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



The Oldest Lodge In DuPage County

#### **TRESTLEBOARD**

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## From The East - Vaneet K. Kapoor - Worshipful Master

As April begins I am sure we are all looking forward to warmer weather and lots of rain so we can enjoy the May flowers.

We initiated 3 new brothers, all of whom have a history of Freemasonry in their families and are continuing in their elder's steps in joining the fraternity to learn to be better men.

Brother Patrick Temesvary was present along with several members of the Shrine Motor Corps who came out to witness the initiation of his son.

We were pretty busy last month with several events being planned for the next few months. WB Tim Ory ran the New Grand Lodge Intender program and covered his investigation committee training class on the 20th of March; we had 5 brothers attend the training. If you are interested in learning more about the new Intender Program, you are encouraged to ask WB Tim for help. This is for everyone, including those who have been intenders and investigation committee members in the past.

These are the upcoming events to note in your calendars:

- Table Lodge is planned for August 6;
   RWB Diamond is helping with the organizing of this event.
- WB John Will has booked the Lodge friends and family Picnic for July 12 and is planning a fishing competition for the children.
- We are planning to have the brothers and their ladies go to a fish fry at the Shrine on Friday June 27. More details will be given at the stated meeting if there is interest in having this event.

Unfortunately I have been called away on business for the next stated meeting. Bro SW and the rest of the officers will be stepping up to open, run the meeting and close. Please come out to encourage them.

We are planning to have two degree nights in April; on the  $15^{th}$  we will be having  $2^{nd}$  degrees and on the  $29^{th}$  we will either have  $3^{rd}$  degrees or another set of  $2^{nd}$  degrees. Please plan to come out and help us with this work.

Now I have to turn to a matter that hurts me to write about. At the stated meeting in March we had to take unfortunate action to vote to suspend 4 brothers for non-payment of dues. Brothers this saddens me greatly but as was mentioned during the meeting we have to take this action to limit a brothers building debt. Please do note that if you have financial difficulties in making your dues payment, there is a program in place to help with this. All one needs to do is request assistance in writing from the lodge. Even as we took this action. there are over 40 brothers who still haven't paid their current years dues. Brothers this generates a lot of additional paper work for Brother Secretary and expense to the Lodge. Please remit your dues in time and remember if you need help, all that is needed is to request the help in writing. Our Grand Lodge has a program to help with this as well and again all that is needed is a written request for assistance.

God Bless Vaneet Kapoor WM 2013/2014



Vaneet K. Kapoor Worshipful Master

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#### From The Secretaries Table

#### Dues

We still have 42 members with unpaid dues for 2014. Please pay your dues Brothers. If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please let us know so that we can help you.

#### Degree Work

Three new Brothers were initiated on March 18 at an extremely well attended meeting. 40 Brothers were in attendance to witness the initiation of our three newest members. The Medinah Shrine Motor. Corps had a large contingent in attendance to support the son of one of their own who was initiated. We will have to start cetting serious about adding a second row of seating for sideliners. The officers did a very fine job on the ritual, RWBro. Sullens was nearly ecstatic at the proficiency displayed by the officers he works with so diligently. Hopefully the degrees conferred in April will see a similar attendance by the sideliners and the officer corps will continue to make RWBro. Sullens proud.

#### Intender Training and Investigation Committee Training

The training on Thursday, March 20, was sparsely attended. There were only seven us up in the Lodge for this very important training.

Brothers, I cannot stress enough how important these two functions of our Fraternity are for our future. Ensuring that we are admitting good, qualified and enthusiastic members and teaching them the fundamentals of Freemasonry is paramount. The Grand Lodge has instituted a new program for Intender Training. All Intenders should attend a training session to ensure that they understand fully their duties and responsibilities.

The new Grand Lodge Intender Training Program was presented. It consists of 3 separate PowerPoint Presentations. Each

## Timothy J. Ory Secretary

takes about 15 minutes to go through. They should be available for viewing on the Grand Lodge website in the near future. The Grand Lodge is currently working on revamping the Investigation Committee training and hopes to have it ready sometime in the next year.

#### Lodge Officers School and Grand Lecturers School

Brothers Kapoor, Sullens, Ory, Yingling, Ingraffia, Jeffers and Rosensweig attended the Lodge Officer School held at Elmhurst Lodge on March 1.

Brothers Kapoor, Sullens, Ory, and Norwood attended the Grand Lecturers School held at Joliet Lodge on March 8.
This helped us earn two more points towards the Grand Masters Award of Excellence.

#### Picnic

Spring Lake Park, Southwest corner of McCoy Drive and Frontenac in Aurora. Saturday, July 12, 1 to 5 p.m. Covered pavilion, restrooms, fishing for the kids. Further details next month. Put it in your calendar.

