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Most people are familiar with how a gift annuity works. In exchange for an irrevocable contribution ($5,000 minimum), the Masonic Homes will pay you a fixed income for life. The pay out percentage you receive will be based on your nearest age on the date the annuity is funded and the annuity rates currently in effect. The fixed payments are backed by Masonic Homes’ assets, and are not subject to the ups and downs of the economy.

Perhaps the best part of the plan is the charitable dimension. Because the annuity is irrevocable and made with the Masonic Homes, in addition to securing a life income for yourself, you make arrangements for a future gift that will one day make a difference in the lives of Masonic Homes’ residents.

Many people are discovering that they can increase the benefits they derive from their annuity by deferring the onset of payments until some future time. The chart below compares the annuity payout rates that persons who are 50, 55, 60, 65, or 70 years of age will receive if in February 14th of this year, they had funded a one-life gift annuity and elected to begin receiving quarterly payments immediately in 2003, or deferred their annuity payments for 5, 10, or 15 years.

Immediate versus Deferred Payment Gift Annuity Annuity Rates

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The official registration and financial information of the Masonic homes may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.
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BRETHREN,

The severe Winter made this Spring seem more beautiful,
formidable and promising. With Spring came the reassurance of renewed growth, the enjoyment of pleasant weeks days, and the optimism for bountiful harvests as the year goes forth. I feel the same way about Freemasonry in Pennsylvania - a reassurance of renewed growth from the impact of Operation Rescue Recovery, a pleasantly warm fellowship among the Brethren as I travel, and an optimism that comes from the strong fraternal support across the jurisdiction.

Much like nature has to take its course, the seeds of Operation Rescue Recovery had to be planted and nurtured. Now those seeds are sprouting. Many of our Blue Lodges that hadn’t seen Petitions in a long time are busy conferring Degrees. Many are quality young men starting Masons before they leave for college or to gain a uniform. Our Membership Chairman, Brother John E. Adams, Jr., reports in this issue that Operation Rescue Recovery is advancing membership development from “Winter to Spring” and the days of harvest are at hand.

Fellowship and the Bonds of Brotherhood are everywhere. That was obvious during the three days of reunions with our Brethren in Florida. As we gathered more than 1,000 Brethren and their ladies, it was a special privilege for me to present 50-Year Emblems of Gold to 51 proud Masons. I find the same warmth and enthusiasm wherever I travel across Pennsylvania. It is important for me to meet and talk to as many Brethren as I can. There are many Lodge anniversaries and special events during the remainder of the year. Please check the Grand Master’s calendar on page 22 to know when and where there will be a celebration in your area and let us know. I look forward to greeting you.

I am optimistic that we’ve passed through the “Winter” and are in the blossoming “Spring” for our Fraternity. I base my optimism on the strong personal and financial support of the Brethren, the family of Freemasonry, friends. In Freemasonry, service to mankind is paramount - a heritage that we must preserve. I hope you read and acted upon the Information in the brochure about the Gold Book Society and the Philanthropic Society that was inserted in the last issue of this magazine. As we have not responded already, please read the “Golden Opportunities” article on the adjoining page. I hope you will consider making your tax-deductible contribution now.

Thank you, Brethren, for your support. May you have smooth sailing in all that you do. God Bless America!

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Marvin A. Cunningham
R.W. Grand Master

On the Cover:
The Grand Master’s Medallion for 2003

It is traditional for a Grand Master’s Medallion to be designed at his direction to identify his administration on the one hand, and to reflect history, philosophy and vision for the Fraternity in this jurisdiction on the reverse.

The Grand Master’s Medallion for 2003 is a striking symbol that pays tribute to America’s heroic Brethren who served their country and their countrymen were carried forth with courage, integrity and distinction.

R.W. Grand Master Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr. selected the outstanding Pennsylvania Mason and Civil War General and Brother Winfield Scott Hancock to adorn the Medallion as a hero typifying those attributes. Grand Master Cunningham explained: “He represents the ideals that Freemasons hold dear and cherish most – Love of God and to worship him as we desire and in any church of our choosing, ‘Love of Country’ and to serve it to the fullest, and ‘Love of Fraternity’ and to practice those principles taught by it in taking good men and making them better.”

Mr. Hancock was a native of Montgomery County and gave up his residence in the Norristown area prior to the Civil War. He was a civilian during the war and a lieutenant colonel in the Union Army.

Photograph of General Hancock used on the front cover is from the U.S. Military History Archives, West Point, N.Y.

