

# Euclid Lodge No. 65 Trestleboard

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**From The East—John D. Will W.M.**



Greetings from the East.

Brethren,  
 On April 19th Euclid Lodge competed in the Lodge Officers competition. This was based on opening 1,2,3,

and receiving the DDGM. We want to congratulate Glen Elyn Lodge Number 950 who barely edged us out for a victory. Our officer core continued to perform at a high level. Special thanks to our Officers and our Lodge instructor Floyd H. Sullens as well as Tom Behr and William O'Connell for all their great assistance towards making our craft better.

One item of concern recently was the April 14th, Naperville Sun article that featured Gary Fry and his store, Antiques on Jefferson which is located below our Lodge. As the Past President of the Temple Board and one of the key persons responsible for the contract regarding their rent I wanted to comment on the allegations that we  
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Stated Meeting is the first Tuesday of the month.

Special Meeting is the third Tuesday of the month.

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**From The Secretaries Table—Thomas C. Behr P.M. Sec.**

**Lodge Officer Competition**

District level Lodge Officer competition for Euclid Lodge was held on April 12, 2008. Your officers did an outstanding job both collectively as well as individually. It is not nice to steal any thunder from the WM, so I will defer any additional comments regarding this activity. Please see "From The East" article for all details.

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

Hugo Koranda	May 02
Leonard C. Schmidt	May 04
Norwood A. McDaniel Jr.	May 04
Michael D. Ault	May 05

Mark R. Hopf	May 07
Leo B. Wilcher	May 11
Clyde J. Souza	May 11
Robert B. Chasteen	May 12
Stuart A. Heberg	May 13
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
Arwood K. Edwards	May 25
Steven J. Venditti	May 27
Timothy T. Scarborough	May 27
Mason C. Wright Sr.	May 28
Frederick E. Huntington	May 28
Ilani S. Valero	May 30
Neil C. Jeffries	May 31

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## Past Master Highlight

### Lewis Ellsworth 1853

Born July 22, 1805 in Walpole, Cheshire County, New Hampshire.

Married Chloe M. Skinner in December, 1828. They had three children, Eva F., Milton Skinner (PM 1867, 1868), and Lewis Carpenter (also a member of the Lodge).

He moved to Rutland County Vermont in 1823 to learn the tailoring trade. He then engaged in the merchant tailoring business in Troy, New York from 1827 to 1836.

He came to Naperville about 1836 and operated a General Store from 1837 to 1848.

He started the DuPage County

Nursery in 1850 which was located on the present site of the North Central College Field House and athletic fields.

He was elected the first Probate Judge of DuPage County in 1839, serving for four years.

He served as Naperville Village President in 1876.

He was one of the incorporators of the Union Agricultural Society in Northern Illinois.

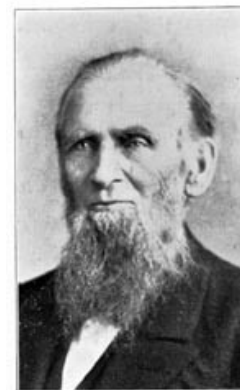
He helped found the State Agricultural Society in Springfield in 1853 and served as the President in 1859/1860. He was still a member at the time of his death.

He also served as the President of the DuPage County Agricultural Society.

He was appointed by President Lincoln as Collector of Internal Revenue and also served on the Lisle Township Board of Supervisors.

A Charter Member of Euclid Lodge, he also served as Senior Warden in 1851 and Treasurer in 1848 and 1849, and Junior Steward in 1879. He was also a member of Euclid Chapter No. 13, Royal Arch Masons.

Died January 15, 1885 in Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois.



