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The official registration and financial information for any of the Masonic Charities may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll-free within Pennsylvania, (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

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MASONIC VILLAGE AT ELIZABETHTOWN WINS NATIONAL SERVICE AWARD

Masonic Village at Elizabethtown has been selected to receive the 2004 Community Service Award from the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (AAHSA). Masonic Village is recognized for extensive services to the community through positive relationships with the Elizabethtown Area School District and numerous community groups.

Masonic Village warrants facilities available to the school district and awards scholarships to teen volunteers, hosts the school's events, provides tutoring and mentoring and opens its pool to swim teams. Music therapy services and fitness classes are also extended to the community.

Model Railroad Club Slates Open House Schedule

The Masonic Village and Elizabethtown Model Railroad Club will hold FREE open houses on the following dates and times:
- November 6 and 7, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- December 4 and 5, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- December 18, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Come see the club's O gauge, HO gauge, N gauge, standard gauge trains and more! One of the Masonic Village, Elizabethtown, follow directions sign.

Marketplace in Planning Stages

The Masonic Village at Elizabethtown is working in conjunction with Wagon Construction, Inc., to possibly develop a marketplace at the main entrance to the campus, as part of its 25-year master plan. The project would involve removing four of the historic stone buildings, and building on adjacent property in that area to accommodate some convenient services for Masonic Village residents and staff, as well as the Elizabethtown community.

In addition to relocating the farm market to this more convenient location, this marketplace would be an ideal location for a mixed-use commercial, retail and office development for such amenities as a restaurant, dry cleaner, retail shop, bank, hotel or medical or other business offices. Initial occupancy is expected for 2005.

Wagon Construction, Inc., is conducting a marketing feasibility study for developing the project. For more information and to discuss lease opportunities, contact Lisa Wagon Olker at 717-597-4129 or lwagon@wagon.com.

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If you ask most people where they would like to spend their retirement years, they will respond, "I want to stay right here."

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The question then becomes, "to move or not to move?" Consider these benefits of moving to a retirement community:
- Convenience of nearby amenities and NO household chores.
- Frequent activities and socialization opportunities.
- Security when the services that you need most are a call, ensuring that your future needs are covered.

The Residential Living area of the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown combines an active lifestyle and convenience in one place. Studio, suite and double units, are offered furnished, at no extra charge, but you can bring your own furnishings if you wish. Dining is not just about food, but also a social time for many. Three meals a day are included with the Residential Living package. Onsite health care services take care of your medical needs. Shuttle service transports you to campus and off-campus sites.

For more information, please call 1-800-421-1207. Why not make Masonic Village your new home?

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The past few months have been jam-packed with opportunities to share the Light and show friends, relatives, neighbors and coworkers what Freemasonry is all about.

Turning prospects into petitioners is really that simple. We will join our brothers if they are someone in YOU who they respected, admired and appreciated — someone who, by their example, inspires them to want to be better.

The Sturgis trip this summer was an experience of a lifetime! Dozens of...
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showcasing the magnificent Masonic Temple. Proceeds from this spectacular event will support the Masonic CHIP program in its efforts to protect youth across the Commonwealth from abductions. Our goal is to raise $200,000 to continue our already successful efforts. This year, so far, over 70,000 youth have participated in the school program, Masonic Temples and other locations, and in doing so have Shared the Light with countless fathers, grandfathers and uncles who have witnessed first-hand how Freemasons work together to make our communities safer places to live, work and play. See the ad in this issue for more details on the first-class entertainment planned for this black tie event. (Please turn to page 10.)

One of the most fascinating aspects of Freemasonry is how many men, from so many walks of life, can meet together in peace, always conducting their affairs in harmony and friendship. I've seen this in my visits around the country but particularly here in Pennsylvania. October 2nd was the epitome of teamwork, brotherhood, outreach and cooperation. Let us sustain and intensify the spirit of that day as we look ahead to what we can accomplish together in 2005.

