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organizations with the guidance, promotion and direction that is to be provided by the 21-member Advisory Board. Every Masonic organization will be represented on the boards. The primary responsibility of the members of the Advisory Board will be to serve as liaison between the Board of Directors and the Masonic organizations.

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has committed $60,000 from its 1982 budget to underwrite the initial costs of organization and to support a staff for the first year of operation.

A fund drive will be conducted shortly after the new year. The Grand Master has indicated his hope that at least $500,000 will be contributed toward the endowment of the fund during 1982.

To back his desire to make the foundation self-sufficient as soon as possible, the Grand Master has directed that all returns from the 1982 travel program go to the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation. In the past, returns from travel programs have been applied to the Masonic Homes.

The first contribution to the foundation was received as a memorial to Richard W. Connolly, Richard, who died August 28, 1981 at the age of 16, was a member of Westmoreland Chapter Order of DeMolay.

New District Deputy Grand Masters

Bro. Samuel C. Williamson, R.W. Grand Master, has appointed eight new District Deputy Grand Masters for 1982 as follows:

7th Masonic District - Bro. Earl G. Hasenauer of Shomackerville, a Past Master of Vaux Lodge No. 406 meeting in Hamburg.

12th Masonic District - Bro. Milan Mihoch of Kingston, a Past Master of Plymouth Lodge No. 332 meeting in Plymouth.


14th Masonic District - Bro. John D. Wilson of Oliphant, a Past Master of Kingsbury Lodge No. 466 meeting in Oliphant.

16th Masonic District - Bro. Benjamin Franklin, Jr. of Towanda, a Past Master of LeRoy Lodge No. 471 meeting in LeRoy, PA.

25th Masonic District - Bro. Jack E. Park of Meadville, a Past Master of Cochranton Lodge No. 798 meeting in Cochranton.

32nd Masonic District - Bro. David K. Johnstone of Munhall, a Past Master of McKinley Lodge No. 318 meeting in Pittsburgh.


The new Pennsylvania Youth Foundation will be headquartered at the Patton School Complex, adjacent to the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown. Office space will be provided in this building on the Patton grounds.

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Survived by his parents, Bro. and Mrs. Neal J. Connolly of 520 New Haven Drive, Greensburg, and two brothers, Tom and Robert, also DeMolays, Richard, in the less than three years he was a member, made a lasting impression on his DeMolay Brothers.

They noted his illness prevented him from doing all that he wanted to accomplish, but he was able to serve two terms as Fourth Preceptor, one term as Junior Steward, and take part in the degree work. In forwarding the contribution, the DeMolay Brothers wrote, "Rich loved the Order of DeMolay, but more importantly he was a TRUE DEMOLAY who loved his God, his country and DeMolay."

It is fitting that the first contribution to the fund drive for a fledgling youth foundation would be in the memory of one who obviously developed and grew as a human being in an environment the foundation seeks to strengthen and protect.

Masons Urged to Support New Pennsylvania Youth Foundation

Pottstown's youth organizations and fields of endeavor are facing difficult times. Support the Grand Master, Bro. Samuel C. Williamson, in efforts already underway to incorporate the foundation as a nonprofit corporation under the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania law.

The purpose of the foundation is described as exclusively charitable in providing guidance for the youth in Pennsylvania in their "mental, physical and religious or spiritual development." Such development will be provided through programs in the fields of physical education, sportsmanship, citizenship, morality, public speaking and the arts.

They are designed "to develop and promote an awareness of the principles of good citizenship, sportsmanship, respect for parents, and fellowmen, and generally to assist in the development of a philosophy of life that will sustain them in the future."

The foundation will be headquartered at the Patton School Complex, adjacent to the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown. The Patton complex is already used heavily in the summer by the Rainbow for Girls, Job’s Daughters and the Order of DeMolay.

Those activities will be continued and hopefully expanded for all the youth (Continued on Page 15)

Samuel C. Williamson Made Pennsylvania Grand Master

Bro. Samuel C. Williamson of Pittscairn, an executive with the United States Steel Corporation, has been installed as Right Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania.

