Give a Gift that Endures

Would you like to make a gift that would keep on benefiting others for many, many years into the future? If so, you may wish to consider an outright gift or a planned gift in support of one or more of the endowments that have been established for the Masonic Charities of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

Depending on your circumstances, an outright gift of cash, securities, real or personal property, or life insurance may be appropriate. On the other hand, if you would like to make such a lasting gift but are concerned about future income needs and would appreciate an additional income stream you can depend on, you may find the benefits offered by a Charitable Gift Annuity ($5,000 minimum) or other method of planned giving compelling.

In addition to attractive payout rates, Charitable Gift Annuitites can provide a life income for up to two persons and may provide welcome savings in taxes.

To learn more about how you can make a difference in the lives of others and the benefits you might realize from an outright or planned gift in support of the Masonic Charity(ies) of your choice, in complete confidence and at no cost or obligation, simply complete and return the accompanying response form or call to speak with one of our staff members in the geographical region nearest you:

Central Pennsylvania
(717) 567-1121, ext. 33460,
or (800) 599-6454

Western Pennsylvania
(412) 741-1400, ext. 3011,
or (866) 873-0664

Eastern Pennsylvania
(610) 825-6100, ext. 1348

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.

Attention Postmaster: Dated Material Enclosed

Consider the Following Attractive Sample Gift Annuity Payment Rates°:

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Complete and return to the Office of Gift Planning

☐ Send me your brochure on Gift Annuities.

☐ Send me a sample Gift Annuity illustration based on the following information:

Age(s): ______ Amount: $____

☐ Send me information on the various endowments for the benefit of those served by the Masonic Charities.

☐ Send me your brochure on giving through my Will.

☐ Contact me to discuss a possible gift.

☐ We have remembered the following Masonic Charity(ies) in my/our estate plan(s):

Name: __________________________
Address: ________________________
City: ___________________ State: ______ Zip: ______
Telephone: (____) ________
E-mail Address: ____________________

MAIL THIS FORM TO: Office of Gift Planning
Masonic Charities
One Masonic Drive
Elizabethtown, PA 17022
Outreach Program Seeks Attorneys to Provide Direction through Legal Assistance

A substantial number of people who contact the Masonic Outreach Program need legal advice and either are not sure how to obtain it or are not financially able to pay for counsel.

In response, the Outreach Program has teamed up with several attorneys across the state. Together, they are in the preliminary stages of coordinating a panel of attorneys who will be available to give direction to distressed Brethren, their spouses, widows and others who are unable to retain counsel individuals needing legal advice with the ability to retain counsel will be referred to the attorneys on the panel who may be able to be of assistance.

How Will it Work?
Calls will be received and initially screened through the Outreach Program and then referred to an attorney on the panel based on area of specialty needed and region of the state.

What Can YOU Do?
Initially, we need attorneys who are members of the fraternity, Eastern Star or family and friends of the Masonic Villages to seriously consider becoming a charter member of this new and exciting venture to serve those in need of legal assistance. Attorneys must be properly licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania to be enrolled in the program. A committee will be formed of volunteer attorneys wanting to help shape the program, including creating guidelines and operating procedures.

Which Specialties are Needed?
We are looking for general practice attorneys and attorneys in all specialties, including, but not limited to:
- ElderCare
- Foreclosure & Real Estate
- Employment Law
- Commercial Transactions
- Social Security & Disability
- Insurance & Benefits
- Wills & Estates
- Personal Injury

Interested in learning more or volunteering to be part of this exciting new venture? Please return the completed coupon below to: Masonic Outreach Program, Masonic Village, One Masonic Drive, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

Admissions Policy

Admissions to the Masonic Villages are governed by the Committee on Masonic Homes, members of which are elected by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The Committee on Masonic Homes approves or disapproves applications for admission primarily on the basis of need. Decisions concerning admission, the provision of services and referrals of residents are not based upon the applicant’s race, color, religion, disability, ancestry, national origin, familial status, age, sex, limited English proficiency (LEP) or any other protected status.

The Committee on Masonic Homes has approved the following service levels for admission to the Masonic Villages in Elizabethtown, Lafayette Hill, Sewickley, Warrensville and Dallas:

- **Service Level 1:**
  - PA Master Mason
  - PA Eastern Star
  - Wife of PA Master Mason
  - Spouse of PA Eastern Star
  - Widow of PA Master Mason
  - Mother of PA Master Mason
  - Daughter of PA Master Mason
  - Sister of PA Master Mason

- **Service Level 2:**
  - Grandmother of PA Master Mason
  - Grandfather of PA Master Mason
  - Father of PA Master Mason
  - Mother-in-law of PA Master Mason
  - Father-in-law of PA Master Mason
  - Son of PA Master Mason
  - Spouse of PA Eastern Star who is not a Mason
  - Service Level 1 & 2 with less than 5 years membership

- **Service Level 3:**
  - Other PA Masonic Relatives
  - Master Mason of Other Jurisdictions

- **Service Level 4:**
  - Others on behalf of Pennsylvania Freemasonry
Explore Retirement Living at June Open House in Elizabethtown

"We just love it here!" I am so glad we made the decision to move here!" and "Yes, we should have done it sooner." These are just a few of the comments we hear from residents who have moved to Retirement Living at Elizabethtown. Learning from residents that their experience of residing in our retirement community has exceeded their expectations is a confirmation we receive every day.

