

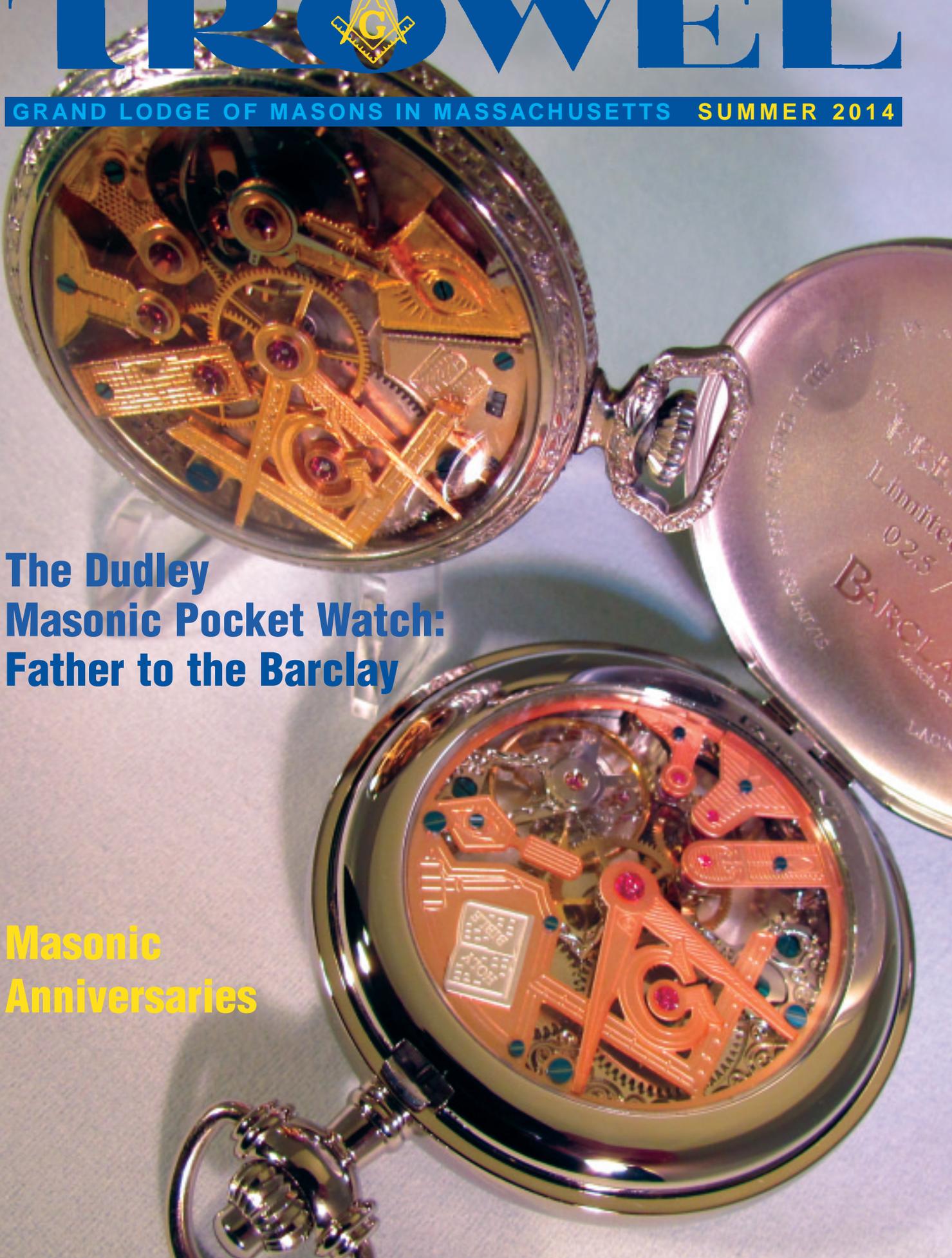
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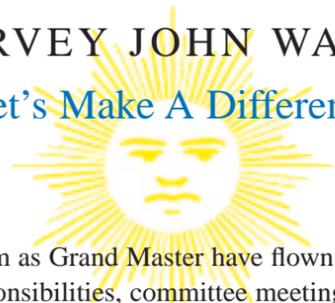
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## From the East of Grand Lodge

HARVEY JOHN WAUGH

“Let’s Make A Difference.”