The installation of Bro. Williamson to the highest office in Freemasonry in the state occurred at noon on Monday, December 28, 1981 during the Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania held at the Masonic Temple in the Oakland section of Pittsburgh.

In assuming the leadership of more than 214,000 Masons in 682 lodges throughout the state, Bro. Williamson succeeds Bro. Joseph E. Trate as Grand Master.

A lifelong resident of Pittscairn, Bro. Williamson obtained his education in the public schools of the borough and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering in 1950 from the University of Pittsburgh.

Employed by United States Steel Corporation since his discharge from the United States Army in 1952, the Grand Master is presently Superintendent of the Chemicals Department at the Clairton Works.

A member of Tyrian Lodge No. 612, Level Green, Bro. Williamson served as Worshipful Master in 1959. He was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the 54th Masonic District in 1962 and served through 1971. He was appointed a member of the Committee on Masonic Homes in 1971 and was elected to the line as Junior Grand Warden in 1975.

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Harriscburg Mason Installed As R.W. Junior Grand Warden


He was appointed a District Deputy Grand Master for the 2nd Masonic District in 1973 and was created to Past District Deputy Grand Master in 1979.

Born in Harriscburg, Bro. Kurtz has been a resident of that area his entire life. He was educated in the public schools of Harriscburg and various service schools. Having served with the United States Army during World War II, he holds the Purple Heart and Bronze Star and was honorably discharged with the rank of Captain.

Bro. Kurtz retired in 1971 as President and Chief Operating Officer of the Kurtz-Mayflower Moving and Storage Company. As a member of the Evangelical Church, he is a former Trustee and member of the Finance Committee and now serves on the Pastoral Relations Committee. Members in community organizations in which he holds office include the Knights of Columbus, the Masonic Emblem Association and the Masonic Grand Lodge.

The installation was accomplished during the Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge held at Pittsburgh on December 29, 1981.

Seminars Set for Lodge Secretaries, Audit Committees

A series of 12 training seminars for lodge secretaries and lodge audit committees will be scheduled by the Office of the Grand Secretary for January and February of 1982.

The seminars will be conducted by the Grand Secretary, Bro. Thomas J. House, and the Deputy Grand Secretary, Bro. David C. Adams.

Sessions for the lodge audit committees will be handled by Bro. William H. Brown, accountant in the Grand Secretary’s office, or Bro. Leonidas Galanos, District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District F, or by Bro. Edward H. Fawley, Jr., Past District Deputy Grand Master, 33rd Masonic District.

Lodge secretaries will concentrate on the general responsibilities of this important lodge office. Attention will be paid to the handling of monthly returns and the general return; lodge notices and the form for recording of minutes; the various instruments involved in resignations, transfers, etc., as well as the multitude of other forms and procedures handled through the office.

The secretaries will also be appraised of the latest information concerning tax accounting, record mechanization through the computer system, and a ledger system that is to be proposed in an effort to standardize the manner in which lodge records are maintained.

Members of lodge audit committees will receive detailed information on the preparation of the annual audit report. Particular attention will be paid to the need for accuracy and the need to have the form completely filled in and filed in the time frame demanded by the Internal Revenue Service.

Audit committee training sessions will not cover 1981 audit reports. The sessions are designed to help audit committee members meet their responsibilities in future years with a proper degree of confidence.

The following is a list of the dates and locations of the 12 training sessions. The lodge secretaries and lodge audit committee members have received or will receive proper individual notice in advance of the Grand Secretary’s office.

Masonic Districts have been notified where that information was at hand when this report was prepared for publication.

January 9, 1982 – Altoona
Masonic Districts 20, 21, 34 and 41
January 8, 1982 – Pottstown
Masonic Districts 6, 30 and 40
January 16, 1982 – Washington
Masonic Districts 29, 30, 31 and 43
January 16, 1982 – Butler
Masonic Districts 25, 27, 32, 37, 38 and 39
January 23, 1982 – Philadelphia
Masonic Districts 51 and 52
February 3, 1982 – Scranton
February 13, 1982 – Wellsboro
February 27, 1982 – Bloomsburg
February 27, 1982 – Pittsburgh

All training sessions will be held on a Saturday and will begin at 9:30 a.m. A lunch will be provided for the participants and the seminars will be continued beyond the lunch hour when necessary to complete the agenda.

