MASONIC HOMES
Elizabethtown, Pa.

Due to continuing expansion of our geriatric facility, additional nursing personnel are needed.

Announcing new starting salaries effective June 2 for full-time year-round employees:

Nursing Assistant

LPNs .......... $3.89
RN's .......... $4.29

We are also offering an expanded fringe benefit package.

For application, call or write:

Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, Pa. 17022. Phone 367-1123 ext. 223 Personnel Office.

1979 Travel Plans Advanced

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will sponsor a travel program for 1979 that will offer its members and friends the opportunity of fellowship and group travel to two destinations—Europe and Hawaii.

While arrangements have not yet been completed, it can be announced that the Hawaii plan will offer several departure dates this winter and again in the fall, and the Europe plan, involving several tours to Brussels, the Rhine River region and Munich, will take place during the summer months.

The Grand Lodge offers the above information, however tentative, to assist those who require advance information in planning their vacation dates.

Travel brochures, covering the particulars of both plans, will be mailed to the homes of all Pennsylvania masons in the near future.

Yet Another Family Affair

Bro. Charles W. Ulrich II, of Howell Lodge No. 405, Honey Brook, had the pleasure and the privilege of acting as guide at the extra meeting of Howell Lodge No. 405 on June 21, 1978, when his three sons, Bro. Charles W. Ulrich III, Bro. Robert A. Ulrich and Bro. Donald W. Ulrich, were each raised to the degree of Master Mason.

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Designed to retain the architectural integrity of the Homes, the renovations will call for the complete gutting of the building interiors without altering the stone facades or the rooftops.

The work will assure individual living arrangements with private baths for each residential guest. The renovated buildings will contain elevators, air conditioning, full carpeting and the latest innovations to meet all modern life-safety standards.

In keeping with the renovation program established during the construction of the Benjamin Franklin hospital building, bronze plaques will be placed to recognize donors.

Suggested gifts and memorial allocations for individuals, lodges and other organizations include:

Single Room $10,000
Single Room Furnishings $1,500
Double Room $15,000
Double Room Furnishings $2,500

The contract for the erection of the structure, its architectural style in harmony with earlier buildings on the grounds, was awarded in early November of 1977.

The Grand Master and Officers of the Grand Lodge placed the cornerstone on December 2, 1977.

Both buildings have served well the memory of those who recognized the mission of charity so long ago.

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1979 Ritualistic Schedule

The following are the dates and locations for the sectional meetings of the Schools of Instruction that are to be held throughout Pennsylvania during 1979:

March 17—Charleroi
March 24—New Castle
March 31—Harrisburg
April 7—Mentone
April 21—Westmoreland
April 28—Johnstown
May 5—Tionesta
May 12—Williamsport
September 22—Meadville
October 6—Philadelphia
February 5—Batavia
February 25—Greensburg

The meeting in New Castle has been transferred from the third Saturday in March to the third Saturday in April. In addition, the meeting held at Oil City in 1978 will take place in Meadville on September 22.

The activities of the ritualistic work at the sectional meetings are conducted by the regional instructors and are under the supervision of the instructor of the ritualistic work.

Educator Named To Homes' Committee

Bro. Richard M. Wilson, 41 North Hill Terrace, Manheim, has been appointed a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes by Bro. Walter P. Wells, Grand Master.


A graduate of Mansfield State College, Bro. Wilson earned a master's degree and a doctorate in education from The Pennsylvania State University.

As a member of the faculty and administration of Mansfield State from 1946 until his retirement in 1975, Bro. Wilson served the institution as dean of instruction, director of student teaching and placement, and dean of teacher education.

Among professional associations, Bro. Wilson maintains membership in the American Association of Administrators, Association of Teacher Educators, National Education Association, and the Association of State College Faculties.

A recipient of the honor award for distinguished service in Pennsylvania State Education Association, he has also served as a member and first chairman of the State Advisory Professional Standards Committee of the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Active in both church and community, Bro. Wilson serves as a deacon, treasurer, and financial secretary of the First Baptist Church in Manheim.

He has chaired various fund raising activities in the community; was a member of the executive committee of the Junior League; and is a member of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

Recreation Board; is a member of the Grange, and is a member of the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

Grand Lodge Officers' Activity Schedule

The schedule for Grand Lodge Officers to observe the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, has been announced.