We have continued to experience growth because of our reputation as an outstanding retirement community. This growth has included the construction of 162 new cottages that began in June 2004. Since November, residents have been moving into their new homes and enjoying "the good life." Due to the continued interest among fraternity members for this type of housing, we have new cottages being featured for the annual June Open House event on Friday, June 10. Newly completed and furnished cottages, in addition to existing cottages and apartments, will be available for afternoon tours.

The day will begin at the Freemasons Cultural Center for an overview of Retirement Living, followed by lunch in the Brooman Room. In the afternoon, tours will be available of our various Retirement Living accommodations and our beautiful Clubhouse.

Set this day aside to experience for yourself why so many other brethren and ladies are excited about the opportunity to live at the beautiful Masonic Village. We offer spacious accommodations with second-to-none services, amenities and activities. More importantly, however, we offer you peace of mind and security because of the quality health care services available on campus. Invite your time to reap future benefits for yourself as you plan for tomorrow. Please RSVP by completing and mailing the attached coupon or contacting the Retirement Living Marketing Office at 1-800-470-6452 by June 3. Don’t miss this event!

Chief Executive Officer

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Throughout the beautiful campus, residents enjoy additional amenities, such as the walking trail, billiards, putting green, computer lab, ceramics and art classes, woodworking, auditorium for live entertainment, intergenerational programs from the Clubhouse, and much more.

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Call me to arrange a personal tour.

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As we offer Condolences to our Catholic Brethren in Freemasonry on the death of Pope John Paul II

We pause to Celebrate the election of Pope Benedict XVI

May he enjoy a long reign in the quest for Peace in the world with a Brotherhood of all men under the Fatherhood of God!

The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania
William Slater II, R.W. Grand Master
Surprise and emotional presentation of Brother Lacey's personal letters, as well as in attendance were the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Maryland, Brother Ronald G. Balanger, and a contingent of both Maryland Grand Lodge Officers and Maryland Masons.

This search technique is now popular after the release of the new website. For instance, you won't find 15 references to Chariot 25 references to Stagiai, and 14 for Mike Grand Prix. The top 5 search strings or word combinations most often entered, and the results returned, are "masonic temple" (276), " penny (15), " masonic" (208), "masonic lodge" (141), and "masonic village" (428). Obviously, the more specific your search criteria, the closer you will come to what you are seeking. A recent search about the Masonic Hall Temple, will find you interne...
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At a Class named in his honor, the UJV Grand Master, William Stater II was made a Tall Cedar at Sight by the Supreme Tall Cedar, A. Ralph Horbopek. The ceremonies took place in Wu-Cha-Green Forest No. 149 in Washington, PA. At the same class the Supreme Tall Cedar, himself, was made an Honorary member of Syria Temple. Class members are pictured with the Local, District and National officers who officiated at the Class.

1st row (left to right): Christopher Clark, Timothy Slezak, David F. Raynor, Donald King, Robert L. Clifford; Robert L. Clifford Ill; James Ellinger; Ellis P. Uphol, Jr., Paul D. Chamberlain, Potentate; William Raymond Boelke, Supreme Deputy Tall Cedar; A. Ralph Horbopek, Supreme Tall Cedar; William Stater II, R.W. Grand Master; William F. Shultz, Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar. 

Freemasons' Hall
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Hall in the 1800s, to design by Frederic Payea Cockrell. Property had been acquired to the west of the existing Hall and Cockrell produced a classical design, incorporating Sandby's 1775 Hall - which survived until 1930 when severe structural damage resulting from a fire in 1868 led it to demolition. Cockrell's Freemasons' Hall was largely demolished to make way for the current building but its eastern and survives as part of the Conneau House.

Central to the present building is the Grand Temple, meeting place for Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and the annual meetings of a number of the Home Counties Provincial Grand Lodges. Masonic bronze doors, each weighing one and a quarter tonnes, open to a Chamber 103 feet deep, 90 feet wide and 62 feet high capable of seating 1,750. The ceiling of the oval is of Mexican wood and in addition to figures and symbols from Masonic ritual includes, in the corner, figures representing the four cardinal virtues - Prudence, Temperance, Fortitude and Justice - and the Arms of H.R.H. Arthur, Duke of Connaught (younger son of Queen Victoria) Grand Master 1901-1899, at whose suggestion the Masonic Peace memorial was built.

**Freemasons' Hall**

Friday, August 5, 10:30 A.M. - 11:00 P.M.

Kennywood Park

- **Ride-All-Day**
- **Free Gift for Kids**
- **Senior & Youth Games**
- **Door Prizes**
- **Entertainment**
- **The Grand Parade**
- **Co-Sponsored by**

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania & Syria Shrine
In association with

The Blue Lodge of W. Pennsylvania - Valley of Pittsburgh, AASR York Rite Bodies - The Grotto - The Tall Cedars - Order of Bohemia - Rainbow
Job's Daughters - Eastern Star - Daughters of the Nile

ALL MASONIC FAMILIES AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!

