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FROM THE EAST

Brethren,

The summer coming to an end means the lodge will start to get busy again. All of the topics still on the table will get discussed and plans enacted. We still have many things to do and much brainstorming ahead. We had our first of many pot-luck dinners, thanks to our Junior Warden, Bob Hackett. It was a great idea and it was an even better time with a great turn out. I look forward to working with the brethren again and seeing familiar faces and hopefully some new ones.

Fraternally,

Wor. David P. Kondrup, Worshipful Master
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FROM THE SECRETARY

Brethren the dues for this year, 2012, are \$40.00. 2011 & 2012 dues for some are still unpaid. Hopefully, this is an oversight, but if you are having a problem meeting your obligation to keep your dues current, please give either me or the Worshipful Master a call.

Past Masters of Humane Lodge No. 21 F. & A. M.

+* Jeremiah H. Woodman	1810-11	+ Arnold M. Ashley, PGM, 33°	1970-71
* Levi Jones	1812-13	* Edward J. Dotson	1972-73
* William Barker	1814	* Robert E. Gray	1974-75
* Pierce P. Furber	1815-16	Donald S. Hawkins, Jr.	1976-77
* Jeremiah H. Woodman	1817	* Charles H. Weed	1978-79
* Levi Jones	1818	+ Ronald J. Brown, 33°	1980-81
* Joseph Cross	1819-20	Leslie E. Locke	1982-83
* William Jones	1821	* Robert O. White	1984-85
* Levi Jones	1822	William F. Clark	1986-87
+* Charles Dennett	1823-27	+ Edward J. Kelvington	1988-89
* Stephen M. Mathers	1828	H. Stephen Wood	1990-91
* Charles Dennett	1829-37	Stanley F. Focht	1992-93
* Charles Dennett	1850	William A. Taylor	1994-95
* Josiah B. Edgerly	1851-53	George A. White	1996-97
* James H. Edgerly	1854-58	Gary A. Pike	1998-99
+* Alexander M. Winn, PGM	1859	George L. Hubbard, Jr.	2000-01
* George Corson	1860	Jeffrey L. Brown	2002-03
* David Hayes	1861-62	+ Edward J. Kelvington	2004-05
+* Franklin McDuffee	1863-64	George A. White	2006
+* James H. Edgerly	1865	Arthur A. Trahan	2007
* George Corson	1866	** Frederick M. Steadman	2007
* John S. Parsons	1867-70	Jeffrey L. Brown	2008-09
* Noah Tebbets	1871	Stanley F. Focht	2009-10
* John S. Parsons	1872-73	William A. Taylor	2010-11x
* Russell B. Wentworth	1874-76		
* Thomas H. Edgerly	1877		
* Russell B. Wentworth	1878-80		
* James E. Edgerly	1881		
* John I. Copp	1882-83		
* Ralph B. Palmer	1884		
* Charles B. Ricker	1885		
* Osman B. Warren	1886-88		
+* John S. Daniels	1889-91		
* Howard E. Grant	1892-94		
* George A. McDuffee	1895-97		
* Frederick E. Small	1898-99		
+* Charles L. Wentworth, 33°	1900-01		
* George P. Furbush	1902-03		
* Louis M. Richardson	1904-05		
* John S. Kimball	1906-07		
* Fred W. Crocker	1908-09		
+* J. Stacy Tripp	1910-11		
+* Eugene C. Howard	1912-14		
* Charles W. Varney	1915		
* Lorenzo W. Clifford	1916-17		
* Albion G. Weeks	1918-19		
* William E. Tripp	1920-21		
+* Clarence L. Woodman	1922-23		
* Joel L. McCrillis	1924-25		
* Horace J. Davis	1926		
* William H. Otis	1927-28		
* Carleton E. Meader	1929		
* James C. Pringle	1930-31		
* Raymond V. Jones, Sr.	1932-33		
* Francis D. Swan	1934-35		
* Joshua Studley	1936-37		
* Donald G. McCallister	1938-39		
+* Robert P. Wilson	1940-41		
* Neal F. Teague	1942-43		
* Downing Osborne	1944-45		
+* Robert P. Wilson	1946		
* Alwyn B. Marble	1947-48		
* George S. Snyder	1949-50		
* Bruce R. DeMerritt, Sr.	1951-52		
* James A. Baxter	1953-54		
+* Walter D. Abbott	1955-56		
*** James Flood	1956		
* John L. Phillips	1957-58		
+ William B. Holmberg	1959-60		
* James H. Edgerly, Jr.	1961-62		
*** Leroy S. Redlon	1961		
* Philip W. Hussey	1963		
+* Frederick H. Heuss	1964-65		
* Austin F. Willson	1966-67		
* Norman H. Clough	1968-69		