November 9 Grand Master Master 125th Anniversary, Juniata Lodge No. 252, Hollidaysburg.
December 27 Grand Lodge Officers, Annual Grand Communication, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia.
January 13, 1979 Grand Master, Lu Lu Temple Masters' Night, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia.
December 26, 1978 Grand Lodge Officers, meeting, Committee on Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

Punch Bowl Center of Franklin Display in Museum

A Benjamin Franklin display is being arranged by the Grand Lodge Museum for the Punch Bowl and Communication, Wednesday, December 6.

Benjamin Franklin has been and will continue to be one of the most honored of America's citizens. As an outstanding Philadelphian and Freemason, he has few peers.

Brother Franklin's Masonic career parallels the beginnings of Freemasonry in the American Colonies, becoming a member of the Lodge of London in Philadelphia, in February 1730, elected a member of the Grand Warden, June 24, 1732, and elected Grand Master of Pennsylvania on December 21, 1732.

The Museum has recently added to its collections the "Franklin Court Punch Bowl," a fine reproduction of a bowl found in a privy pit during excavations 1797-1798 conducted in Independence National Historical Park at Franklin Court, site of Franklin's home. The original bowl was found in the privy pit's earthware, popularly called "Delft," in Bristol, England, about 1730-1740.

PATTON SCHOOL OPERATION DISCONTINUED

By resolution of the Grand Lodge in keeping with the policies adopted at the Grand Lodge in 1977 by Judge Charles Klein of the Orphans' Court, Division of the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, the operation of the Thomas Patton Bankton Masonic Institution for Boys has been discontinued.

Also in keeping with the court's decree, the grounds and buildings of the school are to be sold. The Trustees of Tides to the Masonic Temple and Other Real Estate of Grand Lodge, with the funds used for the purpose of becoming a part of the Patton Trust.

Further, the court is to remain a part of the consolidated fund of the Grand Lodge where it is to be maintained at all times separate in its precise per cents, principal and interest, for the purpose of maintenance, care, education and supervision of children whose natural parents are not furnishing them with that proper maintenance, care, education and supervision...

Simply stated, the assets of the Patton Trust, together with the proceeds from the sale of the physical plant, have been transferred to the Grand Lodge for the use of the Committee on Masonic Homes in maintaining children at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

In accordance with the resolution of the Grand Lodge, the court ruled that the administration policy of the Grand Lodge be to close the operation of the institution.

The court, therefore, has adopted an additional hearing in February of 1979 at which time it was ordered that an appointed committee be established that would consist of:

A third hearing was held before Judge Klein, resulting in the final decree dated July 19, 1979.

The Grand Lodge, by resolution adopted at the Quarterly Communication on September 9, has provided the sum of $335,000 plus real estate transfer taxes and recording costs, in compliance with the court's decree.

The court action assures that the spirit of the Patton Trust, dating to 1907, will continue to be recognized for the benefit of children in need.
to our present day Freemasons, and those they represent, are still showing their gratitude for being affiliated with our ancient and honorable fraternity and are "doing their thing" to advance the cause of freemasonry and the great services it is doing for mankind throughout the world.

**Another 50-Year Past Master**

Congratulations are due Bro. and Dr. Thomas H. Ford, a warmant member of Puritan Lodge No. 740, Reading.

Bro. Ford entered in Minnewaska Lodge No. 322, as the guide in September 14, 1928, served as Worshipful Master of Puritan Lodge No. 740 in 1952.

Now in his 84th year, Bro. Ford has been an active Mason for many years. He has also served our Grand Lodge as a trustee for the Thomas Ranken Patison Masonic Institution for Boys for a period of 20 years.

**Proud Father Participates**

Bro. Winner F. Delp, J. member of Hony M. Toller Lodge No. 144, held at Denver, Colorado, says he was a proud and privileged father at a recent extra meeting of Fort Washington Lodge No. 308, Fort Washington, Pa.

On that evening Bro. Delp had the pleasure of acting as the guide when his son, Bro. David D. Delp, received his Entered Apprentice mason's degree.

In addition to this family affair, over two dozen others, all members of Fort Washington Lodge No. 308, were there: Bro. Robert A. Delp, Junior Master of Ceremonies, who was the Acting Worshipful Master; Bro. William A. Delp, Acting Senior Warden, and Bro. John D. Kirps, Acting Junior Warden.

Bro. Delp originally was the grandfather of the four sons has been handed down to each and is now adorning the finger of Bro. David D. Delp.

The proud father is a Past Potentate of Lila Shriners Temple, a National Trustee of the Shriners Hospitals and a Past Royal Director of the Royal Order of Jesters.