LEWIS ELLSWORTH

**Charter Member of Euclid Lodge, he also served as Senior Warden in 1851 and Treasurer in 1848 and 1849, and Junior Steward in 1879.**

## From The Secretaries Table (continued)

### Anniversary of the Master Masons Degree

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

Robert B. Hudetz	May 01 (05)
Michael L. Hamman	May 01 (15)
Neil C. Jeffries	May 01 (57)
Gregory K. Walker	May 01 (04)
Martin W. Schuele	May 02 (41)
David A. Oakes	May 07 (14)
Thomas C. Behr	May 07 (27)
George D. Porter	May 07 (38)
Philip X. Katz	May 09 (19)
Wayne E. Ward	May 12 (43)
Tracy L. Oliver	May 15 (18)
William G. Dixon	May 16 (36)
Robert E. Morris	May 16 (41)
Floyd H. Sullens	May 16 (34)
John F. Prescott	May 18 (32)
Michael D. Ault	May 18 (04)
Steven A. Fay	May 19 (16)
Lawrence A. Suk	May 21 (17)
James L. Grosskopf	May 21 (25)
Dwaine A. Churma	May 22 (24)
John E. Buckler	May 22 ( 21)
C. Lloyd Calderwood	May 23 (55)
Bruce E. Derylo	May 24 (46)
Robert J. Parson	May 27 (40)
Henry J. Ristic	May 27 (39)

Steven T. Chandler	May 28 (16)
James W. Patton	May 29 (40)
Robert E. Beck	May 31 (63)

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. In looking over our list of unfinished work it appears that we will be adding to those totals. Bro. Ory reports that he has not been swamped with people wanting to get their name on the ritual board showing what degree parts and lectures that they are competent with. You have plenty of opportunity to learn the floor work as we hold a practice almost every Monday evening and special sessions can be scheduled to meet your individual schedule. Please take advantage of this growth step an increase your Masonic knowledge. Once you learn a new part you will have a lot of occasions to use the new skill based on our backlog of degree work.

In addition to learning a new degree part there is also a desper-

ate need for mentors and prompters for our new candidates. We need members who will take an active interest in a new Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft and work with him to complete his catechism and advance to the next degree, and encourage him to regularly attend Lodge. We need to keep his interest peaked, get him established in the Lodge, get him active in our programs. There is no reason why an EA or FC cannot attend a business meeting as the WM has the option to conduct the business meeting on any of the three degrees.

Euclid Lodge is very good at making Entered Apprentices. However, we are not so good at making Fellowcrafts and Master Masons out of these newly initiated Entered Apprentices. We allow them to lose interest, fall away and become added to our growing list of "Work in Progress" status maintained by the Grand Lodge. Which, by the way is a misnomer, because there is no work in progress taking place with these candi-

dates. In order to correct this situation we need for several members to step up to the plate and give of their time and talents and encourage these unfinished candidates to advance and complete their degree work.

Not only does this provide a valuable service to the Lodge and candidate but it is also of great benefit to yourself. If it has been years since you cracked that ritual book you may find that some of the material seems a little on the foggy side. What a great opportunity for you to do yourself a favor and sharpen your memory work and far more important to help a new candidate become an active Master Mason and Lodge member.

Please contact the WM and volunteer to help your Lodge and yourself.

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

Thomas C. Behr  
Secretary

Euclid Lodge No. 65

# May 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28 Euclid 65 Practice	29 Euclid Lodge 65 Special Meeting 7:30 p.m.	30	1	2	3
4	5 Euclid 65 Practice	6 Euclid Lodge 65 <b>ILCHIP refresher training 6:30</b> Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.	7	8	9	10
11	12 Euclid 65 Practice	13 Euclid Chapter 13 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.	14	15	16	17 Naper Blvd Cleanup 8:30 a.m. to 9:30a.m. Lodge Cleanup 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.
18 District Breakfast Wheaton	19 Euclid 65 Practice	20 Euclid Lodge 65 Dinner 6:30 p.m. Special Meeting 7:30 p.m.	21	22	23	24 <a href="#">Kane County Cou- gars Game</a>
25	26 Euclid 65 Practice	27 Temple Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	28	29	30	31

