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



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From The East - Timothy Ory - Worshipful Master

We returned to Lodge September 4th and we had a great dinner supplied by the Nike Corporation. There was plenty to eat and in fact we had enough left over to feed the Royal Arch Masons of Euclid Chapter No. 13 and Adoniram Council No. 95 the following Tuesday. It was good to get together again after the summer break and see how everyone spent their summer. Brother David Moore gave an excellent presentation on Brother Harry S. Truman under Masonic Education.

The following day I received the sad news that a Brother had passed away. It was reported at the meeting that Bro. Wayne Ward had suffered from a massive stroke and was in hospice care at home. He passed away in the early morning hours on September 5. His funeral was held on Friday, September 7 and about a dozen Brothers were able to come out and participate in the Masonic Funeral ritual. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers. His Masonic obituary is on page 2.

The officers are back in practice mode again. We meet almost every Monday evening up in the Lodge. Someone is usually there by 6:30 p.m., practice starts at 7:30 p.m. and generally is done by 8:30 p.m. Temperance practice follows immediately afterwards at Jimmy's.

All Master Masons are invited to attend. This is also an opportunity for Intenders to bring their candidates up to the Lodge and help them with their training, get acquainted with other members of the Lodge and familiarize themselves with the Lodge.

On September 18th, we held our special meeting and initiated a new Brother. We had a good turnout and the officers did a great job performing the ritual for our new Brother.

The stated meeting in October is October 2nd. This is our customary step-up night. The incoming officers for the ensuing Masonic year will sit in the chairs that they are to be installed in at the annual installation and open and close Lodge on the 1st degree. I am sure that they will do a commendable job.

Hopefully we will have candidates ready for their Fellowcraft degree to be conferred at our special meeting on October 16th. If not, we do have a 5th Tuesday, October 30th, open this month for degree work.

Brother Senior Warden Carl Crownhart and Brother Junior Warden Vaneet Kapoor will accompany me to Springfield on October 4th to attend the 173rd Annual Communication of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois.
Election and Installation of Grand Lodge Officers will take place. Proposed amendments to the Grand Lodge Constitution and Bylaws will be presented and voted upon. There are not quite as many proposed amendments this year compared to previous years.

Individual Lodges are recognized for their accomplishments during the preceding year. Euclid Lodge should be receiving the Grand Masters Award of Excellence once again for all of the activities we have been involved in during the preceding year. A big thank you goes out to all of you who have made this possible and especially to Brother Felstrup for compiling and presenting all of the data.

Wardens Leadership training will be provided for all Wardens as well as any other Master Masons who wish to attend.

The Grand Secretary will be holding a training session for the new MORI system, (Masonic Online Registry Interface) with emphasis on creating dues notices for next years dues payments. I hope to be able to pick up some much needed information for use in the coming years. Hope to see you in Lodge soon. Fraternally,

Tim Ory



Timothy Ory Worshipful Master

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From The Secretaries Table

October Activities: The month of October is full of important Masonic dates. Starting, of course, with Grand Lodge in Springfield on October 5th & 6th . Plan on attending lodge to learn what action was taken at Grand Lodge that will affect Euclid Lodge in the coming year. October also kicks off the various Grand Lecturers Schools and lodge officer schools that are held all around the state. Most of the lodges in the area have decree work planned for almost every meeting and all can use help and more importantly they need side liners for every degree. Don't forget our Past Masters' Dinner to be held at Courtyard Banquets located in Warrenville, on Wednesday October 17, 2011. Contact WBro. Cowart at 630-416-6129 for reservations and additional information. These are just a few that come to mind without doing much thinking, so see how many more you can come up with.

The following members will celebrate a birthday in October on the day indicated

Thomas W. Welsh	Oct	04
Martin W. Schuele	Oct	04
Randolph J. Taylor	Oct	09
Jonathan S. Wells	Oct	09
Christopher J. Lance	Oct	13
Robert C. Liska	Oct	14
Alexander C. Micchelli	Oct	19
Scott D. Anderson	Oct	20
Alexander C. Tabb	Oct	21
Daniel P. Svoboda	Oct	23
Kevin M. Cassidy	Oct	27
Robert L. Hudlow	Oct	28
James G. Simpson Jr.	Oct	31
Timothy J. Ory	Oct	31

Anniversary of The Master Mason Degree The following members will observe the anniversary of their Master Mason De-

