



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

Brethren Greetings from the East  
Hope you are enjoying the warm weather of the last week, it was very cold for early September and I was not ready for the cold, were you? I do love fall weather, the different colors changing of the seasons reminds that we are approaching the last quarter of the year, how close are you to meeting your annual goals, still a quarter of a year left to make an impact. I am looking forward to the coming month with all the activities of the lodge, Past Masters Dinner and grand lodge session coming up. September 2<sup>nd</sup> we had our stated meeting we had the pleasure of recognizing Brother Robert Norval Nielsen a 50 year member from Gulf Stream Lodge No. 245, Lake Worth, Florida. he now lives in the Naperville area. We received 5 petitions and the two brothers we initiated on the July 1<sup>st</sup> special meeting gave their catechisms.

On the Special meeting night of September 16<sup>th</sup> we had a catered dinner for both our Community builders and Lodge Builders awards and Degree work which followed.

We gave the Community builders award to Mr. Bryce Elliott who is involved in several local High Schools coaching Rugby. Mr Elliott has been instrumental in the lives of many of the local youth and encourages them not only in the sport of Rugby but also in their education. He helped several children secure funds to participate and to further their education by helping them obtain scholarships.

We gave the Lodge Builders Award to Worshipful Brother John Will, WB John runs the committee lessening the chance he would receive the award, with help from RWB Diamond we were able to surprise WB Will with the award. WB Will has been the chairman for both the entertainment and the Community & Lodge Builders committees.

We then passed the two brothers who successfully completed their catechism at the stated meeting. As I write this we are preparing to have another special meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September to raise these two brothers.

At the October stated meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be presenting a 50 and 60 year pin to Brother VonSchwedler. We will be voting on the 5 petitions and receiving at least three more. Brothers we are going to be busy and need you to come help us with investigations and intending of the new brothers.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, Bro Wardens, Norwood, RWB Floyd and I are planning to attend the GL session, all the brothers are welcome to attend and witness the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

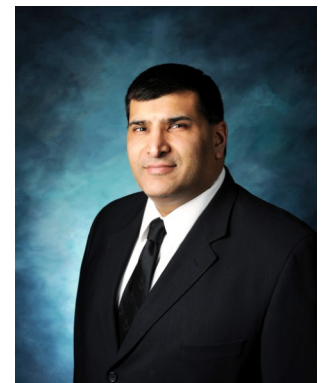
Also on the 11<sup>th</sup> Bro Schmied will be leading the effort to have the Naper Blvd Cleanup, please reach out to him if you would like to participate in completing our obligation to clean up the section of this road we have adopted in Naperville.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> we will be celebrating the Past Masters Dinner at the Hilton/Chicago Oak Brook Hills Resort

We will be having a step-up degree night at the special meeting Oct 21<sup>st</sup> when several candidates to be voted on will be initiated. Come out and support the upcoming Corps of Officers.

All the best until next month, God Bless

Vaneet Kapoor  
WM 2013/2014



Vaneet K. Kapoor  
Worshipful Master

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## From The Secretaries Table

### PETITIONS

We will be very busy with degree work this year, considering the number of petitions we have already received and those that I know are coming.

This translates into a need for the officers to try to make every ritual practice so that we can continue to put on degrees with a level of proficiency that any lodge would be proud of.

### J. ROBERT STOCKNER LIBRARY

The Naperville Masonic Temple Association and Bro. Stockner are responsible for this addition to our lodge that will benefit the members for decades to come. Bro. Stockner's 1500 plus collection of Masonic books will provide the resources for any Masonic scholar doing research one of the most comprehensive collections in the Chicago Metropolitan area.

Those seeking further light in Masonry will also be able to benefit from this collection. The Temple Board is already considering the installation of additional bookcases to accommodate the Masonic volumes of other brothers who have expressed a desire to donate their personal collections to the lodge.

### NAPER BOULEVARD CLEANUP

Brother Schmied has taken over the chairmanship of this committee. This is a great way to promote ourselves to the community and the exercise doesn't hurt either. Hope to see a nice turnout.

### LOAVES AND FISHES

We have not had a very good turnout of volunteers on our designated Saturdays to help out. It only takes a couple hours out of your day and it is really nice to be able to help those who are truly in need in our community. Contact Bro. Ross Decent for more details on how to volunteer.

## Timothy J. Dry Secretary

### GRAND LODGE

Our representatives, WM, SW and JW will be attending Grand Lodge on October 10 and 11. Please let them know if you have any concerns about the proposed by-law changes to be voted on in Springfield.