Pavilions are reserved for your picnic! Plenty of Free Parking! Grand Mason William Stater II and Syria Potentate Robert Flood lead the colorful parade! Rev. Lennard Mann, Call Dom Bretzinger of W.M. Robert at 412-966-2368 or Valley of Pittsburgh office at 412-952-3679 or Syria Shriners' office at 724-574-7000.

W. PA Masonic Family Picnic Ticket Order

Enclosed is my check for $_________ payable to Syrian Shrine for tickets below:

- **Adults** @ $17 = ___________
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Name: _____________________________
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City: ____________________ State: ______ Zip: ________

Mail Ticket Order Form To:
Syria Shrine, 1877 Shinway Way, Cheswick, PA 15213 - 724-774-7000

PLEASE ENCLOSURE A SELF-ADDRESS, STAMPED ENVELOPE!
Lodges Named St. Alburns Gather in Philadelphia

The weekend of October 8, 9, and 10, 2004, marked a singular occasion for the members of St. Alban Lodge No. 529, when they hosted the 51st annual Gathering of the International Lodges Named St. Albans. One hundred and fifty-nine brethren and their guests from Masonic Lodges, many of whom were part of the affiliated Member Lodges, convened in the Greater Pittsburgh area, for a weekend of fellowship and brotherly love. The gathering began on Friday, with a dinner and dance at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center, followed by a special meeting, led by Past Grand Master Edward L. Coyle, W.M., St. Albans Lodge No. 529 conferred the Masonic Degree on Bro. Stephen Dunn assisted by Past Masters from the lodge who filled all the chairs. The candidate for the 33rd degree of Master was Bro. David Keilander, Sr., PM, and Paul Dunlop, who also participated in the ceremony.

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All three of the elected officials of Parkersburg-Allegany Valley Lodge No. 621 are members of the same family (father and two sons). Pictured above are W.T. Thomas Marrow, Jr., PDDGM, brother-in-law of Master Hazlet, W. David Hazlet IV, Senior Warden, W. David Hazlet III, Worshipful Master, Wode D. Hazlet, Junior Warden, Donald L. Miller, DDGM 52. Back row, Jon A. Fair, Grand Marshall, Mark E. Veilert, PDDGM 52, Richard A. Steuhenhaupt, PDDGM 52, and James D. Oberlin PDDGM 52.
Since May of this year there is a small exhibit in the Museum on rules for the governance of Freemasonry behavior. Every single person who has lived in groups, have had some kind of government, know, no matter how nascent, and still are, necessarily to ensure survival. Secondly they should make life more harmonious. Most organizations, therefore, have rules to govern them. They may or may not be codified, that is written out. Some small groups have uncompromising unwritten rules, even as simple as “If you can’t come, let someone know.” Families have many rules to govern the behavior of their members, whose ages, functions, and needs vary greatly. Most would laugh at the idea of writing out these rules.

However, other kinds of groups, even relatively small clubs, like Masonic lodges, need codified rules, so that everyone can be, literally, “on the same page.” These rules are grouped together into documents referred to as by-laws, rules and regulations, or constitutions. Of these, the classic example is the United States Constitution written in 1787, with only 27 amendments, it is still serving the country and its representative democracy well. The Constitution was inspired at least indirectly by the Magna Charta (1215), and was modeled on the Treaty of Utrecht (1713), the treaties of the Six Nations of the Iroquois Confederacy in 1744, and the Constitutions of Benjamin Franklin’s Albany Plan (1754) and of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (1780), the oldest written, still in use, constitution of any jurisdiction in the world. Possibly the fact that Great Britain has no written constitution inspired our Founding Fathers to write one for the fledgling United States.

One form of governance is the Masonic constitution. Freemasonry is rooted in the British Isles around the time of the “Glorious Revolution” of 1688 which deposed the Stuart King, James II, and installed constitutional monarchy and parliamentary government. Self-government was a new concept in the western world after 1688, and the Masonic Lodges offered the first local practice in that practice that worked. There were documentary evidence of lodges in the British Isles at least by 1690; and the first grand lodge dates from 1717, when four London lodges came together and formed the Grand Lodge of England. Individual lodges usually call their constitutions “Constitutions”; grand lodges use either the title “Constitution” (as did Dr. James Anderson for the “Modern” Freemasonry, or “Ahlman Rezon,” meaning “a help to a brother” (Laurence Dermott for the “Ancient” Freemasonry). When Benjamin Franklin (publisher of the Pennsylvania Gazette) in 1754, he used the same name “Constitution,” because he was a member of the “Modern” school of Freemasonry. It was the first Masonic book published in America. After Laurence Dermott, the Grand Secretary of the “Ancient” Grand Lodge of England, aligned the charter forming what became the present Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1730, the name Mason was used. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania published its constitution, based on Dermott’s, in 1783. Freemasonry was first established in Pennsylvania in 1776, at least two Masonic groups in the British Isles. The “Moderns,” to which Benjamin Franklin belonged, was actually the older one, made up of men from the privileged classes. “Ancient” Freemasonry, on the other hand, wanted to appeal to men from a broader spectrum. As Margaret Jacob says in her “Living the Enlightenment,” Freemasonry and Politics in Eighteenth-Century Europe. “They wanted the lodge to be a place where the virtues of middling men are practiced and rewarded.” The American Revolution over the “Ancient” Grand Lodge coinciding with the Independence of Great Britain’s “Ancients” Grand Lodge. The “Ancients” and “Moderns” in Britain were reconciled into the United Grand Lodge of England in 1813, and use the term “Constitution,” as do most other jurisdictions around the world. “The Ancients,” Pennsylvania among them, had used the term “Ahlman Rezon,” thus the different names.

