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Rajah Shrine, A.A.O.N.M.S., Reading, PA

The Chaplin's Column
By Noble and Rev. William E. Harner, Jr., Chaplain

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"When Does a Boy Become a Man?"

"When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I thought as a child, I reasoned as a child; when I became a man, I gave up childish ways."—1 Corinthians 13:11

The apostle Paul speaks of maturing, his becoming a man in his brief but beautiful chapter on love where he identifies the ideal way to live. The great apostle, speaking on the subject of his faith, says that when he became a man he no longer spoke, thought, or reasoned as a child. Some never mature. Some never give up childish ways. For example, some must always have their way or they will come out of their little ball and go home. It is funny to see a little boy throwing a fit of anger at that, but it is sad to see an adult behave in that manner.

When does a boy become a man? Historically, parents have been responsible for their children as minors, or until they reached the age of 21. My parents had to give me permission to marry since I was not 21. In our western culture we have said that a boy becomes a man when he turns 21. That is legal age. However, we have lowered the age of maturity in time of war. We have expected our teenagers to be men in wartime. We made them out of them in a hurry. We have taken the best—sometimes the healthiest and strongest—and put them in harm's way. We have killed off the cream of the crop. I will never forget being called into the service of our country as a physically immature 18-year-old. I will never forget the shock that accompanied the words of the platoon sergeant who said: "Now, young man, you'll have to take care of that rifle." We can get along better—"you can do better than that rifle." If my mother had heard those words, she would have said: "Billy, you come home!"

Teenagers today are physically more mature than they were at any time as a teenager. When I graduated from high school, I was five-foot four or five. I weighed 150 pounds. I did not have to shave until a platoon sergeant told me, "Harner, you will have to shave!" I had nothing to shave. They gave a high school age group five full beard, six-foot plus, and 200 pounds and more. We have lowered the age for voting. Teenagers have been given the privilege and the responsibility of voting in the elections of those who shall govern us. I am in complete agreement with that.

Teenagers have become a factor in our society. I think it is fitting that we focus on this column. I am wholeheartedly in favor of our Grand Lodge's decision making 18-year-old young men eligible to become Masons. Some need to do this to become Masons. Some have "never done it that way before." Where did you hear that before? I am in favor for the above reasons. And, I feel that it is wise to allow DeMolay youth to more directly from DeMolay to Masonic membership. It is the right way. We do so, because God has created men for internal use. Some need to do some of those other lesser things. We should look for the same things. I feel in the eligible teenagers that we have always looked for in the men who have indicated the desire to become members of our ancient and honorable fraternity. I am in support of Grand Lodge's decision, not as a way to help solve our declining membership, but for all the good, noble reasons I have listed above, and I am sure some of you can add reasons that I have not included.

When does a boy become a man? What do you think? If you agree with me, then why not give a "Friend to Friend" brochure to the potential Masons among you. Good, mature young men you know? So mote it hel.

Rajah Shrine is the Chaplin of Baytown Lodge No. 741.

Pennsylvania Masons' Contributions to 9-11 Disaster Fund Return to Aid Fire Co. and Families of Victims with PA Ties

During the several months after the terrorists' attacks on September 11, 2001, Pennsylvania Masons contributed nearly $188,000 via the Grand Lodge's Pennsylvania Masons' Charitable Disaster Relief Fund to aid victims and their families. A. Cunningham, R.W. Grand Master, reported that as of mid-July of this year, an amount equal to nearly two-thirds of those contributions had been returned to the Grand Lodge.

Quickly after 9/11, when grand lodges, including Pennsylvania, stepped forward to provide assistance to those in need because of the disaster, the Masonic System was established in which the Masonic Service Council served as a collection point for moneys from grand lodges, recorded the contributions, and forwarded them to the Grand Lodge of the State of New York to administer and distribute assistance through the W.F.C. Relief Fund that had been established.

In forwarding the contributions, R.W. Grand Master, Donald L. Albert, R.W. Grand Secretary, suggested known cases where continued on page 23
Pennsylvania Freemasonry Active In Serving Hospitalized Veterans

Masons Care and Will Always Be There! Veterans in hospitals countrywide know those words are important to them and they appreciate it that’s far more than a slogan. They are watchdogs for the Hospital Visitation Program for the Masonic Service Association (M.S.A.).

Freemasonry in Pennsylvania has been an active supporter of M.S.A. since its founding and a participant in M.S.A.’s Hospital Visitation Program from its inception. Pennsylvania Masons have contributed most generously, not only with financial support but, and just as important, with active volunteer humanitarian support amounting to thousands of hours. The Executive Director of M.S.A., Richard E. Fletcher, M.W.P.G.M., emphasizes the importance of those hours, noting: “...however many hours, you accumulate, they still come one at a time.” The volunteers are totally dedicated. As one aptly stated, “When called upon, our veterans responded to help our nation; now it’s our turn.”

The Masonic Service Association came into being in 1919. During World War I, it was the wish of many Grand Lodges to have a “home away from home” atmosphere for military personnel, but the federal government would not work with 49 (at the time) Grand Lodges. As a result of that decision by the government, M.S.A. was formed by the grand lodges of the United States. In World War II, a series of Masonic Service Centers (including five in Pennsylvania— in Hamburg, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Williamsport, and Windber—were begun around the country and two overseas. Masonic Service Centers operated in a manner similar to U.S.O.s and were indeed a “home away from home” for military personnel. After World War II, the local Masonic Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania formed Masonic Service Centers to volunteering in Veterans Administration Hospitals. At the latest count, M.S.A. has Masonic Hospital Visitors in 157 VA centers around the country, approximately 25 State Veterans Homes, and numerous military hospitals.

