



### From The East - Joseph A. Ingrassia - Worshipful Master

My Brethren:

It is with humble appreciation that I ascend to my station in the East as the 121st Worshipful Master of Euclid Lodge No. 65. I would like to thank all (fellow Brothers, family, friends) that were able to take time out of their personal lives to attend.

As usual, the ceremony led by Right Worshipful Brother Sullens assisted by WB Cowart was impressive, and a very interesting experience for my friends and family. I would like to thank them and all of the Past Masters who formed the installation team. In addition to RWB Sullens and WB Cowart, the remainder of the team - WB Rosensweig, WB Diamond, WB Kapoor, and WB Zears all presided in the East as I undertook my journey through the officer ranks.



To the entire officer core elected and appointed to serve with me for the next Masonic Year, congratulations. I am extremely proud to lead you forward and thank you for your support. I look forward to working with each and every one of you, and spending Monday evenings practicing ritual and floor work (and temperance).

I would also like to thank Past Potentate Steve Schenk for joining the festivities and the presentation of the certificate of congratulations from the Medinah Shrine. I was also glad to see that so many of the attendees were able to attend the reception after the ceremony at La Sorella di Francesca after the ceremony. I think they did a great job, and I hope no one left hungry!

As I take my station in the East, we enter one of the busiest times of the year. We start the holiday season, with our traditional Salvation Army bell ringing, on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at our usual posts in front of Casey's Foods and Trader Joes located in Naperville Plaza at Washington and Gartner. I hope to see many of you there, whether you signed up to ring the bell (or not)! Last year we collected \$966.91. Let's see if we can collect even more this year and break \$1000. Next up is the annual holiday celebration at the Lodge, which features magic by our favorite magician Steve Chezaday, and perhaps a visit from Santa. Get your reservation into Brother Senior Warden as soon as possible.

On a more somber note, later in the month, we will be distributing Poinsettia plants to the widows of deceased members to let them know that they and their spouse still hold a special place in our hearts.



The end of December also brings the celebration of Saint John the Evangelist. St. John the Evangelist, with St. John the Baptist, is considered a patron saint by the fraternal society of Free and Accepted Masons. December 27th is Saint John the Evangelist day, which is the 2nd feast day in the year to celebrate the Holy Saints John. The placement of the holiday also marks the winter solstice, which is directly opposite Saint John the Baptist's day at the summer solstice in June making a notable completion in the cycle of the solar year. The actual dates are slightly off, but you get the symbolism. That is all I have from the East - Best wishes to everyone during the holiday season, and may the next year bring everyone health and happiness.



Joseph A. Ingrassia  
Worshipful Master

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## From The Secretaries Table

### DUES

2017 Dues notices will be arriving in your mailboxes soon. The annual dues remain the same as last year, \$92.00. Life Memberships will also remain the same as last year, \$1,380.00.

### SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

December 3, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. we will be ringing the bells for the Salvation Army. We will be at our regular location, Trader Joe's and Casey's Foods in the Naper Plaza.

Bro. Mark Hopf is looking for a few more volunteers to fill the last 2 hour time slots.

### ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

Our Annual Holiday party will be held on Saturday, December 10, 12:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. Chezaday the Magician will be the featured entertainment and Santa Claus will of course be making a visit and delivering gifts to the children in attendance. Light refreshments will be served during the event. Please fill out and send in your RSVP form found on page 6 to ensure that your child/grandchild will receive a gift from Santa.

### Birthdays

The following members celebrate their birthday on the day indicated.

Chad M. Gibbons	Dec 6
Roy S. Pedersen	Dec 11
John A. Cressman	Dec 12
Elden P. Laffoon Jr.	Dec 13
Kenneth R. Koranda	Dec 14
Mason C. Wright Jr.	Dec 14
Michael A. Sanchez	Dec 15
Frank J. Cabrera II	Dec 17

## Timothy J. Dry Secretary

Kevin E. Bennet	Dec 22
Jason J. Jeffers	Dec 22
Albin R. Anderson Jr.	Dec 23
Don J. Cowart	Dec 26
Adam B. Carlson	Dec 28
Alexander W. Mitchell	Dec 29
Floyd H. Sullens	Dec 29
John F. Prescott	Dec 31

### Master Mason Anniversary

The following members observe the anniversary of their Master Mason Degree on the date indicated. The number in the ( ) is the number of years.

Thomas W. Welsh	Dec 9 (10)
Leo B. Wilcher	Dec 9 (10)
Steven J. Venditti	Dec 9 (10)
Michael D. Wells	Dec 9 (10)
Mark C. Mortimer	Dec 9 (10)
Kyle K. Baker	Dec 9 (10)
Mason C. Wright Jr.	Dec 9 (10)
Brandon A. Zears	Dec 15 (7)
Patrick L. Temesvary	Dec 15 (7)
Alexander W. Mitchell	Dec 18 (32)
Frederick E. Huntington	Dec 21 (68)

So Brethren, until next month, "There is nothing on the Secretary's table Worshipful".