### 50 & 60 YEAR PIN PRESENTATION

Bro. Peter Von Schwedler will be presented his 50 year pin, certificate and gold membership card at the stated meeting on October 7. In addition, he will also be presented with his 60 year pin and certificate. Please try to come out and show your support and help Bro. Pete celebrate 60 years of Masonic membership.

### NAPERVILLE MASONIC TEMPLE ASSOCIATION

The latest renovations to the lodge were completed in late August. We now have a beautiful library and the entryway stairwell now matches the Tyler's and Preparation rooms.

It looks like we will be finishing off the Library/Pool room with additional bookcases and paneling. Also discussed was new sideline chairs for the lodge. We are still talking about cable TV service and internet service. Hopefully we will have a final decision before the end of the year.

### DEGREES

By the time you read this we should have two new Master Masons.

### Birthdays

The following members celebrate their birthday on the day indicated.

Michael D. Arnett	Oct 3
Martin W. Schuele	Oct 4
Thomas W. Welsh	Oct 4
Jonathan S. Wells	Oct 9
Randolph J. Taylor	Oct 9
Christopher J. Lance	Oct 13

Robert C. Liska	Oct 14
William T. Detten	Oct 16
Alexander C. Micchelli	Oct 19
Scott D. Anderson	Oct 20
Patrick J. Robin	Oct 20
Alexander C. Tabb	Oct 21
Daniel P. Svoboda	Oct 23
Paul S. Palmer	Oct 26
Robert L. Hudlow	Oct 28
Kevin M. Cassidy	Oct 29
James G. Simpson Jr.	Oct 31
Timothy J. Dry	Oct 31

### 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.

Paul S. Perkins	Oct 1 (44)
Harry K. Radel	Oct 1 (20)
John W. Sims	Oct 2 (21)
Douglass E. Seifried	Oct 14 (47)
Gennaro Barbato II	Oct 16 (21)
Steven P. Ross	Oct 16 (8)
William A. Ackerman	Oct 18 (9)
Luzern A. Richter	Oct 26 (54)
Sherwood H. Sadler	Oct 26 (43)
Thomas G. Conklin Jr.	Oct 28 (59)
Clifford Van Poucke	Oct 29 (57)
Elden P. Laffoon Sr.	Oct 30 (10)
Thomas J. Moylan Jr.	Oct 30 (10)
Scott D. Anderson	Oct 30 (7)

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



Timothy J. Dry  
Secretary

## October 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 September	29 Lodge Officer Practice	30 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting	1 October	2	3	4 Loaves and Fishes
5	6 Lodge Officer Practice	7 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting	8	8	10 Grand Lodge	11 Naper Blvd Cleanup Grand Lodge
12	13 Lodge Officer Practice	14 Euclid Chapter No. 13 Adoniram Council No. 95	15 Past Masters Dinner	16	17	18
19	20 Lodge Officer Practice	21 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting	22	23	24	25
26	27 Lodge Officer Practice	28 Naperville Masonic Temple Association	29	30	31 HALLOWEEN	1 November Loaves and Fishes

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Oct 4** Loaves and Fishes
- **Oct 6** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Oct 7** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. Presentation of 50 and 60 year pins to Bro. Peter Von Schwedler
- **Oct 10 & 11** Grand Lodge Sessions Springfield, IL
- **Oct 11** Naper Blvd Cleanup 8:30 a.m. Meet in the church parking lot at the southwest corner of Naper and Hobson
- **Oct 13** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Oct 14** Euclid Chapter Meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council Meeting 8:45 p.m.
- **Oct 15** Past Masters Dinner Hilton/Chicago Oak Brook Hills Resort, 3500 Midwest Rd. Oak Brook, IL
- **Oct 20** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Oct 21** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Conferral of multiple first degrees.
- **Oct 27** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Oct 28** Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Nov 1** Grand Lodge Officers School Type 1 at Westchester
- **Nov 1** Loaves and Fishes
- **Nov 3** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Nov 4** Euclid Lodge Stated Annual Meeting and Election of Officers. Possible dues increase to be discussed.
- **Nov 8** Annual Open Installation of Officers
- **Nov 10** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Nov 11** Euclid Chapter Meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council Meeting 8:45 p.m.
- **Nov 15** Grand Lodge Officers School Type 4 at Euclid
- **Nov 17** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Nov 18** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Conferral of multiple second degrees.
- **Nov 24** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Nov 25** Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.