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES TO PRESERVE OUR HERITAGE

heritage (her’tij) n. 1. Property that is or can be inherited. INHERITANCE. 2. Something passed down from preceding generations; TRADITION.

The status gained by a Masonic Temple. The donation of any amount in any form, for which your name will be listed in the Masonic Temple’s official “Gold Book” will be prominently displayed in the Masonic Temple. Of course, a donation of any amount will be appreciated and for that your name will be listed in the Masonic Temple’s official “Gold Book.”

Gold Book Society Income will be used for ongoing maintenance, repairs and renovations at the Masonic Temple.

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To send a donation, address either “The Gold Book Society” or “The Philanthropic Society,” c/o The Masonic Temple, One North Broad St., Philadelphia, PA 19107-2598. For more information, call the Societies at (215) 986-0567 or e-mail fdcalignone@pamphodge.org.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

This Fun, Food, Fellowship, and Autumn Day Day Will be Held on Saturday, October 1, 2005

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

AUTUMN DAY

at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown

Join us and Masonic Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr. in celebrating the Masonic Homes’ annual open house. Visit family members and those of the Family of Freemasonry, reunite with friends and tours all of the services at the Masonic Homes. Deadline for RSVP forms will be in the August issue of The Pennsylvania Freemason for those who want to experience this great day of fun, excitement, and fellowship.

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Winfield Scott Hancock was one of twin brothers born Feb. 14, 1824 in Montgomery Square, 12 miles from Norristown, to Benjamin and Elizabeth Hancock, both native Pennsylvanians. They were born in German and England. Benjamin was a teacher in the “Free School” in Montgomery Square, situated in the building to which their home was attached and where Winfield Scott and Hillyer Scudder Hancock were born. After the birth of his sons, the father began to study law in Norristown and when the twins were four years of age, he moved the family there. Elizabeth was a quiet, gentle, understanding mother, with strong leadership qualities, and strikingly beautiful, from whom Winfield inherited his handsome, fine features and upright carriage.

Winfield was named for a Mason and a hero of the War of 1812, Brother William T. Hancock. Even more attractive was the fact that Winfield had a keen interest in tactics, drill, and military science, so it came as no surprise that he was appointed to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. When he applied for admission in 1840 at the age of 16, Winfield was five feet, five inches tall. He was graduated, stood six feet, six inches tall. Among his contemporaries at West Point, all of whom later became distinguished generals, as tall, well-dressed, were Ulysses S. Grant, George B. McClellan, William B. Franklin, W.F. Smith, Charles Reynolds, George E. Pickett, and Thomas C. Hindman, which included Gen. Grant who described Hancock as “tall, well-formed..., young and fresh looking..., an appearance that would attract the attention of any man as he passed.”

He was graduated in 1844 and was brevetted Second Lieutenant in the Sixth Infantry assigned to Fort Totten in Indian Territory near the Texas border. Two years later, he received his commission as a Second Lieutenant and was assigned to another company in the Sixth Infantry stationed on the border with Mexico. It was not until Gen. Zachary Taylor’s troops had overrun northern Mexico and Gen. Winfield Scott (his namesake) had captured Vera Cruz that Lt. Winfield Scott Hancock realized his dream of active service were justified.

In 1849, he was sent to St. Louis, Mo., to operate with Commodore Matthew C. Perry’s expedition to the Orient. As an adjutant to Capt. George M. Clarke, there he met Almira Russell, whom he married on Jan. 24, 1850. They had a son, Russell, and daughter, Martha, who died at age three.

Subsequently, he served in Florida in 1856 as a captain in combat against the Seminole Indians, was engaged in the Border War in Kansas, then to Utah, where trouble had developed with the Mormons who had been pushed out of New York, Ohio, Illinois, and Missouri. As relations worsened with the government, in 1857 another Pennsylvania Mission, President James Buchanan, sent a new governor and sent troops to enforce federal authority. Hancock was the quartermaster. After the Utah experience, he was appointed quartermaster on the Pacific Coast.

It was in 1859-60, apparently while on leave, that special dispensation from the War Department, Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock was granted leave, then returned to Philadelphia, Pa., and married Miss Lydia Hartman in 1824 in St. Elizabeth’s Catholic Church. Hancock and Miss Hartman settled in the Mohawk Valley and had five children. They had five children. Here they led with dignity and acumen.

