



From The East - Brandon A. Zears - Worshipful Master

My Brethren,

As my time in the east is almost over, I look back on how quickly this year has gone by. Looking back at our rich history as a lodge and being the Master during the 100th year of our building has truly been an honor to be the caretaker of our fraternity.

My last two responsibilities as the Worshipful Master of our lodge is to submit an annual report and pass the care of our lodge to the next master. As I write my annual report I can say that we are a strong and vibrant lodge, and we are in a great position to continue to grow over the one hundred years in our great building.

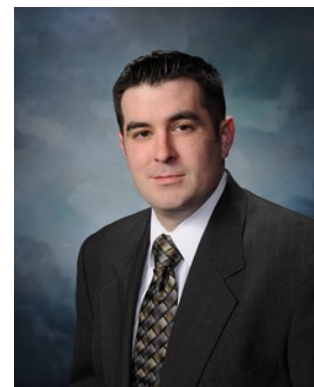
So it is with great confidence that I can say our newly elected and installed officers will do a great job and have as much dedication to the craft and our fraternity as all of the others that have come prior. I have no doubt that they will continue to bring us into the future with great ideas and the same bonds of fraternalism that our lodge has grown accustomed to.

Thank you all for the opportunity and honor of serving you and Freemasonry over the last year. And allow me to offer my own personal thanks to all those who have made this year so successful for our Lodge. For I have only been the temporary constituted caretaker of our lodge, but it is the true tenants and cardinal virtues that are within all of our members that makes this fraternity as successful and great of an institution as it is.

I look forward to seeing all of you at my last meeting as master and our annual meeting on November 1st.

Fraternally,

Brandon A. Zears



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Worshipful Master

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From The Secretaries Table

DUES

We currently have 28 members who have not paid their 2016 dues, of which 7 have not paid their 2015 dues.

Brothers, please let me or the Worshipful Master know if you are experiencing financial difficulties and need assistance paying your dues. We can only help if you let us know.

PAST MASTERS DINNER

The dinner was held at Suparossa, 6310 Rte. 53, Woodridge, IL. Past Masters of Euclid 65, Arboretum 1175 and the widows of the same attended for free, and all others paid \$20.00.

Attendees received their gift from the Cornerstone Centennial Celebration which is a cherry wood presentation box with Centennial Medallion and Lodge and Chapter Pins. Members of Euclid Lodge No. 65 or Euclid Chapter No. 13 who attend one of their respective meetings will also receive a gift. There is a limited quantity available.

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

On November 1, 2016, the annual meeting and election of officers will take place. The Worshipful Master, Treasurer and Secretary will give their annual reports. The members will set the amount of dues, fees and honorariums for the coming year.

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

December 3, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. we will be ringing the bells for the Salvation Army. We will be at our regular location, Trader Joe's and Casey's Foods in the Naper Plaza.

Bro. Mark Hopf is looking for a few more volunteers to fill the last time slots.

Timothy J. Dry Secretary

Birthdays

The following members celebrate their birthday on the day indicated.

Charles E. Macyunas	Nov 4
Alan R. Spies	Nov 4
Steven J. Rosensweig	Nov 8
Michael A. Perez	Nov 9
Bruce E. Derylo	Nov 11
Scott T. Kreymborg	Nov 11
Arthur C. Tancil Jr.	Nov 12
Robert E. Beck	Nov 14
Robert J. Falta	Nov 16
Brandon A. Zears	Nov 17
Joseph M. Davey	Nov 20
Paul A. Felstrup	Nov 22
H. Jason Reed	Nov 24
Matthew B. Van Thyne	Nov 26
William G. Dixon Jr.	Nov 28
Jack D. Chasteen	Nov 29
Vaneet K. Kapoor	Nov 29

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.

William T. Fetner	Nov 6 (40)
Brett A. Osborn	Nov 8 (23)
Charles E. Krepis	Nov 15 (28)
Andrew B. Siedelmann	Nov 15 (22)
Mark R. Hopf	Nov 15 (11)
Joseph M. Davey	Nov 15 (5)
Scott T. Kreymborg	Nov 15 (5)
Timothy G. Leadbetter	Nov 18 (34)
Ronald R. Rudniski	Nov 19 (14)
Brian K. Ortegel	Nov 19 (3)
Daniel C. Disher	Nov 19 (3)
Roger L. Karns	Nov 19 (3)
Bryan M. Newson	Nov 20 (4)

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



MASONIC QUOTE

Flattering as it may be to the human mind, and truly honorable as it is to receive from our fellow citizens testimonies of approbation for exertions to promote the public welfare, it is not less pleasing to know, that the milder virtues of the heart are highly respected by a Society whose principles must be founded in the immutable laws of truth and justice....

To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy the benevolent design of a Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, as well as those publications that discover the principles which actuate them; may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race.