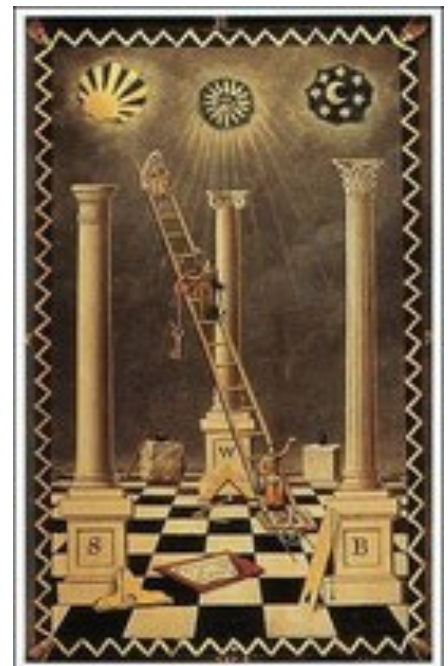
### MASONIC QUOTE

Freemasonry says that a life cannot be soundly built without faith.

One noted writer has said that without faith we begin at no beginning and we end at no end in life.

Faith means belief in an intelligence that has thought out the universe to the last minutest detail, so that nothing is left to chance; it means belief in a purpose for the universe that cannot fail of realization; it is belief in an ethical and spiritual finality that is at once the standard and the goal of life.

**Dr. Thomas S. Roy**



# December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 November	28	29	30	1 DECEMBER	2	3 SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING
4	5 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	6 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting	7	8	9	10 ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY
11	12 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	13 Euclid Chapter No. 13 Adoniram Coun. No. 95	14	15	16	17
18	19 Lodge Officer Ritual Practice	20 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting	21	22	23	24 HANUKKAH BEGINS
25 CHRISTMAS	26	27	28	29	30	31 NEW YEARS EVE

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Dec 3** Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Trader Joe's and Casey's Foods in the Naper Plaza Shopping Center, Washington and Gartner, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Dec 5** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Dec 6** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec 10** Annual Holiday Party 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Lodge
- **Dec 12** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Dec 13** Euclid Chapter No. 13 & Adoniram Council No. 95 Stated Meetings 7:30 p.m.
- **Dec 19** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Dec 20** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting 7:30 p.m. if there are candidates.
- **Dec 24** Hanukkah Begins
- **Dec 25** Christmas Day
- **Jan 1** New Years Day and Hanukkah Ends
- **Jan 2** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Jan 3** Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 9** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Jan 10** Euclid Chapter No. 13 & Adoniram Council No. 95 Stated Meetings 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 16** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Jan 17** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting 7:30 p.m. if there are candidates.
- **Jan 23** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.
- **Jan 24** Naperville Masonic Temple Association Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 30** Lodge Officer Ritual Practice 7:00 p.m.

*Merry  
Christmas*



## Committees

### Membership/Retention

Joseph Ingraffia Chairman

### Communications

Timothy Dry Chairman

### Finance

Brandon A. Zears Chairman

### Entertainment

John Will Chairman

### IL-CHIP

Steven J. Rosensweig Chairman

### Academic/Scholastic Bowl

George Murray Chairman

### Education

Don Cowart Chairman

### Equipment & Regalia

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### Library

Brandon Zears Chairman

### Table Lodge

Michael D. Ault Chairman

### Sickness/Distress

Joseph A. Ingraffia Chairman

### Community & Lodge Builder Award

John Will Chairman

### Community Days

Paul Felstrup Chairman

### Award of Excellence

Paul Felstrup Chairman

### Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Scott D. Schmieid Chairman

### Blood Drive

Monty Jackson Chairman

### Bylaws

Don J. Cowart Chairman

## SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Bro. James Patton recently suffered a blood clot and needed to be hospitalized. He is out of the hospital now and seems to be doing well.

## ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The annual meeting and election of officers was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2016. The Worshipful Master, Treasurer and Secretary gave their annual reports and the election of officers was then held.

The following officers were elected: Joseph A. Ingraffia, Master; Ross J. Decent, Senior Warden; Mark R. Hopf, Junior Warden; Brandon A. Zears, Treasurer; Timothy J. Dry, Secretary; George C. Murray, Senior Deacon; Jason J. Jeffers, Junior Deacon. WM elect Joseph A. Ingraffia then appointed the following: Walter Hemphill Jr., Chaplain; Paul A. Felstrup, Senior Steward; Bryan M. Newson, Junior Steward; Monty C. Jackson, Marshal; Gerald E. Yingling, Tyler; David S. Moore, Organist/Musician.

Annual dues, fees and honorariums were then set as follows:

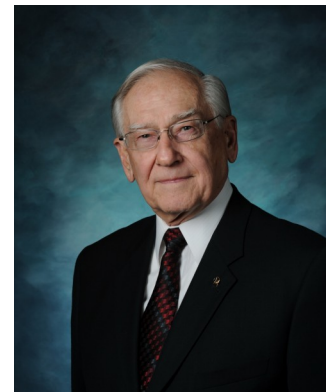
Dues: \$92.00. Fees for petition for degrees: \$255.00. Fee for affiliation: \$25.00.

