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From The East—Michael D. Ault



Brethren –

I write this on St John the Evangelist Day, watching the snow gently fall through the Michigan evergreens, the only sound the crackling blaze of a warm fire on the hearth.

The excitement of our Lodge Christmas Party and the kindheartedness of bell ringing for the Salvation Army and delivering Poinsettias to our departed Brothers' widows have brought the holiday spirit to us all, thanks to Brother Diamond, his wife Nan and so many other Brothers and their wives who have given generously of their time and talents over this holiday season.

Stated Meeting is the first Tuesday of the month.

Special Meeting is the third Tuesday of the month.

And now the holiday shop-

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From The Secretaries Table—Thomas C. Behr P.M. Sec.

EUCLID DUES: The 2010 dues notices were mailed on November 21, 2009. I have received 71 payments as of December 31, 2009. This also means that there are about 60 members out there who have not responded yet. That works out to about 50% completion. Now, having listened to Lovie Smith, Coach of the Chicago Bears explaining their less than stellar performance for the last three years, I suppose I should be happy with 50% That is why Secretaries are usually called “the eternal optimist” as we wait and wait for the dues checks to come rolling in. Many thanks to those 71 brethren for their prompt action.

One disheartening note is, I have also received four envelopes returned by the Post Office as undeliverable marked “Moved No Forwarding Address” Please, if you are going to or have recently moved make sure you notify the lodge of your correct address. This causes additional work for the Ole Secretary try-

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Past Master Highlight **Alvin “Bay” Scott Jr. 1882, 1893, 1899, 1903, 1904, 1911**

Alvin Scott Jr. was born January 20, 1864, in Naperville, the son of Alvin Scott Sr. and Marietta Emeline Gould. He married Elizabeth Shaw Willson on January 17, 1888. They had one son, Robert Willard who died at the age of eighteen years in 1907. He was a Great Grand son of Stephen J. Scott who was one of the first settlers of DuPage County.

He attended the public schools of Naperville and North Western College.

In March, 1881, he entered the employ of Willard Scott & Co. Bankers (established in 1854) as a lad of seventeen and continued there until this

business was sold to the First National Bank of Naperville in 1907.

Starting in 1907, he headed an insurance and real estate business in the premises formerly occupied by the bank until his death.

He served as Naperville City Treasurer in 1890 and as Mayor from 1903 to 1907. During his term as mayor, waterworks were installed which led to a sewerage system, and then the streets were paved.

In 1893 he was appointed as the Naperville Postmaster.

He also served as Supervisor of Lisle Township.

He was Raised a Master Mason July 30, 1889.

He also served Euclid Lodge as Senior Warden in 1890 and 1891, Junior Warden in 1902, Senior Deacon in 1897, Senior Steward in 1905 and 1906, and as Treasurer 1908 to 1910.

He served as High Priest of Euclid Chapter No. 13, R.A.M. in 1898, and also as the Secretary and Treasurer for several years.

Brother Scott died March 9, 1926 in Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois and was buried in the Naperville Cemetery.



ALVIN SCOTT, JR.

Naperville City Treasurer 1890

Naperville Postmaster 1893

Naperville Mayor 1903-1907

From The East continued

ping, decorating, wrapping of presents, holiday parties and all of the other hustle and bustle of the holiday season is in the past for another year and the quiet of the day finally provides time to reflect on the challenges and blessings of the past year and the year to come.

The world we live in seems to grow increasingly complex each year. And with that complexity comes many daunting challenges we must face and our children will also likely face in the years to come.

And yet, once each year about this time, we all pause and remember those things that are wonderful in this world and the many blessings and freedoms we share living on this beautiful planet and in this glorious country.

I truly believe that being a Mason is one of those blessings we have the honor of sharing, for there are so many virtues we associate with this holiday season that are exemplified in Freemasonry and those true Masonic ornaments – brotherly love, relief and

truth.

Where else can you find good men of all faiths gathered together in the presence of God in friendship, morality and brotherly love? Our tenets are, to me, a shining beacon that we can offer the rest of the world – be it through the benevolent relief we provide those in need or through the tolerance, patience and equality we practice in Lodge and in our daily lives as Free and Accepted Masons.