Of the words “Ahlman Rezon” Col says in his Encyclopedia, only half tongue-in-cheek, that Dermott “could have done nothing better to perpetuate his Book of Constitutions for the Ancient Grand Lodge of England than to name it Ahlman Rezon; for scholars have been arguing about the meaning thereof for two centuries...” Some Masonic scholars say that the words “Ahlman Rezon” are Hebrew meaning roughly “secrets or skill of a true, or preserved, brother.” Others contend that they are Spanish for “There is a full account of the law.”

“The 1783, or first Pennsylvania Grand Lodge editionsubtitle reads: ‘American Rezond Adopted and Organized as a Help in all that ars, or would be Fride and Accepted Masons. Note the “or would be” anyone is free to read it, and anything else that is printed.”


To know the Constitutions of Freemasonry precede the governance boxes of the countries in which it developed.
The Thirty-Sixth Annual Miss Job's Daughter Pageant was held on Saturday, April 18th at the Freemasons Cultural Center in Elizabethtown, PA. There were 18 candidates competing for the title and the responsibility to represent the organization for the next 12 months. A panel of judges conducts extensive interviews, and the girls complete a variety of tasks to determine who is best prepared to speak in public and lead their peers in promoting Job's Daughters. In the photograph, Allison Stains of Chambersburg, wearing the crown, sash and red cape of Miss Job's Daughter, and Christi Miller of Elizabethville, Miss Congeniality, stand with an honor guard consisting of nine District Deputy Grand Masters who escorted all of the girls during the ceremonies. Miss Stains is the daughter of Dr. John Stains, DDGM of District 3, standing at the far right in the photograph. This pageant raises money for a scholarship fund to assist the academic achievement of members of Pennsylvania Job's Daughter Bethels.

Annual Eastern Pennsylvania Masonic Family Picnic

Dorney Park Wildwater Kingdom

(10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.) (10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Rain or Shine - Saturday, June 18, 2005

"All You Can Eat"
Menu served 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Fried Chicken, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Soda, Ice Cream, Concessions and More

Adults $30.00. Child 3 years to 48" Tall $20.00 (2) years and under admitted Free

Admission Price Plus All Dine Planks

Discounted Parking 50.00 Covered Pavilion for meals

TICKET ORDER FORM

I recite check for $ , payable to Masonic Picnic for tickets below:
Advent tickets $30.00 $ __
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Please send me Discount Parking Coupons to be used for the gate.
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ABSOLUTE DEADLINE FOR TICKETS - MONDAY, MAY 27

Reflections!

Sharing the Light of Freemasonry

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Yet, neither man withdraw from society, neither man became so cynical, mistrust of egotistical. While it could easily be said that each of these men had differing points of view and that nationality it came to blow, their mutual goals as Masons were honored by the same extremes and were intrinsically similar. In the final analysis, there is a dignity of character I could only hope to possess; there is a Masonic legacy I am blessed to be and be able to.

I am honored - so mote it be! 

- Kevin C. Young.

St. John's Lodge No. 260, F. & A.M. Carlisle, Pennsylvania

Ed Note: Reflections will be a regular feature of the Pennsylvania Freemason. If you would like to reflect on how Freemasonry has affected your life and family, or if you would like to reflect on a Brother of the Craft, please write to: Editor, The Pennsylvania Freemason, 5415 Fifth Ave., Suite 1039, Pittsburgh, PA 15232-2256.

A Woman's Touch
by Deb Phillips

Summer afternoon - summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language. 

- Henry James

Ahh! Lazy summer afternoons and evenings spent climbing trees, splashing in the nearby creek, riding my bike for miles, blowing soap bubbles, catching fireflies at gliding through the air on the porch swing, that was the way to spend a summer.

Now, I can't wait to get from my air-conditioned office to my air-conditioned car to my air-conditioned house. And I don't think I'm alone. Besides being older and having more responsibilities, what has changed? More importantly, how can I get some of that youthful "carefree-nos" back?

Sometimes the same phenomena is true of our involvement in our Masonic family organizations. We begin the "youth" of our membership enthusiastic, wanting to learn and explore the all there is to see and do in the "world" of this new organization. And then, as time goes by, we grow more "mature" in our membership, forgetting or losing that original enthusiasm. How do we get that enthusiasm back?