Brethren:

The first few months of my term as Grand Master have flown by at lightning speed. With all the lodge events, traveling responsibilities, committee meetings and business meetings held over this time period, I have gained a greater appreciation for how hard so many of you are working to “make a difference” in our fraternity. It is always a pleasure to meet and visit with members who care for one another as well as for the craft. Our visit to lodge brethren in Panama and the three luncheons we hosted in Florida in late March were very well received. The Florida lunch meetings were held in Tampa, Ft. Myers and Del Ray Beach.

One of the most enjoyable experiences I have had thus far was attending the Master Mason Rookie Awards and Master Builder’s Awards dinner in Boston this April. The enthusiasm for Freemasonry from the brethren I met that night was inspirational. The brothers receiving these awards demonstrated a commitment to Masonry that is commendable. One of the requirements for earning the Master Builder’s Award is to sponsor a candidate. What better way is there to support the future of Masonry in Massachusetts than to bring the joy of Masonry to a friend, associate or family member into our fraternal society!

To help you provide information to a worthy candidate, the “Pass It On” brochure is being reintroduced. The brochure was first published by M.W. Jeffrey B. Hodgdon in 2005. Having had the privilege of serving as Deputy Grand Master that year, I was able to follow the success of the program. Attached within this publication of TROWEL, is a “Pass It On” brochure. This is your opportunity to “make a difference” and talk Masonry with that friend, associate or relative who you consider worthy to be a Mason, and present him with the brochure for his consideration.

In Massachusetts, we enjoy the active participation of our brethren. Can you imagine how many thousands of men of good character are waiting to discover the gift of Masonry, but have no knowledge that it exists? Can you imagine how many brothers have said, “If I knew about Masonry years ago, I would have joined!” My brothers, good men are out there, ready to discover Masonry. It is up to me and you to be committed to growing our fraternity. Remove the “Pass It On” brochure from this issue of TROWEL, and put it in the hands of a good man. This is the least we can do to show our commitment to the Craft and ensure that Masonry will remain strong and viable long into the future.

Cordially and fraternally,

Harvey John Waugh  
Grand Master

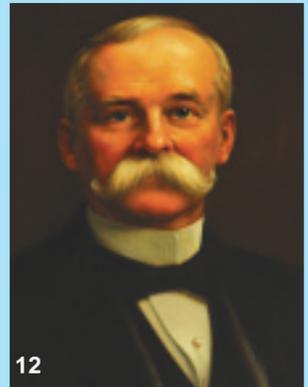
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# YOUR TROWEL

It is a great honor to assume the position of editor of TROWEL Magazine from my friend and mentor, Rt. Wor. John Doherty and with the trust of Grand Lodge.



TROWEL spreads the connection between brothers and lodges. Rt. Wor. Bro. Doherty made it a source of unity and community among the Fraternity: it is through TROWEL that many of us hear of the goings on at Grand Lodge; it is through TROWEL that we learn of our distant brothers' triumphs and joys; it is through TROWEL that we get ideas for the betterment of our lodges, our towns, and our ourselves.

Part of that betterment is knowing our history. After the publication of the last issue, I received a note from Bro. Don Clifford of Baalis Sanford Lodge about the Korean story. He told of the Thirty Eighth Parallel Square and Compass Club that was formed at the K-47 Air Base in 1953. "The club met several times monthly and as a charitable activity help build and support an orphanage," he recalled. The connections, the history, and the future of our Fraternity is what TROWEL is all about.

From my time as Lodge and District News editor, I have always believed that TROWEL belongs to all the Brethren. When you think of an article, when you see a feat of brotherly love, charity, or community, when you get an idea that you think may help others, use TROWEL.

But also, TROWEL is a way of communicating with the communities at large. There are a number of community libraries that receive our magazine. To augment that aspect of TROWEL, you may notice in our masthead an International Standard Serial Number (ISSN). This is going to allow members of the outside community greater access to TROWEL and puts us in the Library of Congress.

Despite external expansion, we can be better in our mission to the Brethren. There is one immediate change: I will be dividing the position of Lodge and District editor into three positions reflecting the geographic areas of the West, East and Cape/Islands. You will grow to know your editor and work with him to make TROWEL a place for your brothers to gather and the Fraternity to shine.

We each have our corner of Freemasonry which we all make smooth and polish. That work helps our lodges, and in turn our Fraternity. Look for those moments when you can help another by showing them what you have done or thought. TROWEL is one of your working tools: use it. I look forward to hearing from you.