So it is with this in mind that my thoughts turn to the future with confidence to wish you all a very happy, successful and blessed New Year! I look forward with pleasure to another year of brotherhood with each and every one of you, my brethren of Euclid Lodge No. 65 AF. & A.M.

Faternally,

Michael D. Ault

Worshipful Master

January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 December	28	29	30	31 New Years Eve	1 January New Years Day Brunch at Cowarts	2
3	4 Euclid 65 Practice	5 Euclid Lodge No. 65 7:30 p.m.	6	7	8	9
10	11 Euclid 65 Practice	12 Euclid Chapter No. 13 7:30 p.m.	13	14 Historical Presenta- tion at Fox Valley Genealogical Society	15	16 6 3rd Degrees 8:00 a.m.
17 District Breakfast Hi-View Rest. Villa Park	18 Euclid 65 Practice	19 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Dinner 6:30 p.m. 1st Degrees	20	21	22	23
24	25 Euclid 65 Practice	26 Temple Board 7:30 p.m.	27 Intender Program School	28	29	30
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Schedule of Events

- **Jan 1** Holiday Party at Don Cowarts Home Bring a dish/ dessert to pass 1:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- **Jan 4** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Jan 5** Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 11** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Jan 12** Euclid Chapter 13 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 14** Euclid Lodge Historical Lecture at FVGS meeting. 7:30 p.m. at Naperville City Hall
- **Jan 16** Special Meeting 8:00 a.m. 6 3rd Degrees to be conferred
- **Jan 17** District Breakfast Hi-View Rest. Villa Park 7:00 a.m.
- **Jan 18** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Jan 19** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting 1st Degree Conferrals
- **Jan 25** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Jan 26** Temple Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan 27** Intender Training at the Lodge 7:30 p.m.
- **Feb 1** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Feb 2** Lodge Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **Feb 6** Grand Lodge Officers School 9:00 a.m. Euclid Lodge
- **Feb 8** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Feb 9** Euclid Chapter 13 Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. Official Visit of DDGHP
- **Feb 15** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Feb 16** Euclid Lodge Special Meeting 2nd Degree Conferrals
- **Feb 20** Academic Bowl Sectional Tournament
- **Feb 21** District Breakfast Hi-View Rest. Villa Park 7:00 a.m. G.L. Officer Visit
- **Feb 22** Lodge Officer Practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- **Feb 23** Temple Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Committees

New Member

Bill Ackerman Chairman
Vaneet Kapoor Asst. Chairman
Carl Crownhart, Jim Simpson III

Member Participation

Dainon Setzer Chairman

More Light In Masonry

Don Cowart Chairman

Entertainment

John Will Chairman
Michael Malloy Co-chairman

Communications

Timothy Ory Chairman

Historical

Timothy Ory Chairman

Finance \$\$\$\$

Michael Ault Chairman, Neville Diamond, Tim Ory, Jerry Yingling, Andrew Siedelmann

Award of Excellence

Andrew Siedelmann Chairman

Community Days

Gerald Yingling Chairman

IL-CHIP

Mark Hopf Chairman

Community & Lodge Builder Award

John Will, Chairman

Academic Bowl

Steven Rosensweig Chairman

Past Masters Dinner

Don Cowart Chairman

Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Jack Gelston Chairman

Rockin For The Troops

Steven Rosensweig Chairman

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

The Brethren enthusiastically participated in the annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing this year that was held on December 5th. The Salvation Army made a last minute change of location and the Brothers assisted in the collection of money in front of Casey's Foods and Trader Joe's in the Naper Plaza shopping center at Washington and Gartner in Naperville.



Don Cowart, Steve Rosensweig (Which one is Elvis?)



Bill Dixon, Buzz Linde



Kirk Madison, Kevin Cassidy



Vaneet Kapoor, Frank Fryer



Carson Theis, Neville Diamond, Tim Ory



Scott Schmied, Guy Hamilton, Dainon Setzer



Gary & Carson Theis, Jerry Yingling



Adam Zears, John Aemmer



www.salvationarmyusa.org/

From The Secretaries Table Continued

ing to find your new address and cost the lodge additional postage in redirecting the mailing.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing, & Lodge Christmas Party are subjects that I could write about but it is not nice to steal the thunder from the Worshipful Master and besides, remember I am only to observe the will and pleasure of the Worshipful Master. See his column in this issue for details of the above events.

