



From The East - Carl F. Crownhart - Worshipful Master

December 2012 has been a very busy month at Euclid Lodge and what better way is there to start a new Masonic year! (OK, I know the year technically starts on November 1.) But

-Widows, of deceased Euclid Brothers, who reside locally were recipients of poinsettia plants and the rest were sent greeting cards.

-The Annual Lodge Children's Christmas Party was held complete with an Illusionist show, Santa who had a gift for each child and, plenty of refreshments and eats for all.

-Next came our yearly "ringing the bells" especially the big one, for the Salvation Army. This turns out to be a favorite of several of the brothers. See more information below.

-At the Special Meeting on December 18th, the Lodge conferred the First Degree to initiate three new brothers, one as a courtesy degree. We welcome Bro. Paul Scott Palmer, Bro. Michael Anthony Sanchez and Bro. Kyle Dwight Sheridan to the Fraternity.

-We still have the St. Johns Day celebration to go on December 30th at River Glen Church. We need the Worshipful Master and eight other brothers to attend in order to

qualify for the Grand Master's Award of Excellence point. The address is 1140 Raymond Drive, Naperville and the service starts at 10:45 a.m. I'll see you there.

In addition, a Stated Meeting was held on December 4th which was my first to preside over as Worshipful Master. That was a thrill for me and especially to see the large number of sideliners in attendance. A very pleasant feature of this meeting was the presentation of his 50 year pin, certificate, lapel pin and a paid-in-full dues statement to Brother Bruce Derylo. The Grand Lodge had forwarded a ritual which we used for the ceremony and it was very meaningful.

Many of you know that I underwent back surgery to realign and fuse my two lower Lumbar Vertebrae. This occurred on the 6th. I'm doing well and recovering at home. My plan is to be in the East on January 15th for our next Stated Meeting. With all the activity taking place as enumerated above, I recognize that there are many Brothers working for you and the Lodge. I am very thankful for that.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



**Carl F. Crownhart
Worshipful Master**

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From The Secretaries Table

The 2013 Dues Notices have all gone out. As of this writing, four members have taken advantage of purchasing Life Memberships and 58 members have paid their dues.

Thank you.

The dues cards were printed by the Grand Lodge and show that the dues are \$65.00 instead of the actual \$80.00 because they didn't have the updated dues amount at the time of printing.

Please remember that if you are having financial difficulty in paying your dues all you have to do is contact me so that the Lodge can take the necessary steps to help you.

Two new members have been initiated into the fraternity and we have several more petitions for degrees and affiliation.

Euclid Lodge was the host for a 10th NE District School of Instruction on December 19th which was well attended.

Bro. Bruce Derylo was presented his 50 year pin and certificate during an elaborate ceremony held at the stated meeting on December 4th.

Please keep me updated with any changes to your contact information.

BIRTHDAYS

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

Timothy J. Ory Secretary

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| Richard W. Sale | Jan 1 |
| Mark H. Schmidt | Jan 1 |
| Sherwood H. Sadler | Jan 5 |
| Kevin E. Dunn | Jan 6 |
| James W. Patton | Jan 6 |
| Barton K. Robertson | Jan 8 |
| Scott D. Schmied | Jan 14 |
| Clifford Van Poucke | Jan 14 |
| Thomas G. Conklin Jr. | Jan 15 |
| Michael S. Moore | Jan 16 |
| Gustavo L. Fernandes | Jan 18 |
| Thomas B. Duff | Jan 19 |
| William T. Fetner | Jan 20 |
| James G. Simpson III | Jan 20 |
| Leon H. Namtzu | Jan 31 |
| Ronald R. Rudniski | Jan 31 |

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| Ronald J. Bynum | Jan 21 (29) |
| James G. Simpson Jr. | Jan 21 (21) |
| Alan R. Spies | Jan 21 (21) |
| Carlos E. Barrios | Jan 22 (2) |
| Ryan P. Collins | Jan 22 (2) |
| Jason M. Galoozis | Jan 22 (2) |
| Lawrence M. Gooding | Jan 22 (2) |
| John H. Gelston | Jan 23 (14) |
| Kyle P. O'Mara | Jan 25 (16) |
| Joseph L. Cherry Jr. | Jan 26 (15) |
| Patrick G. Lehrman | Jan 29 (40) |
| Thomas B. Duff | Jan 30 (3) |
| Rafael C. Ramos | Jan 30 (3) |

So Brethren, until next month, "There is nothing on the Secretary's table Worshipful".

MASTER MASON ANNIVERSARY

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

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| John A. Schoch Jr. | Jan 6 (26) |
| Patrick J. Robin | Jan 12 (3) |
| Dennis M. Cassidy | Jan 16 (3) |
| Christopher J. Lance | Jan 16 (3) |
| Daniel N. Mao | Jan 16 (3) |
| Russell W. Mowry | Jan 16 (3) |
| Charles E. Macyunas | Jan 18 (29) |
| Shawn P. Finnegan | Jan 20 (4) |
| Patrick J. Rauen II | Jan 20 (4) |



Timothy J. Ory
Secretary



50 Year Member

Brother Bruce Derylo was presented his 50 Year Pin and Certificate at an elaborate ceremony held at the stated meeting on December 4, 2012.