I'm sure the leaders of many organizations ask themselves that same question quite often, unfortunately. But the true answer lies in each member, because each person has a different reason as to why they join.

Start your journey to a more enthusiastic membership by attending meetings, getting involved on committees, invite a friend (or two) to join your organization and share their "young" membership enthusiasm! It all begins with YOU, as you "Share the Light" with others.

And maybe spend an evening catching fireflies. After an evening of catching fireflies, close them with a refreshing Watermelon Cooler. 

Watermelon Cooler

1 1/2 oz. ouzo, seeded watermelon Juice of one lime

real granulated sugar

Mint sprig (for garnish)

Place watermelon, lime juice and sugar in a blender and process at high speed until smooth. Fill a 12-ounce glass with ice cubes, pour watermelon mixture over the ice and garnish with mint. Makes 1 serving.

Sam R. Augst, W.M. Ivy Lodge No. 397

Country Community Freemasonry Family

Ed Note: Bro. Augst was俚urdeously omited from District 18 listing of Lodge men Worthwhile Members in the last issue of the Pennsylvania Freemason. We apologize to Ivy Lodge No. 397 and to Bro. Augst.
DeMolays Attend Presidential Inauguration

**YOUTH NEWS**

**HODEGOS Awards**

Recognizing the outstanding efforts of volunteers for the Masonic Youth Groups in Pennsylvania, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is pleased to announce the creation of the HODEGOS Award. Administered by the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation, the HODEGOS Award, pronounced HOD-i-gos (HO-DEG-OHSS), will recognize truly outstanding adult leaders in the youth programs, and will create further awareness of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania's extensive support of our Masonic youth.

The award was named from a Greek word, hodegos, meaning 'a leader, guide, and instructor of the inexperienced.' It will be awarded to volunteers who have a minimum of seven years of service to a Rainbow Girls Organization, a Job's Daughters Lodge, or a DeMolay Chapter in Pennsylvania.

The Masonic Youth Leader Recognition Committee was appointed by the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation to develop the criteria and regulations for this award, and to select the Charter Class of youth volunteers who set the standard for future nominations.

The award consists of a solid gold oval pin, or necklace charm drop, bearing the word, hodegos, written in Greek. It's simplicity and uniqueness is designed to be elegant and eye-catching, so that recipients will wear it in their daily activities. It is intended that they will have the opportunity to display the program sponsored by the Grand Lodge when the inevitable question about it comes.

The committee, made up of representatives of each youth group, recommended five volunteers from each group, distinguished for their long years and high quality of service to Masonic Youth. These were enthusiastically approved by vote of the entire Board of Directors. If it should be no surprise that some of these recipients are members of that Board--they were appointed to it by the Grand Master for good reason. The Board then unanimously voted to add its own selection to the list.

The 2005 Charter Class for the HODEGOS Award is:

**Bingo David W. Berry, DeMolay**

- Mrs. Dolores Ehrensfeld, Rainbow
- Bro. Robert A. Engel, DeMolay
- Mrs. William M. Glass, III, DeMolay
- Mrs. Richard Hall, Job's Daughters
- Mrs. Danah Hall, Job's Daughters
- Mrs. Eugenia Hare, Rainbow
- Mrs. Ruth Hodge, Rainbow
- Mrs. Mary St. Hogue, Rainbow
- Mrs. Rebecca Hubley, Job's Daughters
- Mrs. Thomas R. Labagh, Youth Foundation
- Mrs. Nancy Morris, Job's Daughters
- Bro. Joseph Proietto, DeMolay
- Mrs. Donna Salazar, Rainbow
- Mrs. Donna Taylor, Job's Daughters
- Bro. Samuel C. Williamson, DeMolay

Beginning in July, nominations will be accepted from the youth groups for the 2006 Class. A maximum of two volunteers per organization will be selected annually. The Masonic Youth Leader Recognition Committee will review the nominations. Their selection will be based upon the record of service provided by the nominees to the youth groups, and testimonial letters submitted as part of the nomination process. At least one of these letters must come from the youth members themselves.

Full details on the nomination procedure will be given to the youth groups in June.

**DeMolays Attend Presidential Inauguration**

Wren were you on January 20th? The Presidential Inauguration was the destination for over 200 Pennsylvania DeMolays, Job’s Daughters, Rainbow Girls, family and friends on January 20, 2005. Four buses left Elizabethtown from this “bush” in a Medical trip to Washington, DC, and the inauguration activities. The attendees, clad in embroidered blue sash, was sponsored by Lodge 9, Philadelphia, stopped by the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria for a group photo, and continued via the Metrorail system to the downtown Mall to see the ceremony, parade, and plenty of security. This is the first Inaugural Trip that Pennsylvania DeMolay has organized, and plans are already in motion for 2006.