Thomas C. Behr Secretary

gree on the date indicated. The number in () is the number of years

Paul S. Perkins	Oct	01 (43)
Harry K. Radel	Oct	01 (18)
John W. Sims	Oct	02 (19)
Douglass E. Seifried	Oct	14 (45)
Gennaro Barbato	Oct	16 (19)
Steven P. Ross	Oct	16 (05)
William A. Ackerman	Oct	18 (07)
Michael T. Anderson	Oct	19 (2)
David A. Johnson	Oct	23 (38)
Timothy T. Scarbrough	Oct	25 (09)
Glenn C. Williams	Oct	26 (12)
Sherwood H. Sadler	Oct	26 (41)
Luzern A. Richter	Oct	26 (52)
Thomas G. Conklin	Oct	28 (57)
Clifford Van Poucke	Oct	29 (55)
Thomas J. Moylan III	Oct	30 (08)
Elden P. Laffoon	Oct	30 (08)
Scott D. Anderson	Oct	30 (05)

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



Thomas Behr Secretary

IN MEMORIAM



September 7, 2012

Wayne Edgar Ward

Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs laid down on life's Trestleboard, and having answered the last summons of the Grand Warden of Heaven, has now entered the Celestial Lodge above, over which the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides.

Brother Wayne Edgar Ward was born September 25, 1938 at Covington, Kentucky. He was initiated as an Entered Apprentice February 24, 1965.

Passed to the degree of Fellowcraft April 14, 1965.

And Raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason May 12, 1965 in Army & Navy Lodge No. 306, Hampton, Virginia.

He affiliated with Plainfield Lodge No. 536 January 7, 1998.

He affiliated with Euclid Lodge No. 65 May 20, 20 Π 3.

He served Euclid Lodge as Junior Steward in 2004 and as Senior Steward in 2005. He was called from his labors on earth to eternal refreshment in the Paradise of God September 5, 2012 at Bolingbrook, Illinois. Thus ends the Masonic record of this just and upright Mason.

October 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 September	1 October Lodge Officer Practice	2 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Stated Meeting	3	4	5	6 Loaves and Fishes
7	8 Lodge Officer Practice	9 Euclid Chapter No. 13 & Adoniram Council No. 95 Stated Meeting	10	11	12	13
14	15 Lodge Officer Practice	16 Euclid Lodge No. 65 Special Meeting 2nd Degree Conferral	17 Annual Past Masters Dinner Courtyard Banquets	18	19	20
21	22 Lodge Officer Practice	23 Naperville Masonic Temple Association Board Meeting	24	25	26	27
28	29 Lodge Officer Practice	30	31	1 November	2	3 Loaves and Fishes

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Oct 1 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- Oct 2 Euclid Lodge stated meeting. Officer Step Up Night 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 6 Loaves and Fishes volunteering
 7:30 to 10:30 and 9:30 to 12:30
- Oct 8 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- Oct 9 Euclid Chapter meeting 7:30 p.m.
 Adoniram Council meeting 8:45 p.m.
- Oct 15 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- Oct 16 Euclid Lodge special meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Conferral of the 2nd degree at 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 17 Annual Past Masters Dinner Courtyard Banquets in Warrenville See Flyer on page 7 for details.
- Oct 22 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome

- Oct 23 Naperville Masonic Temple Association meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 29 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- Nov 3 Loaves and Fishes volunteering 7:30 to 10:30 and 9:30 to 12:30
- Nov 5 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- Nov 6 Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting and Annual Meeting—Election of Officers
- Nov 12 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- Nov 13 Euclid Chapter meeting 7:30 p.m.
 Adoniram Council meeting 8:45 p.m.
- Nov 17 Annual Installation of Officers
 2:00 p.m. Reception to follow in the Dining Room of the Lodge
- Nov 19 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

- Nov 20 Euclid Lodge special meeting Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Conferral of the 3rd degree at 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 26 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- Nov 27 Naperville Masonic Temple Association meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Dec 1 Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- **Dec 1** Loaves and Fishes volunteering 7:30 to 10:30 and 9:30 to 12:30
- Dec 3 Lodge officer ritual practice 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. All Master Masons Welcome
- Dec 4 Euclid Lodge Stated Meeting 7:3D p.m.
- Dec 8 Children's Christmas Party

Committees

Membership

Michael Ault Chairman

Communications

Timothy Ory Chairman

Finance

Timothy Ory Chairman

Entertainment

John Will Chairman

IL-CHIP

Mark Hopf Chairman

Academic/Scholastic Bowl

Steven Rosensweig Chairman

Education

Don Cowart Chairman

Equipment & Regalia

Brandon Zears Chairman

Library

James Simpson Jr. Chairman

Table Lodge

Neville Diamond Chairman

Sickness/Distress

Carl Crownhart Chairman

Community & Lodge Builder Award

John Will Chairman

Community Days

Paul Felstrup Chairman

Award of Excellence

Paul Felstrup Chairman

Naper Boulevard Cleanup

Jack Gelston Chairman

Blood Drive

Guy Hamilton Chairman

Bylaws

Carl Crownhart

Sickness and Distress

Brother Bruce Derylo is having trouble with low vision and is unable to drive.

