



From The East - Timothy Dry - Worshipful Master

It is hard to believe that my year in the East is coming to a close. It seems like only yesterday that our corps of officers was installed. We have had a very busy and very productive year.

We were able to accomplish 15 of the primary planks and 10 of the secondary planks in the Grand Masters Award of Excellence Program this past year to once again earn the Grand Master's Award of Excellence. Brother Paul Felstrup did an excellent job of collecting the data and creating a beautiful presentation binder for submission to our Area Deputy Grand Master, David P. Lynch.

Congratulations to all of you for contributing your time and efforts to the Lodge.

My goal for the year was simple; improve Masonic education. We accomplished this in part by meeting on 30 Monday evenings over the course of the year and received instruction in the ritual and floorwork provided by RWBro. Floyd Sullens. The officers went on to compete in the Grand Lodge Officer and the Grand Lodge Rod Officer competitions.

The corps of officers took first place in the 10th Northeastern District competition with a score of 987 out of a possible 1000. They then went on to take second place in the Northeastern area competition with a score of 955. Not to be

outdone, the rod officers competed in the 10th Northeastern rod officer competition, taking first place with a score of 985 and taking third place in the Northeastern area rod officer competition with an amazing score of 990. Congratulations to RWBro. Sullens and all of the officers for all of their hard work.

Wbro. Cowart coordinated speakers who gave interesting and informative presentations of a Masonic nature for all of our stated meetings.

I provided Intender Training and Investigation Committee Member training in January for all members who were interested. In addition, I have been busy with the Grand Lodge Committee on Education, helping to put together a Power Point presentation for Intender Training. Once that project is complete, the committee will start work on a training program for Investigation Committees.

The Table Lodge held in June was not only entertaining but also very informative, with members of the Lodge taking part in the various rehearsals, responses and discourses related to the three degrees.

We all had a very enjoyable time traveling to Hinsdale Lodge and capturing the 10th Northeastern

Traveling Gavel. We were able to muster up 22 of our members, narrowly overtaking the home Lodge's 21 members present. It was a great show of support for our Lodge.

The Lodge sponsors the Naperville North High School Academic Team in the Masonic Academic Bowl. Our members came out in force once again and provided the team with moral support during the competition. We have added sponsorship of the Naperville Central High School Academic Team this year and look forward to cheering both of these teams on.

The Lodge was busy with degree work this year, initiating 12 Entered Apprentices, passing 9 Fellowcrafts and raising 6 Master Masons.

I have decided to jump from the frying pan into the fire. I will be taking over as Secretary of the Lodge, (if elected) and have some very large shoes to fill. Although according to Bro. Behr, they are not really that big, since they are only 10 and a halves.

Thank you one and all for everything that you have done to help make this year a great success.

Tim Dry
Worshipful Master



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From The Secretaries Table

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE The annual meeting of Euclid Lodge will be held at 7:30PM on November 6, 2012 at the lodge hall. Reports of the Worshipful Master, Secretary and Treasurer will be presented. The annual election of officers will also take place. This is one of the most important meetings of the year and I hope you will be able to attend.

Life Membership The 2013 Dues Notice which you will be receiving shortly will contain information regarding the purchase of a life membership. For those members with less than 35 years of continuous membership the fee will be \$975.00. By taking this step now you will never receive another dues notice as long as you remain an Illinois Mason. You would also not be subject to any increase in dues voted by the lodge at any future time or an increase in the per-capita tax imposed annually by the Grand Lodge.

If you are interested in taking this step, I would be more than happy to answer any questions you may have. The important thing to keep in mind is that your check along with the application must be in the Grand Lodge Office before 12/31/2012. If this time frame is met, you will not be required to pay the regular \$80.00 annual dues for 2013.

Thomas C. Behr Secretary

The Life Membership Fee will increase to \$1,200.00 after 12/31/2012 due to the increase of Lodge annual dues to \$80.00 so, if you want to save a few bucks now is the time to act.

