



### From The East - Steven J. Rosensweig - Worshipful Master

Hello Brethren, I would like to thank you for electing me to serve as Worshipful Master of Euclid lodge No 65 and giving me the privilege of completing my journey to the east. It is truly a great honor.

The installation of officers that followed on November 8 was extremely special for me. Not only was I installed, as the Worshipful Master but also it was my birthday. I cannot remember the last time I had such a big party. I hope everyone that turned out had a great time, it seemed like they did. This year installation was also very special because we had every officer attend and installed, I am told the last time this happened was when worshipful brother Tim Dry was installed.

As we get started with the New Year, I look forward to the routines of the past. On December 6 we will be ringing the bells for the Salvation Army. This is always great fun to interact with people on the street this way. I hope to see everyone that can make it there. We also have the lodge Christmas party. I have been assured that our favorite magician along

with brother Santa will be attending. I can't wait.

This year I hope we will be able to travel to other lodges. We all hear how well our lodge does; I believe it would be nice if we see the great work other lodges do. With that in mind, I asked Brother Jr. Warden to put together a travel schedule for our lodge which he was kind enough to do. I hope every one can join us in attending at least two other lodges.

My first meeting as Worshipful Master I was able to initiate three new brothers this was special because there were four religions represented Hindu, Muslim, Christian, and Jewish. To me this is one of the things masonry represents, a tie between all mankind.

Brothers I wish everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving and I hope to see you all at our next stated meeting in December.

Thank you,  
WB Steve Rosensweig.



Steven J. Rosensweig  
Worshipful Master

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## From The Secretaries Table

### NEW OFFICERS

Eureka! An Organist! Finally! We have not installed an Organist in Euclid Lodge who was a member of the Lodge since 1924! How good and how pleasant it is to have music during a degree. Welcome Bro. David Moore. Oh yes, we installed all of the other usual officers too.

RWBro. Floyd H. Sullens served ably once again as the Installing Master. Wbro. Don Cowart handled the Marshal's baton expertly, Wbro. John Will was diligent in his duties as Installing Secretary and Bro. Bill Ackerman did a very commendable job as Installing Chaplain.

A reception followed at the home of our new Worshipful Master, Steven Jay Rosen-sweig. Thank you Worshipful and Leenie.

### DUES NOTICES, DUES, PETITION FEES, HONORARIUMS AND MASTERS GIFT

Dues notices will be going out about the same time as this newsletter.

Dues were raised from \$80.00 per year to \$92.00 per year at the annual meeting.

This means that Life Memberships will cost \$1,380.00 starting January 1, 2015. The cost for a Life Membership prior to January 1, 2015 is \$1,200.00.

In addition, petition fees and affiliation fees were also increased to the following:

Petition for degrees - \$400.00

Petition fee - \$125.00

EA Degree - \$90.00

FC Degree - \$90.00

MM Degree - \$90.00

George Washington Masonic National Memorial donation - \$5.00

Petition for affiliation - \$100.00

Honorariums for the following Officers were set as follows:

Treasurer - \$1,000.00

Secretary - \$1,700.00

## Timothy J. Dry Secretary

Tyler - \$200.00

Lodge Instructor - \$750.00

The Master's Gift was set at \$350.00.

### DEGREES

We are still receiving petitions on a regular basis. We have six new candidates, three of whom were initiated at the Special Meeting in November. We will be initiating the other three at the Special Meeting in December. We will now be providing light refreshments prior to the Stated Meetings. Corky's Catering has been contracted to provide dinner at all of our Special Meetings.

### DON'T FORGET!

Salvation Army Bell Ringing on Saturday, December 6, outside Casey's Foods, 124 W. Gartner Rd., Naperville.

Lodge Christmas Party on Saturday, December 13, 12:30 to 3:30. Contact Bro. Dainon Setzer to have your children registered for a gift from Santa. dainonsetzer@hotmail.com

Don and Tracey Cowart's Annual New Year's Day Open House. January 1, 2015, 1 to 6 p.m. at 1134 Overton Ct., Naperville.