## Committees

### Membership

Joseph Ingrassia Chairman

### Communications

Timothy Dry 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

Scott D. Schmied Chairman

### Blood Drive

Guy Hamilton Chairman

### Bylaws

Carl Crownhart

## IN MEMORIAM



Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs laid down on life's Trestle-board, and having answered the last summons of the Grand Warden of Heaven, has now entered the Celestial Lodge above over which the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides.

Brother James Robert Stockner was born February 17, 1927 at Havaco, West Virginia.

He was initiated an Entered Apprentice December 4, 1962, passed to the degree of Fellowcraft January 29, 1963 and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason April 2, 1963, in Euclid Lodge No. 65, A.F. & A.M., Naperville, Illinois. He served as Master of the Lodge in 1971.

He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason May 4, 1963 in Euclid Chapter No. 13, R.A.M., Naperville, Illinois and served as High Priest of the Chapter in 1969 and 1970. He also served as Thrice Illustrious Master of Aurora Council No. 45 in 1973, and Eminent Commander of Aurora Commandery No. 22 in 1986 and 1988.

He became a member of the Scottish Rite Valley of Chicago on November 30, 1980, served as Captain of the Guard of the Chicago Council of Princes of Jerusalem 1989 to 2002; served in the Gourgas Chapter of Rose Croix as Orator, 2001; JR Warden, 2002 & 2003; SR Warden, 2004 & 2005; and Most Worshipful Master, 2006; served in the Oriental Consistory as Captain General, Scottish Rite Army, 1994 thru 2004; and was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector General (33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason) August 27, 2007.

He was a member and active as an officer in all of the York and Scottish Rite bodies and other Masonic Allied Organizations, a 50 year and Life Member of Euclid Lodge No. 65 and Euclid Chapter No. 13 and was the preeminent historian of Euclid Lodge and Chapter.

He was called from his labors on earth to eternal refreshment in the Paradise of God, June 27, 2014 at Naperville, Illinois.

Thus ends the Masonic record of this just and upright Mason.

## Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Saturday, October 11, 8:30 a.m. to about 9:30 a.m. Meet in the church parking lot at the southwest corner of Naper Blvd. and Hobson Rd. Vests, gloves and plastic bags will be provided.

## Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Saturday, December 6, 2014, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Casey's Foods, 124 W. Gartner Rd, Naperville. Volunteer for an hour or more; the sign-up sheet will be at the Naperville Masonic Temple.

## Annual Holiday Party

Saturday, December 13, 2014, 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Naperville Masonic Temple.

Our annual Holiday Party is open to all members and their families. Join us in celebrating the 2014 holidays. A magician will provide entertainment for both children and adults starting at 2:00 p.m. and Santa will make an appearance right after the magic show. Gifts will be provided for children up to age 12.

Questions? Call Dainon Setzer at 509-953-2796 or email him at dainonsetzer@hotmail.com

2014 Past Masters Dinner

**Euclid Lodge No. 65 and Arboretum Lodge No. 1175**

**Past Masters Dinner**

**Wednesday, October 15, 2014**

**Hilton/Chicago Oak Brook Hills Resort  
3500 Midwest Road, Oak Brook, IL 60523  
630-850-5555**



**6:00**

Reception with appetizers & bar. Beer, Wine and Soda are included, cash bar for all other drinks.

**7:00**

Dinner to include World Famous Hilton Buffet & Dessert  
Presentation by Wbro. Michael Ault

**Tickets/Reservations (for the first 75 people) by October 13 to:**

Wbro. Carl Crownhart 630-236-3296 (home) or 630-319-2631 (cell) or [j.crownhart@sbcglobal.net](mailto:j.crownhart@sbcglobal.net)

**Free to all Past Masters and Widows of Past Masters of Euclid and Arboretum Lodges.**

All others: \$20.00, payable by cash or check to Euclid Lodge No. 65 A.F. & A.M.

Questions? Call Wbro. Don Cowart at 630-363-6129

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**Past Master Highlight James Leroy Peltz 1960**

**PELTZ, James Leroy** was born June 29, 1912 in Amboy, Lee County, Illinois the son of Roy Roessner Peltz and Orpha M. Marshall. He married Evelyn Pauline Winkler January 15, 1938 in Freeport, Stephenson County, Illinois and they had a son, James Leroy Jr. He married Mary V. Sterkowicz June 11, 1945 and they were the parents of two sons, Marshall and Warren. He was employed by Western Electric as a Production Control Division Engineer. He attended North Central College in 1951. He was raised a Master Mason May 6, 1952 and served as Master of the Lodge in 1960. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason November 24, 1953. He died August 5, 1987 in Ballwin, St. Louis County, Missouri. Masonic Funeral services were conducted by Bon Homme Lodge No. 45. Burial location unknown.