At the outbreak of the Civil War, Hancock passed through military training and, on the recommendation of Gen. McClellan, was made a Brigadier General of Volunteers. He was responsible for organizing and training the newly assembled Army of the Potomac, which included Gen. Hancock’s great-uncle Gen. Henry McCollum. About eight months later, he was given command of a brigade where his courage and military skill got their first test and a hard-fought victory.

In 1861, Hancock was assigned as a volunteer regiment and transferred to Union College where he specialized in civil engineering.

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Brethren Act Quickly to Save the Life of Worshipful Master

When the Worshipful Master of Galston Lodge No. 602 collapsed from an apparent heart attack during the March Stated Meeting last Nov. 5, his life was saved by the quick actions of three of the brethren — immediate cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), a dash to call 911, and then the paramedics’ use of the automated external defibrillator (AED) that the Lodge had donated to the fire company two years earlier.

Gary B. Staley, D.D.G.M., 17th Masonic District, had just introduced a program recognizing Veterans Day, reflecting on service experiences overseas. When the Worshipful Master (in 2002), Frank Everett, began talking about his experiences, he collapsed as a result of an apparent heart attack. Immediately, Richard B. “Rick” Darrenkamp and Bro. Staley began CPR while Randall “Randy” Goodman hustled to a neighbor’s house to call 911.

Bro. Everett was unconscious and had no pulse. Bro. Darrenkamp, who was S.D. at the time and is now W.M., had been an emergency medical technician (EMT) some years ago. He applied the chest compressions while D.D.G.M. Staley gave the mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. They would get a pulse only to lose it again. That happened several times, yet they continued until the Fire Rescue Paramedics arrived and administered defibrillation — the first time that AED until contributed by the Lodge was used in an emergency situation.

Past Master Everett is doing well after surgery and placement of a pacemaker and said at the March Stated Meeting that he was looking forward to moving to the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown early in April.

An appreciative Frank Everett, P.M., (center), gathers at the Lodge Hall with the current Worshipful Master, Frederick R. Hollar (second from right), and the three Brethren who saved his life last Nov. 5: (from left) Randall S. Goodreau, Richard B. Darrenkamp, and Gary B. Staley. D.D.G.M. Everett is holding a framed needlepoint Masonic emblem that was made for the Worshipful Master’s wife, Jeanette Holan, and presented to him as a memento by the Lodge.

Military Service an Allowable Cause For Non-Payment of Dues

On March 27, the W.R. Grand Master, Marvin A. Cunningham, Sr., announced a change in Article 32.13 of the Digest of Decisions removing the requirement for the notification of a Member’s potential for suspension for non-payment of dues to be sent by certified mail. It remains necessary prior to any action for a Member to be contacted personally by an Officer, Past Master, or other Officer of the Lodge designated by the Master, to determine whether there is good cause for the failure to pay dues, if any exists. If good cause does not exist, final notice must be sent (certified required) at least one month prior to the Lodge taking action on suspension.

At the same time, the Grand Master added Article 32.13A allowing, at the discretion of the Lodge, for remitting dues for Members who have been called to active duty during military conflicts. Article 32.13A

Good cause for failure to pay dues includes being called to active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States during military engagements or other emergencies. Whereas the Member may not receive due and timely notice, remission of dues is appropriate.

Brethren, Take Notice: The Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will open at 7:00 o’clock p.m., Wednesday, June 4, 2003, in the Freemasons' Cultural Center of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

You are requested to attend.

Degrees Conferred Before Military Recall

Lt. Brian Richard Ackerman is now Bro. Ackerman in Andrew H. Hershey Lodge No. 764, Lancaster, by virtue of a dispensation allowing the three degrees to be conferred on one day, Nov. 23, before returning to military service. Bro. Ackerman will serve in active duty as an R.N. in Sky Flight Care. He is a third generation Master in Andrew H. Hershey Lodge, joining his grandfather, Lloyd B. Ackerman (left), and father, Richard B. Ackerman, P.M., (right), Secretary of the Lodge.
Masonic Ed. Comm. Demonstrates PA Training for Officers to Grand Masters

Because of the quality and effectiveness of Pennsylvania’s Masonic Education Program for Officer training, the Masonic Education Committee of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was invited to make a presentation at the conclusion of the Masonic Education programs in Minnesota, MN in February. Edward O. Weisser, R.W.P.G.M., Chairman of the Education Committee, along with Stephen Gardner, the one-hour presentation. Every Grand Lodge was provided with a copy of the Pennsylvania program and a number of them became interested in a Masonic Education program in Pennsylvania’s full-day training sessions for Lodge Officers.