Fraternally, *Lee H. Fenn*

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## Thirteen Academic Lodges Assemble in Boston

On April 25–26, 2014 the North American Masonic Academic Convocation convened. The three local academic lodges, Richard C. Maclaurin (MIT), The Harvard, and Boston University Lodges hosted other lodges with a university or college affiliation. Brothers representing 13 lodges across seven different jurisdictions, including 5 different districts from Massachusetts, were present.

Outside of the three local academic lodges, some of those in attendance were: Apollo Lodge #357, affiliated with Oxford University in the U.K.; Patriot Lodge #1957, from Virginia; St. John's Lodge in Rhode Island; Samuel Crocker Lawrence Lodge, Marlboro Lodge, Charles A Welch Lodge, John T. Heard Lodge, and Amicable Lodge.

The weekend festivities included a fraternal reception on Friday as well as a joint communication of Richard C. Maclaurin (MIT), The Harvard, and Boston University Lodges on Saturday. Wor. Casey L. O'Brien, Master of the MIT Lodge, was the chair of the committee responsible for planning the convocation, as the MIT Lodge was the host for the weekend's activities. These three lodges alternate the privilege of hosting this annual convocation.

During the reception, a total of nearly 60 people, academic Brothers from all over the world and some of their better halves, took over a majority of the space at the Boston University Pub on Bay State Road. The joint communication—as well as the main events of the convocation itself—took place at Grand Lodge where well over 100 brothers filled the seats of Corinthian Hall.

"It was excellent! I had engaging conversations, and was able to make real connections with (continued on page 24)



Phil Sandler with his father Bro. William Sandler and M. Wor. Harvey J. Waugh in Delray Florida.

## Grand Master Waugh Continues Florida Visits

M. Wor. Harvey J. Waugh, Rt. Wor. Robert V. Jolly, Jr. Business Manager, and Rt. Wor. Joseph C. DeNicola Deputy Grand Master, who happened to be vacationing in Florida at the time, visited our Florida Brethren and their guests in March to bring the Grand Master's warm fraternal greetings and to present Veteran's Medals to those Brothers celebrating 50 years in Freemasonry.

The trio, along with the Grand Master's lady Margaret Waugh, visited Tampa on Tuesday, March 25, at the A La Carte Event Pavilion. There they met a group of more than 90 members and guests. On Wednesday they greeted more than 60 guests at the Forest Country (continued on page 22)

**Annual Tri-Lodge Meeting of Corinthian, Caleb Butler and Simon W. Robinson Lodges** at which they worked the Fellowcraft Degree and received Rt. Wor. Douglas J. Ellis for a fraternal visit. Pictured in Corinthian Hall at Grand Lodge are: *Back row, L to R: Wor. John C. Nichols (Simon W. Robinson Lodge); Rt. Wor. Douglas J. Ellis, District Deputy Grand Master, 14th District;*



*Wor. Peter J. Gilman (Corinthian Lodge); Wor. Michael S. Cavanagh (Caleb Butler Lodge). Front row, L to R: Bro. Jason Edward Gardepe (Corinthian Lodge), Bro. Bruce Jeffery Leader (Simon W. Robinson Lodge), Bro. William Cleveland Dempsey Jr. (Caleb Butler Lodge), Bro. Thom Paul LeBrun (Caleb Butler), Bro. Troy Ellis Fanton (United Brethren Lodge), Bro. Arthur P Mourtzinos (Corinthian) Bro. Sven Ericson Skoog (Caleb Butler) Bro. Gary Lee Trollope (Caleb Butler), Bro. Daniel Lynn Carpenter (Corinthian Lodge).*

# An Early Lesson in Brotherly Love

by Rt. Wor. and Rev. Dr. Richard E. Haley

I first met Harry when I was about 13 or 14 years old. I was watching a Red Sox game on TV and my father was in the dining room doing some paper work either for his Masonic lodge where he was secretary, or for our church where he was treasurer, or something else. The doorbell rang and I answered it and there stood Harry—a somewhat bedraggled and unkempt character, a number of inches shorter than I and quite a few pounds heavier. He stood at the front door with the assistance of a cane, battered suitcase in hand. He asked for my father who came to the door, greeted him, and invited him into the dining room. I went back to the Red Sox game. About a half-hour later my father came to me and told me to help Harry carry his suitcase up to the Hawthorne Hotel where he would be staying for a few days, courtesy of the Masonic lodge. It was only a five minute walk from my house, but with Harry limping beside me it took about twenty minutes.