**Valley of Pittsburgh, AASR Sponsors DeMolay Class**

The Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose Croix, A.A.S.R., invests both money and time in helping the Order of DeMolay grow. On March 12, 2005, they sponsored a class of new members for Pennsylvania DeMolay at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center. Most Wise Master, John Turkovich, and several officers were in attendance. The DeMolay Program facilitates youth-led activities and 17-year-old David Labagh, State Scribe, took the responsibility of organizing this program. He chose the degree teams, which had never before worked together. The teams represented all the Chapters in Western Pennsylvania. By being prepared in advance, they were able to perform with just one brief rehearsal in the morning. Candidates and their parents attended the afternoon conferral of the Initiatory and DeMolay Degrees, which were performed in an impressive fashion. The memorized ritual work earned high praise from all of the Masonic attendees present. The formal ceremonies were concluded with the presentation of commemorative certificates and Pennsylvania DeMolay pins to the fourteen new members who were initiated. After the ceremonies, nearly 200 guests enjoyed a meatloaf dinner, and the evening ended with music and a fun social activity. The Pittsburgh Chapter of Rose Croix once again covered the food costs and the use of the Masonic Center, and has been the proud sponsor of this class for more than 20 years.

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Coming Soon: Masonic Village at Dallas!

On behalf of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and the Freemasons of Elizabethtown, we announce the joint venture: Masonic Village at Dallas. This project is being developed to meet the needs of a new generation of retired Masons and their families.

In cooperation with the Elizabethtown, Lower Paxton, and Lebanon Masonic Lodges, we hope to bring a new and exciting community to this beautiful area.

Join Us at Masonic Village at Elizabethtown for...

**Grand Master's Charity Mini Grand Prix June 25, 2005**

(Rain date - June 26, 2005)

Benefits the youth of the Masonic Children's Home

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**Special Masonic Gift Items**

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Buxton Masonic Wallet

- Introducing the new 100% leather Buxton Masonic Billfold Wallet. This beautifully crafted black wallet is embossed with the square and compasses, emblems prominently displayed on the front side. Manufactured with the quality of all Buxton products, this billfold features a fully lined card section, six credit card pockets, eight-place window book, and a removable two-sided pass case.

Reasonably priced at $34.95, it will be a highly desirable accessory for any Mason and is exclusively available through the Masonic Library and Museum of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania's Gift Shop. Order this and other gift shop items through our website at www.pagrandlodge.org/giftshop or by calling toll free at 1-800-336-7317.

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**Purchasing your Official Share the Light Golf Shirt**

The new Buxton Masonic Share the Light Golf shirt is still available in 2005 exclusively through the Gift Shop of the Masonic Library and Museum.

- **LEATHER BUXTON MASONIC BILLFOLD WALLET**
- **BUXTON MASONIC WALLET**

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**Recommended Reading from the Gift Shop**

*Cathy Callano, Assistant Librarian*

Every Freemason should try to build his own personal Masonic library. The Gift Shop offers a variety of Masonic-related books, one being *Freemasonry in American History* by Allen E. Roberts. Mr. Roberts was a distinguished and prolific Masonic author whose love for the Fraternity is obvious in his writings.

Freemasonry in American History is a one-volume book that weaves the story of American Freemasonry into the history of the United States. It begins with a chapter on 18th century Masonry in England and some theories on its early beginnings. From there Mr. Roberts examines early colonial Freemasonry and proceeds to take the reader on a historic march through the American Revolution, the Anti-Masonic period, the westward expansion of this country, the Civil War and the rise and secrets of the 20th Century ending in the early 1960's, as he introduces the reader (to Masons and non-Masons) those who were an important part of our history.

Allen E. Roberts has written a book that is both readable and valuable for all Freemasons who are interested in history.

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The library has many books on the subject of Knights Templar from The Knights Templar (C.G. Addison), to *Dungeon, Fire and Sword* (John J. Reppion) to the popular *The Da Vinci Code* (Dan Brown). A book entitled *The Knights Templar Chronology* by Geogre Smart has recently been published, which will help readers understand Templar History.

Mr. Smart has written a helpful resource in the form of a timeline of three centuries of the rise and fall of the Knights Templar. He has included maps of the area in Europe and the Middle East where important Templar events occurred. Each chapter has a synopsis of the year's events starting with "Preludes to War" when Europe emerged from the Dark Ages and prepared for the Crusades, and concluding with chapter five, "Downfall", the Knights Templar's fall from grace and eventual demise. It is very informative to see what is taking place in the same year in different parts of the world.

The history of the Knights Templar will continue to intrigue and fascinate, and *The Knights Templar Chronology* will help with our understanding of events that took place centuries ago. This book and others are available in the circulating library. Please visit and enjoy.

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Autumn Day September 24, 2005

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

Bring your family & friends to this annual open house!
The Grand Lodge has been fortunate over the years to have people who took the time and effort to record, not only the formal activities of the Grand Lodge, but also the tales of intimate objects which posses such a rich and vivid history of our past.

Considering the importance that people through the years have placed upon detailed records within the Temple, perhaps you might do research to determine how much information your Blue Lodge minutes or archives contain regarding the furniture in your lodge room. Is there an accurate record of their appearance, age, manufacturer or other detailed description of the piece? If not, consider putting together a report for your lodge detailing the many pieces of Masonic history that adorn your meeting room. This information can be useful and valuable in the future.