GEORGE WASHINGTON

November 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31 October Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	1 November Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting	2	3	4	5 Loaves and Fishes
6	7 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	8 Euclid Chapter No. 13 Adoniram Coun. No. 95	9	10	11	12
13	14 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	15 Euclid Lodge Special Meeting	16 Trinity Commandery Stated Meeting	17	18	19
20	21 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	22 Naperville Masonic Temple Assoc. Meeting	23	24 THANKSGIVING	25	26
27	28	29	30	1 December	2	3 Salvation Army Bell Ringing

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Oct 31** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Nov 1** Annual Meeting and Election of Officers
- **Nov 5** Loaves & Fishes
- **Nov 7** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Nov 8** Euclid Chapter No. 13 & Adoniram Council No. 95 Stated Meetings 7:30 p.m.
- **Nov 12** Annual Installation of Elected and Appointed Officers. Open to the public. Details to follow.
- **Nov 14** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Nov 15** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting 7:30 p.m. **SPECIAL THANKSGIVING DINNER WILL BE CATERED.**
- **Nov 21** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Nov 22** Naperville Masonic Temple Association meeting 7:30 p.m. Members of Euclid Lodge 65 & Euclid Chapter 13 welcome to come and observe.
- **Nov 24** **THANKSGIVING DAY**
- **Dec 3** Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Trader Joe's and Casey's Foods in the Naper Plaza Shopping Center, Washington and Gartner, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Dec 5** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Dec 6** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec 12** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Dec 13** Euclid Chapter No. 13 & Adoniram Council No. 95 Stated Meetings 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec 19** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Dec 20** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting 7:30 p.m. if there are candidates.
- **Dec 24** Hanukkah Begins
- **Dec 25** Christmas Day
- **Jan 1** New Years Day and Hanukkah Ends



Committees

Membership/Retention

Joseph Ingraffia Chairman

Communications

Timothy Dry Chairman

Finance

Brandon A. Zears Chairman

Entertainment

John Will Chairman

IL-CHIP

Steven J. Rosensweig Chairman

Academic/Scholastic Bowl

George Murray Chairman

Education

Don Cowart Chairman

Equipment & Regalia

????????? Chairman

Library

Brandon Zears Chairman

Table Lodge

Michael D. Ault Chairman

Sickness/Distress

Joseph A. Ingraffia 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

Monty Jackson Chairman

Bylaws

Don J. Cowart Chairman

PAST MASTERS DINNER

This year we had 45 attendees at our annual Past Masters Dinner. One of our largest gatherings in many years.

Attendees dined on appetizers of antipasto salad and eggplant parmesan, Caesars salad, and entrees of sausage and peppers, chicken parmesan and pasta. Dessert was petite fours.

Wbro. Dry gave a short presentation about the contents of the cornerstone time capsule and presented attendees with gifts from the Cornerstone Centennial Celebration. A big thank you to Wbro. Don Cowart and Bro. Paul Felstrup for once again making this event a great success.

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Our Annual Meeting and Election of Officers will be held on Tuesday, November, 1, 2016 at the Lodge. Lodge annual dues and fees will be set at this time also.

Installation of newly elected and appointed officers is scheduled for Saturday, November 12, 2016, 3:00 p.m. at the Lodge.

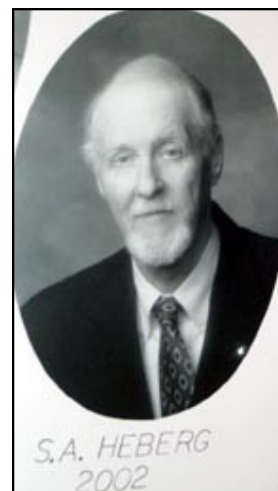
CORNERSTONE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

We still have a few of the commemorative presentation boxes with medallion and lapel pins available. All you need to do is attend a meeting of the Lodge or Chapter and pick one up.



Past Master Highlight Stuart Arvin Heberg 2002

HEBERG, Stuart Arvin was born May 13, 1944 in Geneva, Kane County, Illinois the son of Stuart Martin Heberg and Arlis Florence Olsen. He married Dorothy A. Schleider about 1972 and they are the parents of a son Bradley and a daughter Tamara. He operated his own Cash Register Sales & Service business. He was raised a Master Mason February 3, 1996 and served as Master of Euclid Lodge in 2002. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason April 15, 2000 and served as High Priest of the Chapter in 2003 and 2004. He was also a member of Althea Chapter No. 206, Order of Eastern Star and a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason. He died November 2, 2008 in Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois. Masonic Funeral services were conducted by members of Euclid Lodge.





Euclid Lodge No. 65

Ancient Free & Accepted Masons

Founded September 28, 1848

Chartered October 2, 1849

Annual Installation of Officers

Open to the Public

Saturday, November 12, 2016

3:00 p.m.