Masters Gift: \$350.00. Treasurer's Honorarium: \$1,000.00. Secretary's Honorarium: \$1,700.00. Tyler's Honorarium: \$200.00. Lodge Instructor's Honorarium: \$750.00.

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## Past Master Highlight Carl Frederick Crownhart 2013

**CROWNHART, Carl Frederick** was born July 26, 1933 in Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York, the son of Frederick Wood Crownhart and Miriam Florence Shaver. Carl graduated in 1961 from Clarkson College and received a BA in Mechanical Engineering. He married his bride, Janette Atwood Ward, in 1958 in the First Presbyterian Church in Ogdensburg New York. Carl proudly served his country in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War where he was stationed at Thule Air Base, Greenland. He had a long successful career as a mechanical engineer. His work in the aeronautics industry was instrumental as he was on the design team that developed the Lunar Excursion Module for the first Apollo Mission in 1969. Carl was considered a specialist in the application of electrical codes and standards. He sat on several committees for NEMA, where he helped set the national and international electrical equipment standards. He was raised a Master Mason June 1, 1977 in Callimachus Lodge No. 369, Phoenix, New York and affiliated with Euclid Lodge July 18, 2002. He served as Master of the Lodge in 2013. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason December 8, 2009 in Euclid Chapter No. 13 and was also a member of Adoniram Council No. 95 Cryptic Masons and the Naperville Masonic Temple Association. He died July 3, 2015 and was buried in the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, Illinois.



## NEW OFFICERS OF EUCLID LODGE NO. 65 A.F. & A.M.



**WM:** Joseph A. Ingraffia  
**SW:** Ross J. Decent  
**JW:** Mark R. Hopf  
**TR:** Brandon A. Zears  
**SEC:** Timothy J. Dry  
**CH:** Walter Hemphill Jr  
**SD:** George C. Murray  
**JD:** Jason J. Jeffers  
**SS:** Paul A. Felstrup  
**JS:** Bryan M. Newson  
**MA:** Monty C. Jackson  
**TY:** Gerald E. Yingling  
**OR:** David S. Moore

The Annual Installation of Officers of Euclid Lodge No. 65, A.F. & A.M. was held on Saturday, November 12, 2106, 3:00 p.m. at the Lodge Hall. Installing Officers were: Neville Diamond, Sec.; Don Cowart, Marshal; Floyd Sullens, Master; Vaneet Kapoor, Senior Deacon; Steven Rosensweig, Chaplain. A reception was held following the installation at La Sorella di Francesca where the guests enjoyed hors d'oeuvres and liquid refreshments..



**Medinah Shrine Past Potentate Steven Schenk presenting certificate of congratulations to Incoming Master Joseph Ingraffia.**



## ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY



### **EUCLID LODGE No. 65**

## **ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY**

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10 2016**

**Time: 12:30PM to 3:30 PM**

**Place: Naperville Masonic Temple  
34 West Jefferson Ave.  
Naperville, Illinois 60540**

Our Annual Holiday Party is open to all members and their families. Join us in celebrating the 2016 holidays. A Magician will provide entertainment for both children and adults starting at 2:00PM and Santa will make an appearance right after the magic show.

Please indicate below the first and last names, age and gender of your child or children so we can ensure that each child will receive an appropriate gift from Santa. Gifts will be provided for children through age 12.

**RSVPs are due no later than December 1 2016**

Name (First and Last)

Age Gender

Please return this form to Euclid Lodge or Ross Decent  
For Questions: [Rossdecent@gmail.com](mailto:Rossdecent@gmail.com) or call 630-770-0853



We will be ringing the bells again this year.  
When: Saturday, December 3, 2016, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Where: In front of Casey's Foods and Trader Joe's in the Naper Plaza Shopping Center, Washington Street and Gartner Road.  
Two hour shifts run from 9 to 11, 11 to 1, 1 to 3 and 3 to 5. We are still in need of a few more volunteers to cover all of the donation times  
Contact Brother Mark Hopf to sign up.  
[Prismark@yahoo.com](mailto:Prismark@yahoo.com)

**COME OUT AND RING THE BELL!!**



Euclid Lodge No. 65 A.F. & A.M.  
34 West Jefferson Avenue  
Naperville, Illinois 60540  
630-355-0280  
1st and 3rd Tuesday

We are on the Web!  
[www.napervillemasonic.org](http://www.napervillemasonic.org)



**Euclid Lodge No. 65 A.F. & A.M.**

The Oldest Lodge In DuPage County Founded September 28, 1848 Chartered October 2, 1849

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## BROTHERHOOD

The crest and crowning of all good,  
Life's final star, is Brotherhood;  
For it will bring again to earth  
Her long-lost Poesy and Mirth;  
Will send new light on every face,  
A kingly power upon the race,  
And till it comes, we men are slaves,  
And travel downward to the dust of  
graves.

Come, clear the way, then, clear the way;  
Blind creeds and kings have had their day.  
Break the dead branches from the path;  
Our hope is in the aftermath -  
Our hope is in heroic men,  
Star-led to build the world again.  
To this event the ages ran;  
Make way for Brotherhood - make way for  
Man!

Edwin Markham