Our early Brethren came together to build strong and beautiful buildings, and in the process developed lasting relationships, selfless efforts and thriving communities. For centuries, Freemasons have been moving the world in a better direction. This is our heritage and our charge. This year we have grown our Fraternity considerably, and increased our ability to impact our society that much more. Together, we CAN continue to make a difference - in our lodges, in our communities and in the world around us.

To our new Brethren: I urge you to take advantage of the many benefits that membership in this great Fraternity offers. Become active in your lodge; get involved and make your mark! Now that you have experienced the ritual and learned the principles of Freemasonry, truly Share the Light with your friends and family.

During my first year as Grand Master, I have urgently emphasized membership enrichment because membership has enriched my life and I want to extend that gift to as many deserving men as possible. This holiday season, as you gather with family and friends, is the perfect time to share what Masons are doing to improve our communities and our world. It may be the best gift you can give - that of brotherly love, relief and truth - found in the true bonds of Freemasonry.

Brethren, enjoy the holiday season with your loved ones, and make a resolution that in 2005, you will play an even more active role in Sharing the Light.

Governor Rendell Receives 32°, AASR

On Thursday, September 23, 2004, an entourage of Scottish Rite 33° Masons, and Grand Lodge Officers, accompanied the R.W. Grand Master, William Slater II, 33°, and Walter E. Weibel, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, to the Office of the Governor of Pennsylvania, Bro. Edward G. Rendell. The purpose of the visit was a pleasant one. The Sovereign Grand Commander conducted a brief ceremony with the aid of those present, thereby making Governor Rendell a 33° Scottish Rite Mason. Bro. Slater congratulated him for his many years of faithful public service both as Mayor of Philadelphia, and currently as Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Following the presentation by the Sovereign Grand Commander, the R.W. Grand Master, Bro. William Slater II, presented the Governor with his 32° Grand Master’s Medallion. A luncheon followed the ceremony.

Governor Rendell was initiated in Aheston Lodge No. 482 on September 6, 1983 and is the 33rd Governor to be a Freemason.
Seamus P. McCaffery – the Mason, Judge, Military Man, Police Officer, Husband, and Father

by James N. Kaltavert, P.M.

Pennsylvania Freemasonry is a family, and its members do not view their Masonic connection as just a hobby or a sideline. For some, it’s a way of life. For Seamus P. McCaffery, a Mason and Judge, his life is profoundly influenced by his Masonic commitments.

McCaffery was born and raised in Philadelphia, where he attended the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He has served as a judge in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and has been a Mason for over 30 years.

In addition to his Masonic activities, McCaffery is a military man. He served in the United States Marine Corps as a private and later achieved the rank of Captain. He continued his military career as a member of the Marine Corps Reserve, serving in various capacities, including as a Judge Advocate General and as a Judge Advocate for the Marine Corps Reserve.

McCaffery is also a police officer. He served as a police officer in the Philadelphia Police Department for over 30 years, retiring as a Captain. He has been recognized for his service to the community, and his contributions to the Masonic Order.

McCaffery is married and has three children. He and his family are active in the community and have been involved in various charitable activities.

The Pennsylvania Freemason, November 2004

State Police Degree Team Confers Master Mason Degree

by Robert F. Lynch, Secretary

The Pennsylvania State Police Degree Team recently conferred the Master Mason degree on a new member of the Masonic Order. The degree was conferred during a special ceremony held at the Pennsylvania State Capitol.

The Masonic Order is a fraternal organization with a long history in Pennsylvania. It is open to men who believe in the principles of brotherhood, charity, truth, and faith. The Order has a strong history of charitable work and community service.

The Pennsylvania State Police Degree Team is a group of police officers who are Masons and are dedicated to the Masonic principles. They have worked with the Pennsylvania Masonic Order to confer the Master Mason degree to new members.

The ceremony was attended by police officers, Masonic leaders, and family members of the member who was conferred the degree. The ceremony was held at the Pennsylvania State Capitol, and the Masonic symbols were prominently displayed.