On that walk I learned two things about Harry: first, he was, from my teenage perspective, quite odd and eccentric. His socks didn't match, he wore suspenders—nobody I knew wore suspenders—and he talked . . . boy did Harry talk. I suppose the oddest thing about that was he talked to me as if he knew me, as if I were somehow his peer; but, in my way of thinking I didn't consider myself his peer—he was a grownup (albeit odd) and I was just a kid. In any case, I found I didn't have to say much in response since Harry did most of the talking on that walk anyway. I only half-heartedly listened.

Second, I learned why Harry had come to the house. He was a member of my father's Masonic lodge and had fallen on hard times and was in "transition" as he relocated back to New England. He knew he could count on his Masonic brothers for both financial and emotional support. It was through that brief encounter that I also learned something important about Freemasonry's commitment to its members and their mutual commitments to each other. I knew nothing then about the tenets of our profession as speculative Masons, indeed I hadn't even joined DeMolay at

the time, but I sure saw something of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth in action with Harry. I helped him get settled in his room and Harry insisted on buying me a lime rickey at the hotel's coffee shop. I accepted his offer even though I was pretty sure by then that he didn't have much money—it just seemed the right thing to do for his integrity.

About ten years later I joined the same lodge to which my father and Harry belonged. Harry rarely came out anymore—by then he was mostly housebound and dependent upon a walker and wheelchair. But when he saw in the lodge notices that I was going through the degrees he sent me a note with a letter to him from my late father, who had died suddenly about six years earlier. In that note he recalled how the lodge had helped him and he thought I might want a piece of correspondence with my father's handwritten signature.

I probably saw Harry only two to three times after that before his death, and before my brief hiatus away from active involvement in Masonry due to graduate school demands. But I have never forgotten him or the ideals of Masonry I learned because of him—things like eccentricities or perceived "oddness" ought not to matter because, after all, we are brothers, really brothers, and not just in a pretend way. Over the years I have seen or experienced many times that reality in my Masonic relationships. On the other hand, I have unfortunately seen that reality sometimes ignored. Yet, as a committed person of faith and as a committed Mason, I continue to pray and hope that such Harry-like experiences are more often than not the normative Masonic reality shared by brother Masons everywhere. ■

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# The March 2014 Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts



by Wor. Lee H. Fenn

The Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, Most Worshipful Harvey J. Waugh was escorted by the Grand Marshal, Wor. Roger W. Waugh, Sr., his twin brother, promptly at 1:30 on March 12, 2014 for his first Quarterly Communication.

From the East, before the assembled Brethren, the Grand Master welcomed the Boston Commandery #2 color guard, consisting of Sir Knights Michael Worrell, General Captain; Douglas Macone, Color Bearer; Peter Bloom, Color Guard; Michael Curry, Eminent Commander; Lance Powers, Beasant Bearer; Richard Bokavich, State Flag Bearer; and Leo Kenen, Warder.

Before opening the Quarterly Communication, the Grand Master brought Joe Milano to the East. Mr. Milano is the owner of the Union Oyster House and the Grand Master's good friend and neighbor. In addition, he has served in the army and as an inspiration to the Grand Master. The Grand Master presented Joe Milano a plaque from Grand Lodge for his lifetime of achievement.

The Grand Master recounted that, when being photographed early one early fall morning for the cover of TROWEL, he was wearing the full regalia of his future office. He stood between the photographer, Rt. Wor. Phil Nowlan, and the background, the Union Oyster House. A tour bus arrived, and the streets filled with people sporting phones and cameras; hundreds of pictures were instantly taken. The Grand Master tried to sleep that night, but visions of those pictures peppering Facebook haunted him.

After Mr. Milano and the cover guard exited, the Grand Master opened Grand Lodge and introduced the following guests: M. Excellent Alexander J. Marusa, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts; Sir Knight Hiram Jamiel, Rt. Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Illustrious Donald M. Moran, 33°, Active, Illustrious C. William Lakso, 33°, Active Emeritus, and Illustrious Ralph I. Sewall, 33°,

Left: Most Wor. Harvey J. Waugh addresses the color guard from Boston Commandery #2 prior to opening the Grand Lodge Quarterly. Right: The Grand Master presented Joseph A. Milano, owner of the Union Oyster House, a certificate of recognition.