**Western Electric  
Engineer**

## 2014 LODGE & COMMUNITY BUILDER AWARDS

Tuesday, September 16, at 6:00 p.m., the Lodge held the annual Lodge and Community Builders Awards Dinner.

Wbro. John Will was the recipient of the Lodge Builder Award and Bryce Elliott was the recipient of the Community Builder Award.

Bro. Junior Warden arranged for a delicious catered dinner from Angeli's Restaurant.

WM Vaneet Kapoor presented the 2014 Lodge Builder Award to Wbro. John Will for his many years of service as Chairman of our Entertainment and Lodge and Community Builder Awards Committee. Bro. Will has worked diligently in organizing and promoting social events for the lodge members and their families. Activities have been picnics, fishing trips, bowling outings, dinners and Super Bowl parties.

RWBro. Neville Diamond and WM Vaneet Kapoor presented the 2014 Community Builder Award to Bryce Elliott for his work in coaching rugby. He started coaching at Waubonsie Valley HS in 2007 and has grown the program to include many of the local high schools and middle schools. Bryce is very dedicated to his player's success primarily in school and life and he believes that rugby can be instrumental in achieving this success. He has been a great mentor and role model to the youth he has coached. Bryce played professionally in the provincial leagues in New Zealand prior to moving to the United States.



**WM Kapoor and Wbro. John Will**



**RWBro. Diamond, Heather and Bryce Elliott, WM Kapoor**

## J. ROBERT STOCKNER LIBRARY DEDICATION



**Cindy, Richard and Pat Stockner, Wbro. Andrew Siedelmann**

Saturday, September 20, at 2:00 p.m., the J. Robert Stockner Memorial Masonic Library was dedicated.

This addition to our Lodge was made possible by the efforts of the Naperville Masonic Temple Association in building the bookcases and the generous donation by Illustrious Brother J. Robert Stockner of the Masonic volumes that he collected over his 50 plus years as a Mason. Brother Stockner was active in virtually every Masonic body and organization during his 51 years as a Master Mason. He served as Master of the Lodge in 1971 and as High Priest of the Chapter in 1969 and 1970. He was the recipient of numerous honorary Masonic awards but most especially the Scottish Rite 33rd Degree.

Pat Stockner presented a check for \$1,000.00 to the lodge for any additional expenses in maintaining the library.

Additional thanks go out to Bros. Brandon Zears and Dainon Setzer for their work in cataloging the 1500 plus volumes that now adorn the shelves.

## NEW MASTER MASONS



**Derek A. Thomas** Raised June 17, 2014



**Maxwell G. Wright** Raised June 17, 2014



**Joey Rodriguez-Styles** Raised September 30, 2014



**Jayson Roque** Raised September 30, 2014

## LODGE VISITATION IN GERMANY



**L to R - WM visiting from New Zealand, Christopher Lance and Michael Perez, Euclid Lodge No. 65, Naperville and Frank Bartholomeo, Concho Lodge No. 1260, San Angelo, Texas.**

In September 2013, several of us traveled to Germany to do some sightseeing and participate in Oktoberfest activities. In our group there were three Master Masons, Chris Lance (Euclid Lodge 65); Frank Bartholomeo (Concho Lodge 1260, San Angelo, Texas) and Mike Perez (Euclid Lodge 65, Concho Lodge 1260, San Angelo, Texas and Oak Wood Lodge 1444, Conroe Texas).

In advance of our trip, Brother Perez attempted to contact a Masonic Lodge in Munich to see if we could arrange for a visit to a German Blue Lodge while there. It turns out there are at least six Blue Lodges in Munich, including one English-speaking lodge! Unfortunately, it was difficult to find a Blue Lodge that

was meeting during our visit, but we did finally find one, "Zur Kette 430" (By the Chain, Lodge Number 430), located on Arnulfstrasse in Munich. This lodge was founded in 1873! Brother Perez had made email contact with the Brother Secretary in the Zur Ketter lodge and he had been very welcoming to the three US Brothers. On Wednesday, evening, 3 October, 2013, we took a taxi from our hotel in Heersching (about 25 miles away) to the address in Munich. It was a large, several-storied office building. There was no Masonic sign anywhere on the building that we could see. But there was a fellow outside, who saw us in our suits and smiled and said, "The Masonic lodge is on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor! We thanked him and made our way to



the tiny elevator inside and rode up to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor, where we were met by the Brother Secretary with whom we had corresponded. They gave us a very warm welcome and took us into their dining room. It became clear that the lodge had rented the entire fifth floor, consisting of what would have been several offices.