The Master Mason degree is the highest degree in the Masonic Order. It is a recognition of a man's dedication to the principles of the Order and his service to the community.

The Pennsylvania State Police Degree Team is an integral part of the Masonic Order in Pennsylvania. They are dedicated to the principles of the Order and are committed to serving the community in a Masonic spirit.
A Festive Holiday Gala
Sharing the Light

Florida Hurricane victims helped by District 36 Lodge Members

by Robert J. Bateman
District Deputy Grand Master, 36th Masonic District

This is what Freemasonry is all about - helping those in need!


I spoke to Bro. Green about helping and he told me he would find out and get back to me. About an hour later I received a phone call from Bro. Kenneth Johnson a Master Mason of Eagle Lodge No. 19 in Hillsborough, North Carolina.

Bro. Johnson and I spoke concerning the hurricane victims and how we could help. I told Bro. Johnson that there would be a tour of us going to Florida and he asked if he could join us. Bro. Johnson then invited Bro. Jonathan Riley an Entered Apprentice Mason and Bro. Robert Jordan, Senior Warden, both from Prospect Lodge No. 578, Bro. Vincent Gauldin Sr., Senior Master of Ceremonies from Springfield-Hanby Lodge No. 767 and me to be guests at his home the first night of travel.

Bro. Johnson and his family did not know us from Adam and yet fed us and put us up for the night. This is what Freemasonry is all about.

That evening we made many phone calls to Florida trying to find out where we could help and finally got through to the Red Cross. At that time they could not answer our questions and had to get back to us. Not hearing from them Monday evening we called back on Tuesday morning and finally found out we were needed in Arcadia, Florida, a small town about 70 miles from the Gulf Coast. Due to a health problem Bro. Jordan had to return home from North Carolina and was unable to continue the trip.

We arrived in Arcadia Wednesday, August 16, and found this town to be in great need of help. Telephone poles were snapped like toothpicks, wires down, fields flooded, homes and businesses destroyed, and many people homeless. Their only possessions were the clothes on their backs.

Having arrived in at the American Legion Post we were sent to a Mistletoe School where we worked for the Salvation Army in food services. Our duties were to receive food, wash, dry and to distribute the same when needed. We also served as security, trash, and clean up men. We unloaded thousands of cases of water, which was very scarce, and in great demand.

The School opened its door to the Gym and set up a shelter. The American Red Cross was also set up at the Gym.

This is what Freemasonry is all about - helping those in need!
Brother Arnold Palmer played host to President George W. Bush on Wednesday, September 30, when he came to Arnold Palmer Regional Airport in Latrobe to make a campaign appearance. Brother Palmer introduced President Bush to a crowd of many thousands that waited through a hot afternoon for his arrival by helicopter from a tour of flood-stricken areas in the Pittsburgh area.

Brother Palmer and Lynn Skelton, Hag of Fame wide receiver of the Pittsburgh Steelers, spoke to the large gathering prior to the President's arrival.

Photos by
Reo, Joseph P. Bevan
Loyal Arch No. 235

Arnie Welcomes the President

Congratulations

Grand Lodge Officers Elected to Receive the 33° at Grand Rapids in 2005

Washington Lodge No. 164 / Blue Knights Ride Benefits Masonic Charities

On July 25, Washington Lodge No. 164 co-sponsored the First Annual Blue Ride with Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club Chapter PA XV. Money raised went to support local charities. There were 185 bikes and 275 individuals in attendance. Pictured are the H.W. Grand Master William S. Lawrence, David Richards, President BK, PA XV and P.M. of Washington Lodge No. 164 and his wife,乳房 member of BK, PA XV and Tri-State Conference Representative and member of Franklin St. John's Trinity Lodge No. 221.