It is expected that approximately 2,400 members will take part in the training seminars.

Masonic Districts Realigned

Lodges in the 13th Masonic District and the 14th Masonic District have been realigned to accommodate the appointment of new District Deputy Grand Masters.

Kingston Lodge No. 466 has been moved from 13th Masonic District to the 14th Masonic District and Aurora Lodge No. 523, which previously had been a member of the 13th Masonic District, was returned to that district from the 14th Masonic District.

The 13th Masonic District is now composed of Masonic Lodge No. 321; Peter Williamson Lodge No. 323; Hyde Park Lodge No. 330; Schiller Lodge No. 345; Aurora Lodge No. 523; King Solomon Lodge No. 584; Oriental Star Lodge No. 588; and Green Ridge Lodge No. 597.

The 14th Masonic District is made up of Homestead Lodge No. 218; Carlisle Lodge No. 243; Healey Lodge No. 308; Salem Lodge No. 330; Milford Lodge No. 344; District Lodge No. 466; Waymart Lodge No. 542; and Matamoras Lodge No. 725.
Renovation Project for Residential Areas of Masonic Homes Moves Closer to Completion

Berks Building Slated to Become Administration Center

The Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes, at its regular meeting of December 4, 1981, expanded the current residential renovation project to include the Edward W. Kuhlemeier Memorial Building and adopted plans to turn the Berks County Memorial Building into an administrative center.

It is expected the renovation of both buildings, including a new water tower, furniture, fixtures and contingencies, will exceed $2,500,000.

The Committee on Masonic Homes committed itself to the renovation of existing structures housing ambulatory guests in 1978 when the first phase of the project, the renovation of the John Henry Daman Memorial and the Dauphin County Memorial buildings was awarded by contract to the Warfel Construction Co. of Lancaster.

It was decided by the Homes' committee at the outset that the architectural integrity of the buildings would be maintained. Accordingly, the renovations have been and are being conducted through the complete gutting of the interior of the buildings without altering the Holmesburg granite facades.

The renovations became necessary to bring the residential guest quarters up to modern standards of safety, convenience and comfort. Many of the buildings, before renovation, had baths that were shared by guests and none of the buildings had elevators.

The newly renovated buildings now contain elevators, are fully carpeted, air conditioned and exceed all modern life-safety standards.

The map that accompanies this article shows the progress of the renovation project and gives the location of the various buildings in relation to the Village Green and Grand Lodge Hall.

The first phase of the renovation project, work on the Dauphin County Memorial Building, was begun in January of 1979 and completed in October of 1979, several months ahead of schedule.

Much of the credit for the timely manner in which the various phases of the renovation project have been completed is credited to the Travel Program to Benefit Youth Foundation.

The McKee Cottage will be the last residential structure renovated in the project begun in 1978. The facade of the building, constructed of Holmesburg granite and Indiana limestone, will not be altered.

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Senior Grand Deacon — Bro. James L. Ernette of Latrobe, Westmoreland Lodge No. 578.
Junior Grand Deacon — Bro. Ralph F. Sparer of State College, State College Lodge No. 518.

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Suggested gifts and memorial allocations for common areas in each building, telephone rooms, entrance areas, etc. will be established when architectural plans for each building are completed.

The support of all Pennsylvania Masons is required. Smaller contributions than those noted are always welcome through the Grand and Building Fund. The Committee on Masonic Homes will be pleased to receive any contribution, large or small, and acknowledge the support of all who wish to take part in this great work of Masonic charity and love.