**Maguires and Masonry**

**Fraternity Serves to Extend Family Ties**

Bro. Howard R. Maguire, senior warden of Perry Lodge No. 458, held at Marysville, west of Harrisburg, had the pleasure and privilege of conferring the sublime degree of a master mason on the third of his sons, Bro. Max L. Maguire, when the lodge held an extra meeting in Corinthian Hall, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

There is an unusual story about Bro. Howard R. Maguire's Masonic service. He was raised in Perry Lodge No. 458 on November 7, 1900. When his son, Bro. B. Miriani was approved in September 1970, he decided that he would like to enter his son, even though he had not conferred any degrees previously.

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The activity was called "A Masonic Homes' Benefit." An additional fee was added to the cost per couple for the evening which included a full-course dinner, a speaker, entertainment and dancing.

The goal set was $200.00 for the Guest and Building Fund for the Masonic Homes which they accomplished. Their next activity was a family eating and visit to the Masonic Homes, Elizabeth, on a Saturday in October using a couple of buses.

**DeMolay Honors Past Master**

Bro. Robert H. Belkis, Past Master of Schiller Lodge No. 845, Scranton, was recently honored by the International Supreme Council, Order of the DeMolay.

Bro. Belkis, a member of the advisory council of Crusade Chapter, Order of the DeMolay, Scranton, received the cross of honor, the highest award given by the supreme council to a member of an advisory council.

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**Lodge Master at 84**

Bro. Arthur W. Price of Summit Lodge No. 312 says he was born on August 24, 1903, a teacher and administrator, the public school system from 1944 to 1945, including military service, he and his lovely wife recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Bro. Price petitioned Freemasonry in 1945 at the age of 55. He was elected to Council on November 18, 1949, ordained on December 16, 1949, and raised to the sublime degree of a master mason on January 20, 1950.

He served as chaplain for his lodge for ten years, and at age 80, he decided to run for the office of Junior Warden.

He was elected and the following year became the Senior Warden.

Last December he was elected and installed Worshipful Master and is 84 providing one of the most successful and productive years in the history of his Lodge.

Bro. Joseph D. Paterson, Deputy Grand Dear of the 41st Masonic District, says Bro. Price is an inspiration to all the Masons in the District.

**Exclusive Group Growing**

Having related and recognized Bro. Walter Leye Grazier of Parkway Lodge No. 521 for his 75 years of Masonic membership, we are pleased to announce that we have two other Pennsylvania Masons who are enjoying their 75th year as members of the craft.

They are Bro. Earl W. Reed of Butler Lodge No. 272, held at Butler, Pa., and Bro. Cyrus E. Chennick of Lycoming Lodge No. 544, held at Cnnesy, Pa.

Bro. Reed and Bro. Chennick are each in their 97th year. Bro. Reed was entered on January 1, 1903 and Bro. Chennick was entered on September 7, 1903.

Bro. Reed is now a resident of Lake View, New York, and Bro. Chennick resides in Kenyon Heights near Bridgeville, Pa. As in the case of Bro. Grazier, Bro. Walter Pells, Right Worshipful Grand Master of Pennsylvania, has directed the printing of an appropriate scroll to be presented to Bro. Reed and Bro. Chennick.

Bro. William A. Carpenter, B. W. Grand Secretary
Loan Program Provides $20,000 for College Students

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will take place at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia on Wednesday, December 27.

The Grand Lodge meeting, open to all Masons, is scheduled to begin promptly at 10 a.m. to allow for the installation of Bro. Walter E. Wells to serve his second year as Worthy Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania at 12 noon.

The occasion will be marked by a dinner-dance to be held that evening in the ballroom of the Philadelphia Sheraton Hotel. All Masons and their ladies are invited to attend.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the music for dancing will be provided by the Lester Ladin Orchestra.

Tickets for the dinner-dance are now available at a cost of $30 per person on a first request basis. Reservations will be limited to approximately 1,200 persons in order to insure comfortable seating for those attending.

Those planning to participate are requested to complete the coupon on this page, marking it and your check as received.

Dinner-dance reservations can be made by calling (area code 215) 367-5582. The occasion will be an exciting musical experience presented in the style of Lester Ladin's popular performances, providing a memorable evening for all who attend.

Please be sure to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your reservation coupon.

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The music of his performances, providing non-stop dancing from the moment he raises his baton.

Noting the enthusiastic response generated by the Lester Ladin Orchestra at last year's dinner-dance, it is suggested that ticket reservations be made as soon as possible.

Those reservations made beyond the seating capacity of the Sheraton Ballroom will be returned as soon as possible.

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