Above left: Rt. Wor. Deane P. Price of the 18th District receives the first of two awards for Lodge of Instruction attendance from the Grand Master. Center: The Grand Master gave a Certificate of Recognition to Rt. Wor. Michael Jarzabek for his fundraising for the MMRL. Rt. Wor. Bro. Jarzabek was in the East for the prior quarterly donating some of those funds. Right: The Grand Master marvels at his new Barclay pocket watch given him by his home lodge, Wyoming.

Active Emeritus, all for Massachusetts Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America; Bros. Jose Roberto Rodriguez, District Grand Marshal and Jr. Warden at Sojourners Lodge, and Aristides Barria de Leon, District Grand Pursuivant and Senior Deacon at Sojourners Lodge, in the District of Panama.

The past Grand Masters, Most Wors. Albert Timothy Ames, Arthur Eugene Johnson, Donald Gardner Hicks, Jr., Jeffrey Black Hodgdon, and, at his first quarterly as a Past Grand Master, Richard James Stewart, joined the Grand Master in welcoming M. Wor. Simon LaPlace, Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Donald Dean, Sr. Grand Warden, and Rt. Wor. Michael Dodge, Jr. Grand Warden from the Most

Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Connecticut.

The Grand Master handled the normal business of the Quarterly communication, which included three suspensions for unMasonic conduct, with calls for discussion, raps of the gavel, and proclaiming “It’s a vote.”

The Grand Master discussed the seven of ten rule for the Lodge of Instruction. He designed a system to enhance the rule by making some of the information presented in the lodges available online. This way, should a Brother be in trouble when trying to make his seven meetings, he could go through the information and take a test online. Grand Lodge would be immediately updated, the information would be imparted, and the Brother would have the opportunity to advance through the chairs.

The Grand Master presented two awards for Lodge of Instruction: the Oscar Guinn Award named for Rt. Wor. Rev. Oscar A. Guinn, Jr., Grand Chaplain, for highest percentage of Brothers attending, and the Terry Award, named for Rt. Wor. W. Terrence Stephens for the highest number of Brothers attending. The recipient of both awards was Rt. Wor. Deane P. Price of the 18th District.

The Grand Master presented certificates of recognition to Bro. Gordon Huggins, M. D. and Rt. Wor. Michael Jarzabek for their help in raising donations to the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. To further the efforts of the MMRL, Bros. Jose Roberto Rodriguez Guillen and Aristides Barria de Leon presented donations from Sojourners Lodge in Panama to the Grand Master.

Members of Palestine Lodge support Everett Little League and present-



Above left: Members of Palestine Lodge present the Grand Master with a home plate plaque of appreciation from the Everett Little League. Right: The Grand Master thanks Bros. Jose Roberto Rodriguez Guillen and Aristides Barria de Leon from Sojourners Lodge in Panama for their international support for the MMRL.



At bottom: Members of 17 lodges assembled in the East in order to receive the Grand Master’s Award.

ed the Grand Master with two plaques, one in the shape of home plate, in appreciation for that support. The Grand Master’s own Wyoming Lodge presented him with a limited edition Barclay pocket watch, “The Freemason,” which is modeled on the legendary Dudley Masonic pocket watch.

To present the Grand Master’s award, the Grand Master assembled a crowd in the east: seventeen lodges were represented. They were Celestial Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Daniel Webster Lodge, Essex Lodge, Frank W. Thompson Lodge, The Independence Lodge, Jerusalem Lodge, Marine Lodge, Mariners Lodge, Middlesex Lodge, Old Colony Lodge A.F. & A.M., Pacific Lodge, Phoenix Lodge, Tahattawan Masonic Lodge, Thomas Talbot Lodge, Weymouth United Masonic Lodge, William Parkman Lodge, and the Grand Master’s own Wyoming Lodge A.F. & A.M. The Grand Master’s Award consists of ten required accomplishments and six optional ones; more information can be found at Massmasons.org.

The Grand Master addressed the assembled Brethren by thanking the efforts of Past Grand Masters, new committee chairs, and District Deputy Grand Masters for their help and excellent work. He mentioned the Brotherhood Fund, started by M. Wor. Bro. Stewart, which helps Brethren in

financial need. At the September Quarterly, therefore, the Grand Master “will invite to the East all lodge representatives who would like to lend its support by making a donation to the Grand Lodge Brotherhood Fund.” Any donations in the form of a check should be payable to Grand Lodge of Masons, Brotherhood Fund.