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Grand Lodge to Support National Center for Juvenile Justice

Editor's note – The Pennsylvania Masonic Juvenile Court Institute was established in 1955 by resolution of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

Guided by the Honorable Gustav L. Schramm until his death in 1959, the institute, financed by an annual appropriation from the Grand Lodge, provided badly needed training for juvenile court personnel involved in juvenile court systems throughout the country and allowed the Masons of Pennsylvania to continue their other principles of Freemasonry by benefiting children without regard to race, creed or color.

Bro. Schramm, a member of Belleglen Lodge No. 680, Pittsburgh, and District Deputy Grand Master for the 51st Masonic District at the time, had been judge of the Juvenile Court at Allegheny County since its creation in 1934.

Today, through the efforts of Bro. Maurice B. Cohill, Jr., a member of Data-Duquesne Lodge No. 546 and the United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, the Grand Lodge again approved to provide $25,000 annually to enable the National Center for Juvenile Justice to edit, print and distribute an annual report of all research being conducted concerning juvenile delinquency.

Bro. Cohill submitted the following article in explanation of the mission of the National Center for Juvenile Justice and the important part the Masons of Pennsylvania will play in carrying out that mission.

Thorns and Thistles

"Orphans, who having nothing left unto them, and being destitute of all relief and help, are left to their own dispossession, these...swarms in clusters in every corner and quarter of our cities, and for want of good education and nurturing, also grow to be thorns and thistles to society." Orphans and for their Portions within the City of Exeter, England (Anno Domini, 1575).

These might have been the marching orders for the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania many years ago.

An eleven-year-old boy later found by doctors to be physically capable of completing juvenile court because they may "waste" an entire day waiting for a twenty minute hearing before a tired, harassed judge, and may not be able to charge their client much for their professional services, if any; if rendered; often they are not sure that in being an advocate for their client-child and fighting to "get him off" they are really acting in the best interest of the child.

A judge's life is somewhat solitary and removed from the mainstream, and even more so when the judge is serving in juvenile court. The proceedings involving juveniles are, even open to the public, as are those in all other courts. There is a lot of misunderstanding on the part of the public.
The judges are accused by one segment of the public as being too easy. Who hasn't heard someone say, "My policeman friend told me that he arrested a boy involved in a crime, took him to juvenile court and the kid beat him home."

At the other end of the spectrum are the well-meaning citizens who contend that the judge who gets through in the system is going to be deprived of his rights, punished for doing things which would not even be crimes if committed by an adult, and comes out worse than when he went in.

In the 1560's an outstanding masonic and judicial leader, the late, Honorable Gustav Schramm, judge of the Juvenile Court of Allegheny County, obtained funds from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to conduct training institutes for judges who came to Pittsburgh from all over the country to learn the latest techniques in dealing with delinquent and neglected young people. He conducted them until his death in 1958.

These "Masonic Institutions," as they were called, were the forerunner of the colleges for judges and other court personnel and are now conducted by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (let's just refer to it as the "Council") at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

We believe that the work of the Center in this responsive to this generous gift will generate additional interest on the part of the Grand Lodge Pennsylvania Masons everywhere in other Center endeavors.

It is difficult to envision the relationship between the Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge and other Supreme Councils and Grand Masters everywhere in other Center endeavors.

We regard the gift as a challenge and want you to know that it is a challenge which we, at the National Center for Juvenile Justice, graciously accept.

Honorables Maurice B. Cohill, Jr.

Bro. Dale D. Smith
Grand Chaplain


Bro. Smith presently serves as pastor of the Baden United Methodist Church in Baden, Pa.

A native of Pittsburgh, Bro. Smith is a graduate of Willsburg High School. He received a B.A. degree in psychology from Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio in 1964.

He earned a Master of Divinity degree at United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio in 1969 and was ordained an elder in the Western Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church that same year.

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Bro. Smith Made Grand Chaplain

While attending seminary, he served a year of internship at Calvary Evangelical United Brethren Church in Lemoyne, Pa. and was a minister to youth at the Riverville Congregational United Church of Christ in Dayton.

Bro. Smith served as an associate pastor of the Garden City United Methodist Church in Monroeville from 1968 to 1970. He was appointed pastor of the Center Avenue Methodist Church in Pittsburgh, Pa. in May of 1970 where he served until June of 1976.

