Chester Chapter, Order of DeMolay, Awarded All Five Trophies at State Conclave

Chester Chapter, Order of DeMolay, Chester, Pa., judged second this year in the International Chapter of the Year competition, has added another first to its long string of accomplishments. Accumulating 913 points out of a possible 920, the Chester Chapter was awarded all five State Championship Trophies at the Annual Convention of the Associated Chapters, Order of DeMolay of Pennsylvania, held at Harrisburg in June.

The five trophies include: The Initiatory Degree Award, presented by Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter; The DeMolay Degree Award, presented by Grand Commandery Knights Templar; The Representative DeMolay Award, presented by Grand Council of Royal and Select Master; The Visitations Award, presented by Pennsylvania Council of Delegation, and the Outstanding Chapter Award, presented by The Right Worshipful Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania.

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New Building Programs of Lodges Keeps Our Grand Officers Active Participating in Many Ceremonies

In the past three months, Grand Lodge held special communications to dedicate three new Masonic Lodge Rooms and lay four cornerstones.

On Tuesday, June 15, one of the hottest days this summer, a cornerstone was placed and the Lodge Room dedicated at Donora, Washington County.

On Saturday, June 19, the cornerstone was placed and the Lodge Room dedicated at Kittanning, Armstrong County.

Bro. Robert E. Deyoe, R.W. Grand Master, and the other line officers took part in all the special ceremonies.

Bro. Earl H. Hargis, Past Grand Master, gave the address of dedication of the Masonic Temple.

The five lodges included: The Masonic Temple, 626 5th Avenue, and 100 Pennsylvania Avenue.

The Donora Masonic Temple is an outstanding new Masonic Temple erected by members of Donora Lodge, No. 262. The Masonic Temple is a new Masonic Lodge Room.

On Sunday, July 15, Grand Lodge scheduled to conduct an outdoor ceremony to place the cornerstone for the new $1,500,000 Scottish Rite Auditorium at Williamsport.

Inclement weather made it necessary to conduct the ceremony indoors. A reception for members and the public followed the ceremony in the low of the Acacia Club. Grand Lodge and Scottish Rite officers received the visitors.

On Saturday, August 10, the cornerstone was placed and the Lodge Room dedicated at Kittanning, Armstrong County.

The members of Kennett Lodge, No. 475, purchased an existing, stone building and remodeled it to meet Grand Lodge requirements for a Temple.

In an effort to inform Pennsylvania Masons how the Guest Fund is used to benefit Guests, Bro. Deyoe lists the following expenditures during the past year:

- $25,000 for the Occupational Therapy Program. This program provides the instructors and materials for Guests to occupy their time with creative projects, such as leath­ering, painting, crafts and music, and others.
- $70,000 for Guests’ spending money. Each Guest is given money to purchase pictures, gifts and souvenirs for themselves or friends.
- $60,000 for special entertainments such as bus trips and shows for guests.
- $20,000 to compensate visiting ministers to conduct services for Holiday Gifts. This includes Christmas presents, activities, Easter treats and other holiday privileges.
- $36,000 for special entertainments such as bus trips and shows for guests.
- $5,000 to compensate visiting ministers to conduct services for Sunday religious services, such as Sunday services in the Sief Chapel, weekly prayer meetings, visits to those hospitalized, and burial services.
- $100,000 for expenses such as extra clothing, television and television repairs, summer camping for children at the Masonic Homes, and other related projects.

Bro. Deyoe explained that 60,000 Masons, or 23 per cent (Continued on Page 2)
For hospital rooms. Bro. Deyoe said:...
Our boys and girls at the Homes who do not have an opportunity to spend time with relatives and friends during the summer months are taken to the seaside or a camp for four weeks. Here you see some of our boys lining up for a hull's eye on the archery range at Camp Shoul, near Carlisle. Several of the girls attended a girl's camp near York Haven. Your support of the Guest Fund makes these annual outings possible for our children.