The Grand Master has attended thirteen Grand Lodge or Lodge events. One was to Panama to visit their Grand Lodge, to enjoy a Fellowcraft degree at Eloy Alfaro and Sojourners Lodge—the first half in English, the second half in Spanish—to watch the Super Bowl by the sea, and to tour the Miraflores Locks of the Panama Canal. Another was to Baltimore for the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. On that trip, the Grand Master toured the George Washington Masonic Memorial in Alexandria with our own Most Wor. Bro. Hicks, the president of the foundation which supports the memorial, and to Mt. Vernon on Bro. Washington’s Birthday to enter the tomb, opened only twice a year, to see the “marble caskets of its immortal occupants.”

After the Grand Master concluded his remarks, and the applause died down, the first Quarterly Communication by Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, Most Worshipful Harvey J. Waugh was closed in ample form. ■



## THE BROTHERHOOD FUND

From the first address by Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts Most Worshipful Harvey J. Waugh, an appeal for brothers to help their brothers at the September Quarterly. If you are unable to attend, please show your support for your brothers in difficult times in the form of a check made out to Grand Lodge of Masons, Brotherhood Fund. To be called to the East at the September Quarterly, please contact Rt. Wor. Will Currier, wcurrier@massfreemasonry.org.

“Last year, Most Worshipful Brother Stewart saw the benefit of officially creating another fund. This fund, called the Brotherhood Fund, is for the purpose of assisting Brothers who are deserving of financial help of a specific need. A small fund has always been part of the Grand Lodge budget process for many years, but this fund would enable Grand Lodge to extend its helping hand in a more formal way. This is what we are all about. It is time we really get serious of taking care of our own.

“In view of this new opportunity of helping our Brothers, the September Quarterly will feature an opportunity for lodges to get on board and assist building this fraternal giving program. As Grand master, I will invite to the East all lodge representatives who would like to lend their support by making a donation to the Grand Lodge Brotherhood Fund. Checks should be made payable to: Grand Lodge of Masons, Brotherhood Fund.”

# BE THE REVOLUTION

*From Remarks by Rt. Wor. Michael Jarzabek on his First Fraternal Visit.*

With three knocks at the door a candidate enters hoping for something revolutionary. He wants to change the world, to change his place in it. He takes his degrees looking to gather together with like-minded individuals. He might have watched a show on the history channel or read the Da Vinci Code. He wants to learn those secrets he hears so much about. He looks around the walls of the lodge and finds an oil painting of George Washington. He hears of the American Revolution and those patriots he will soon call Brother. His heart soars. His hope appears to end in fruition.

Then we speak. There are no secrets. The revolution has been cancelled. Nothing is required of him. He thought it would be more challenging. To call himself Master Mason he only has to witness three degrees (in one day if that is more convenient) and pay his yearly dues? Is this really what makes a Mason? He is told of heroes of yesterday but none of today. He finds nostalgia where he should find inspiration. We become to this candidate just another hollow institution not deserving of his time or energy. Are we failing to meet the great promise of Masonry? Is the lodge really no different than the profane world? Before our candidate can find out he is mistaken, he leaves to never again to darken our door. In a few years he will most likely stop paying his dues and he will be suspended. His hope ending in frustration.

The revolution has not been canceled. We wage Revolutions in Masonic lodges all over the world, one man at a time. We wage them in Syria, Iran, Cuba, China and Afghanistan.

"In 1978, the Islamic Jurisdictional College issued an opinion that deemed Freemasonry to be "dangerous" and "clandestine." Freemasonry is illegal in all Islamic countries except Lebanon and Morocco." The Grand Lodge of Iran in Exile found an alternate home to practice Freemasonry. These men, like many others, are not allowed to meet in their own country. We in the United States, specifically Massachusetts, have provided them a home. Our Grand Lodge also has chartered lodges in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and China. Please don't misunderstand, the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts doesn't plot to overthrow governments, but these actions prove that we

stand as much for freedom and liberty today meeting on Tremont Street as we did in 1775 meeting at the Green Dragon.

Masonic author Cliff Porter snuck into Syria, in the trunk of a car, to sit in a lodge with men of different faiths. These men stagger their arrivals to that night's unique meeting location so as to not be found out. Their make-shift lodge halls are decorated with embattlements and their Tyler is armed not with a blunt sword but with a machine gun. The penalty for being a Freemason in Syria is death. The Revolution has not been cancelled.