Brother Shawn Finnegan is nursing herniated discs in his back and may require surgery.

Past Masters Dinner

Our Annual Past Masters Dinner will be held on Wednesday, October 17 at the Courtyards Banquets, 3S200 Route 59, Warrenville, IL It is approximately 1 and a half miles north of 188 on the west side of the street. There will be a Cash bar at 6:00 p.m. Buffet Octoberfest menu dinner at 7:00 p.m. 25 dollars per person. All Past Masters of Euclid Lodge and Arboretum Lodge and Widows of PM's eat free. RWBro. Herb Lindberg, 10NE District Deputy will be our quest speaker.

See Flyer on page 7 for further details

Euclid Lodge Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 8, at the Lodge.

2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Magician at 2:30, Santa at 3:30.

Limited to children and grandchildren of members of the Lodge and no older than 12 years in age. Please contact Bro. Vinnie Kapoor no later than November 10th with your child's information to insure that Santa will have an appropriate gift for your child.

vakap@yahoo.com or 630-453-7518

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

We will be helping the Salvation Army again this year ringing the bells.

Casey's Foods and Trader Joe's in the Naper Plaza shopping center, Washington Street and Gartner Road.

Saturday, December 1st.

Contact Bro. Vinnie Kapoor for time slots.

vakap@yahoo.com or 630-453-7518

Loaves and Fishes

Go to the Loaves and Fishes Volunteer Page, http://www.loaves-fishes.org/volunteer.html for details. All volunteers must register on the website first.

Any questions? Contact Brother Ross Decent at **rossdecent@gmail** or give him a call at **630-770-0853**.

II CHIP

Brother Rosensweig reports that he has two events scheduled for the coming year. One in November and the other in April 2013. Details will be announced when they become available.

Masonic Academic Bowl

We will be sponsoring the Naperville North High School Academic Team again this year. Mrs. Yvonne-Johns has taken over for Mrs. Thomasina Johnson.

We are also sponsoring the Naperville Central High School Academic Team. This will be their first year competing and they should be a great addition to the competition. Hans Mueller is the teams counselor.

ORIGINS OF FREEMASONRY

Masonic scholars are not sure of the origins of our Craft. Every Mason knows it goes far beyond written record, and we believe it was not always called Freemasonry.

Some of the ancient mysteries of Egypt, Greece and the Orient influenced the ceremonies Masons use today. These ceremonies were designed to test men, to allow only those who were worthy to be admitted. Our ceremonies are somewhat the same, less physical in nature, and more philosophical in form.

Untold volumes have been written concerning the question of Masonic origin, and much has found its way into print that is pure fancy and with no basis in fact. The earnest Masonic student is therefore cautioned against placing credence in anything that purports to establish a definite place, date, or even a specific era, concerning the beginning of Freemasonry.

The Fraternity, as an Operative Craft, is very old. Beyond that fact we cannot go with assurance. It has an honorable record of noble and distinctive service to mankind for centuries. A record longer by far than any other fraternal order now in existence. This is beyond dispute, and may be a source of pride to every Craftsman.

The transition from "Operative" to "Speculative" Masonry Operative masonry can be traced back to the Middle Ages and beyond. Operative mason back then formed groups with structures similar to ours today. They had officers and stations just like ours. Other men were admitted only after they had served a number of years of apprenticeship. This is the source of the first degree, the Entered Apprentice.

The difference between "Operative" and "Speculative" Masonry

Operative refers to the time in our history when masons actually did the physical labor of building. They were the best at their craft, and they kept secret their methods of building. Speculative refers to the period of time when men were accepted into the Craft without being physical builders, but rather were seekers of wisdom and truth. Speculative Masons were (are) spiritual or character builders.

Modern, or Speculative Freemasonry seems to have begun among lodges of Scotland, but evolved, as we know it today, into and from the English Grand Lodge which was organized in London, England in 1717.