Pictures by
Diane Jones, P.M.; Tom Warco, P.M. Lodge 164; Jay McElhany, President, 32°; Child Learning Center; Maria Paluselli, Learning Center Administrator; Jack Farrell, Potentate, Syria Temple; Dan Martin; David Richards, P.M. Lodge 164 and President of the Blue Knights. Both Charities, 32° Learning Center for Children and Stviner Hospital in Erie received $900 checks from the Blue Knights Washington Lodge No. 164 Motorcycle ride for charity.

A Woman's Touch

by Deb Phillips

"The Navy has both a tradition and a future—and we now look with pride and confidence in both directions."

— Admiral George Aikens
A Great Day for Freemasonry!

What a great success our Men to Mason One Day Adventure has been, and our program is not over yet – it continues until the end of December. You still have time to make a difference by Sharing the Light with one whom you believe possesses the qualities for membership.

Remember that for membership in our Fraternity the man must ask you to be part of this great organization. Please use the ASK! or Friend to Friend brochures when you believe that he is a good man who wants to be better.

Our 13 site locations were swelled with new Candidates that we can now all call Brothers. All of the site locations were supported from our membership by participation as Mentors and observers of this great event.

As with all of us, our Fraternity has always been proud that our membership comes from all walks of life with different political and religious beliefs still meeting together in harmony as friends.

The addition of those new members will provide us with future officers and new ideas needed within our lodges for the benefit of Freemasonry.

We ask you to continue to Share the Light by supporting Brother William Slater II, R.W. Grand Master, with his continued endeavors to strengthen Pennsylvania Freemasonry.

Petition Hotline
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Mt. Rushmore headache, 60' Washington Monument, 305' Crazy Horse 150'.
Masonic Village at Warminster Celebrates 75th Anniversary

On August 21, the residents, family, friends, Advisory Council members, volunteers and staff gathered to celebrate the Facility's 75th Anniversary with a Hawaiian Luau, featuring entertainment, food and fun.

The home, originally located in Germantown, was dedicated on June 1, 1929, as the Eastern Pennsylvania Eastern Star Home. The Grand Chapter built a new home in Warminster in 1972 at its current location. In 1999, the facility became part of the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The name of the home was changed to reflect the tradition of both organizations - the Masonic Eastern Star Home - and now is known as the Masonic Village at Warminster.

Thanks to generous donations, the Warminster home has gone through extensive renovations over the past year, enhancing its function and beauty.

The new Assembly Room, named the Frey, Southampton Masonic Center, was completed in September. Lodge, Eastern Star and other Masonic group meetings, as well as large group resident activities, can now be held at the village. A significant portion of funds for this project was provided by Southampton Square Club and through the estate of John Frey Jr.

Masonic Village at Warminster provides assisted living and nursing services to 62 residents. The home's mission includes providing services to individuals in Philadelphia County who are day one Medicare recipients. For more information, call (215) 672-2001.

Top photo: Anne Mahler, Administrator, Chuck Schmidt, PGM PA-OES; and Bro. William C. Davis, Jr., Chief Operating Officer-Health Care Services, enjoy the Hawaiian Luau Anniversary Celebration. Bottom photo: Frey-Southampton Masonic Center.

Grand Chapter Presents Donation to Masonic Villages

In June, the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, Order of the Eastern Star, presented a contribution of $100,000 to the Masonic Village of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, as well as an additional $10,000 for the Warrimister Initiative.

Since the union of our homes in 1999, the Grand Chapter has provided numerous contributions to provide a quality of life for residents who may otherwise not be able to pay for their care. Some examples of items which donations received from Grand Chapter have provided include:

- Christmas gifts for residents at the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, as well as the renovation of the underground resident passageway system for total handicapped accessibility.
- New window treatments for the renovated nursing care resident rooms at the Masonic Village at Sewickley; an acoustic piano; a tubular clock, a biblical computer program, and a Q-Chord instrument for activities programming.
- New window treatments, more attractive, usable courtyards, including a gas propane grill for cookouts; new patio furniture; a state-of-the-art security system; and a large unit which is used for various activities such as picnics and outdoor celebrations, including a visiting gutter in the summer.
- The Masonic Village serves more than 2.15 residents in five locations. The more than $20 million in fraternal services makes a significant impact on the residents' lives.