The Cornerstone Centennial Celebration has been set for Saturday, September 10, 2016. The committee has already started working on the details for this once in a lifetime event.

### Birthdays

The following members celebrate their birthday on the day indicated.

Roy S. Pedersen Dec 11

John A. Cressman Dec 12

Elden P. Laffoon Sr. Dec 13

Kenneth R. Koranda Dec 14

Mason C. Wright Jr. Dec 14

William R. Anderson Jr. Dec 15

Michael A. Sanchez Dec 15

Kevin E. Bennet Dec 22

Jason J. Jeffers Dec 22

Albin R. Anderson Jr. Dec 23

Don J. Cowart Dec 26

Alexander W. Mitchell Dec 29

Floyd H. Sullens Dec 29

Dainon S. Setzer Dec 30

John F. Prescott Dec 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.

Ronald E. Stibbe Dec 1 (41)

Robert E. Myers II Dec 8 (13)

Leo B. Wilcher Dec 9 (8)

Thomas W. Welch Dec 9 (8)

Steven J. Venditti Dec 9 (8)

Mark C. Mortimer Dec 9 (8)

Kyle K. Baker Dec 9 (8)

Mason C. Wright Jr. Dec 9 (8)

Michael D. Wells Dec 9 (8)

Patrick L. Temesvary Dec 15 (5)

Brandon A. Zears Dec 15 (5)

Alexander W. Mitchell Dec 18 (30)

Frederick E. Huntington Dec 21 (66)

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



Timothy J. Dry  
Secretary

## December 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <b>DECEMBER</b> Lodge Officer Practice	2 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting	3	4	5	6 Loaves & Fishes Salvation Army
7	8 Lodge Officer Practice	9 Euclid Chapter No. 13 Adoniram Council No. 95	10	11	12	13 Lodge Christmas Party
14	15 Lodge Officer Practice	16 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting <b>HANUKKAH BEGINS</b>	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 <b>HANUKKAH ENDS</b>	25 <b>CHRISTMAS</b>	26	27
28	29	30	31	1 <b>JANUARY 2015</b> Cowart Open House	2	3

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Dec 1** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Dec 2** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec 6** Loaves and Fishes
- **Dec 6** Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Casey's Foods, Naperville Plaza, Washington and Gartner
- **Dec 8** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Dec 9** Euclid Chapter Meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council Meeting 8:45 p.m.
- **Dec 13** Lodge Christmas Party, 12:30 to 3:30. Magician and Santa Claus. Sign up with Bro. Setzer
- **Dec 15** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Dec 16** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Conferral of degrees at 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec 16** Hanukkah begins
- **Dec 24** Hanukkah ends
- **Dec 25** Christmas
- **Dec 31** New Years Eve
- **Jan 1** New Year's Day Open House Party at the Cowart's 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Bring an appetizer or dessert.
- **Jan 3** Loaves and Fishes
- **Jan 5** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Jan 6** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 12** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Jan 13** Euclid Chapter Meeting 7:30 p.m. Adoniram Council Meeting 8:45 p.m.
- **Jan 19** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Jan 20** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Conferral of degrees at 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 24** Type 1 Lodge Officers School at Glen Ellyn Lodge in Wheaton 9:00 a.m.
- **Jan 26** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- **Jan 27** Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.

**Merry Christmas**  
**Happy Hanukkah**  
**Happy New Year**

## **Committees**

### **Membership**

Joseph Ingraffia Chairman

### **Communications**

Timothy Dry Chairman

### **Finance**

Steven J. Rosensweig 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**

Michael D. Ault Chairman

### **Sickness/Distress**

Dainon S. Setzer 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**

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### **Bylaws**

Carl Crownhart

## **Sickness and Distress**

Karen Ault, Wbro. Michael Ault's wife is undergoing treatment for lung cancer. Please keep Karen and Mike in your thoughts and prayers.

