
- Jun 21 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- Jun 22 Temple Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Jun 26 Community Days Event at Loaves & Fishes 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Jun 28 Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to
- Jun 29 Special Meeting 3rd Degree Conferral
- July and August No Meetings Scheduled

### 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



On Saturday, April 17th, Euclid Lodge held an ILCHIP event at DuPage Presbyterian Church in Bolingbrook, IL. 19 children were given identity kits that afternoon. During the event, we had the help of 15 brothers, and 6 members of the Bolingbrook High School Interact club.

Thanks to Jack Gelston, Tim Ory, Carl Crownhart, Steve Rosensweig, Ross Decent, Jerry Yingling, Bill Dixon, Bruce Derylo, Bill Ackerman, Clyde Souza, Neville Diamond, Brandon Zears, and Guy Hamilton from the lodge, and Elaine Ackerman, Leanette K, Tierra B, Jocelyn D, Courtney R, and Becky V. from BHS Interact for their assistance. Our next event is at Kennedy Middle school in Lisle (Green Trails and Naper Blvd) on May 22 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please sign up on the bulletin board for the event. All volunteers are asked to show up approximately I hour early to assist with setup and stay afterwards for take-down.

Mark Hopf

### Entertainment

We are in the process of setting up a family bowling day at the Brunswick Zone on Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. This will be cosmic bowling that is done with various different lights. Pizza and Soda will be provided. Further details and cost will be sent out shortly and reservations with John Will will be mandatory. John Will

# More Light In Masonry

"Around the World of Freemasonry in 8 minutes", will be presented at the stated meeting, Tuesday, May 4th.

# Community & Lodge Builder Award

June 1, 6 pm, Lodge Builder/Community Builder award dinner and presentation. , Join us as we award three distinguished members of our community as well as two deserving lodge brothers.

John Will

**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.

# Table Lodge

Brethren -

Euclid Lodge No. 65 will be holding a Table Lodge on Wednesday, May 12th at the Medinah Shrine Center, 550 Shriners Drive. Addison, Illinois.

There will be a cash bar from 6:00pm to 7:00pm followed by Table Lodge from 7:00pm to 8:00pm.

Dinner will be served at 8:00PM featuring:

New York Strip steak (8 Dunce Center Cut - 10 Once available for addition \$2.50)
Cheddar Stuffed Double Baked Potato
Choice of Vegetable
Dinner Rolls & Butter
Vanilla Ice Cream with Chocolate Sauce
Cash Bar and Coffee will be available

All Brethren are invited although Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts will be required to leave the room for a small portion of the Table Lodge ceremony. There is a charge of \$15.00 to help defray the costs of the dinner (\$17.50 if you want the 10 ounce cut).

If you are interested in assisting in the set-up or participating in a small part in the ceremony it would be appreciated. Please let me know.

RSVP's should be e-mailed to mchl.ault@sbcglobal.net no later than May 2nd.

Please drop off or mail your payment to the Lodge no later than May 11th.

Fraternally,

Michael Ault Worshipful Master Euclid Lodge No. 65

### Member Participation—New Member Dinner

On April 23<sup>rd</sup> the Member Participation Committee mailed a letter to each member still residing in or around the Naperville area that hasn't attended Lodge in recent memory. The letter served as a personal invitation for the Brother to join us during May's stated meeting. If the Brother is unable to join us for a night of Masonic companionship, we asked him to answer 4 questions about his involvement in Euclid activities and mail it back to Bro. Setzer in the postage-paid return envelope. At the time of this article several responses have already been received. The committee will have a full report on the feedback received during the June stated meeting.

The committee is also excited to announce a New Member Dinner scheduled for June II<sup>th</sup> at the Medinah Shrine Temple. All Brothers – Entered Apprentices, Fellowcrafts, and Master Masons – are invited to attend, with each Brother welcome to bring his lady. This is an important step in bringing our newest members into the closely knit group of men who are proud to call themselves members of Euclid Lodge No. 65. Depending on the size of our group, we'll either have a private room in the Dasis lounge, or we'll reserve a banquet room. Please RSVP to Bro. Setzer at DainonSetzer@comcast.net if you will attend.

Dainon Setzer

# Community Days—Loaves and Fishes Community Pantry

On Saturday, June 26, Euclid Lodge will be holding a Community Days event at the Loaves and Fishes Community Pantry, 556 West 5th Avenue, in Naperville.

Loaves & Fishes Community Pantry has offered our community a constant source of food and hope for 25 years. More than ever in these challenging times, our services are both needed and appreciated by those unable to provide sufficient food for their families.

Community grocers, like Casey's Foods, Costco, Dominick's, Great Harvest Bread, Jewel-Osco, Michael's Fresh Market, Trader Joe's, and Whole Foods, regularly donate perishable goods and host food drives.