Masonic Village Farm Market

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A special gift that can be sent anywhere in the United States.

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Check out our website: http://paganiloodge/villages/elizabethtown/orchard.html

Masonic Chinese items, such as punch bowls, tiny jugs, reverse-painting enamel and glass, are currently on display at the Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania. The Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania, grateful to Doylestown Lodge No. 245 for loaning the wonderful and rare John Flagg Fry apron for exhibition.

Brothers and Sons are Made Brothers

On June 14, 2004, at a Stated Meeting of University Lodge No. 51, W.M. Allan W. Stitzer, P.M. conferred the three degrees of Freemasonry upon his two sons, Allan W. Jr. and Jordan Stitzer in the Ionic Hall of the Masonic Temple. Their uncle, David Stitzer, P.M. and Arthur B. Stitzer, III, P.M., in the Station of Senior and Junior Wardens, The Guides were Bros. Harold Lampe, III, P.M., and Jerry A. Lobb. Freemasonry is a tradition in the Stitzer family. Allan Jr. and his brothers are fourth generation Masons. Their grandfather served as DGM for eight years before taking over as W.M. of Lodge No. 51 in 1956. During that year, the Masters of District A forged lifelong relationships that was that group as Past Masters who conferred three degrees on the new Masons’ father, Allan and his brother. Allan serving Lodge No. 51 as Worshipful Master in 1973, was the youngest Worshipful Master in the history of University Lodge. The new Brethren are both attending Lebanon University. They hope that after graduation they will follow their ancestors in serving University Lodge No. 51.
DeMolay's Visit National Capital

Preparing to See History in the Making

No matter the outcome of the election on November 2, Pennsylvania DeMolay will be making their "once-ever-four-year" jaunt to the inauguration of the President on January 20, 2009. This trip will be the fifth time for Pennsylvania DeMolays to attend the inauguration. The first trip was in 1889 for President Benjamin Harrison. The trip to the 1989 inauguration was sponsored by PA DeMolay for the fifth time. The fourth trip was in 2001 for the inauguration of George W. Bush. This grew into a 1993 trip sponsored by PA DeMolay for the inauguration of William Clinton, attended by two batches of DeMolays, advisors, and families. In 1997, they flew into a fire-breathing F-15 Eaglestrike Rainbow Girls and their families. This was repeated four years later for the George W. Bush Inauguration. Lodge No. 9 of Pennsylvania has generously sponsored a part of the trip each year since 1993. The 2009 trip will start with departure from the Masonic Conference Center – Patron Campus in Elizabethtown; a boxed lunch in the dining room of the George Washington Hotel McCormick Inn; and then travel by Metro to the heart of Washington D.C. for groups to take their places along the parade route. Trip cost, including bus fare, lunch and metro pass is $30 per person.

DeMolays have been mailed to the Masonic-related youth groups in Pennsylvania. For more information, please contact Dave Berry, Executive Secretary, at 1-800-266-8424 x 4 (in PA) or 717-367-1536 x 4.

DeMolay Degree, depicting George Washington's whole, and his overseer James Gooding, will be brought by Broomer's daughter. On August 4, 1993, he turned 92. He has been active in Scouting for over 60 years. He was a Scoutmaster for about 42 years—served on many committees and is still the Scout R.R. for the Winzer Memorial Boy Scout Troop. The only fully disabled Scout troop in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He has received a number of Scouting Awards including the Silver Beaver Scouting Medal, member of the Order of the Arrow for 30 years, and honored by the Winzer Memorial School for Boys. His grandson David Vogler is an Eagle Scout, his grandson Ronald Pleis, Jr. is a Scoutmaster of St. William Boy Scout Troop No. 563 in Philadelphia. His son-in-law, Ronald Pleis, Sr. was Scout Master of Young Troop No. 23 which was Eugene's Troop. His great grandson, Kyle Pleis will be receiving Eagle Scout this year. So you can see why I am so proud of him. My mother, Elizabeth (Betty) recently passed away on August 1, 2004 after they had celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on June 9, 2004. She was always there by his side in Scouting even though they never had sons only two daughters.