Degree Work The Lodge will be conducting numerous 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degrees in the next two months. Details are on the Calendar and Schedule of Events.

The following members will celebrate a birthday this month on the day indicated

Mark H. Schmidt Jan 01

Richard W. Sale Jan 01

Sherwood H. Sadler Jan 05

James W. Patton Jan 06

Kevin E. Dunn Jan 06

Barton K. Robertson Jan 08

Clifford Van Poucke Jan 14

Scott D. Schmied Jan 14

Thomas G. Conklin Jan 15

Gustavo L. Fernandes Jan 18

James G. Simpson III Jan 20

William T. Fetner Jan 20

James S. Sleith Jan 25

Aaron S. Merkin Jan 26

Kevin R. Shanahan Jan 27

Ronald R. Rudniski Jan 31

Leon H. Namtzu Jan 31

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

David W. Little Jan 03 (60)

John A. Schoch, Jr. Jan 06 (23)

Charles E. Macyunas Jan 18 (27)

Patrick J. Rauhen II Jan 20 (01)

Shawn P. Finnegan Jan 20 (01)

James G. Simpson Jr. Jan 21 (18)

Alan R. Spies Jan 21 (18)

Ronald J. Bynum Jan 21 (26)

John H. Gelston Jan 23 (11)

Kyle P. O'Mara Jan 25 (13)

Joe L. Cherry, Jr. Jan 26 (12)

Patrick G. Lehrman Jan 29 (31)

The good news is that we have no Obituary Notices to include in this issue.

Stay healthy throughout The New Year and may all find 2010 the Best Ever.

So brethren until next month, "There is nothing on the Secretaries table, Worshipful"



The School of Alexandria

When Alexander the Great built the city of Alexandria in Egypt which he planned to make the seat of his world-empire, he established a school of philosophy which became, most probably, the greatest Institution of its kind of world history.

There was the commingling of the greatest philosophers and religionists of Orientalism, of Jews, Egyptians, Arabians, and Greeks.

There was a heterogeneous mixture of the opinions, philosophies, and religions of Egyptian priests, Jewish Rabbis, Arabic teachers, and of the disciples of Plato and Pythagoras.

Both Aristobulus and Philo, most noted philosophers of this school with nearly a century separating their services, maintained that the sacred writings of the Hebrews were, by their system of allegories, the true source of all religious and philosophic doctrine, impregnated with esoteric or hidden meaning.

From the Alexandria School of Philosophy Freemasonry has drawn many of its sublimest allegorical, symbolic, and ritualistic forms of Instruction.

From the Holy Bible, Masonic Master Reference Edition

Euclid Chapter No. 13 Royal Arch Masons



Constituted by Dispensation January 29, 1851

Chartered by The Grand Chapter of Illinois

October 3, 1851

2009–2010 Officers

Timothy Ory	Excellent High Priest
Kevin Cassidy	King
Neville Diamond	Scribe
Andrew Siedelmann	Treasurer
John Buckler	Secretary
Walter Qualkenbush	Chaplain
Jack Chasteen	Captain of the Host
William Ackerman	Principal Sojourner
Dainon Setzer	Royal Arch Captain
John Gelston	Master 3rd Veil
Steven Rosensweig	Master 2nd Veil
William Dixon	Master 1st Veil
Thomas Behr	Sentinel

Companions,

2009 was a very good year for the Chapter. Four of our Brethren from Euclid Lodge were made Royal Arch Masons in December last year. 2010 is already looking like it will be just as successful in bringing new members into our Chapter. We have two new petitions so far and I expect to see several more come across the Secretaries desk in the near future. This means that we will have more degree work to perform and a chance to improve on our conferral of the degrees.

The District Deputy Grand High Priest has scheduled the February meeting, the 9th, for his official visit. I would like to hold a practice for the reception of him following the stated meeting in January, on the 12th. The practice should not take more than about 30 minutes. I would ask that all officers please try to attend both of these meetings if at all possible so that we can properly receive the DDGHP.

By the time you read this article, I should have the new plaque commemorating Companion Stockner's service to the Chapter as Secretary ready to be installed on the Keystone. The origi-

nal plaque was too large to fit on the stone and could not be cut to fit properly and still save the engraving.