The intent of the Masonic Hospital Visitor is to provide comfort to veterans who are patients. There is no distinction made as to race, creed, color, or ethnic origin. As long as they are veterans, our visitors are there. Members of an M.S.A. team visit them. There are comfort items provided to patients and new things to eat. Medical and nursing care are done to help. M.S.A. does not provide any medical treatment, but rather offers comfort and care where needed.

Bro. Laird, A Busy Volunteer

Robert I. Laird of Lawrence Lodge No. 706, Erie, is a Korean War veteran who has been volunteering for more than a decade. His volunteer work actually involves hospital personnel as well as patients. He explains: “I have worked in the operating room at the hospital for more than 11 years now. My duties consist of bringing patients on gurneys to the operating rooms and returning them when they are ready to go back to their rooms. I take specimen to the lab, take care of the operating room for sterilization, pick up x-ray photos, check dated instruments that are one-year old and return them for re-sterilization, and all other types of work that may be necessary.”

Bro. Laird, 73, who has been a Mason for 45 years, is pictured spotting a “patient.” With Bro. Laird in the simulated scene are sisters Bonnie Henry in the wheel chair and Wanda Spangler, Supervisor.

Bro. Emms, a Driver for Disabled Vets

Bro. Richard Emms, of Prospect Lodge No. 578, Prospect Park, who became a Masonic Service Association member this year, volunteers in both the M.S.A. Hospital Visitation Program and as a Disabled Veteran (D.A.V.) driver for D.A.V. drives veterans and their families from and to the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Coatesville, PA. Emrs, at right, is with Fred Wolfe, the D.A.V. Transportation Coordinator.

Bro. Williams Helps in Rehab Therapy

Bro. Larry Williams, of Sharon Lodge No. 182, Reisterstown, MD, is a former Air Force pilot and a dedicated volunteer in Pennsylvania at the Coatesville VA Medical Center. His current volunteer work is in assisting veterans in their rehabilitation therapy recovery. His assignment included spending many long hours on hospital exchange flights helping and storytelling the nursing staff with the care of a 95-year-old Air Force veteran who also had a love for flying planes. Bro. Williams is pictured in a typical assignment assisting a veteran patient.

We Honor Those Who Served

As part of giving special recognition to Veterans this November, R.W. Grand Master Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., is announcing the creation of the lifetime, non-salaried "Pennsylvania Freemasonry-Honor Veterans" lapel pin. It will be the token that he presents during his travels, meetings, visits and events during 2003.

It’s Easy to be a Hospital Visitor

It’s very easy to be a Masonic Hospital Visitor. All you need is compassion, care, and a desire to help others. The needs in the VA Hospitals of Pennsylvania are endless and the Veterans Administration Voluntary Service is the first to acknowledge that without volunteers, VA work would never be able to provide the level of service it does.

The M.S.A., for example, provides approximately 250,000 volunteer hours per year, the vast majority of those hours occur in Pennsylvania.

The motto for M.S.A. Volunteers is “Find the need and help.” M.S.A. provides basic guidelines, but there is no standard formula that can be used in every hospital. Volunteers do many things; some work with skilled medical care personnel, some do office work, some visit in the wards, some help patients go from outpatient clinic admissions to where their place of treatment is, some volunteer in the pharmacy, some in the post office, some enjoy working on the grounds. If you look, you will find a need in VA Hospitals.

If you want to volunteer, write to Masonic Service Association, Hospital Visitation Program, 8120 Forge Road, Suite 203, Silver Spring, MD 20910; or call (301) 588-4010; or fax (301) 608-3457, or e-mail msa@msan-com. To check the M.S.A. web site, visit www.msana.com.

Veteran Brethren at Masonic Homes Interviewed for WWII Documentary

Fourteen residents of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown were recently interviewed recently for a World War II documentary being produced by the Pennsylvania Cable Network (PCN) for telecasting over the next several weeks.

The production staff has been traveling across Pennsylvania since January to interview veterans of World War II in their homes. Each interview is approximately 45 minutes in length, with each veteran sharing his memories and experiences with the camera, including photos and other memorabilia. PCN producer Jolene Riser noted, “It is important that this film be done now. This part of our history should never be forgotten, and who better to tell it than to those who were there.”

Brethren participating include:

Army – Nathan B. Butz, Crescena Lodge No. 222; Ferree C. Grossman, Keystone Lodge No. 656, Pittsburgh; Richard N. Manley, Robert Burns Lodge No. 464, Harrisburg; Paul R. Miller, George Washington Lodge No. 1433, Chambersburg; John Sullinbaugh, Ashlar Lodge No. 570, Lykens; and Walter A. Young, Sauron Lodge No. 469, Connensburg.

Army Air Force – Franklin B. Reitz, Reading Lodge No. 549 (formerly Puritan Lodge No. 740 no longer exists); Jack E. Fidgenbill (Ret), Cole, CO; Robert A. Lofland, Amherst Lodge No. 684, Philadelphia; Alvin L. Lee, Jr., Howell Lodge No. 405, Honey Brook.

Marine Corps – John W. Berglund, Covenant-Lexiehur Lodge No. 456, Philadelphia; Alvin L. Lee, Jr., Howell Lodge No. 405, Honey Brook; and Raymond R. Miller, George Barlowt Fred Sand Lodge No. 498, Media.

Navy – William M. Bright, Harrisburg Lodge No. 629, and Todd Ehrer, Prospect Lodge No. 578, Prospect Park.

There are many other veterans at the Masonic Homes who volunteered to be interviewed for the documentary; however, they were not available on the dates when the PCN crew visited the campus.