The 2003 series of the training program for Pennsylvania Lodge Officers has been completed with a total of more than 300 attendees. The District and Lodge Masonic Education Chairmen are working to develop programs for Lodge meetings. Past Grand Master Weisser commented, “Brothers, we need to work together to educate our members.”

Here are some interesting questions for Pennsylvania Masons. Know the answers?

- Who was President of the United States from Pennsylvania who served as a District Deputy Grand Master?
- Who was the first Masonic astronaut to walk on the moon?
- True or False: We can only visit Prince Hall Lodges in Pennsylvania and Connecticut?

Where did the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania first meet?

Which President of the United States served as Grand Inspector of Masons at the lodge of his last meeting?

Capitalize on Opportunity

By John E. Adams, Jr. Membership Chairman

It has been a tough Winter because of the weather; and it has been a tough Winter for membership retention and development. There is an observation that the Lodges have been suffering, but while some Lodges plowed into Operation Rescue/Recovery, there are too many who seemed to be waiting for the snow to melt.

Over the years there have been recommendations on membership that have attacked the trend for declining membership in the Lodges, all with a mixed bag of results. We are fighting the same battle today, and it is true that it came to name members, and happily, in a decline in the number of members; but there is still some pessimism when we see the suspensions and resignations — something we should be able to do something about. Preliminary figures for 2002 (final figures were not confirmed as of this writing) indicate that suspensions rose somewhat over 2001 and so did resignations.

When we implemented Operation Rescue/Recovery on December 21, 2001, we were able to bring about a change in the way we approach men who are worthy of becoming Masons. The new way offers Lodges — and you as a Mason — the opportunity to invite selected men to learn about Freemasonry, and maybe for very much. Every Lodge in Pennsylvania was scheduled to call two *Friend to Friend* meetings in 2002 and another two in 2003. It is dismaying to note that there were some Masons who did not capitalize on that unique, very basic approach believe, Brethren, it works.

There is an article on page 14 about one unique event, a Weekend in the Woods. The Masonic Lodge social hall to which friends and neighbors were invited included in the events of the picnic was a brief * Friend to Friend meeting at the Lodge room.*

Q.R. Winter’s attention is on its way. Your Lodge will “go dark” for two months, so the leadership of your Lodge needs to “step up to the plate,” organize and act NOW!

After that change, let me answer your questions about how we are doing with membership.

There are many success stories among the 458 Pennsylvania Lodges and I tend my congratulations to those leaders who have followed the program and used it to the best advantage for Freemasonry. As of last Dec. 27, one Lodge — Wyomissing Lodge No. 401 in the 16th Masonic District — initiated 37 candidates in 2002. The previous year, it was 41. In 2002, 24 Lodges had 10 or more initiates.

### Actor Bronson Pinchot Made a Mason

By virtue of a dispensation granted by the R.W. Grand Master, the three degrees were conferred on actor Bronson Pinchot in Harford Lodge No. 445, Hop Bottom, Pa. December 14.

Bronson Pinchot has been in films since he appeared as the comic gallery assistant in “Beverly Hills Cop.” In 1984, through the years, he has appeared in feature films, generally as an ex-convict or villain. Since the early 1980s, he has become a regular on the 1993-1998 King TV series, "The Langoliers." Pictured in the front, Bronson Pinchot; Robin H. Benson, P.M., Dean of Freedom Lodge No. 328, Thompson, who conferred the Fellow Craft; Glenn Birtcher, D.D.G.M., 15th Masonic District. Back: Johnnie A. Thorpe, P.M., Trustee of Bluemont Lodge No. 338, Great Bend, who conferred the Master Mason's Degree; Eugene R. Evans, P.M., Sec.
EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA MASONIC FAMILY PICNIC, SATURDAY, JUNE 7

The 12th Annual Eastern Pennsylvania Masonic Family Picnic will be at Dorney Park/Wild Water Kingdom, Allentown, on Saturday, June 7. Last year, more than 1,500 Masons and their families had a wonderful time, plenty of good food, and a great day for the Fraternity.

Lodge No. 143 Gives Custom-Crafted Totem Pole to Boy Scout Camp

The efforts and financing by Masons of George Washington Lodge No. 143, Chambersburg, and the craftsmanship of a wood-cutting Brother from Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315, Shippensburg, have given Hidden Valley Boy Scout Camp near Landsburg, a new custom-caved, hand-painted, 16-foot totem pole. It replaced a 15-year-old totem pole, which was heavily damaged by ants and woodpeckers.