Wbro. Carl Crownhart is undergoing treatment for pancreatic cancer. Please keep Carl and Jan in your thoughts and prayers.

## **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.

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

## **Annual Christmas/Holiday Party**

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

Our annual Christmas/Holiday Party is open to all members and their families. Join us in celebrating the 2014 holidays.

Light refreshments will be served.

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 Bro. Dainon Setzer at 509-953-2796 or email him at dainonsetzer@hotmail.com

## **Naperville Masonic Temple Association**

The directors of the Temple Board are in the process of having cable TV service installed in the lodge as well as internet access. Installation should be complete sometime this month. A new flat screen TV will be purchased soon so that members can watch sporting events.

Planning for renovations to the lodge continues. Last year the Board of Directors spent \$98,000.00 on necessary repairs and lodge renovations/improvements.

The Board will be posting a new sign in the lodge stating that no food or drink will be allowed in the lodge meeting room. This restriction will also apply to water. Food and drink, including water, are only allowed in the kitchen and dining area. Please respect this directive by the Board.

## **NEW YEAR'S DAY OPEN HOUSE**

Don and Tracey Cowart will once again be graciously opening their home to all of us for their annual New Year's Day Party. Black-eyed Peas, Collard Greens and Corn Bread are the staples. There will be chili for all of us Northerners. Bring an appetizer or dessert. It is a really great time to get together with everyone.

## **INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN MASONIC RESEARCH**

A new research project is being launched to discover more about the attitudes and understanding of Freemasonry. With the results, the goal is to retain members, assist in Masonic education, attract new candidates, and improve the public image of Masonry.

Anyone can participate. Needed are Masons, petitioners, former Masons and the general public.

The survey, which will take about 5 to 10 minutes, is available online at:

[www.wr-psychometrics.com/surveys.mqr.htm](http://www.wr-psychometrics.com/surveys.mqr.htm)

The survey is entirely anonymous, but a code is provided at the end of the survey for brethren, which they can use to see how well they did.

THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA

## THE LEVEL AND THE SQUARE

We meet upon the Level and we part upon the Square;  
 What words of precious meaning these words Masonic are!  
 Come, let us contemplate them, they are worthy of a thought;  
 In the very walls of Masonry the sentiment is wrought.

We meet upon the Level, through from every station come,  
 The rich man from his palace and the poor man from his home;  
 For the rich must leave his wealth and state outside the Mason's  
 door,  
 And the poor man finds his best respect upon the Checkered Floor.

We act upon the Plumb - 'tis the orders of our Guide -  
 We walk upright in virtue's way and lean to neither side;  
 Th' All-Seeing Eye that reads our hearts doth bear us witness true,  
 That we still try to honor God and give each man his due.

We part upon the Square, for the world must have its due;  
 We mingle with the multitude, a faithful band and true;  
 But the influence of our gatherings in memory is green  
 And we long upon the Level to renew the happy scene.

There's a world where all are equal - we are hurrying towards it  
 fast,  
 We shall meet upon the Level there, when the gates of Death are  
 passed;

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Freemasonry says that life cannot be soundly built without faith. One noted writer has said that without faith we begin at no beginning and we end at no end in life. Faith means belief in an intelligence that has thought out the universe to the last minutest detail, so that nothing is left to chance; it means belief in a purpose for the universe that cannot fail of realization; it is belief in an ethical and spiritual finality that is at once the standard and the goal of life.