An Open Letter from The Grand Master:

Brethren:

I have been asked – as have my fellow Grand Lodge officers – how the troubled economy in the aftermath of Sept. 11, 2001, has affected the financial position and our financial systems of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Let me explain.

Anybody in the investment market knows that financial standing has been seriously compromised. The Grand Lodge is in no different position. In fact, we have seen the value of our investments decline dramatically. Is it a concern? Yes. Can it be fixed? Yes, again.

"Stewardship" has been a watchword in our Fraternity in Pennsylvania since the constitution of the current Grand Lodge. Through nearly three centuries, the generous bequests, strong financial support, sound investments, and careful management have afforded us all that we have today. There have been problems and times, always, when we have been addressed with responsible stewardship. That’s how we’re addressing the challenges of today with responsible stewardship.

For operating expenses, Grand Lodge depends largely on income from investments, as well as some from members’ dues and donations. The same is true for our Masonic Charities. The key words are “income from the investments.” It has always been the goal to maintain the principal of our investments, and to use the income from it. In difficult times, that has not always been possible and it is a fact we face today. It is our obligation to

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Preserving Your Lodge's Heritage

The records, documents, and historical papers of Freemasonry are valuable and should be preserved with care. The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania preserves and treasures these artifacts in its archives. Lodges can do the same; often lodge secretaries or specially designated members are responsible for keeping records of documents relating to the lodge.

According to historical research, Bro. Josh Silver, Saint John's Lodge No. 115, there are a number of standard stops on the route to preservation and conservation of the history of your lodge. Among them are knowing the best type of environment in which to store documents (ideally at a temperature between 32° and 80°F, with no more than 50 percent humidity) and where to purchase appropriate equipment such as acid-free folders and boxes (www.universityproducts.com).

Here are a few tips on how to preserve the heritage of your lodge. When in doubt, always consult the history of your lodge.

- Never eat, drink, or smoke in the vicinity of your historical collection.
- Always wash your hands before handling any artifact.
- Wear clean, non-scented gloves that are an important part of Masonic ceremonies and have an archival function as well. Wear them to protect documents and other items from the natural oils of your skin.
- When handling documents, do so carefully and move no more than one item at a time. Slide an acid-free piece of card stock or mat board under the item and use it as a support mechanism.
- Lift papers and place them on the middle of a sheet and not its edges.
- Metal clips and adhesives will harm old papers — and "young" ones, as well. Use acid-free photo corners or plastic sheets of acid-free paper as book marks or page separators.
- Pencils should be used only if you are not damaging the ink marks on important documents. If you have a question, problem, or a specific concern regarding the handling of historic items, please contact The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-2520. A staff member will be happy to assist you.

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Financial assistance was needed and asked that they receive help if they met established criteria. They were turned away from the Grand Lodge of the State of New York forwarded the: $100,000 was given to the Stuyvesant Fire Co. the first fire company to arrive at the scene of United Flight 93 near Somerset, PA. The firemen for-
Unique Gift Items Available

Introducing another exclusive creation available from The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania's Gift Shop — 100% pure silk women's ties embroidered with the square and compasses come in three classic colors, gray, maroon, and navy. Price at only $20 each, these ties can be an excellent addition to any Mason's wardrobe.

Back for another holiday season — The Masonic snowflake, a seasonal ornament designed and commissioned by The Gift Shop of The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania, is available for purchase. This hand-loomed designed piece will enable you to display the spirit of the fraternity during the holiday season. The design consists of a beautiful 3-inch snowflake surrounding the square and compasses and provides a unique three-dimensional appearance. You and your family have the opportunity to treasure this unique ornamental piece for years to come. Available in gold or silver, it is priced at $15.

These and all Gift Shop items are available through the Grand Lodge web site www.pagrandlodge.org/giftshop or by calling 1 (800) 336-7317.

PA Lodge of Research Meets Dec. 7

The Pennsylvania Lodge of Research will meet Saturday, Dec. 7, in the Masonic Center of Reading, 300 S. 7th Ave., West Reading. A light lunch will be available at cost from 11 a.m. to noon. The Lodge of Research will open at 1 p.m. During the session, two original research papers on Masonic topics will be presented.

The Lodge of Research was constituted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in June 2000 and is a "traveling lodge." Holding its meetings throughout the jurisdiction, membership is open to all Masons and is not considered to be dual membership. Although only members can vote and hold office, all Masons are welcome to attend the meetings.

Paul D. Fisher, W.M. of the Lodge of Research, says, "You and your Masonic friends are cordially invited for an educationally stimulating and unique lodge experience. Increase your knowledge of your fraternity by attending this session of Masonic learning and fellowship.

D.D.G.M.s and P.D.D.G.M.s Confer Degree

Kenneth D. Hackman, the son of Harry E. Hackman, Jr., D.D.G.M., 5th Masonic District, was privileged to have the highest Masonic degree conferred by a team of district deputy grand masters and past district deputy grand masters in Thomson Lodge No. 340, Poole. Kenneth Hackman is a sophomore at Washington & Lee University where he is studying business and politics. He is the son of the Dean's List, is on the baseball team, and is Vice President of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Participants in conferring the degree pictured are, front row, James J. Bowers, Masonic District's summer youth program, William W. Hemes, Bristol Lodge No. 30, Masonic District's summer youth program, and Joseph M. Savick, Masonic District's summer youth program.

More than 320 Masons and their families and friends enjoyed the 37th Masonic District's summer family picnic. The children were entertained by a clown, by a direct and the presence of police cars, ambulances, and fire trucks. William W. Ochse, D.D.G.M., expressed the District's appreciation to the Beaver County Sheriff's Department, Center Township and Brighton Township Police Departments, the Brighton Township Fire Department for providing the emergency vehicles, and to D.A.R.E. officers who participated.