* Deceased ** Honorary + Past District Deputy Grand Master

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UPCOMING EVENTS

A Stated Communication of Humane Lodge will be holden on **Monday, September 10, 2012 at 7:30 PM** - Any business to come before a lodge of Master Masons. Refreshments will be served following the closing of the lodge.

Master's Class - September 19, 2012 - TBD

October 6, 2012 - Ladies at the Table

A Ladies at the Table will be held in Humane Lodge No. 21 at **6:00 PM** on **October 6, 2012**. The cost for the event will be \$20 per person. **This event is open to Masons, non-Masons and your ladies. Contact the Secretary for reservations and to purchase tickets.**

Clarence L. Woodman Chapter Order of DeMolay meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 PM, except during July and August.

Rochester Assembly #11 of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 PM, except during July and August.

The Altar

Today the Masonic Altar within our Lodge upon which resides the Holy Bible is a symbol of our communion and rituals with the Supreme Architect of the Universe.

Altars are usually found in sacred places like shrines, temples and churches. All major religions such as Christianity, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Shinto, Taoism etc. have Altars. Even the Pagans built Altars to their Gods.

Historically, an Altar is an elevated place or pedestal before which religious ceremonies were enacted or sacrifices offered up to the Gods.

The Altar and all utensils are considered sacred and all Priests from every faith have to vest and wash their hands before touching them, even to remove the ashes from a sacrifice.

In the Holy Bible many men are instructed to build and erect Altars to God. It clearly states the type of material to be used, the precise size, even the material for the different tools used to make it as well as what not to be used. The desire of man's attempt to receive Gods blessings back in those times through the use of an Altar is the same as our Masonic rituals of today.

When the Temple of King Solomon was built there were actually two Altars, one was for Burnt offerings which was kept outside the Temple and used wood or whatever available burnable material one could find to perform the sacrifice the other was kept inside for the use of Spiritual Rituals, Prayers and Incense cleansing of different flavors, Fig leaves and small branches were the preferred scent.

Altars are mentioned in many places in the Holy Bible and were erected by many famous men like, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, King Solomon and Moses.

Moses built his Altars from unhewn stone, earth, brass and shittim (acacia) wood and this Altar moved with him and the children of Israel as they wandered through the wilderness after leaving Egypt while King Solomon used more lavish materials like Gold, Silver, Jewels, fine woods and linens and his had a more stable home within the confines of the Temple grounds.

The quest of ancient people to commune with God, even though many did not have an Altar or the means of constructing one is the same quest as Freemasons are in search of ... that of presenting ourselves and being pleasing in our Creators eye to receive his blessings.

All Altars including our Masonic Altar are phrased as " Tables of the Lord "

Our Masonic rituals are different from that of other religions and the Church, but the use of the Altar remains the same : To give praise to and receive blessings from God.

(Leviticus 16:13) "And he shall put the Incense upon the fire before the Lord that the cloud of the Incense may cover the Mercy Seat that is upon the testimony that he die not."

Fraternally yours,

Steve Collier, Historian



LADIES AT THE TABLE

OCTOBER 6, 2012 AT 6 PM
COST: \$20 PER PERSON

CONTACT THE SECRETARY FOR TICKETS
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