One of the original designers of the Monroeville Mall Ministry, Bro. Smith served on its board of directors from 1969 to 1979 and as president of the board in 1974 and 1975.

Since his ordination he has served as a district youth director; an advisor to the Conference Youth Council; as vice-chairman and secretary of the Conference Worship Commission; as chairman of the Commission on Church-Related Colleges; as chairman of a District Committee on the United Methodist Men; and as chairman of the board of directors of Camp Allegheny.

Bro. Smith is a certified supervising pastor in his denominations; a member of the Christian Outdoor Education Board; and a member of Christian Camping International.

He is active in the community in cub scouting, boy scouting, volunteer fire fighting, and the service unit of the Salvation Army.

Married to the former Mary Alice Snow of Indianapolis, Ind.; Bro. and Mrs. Smith are the parents of two children: Gregory, 13, and Alicia, 9.

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In his inaugural address, delivered at the Annual Grand Communication in Pittsburgh on Monday, December 28, the Grand Master outlined his program for the lodge and the activities of the program he has prepared for 1982. The address is reported here in full:

It is with mixed emotions that I stand before you for the first time as Right Worshipful Grand Master. Each Grand Master assumes office under conditions certain, do so with these mixed emotions. And so, today, it is with a pride and a certain humility I begin my service as your Right Worshipful Grand Master, and hope that your confidence in me will be deserved.

I can only pray that the Great Architect of the Universe has endowed me with the mental abilities, courage and physical endurance required for the proper performance of the duties of Grand Master.

No man can hope to carry out the tremendous responsibilities of this office alone. I solicit and anticipate the cooperation of the various Grand Lodge Officers, District Deputy Grand Masters, Trustees, committee members and the officers and members of the subordinate bodies.

I am thankful to the members of my Lodge, Ty-Tip No. 612, for their cordial welcome to the Pennsylvania Grand Master. Each office and degree provided the altar over which I received all of my symbolic degrees, for use at this Annual Grand Communication.

I extend my thanks to all the members and guest committee members who have made this Annual Grand Communication a success, I give my most sincere thanks.

As time progresses on, changes must come; here as well as in every other activity of our lives, and it seems fortunate that under our Masonic system changes occur periodically. It is given to the Grand Lodge, at each changing period, the advantage of a new approach, a new slant on the problems we have to meet.

We will find changes in this administration, not in the basic tenets of Freemasonry; not in the fundamentals of our system, only in the approach to the problems we have to meet.

As we begin this new masonic year, it is truly a time for optimism. It is very easy to look around us and become dependent on the times in which we live. Our problems are easy to spot, and at times it would be very easy to do nothing about them.

But the beginning of a new masonic year offers us the opportunity to put positive thinking into action. The year 1981 is a turning point for us, and we all know our past accomplishments. It is a time for optimism. It is a time for all Masons to get with the program.

The address is reported here in its entirety.

We have all seen the reports which show the steady decline in membership in the craft along with our churches and other fraternal and civic organizations. We have heard it said that we are "losing the battle" and not with the times. To some degree, I find this to be true. Our ingroups have become too large and too bigged with names and titles. We have lost the good old "family feeling" which is an essential part of Masonry.

I urge every symbolic lodge to become more active in community affairs. To let our friends and neighbors know that we are Masons and what we stand for.

We must now, more than ever before, continue to develop and support the Masonic Lodge Plan and provide services that will make the Masonic Lodge the focus of the community. We have to be careful of our buildings, and to keep them clean and pleasant places for people to live in.

The future of our fraternity is our Lodge, and the Local Lodge. We must all work together for the betterment of the Lodge and the Masonic Order.

We have to be realists in our thinking and realize that there are things that we can do, and things that we cannot do. We cannot change the laws of nature, we cannot change the laws of God, but we can change our attitude and make the changes that are necessary for our Lodge to be successful.