Please come out and help distribute food and personal supplies to our neighbors in need. Jerry Yingling

# Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Another successful Naper Boulevard Clean-Up was held this past April 10 on another sunny Saturday morning in Naperville .

Two teams formed in the Church parking lot at Hobson Road and Naper Boulevard to see what the cold cruel winter had wrought.

The teams of Ross Decent and Steve Rosensweig, and Dainon Setzer and Jack Gelston took bags in hand, marched to the North and returned to the place whence they came along the East and West marching lines. It quickly became apparent that the natives were kind to Naper Blvd. this past winter, and several lawn cutters had already begun to work their magic, as our collections were lean. The clean team on the West returned home with one 50-pound bag of paper and plastic, while the team on the East returned with two 5-pound bags without the requisite 10-pounds of ...... trash.

So until November 20 (snow date April 16......2011) have a happy and safe summer.

Jack Gelston

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### More Light In Masonry

### Cardinal Virtues Symbolized

Masonry uses visual symbols to teach moral principles. The square and compasses are the most prominent Masonic visual symbol. But the four Cardinal Virtues are sometimes illustrated in human form.



Temperance ----- Fortitude ----- Prudence ----- Justice

The four figures, at first glance, appear to be goddesses or Muses. But, as with most symbols, careful examination reveals hidden truths. Beginning at the far right figure, we see Justice with two key symbols. Justice holds a scale. The scale assures fairness in all actions. In the marketplace, a businessman gives fair value and a true accounting. But resting by her side is Justice's sword. Injustice should meet swift and sure punishment.

To the left of Justice is Prudence. She displays several complex symbols. Prudence wears a helmet, which crowns her as being wise. Wisdom and prudence are associated: we are also to be wise. Her helmet further is seen as a mask with eye openings. A wise person uses prudence in secrets that have been given us. At her feet is a bush, which Masons would recognize as an Acacia. Acacia reminds us of our own mortality and our being raised as Master Masons. Prudence further wraps her outer garment around her to encourage us to practice prudence with others.

On the extreme left stands Temperance. She pours a measured amount of refreshment into a cup. It may be water or wine, but her careful attention displays temperance, reserve, and moderation. Temperance provides a balance to the more dynamic virtue of fortitude.

The second figure from the right is Fortitude. On quick analysis, she seems to be rather vane as she examines herself in a golden mirror. The mirror, however, is itself a symbol. Vampires allegedly cannot see their reflection in a mirror as they have no souls. But we see ourselves in the mirror. We know who we are. We learn to reflect on ourselves: Will we have sufficient fortitude when calamity strikes? Around her waist is tied a black cinch to hold her garments together. Should Fortitude need to travel, she is prepared for action. She will not be held back to secure other garments. In her arm, Fortitude nestles a staff from which new leaves of an almond tree are budding. This recalls the Book of Numbers, Chapter 17, wherein Aaron's rod miraculously blossomed as evidence that God chose him as High Priest. As the wand of leadership, Fortitude is holding the same symbol that Kings and Queens hold as scepters and a College Marshall holds during Commencement as the college mace. Lodge officers similarly wield rods and wands as symbols of leadership.

We see that fortitude is essential for true leadership. Without fortitude, no one can succeed. Life sometimes gets difficult. There is always the temptation to give in or to give up. When we show fortitude, we learn to "stick it out" and overcome obstacles to accomplish goals.

Presented April 6th by WBro. Christopher Tabb

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# Masonry A Way of Life

Many have asked for a definition of Masonry, but few have received a satisfactory answer. The explanation most frequently given is that it is a science veiled in Allegory and explained by Symbols. Concealed in Symbols might better explain the real situation. This explanation really means little to most of us. Inasmuch as anyone may interpret our Symbols, and Masonry itself, according to his own light, here is my definition:

Masonry, in the final analysis, is a way of life, a theory of life, a philosophy of life. It manifests itself in our daily contacts with our fellows. It is not what the tongue proclaims, but what the heart contains. The true Mason, then, is the one who interprets the Symbols in which Masonry is concealed (or by which it is explained) through exemplification in his daily life of what was put into such Symbols long before Solomon started construction of the Great White Temple which crowned Moriah's Mount.

Masonry should be a brotherhood of man, and this need not be an idle dream, even though it may require long and patient effort to overcome error and prejudice. I believe the time yet will come, possibly within the lives of some here tonight, when battle flags will be forever furled, when battle tanks will become the tractors of the husbandman, and the Eternal Truths which are Freemasonry, will be universally recognized by a world forever at peace through practice of what our Symbols contain. That will be Masonry fully developed.

Elbert Bede 33rd Degree