The Grand Lodge's archives are rich and vast, and we encourage all members to contribute to our efforts to preserve this history. The importance of keeping a record of our lodge furniture cannot be overstated, as it is an integral part of our Masonic heritage.

Ken McCarthy,
Director, Masonic Library and Museum

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**Fireside Fraternity**

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would not be in the Fraternity today. About where you would be today if no one has there to assist you let you see the path.

I have heard a great deal of talk about history and tradition being ignored or put on a shelf. But are you willing to do something about preserving Masonic traditions and the history of the Fraternity? Our forefathers gave us a great organization, yet we all want to do is talk about what is wrong with it. I ask each of you to take time from your busy life for one hour this month and talk to someone about the Fraternity. I don't care if it's your wife, your neighbor, a brother, or even your dog. Talk about why you joined the Fraternity and what makes it special to you. Renew your Masonic spirit. Recommend yourself to your lodge and the Fraternity. These good men who have gone before us are counting on us to preserve the Fraternity. All I ask you to do is look inside yourself and make sure you are doing your part. Keep the faith and Keep Shining the Light. See you in Lodge.

Keep Shining the Light and I'll talk to you next time.

Fraternally, Marty

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**Pennsylvania Masonic Foundation for Children**

by Ed Mires, DDGM at Large

It is my pleasure to update you on the progress of one of the most exciting programs that has ever been launched by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Brother William Slater II, R. W. Grand Master, has provided every member of this frataternity, their family, friends, and neighbors the opportunity to protect every child in Pennsylvania.

Thirty thousand kids were protected in the first three months of this year alone. Demand is increasing and we are working hard to address the issues of this growth. We ask you to invite others to go to the Grand Lodge website and see the CHIP section. All CHIP events for the state are listed there. We are adding new information to help you host successful events.

The Foundation is working hard to secure the quality of the program. On April 29, 2005, a meeting with our partners, the Crime Prevention Association of Pennsylvania, and a representative of the Pennsylvania State Police, who has been involved in the Amber Alert system. Our approach in this review was to make sure we were producing an effective initiative for the rights of children while meeting our obligation of cost control.

During this meeting, the kit was reviewed. Improvements were discussed. We reserved valuable information from the Pennsylvania State Police. The recommendations offered are being reviewed and implemented for this program. We continue to work on the current process until we finalize the improvements. The success of our program is due to our dedication to the history of our lodge.

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**Imports**

Ed Nott: Bro. Miyeko is a Past District Deputy Grand Master of the 15th Scottish Rite Council of the U.S. Grand Master of Frontier Lodge No. 341 Hill Top Pennsylvania will be appearing regularly in the Pennsylvania Freemasons. Bro. Miyoko is a graduate of the US Naval Academy, class of 1985. You may want to contact him via the internet at:

www.mac.org/miyoko@phx.net

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**Grand Master William Slater II invites you to tour the NAPA VALLEY WINE COUNTRY**

**September 7 - 11, 2005**

Visit wineries aboard the Wine Train, including the Chateau Potelle Winery.

- **Wednesday 7** - Arrive San Francisco and enjoy the day at your leisure. Accommodations at the Napa Valley Marriott.

- **Thursday 8** - Tour the Chateau Potelle Winery. Includes tour, lunch and tasting. Tour lasts approximately three hours.

- **Friday 9** - Take a ride aboard the Napa Valley Wine Train. A 4 course luncheon is included. From 11:30 to 2:30 p.m.

- **Saturday 10** - Today we'll enjoy a tour and tasting at the Beaulieu - Cappelle Winery. Tours given in groups of 20. Depart for Pittsburgh tomorrow.

Approximate cost is $1239 per double occupancy. (Single $595). Price includes round trip transportation to and from the wineries. The train departs and arrives in San Francisco at 5:00 a.m. There are a limited number of trains to Napa Valley. Trips are scheduled to accommodate other travel plans. Call 1-800-304-5864 for reservations.

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**Call Runaway Travel, 1-800-304-5864 for Reservations**
The 2005 Annual Grand Committee

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Ronald A. Aungst, Sr.
R.W. Deputy Grand Master
cordially invites you to
The Annual Grand Communication
of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania

Tuesday, December 27, 2005
Hershey Lodge

Hershey, Pennsylvania

Make plans NOW! Lodges will be permitted to use lodge funds for bus transportation. For room reservations, call the Hershey Lodge at 1-800-HERSHEY. Annual reservation coupon and additional information will be in the September issue of the Pennsylvania Freemason.

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Thomas W. Jackson, RWPGC
Chairman

A Meeting of the Minds

It is a meeting of the minds when the Academy of Masonic Knowledge gathers for its semi-annual meetings, and not all are like-minded, but you can be sure on one thing—the minds are challenged! At the meeting on March 19th at the Freemasons Cultural Center in the Masonic Village at Elizabeth, nearly 160 members of the Academy heard two excellent papers on the state of the Craft.