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Masonic Parade Planned
Gettysburg Site of June 26th Patriotic Pilgrimage

Gettysburg College and the Gettysburg National Park will be used. The program will provide activities throughout the day, the most significant being a Masonic parade through the streets of Gettysburg. The parade route will cover a distance of 1.9 miles (see accompanying map) in four divisions under the direction of Bro. George N. Holman, Grand Marshal, who will serve as Parade Marshal.

All Masons are invited to participate. The parade will be conducted in proper Masonic dress - tails, white shirt, black bow tie and apron. Officers of the lodges will wear the regalia of their offices.

Those who indicate they wish to march in the parade will be assigned to one of the divisions, according to their lodge, or organization they represent, and will report to the staging area for that division no later than 12:30 p.m. (see staging area map). The staging area for each division will be color coded, i.e., purple and blue for Division 1, etc.

The staging areas will be activated at about 11:00 a.m. and those who are to march in the parade will receive a lunch.

The parade will begin at 1:30 p.m. As indicated by the map, it will proceed in an easterly direction along West Lincoln Avenue where it will turn right, proceeding in a southerly direction on North Washington Street to West Middle Street.

It is hoped that every member of the fraternity will attend the program.

Masons in Pennsylvania will celebrate two significant anniversaries in 1982; the 360th anniversary of the founding of the Commonwealth, and the 250th anniversary of the birth of Bro. George Washington. To celebrate the founding of the Commonwealth, Grand Master Samuel C. Williamson has called for a huge, one-day celebration to be held in Gettysburg on Saturday, June 26, 1982.

This PATRIOTIC PILGRIMAGE will welcome the participation of every Mason, his family and friends, and all persons who will join us in sharing our love for this great country.

The Grand Master hopes that all Masonic lodges in the jurisdiction will take part. He has already written to all Masonic organizations asking them to keep the date of June 26, 1982 available for this program.

Plans for the celebration are being prepared by the 1982 Committee, appointed by the Grand Master and chaired by Bro. Harold A. Dunkelberger. While the full range of activities is still to be determined, it can be stated that the facilities of Gettysburg Borough, will be transformed into a fairground atmosphere with booths for food, displays, crafts, souvenirs, etc. Many of the booths will be manned by DeMolay Boys, Rainbow for Girls and Job's Daughters.

Forms of continuous entertainment are planned for the stadium area and the town square culminating in a free, early evening concert at the stadium by Danny Davis and the Nashville Brass.

The Grand Master, on behalf of the Masons of Pennsylvania, will present a gift to the National Park Service during a ceremony tentatively scheduled for mid afternoon. It is expected a representative of the Department of the Interior will be invited to accept the gift.

As we move closer to the June 26 date, specific plans and directions will be issued to the Grand Lodge officers, Blue Lodge officers, the members ofappendant bodies and Masonic and other organizations.

It is the Grand Master's hope that this special anniversary day will be one of fun for family and friends; a day of celebration when Mason and non-Mason come together to share a common love of country.

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Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to Aid George Washington Memorial

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, as part of its celebration in 1982 of the 250th anniversary of the birth of Bro. George Washington, will undertake the cost of a promotional program that will increase the awareness of masonic and non-masonic alike of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia.

Increased awareness, it is anticipated, will lead to increased financial support of this important national shrine.

In its 1982 budget, the Grand Lodge has approved the expenditure of $25,000 for the creation of printed material - a new brochure for use at the memorial, and a pocket sized leaflet to be distributed to all new Master Masons - and a 15-minute slide tape program that will tell the story of the memorial and its importance to the fraternity and the public.

Copies of the materials will be made available to all Grand Lodges in the country.

Construction of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial was begun in 1922. Its cornerstone was laid in 1923 and it was dedicated as a tribute to George Washington in 1932. It is owned and operated by an association of all the Grand Lodges in the United States.

Pennsylvania Masons have contributed more than $1 million in support of the memorial over the years. This jurisdiction has suggested two plans designed to make the association financially secure.

Most Grand Lodges have made an honorary contribution, a portion of each Mason's dues, which is used to underwrite the new plan.