#### Table Lodge

Medinah Shrine, Wednesday, August 6. The WM will be looking for volunteers to take a part in the ritual.

#### Birthdays

# The following members celebrate their birthday on the day indicated.

Paul S. Perkins	Apr	2
Joe L. Cherry Jr.	Apr	3
Evan G. Henderson	Apr	4
Gary E. Czyz	Apr	5
William E. Love	Apr	9
Mark C. Mortimer	Apr	15
Douglas H. Huntington	Apr	16
Gennaro Barbato II	Apr	19

Robert E. Morris	Apr	21
Harry K. Radel	Apr	21
John W. Sims	Apr	25
Gene E. Darfler	Apr	29
Michael L. Hamman	Apr	29
Robert E. Myers II	Apr	29
Wayne Brazinski	Apr	30

#### Master Mason Anniversary

The following members 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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J. Robert Stockner	Apr		(51)
Don J. Cowart	Apr	3	(15)
Albin R. Anderson Jr.	Apr	6	(51)
Stephen A. Fuesting	Apr	6	(35)
Donald G. Knudsen	Apr	6	(60)
Michael D. Arnett	Apr	10	(4)
Michael S. Moore	Apr	14	(7)
Craig E. Swan	Apr	14	(5)
Gerald W. Bussell	Apr	15	(28)
Brady D. McDaniel	Apr	16	(1)
Derek S. McDaniel	Apr	16	(1)
P. Scott Palmer	Apr	16	(1)
Robert C. Liska	Apr	17	(52)
Jeffrey M. Adler	Apr	19	(9)
Stanley S. Wyngowski	Apr	19	(31)
Sean P. Curry	Apr	30	(1)
William T. Detten	Apr	30	(1)
Leon E. Litzelman	Apr	30	(46)
Gary J. Mannon	Apr	30	(12)
Michael A. Sanchez	Apr	30	(1)
Brian T. Sweeney	Apr	30	(16)

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



Timothy J. Ory Secretary

## April 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 March	31 Lodge Officer Practice	1 <b>April</b> Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting	2	3	4	5 Loaves and Fishes
6	7 Lodge Officer Practice	8 Euclid Chapter No. 13 & Adoniram Council No. 95	9	10	11	12
13	14 Lodge Officer Practice <b>Passover Begins</b>	15 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting	16	17	18	19
20 <b>Easter</b>	21 Ladge Officer Practice	22 Temple Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. Passover Ends	23	24	25	26
27	28 Lodge Officer Practice	29 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting	30 <sup>°</sup> Grand Masters Town Hall Meeting Joliet	31	1 May	2 Loaves and Fishes

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Mar 31 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice
   7:30 p.m. All members welcome.
- Apr 1 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Apr 5 Loaves and Fishes
- Apr 7 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice
   7:30 p.m. All members welcome.
- Apr 8 Euclid Chapter No. 13 Meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council No. 95 Meeting 8:45 p.m.
- Apr 14 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice
   7:30 p.m. All members welcome.
- Apr 15 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Lodge open at 7:30 p.m. Second Degree Conferral on multiple candidates.
- Apr 21 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. All members welcome.

- Apr 22 Naperville Masonic Temple Association Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Apr 28 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice
   7:30 p.m. All members welcome.
- Apr 29 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Lodge open at 7:30 p.m. Degree to be conferred not yet determined.
- Apr 30 NE Area Grand Masters Town Hall Meeting - Matteson Lodge No. 175, Joliet. IL 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
- May 3 Loaves and Fishes
- May 3 NE Area DDGM Masters Dinner -Medinah Shrine
- May 5 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. All members welcome
- May 6 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.

- May 12 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. All members welcome.
- May 13 Euclid Chapter No. 13 Meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council No. 95 Meeting 8:45 p.m.
- May 19 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. All members welcome.
- May 20 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Lodge open at 7:30 p.m. Degree to be conferred not yet determined.
- May 26 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice
   7:30 p.m. All members welcome.
- May 27 Naperville Masonic Temple Association Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.

#### Committees

#### Membership

Joseph Ingraffia Chairman

#### Communications

Timothy Ory Chairman

#### **Finance**

Vaneet Kapoor Chairman

#### Entertainment

John Will Chairman

#### IL-CHIP

Steven Rosensweig Chairman

#### Academic/Scholastic Bowl

Steven Rosensweig Chairman

#### Education

Don Cowart Chairman

#### Equipment & Regalia

Dainon Setzer Chairman

#### Library

James Simpson Jr. Chairman

#### Table Lodge

Neville Diamond Chairman

#### Sickness/Distress

Steven Rosensweig 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

Bro. William Armel O'Connell has fully recuperated and is again attending Mondays lunches at the Country House in Lisle. CORRECTION: Bro. Bill was at the Manor Care Rehabilitation facility on Martin Avenue, it is not a NURSING HOME, it provides hospital medical care and rehabilitative services. The editor stands corrected!