42nd District Event Also Friends' Meeting

The very successful 42nd Masonic District's "Evening at the Winery," the first of what is planned to be an annual event, was a great night out for the brethren as well as a pleasant friend-to-friend social event. Masons and their ladies represented seven of the 10 lodges in the District, along with their invited friends and neighbors, danced to the music of the big band sounds of Zim Ahmmed and enjoyed the hospitality of Bro. Richard Naylor of Red Lion Lodge No. 649, owner of Naylor Vineyards, Stewartstown. Planning for next year's event is underway.

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For 35th Year, Mason-Knights Support Easter Seals

Four Pennsylvania Lodges in the 8th Masonic District, three Knights of Columbus Councils of Lower Bucks County, and Trenton Forest No. 4, Tall Cedar's of Lebanon, are attending the 35th Annual Mason-Knight Charity Ball in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Levittown. The Masons and Knights of Columbus have established a tradition of raising charitable assistance for their local children and adults throughout the Delaware Valley.

With the Easter Seals poster girl, Alexa Johnston (front center) and her mother, Cathy Johnston (left), and sister, Karinna, present at the Fairless Hills-Levittown Lodge No. 776, a check for $12,000 was presented to the Easter Seals by the Mason-Knights Committee, pictured (left): front row, James J. Bowers, Masonic District's summer youth program, William W. Hemes, Bristol Lodge No. 30, Masonic District's summer youth program, and Joseph M. Savick, Masonic District's summer youth program.

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Father is Brother After Son Confers Degrees

It was a special night for the Burtt family in Harmony Lodge No. 429, Zelienople, when the father became a brother, Ethert E. Burtt, Jr., P.M. (second from left), conferred the Master Mason's degree on his father, Robert E. Burtt, P.M. (second from right). The son also had conferred his father's Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees. "They were the toughest degrees I've ever confered," he said, "that.I'm very proud to be able to call my father 'brother.'" With members are William M. Baxter, W.M. (left), and S. Robert Marziano, Jr., D.D.G.M., 26th Masonic District.
Friend To Friend In Scouting:
The Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Award

The Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award, created to honor those Masons who are actively serving in Scouting, continues to gain much attention and interest throughout the Commonwealth.

All Masons are invited to recommend a brother for the award named in honor of Daniel Carter Beard, a New York Mason who was largely responsible for the development of the Scout movement in America.

Petitions and criteria for the award can be obtained through lodge secretaries or by visiting the Grand Lodge website at www.grandlodge.org/ pyl/pgm/scouter. The award approved by the Boy Scouts of America consists of a neck medallion and knot patch to be worn with a Scout uniform and a certificate endorsed by the Grand Master.

An individual cannot apply, he must be nominated by a brother Mason and be approved by the Grand Lodge.

Brethren on record as having received the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Award include:
- William Allen
- Harold H. Carter
- Frederick J. Ritter, Jr.
- Donald H. Walker, Friendship W. Hall Lodge No. 3, Philadelphia
- Robert A. Edgerton, George Washington Lodge No. 143, Chambersburg
- Marcel D. Hedges, Joseph Warren Lodge No. 730, Warren
- William B. Klein, Acacia Lodge No. 8, Allentown
- Frank A. Mayer, Jr., Harry A. Houseman Lodge No. 712, Sewentown
- George Moser, Kingkong Lodge No. 53, Ephrata
- Harold A. Nye, School Hill Lodge No. 138, Norristown
- Donald S. Ogilvie, Jordan Lodge No. 673, Minnewaska
- Wayne R. Radcliffe, Hiram Lodge No. 83, Somersville
- Frederick J. Ritter, M. Prosperity Lodge No. 542, Quakertown
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- Donald C. Bouchet, Juneau Lodge No. 582, Menlo Park
- Charles S. Brown, Jr., Tri-County Lodge No. 451, West Washington
- Clarence Jay Nelson, Tatam Lodge No. 132, Easton
- Michael Shachnik, Jr., Kingkong Lodge No. 53, Ephrata
- Leroy L. Turner, Glasgow Lodge No. 382, Philadelphia
- William J. Wells, G. Manuel de Lafayette Lodge No. 795, Euston
- Allen L. Walker, Friendship W. Hall Lodge No. 3, Philadelphia
- William H. Wolke, Jr., Mount Pleasant Lodge No. 472, Union Dale
- Robert P. Younger, Meyersdale Lodge No. 365, Meyersdale
- William E. Younger, Joseph Warner Lodge No. 726, Warren
- James J. Ziegler, Jr., Kingkong Lodge No. 646, Ephrata
- Robert L. Zimmerman, Joseph Warner Lodge No. 726, Warren

Frequently Asked Questions About the Beard Award

How can I apply for the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award?

You can apply for it. It is recognition by your peers for the work you are doing with Scouting. You must be nominated by a brother Mason, and be approved by your lodge to receive the award.

I have received one patch with the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award, but I have several uniforms. Where can I buy additional patches?

One copy of the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award patch can be purchased, and you must order them from the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation office. Send a check for $2.00 per patch payable to ‘GRAND LODGE OF PA’ to the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation, 1224 Bainbridge Rd, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

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consider the future of the Fraternity and the welfare of those who come after us. We have to stop tapping our principal — and we aim to do so!

We have taken practical and functional cost-cutting measures. There have been reorganizations at Grand Lodge to reduce operating expenses, as well as temporary cutbacks or delays in some programs, events, and projects. We neither plan, nor intend, problems that would affect our charities, buildings, locations, fraternal strength, or long-term financial stability.