According to Gary L. Heckman, P.M., and Chairman of the Charity Committee of George Washington Lodge, the Brotherhood decided to donate the unique totem pole for the 80th Anniversary of the Scout Council. Wood-carver Bro. Jacob E. (Jake) Crider crafted the totem pole. This last Nov 16, more than 100 Scouts, Masons, and supporters of the Boy Scouts were present at the entrance to the Camp’s Ceremonial Area for dedication ceremonies led by Bro. William, Chief of Susquehanna Lodge 11, Order of the Arrow.

Among those from George Washington Lodge participating in the dedication ceremonies was Robert E. Blair, a Mason for 52 years, who is a recipient of the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award.

Among those at the dedication of the totem pole were: Bro. Crider, Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 315; Joseph Keso, who is the wood carver’s mentor; Eric Williams, Chief of the Order of the Arrow Lodge; Bro. Heckman, P.M., Charity Committee Chairman; Bro. John E. N. Blair, P.M., Acacia Lodge No. 586 and a Dual Member of Lodge No. 143; Bro. Earl O. Blair, a recipient of the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award; and Bro. Gary L. Heckman, Jr., Assistant Chairman of the Charity Committee, Bro. Gary L. Johnson, Lodge Photographer; and Jess A. Ledi-g, Ill, S.M.C., of George Washington Lodge.

1,000-Plus at Three Florida Reunions

More than 1,000 Pennsylvania Masons, their spouses, widows, and family members who are residing in Florida attended the 2003 Florida Masonic Reunions. The three reunions were hosted by R.W. Grand Master Martin A. Cunningham, Sr., and his wife, Rosemary, along with the other Grand Lodge Officers, members of the Committee on Masonic Homes and their wives, as well as Masonic Homes personnel.

The Masonic Homes staff provided information about the continuum of quality care services provided through the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, which include the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, the Masonic Eastern Star Home East Featuring W. W. McCallum, and the Masonic Village at Sewickley. They also discussed the upcoming union of the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania with the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania at Latyfray Hill on January 1, 2004. That will result in a convenient location across Pennsylvania where Freemasons, Eastern Star members, and their families may receive services.

The highlight of the reunions included Grand Master Cunningham’s presentation of the 50-Year Emblem of Gold to 47 Masons.

Winter Picnic Includes Friend-to-Friend Session

At least 125 Members, their spouses and their children and friends enjoyed a “Picnic in the Winter” held by Ephrata Lodge No. 665 and Cloister Chapter No. 468, Order of The Eastern Star, on Saturday afternoon and evening, March 15, in the social hall of the lodge. During the afternoon, there was a “Friend to Friend” Meeting in the lodge room hosted by Terence N. Shek, W.M., and Robert S. Conway, D.D.G.M., 1st Masonic District, who is Past Master of Ephrata Lodge.

For the modern $15 fee per adult (children free) there was plenty of food, face-painting and table games for the youngsters, and the German band comprising members of the Rolling Stones Concert Band providing lively foot-tapping music. At 6:30 p.m., there was an auction of donated items. Proceeds of the “Picnic in the Winter” were donated to two local charities.

The children of Bro. John and Janice Lorah were thrilled to have their faces painted at the “Picnic in the Winter.” They are (left to right): Jared, age five years; and Justis, seven years old.
Valley of Pittsburgh Names A Road at Masonic Village at Sewickley

The Valley of Pittsburgh recently made a $50,000 contribution to the Masonic Village at Sewickley. In return for their gift, that will benefit the residents of the community, they "purchased" the privilege to name a road on the campus.

What did they choose to name it? "Scottish Rite Lane," of course.

"The Masonic Village at Sewickley is a wonderful facility," said a representative from the Valley of Pittsburgh. "We are honored to be able to make this contribution and help support the wonderful work they are doing there."
Your Help Would Mean a Lot!

Fulfilling Volunteer Opportunities Abound
At All Masonic Homes' Locations

Whether you can offer only a few hours one time or you want to volunteer on a regular basis, your service is welcomed and appreciated. Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown may contact Cynthia A. Hollinger, Director, Volunteer Services, at (717) 367-1121, extension 33175.

Masonic Eastern Star Home-East at Warmminster

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• Every Sunday afternoon, volunteers are needed to escort residents of the Masonic Health Care Center and the Freemason Building to and from the church service held in the Roosevelt Assembly Room. Volunteers are needed from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

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• The Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown will be hosting a Summer youth program, providing many different volunteer opportunities for youth ages 13 and older. Participants are encouraged to volunteer a minimum of a half-day each week during the Summer season and must attend an all-day orientation on June 17.