Bro. Gary Czyz is recuperating from a slip and fall on the ice which resulted in four broken ribs.

Bro. Dainon Setzer has been afflicted with disc/nerve problems in his neck. He will be undergoing corrective surgery on Monday, March 31.

Bros. Cowart and Crownhart were battling cases of influenza but have recuperated and are back into their regular routines.

Bro. Bryan Newson reports that his son Matthew is growing stronger every day and is on track to come home from the hospital soon. Matthew was born 3 months premature.

Bro. Michael Hamman is experiencing stenosis of the spine and is in dire need of finding a specialty surgeon to help him. Please pass on any helpful information that may be of use to this brother.

Bro. Bob Stockner is suffering from Alzheimers.

Please keep all of the above Brothers in your prayers.

#### Entertainment

Fish Fry - Bro. Patrick Temesvary would like to organize a night out at the Medinah Shrine on June 27. If we can get enough people interested he will make all of the arrangements.

Picnic - The lodge will be holding a picnic on Saturday, July 12 at Spring Lake Park, 3500 McCoy Drive in Aurora. It is located just west of the Westfield Shopping Mall (Fox Valley). A fishing derby will be held for the kids. Wbro. John Will is making the arrangements. 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Table Lodge - The Lodge will be holding a Table Lodge at Medinah Shrine on Wednesday, August 6, 2014. RWBro. Neville Diamond will be making the arrangements. Contact the Worshipful Master and let him know what part you would like to play.

## **Concealed Carry**

Only currently employed law enforcement officers who are required to carry their firearms at all times are allowed to have a firearm inside the Lodge building. The firearms must be concealed or remain holstered at all times. This is

per resolutions passed at Grand Lodge in 1991 and again in 2003 and reaffirmed at the latest Grand Secretarys Workshop.

Take due notice and govern yourselves accordingly.

"It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit."

- Brother Harry S. Truman

#### THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH

#### The Mason

He is a man who is earnestly striving to become a better man. He recognizes the good that resides in the heart of every Brother. He knows that the faults he sees in others reflects his own imperfection, and he does not set himself up as a judge of his brothers.

The Mason is one who has learned of life's struggles, of its difficult paths, its disappointments, the price of holding fast to one's integrity, and yet maintains faith in the ultimate triumph of Good over Evil.

The Mason is a man of generous heart, mind and hand. He looks upon the opportunity to serve humanity as a joyous privilege.

The Mason is a man who demonstrates his love of country by being a good citizen, by obeying the law of the land, by being true to his country's ideals, and by his undying devotion and loyalty, both in time of peace and of war. The Mason is a man who, by his acts and deeds, reveals

his unswerving trust in the Infinite, Wisdom, Justice and Mercy of his Creator.

The Mason is one who maintains a stubborn attachment to duty, and is unyielding in his unceasing efforts to make a better society by making himself a better individual. Dewey H. Wollstein

### The Fundamentals of Masonry

Freemasonry unites men who, in brotherly formations and through honorable and ritualistic methods, endeavor to achieve spiritual understanding and moral refinement. Universal Charity, Brotherhood, Beneficence and Education toward these and everything which benefits humanity are its main purposes.

Freedom of religion, of conscience, and of thought are Freemasonry's highest goal. Freemasonry accepts without religious, racial, national or political prejudice or without regard to station in life, upright and moral men as Brothers.

Freemasonry recognizes in the structure of the world in all that lives in the inner consciousness of man a divine Creator-Spirit, full of Wisdom, Strength and Beauty, and reveres Him as the Great Architect of the Universe.

Freemasonry is a moral, not a political order and takes no part in political or religious disputes. It is not a religious society, nor a secret alliance, demands no unlawful secrecy and imparts no magical information.

From a German Masonic Paper

## Past Master Highlight Richard Joseph Long 1954

Richard Joseph Long was born August 12, 1914 in St. Louis, Missouri the son of Joseph Edward Long and Carol Nellie Barker. He attended Northwestern University where he majored in accounting. He married Betty Arline McInnes and they were the parents of three children, Linda, James and Robert. He and his family moved to Naperville in 1949. He was employed by the Lumberman's Credit Association as the Chicago Area Representative. He affiliated with Euclid Lodge May 3, 1949 from Melrose Park Lodge No. 1165, Melrose Park, Illinois. He served as Master of Euclid Lodge in 1954. He died April 28, 2000 in Antioch, Contra Costa County, California. His remains were cremated and scattered at sea off the San Francisco coast.