Brethren, a strong membership is important. An informed membership is vital.

Sincerely and fraternal,

Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr.
R.W. Grand Master

New Days Left to Reserve for Arizona Masonic Reunion

Time is short, but Pennsylvania Masons and their ladies who now reside in Arizona have until Wednesday, Nov. 13 to register for the Masonic Reunion at the Phoenix Airport Marriott on Saturday, Nov. 16. R.W. Grand Master Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., and Rosalie, as well as the other Grand Lodge officers and ladies, will greet the brethren and their ladies at the reunion.

The Grand Master will take the opportunity to recognize brethren who merit 50-Year Emblems of Gold this year and to increase awareness about the services and opportunities provided through the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The reunion begins with a reception at 11:00 a.m., lunch at 11:45 a.m., and a program from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. For those interested, an informational gift planning workshop will be held prior to the reunion, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

To make a reservation, Pennsylvania Masons in Arizona should contact the Masonic Homes promptly by (717) 367-1121, ext. 333488.

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The Circulating Library

Pennsylvania Masons can browse through a complete catalog of books, audiocassettes, videotapes, and periodicals that are available to borrow from the Grand Lodge Museum and Library. You can search by author or topic, and may request up to two items at a time via an online request form.

The Speakers Guide

There is an online help for lodge officers or presiding officers of any Masonically related organization to find appropriate speakers for their meetings. Searching by either speaker's name or topic will provide an easy-to-use online request form. Completing that will generate an email to the potential speaker, who will respond to advise if he is available.

Brethren, Take Notice:
The next Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will be Wednesday, Dec. 4, in the Masonic Temple, One North Broad St., Philadelphia. Grand Lodge will be open at 10 a.m.

Web Site: A Useful, Time Saving Service

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The Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania currently comprise the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, the Masonic Eastern Star Home East at Warminster, and the Masonic Village at Sewickley. When joined by the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania at Lafayette Hill in less than a year and a half, a culmination of 100-plus years of discussions will bring all Masonic homes under the same umbrella to provide a unified continuum of services. Furthermore, the union will reduce confusion among our members and the public. Through the years, many members of our Family of Freemasonry have mistaken the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, East at Lafayette East, and Masonic Eastern Star Home, Warminster, and the Masonic Village of Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, for residents, or the Masonic Eastern Star Home of Pennsylvania, Lafayette Hill, celebrate the announced plans to unite in sharing Masonic Homes "Mission of Love." Leading the way toward eliminating the confusion by January 2004 are Joseph E. Murphy, N.M.A. (left), Chief Executive Officer of the Masonic Homes, and Adrienne Staudenmayer, N.J.A., Executive Director of the Masonic Retirement Community of Lafayette Hill.

and planning. They developed a task force in March of this year to look at the possibility of all the facilities working together in some manner to reduce the confusion between our homes and to enhance the services currently provided at all locations.

In June, they conducted a survey of members in the five-county area nearest to the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania and the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East, which is located within 45 minutes of Lafayette Hill, to determine at which location prospective residents prefer to receive nursing, assisted living, and retirement living services. The results indicate that there is sufficient interest in both facilities to support the continuation of services at both locations. In July, the decision was made by both groups to move forward together in unity.

Over the next year, extensive review and work will be accomplished to make the transition as smooth as possible for residents, employees, volunteers, and supporters of the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, including the Masonic Home at Lafayette Hill.

The Masonic Home of Pennsylvania is a non-profit continuing care retirement community located on 20 acres in Montgomery County. Founded in 1871, the community serves up to 250 residents. The facility currently has 70 retirement living accommodations, 90 personal care/assisted living accommodations, and 75 skilled/intermediate nursing care accommodations.

For more information, contact Mary Beth Meehan, Admissions Office, at (610) 825-6100. 

What Are You Waiting For? They Keep Coming to Masonic Village at Sewickley

They just keep coming! For more than a year, the Masonic Village at Sewickley's marketing team has been holding monthly open houses providing tours of the two-bedroom model apartment. "It feels as though every retiree from the tri-state area has been here, but each open house brings more and more," says Jeff Mohler, marketing manager.

In July, the Pittsburgh Business Times listed the Masonic Village at Sewickley as the region's tenth largest construction project. That is just one example of how the word is spreading about the unique benefits of Pittsburgh's newest life-care community. As construction continues on schedule, the first of three 76-unit apartment buildings is being completed and is being prepared for the first residents to move in March. Last November, the Star Points assisted living residence was completed and now has a waiting list for its apartments.

B.J. Franks, Executive Director, feels the response from the surrounding communities has been very exciting. "These wonderful people who have reserved homes here are our pioneers. They are able to envision the same dream that we have prior to the beautiful buildings and landscaping being completed," he says. More than half of the first apartment building is reserved, along with nearly three quarters of the villa homes.

These "pioneers" recently were invited to walk through the first apartments as well as the Clubhouse and Wellness Center, which are due to be completed in the next few months.

Masonic Eastern Star Home - East, Warminster

The remodeling project being planned for the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East is continuing on track. Many new changes are being planned for this facility, including new wall coverings, carpet, new bathroom doors, and an upgrading of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems to be more responsive to residents' needs.

In response to residents' desires to keep the Warminster home at its current size and maintain its home-like environment, the plan will not expand the services as originally discussed.

Details of the plan will be shared shortly for lodges, chapters, and their members to get behind this exciting project with their support. If you would like to make sure you receive this information, please contact the Office of Gift Planning at (200) 599-6435 and ask to speak with Bro. John R. McDaid, Director of Gift Planning-East Region, or Bro. Alvin H. Blitz, Esq., Chief Director of Gift Planning.