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

Johnny B. Perry	Nov 03
Alan R. Spies	Nov 04
Charles E. Macyunas	Nov 04
Carlos E. Barrios	Nov 08
Steve J. Rosensweig	Nov 08
Michael A. Perez	Nov 09
Lawrence M. Gooding	Nov 09
Bruce E. Derylo	Nov 11
Scott T. Kreyborg	Nov 11
Arthur C. Tancl Jr.	Nov 12
Robert E. Beck	Nov 14
Robert J. Falta	Nov 16
Brandon A. Zears	Nov 17
Gary W. Haire	Nov 18
Joseph M. Davey	Nov 20
Paul A. Felstrup	Nov 22
H. Jason Reed	Nov 24
Leon E. Litzelman	Nov 25
Matthew B. Van Thyne	Nov 26
William G. Dixon	Nov 28
Vaneet K. Kapoor	Nov 29
Jack D. Chasteen	Nov 29

Anniversary of The Master Mason 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

William C. Heinmiller	Nov 04 (65)
William T. Fetner	Nov 06 (36)
Brett A. Osborn	Nov 08 (19)
Kiel M. Hansen	Nov 15 (01)
Scott T. Kreyborg	Nov 15 (01)
Joseph M. Davey	Nov 15 (01)
Mark R. Hopf	Nov 15 (07)
Andrew B. Siedelmann	Nov 15 (18)
Charles E. Krepis	Nov 15 (24)
Ronald R. Rudniski	Nov 19 (10)

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



Thomas Behr
Secretary



Loaves and Fishes Volunteer Recognition

Loaves and Fishes held their annual volunteer recognition ceremony on Friday, October 26 to thank all of their dedicated volunteers and honor those who most exemplified the five core values of the organization, Service, Community, Dignity, Compassion and Hope.

Community award recipients Bill (PM 1978) & Phyllis Dixon pose with Executive Director Charles McLimans and Volunteer Manager April Fitzhugh.

CONGRATULATIONS BILL & PHYLLIS!!

November 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 October	29 Lodge Officer Practice	30	31 HALLOWEEN	1 November	2	3 Loaves and Fishes
4	5 Lodge Officer Practice	6 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting	7	8	9	10
11 VETERANS DAY Veterans Park Dedication	12 Lodge Officer Practice	13 Euclid Chapter No. 13 & Adoniram Council No. 95 Stated Meeting	14	15	16	17 Naper Blvd. Cleanup 8:30 a.m. Open Installation of Officers 2 p.m.
18	19 Lodge Officer Practice	20 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting 3rd Degree Conferral	21	22 THANKSGIVING	23	24
25	26 Lodge Officer Practice	27 Naperville Masonic Temple Association Board Meeting	28	29	30	1 December Loaves and Fishes

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Nov 3** Loaves and Fishes volunteering 7:30 to 9:30 and 9:30 to 12:30
- **Nov 5** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Nov 6** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting and Annual Meeting—Election of Officers
- **Nov 11** Dedication of Veterans Park at the Naperville Cemetery 9:30 a.m.
- **Nov 12** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Nov 13** Euclid Chapter meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council meeting 8:45 p.m.
- **Nov 17** Annual Installation of Officers 2:00 p.m. Reception to follow in the Dining Room of the Lodge
- **Nov 17** Naper Blvd. Cleanup 8:30 a.m.
- **Nov 19** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Nov 20** Euclid Lodge special meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Conferral of the 3rd degree at 7:30 p.m.
- **Nov 26** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Nov 27** Naperville Masonic Temple Association meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec 1** Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- **Dec 1** Loaves and Fishes volunteering 7:30 to 9:30 and 9:30 to 12:30
- **Dec 3** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Dec 4** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec 8** Children's Christmas Party
- **Dec 10** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Dec 11** Euclid Chapter meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council meeting 8:45 p.m.
- **Dec 17** Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Dec 18** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting Dinner 6:30 1st degree conferral 7:30

Freemasonry embraces the highest moral laws and will bear the test of any system of ethics or philosophy ever promulgated for the uplift of man

Douglas MacArthur

Committees

Membership

Michael Ault Chairman

Communications

Timothy Dry Chairman

Finance

Timothy Dry Chairman

Entertainment

John Will Chairman

IL-CHIP

Mark Hopf 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

Carl Crownhart 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 Shawn Finnegan has had back surgery and is recuperating at home.