"First things, first," the Brother Secretary exclaimed and he produced four bottles of German wheat beer (Weizenbier) and insisted we have a seat and enjoy the beverages! Seems like only we Americans have the prohibition about alcohol in the lodge. As good American masons, we produced our dues cards and held them out to the Brother Secretary for his review. But he laughed again and told us, "No, no, there is no need for that. We know you Americans put a lot of importance in showing membership cards when you visit other lodges, but here, in Germany, be sure that nobody who is not a mason would claim to be one!" So much for learning the Tyler's Oath, eh?

While visiting in the dining room, we met several of the brothers from that lodge; all extremely welcoming and friendly; most speaking fairly decent to very good English. We also met another visiting brother from New Zealand, who was in Munich on business and had visited this lodge previously.

After our beers, we were told it was time to go into the actual lodge room. We were told to be silent and walk very quietly, two by two, arms linked into the lodge room. The hallway and lodge room were darkened. So, we made our way into a large, rectangular room and were shown to our seats. The seats were arranged in two rows on both long sides of the lodge room. The master sat at a desk at the far end. At the other short end of the room sat the senior warden and some other officials.

All the brethren were wearing tuxedos and white gloves and very fancy aprons. The work of the day was to initiate a candidate as an entered apprenticeship. The lodge was lit by actual candles. The Master and the Senior Warden each had a small lamp so they could read documents.

Before the candidate entered, we heard a series of specially, spaced knocks on the lodge inner door. This was to tell us that a candidate for the entered apprentice degree was in waiting. The candidate was led into the lodge, blindfolded, in a tuxedo, with his coat and shirt removed. The ceremony was similar to ours but there were some differences. At the beginning, in the

presence of the candidate, the Master asked the brethren, "Who vouched for this candidate?" One of the brethren, stood and acknowledge that he had introduced the candidate to the Lodge. The Master asked if he still vouches for the candidate and the brother replied in the affirmative! At several points during the ceremony, all the brothers clapped the top of their right thighs with the flat of their right hand. We caught on after the first time they did this and the three of us were clapping thighs right along with our German brethren.

They had an actual, rough building stone in the lodge room and the candidate was made to strike it during the ceremony. At one point, they passed a basket for a charity collection; something they do every meeting and the brethren deposit folding money (no coins) into the basket; they did not permit us to put any money in the basket as were visitors. Near the end of the ceremony, they recognized us as visiting brothers and Brother Perez gave a brief speech thanks for their invitation and we were allowed to approach the East and give the Master a few Masonic pins we brought along; these pins were received with much oohing and aahing by our German brethren and the Master said, "this pin with the Texas flag and Masonic symbol is for me!"

The entire ceremony took about 70 minutes. It was very interesting. Although a bit different from what we normally do in our lodges, it demonstrated clearly that we are brothers and part of a worldwide fraternity. After the lodge ceremony, we met the new brother and all the brothers in the lodge. It seemed to us that the lodge was comprised almost completely of very successful businessmen and government officials. We did not meet one brother, who identified himself as what we would call a blue-collar worker.

After the meeting, there was a meal and more beer, however, we had to leave as our taxi was waiting. All in all, we all agreed it was a most interesting meeting and it deepened our belief in Freemasonry as a worldwide organization.

Chris Lance  
Euclid Lodge No. 65

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34 West Jefferson Avenue  
Naperville, Illinois 60540  
630-355-0280  
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

**TRESTLEBOARD**

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## HOW MUCH IS A MAN REALLY WORTH?

He comes into the physical world, travels along the highway of life for a few years, and then lays aside the working tools of life and passes through the transition that - for want of a better term - men call death. And at his passing he takes nothing with him, all his material wealth and possessions are left behind. He takes only himself, and what he has done with his life in the development of character.

So it is a fair question to ask, "What is a man really worth?"

I think that the answer is that he is worth exactly what he has given away. What he has

given away of his time, of his substance, of his effort, of himself. He is worth just that, nothing more.

What we give away we keep - and what we keep we lose. And so it is that the real wealth of any man consists of the countless little acts of kindness in which there is no thought of reward.

Most Worshipful Raymond C. Ellis  
Past Grand Master  
New York