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Foundation Hires Executive Director
Bro. Thomas R. Labagh, former Director of Membership and Public Relations for the International Supreme Council Order of DeMolay, has been named Executive Director of the newly-formed Pennsylvania Youth Foundation. (See related story on page 1.)

A member of Fidelity Lodge No. 113 in New Jersey, Bro. Labagh has a strong background in youth organization service. He was the Ridgewood Chapter of DeMolay in Ridgewood, N.J. as Master Councillor and Scribe before serving as State Master Councillor for the New Jersey State Council in 1976-1977. He was named New Jersey DeMolay of the Year in 1976.

Bro. Labagh was employed at the headquarters of the International Supreme Council in Kansas City, Missouri immediately upon graduation from Montclair State College in 1979 where he earned a B.A. in English.

In addition to his duties concerning membership and public relations, he was the editor of The International DeMolay Cordon and most recently served as Director of Administrative Operations.

His other Masonic affiliations include membership in the Valley of New Jersey and the Kansas City High Twelve Club No. 3. He also served his Lodge as Junior Steward in 1978 and his DeMolay Chapter as Advisor since being made a Mason.

Bro. Labagh and his wife, Virginia, will reside on Bainbridge Road in Elizabethtown.

Seven Brethren Are Created Past District Deputy Grand Masters

The Ahiman Rezon, in Article XII, Section 13, provides that “A District Deputy Grand Master, having served as such for a period of five years or more, may retire from that office as a Past District Deputy Grand Master.”

Seven brethren have qualified for that distinction under Masonic law and have been created Past District Deputy Grand Masters. They are:


Bro. Lester A. Odell, 14th Masonic District. Bro. Odell, a Past Master of Honesdale, served as District Deputy Grand Master for seven years.

Bro. Carl B. Moore, Jr., 16th Masonic District. Bro. Moore, a Past Master of

Communications Schedule

The March quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will be scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 3, 1982 at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia.

The June Quarterly Communication will be held in Harrisburg in facilities provided by the Valley of Harrisburg. Full details will be contained in the May issue of The Pennsylvania Freemason, but the actual meeting of the Grand Lodge will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 2, 1982.

The September Quarterly Communication is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 1, 1982 at the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

The December Quarterly Communication, December 1, 1982, and the Annual Grand Communication, December 27, 1982, will be held at the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia. Both meetings are scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. in accordance with Masonic law.

Grand Master Names Aides
Bro. Samuel C. Williamson has appointed three Brethren to assist him as Aides to the Grand Master. They are:

Bro. Arthur T. Moore, a member of Fort du Lodge No. 782. Moore is a former Assistant to the Grand Master, having retired in 1977.

Bro. William D. Spargo, a member of William D. McIntyre Lodge No. 756. Bro. Spargo has previously served as the Grand Lodge as a Grand Steward.

Bro. Roy A. McCullough, a member of Sunset Lodge No. 623. Bro. McCullough has served on the Grand Master’s Guest Committee for a number of years.

Members Elected to Committee on Masonic Homes

The following were re-elected members of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes for the year 1982:

Bro. Walter B. Wilson, Eureka Lodge No. 302, Mechanicsburg.


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Grand Lodge Committee Appointments

The Grand Lodge Committee on Finance for 1982:


Bro. Edward Sell.

Bro. Ralph Hunt.

On Committee by-laws:


Bro. Harold S. McGear.


Bro. Raymond J. DeRaymond.

Bro. Rollo C. Steinmetz.

On Committee on Appointments:

Bro. Robert D. Johnson.

Bro. William A. Herd, Jr.

Bro. Frank F. Droop.


On Committee on Correspondence:


Bro. J. Keith Hawke.


Bro. Herman A. Dotter.


On Committee on Masonic Culture:


Bro. Walter L. Sykes.


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Pension Administrators

The Grand Master, Bro. Samuel C. Williamson, has appointed the following as administrators of the Grand Lodge pension plan:


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The Grand Lodge line officers and the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary are also members of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes as dictated by the Ahiman Rezon.

Bro. Warner was elected chairman of the committee for 1982 during the meeting of the Committee on Masonic Homes on December 4, 1981.