Dr. Thomas S. Roy

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### Past Master Highlight OTHAL M. KNIESLY 1963, 1964

**KNIESLY, Othal M.** was born May 9, 1906 in Bradford, Miami County, Ohio the son of Daniel Kniesly and Cora D. Hyde. He married Mary Katherine Schwartz and they were the parents of two children, Robert D. and Karen S. (Randall J. Earley). He was an Optometrist in Naperville for 20 years and then moved his practice to Aurora. He affiliated with Euclid Lodge July 20, 1952 from Riverside Lodge No. 862, Riverside, Illinois and served as Master of the Lodge in 1963 and 1964. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason December 28, 1954 and served as High Priest of the Chapter in 1957. He died April 12, 1987 in Mountain Home, Baxter County, Arkansas and was buried in the Baxter Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Mountain Home, Arkansas.



**OPTOMETRIST**

We shall stand before the Orient, and our Master will be there,  
 To try the blocks we offer with his own unerring Square.

We shall meet upon the Level there, but never thence depart;  
 There's a Mansion - 'tis all ready for each trusting, faithful heart -  
 There's a Mansion and a Welcome, and a multitude is there  
 Who have met upon the Level and been tried upon the Square.

Let us meet upon the Level then, while laboring patient here;  
 Let us meet and let us labor, though the labor be severe;  
 Already in the western sky the signs bid us prepare  
 To gather up our Working Tools and part upon the Square.

Hands round, yet faithful Brotherhood, the bright fraternal chain,  
 We part upon the Square below, to meet in heaven again!  
 What words of precious meaning these words Masonic are -  
 We meet upon the Level and we part upon the Square.

Rob Morris  
 Poet Laureate of Freemasonry

# New Year's Day Open House Party

When: 1/1/2015

Time: 1 pm until 6 pm

Menu: Black Eyed Peas, Greens and  
Cornbread. (Chili for you Northerners)

Please bring an appetizer or dessert

Where: Don Cowart's house

1134 Overton Court

Naperville, IL 60540

RSVP Regrets only 630-416-6129

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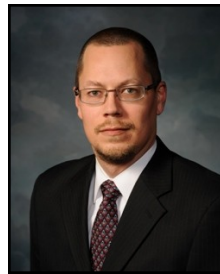
## OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 2014/2015



**STEVEN J. ROSENSWEIG**  
WORSHIPFUL MASTER



**GERALD E. YINGLING**  
TREASURER



**DAINON S. SETZER**  
SENIOR WARDEN



**BRANDON A. ZEARS**  
JUNIOR WARDEN



**TIMOTHY J. DRY**  
SECRETARY



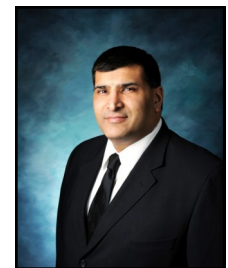
**GEORGE C. MURRAY**  
CHAPLAIN



**JOSEPH A. INGRAFFIA**  
SENIOR DEACON



**JAMES G. SIMPSON JR.**  
JUNIOR DEACON



**VANEET K. KAPOOR**  
TYLER



**MICHAEL A. NORWOOD**  
MARSHAL



**ROSS J. DECENT**  
SENIOR STEWARD



**JASON J. JEFFERS**  
JUNIOR STEWARD



**DAVID S. MOORE**  
ORGANIST



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1st and 3rd Tuesday

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[www.napervillemasonic.org](http://www.napervillemasonic.org)



**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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## THE MASONIC ANGLE

Both Operative and Speculative Masonry use the ANGLE. There are many angles used in both Operative and Speculative. In fact, all sound construction with strength and support and beauty must have the angle or angles. This is true to both the Operative and Speculative Mason.

An angle is two straight lines meeting at one point.

The strongest angle is the triangle or three equal lines meeting in three equal angles, each one supporting equal weight or burden.

The Speculative Mason recognizes the triangle as the three Station officers.

The Royal Arch Mason recognizes the triangle as the three First Grand Masters.

The Knight Templar recognizes the triangle as the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Dr. Webb, in perfecting the ritual, made the statement, "The foundation of all Masonry is designed and built with the Square and Compasses."