Victorian Funeral Reinterment Honors 150 year old Allentown Cemetery

Around the STATE

Bro. Eugene K. Mansdoerfer, 92, receives prestigious Daniel Beard Masonic Scouting Award

In June, at the last meeting of Conewago-Exeter Lodge No. 456, (now William E. Evans Lodge 271) Bro. Eugene K. Mansdoerfer was awarded the Daniel Beard Masonic Scouting Award for serving scouting for over 80 years. The award was presented by Bro. Robert J. Taylor, 32DGM, District 3. Mansdoerfer's daughter writes: On August 4, my dad celebrated his 92nd Birthday. He has been active in Scouting for over 60 years. He was a Scoutmaster for about 42 years—served on many committees and is still the Scout R.R. for the Winzer Memorial Boy Scout Troop. The only fully disabled Scout troop in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He has received a number of Scouting Awards including the Silver Beaver Scouting Medal, member of the Order of the Arrow for 30 years, and honored by the Winzer Memorial School for Boys. His grandson David Vogler is an Eagle Scout, his grandson Ronald Pleis, Jr. is a Scoutmaster of St. William Boy Scout Troop No. 563 in Philadelphia. His son-in-law, Ronald Pleis, Sr. was Scout Master of Young Troop No. 23 which was Eugene's Troop. His great grandson, Kyle Pleis will be receiving Eagle Scout this year. So you can see why I am so proud of him. My mother, Elizabeth (Betty) recently passed away on August 1, 2004 after they had celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on June 9, 2004. She was always there by his side in Scouting even though they never had sons only two daughters.

Pennsylvania DeMolay

Set to Honor the R.W. Grand Master

On Saturday, December 4, Pennsylvania DeMolay will be honoring William Sister II, R.W. Grand Master, with the conferment of the degree of the Order of DeMolay on a communed in his honor. The conferment will start promptly at 9:00 AM in the Branigan Cultural Center at the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown. Following the conferment of the Initial Degree, the first section of the DeMolay Degree, depicting the final trial of Jacques DeMolay before the Inquisition, will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1. The fourth section of the DeMolay Degree will be performed on the stage in Greatman Ball Room 1.
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This year's highlight was the first-ever Wachovia Masonic Village Charity Mini Grand Prix. Fifteen teams participated in the event: Abraham C. Treichler Lodge No. 682, Beck & Associates, Inc., K. L. Harring Transportation, Grand Lodge Floor Officers, Masonic District D, Masonic District 10, Masonic District 55, Masonic District 36, Masonic District 30, Masonic District 18, Masonic District 45, Masonic District 65, M & T Investment Group, Moscow Lodge No. 504, Pennsylvania DeMolay, Scottish Rite Valley of Pittsburgh and Warfel Construction Company. Grand Master William Slater II was honored with a custom-designed kart, which he drove during the opening ceremonies. Grand Master Slater commended the participants on their efforts: "Before and since that dreadful day, (9-11) Americans have come together to help others, contribute to relief efforts and volunteer their time to aid those in need. This spirit of selflessness is exemplified in today's mini grand prix race, which we are proud to host here at the Masonic Village to benefit both this caring community and the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation." He honored the veterans and families with found ones in the military, and asked the crowd to observe a moment of silence in memory of those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. The Rev. and Bro. A. Preston Van Deusen led attendees in prayer.