Pictured are Worshipful Master Carl Crownhart, Bro. Derylo and Assistant Area Deputy Grand Master of the NE District Gary Haire.

January 2013

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|--|---|-----|------------|--------------------------|
| 30 DECEMBER St. John the Evangelist Celebration | 31 NEW YEARS EVE | 1 JANUARY NEW YEARS DAY COWART OPEN HOUSE | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Loaves and Fishes . |
| 6 | 7 Lodge Officer Practice Open 1, 2, 3 Rec. DDGM | 8 Euclid Chapter No. 13 & Adoniram Council No. 95 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 Lodge Officer Practice Candidate return for Lecture | 15 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 Lodge Officer Practice 1st section of 1st degree | 22 Naperville Masonic Temple Assoc. Mtg. | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 Lodge Officer Practice Conferral of 2nd Degree | 29 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting 2nd Degree Conferral | 30 10 NE District School Western Springs 7 to 9 p.m. | 31 | 1 FEBRUARY | 2 Loaves and Fishes |

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Dec 30** St. John the Evangelist Day Celebration at River Glen Church 10:45 a.m.
- **Jan 1** New Years Day Open House at Cowart's 1 p.m. until ?
- **Jan 5** Loaves and Fishes volunteering 7:30 to 9:30 and 9:30 to 12:30
- **Jan 7** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Jan 8** Euclid Chapter meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council meeting 8:45 p.m.
- **Jan 14** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Jan 15** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 21** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Jan 22** Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 28** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Jan 29** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting 6:30 p.m. Dinner, Lodge Open at 7:30 p.m. for conferral of the 2nd degree
- **Jan 30** 10 NE District School Western Springs 7 to 9 p.m. Conferral of the 1st Degree
- **Feb 2** Loaves and Fishes volunteering 7:30 to 9:30 and 9:30 to 12:30
- **Feb 4** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Feb 5** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Feb 8** 10 NE District Quarterly Meeting Downers Grove
- **Feb 11** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Feb 12** Euclid Chapter meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council meeting 8:45 p.m.
- **Feb 18** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Feb 19** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting 6:30 p.m. Dinner, Lodge Open at 7:30 p.m.
- **Feb 20** 10 NE District School Hinsdale 7 to 9 p.m. 2nd degree conferral
- **Feb 25** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Feb 26** Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Committees

Membership

Michael Ault Chairman

Communications

Timothy Dry Chairman

Finance

Timothy Dry Chairman

Entertainment

John Will Chairman

IL-CHIP

Steven Rosensweig Chairman

Academic/Scholastic Bowl

Steven Rosensweig Chairman

Education

Don Cowart Chairman

Equipment & Regalia

Brandon Zears Chairman

Library

James Simpson Jr. Chairman

Table Lodge

Neville Diamond Chairman

Sickness/Distress

Vaneet Kapoor Chairman

Community & Lodge Builder Award

John Will Chairman

Community Days

Paul Felstrup Chairman

Award of Excellence

Paul Felstrup Chairman

Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Jack Gelston Chairman

Blood Drive

Guy Hamilton Chairman

Bylaws

Carl Crownhart

Sickness and Distress

Brother Bill Ackerman is still recuperating from his elbow surgery.

WM Carl Crownhart is recuperating from back surgery.

Bro. Shawn Finnegan is still recuperating from his back surgery but able to attend Lodge.

Poinsettia Plants for Widows

Bro. Kapoor delivered poinsettia plants to widows who live in the Naperville area and also sent Holiday greeting cards to all of them who live out of the area.

We have received "Thank You" cards from Gloria McCambridge, Gloria Sargent, Katherine Ward, and Eloise Suk

Congratulations!

Bro. Joey Nguyen passed his board exams and is now a registered nurse in the U.S. Army. He will be stationed in Hawaii for the foreseeable future. Tough duty and it wasn't even his first choice!

Euclid Lodge Christmas Party 2012

Thirty-three children plus their parents and grandparents attended the 2012 Euclid Lodge Christmas Party on Saturday, December 8.

Chezaday the Illusionist entertained everyone and then Santa came out and distributed the gifts to all of the boys and girls.

Senior Warden Vinnie Kapoor and his wife Vandna did an outstanding job organizing and directing the festivities and making sure everyone was well fed. Well Done Vinnie and Vandna!