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W hile postponing retirement living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, typical questions asked of the marketing staff include: "Are we able to select more than one accommodation on our Priority List Application?" And, "Once we move in, may we transfer from one unit to another?"

The answer to both questions is, "Yes, absolutely!"

For a variety of reasons, many applicants on the Priority List are indicating their willingness to consider more than one type of living accommodation due to an ever-increasing desire to be a part of the Masonic Homes' retirement community. For instance, perhaps you may consider going on the Priority List for a two-bedroom/den entrance fee cottage, while touring retirement living at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

Bro. and Mrs. Richard Lower enjoyed exercising their choices...and themselves...at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

Results from a resident evaluation of the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East at Elizabethtown revealed the need for essential improvements. New accommodations to ensure and provide a better quality of life for current and future residents at the home.

The Masonic Eastern Star Home-East became part of the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1998. The home was founded by the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, Order of the Eastern Star, in 1974, and provides nursing services for up to 28 residents and assisted living services for a maximum of 34 residents.

Essential improvements and renovations are needed to the following areas of the home:

- Installation of a new heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system providing individual room climate control
- Replacement of resident room bathroom doors
- Modifications to existing nursing stations
- New nurse call bell system
- Interior upgrades to walls, floors, and ceilings
- Exterior site improvement lighting
- New furniture, fixtures, and equipment
- Repaving of existing driveways and parking areas

The estimated cost for those improvements and renovations is approximately $150,000.

Special gift opportunities are available, ranging from $1,000 for outer door furniture to $5,000 for window treatments. brochure, lodge.

Initiative Launched at Warminster to Fund Renovations at East Home

O.E.S. Announces Masonic Family Day at Hershey

There's going to be a Masonic Family Day celebration on Saturday, July 12 at the Hershey Park conducted by the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania of the Order of the Eastern Star (O.E.S.). Jo-Anne K. Barnes, Associate Grand Matron and prospective Worship Grand Matron on the O.E.S., and Mrs. Richard A. Cunnings, Sr., that a high point of her plans for 2003 is "a special day for our Fraternal families."

A bountiful dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Total Force Pavilion will be a marvelous opportunity for everyone to gather as one body and chime a fun-filled day of enjoying the rides and attractions at Hershey Park. You and your family won't want to miss this special time. Save the date of the 6:00 p.m. buffet, all for the price of the ticket. Get your reservation in by June 15.

The following prices include:

- Discounted admission tickets to the Park, all-day rides, shows and the buffet dinner.

Before After
Age Age Age Age
4-8 $31 $39
5-6 $31 $39
7-12 $31 $39

RSVP by June 15.

Complete this information from below and send it with your $10 donation check payable to: Jeffrey Wendel/41.
611 Eastman Highway
Hershey, PA 17033
Phone: (717) 533-1679

Name: Address:

Phone: I would like the following reservations:

- Age 3-8 ($31)
- Age 5-8 ($39)
- Age 9-12 ($39)
- Age 13-17 ($48)

TOTAL: $10.00

(Employee parking fee will be added to the price of the ticket plus $1 for parking only for individuals without pre-registration.)

Donations are needed for renovations and improvements to the Masonic Eastern Star Home-East. Your gift can make a real difference in residents' lives today!
First Residents in Retirement Living At Sewickley: More in Summer and Fall

After nearly three years of planning and construction, the first residents in retirement living moved into their new homes at the Masonic Village at Sewickley. The apartments were designed by Frank, a resident of the village. The new residents, along with their families, enjoyed the facilities of the new community.

A wintry view of the retirement living area as it nears completion.

In the future, we plan to offer retirement living services. The residents can enjoy a community-scale pool, Jacuzzi, and other amenities which are available just for them.

Of course, services such as home and grounds maintenance, along with housekeeping and transportation, allow residents the freedom to explore new interests or travel. In addition, the residents have the security of knowing that support services are available just across the campus in the form of assisted living or nursing care, should they ever need them.

When we held our first open house in the new clubhouse, it was wonderful to see the look on visitors' faces," said N. J. Franks, Executive Director. "They just couldn't believe the beauty and the quality.

One popular amenity on the campus is the new Barley Wellness Center, which comprises a five-lane indoor swimming pool, Jacuzzi, and complete fitness facility. And, it is only security, able to assist them. Look at the beauty and the quality.