Through sponsorships for the event, more than $50,000 was raised to benefit the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown and the Arthritis Foundation Central Pennsylvania Chapter. Sponsors included: Presenting Sponsor – Wachovia; Dash for Kids Sponsor – Phoenix Investment Counsel; Brandon Watkins Management; Causeway Capital Management; Beard Miller Company, LLP; Eagle Asset Management; Montgomery, McCracken, Walker and Rhoads; Warfel Construction Co.; Yanni Partners; Commonwealth Caterers; Highmark Blue Shield; John Gross & Co., Inc.; Kennedy Capital Management; KPMG LLP; Murray Insurance Associates, Inc.; Greg and Tam Scott; Cockey Printing, Inc.; Elizabethtown Sporting Goods; The Phillips Group; Ethan Foods Corporation; J. Kannish and Pamela K. Brubecker; Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP; Schenberger Painting; and Hillyard Firestone.

Thanks to Pennsylvania DeMolay and Abraham C. Treichler Lodge for assisting in the set-up of the grand prix. Jeff and Beth Beck & Associates, Inc.

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Mohn, of Oval Track Concepts, for providing technical services; Jeff Levine, technical advisor for the mini grand prix and painting the Grand Master's pace kart; and Scott Gunn at West Mifflin Collision and Doug Herring for painting the Grand Master's pace kart.

Grand Prix Winners:
1st Place - Raptor Class - Masonic Village at Elizabethtown and the Arthritis Foundation, Central Pennsylvania Chapter
1st Place - OHV Class - Dutch Valley Construction & Heating
2nd Place - Raptor Class - Warfel Construction Co.
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3rd Place - Raptor Class - Beck & Associates
3rd Place - OHV Class - Moscow Lodge No. 504

Judging Contests:
1st Place - Most Authentic Paint Job - District 55
2nd Place - Most Authentic Paint Job - Abraham C. Treichler Lodge No. 682
1st Place - Most Creative Uniform - Beck & Associates
2nd Place - Most Creative Uniform - Warfel Construction Co.
3rd Place - Most Authentic Uniform - Moscow Lodge No. 504
3rd Place - Most Creative Uniform - District 45

Hard Charger Award - District 45

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The Samuel Davis Bequest Grant to Mrs. Ruth Turowski, grandmother of Amanda Joy Turowski, Amanda, who is a sophomore at Béthany Turowski, who passed away in November 2004.

Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Award not only supports young men who are part of one of our most outstanding youth organizations, but also models the integrity of the Freemason who is more interested in sustaining youth organizations than the Boy Scouts of America, but promotes the memory of the Freemason who is more.

Heinry Hinch receives Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award to Bro. Harvey Hinch while his father Bro. Harvey Hinch, Jr. assists D. Mic ruel McPherson and P. M. Perry-Ionic Secretary.

This year, the Masonic Scouting Award is the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award, which is given to a member of the Boy Scouts of America who has demonstrated exceptional leadership and service to Scouting. The award is named after Daniel Carter Beard, who was a prominent Freemason and Scouter in the United States.

The award is presented to B. Thep, who has shown outstanding leadership and service to Scouting. He has been a key leader in his local council and has contributed significantly to the growth and success of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Masonic Scouting Award is a testament to the strong partnership between Freemasonry and Scouting. Freemasons and Boy Scouts share a common belief in the values of character, citizenship, and personal development, and have a long history of working together to foster these values in young people.

Over the years, the Masonic Scouting Award has been presented to many outstanding leaders who have made significant contributions to Scouting and Freemasonry. The award is a symbol of the enduring friendship and mutual respect between these two organizations.

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Lafayette Hill Residents and Local Lodge Members Assemble Kits for Masonic CHIP Program

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Debra A. Brockman recently was appointed assistant director for the Masonic Villages of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. She works at the Elizabethtown location and is responsible for providing information, support and direction to Masonic and non-Masonic individuals and families throughout the United States through referrals, education and home assistance.

Brockman earned a bachelor of science degree from York College of Pennsylvania. She has extensive experience in the long-term care field and in training and development.

The Masonic Outreach Program offers assistance to individuals and families in need by coordinating resources and providing education and support. Services are provided at no cost.

For more information about the Masonic Outreach Program, call (717) 361-5870 or toll free at (800) 462-7844 or email chip@pa.mcfl.org.