Many Masonic Books Are Available In Grand Lodge Circulating Library

Our new 32-page circulating library brochure, containing the rules, regulations and listings of over 250 Masonic books now available for Masons of Pennsylvania Lodges to borrow, is available for distribution in quantities to Lodges. The Masonic books available are classified in sixteen groups and a brief description of each book is given to assist the borrower in locating the particular books of his choice.

Members of Pennsylvania Lodges may borrow books from the circulating library or Grand Lodge either in person or by mail. Two books are permitted at a time and may be held for a three-week period, or longer, free of charge, except for the return postage, if needed.

The following is another partial listing of the many available and highly recommended books for Freemasons to read:

- The Holy Bible
- Holy Masonic Edition: Introduction to Freemasonry
- The Story of the Craft
- The Newly-Made Mason
- Wood Brother and Assistant
- The Speculative Mason
- MacPhail English Speaking Mason
- Robbins The Cathedral Builders
- Scott

Ritualistic Meeting at Allentown Well Attended

The Sectional meeting held at Allentown on Saturday, June 10, 1967, for rehearsal and exequation of the Ritualistic Work by Schools of Instruction from the Allentown, Scranton, Hop Bottom and Hazleton Schools was well attended even though the weather was quite warm.

Actual registration totaled 162, representing 13 Districts and 56 Lodges. Bro. Raymond H. Grimm, Instructor of Ritualistic Work for the Grand Lodge, was quite pleased with the performance of the Work.

This was the fifth of six Sectional Meetings scheduled throughout the Jurisdiction for 1967. The sixth and final session, covering Schools of Instruction in the northwestern section, is scheduled for Saturday, October 7.

Are you wearing The Square and Compasses as we Celebrate this 250th Anniversary Year?

Wilbur M. Brucker to be Speaker At Statue Dedication Ceremony

Bro. Wilbur M. Brucker, M. E., Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, U.S.A., and former Secretary of the Army, will be the main speaker at the dedication ceremony of the Washington at Prayer Statue on September 9 at Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge.


In 1931, when 36 years of age, Bro. Brucker was elected Governor of the State of Michigan.

A practicing attorney, he was appointed General Counsel of the Department of Defense in the Eisenhower Administration. On July 21, 1955, he was appointed by President Eisenhower to be Secretary of the Army.

Bro. Brucker served as Secretary of the Army for five and a half years, the longest tenure of any Secretary since Stanton during Lincoln's administration.

R. W. Deputy Grand Master Addresses Bermuda Masons

Bro. John K. Young, R. W. Deputy Grand Master, addressed Bermuda Masons at an Inter-Constitutional Dinner on June 24, St. John the Baptist Day.

Bro. Young responded to the main toast of the evening, "To the Craft," which was proposed by His Excellency the Governor, Lord Marionmore, Past Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of England.


Bro. Young's address included information on the operations of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.
Membership Transfer To and From Other Jurisdictions Covered in Proposed Amendment to The Ahiman Rezon

In 1962 the Ahiman Rezon was amended to permit Transfer of Membership between Lodges within our Jurisdiction. Prior to that time, an outright resignation was required before a petition for membership could be accepted. While the Transfer of Membership procedure adopted in 1962 may appear somewhat complicated, it does have distinct advantages for those Members who desire to change their Lodge membership.

At the present time, a Brother whose membership is in a Lodge in another Jurisdiction desires to affiliate with a Lodge here, or if he is a Member here and wishes to join a Lodge in another State, our Ahiman Rezon requires an outright resignation. This procedure is not necessary in most Grand Lodges.

Transfer of Membership from and to Lodges in other Jurisdictions (with whom we have no definite relations) is now deemed just as desirable as the Transfer procedure permitted between Lodges in our State. To accomplish this objective, a proposed amendment to Section 2 of Article XX of the Ahiman Rezon was presented at the June Quarterly Communication and will be acted upon at the December Quarterly.