## Schedule of Events

- **May 5** \* Lodge Officer practice, 7:30 p.m.
  - **May 6** Stated Meeting. **ILCHIP refresher training at 6:30 p.m.** Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
  - **May 12** \* Lodge Officer practice, 7:30 p.m.
  - **May 13** Euclid Chapter 13 Stated Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Election of Officers.
  - **May 17** Naper Blvd. Cleanup 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. [Lodge Cleanup 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Volunteers needed for both!](#)
  - **May 18** District Breakfast, Wheaton Lodge, 7:00 a.m.
  - **May 19** \* Lodge Officer practice, 7:30 p.m.
  - **May 20** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting. Degree work. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Possible 3rd Degrees.
  - **May 24** [Kane County Cougars game](#). Game starts at 6:00 p.m. Zooperstars, pre-game autograph session, Jesse White Tumblers, Fireworks, "Run The Bases" post-game. Box tickets 12.00, Reserved 10.00, Lawn 8.00
  - **May 26** \* Lodge Officer practice, 7:30 p.m.
  - **May 27** Temple Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
  - **Jun 3** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. **ILCHIP refresher training at 6:30 p.m.** Community & Lodge Builder Awards.
  - **Jun 8** Euclid Chapter 13 Open Installation of Officers. 2:00 p.m. at the Lodge. Light refreshments afterwards.
  - **Jul. 5** **ILCHIP** Event at the Eyes To The Skys celebration in Lisle. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **[Volunteers Needed!](#)**
  - **Jul. 26** **Golf Outing**
  - **Sep. 1** Last Fling/Labor Day Parade
- \* Please come and join us.

## Committees



Neville Diamond Chairman  
 Steve Rosensweig, Tim Ory  
 Carl Crownhart, Don Cowart

The next event is scheduled for [July 5, 2008, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm](#), in conjunction with the Lisle "Eyes To The Skies" celebration. Several mini-events may be scheduled at the SASSED schools during the year.

**We will need volunteers to help at the various stations; fingerprinting, dna, photo and video.**

Please give Neville Diamond a call at 630-854-4174 if you are able to help out for a couple of hours.

### Education

Tim Ory Chairman  
 Don Cowart

A Lecture on the history of the 33rd Degree is tentatively scheduled for the first meeting in September.

### Finance \$\$\$\$

John Will, Christopher Tabb,  
 Michael Ault

Set the 2008 budget, monitor conformity to the budget as the years expenditures accrue, approve annual honorariums.

### Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Jack Gelston Chairman

The Lodge is continuing with their sponsorship and cleanup of Naper Boulevard in conjunction with the "Adopt a Street" program.

[May 17, 2008, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.](#) Meet at the S.W. corner of Naper Blvd. & Hobson Rd.

### Entertainment

John Aemmer Chairman  
 Steve Rosensweig, Mike Ault,  
 Tom Moylan

[Kane County Cougars game, May 24, 6:00 p.m.](#)

Last Fling Parade, first Monday in September, picnic afterwards with bean bag tournament at John Aemmers house.

Golf outing July 26th. Details to follow.

Dinner with the family at the Medinah Temple.

### Award of Excellence

Andrew Siedelmann Chairman

Andrew Siedelmann will keep us up to date on our progress.

### Community & Lodge Builder Award

Dainon Setzer Chairman,  
 John Will

Recognition of members of the Lodge as well as members of the community. Six candidates have been selected, 3 from the Lodge and 3 from the community.

The awards will be presented at the [June 3, 2008](#) business meeting.

### Lodge Cleanup

Dainon Setzer Chairman,  
 John Will

Dainon Setzer will coordinate a cleanup of the interior of the Lodge this Spring. A dumpster will be procured for disposal of the trash followed by pizza for the participants.

[Saturday, May 17, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.](#) [Volunteers Needed!](#)

### Lodge Membership and Retention

Bill Ackerman Chairman

Bill Ackerman will be directing and charting the progress our newly initiated members are making through the degrees.

Contacting delinquent members to determine if a financial hardship is a problem.