Accountant

## Recommended Reading for New (and not so new) Masons

# The following books are recommended by the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of the State of Illinois

**The books may be found in libraries**, major bookstores, and from Masonic publishers such as the Southern California Lodge of Research (Leepsan@aol.com).

- The Newly Made Mason, by H.L. Hayward [hardcover (hc), 234 pages] An excellent started book full of Masonic facts on origin, history, and philosophy.
- **The Origins of Freemasonry**, by David Stevenson [softcover (sc), 254 pages] Traces influences which formed early Freemasonry with evidence of its start in Scotland and subsequent spread to England.
- **The Pilgrim's Path**, by John J. Robinson [(sc), 178 pages] The most widely read Masonic book in years, written by a research who later became a Mason.
- More About Masonry, by H.L. Hayward [(sc), 236 pages] Companion to #1 above relating to the origins, history, organization, and Grand Lodges.
- Freemason's for Dummies, by Christopher Hodapp ((sc), 368 pages) An encyclopedia of information about our Craft's past, present and future. Good primer.
- The Complete Idiot's Guide to Freemasonry, by S. Brent Morris ((sc), 334 pages) Reveals truths and dispels myths surrounding Masonry for hundreds of years.
- The Freemasons A History of the World's Most powerful Secret Society, by Jasper Ridley ((sc), 359 pages) One reviewer states, "This might be the finest and the fairest historical review of Freemasonry ever published.
- American Freemasons Three Centuries of Building Community, by Mark Tabbert ((sc), 280 pages)

  Presented in coffee-table quality, describes Free-masonry's relative importance in society in different historical times.
- Builders, by Joseph Fort Newton [(hc), 345 pages] Outstanding classic of Masonic literature with a solid bibliography and nicely illustrated.
- The Craft and Its Symbols, by Allen E. Roberts ((hc), 92 pages) An excellent treatise on Masonic symbols, their interpretation and application in daily life.
- **The Masonic Myth** Unlocking the Truth about Masonic Symbols, the Secret Rites, and the History of Freemasonry, by Jay Kinney ((sc), 263 pages) Sets the record straight about Masonry and reveals a truth far more compelling than the myths.
- **The Meaning of Masonry**, by W.L. Wilmshurst ((sc), 173 pages) Interprets Masonic experience as progressive lessons, guiding one on a spiritual journey toward full realization of the psyche.

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## **BLUE LODGE CHALLENGE TROPHY**

## **SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2014**

#### WALK INFO:

- Who? Everybody. We need you
- What? A 5k Walk.
- When? Saturday, May 31, 2014
   Registration: 8-9 am
   Walk Starts: 9 am
   Food, Refreshment, Awards: 11 am
- Where? Scottish Rite Cathedral 383 East Lake Road Bloomingdale, IL 60108
- Why? Our kids need you
   Taking steps against dyslexia
- More info? Contact Terry Hartl at 847-855-9912 or email to terryhartl@cdcchicago.com

## HOW TO WIN the BLUE LODGE CHALLENGE TROPHY



- ⇒ We are walking to raise money for the Children's Dyslexia Center of Metro Chicago, the Scottish Rite's official charity.
- ⇒ Sign your team up today at www.walkfordyslexiachicago.org
- ⇒ The Blue Lodge that collects the most donations wins the travelling challenge trophy and bragging rights for one year.
- ⇒ Be the first lodge ever to win the NEW Blue Lodge Challenge Trophy.





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## ASK, SEEK, AND KNOCK

Dr. Anderson, in his preparation of the first and second BOOK OF THE CONSTITUTIONS of Masonry, being a Christian, it is easy to understand why he incorporated much of the teaching of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

This was not done to antagonize any of the other religions which also believe in the same God as we do, but to further their education in understanding of Jesus' teachings.

From Matthew, Chapter 7: 7, Jesus said, "Ask and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."

How symbolic it is to find the very words of Christ spoken in the name of God to be the first lessons which are taught to a man who first enters the Masonic Fraternity.

Dr. Clarke informs us that the three words are synonymous with "want, loss and earnestness."

But I like Mackey's explanation, "You ask for acceptance, you seek for light, you knock for initiation."

Symbolically, both inside and outside of Masonry, these words of God spoken by Jesus, are always a part of any man trying to lift himself above the evil of the worldly.

I would say, man's curiosity is found in all three. In fact, curiosity is all three.

Facts, Fables and Fantasies of Freemasonry Missouri Lodge of Research