34 West Jefferson Avenue

Naperville, IL 60540



Appetizer Reception 4:30-6:30
La Sorella di Francesca - Naperville
Cash Bar

TRAVELING MAN

Freemasonry is built upon stories and legends as well as symbols and tools of architecture. No story is more intriguing than the one about the Traveling Man - the Mason who traveled from work site to work site in search of a job.

We have little direct evidence as to how "traveling stonemasons" did this, but it remains as an important part of the lore of Freemasonry. According to our traditional history, when a building was completed, and the stonemasons were released from their duties, they would scatter in different directions looking for work at new locations. Upon their arrival at a new work site, the Master Mason in charge of the site would test them to determine if they were really who they claimed to be.

One of the tests was to ask them to recite part of the legendary history of the Craft - the Old Charges. Another test was to ask them to prove that they had been properly initiated into the Mason Craft by giving the proper passwords and grips. And a final test was to ask them for the "Mason Word."

The mysterious "Mason Word" was proof that they were, indeed, members of the guild of Masons, for this "Mason Word" was the most carefully guarded of all the secrets possessed by the Freemasons. It was so secret that it was only given in a way and a manner known to Freemasons, and then only in a whisper - "mouth to ear," as the Masons termed it.

Masonic historians have searched for evidence of this colorful story in the old records of the Craft, but have come up empty-handed. Perhaps these "traveling Masons" were so careful with their means of proving whom they really were that no evidence has survived. In any event, the search for evidence of these "traveling men" has not turned up anything that would prove the accuracy of this old story.

Or has it?

Perhaps the evidence was right under our nose all the time, but we just didn't look in the right place.

The "right place" to look may not have been in England, Scotland and Ireland - the homeland of our speculative Freemasonry as we know it - but in France.

France has preserved an organization similar to Freemasonry called the "Compagnonnage." The French title of those who belong to it is "Compagnons du Tour de France."

Today the "Tour de France" is a famous bicycle race, but the race was named for a much older institution, a "Tour de France" associated with stonemasons in the Middle Ages.

When a journeyman stonemason (a Fellow Craft, as we would call him) wanted to become a Master Mason he would leave home and go "on tour." The tour - "Tour de France" - would take him to many towns around the country where he would work for different Master

Stonemasons, and prove his skill. It was as if he were having his "card punched" by other skilled workmen, who would certify that he, indeed, was worthy to achieve the rank of "Master Stonemason." When one of these "journeyman stonemasons" arrived at a new work site, he would prove himself by "words and signs" which he had learned during his days as an apprentice.

As with our own Masonic stonemason ancestors, these "Compagnons" had their own manuscript legends, which had been carefully preserved through the centuries. They were also organized into three separate societies, with names that seem somewhat familiar to Masons today: The Sons of Solomon, the Son of Master Jacques, and the Sons of Master Soubise. Of these three, the Sons of Solomon were stonemasons, while those who belonged to the other two societies often belonged to other trades, such as that of a carpenter.

So here we have it: In France, an organization called the "Sons of Solomon," who are stonemasons by trade, travel from one work site to another to prove their skill, and at the end of the "around the country tour," are eligible to be honored as "Master Craftsmen." The Compagnonnage is still in existence today, and while it is not a direct ancestor of our form of Freemasonry, it is easy to see a practice that is very similar to our own legendary history of "traveling stonemasons."

The answer to our long search for the historical proof of the "traveling man" and his possessing proof that he was a Mason was right across the English Channel in France. And it was there all the time!

John L. Cooper III

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ILLUSTRATION FROM
DUNCANS RITUAL



We will be ringing the bells again this year.
When: Saturday, December 3, 2016, 9:00
a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Where: In front of Casey's Foods and Trader
Joe's in the Naper Plaza Shopping Center,
Washington Street and Gartner Road.

Two hour shifts run from 9 to 11, 11 to 1, 1 to
3 and 3 to 5. We are still in need of a few
more volunteers to cover all of the donation
times

See Brother Mark Hopf to sign up.

COME OUT AND RING THE BELL!!



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34 West Jefferson Avenue
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1st and 3rd Tuesday

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www.napervillemasonic.org



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

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WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF FREEMASONRY?

Its purpose is the same as it has been since the day when the stones for King Solomon's Temple were hewn, squared and numbered in the quarries where they were raised. It is to take an individual - just one man at a time, mind you, and as a good a man as possible - and try to make a better man of him. That is all. How desperately the world needs just that! And if the technique is outmoded, then the experience of two thousand years is all wrong; the Par-

able of the Mustard Seed is horse-and-buggy philosophy; the Leaven of the Loaf is a cruel hoax.

The mere fact that men do not comprehend its purpose does not mean that Freemasonry has no purpose, nor that its purpose is outmoded - it only means that the stone (members) are not being well-hewn and squared in the quarries (lodges) where they were raised.

DWIGHT L. SMITH