### Academic Bowl

Steven Rosensweig Chairman,  
 John Will, Neville Diamond

Sponsor the Naperville North High School Academic Team for the 25th Annual Masonic Academic Bowl. Provide pizza and beverages for the team prior to the start of the competition.

**The trouble with not having a goal is that you can spend your life running up and down the field and never scoring.**

## Greetings from the East cont.

doubled their rent and forced them out of business. This is in fact not true. The rent that the Masonic Temple Board accessed to AOJ from the period of January 2001 until present raised only 24% total in a seven year period. The current rent is less than half the going rate in downtown Naperville. Gary himself advised me that "E Bay " had cut into his business and that he was ready to retire. Currently we are looking at some exciting op-

portunities that will provide the board and the Masonic bodies who meet at 34 West Jefferson improved revenue and long term security. Further information will be provided as it develops. We do wish Gary Fry well as he has been an excellent tenant and a friend to our Lodge for many years. Come on out to Lodge and visit us every Monday in May [exception 5/26] or for our stated meetings on the first Tuesdays in May and June. Degree work is also posted on our web site as

well as several great ICHIP training and actual events planned. Please see the signup sheet at Lodge for these events as well as our upcoming Support Our Troops concert where we will be volunteering our assistance .  
Keep up the great work guys!

John Will  
Worshipful Master  
Euclid Lodge No. 65

## Growth of Masonry By Bro. Ralph Gray

In early American Masonry during our colonial days, Masonic Lodges were supplemented with certain ceremonies from British inspiration. These were of historical significance and labeled as "York Rite". Later in some areas the organizations that followed have been called "The American Rite". These ceremonies were evolved from Royal Arch Masons and the Knights Templar.

National organizations were established and in 1798 the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was chartered. The Knights Templar followed in 1814, and the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons in 1871. This began the chartering of the three general bodies in most states.

Another stream of supplemental ceremonies and orders evolved from Western Europe, primarily France. They incorrectly became known in America as the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. Bodies of these continental organizations and degrees were established in 1767 at Albany, New York. Another "Supreme Council" originated in 1801 at Charleston, North Carolina. Today, those two councils are known as the Northern and Southern jurisdictions of the Scottish Rite.

Late in the 1800's there evolved from American Masonry, a need for a more lively and social organization. The Shrine (A.A.O.M.S.) was founded in 1872 and became known as the "play ground of Masonry". The Grotto followed, founded in 1889, with the Tall Cedars of Lebanon in 1902. The Sojourners for Master Masons serving in the Military was formed in 1919 after World War I.

Other appendant bodies for ladies formed too. The

Order of the Eastern Star was formed in 1855 followed by the Amaranth in 1873 and shortly thereafter the White Shrine of Jerusalem in 1894.

In 1919, a youth group was organized in Kansas City for boys, Demolay. Soon after organizations were formed for girls also. Jobs Daughters was founded in Omaha, Nebraska in 1920 and the Order of Rainbow Girls was founded in McAlester, Oklahoma in 1922.

It was more recently that the Sovereign York Rite College was established at Detroit, Michigan in 1957. The College provides an overview and assistance to the York Rite bodies in their jurisdictions, confers York Rite degrees and presides at York Rite ceremonies.

## What is a Mason?

A Mason is a Man and a Brother whose Trust is in God.

He meets you on the Level and acts upon the Square.

Truth is his Compass and he is ever Plumb.

He has a true Grip on all that is Rite.

He is loyal to his Order, and whatever his Degree he is Master of himself.

In the Lodge of life he wears unstained the white Lambskin of innocence.

From his initiation as an Entered Apprentice he travels ever Fast toward the Light of Wisdom until he receives the final - - the Divine Password that admits him into the Ineffable Presence of the Eternal Supreme Grand Master of the Universe.

God

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**All Masons Welcome**  
**Stated Meetings First Tuesday 7:30 P.M.**  
**Special Meetings Third Tuesday 7:30 P.M.**

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**LODGE HALL, 1857-1865**  
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**HUNT BUILDING**



**LODGE HALL 1868-1891**

**SCHULTZ BUILDING**



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