Wbro. Cowart was under the weather with a bout of the flu for several days but is doing better.

RWBro. Gary Haire's wife Zoe is recuperating at home following surgery.

Brother Bill Ackerman fell at home and dislocated his left elbow. He is at home recuperating with the arm in a cast.

Veterans Day/Veterans Park Dedication

The Naperville Masonic Temple Association has sponsored the flagpole at the new Veterans Park at the Naperville Cemetery. A bronze plaque with the following inscription will be permanently affixed at the base of the pole.

"Flagpole donated by The Naperville Freemasons, Euclid Lodge No. 65, Euclid Chapter No. 13.

Dedication of the park will take place Sunday, November 11 at 9:30 a.m.

The cemetery is located at the south west corner of Washington Street and Hillside Road and the park is located at the far west end of the cemetery.

77 Euclid Lodge and Euclid Chapter members served in World War I.

Please come out and show your support.



Euclid Lodge Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 8, at the Lodge.

2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Magician at 3:00, Santa afterwards.

Limited to children and grandchildren of members of the Lodge and no older than 12 years in age.

Please contact Bro. Vinnie Kapoor no later than November 10th with your child's information to insure that Santa will have an appropriate gift for your child.

vakap@yahoo.com or 630-453-7518

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

We will be helping the Salvation Army again this year ringing the bells.

Casey's Foods and Trader Joe's in the Naper Plaza shopping center, Washington Street and Gartner Road.

Saturday, December 1st.

Contact Bro. Vinnie Kapoor for time slots.

vakap@yahoo.com or 630-453-7518

Naper Blvd. Cleanup

Save the date! Saturday November 17, 2012 will be our next Euclid Lodge Naper Boulevard Clean Up day. Volunteers from Euclid Lodge are most welcome to assist our twice-a-year clean up along Naper Boulevard. Euclid Lodge has been a participant in the City of Naperville's "Adopt a Road" initiative to keep the main thoroughfares of Naperville in pristine condition since its inception in the 1990s. And it was only natural that Euclid Lodge requested to adopt a boulevard named after our Charter member and town founder, W.Bro.: Joseph Naper.

We'll meet at the Naperville Covenant Church at the Southwest corner of Hobson Road and Naper Boulevard at 8:30a.m., and should finish in about 45 minutes.

Hand sanitizer provided FREE of charge.

Loaves and Fishes



Over the past year we have been volunteering on a regular basis at the loaves and fishes food pantry in Naperville. Volunteer work occurs on the first Saturday of each month. There are two morning shifts: 07:30 to 9:30 and 09:30 to 12:30. We normally have around 5 brothers and maybe one or two other family members across the 2 shifts.

The work is very simple in nature -

take a station along a row of items on grocery store shelving - and help the customers decide what items they would like to select. A reminder email to all brethren is sent out about 10 days before the first Saturday of the month and I coordinate with the volunteer manager at loaves and fishes to let them know how many volunteers we would be supplying.

As of January 1, 2012, loaves and fishes have adopted an online registration process that will allow all volunteers to register online without the need for any emails. Just go to www.loaves-fishes.org and follow the volunteer links.

Please continue to volunteer for our group sessions on the first Saturday of each month - you are also asked to volunteer any other days that you can, simply by registering online - just tell them you are with Euclid Lodge.

Thank you to every brother that has spared their valuable time to help the needy of Naperville and DuPage county.

Euclid Lodge will assist Loaves and Fishes on Saturday, November 3rd and Saturday December 1st, 2012.