The community will open its second apartment residence, as well as 31 villa homes, in June. A third apartment residence and four additional villa homes will be added by October. Wouldn't you like to enjoy such a lifestyle, with convenience, quality, and beauty surround you?

See the Masonic Village at Sewickley and find out what the excitement is about. Call the Marketing Office to schedule your personal tour of the May 22 Open House between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Call (606) 872-0664 for directions, to schedule an appointment, or to RSVP to the Open House. If you would like to have information sent to you, return the attached coupon.

Brothers Lewis and Clark

Their names are synonymous with exploration: Meriwether Lewis (1774-1809) and William Clark (1770-1838). The two played prominent roles in the Corps of Discovery, which was led by their friend, Meriwether Lewis, and his friends. Their expedition was a grand success, and their names are synonymous with exploration.

To learn more about these two men, visit the Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania. The exhibit, "Lewis & Clark," is open to the public.

Stop by The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania this Summer if you want to learn more about Lewis and Clark. The exhibit, "Lewis & Clark," will be on display in the Grand Balcony Hall from July 14 to August 22. During their travels, Lewis and Clark managed to identify some 232 plants during their journey, approximately 60 of which were new to science. An interesting Masonic item included in the display will be a full-size, colorful photographic reproduction of Lewis and Clark's map. The exhibit is open to the public.

For additional information concerning large groups, please call (215) 988-1932.
**Masons of Note**

It's three in a row at Mill Lodge No. 231, Doylestown, co-founder of Pilgrim, grandson, father, and son — are in succession as the appointed chairs. William A. (left), the elder statesman of the Pilgrim family is S.M.C. Derek E. (right), the youngest is J.M.C. and David A., who is both a son and a dad, is Pur-suant.

During a recent trip to Scotland, Herbert L. Feldman, Solomon Lodge No. 231, Pittsburgh, visited the Lodge of Edinburgh, whose date of origin is unknown, but is unquestionably the continuation of a purely operative Lodge of that name. He said he received a warm wel­come and was presented with a recording of the Lodge Minutes of the year 1598.


**Hiram's Cycle Riders to Cover 49 States**

"Hiram's Scottish Riders," a newly formed motorcycle club of Blue Lodge Masons in the Scottish Rite Valley of Reading, will be taking off the second week of June on a 10-State ride to Flagstaff, Arizona. Victor M. Frederick, Ill, Stichter Lodge No. 254, Pottstown, leader of the Club and organizer of the fund-raising drive, said: "I am encouraged by the support. More Masons who are cyclists are invited to join the ride, either from the start or anywhere along the way. Our challenge now is to get as many donations and pledges of financial sponsorship for the rides as we can support the 32nd Masonic Learning Center." For information to ride, pledge, or donate, contact Bro. Frederick at (610) 970-2153.

**Foundation Helps Educators Help Students at-Risk**

The Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children participated actively in the annual conference of The Pennsylvania Association of Student Assistance Professionals (P.A.S.A.P.) among 500 partici­pants from school districts across the state, addressing the more than 300 educators in attendance, staffing a display booth, and presenting a grant of $15,000.

The conference updates the student assistance teams in current methods for helping students at risk and facilitates the sharing of information about the loans from throughout the Commonwealth. Bro. George W. Polinor, Valley Lodge No. 611, Butler Creek, a member of the Board of the Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation (put together), told the conference about the Foundation and its numerous programs. Raymond G. Brown, Executive Director of the Foundation, presented the grants to the P.A.S.A.P. Executive Director of the Foundation.

**Bro. And Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock:**

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center of the line of march. Gen. Meade showed his full confidence in Gen. Hancock by sending him into the field to assume battle command. It was Hancock's forces that prevented Gen. Lee's but successful attempt to break the Union Army's line.

In the ensuing battle on July 3, 1863, as Hancock's forces repulsed the furious Confederate attack led by another Mason and West Point contemporary, Gen. George Pick­ett, Hancock received a severe wound from which he never fully recovered. In the same battle, Confederate General Lewis Armistead, a Mason and a fellow former officer of Han­cock's, was mortally wounded. As he fell, he cried out a Masonic plea. A nearby Union officer, Capt. Horace W. Hill, had the foresight to send Hancock immediately to his aid and directed that the wounded Confederate General be taken to the II Corps hospital. Before he died, Gen. Armistead gave his personal effects into Capt. Bingham's care for delivery to Gen. and Bro. Hancock. As depicted in the movie "Herkimer," whose date of origin is unknown, but is unquestionably the continuation of a purely operative Lodge of that name. He said he received a warm wel­come and was presented with a recording of the Lodge Minutes of the year 1598.