In the morning, Bro. William J. Motiere, Past Grand Master and Past Grand Secretary of the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay, as well as Director for the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, for the State of Louisiana, spoke on Freemasonry in Louisiana. He informed the audience about the diverse history of Freemasonry in Louisiana, where some of the old Lodges were chartered by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Even today, the ritual variety from Lodge to Lodge spans the state. In the afternoon session, Brother and Doctor John L. Cooper III, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California, spoke on "The Garage Car

Theory of Masonic History. He suggested that there are plenty of books available about Freemasonry, but that some are just a collection of ridiculous unproven theories, without any foundation or scholarly basis. Responding to a question about the customs and laws of the Grand Lodge of California, and how they differ from Pennsylvania, he stated, "somewhat tongue-in-cheek" that there is "nothing in our law that prohibits a one-day-class—as long as a man can return his obligation in open Lodge between the degrees."

The traditional question and answer session followed each presentation, with the usual thought-provoking and insightful comments from the speakers and the panel.

It was reported that over 300 Pennsylvania Masons had attended at least one meeting of the Academy, over 200 had signed up to participate in the Masonic Scholar Program and that over 25% are actively pursuing certification by having already submitted at least one paper. Since the Academy began, there have been 28 articles for publication and over 80 Lodge presentations and talks completed all three levels of reading and research required for final designation. Details can be found at www.pagrand- lodge.org/programs/academy.

The next meeting of the Academy of Masonic Knowledge will be at the Freemasons Cultural Center on October 8, 2005. Any Mason may attend. Registration is necessary, but there is no cost for the program or the luncheon. To register, contact Bro. Jim Bandier at 1-800-HERSHEY. Lend Mills, PA 19342-1787. Be sure to provide your name, address, Lodge number, telephone number, and e-mail address.

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Washington Lodge No. 154 and Blue Knights Chapter XVI are jointly sponsoring the annual motorcycle Blue Ride for Charity on Sunday, July 31. Cost is $15 (single) $25 (double). Make checks payable to Blue Ride Fund, 724-222-6200. Rooms are available at the Holiday Inn, Medford, PA, 724-222-6200 or by e-mail at holiday-inn.com/washpa - ask for the Blue Knights Blue Ride special rate. Lodges of Masonic District D. Charles T. Graham, DDGM, are hosting the members of DelMonte Chapter, Blue Knights, all the Masonic Village at Elizabethtown, with complimentary tickets to the 14th Annual E. Pennsylvania Masonic Family Picnic at Donny Park/Wildwood on Saturday, June 11. See page 10 to order tickets for you and your family. District 57 Youth Chairman, Bro. Clyde W. Zimmerman, Jr., a niece Natalie Bionis, a ninth-grade visual arts major at Pittsburgh’s High School for the Creative and Performing Arts, has completed her term as worthy advisor for the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls. She will receive the Silver Award in Girl Scouting and she helps out at "Brentwood Cares" meetings and is a member of the National Honor Society and Who’s Who in Poetry. She recently attended the inauguration of President Bush and sat in the VIP section thanks to a pass given to her by U.S. Congressman Tim Murphy and donated by councilman Ed Harvey of Brentwood. Bro. George M. Barclay of York Lodge No. 266 writes to us regarding this issue (February 2005) that I was struck by the article and photo on page 13. In November 1917, my great father, Captain Milton R. Barclay received his three degrees in one evening in Mason Lodge under special dispensation from the Grand Master. He was under overseas shipping orders for France where he served with the Third Division.

The Child Identification Program

Plan to join us again in the beautiful Masonic Temples One North Broad Street in Philadelphia, for the second issue, for all to enjoy a gala black-tie dinner and holiday celebration that will support children in communities across Pennsylvania. Patrons will enjoy a reception, entertainment by many local talented personalities. An educational tour of the Masonic Temples will amaze and enlighten the guests and give them a glimpse into the World of Masonry. The overwhelming interest and success of CHIP has created a unique opportunity for Freemasons to expand the program throughout the Commonwealth. Proceeds from the Gala black-tie evening will go directly to the Masonic Foundation for Children to further the CHIP program.

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The Spectacular Holiday Gala

Showcasing the Magnificent Masonic Temple

Saturday, Dec. 10, 2005

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Masonic Village at Sewickley is the Pennsylvania headquarters and national home office of the Masonic Village Foundation, a non-profit organization. It is a 55-story facility located on a 53-acre campus. The facility is designed to provide a comfortable and safe environment for individuals of all ages and abilities. The facility offers a range of services, including nursing care, assisted living, and independent living. The facility is staffed by licensed professionals, including nurses, physicians, and social workers, who provide compassionate care to residents.

What to Expect?

Residents of Masonic Village at Sewickley can expect a high level of care and attention. The facility is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for residents. The facility offers a range of services, including nursing care, assisted living, and independent living. The facility is staffed by licensed professionals, including nurses, physicians, and social workers, who provide compassionate care to residents.

What can you do at Masonic Village at Sewickley?

Residents of Masonic Village at Sewickley have access to a range of amenities, including fitness centers, libraries, and dining areas. The facility also offers a range of activities, including tennis, swimming, and bowling. The facility is designed to provide residents with a comfortable and safe environment.

Contact Information:

For more information about Masonic Village at Sewickley, please call 1-800-980-1835.

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Where is Masonic Village at Sewickley located?

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