Retirement Living at Sewickley will be a reality in just a few months.
Autumn Day 2002

Here's a glimpse of the festivities at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown's annual open house on Sat., Sept. 21, which drew more than 6,000 people.

Masonic Homes residents, Bro. Carson and Ruth Christmas, enjoy a visit from their daughter, Sue Long, and their great-grandson, Steven Brady.

Carol Stevenson, Masonic Homes resident, dances to the festive beat of the Greater Kensington String Band.

Violet Katzmann, Masonic Homes resident, enjoys a visit from her son, Irwin Katzmann and his wife, Carole, and Carole's mother, Galdys Bowman.

Staff from the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania at Lafayette Hill joined in the festivities with the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Pictured are (l-r) Trudy Plunkett, Assistant to the Executive Director; Adrienne Staudenmayer, NHA, Executive Director; Mary Beth Mechan, Marketing Coordinator; and Lorraine Lardani, NHA, Resident Services Administrator.

DARE Officer John Motz and Dan Martin of the Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children.

Mrs. Marge Sheaffer, wife of Bro. Donald Sheaffer, donates blood during Autumn Day.

Juggler Bobby Pleis entertains a large crowd.

NEED A HOLIDAY GIFT IDEA?

Look No Further!

Are you looking for a holiday gift for the person who has everything? The Masonic Homes' Farm Market has the perfect solution — a holiday gift box filled with many delicious "Home's" fruit and candy "Home's" fruit baskets! We'll even ship the gift boxes to your friends and relatives anywhere in the United States by United Parcel Service. (Sorry, baskets cannot be shipped.)

Available in 2002

SINGLE LAYER GIFT BOX
$25.00 per box (plus $7.00 shipping in PA)

Includes:
1-18 oz. jar of apple butter
5-10 oz. jars of assorted butters
4-Navel oranges
4-Red Delicious apples
6-Golden Delicious apples
6-Stayman Winesap apples
assorted candy and nuts

DOUBLE LAYER GIFT BOX
$35.00 per box (plus $8.00 shipping in PA)

Includes:
1-18 oz. jar of apple butter
5-10 oz. jars of assorted butters
4-Rose pears
4-Red Delicious apples
4-Golden Delicious apples
6-Stayman Winesap apples
6-Rome Beauty apples
4-Sultana apples
12-Assorted apples
assorted candy and nuts

Don't delay, order today! Call Masonic Homes' Farm Market at (717) 301-4920. Personal checks, made payable to Masonic Homes' Farm Market, or VISA, MasterCard, or Discover card orders are accepted. Gift box orders should be placed by Dec. 17, unless otherwise specified. Shipping charges are for each box for each address. Ask about costs for shipping outside Pennsylvania.

Many other items are available for shipping. Please call the Masonic Homes' Farm Market at (717) 301-4920 for a complete list of our mail order products.
As they enjoy the retirement living courtyard at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, Bro. and Mrs. Gene Light say moving there was the best decision they ever made.

With each passing year, we find it is all too true: Time waits for no one.

This fall marks the 18th year since the doors opened to retirement living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown. Initially comprised of 220 apartments and 16 cottages, retirement living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown today consists of 450 varying types of apartments and cottages.

The popular concept of retirement living that was adopted in 1990 at the Masonic Homes continues to generate increasing interest around the country. According to a recent profile of senior citizens published by the Administration on Aging, one out of every eight Americans is now 65 years of age or older and by 2030 one out of every five Americans will reach that age. Because of that, the Committee on Masonic Homes has authorized the development of a master plan for the Elizabethtown campus to include additional services that individuals are asking for.

For those folks "not quite ready yet," it will be of interest to gain "good life" perspective of residents who have resided in retirement living for a few years. A conversation with Gene Light, PM, Freemasonry, at home in Elizabethtown, revealed that they believed their move to retirement living in 1994 was a good decision. Now, eight years later, Bro. and Mrs. Light know they made the right decision in their retirement planning.

In August 1991, Mrs. Light had just retired, and Bro. Light was anticipating retirement in six months. They had just completed the finishing touches on their home—everything was in order. Then, on Autumn Day of 1991, Bro. and Mrs. Light visited the Elizabethtown campus and toured the retirement living. They also of what retirement was going to be, and what it could be, changed that day! They found a concept of retirement living that offered freedom to the fullest: Mrs. Light would not have to cook or clean, Bro. Light would have no home maintenance or repair concerns, and if they chose to travel, they would not have to worry about anything except locking the door behind them. Since Bro. Light's mother had resided at the Masonic Health Care Center, they were well acquainted with the quality health care and services available to Masonic Homes' residents and afforded the desired security for their health needs, not only for the present but also for the future.

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The Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown was presented with one of the top state awards given by the Department of Defense to employers whose policies and practices are supportive of their employees' participation in the National Guard and Reserves. In accepting the award on behalf of the Masonic Homes, Dr. Vicki Gillmore, Administrator, Health Care Services, said, "The awards service was very moving. I have never felt more proud to be an American." Several months before, Lt. Col. Dorothy Hershey, U.S. Army Reserves, who is Director of Care and Outcomes for the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, entered the Masonic Homes for the "Employer Support of the Guard and Reserves Awards," presented by the Department of Defense. Lt. Colonel Hershey is serving as chief nurse in the 339th Combat Support Hospital, which left for active duty in Afghanistan on June 22. Our prayers follow her and all individuals protecting our rights and freedom.