**Younger MASONs**

Thomas Jefferson Liston II, (left), of Woodlawn Lodge No. 20, (second, not right), failed to become the first Mason under age 21 in Eureka Lodge No. 290, Greenville, but also the first, third generation of family to be a Mason. His father, Thomas J. Limber, Jr. (right), is a member of the same Lodge and his grandfather, Thomas J. Lim­ber, Sr. (second from left), is a member of Lake Lodge No. 434, Susquehanna, Pa. At left is Charlie E. Israel, W.M., Eureka Lodge. After he was raised, his cousin, Timothy P. Templeton, D.D.G.M., 53rd Masonic District, presented the new Master Mason with his Masonic Bible.

**BROTHERS RAISED IN VALLEY LODGE**

The first two 18-year-old Pennsylvania students to Valley Lodge No. 459, Mason­town, were raised on Jan. 13. Thomas H. Horner III, pictured (left front) with his father, Thomas H. Horner, III, (right) and James M. Craig (center), with his brother, Jason III, Craig, and father, W. Frank Craig Jr., (left). In the rear is J. Craig Bailey. W.M. Craig's brother conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree and his father conferred the Fellowcraft Degree.

**FOURTH GENERATION OF SCARLETTs**

William E. "Wes" Scarlett (center), the first 18-year-old raised in Fayette Lodge No. 228, Union­town, is the fourth generation of Masons in his family. He is pictured with his father (second from left), William E. "Wes" Scarlett, Jr., his grandfather (second from right), David E. Baker, E.M., and his great-grandfather (far left), John Baker. At far right is Jerome Shell, W.M. Wes' two great-grandfathers, the late David E. Baker was a PM of Fayette Lodge and the late Henry G. Milling was a 30-year member of Clarksburg Lodge No. 155, WV. Wes is a freshman at Pennsylvania State University majoring in Administration of Justice and desires to attend the Penn­sylvania State Police Academy after his graduation.

**SO I S ESS SON, GRANDSON RAISED IN MILL LODGE**

Alan W. Scott (left), of Waverly Lodge No. 63, Lower But­ler, saw his father, Richard D., and grandson, R. Gough Americk, raised. The late Jack L. McIntyre, E.M., who was the first line signer for the dad, R. Hunter, was a grandson, R. Grant. The elder McIntyre was the first line signer for his son.

**FIGHTING THE FEDERALS**

In the Civil War, political leaders looked favorably upon military leaders and, in 1865, Hancock distinguished himself at the heritage. Bro. and Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock died of a heart attack in Gettysburg, the brotherhood in 1866 and was raised in the Masonic Lodge of Pennsylvania.

**THREE GENERATIONS OF LIMBERS**

The late Hiram B. Limber, Sr., pictured (left) with his father, Hiram B. Limber, III, (right) and James M. Craig (center), with his brother, Jason III, Craig, and father, W. Frank Craig Jr., (left). In the rear is J. Craig Bailey. W.M. Craig's brother conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree and his father conferred the Fellowcraft Degree.
Bro. And Gen. John Frederick Harttranft:

continued from page 5 continued a military career serving in the District of Columbia. During the hysteria following the assassination of President Lincoln on April 14, 1865, Bro. Hartranft was the Provost Marshal of the Washington Arsenal Prison, where he accused accomplices of assassin John Wilkes Booth were held and where four of them were hanged on July 7. It was he who was obligated to give the final order to spring the gallows.

Returning to civilian life in 1865, he was elected State Auditor General, serving from May 1866 to January 1873 under Governor Albert White. Bro. Hartranft ran for Governor, campaigning on his record as Auditor General and his integrity as a war hero. He was elected Governor in October 1872 and reelected in November 1875. At the Republican National Convention in Cincinnati in 1876, Hartranft was nominated as a "favorite" candidate for President in an effort to stop Senator James G. Blaine of Maine, also a Pennsylvania native. It succeeded when the Convention compromised on an independent Republican and Civil War General, Gov. Rutherford B. Hayes of Ohio, who won the election.

During the administration of Governor Hartranft, the Commonwealth struggled with the difficult economic conditions of a depression and the sagging of the Molly Magrudes, the publishers of works that the Union and Federal newspapers denounced. The Hahleins of the Anthracite Coal Region, all of whose work we ourselves are interesting stories for another time.

Bro. and Gen. Harttranft died Dec. 16, 1899 and is buried in the Montgomery Cemetery, Norristown.