It is with mixed emotions that I must announce that our Secretary, Companion John Buckler, has received and accepted a job offer in Iowa. I am glad for him and his family that he has found employment to his liking and benefit but also saddened that we must start looking for a new Secretary for the Chapter. John has done a great job for the Chapter and has graciously offered to continue to perform the Secretaries duties with the exception of the Meeting minutes until our next Installation. In the mean time Companion Siedelmann will take the minutes of the meetings and forward them to Companion Buckler. If you are interested in this very demanding but rewarding position, please contact me or see me at the meeting.

Companion Siedelmann has completed and installed the photos for Brothers Stockner, Patton, and Churma in their commemorative plaques honoring them for their receiving the 33rd Degree in the Scottish Rite. He still has Brother Carnall's photo to work on. The templates for the Past High Priests pictures are complete and await the construction of the frames to hold them. Hopefully these pictures and frames will be complete within the next few months. We are also trying to find photos of all of the Past Masters of Arboretum Lodge so that we can honor them also.

We will not be holding any degrees the month of January so there will not be a sit down dinner prior to the meeting. Light refreshments will however be available prior to and after the meeting.

Happy New Year!

Fraternally,

Timothy J. Ory

Excellent High Priest

Masonic Etiquette

19. ALL PRAYERS AT LODGE FUNCTIONS ARE NON-SECTARIAN:

Freemasonry is worldwide and holds no sectarian views. Non-sectarian means not sectioned into one, specific religion. Freemasonry embraces all religions. A Mason may choose the religion of his choice in his private life but should be aware and open to the fact that others among the brethren do not necessarily share nor were they brought up with the religious dogmas and beliefs that you, personally, embrace.

Why? Prayers at lodge functions should be scrupulously in keeping with Masonic teachings. The Masonic Etiquette of offered prayers is that they should never be an expression of specific sectarian views or dogmatic creeds. It is a matter of courtesy that all prayers, speeches and discussions at Masonic affairs avoid sectarian, controversial or political tones.

Prayers are best directed to the Creator, the Master Architect of the Universe and not toward specific religious teachings such as Jesus Christ, Mother Mary, Muhammad, Jehovah, Allah etc. To do so omits the religions of others within the brethren, which can cause conflict and therefore not be harmonious to the whole.

In the spirit of non-sectarianism, we must remember that since the day that our Creator found that Man created the Tower of Babel to glorify themselves; it is HE who changed man's language into the many diverse languages now spoken on Earth. In so doing, our Creator has many names across the world.

20. TURN CELL PHONES OFF:

All cell phones should be turned off before entering the lodge room so as not to disrupt the proceedings.

Masonic Etiquette Summary: Masonic etiquette is simply the rules of good manners which make lodge meetings pleasant for everyone.

The position of Worshipful Master in the East occupies the most exalted position within the lodge.

A lodge which does not honor its Master, no matter how they personally feel about the man, himself, lacks Masonic courtesy. The honor conveyed by the brethren in electing him, ...in other words, the historical traditions and the men who have gone before you must be given the utmost respect, if the traditions of the Fraternity are to be observed and proper Masonic etiquette is to be maintained.

Masonic etiquette comprises lodge courtesies and proprieties. Good manners imply observance of the formal requirements governing man's behavior in polite society and a sense of what is appropriate for a person of good breeding with high morals and good taste.

The spirit of brotherly love and affection, by which we are bound together, will be exemplified in our conduct, our carriage and our behavior at all times.

It is my hope that you will use your trowel to cement the stones of brotherly love for the "More Noble and Glorious Purpose" of exhibiting these rules of Masonic Etiquette toward one and all within the brethren.

To read this article in its entirety and other Masonic Educational Information go to:

The Masonic Lodge of Education

<http://www.masonic-lodge-of-education.com/>

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Stated Meetings First Tuesday 7:30 P.M.
Special Meetings Third Tuesday 7:30 P.M.

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Napervillemasonic.org

Grand Lodge www.ILMASON.ORG

Grand Chapter www.RAM-IL.ORG

2009 Christmas Party at the Lodge

The Christmas Party was a great success again this year thanks to the efforts of Brother Diamond, his wife Nan, and all of the other volunteers. Besides Santa Claus handing out gifts to the children, the other activities included bingo, Christmas decorating crafts and Christmas cookie decorating. The Lodge also hosted five children from the Masonic Children's Home in Lagrange. It was a great turnout and a great time for everyone.