The proposed amendment reads as follows:

"When a Brother Mason is in another Jurisdiction wishes to transfer his Membership to a Lodge in our Jurisdiction, the above procedure shall be followed when both Lodges are within the Jurisdiction. When a Member of a Lodge in our Jurisdiction desires to change his membership to a Lodge in another Jurisdiction, the above procedure shall be followed except that the Transfer Certificate (Form No. 4A) shall be forwarded to our Grand Secretary and he in turn shall forward it to the Grand Secretary of the Jurisdiction in which the other Lodge is located; also the Notice of his resignation from the former Lodge of Election by Transfer will be handled through the respective Grand Secretaries.

When a Member of a Lodge in another Jurisdiction wishes to transfer his Membership to a Lodge in our Jurisdiction, the forms used for the purpose of this amendment shall be accepted in our Jurisdiction and the above correspondence must be carried out through the respective Grand Secretaries.

When a Brother petitions for membership, he must present a Transfer Certificate under the seal of the Lodge of which he was last a member, a Transfer Certificate as herein provided, or furnish satisfactory evidence of standing good Masonic standing and, except when a Transfer Certificate is submitted, that he is not a member of any Lodge.

Your Conveniences

For your annual contribution to the "Guest Fund" and for your convenience, your Lodge Secretary has been supplied with special self-addressed, postage-paid envelopes and has been directed to insert them with your September Lodge Notice.

Lodges May Borrow Set of Color Slides of Philadelphia Temple

Sets of 35mm color slides featuring a tour of The Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, headquarters of our Jurisdiction, are now just about ready for loan to all Lodges.

Each set of 50 slides, showing exterior shots of the Temple and views of other interior areas, will include printed cards describing each slide.

The Lodge will need to supply a suitable projector and screen. Lodges interested in borrowing a set of slides should write to Committee on Membership Transfer, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19107.

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New Award Program For Patton School Boys

A new award program for students at Patton Masonic School has been approved starting with the new school term in September, 1967.

The philosophy behind the new program is to broaden the awards and to make them more inclusive.

The new award categories:
• Gold P Award for students outstanding leadership in one or more student activities and for distinct contribution to school life by stimulating, encouraging and promoting a more congenial and wholesome school life.
• Gold Key Award to the student who has made the greatest contribution to Patton through enthusiastic participation in academic, vocational and social life, and who has been most influential in fostering and promoting a more congenial and wholesome school life.
• Gold Medal Award for the highest average for four years in the subject areas
• Bible and Religious Award for students who have achieved excellence in the world of Bible and Religious knowledge.
• Oral and Written English Award.
• Vocational Awards in carpentry, electronics, machine shop, interior design, and other appropriate trades.
• General Industrial Arts Award to students whose averages are for tenth and ninth grades.
• Music Award for outstanding service in the musical organizations.
• Athlete of the year award to the student who contributes most to our athletic program and to Patton in terms of leadership and desirable sportsmanship.
• Academic Awards for the highest average for four years.
• Athletic Certificate and Letter Awards to students for participation in sports.
• Service to others Certificate and Letter Awards to students for participation in service organizations.

In addition, the Grand Master has approved "The Grand Master's Award" for outstanding leadership in one or more student activities and has contributed the outstanding effort to assist Patton School.

More girls and individuals have continued to provide the various awards at Patton School. For this the Trustees are grateful and urge a continuation.

However, with the expanded award program, additional assistance for awards, such as cash, scholarships, books, books, trophies and plaques will be needed. We are asking all in participation should contact the Superintendent of Patton Masonic School, Elizabethpa, Pa. 17022.

Penna Council of Deliberation Celebrates Its Centennial Convocation at Harrisburg


During the business session, the ladies enjoyed a tour of the new William Penn Memorial House in Harrisburg, followed by a tea at which they were received by Mrs. Raymond P. Shafter, of the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Bro. Shafter is a Member of Lodge No. 408, Meadville.