Ross Decent

Past Masters Dinner

Euclid Lodge No. 65 has celebrated another year of honoring our Past Masters at a dinner that was held Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at the Courtyard Banquets on Route 59 in Warrenville.

Euclid Lodge has adopted the third Wednesday in October as the customary date for our yearly celebration.

We also welcome the widow's of any past Master as our guest. This year, Dorothy Heberg (Stuart Heberg 2002) was able to be present. Our guest speaker this year was RWBro. Herb Lindberg, District Deputy Grand Master of the 10th Northeastern District, who was honored at Grand Lodge as Mason of the Year for 2012.

I would like to thank Paul Felstrup for all of his work in helping make this event a great success again and for all of the members and their wives for their show of support for our Past Masters.

Don Cowart (2006)



Front row L to R Tim Dry (2012), Wayne Brazinski, Neville Diamond (2011), DDGM Herb Lindberg, Jerry Yingling (1997), Paul Felstrup.

Back row L to R George Porter, Carl Crownhart, John Will (2008), Don Cowart (2006), Barton Robertson (2007 hidden) Dave Oakes (1999), Dwaine Churma (1991 Arboretum), Charles Macyunas (2003), Ross Decent.

Past Master Highlight Roy Edwin Brown 1936

Roy Edwin Brown was born July 9, 1899 in Big Stone City, Grant County, South Dakota the son of Reverend Samuel Faese Brown and Sarah Wilhelmina Schutz. He attended the Northwestern College Academy, graduating in 1919. He married Esther Sophia Ultch about 1923 and they were the parents of a daughter, Geraldine Mae. He was employed by the Kroehler Manufacturing Company in Naperville, Kankakee and Binghamton, New York as a clerk in the Collections Department and also as the Time-keeper and Paymaster. He was raised a Master Mason October 26, 1925 and served as Master of the Lodge in 1936. He also served as Secretary of the Lodge in 1933, Junior Warden in 1934, Senior Warden in 1935 and Chaplain in 1937. He died September 10, 1984 in Livermore, Alameda County, California and was buried in the Restland Cemetery, Mendota, LaSalle County, Illinois.



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Euclid Chapter No. 13, Royal Arch Masons

Companions,

Please join us for our next stated meeting on November 13, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. We will be serving dinner at 6:30 p.m. If there are any suggestions to add to the agenda, please let me know. Hope to see you all there.

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



Adoniram Council No. 95 Royal and Select Masters

Companions

We have been busy getting our schedule set for the upcoming year. To date, crossing the t's and dotting the i's is beginning to be a bit of a challenge. The Grand Council has developed a "Module" system consisting of almost ten components to help initiate the development of each individual Council and at the same time it is done in a way that the Grand Council can monitor your progress. This is a very good system that makes it almost impossible for the local Council to fall behind. It is new this year, so our District Inspector, Brandon Zears, is "holding my hand" as I try to maneuver my way through. I honestly have to say the Module System is a stroke of managerial genius and I will be applying parts of it to my own business.

Our next meeting of Adoniram Council No. 95 is Tuesday November 13, 2012 following the Chapter meeting. I am learning my opening and closing ritual, which is quite beautiful in its poetic allusions and encourage the Officers to follow suite. I hope to be fairly proficient by our next meeting. I will be discussing the dates of our degrees with the Officers and Dainon Setzer, our Recorder, so we can set our sites on some good work. Until the gavel sounds and the hour is upon us...

Don Cowart, T.I.M.

History of Veterans Day

World War I – known at the time as “The Great War” - officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles outside the town of Versailles, France. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of “the war to end all wars.”

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day with the following words: “To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country’s service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations...”

The original concept for the celebration was for a day observed with

parades and public meetings and a brief suspension of business beginning at 11:00 a.m.