Masonic Children's Home Youth Enjoy Canal Bike and Camping Trip

Residents and staff of the Masonic Children's Home enjoyed a bike and camping trip when they toured the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal this summer. At the end of each day of the trip, tents were set up, and support was prepared for the weary bikers.

Going for a cool swim in the river proved to be a good way of cooling off after a long day of biking. The scenery along the river was beautiful, and the museums and landmarks were very educational.

To prepare for the excursion, a bike and boat trailer (above) had to be built. Jake Pilkerton, Masonic Children's Home resident, volunteered his time and manpower to do the job. The trailer not only carried the bikes and boat, but it also accommodated several tents, food, cooking supplies, and other necessities.

In particular, thanks go to Pennoyer Lodge No. 21, Hamburg, and Abraham C. Frielich Lodge No. 682, Elizabethtown, for their financial and moral support that made this exceptional opportunity possible for the children. If you would like to take part in the young people's lives in some way, contact Bro. Gilson "Buzz" Cash, Director of Children's Services, at 717-367-1211, ext. 333, and ask how you can help.

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Their paths crossed more than 50 years ago when Jim helped one of Alia's brothers at her father's gas well. Alia's grandfather started the well, then her father took over the business, after which the Boyers managed the wells until they made the decision to sell them about 10 years ago. While he and his wife operated their family's business, Jim also held a full-time position with Consolidated Natural Gas. He retired in 1983 after 41 years of service. Jim also served his country proudly in World War II, receiving a purple heart.

The Boyers were dedicated to their work, yet they also shared their prosperity with many other organizations. Their paths intersected with the young families they believed were worthy of support. The Boyers have been involved with Freemasonry for 48 years. Likewise, Alia has been a member for 48 years of Chapter No. 299, Indiana, Order of the Eastern Star. Their commitment to join the fraternity was an easy decision to make because both of their families have a long history of Masonic affiliation.

The Big 33, an annual event, is the highlight of the season for the Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation. The Big 33 recipients are selected from 20 states, and the Masonic Homes are proud to be part of this event. The recipients receive a special trip to Hershey for a week of fun with 33 All-Stars from Ohio. Six- or eight-choir performances are a tradition of the Big 33 for the Masonic Homes.

Masonic Foundation for Children Awards Scholarships

The Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children has announced the naming of seven Carl W. Stengel, Jr. Scholarships for the school year and two Grand Master's Law Enforcement Scholarships for up to four years.

Stengel Scholarships

These recipients of the Stengel Scholarships are: Corey Boyer, Wrightsville; Gregory Brown, Allentown; Lisa Brunner, Collegville; Delray Grant, Monongaehala; Victoria Kinney, Brookville; Jenny McAllister, Ebensburg; and Meghan Wolfe, Altoona.

For more information, please call (800) 333-3333 or (866) 872-0664.

Law Enforcement Scholarships

The recipients of the Law Enforcement Scholarships are: Nicole Mark, Liverpool, PA, who attended Bloomsburg University; and Ray M. (Boothem), Mt. Carmel, who attended Indiana University. These students will pursue a career in law enforcement and must maintain a 2.5 GPA.

For more information, please call (800) 333-3333 or (866) 872-0664.

Grant for Charlie Check-First Program

A $10,000 grant to be used in the Charlie Check-First program was presented on Aug. 4 to Safe Kids, Inc., in Monroeville, a suburb of Pittsburgh. The Charlie Check-First program is a regional project funded in conjunction with the F.B.I.'s Adopt-a-School program in the Pittsburgh School District. It is one of the many new community programs that the Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children sponsors throughout the Commonwealth.

For more information, please call (800) 333-3333 or (866) 872-0664.
New Educational Talks Booklet Ready: Wardens Seminars Planned for 2003

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Together, Butler Area Masonic Groups Dedicate and Contribute Picnic Shelter

Chasing two years of work and generous donors' contributions, the Masonic organizations in the Butler area dedicated a $100,000 picnic shelter and donated it to the citizens of Butler County. The ceremony was held in Butler where the Masonic groups held Aug. 23.


When the five-ton sandstone monument was unveiled, the shelter was dedicated, and the first picnic was enjoyed by all those present and their families and friends.

The project was funded entirely by donations from Masons. After Butler County completed a study that determined the cost for additional picnic shelters in Allegheny Park, four picnic areas - Butler Lodge No. 278, Allegheny, No. 540, Chicora, Victory Lodge No. 694, Butler, John E. Mair Lodge No. 725, Max; and Washington Point - will remain in the Butler area. Butler - decided to purchase and erect a picnic shelter. To accomplish the task, the committee requested that each Masonic organization contribute in the Butler area participant is.

As stated by the presidents of each organization, the goal was to bring the community together to enjoy the park. It was the first time that the park had united all the groups, and the project was dedicated to the memory of a beloved Frater.

The ceremony was attended by a large crowd of people, including the local Masons, who were most proud to be a part of such a successful project.

Future residents of the Masonic Village at Sewickley meet with Marketing Manager Jeff Meier.

Masonic Village at Sewickley

The Wellness Center features, a five-lane indoor pool, fitness center, and locker room area. The two-story clubhouse, which includes a business center, building features a large assembly room, bank, two restaurants, computer classroom, hair care center, convenience store, and art studio, and much more. All of this will be surrounded by walking trails.

With nearly 40 percent of the residents living in the area, the Masonic Village at Sewickley will be a thriving community, offering many programs and amenities that the original survey and focus group identified as important.

Carole Mastace, a marketing coordinator, said, "More and more people are understanding that life care can protect their futures and what a great lifestyle this will be. We just want to see as many as possible get their first choices in locations ."