On The Threshold 2011

Past Master Highlight William Hanley Thomas 1935

William Hanley Thomas was born August 17, 1899 in Big Rock, Kane County, Illinois the son of George Washington Thomas and Helen C. Royce. He married Beatrice Marie Mooney about 1923 and they were the parents of two sons, William T. and Donald Hanley. He was employed as a farmer and farm equipment salesman. He was raised a Master Mason March 20, 1926 and served as Master of the Lodge in 1935. He was also a member of Euclid Chapter No. 13, Royal Arch Masons, Aurora Council No. 45, Royal and Select Masons, and Aurora Commandery No. 22, Knights Templar's. He died August 31, 1970 in Batavia, Kane County, Illinois and was buried in the Naperville Cemetery.



Farmer and Farm Equipment Salesman



Euclid Chapter No. 13, Royal Arch Masons

Companions of Euclid Chapter No. 13,

In September we had the pleasure of welcoming DDGHP Dean Clark for an "unofficial" visit. Our official visit will take place on January 8, 2013. So mark your calendars!

During our meeting we discussed that our newly formed By-Laws committee was putting the finishing touches on updating the By Laws of Euclid Chapter No. 13, which we hope to bring to the full attention of all companions soon. We also had the pleasure of installing Companion Scribe Dainon Setzer and Companion Master of the 2nd Veil Ross Decent. When it comes to our philanthropic involve-

ment, some new ideas are in the works for Euclid Chapter No. 13 Companions during the Masonic year.

Please join us for our next stated meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. for the **KEYSTONE QUEST**!! Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. If any Companions have agenda items they wish to add for the meeting, please let me know. Fraternally.

Steven L. Sandack Excellent High Priest



Adoniram Council No. 95 Royal and Select Masters

Companions,

Our next Council meeting will be following Euclid Chapter on the second Tuesday of October at 8:45 pm. We will be discussing the Degree work that shall be performed and the Reception of our District Inspector. We will also spend a few moments practicing the reception floorwork and ritual in preparation for the reception. Hopefully, we will be recalling many of the happy events of our 100th Year Celebration of the weekend before.

Until the gavels strike...

Don Cowart Thrice Illustrious Master

Cryptic Masonry

The term "Crypt" signifies a concealed place, or a subterranean vault. The existence of crypts or secret vaults under the Temple of Solomon is revealed, not only by certain legends of Freemasonry, but by the earliest and the most recent to-pographers of Jerusalem. Within these subterranean hiding places were preserved some of the most sacred and meaningful secrets relating to Ancient Craft Masonry. Hence Cryptic Masonry is illuminating for those who wish a better understanding of all Masonic procedure and of the legends, otherwise unknown, upon which great symbolic truths are based. Herein is provided for the Masonic student resources of intense interest and fascinating instruction. Cryptic Masonry is represented by the Council of Royal and Select Master, an adjunct to the York Rite. Three degrees are conferred by this Council, Royal Master, Select Master, and Super-excellent Master. The work of each and of the three degrees combined is historic and impressive; the things involved in becoming a loyal, faithful, and persevering Mason are most beautifully exemplified.

Holy Bible, Masonic Master Reference Edition

Past Masters Dinner

You are invited to the Euclid and Arboretum Lodges'

Past Masters' Dinner



Wednesday, October 17th, 2012 Location: The Courtyard Banquets 3S200 Route 59, Warrenville, 9L



Phone: 630-393-3130

Guest Speaker: RWBro. Herb Lindberg 10NE District Deputy

Time: 6:00 Cash Bar, 7:00 Dinner

Buffet: Octoberfest Menu Desert, Coffee, Tea

Cost: Past Masters & Widows of PM's No Charge
All others \$25.00

RSVP to Brother Paul Felstrup at 630-357-1638

Checks can be mailed to: Paul Felstrup, 545 S. Wright, Naperville, 9L 60540

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The Flag

Our great national emblem, Old Glory, is appropriately found in the Lodge room where gather those who place the Flag second only to God, with their Masonry coming next. Freemasonry has ever pledged its votaries to devotion to country and to unswerving, whole-hearted loyalty to the National Colors. Old Red, White and Blue is the majestic symbol of a free people and has been found leading those forces that have brought to other peoples the same freedom that we demand for ourselves.

The flags of other nations have come and gone, and despots have dipped their flags to Old Glory, which goes on forever. Its defeat would mean the end of everything which Freemasonry teaches, defeat of everything that is good and pure and great and high and noble. So long as it flies, government of the people shall not perish from the earth.

Let us never forget how our forefathers gave us this Grand Old Flag, preserved to us by their children and by their children's children, grandest Flag of them all because of the traditions entwined within its folds.

The things guaranteed by this Flag: free government, free schools, free speech, a free press, free public assemblage, are worth striving for, are worth sacrificing for, and, if need be, are worth dying for.

Wilbur D. Nesbit