Salvation Army Bell Ringing



Dainon Setzer, Brigid and Steven Sandack



Neville Diamond and Wayne Brazinski



Paul Felstrup, Sam & Steve Rosensweig and Don Cowart



Vaneet Kapoor, Mark Hopf and Joe Ingrassia



Dave Moore, Joe Schofield and Jerry Yingling



Tim Dry, Carl Crownhart and John Will



Bob Chasteen

Euclid Lodge members came out in force this year to ring the bells for the Salvation Army in front of Casey's Foods and Trader Joe's in the Naperville Plaza shopping center on Saturday, December 1. Seventeen members and two family members helped collect money for the needy in our area. This is a new record of participation in this activity. Brothers Bob Chasteen and Steven Rosensweig donated candy canes that were handed out by our volunteers to those people making donations. Bro. John Will seemed to be a little confused about what holiday we were going to be celebrating.

Past Master Highlight Bernard Jacob Steffes 1938

Bernard Jacob Steffes was born March 11, 1908 in Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois the son of Theodore Jacob Steffes and Mary Lies. He was employed by his father at T. J. Steffes Plumbing and Heating Contractors in Naperville, then as a core maker at a foundry in Aurora, Illinois and later as a transit weight inspector in Macon County, Illinois and Cleveland, Ohio. He married Marjorie Garrison about 1936 and they were the parents of two children, David and Mary Ann. He was raised a Master Mason June 18, 1929 and served the Lodge as Master in 1938. His father, Theodore, and brother, Francis, were also members of Euclid Lodge. He was employed by the Ohio Inspection and Weights Bureau in Cleveland Ohio when he died, January 8, 1945. He was buried in the Lake Street Memorial Park, Elgin, Kane County, Illinois with members of Euclid Lodge performing the Masonic Funeral Ceremony.



Transit Industry
Weights Inspector



Euclid Chapter No. 13, Royal Arch Masons

Companions,

I hope everyone had a nice Hanukkah and Christmas, and you enjoyed your time with your family and friends! And, because you are reading this, it appears that the Mayan predictions were a little off. I guess they simply ran out of space!

Our new By-Laws are complete and will be going out to all members shortly, for your input. Also, we are planning for an official visit by DDGHP Dean Clark on Tuesday, March 12, 2013.

Our first, and hopefully not the last, combined Euclid Lodge No.65 and Euclid Chapter No. 13 ILCHIP event, will be on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 in Lombard. I look forward to sharing with you the good news on its success!!

Our next stated meeting will be Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Have a wonderful and safe New Year!!

Steven L. Sandack
Excellent High Priest
Euclid Chapter No.13



Adoniram Council No. 95 Royal and Select Masters

Companions and Brothers,

Adoniram Council No. 95 will have a meeting on Tuesday January 8, 2013 at approximately 8:30(following Chapter).

There will be light dessert and heavy fellowship following the meeting.

I urge all of you to look at the parts in the 8 and 9 degrees and choose one that you would be interested in learning.

Do not worry, the really involved parts have been taken so there is no part available that will be the least bit intimidating to learn. Our illustrious companion Richard Carnall will be giving instruction on the degrees on January 22, 2013 at 7:30 here at Adoniram. Please remember to take advantage of this opportunity to brighten your own light in Masonry and delve into the final chapter of the Hiramic tale of our magnanimous fraternity.

I would also like to extend an invitation to all Brothers and Companions and their companions to welcome in the New Year at my house by attending an Open House from 1:00 to 6:00 on New Year's Day. All are welcome and please refer to the additional information in this month's newsletter for additional information.

Masonically Submitted
Don Cowart,
Thrice Illustrious Master
Adoniram Council No. 95



Medinah Shrine

Euclid Lodge Brothers Guy Hamilton, Michael Molloy and Brandon Zears at Medinah Shrine where they received the Roundy Jewel Award.

This award was named after Frank C. Roundy who was the 10th Potentate of Medinah and became the first Past Potentate of Medinah to become an Imperial Potentate.

The Roundy Jewel Award is given to Nobles for achieving a certain number of points associated with recruiting new members and/or restoring former members.

New Year's Day Open House Party

When: 1-1-13



Time: 1pm until 6pm

Menu: Black Eyed Peas, Greens and
Cornbread. (Chili for you Northerners)

Please bring an appetizer or dessert

Where: Don Cowart's house

1134 Overton Court

Naperville, IL 60540

RSVP Regrets only 630-416-6129

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1st and 3rd Tuesday

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

The Oldest Lodge In DuPage County Founded September 28, 1848 Chartered October 2, 1849

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PURPOSE AND VALUES OF FREEMASONRY

The basic purpose of Freemasonry is to make “better men out of good men.” There is an emphasis placed on the individual man by strengthening his character, improving his moral and spiritual outlook, and broadening his mental horizons.

Masonry tries to educate its members about:

- The principles of personal responsibility and righteousness,
- Understanding of and feeling for Freemasonry’s character and
- Applying these lessons into practice in daily life.

This is how we try to build a better world. We endeavor to build better men that will work in and improve their communities. Freemasonry promotes universal peace through the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God.

Freemasonry also seeks to enlighten the mind, promote peace and understanding and whatever may enhance and adorn man’s contact with man, and stimulate the noble and generous impulses of the human heart to practice the basic tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

ON THE THRESHOLD 2011