The United States Congress officially recognized the end of World War I when it passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926, with these words:

Whereas the 11th of November 1918, marked the cessation of the most destructive, sanguinary, and far reaching war in human annals and the resumption by the people of the United States of peaceful relations with other nations, which we hope may never again be severed, and

Whereas it is fitting that the recurring anniversary of this date should be commemorated with thanksgiving and prayer and exercises designed to perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations; and

Whereas the legislatures of twenty-seven of our States have already declared November 11 to be a legal holiday; Therefore be it Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), that the President of the United States is requested to issue a proc-

lamation calling upon the officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on November 11 and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies of friendly relations with all other peoples.

An Act (52 Stat. 351; 5 U. S. Code, Sec. 87a) approved May 13, 1938, made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday—a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as "Armistice Day." Armistice Day was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I, but in 1954, after World War II had required the greatest mobilization of soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen in the Nation's history; after American forces had fought aggression in Korea, the 83rd Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting in its place the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation (Public Law 380) on June 1, 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

Later that same year, on October 8th, President Dwight D. Eisenhower issued the first "Veterans Day Proclamation" which stated: "In order to insure proper and widespread observance of this anniversary, all veterans, all veterans' organizations, and the entire citizenry will wish to join hands in the common purpose. Toward this end, I am designating the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs as Chairman of a Veterans Day National Committee, which shall include such other persons as the Chairman may select, and which will coordinate at the national level necessary planning for the observance. I am also requesting the heads of all departments and agencies of the Executive branch of the Government to assist the National Committee in every way possible."

On that same day, President Eisenhower sent a letter to the Honorable Harvey V. Higley, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs (VA), designating him as Chairman of the Veterans Day National Committee.

In 1958, the White House advised VA's General Counsel that the 1954 designation of the VA Administrator as Chairman of the Veterans Day National Committee applied to all subsequent VA Administrators. Since March 1989 when VA was elevated to a cabinet level department, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs has served as the committee's chairman.

The Uniform Holiday Bill (Public Law 90-363 (82 Stat. 250)) was signed on June 28, 1968, and was intended to ensure three-day weekends for Federal employees by celebrating four national holidays on Mondays: Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Columbus Day. It was thought that these extended weekends would encourage travel, recreational and cultural activities and stimulate greater industrial and commercial production. Many states did not agree with this decision and continued to celebrate the holidays on their original dates.

The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on October 25, 1971. It was quite apparent that the commemoration of this day was a matter of historic and patriotic significance to a great number of our citizens, and so on September 20th, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed Public Law 94-97 (89 Stat. 479), which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of November 11, beginning in 1978. This action supported the desires of the overwhelming majority of state legislatures, all major veterans service organizations and the American people. Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. The restoration of the observance of Veterans Day to November 11 not only preserves the historical significance of the date, but helps focus attention on the important purpose of Veterans Day: A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs

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1st and 3rd Tuesday

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

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Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

How did the words "free" and "accepted" originate? The ancient craftsmen were very skilled, and their craft was considered to be indispensable to the welfare of both church and state. For this reason, they were not placed under the same restrictions of other workers. They were "free" to do their work, travel, and live their lives in a manner which befitted their importance.

In medieval England, this freedom of movement was almost unheard of. Most workers were under bond to the owners of the land on which they worked. We believe this freedom for the operative mason may date back as far as the year 946 in York, England.

The word "accepted" also goes back to the time of the operative mason. During the latter years of the Middle Ages, there were few educated men outside the monasteries of the church. Naturally, men wanted to become Freemasons to get the advantages the Craft had to offer. These men did not necessarily want to build buildings but they wanted to belong to the organization.

These were "accepted" Masons rather than operative masons. This practice probably originated when some of the people for whom craftsmen were working asked to be admitted and the practice grew with time. This was a big boost to Masonry, because the secret techniques of building trades were becoming more widely known, the requirements of architecture were changing, and our operative membership was declining.

As time went on, there became more and more accepted members than there were operative members. Sometime in the late seventeenth century, we believe the accepted Masons may have outnumbered the operative masons, and we eventually became a speculative organization rather than an operative one.

ON THE THRESHOLD 2011