As a life-care community, the Masonic Village at Sewickley offers residents assisted living and skilled nursing services. They are located in the same community as the other retirement communities in our area.

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STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

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November 1, 2002, the Pennsylvania Penitentiary published an article on the Masonic Home, Elizabeth, PA 15033, Pennsylvania: The Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania. Editor: Elaine E. Fabian. Owner: The Pennsylvania Penitentiary, Butler Lodge No. 14, 3rd Floor, the Most Ancient and Minnesota University of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania. Phone number: (412) 631-1800. No advertising inserted, free distribution service. No advertising inserted, free distribution service. No advertising inserted, free distribution service.

Contributed A.E.D. Unit Key to Saving Life

Rapid response was equipped with an automated external defibrillator (AED) that had been contributed by Doris Lodge No. 630, Sewickley, enabled Robinson Township Patrolman Dan Dugan, to play a key role in saving the life of 46-year-old Dori Soto of Center Township, Beaver County.

On June 26, Soto was at a pool with a group from his church when he collapsed from cardiac arrest. Patrolman Dugan, who was on patrol with the AED unit in his car, arrived at the pool before the ambulance arrived. A registered nurse among the church group, along with a friend, was performing C.P.R. when he arrived with the defibrillator. After a few minutes, the paddles delivered to the shocked Soto before the paramedics arrived and took over.

Robinson Township Chief of Police, Bro. Dale Veysier, a member of Auloven Lodge No. 657, Butler, said that the department's AED units were credited with saving another life in January. One is carried in a patrol car on each side of the township. Both Doris Lodge and Auloven Lodge are in the 9th Masonic District.
19 Students Awarded Scholarships

The Pennsylvania Youth Foundation committee selected 19 students to receive $27,400 in awards in this year's competitive scholarship program. The committee carefully considered nearly 200 applicants, taking into account academic, financial need, Masonic relationship, youth group participation, and the civic activity of each student.

"There were many deserving students, and it was a difficult decision to choose just a few from them," said Thomas R. Labagh, Executive Director of PYS. "Our contributions to the PYS Educational Endowment Fund will help to provide for the presentation of more awards for many years to come."

The 2002 award winners are:

Lawrence Dietrich Smith Memorial Scholarship: Kevin W. Knaulm.
James A. Houser, Jordan E. Lane.
Jennifer L. Wilson, and Patricia J. Evans.
Pennsylvania Youth Foundation Scholarship: Rebecca Gotshall.

Michael Labagh, presentation of a scholarship to another one in 1997, the recognition was limited to Masons of both Grand Lodges in Pennsylvania were permitted only to visit each other's lodges. Today the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has "dual-membership," but the Prince Hall Grand Lodge does not permit "dual-membership." Therefore, if a Pennsylvania Prince Hall Mason wanted to join a lodge operating under the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, he would have to leave his membership at a lodge in good standing from his Prince Hall lodge and then petition a lodge of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. He would be permitted to join only once if his membership is required to re-take the three degrees of initiation since he desisted while as a member in good standing from a recognized Grand Lodge.

The Grand Prince Hall Mason was from a Grand Lodge not in fraternal recognition with the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, then he would have to renounce his membership in his Prince Hall lodge, petition a lodge of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and be accepted, and then would have to receive the three degrees of initiation in Pennsylvania.

(Source: Office of the Grand Secretary)

What is the "oriental chair?"

In lodge you hear the Worshipful Master's station referred to as the "oriental chair.

"Orienteer" is derived from the Latin "Oriente" meaning "rising." Since the sun rises in the East to open and rule the day and in Freemasonry the Worshipful Master's station is in the East to open and rule his lodge, his chair is referred to as the oriental chair.

(Source: Masonic Defined, by F.R. Johnson, Kissinginger Publishing)

Masonic Homes' Admissions and Outreach Offices, Guest Apartments Relocated for More Convenience

The offices of Admissions and Residency Services and Outreach at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethown have been relocated to the building across the street from the Berks and Goodyear buildings. This building also is the new site of the guest apartments for visitors of Masonic Homes' residents. The offices were moved to a more convenient location for accommodating the needs of prospective residents and their family members.

The two new and improved guest apartments for overnight visits for family and friends of residents replace the guest rooms located in the Allegheny Building and an apartment in retirement living. Each guest apartment can accommodate up to four persons and includes a bedroom, living room with sleeper sofa, television, bathroom, eating area, and shared kitchenette. The per-night rate is $57.24, payable by cash or check.

There will be no changes in procedures to inquire about reservations. The check-in area will remain at the receptionist's desk in Grand Lodge Hall. For phone-in reservations, call (717) 367-1121, extension 33314. That will reach an automated answering system on which to leave your name and phone number, along with the requested dates for lodging. A guest apartment volunteer will return your call during normal business hours to review your request.

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same at all of our Masonic Homes? Please see the articles about this in the center of this issue of The Pennsylvania Freemason.

It is with gratification that I call your attention to another important article in this issue reporting that you, the Freemasons, have contributed more than $138,000 last year to the 9-11 Disaster Fund and the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. As your Grand Master, I enthusiastically express gratitude for your generosity and support.

The Masonic Village at Sewickley and the Masonic Children's Home at Elizabethown were in better locations and they appreciate the support.

Please note that the next Quarterly Communication will be at 10 o'clock a.m., November 17, 2002, Saturday, Dec. 4, in the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

Brethren, we have passed the first anniversary of the events that took place on Sept. 11, 2001. Let us continue to stand together and maintain a remembrance of our heroes who served mankind so valiantly. Likewise, let's not forget that November is the month we honor all of our veterans.

God Bless America

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr.
R.W. Grand Master