My Brothers, be certain that I allude not to armed revolution, but rather to this definition: "Revolution—A sudden, complete or marked change in something."

The revolution has not been cancelled. We wage revolutions in Masonic lodges all over the Commonwealth, one man at a time. We wage them in East Longmeadow, Wilbraham, Monson, Palmer, and Ludlow.

The practicing Mason, that industrious soul, willing to work in the quarry, whether he be in Ludlow or Afghanistan, is the front line of the Revolution. He picks up his working tools and sets himself to labor alongside his Brothers. He "learns, he subdues his passions, and he improves himself in Masonry."

He exercises free will and becomes the Master of his own soul.

The lessons we learn by rote memorization aren't hollow, we must apply them. We must exemplify them until we become them. Benjamin Franklin kept a ledger of his progress in attaining several virtues. We as Masons are taught seven, Three Heavenly and Four Cardinal. How much progress have we each made? How will the Master of the Celestial Lodge Above allow us to wear our aprons? I hope my hard work inspires Him to accept me as an Entered Apprentice, as a Brother. To this end I work every day. I work to be a better man. I work to earn my apron, to earn the right to be called a Mason, to earn the right to be called your Brother. I aspire to one thing in Masonry and one thing only. I aspire to "live respected and die regretted." If I do that we will win the revolution, the revolution of one man's soul, and our hope will end in fruition.

My Brothers, Be the Revolution. That is what we came here to do. ■



Rt. Wor. Michael Jarzabek in one of his trips to the East to support MMRL.

# The Dudley Masonic Pocket Watch

## A Brother's Legacy For All Time

by Wor. Joe Goldstein

Horology is defined as both the study of measuring time, as well as the art of making timepieces. The concept of time measurement and its symbolism plays a large part in our work as Masons. We begin our journeys by learning to better divide our time symbolically with the help of the 24-inch gauge. Throughout our degrees we are told of the lapse of time, time immemorial, years and cycles. Prominent Masonic symbols of time include the scythe, the sun traveling from East to West, Father Time, and the hourglass.

Just as the sands in the hourglass are seemingly endless, there is an abundance of timepieces to be found for the proud Freemason to wear. The marketplace is filled with a wide array of pocket watches and wrist watches in several types, styles, sizes, and themes in prices ranging from under \$20 to several hundred dollars. They are made of metals ranging from aluminum to 18k gold. Some have standard dials in Arabic or Roman numerals. Others have the hours represented by Masonic working tools and other symbols of our Craft. They may have faces that are round, rectangular, and even triangular in shape. The center of the face may display the square and compasses, or emblems of the several appendant bodies of Masonry, or any combinations thereof. They may have a plain face, but display engravings of Masonic symbols on the case. They have been manufactured, and some still are, by such well-known companies as Gruen, Bulova, Elgin, Waltham, and newcomer Barclay. The major online suppliers of materia masonica all offer these themed watches and clocks, as

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do many local jewelers. None of these timepieces, however, are quite as unique as the Dudley Masonic Emblem Pocket Watch.

### Biography of William Dudley

William Wallace Dudley is said, by all references, to have been born in 1851 in St. John, New Brunswick, Canada, a maritime province on the Bay of Fundy. The birth of a William Dudley is recorded in New Brunswick on April 11, 1850, but no further information can be obtained. Young Dudley developed an early interest in timepieces and at the

age of 13 he was apprenticed as a horologist to a maker of ship's chronometers. While living in St. John, Dudley became interested in Freemasonry and became a member of our fraternity in New Brunswick Lodge #22, part of the New Brunswick First Masonic District.

Precious little information is available about Bro. Dudley and his family. In late November of 1873, while still in St. John, Dudley had the tragic responsibility of burying his youngest son, John Jeffcott Dudley, who died at age 15. It's not known when Dudley, his wife Eliza, and their remaining family left Canada and arrived in the U.S. to settle in Wayland, Massachusetts. A search of the National Archives records of ship arrivals to Boston listed no William Dudley in the ships' manifests.

Similarly, Ellis Island records contain no listing for a William Dudley. During the mid- to late-19th century Canadian citizens crossed our common border freely, with no records kept until the mid-1890s, so it is possible the Dudley family may have entered the U.S. by that route.

### A Craftsman's Training

Bro. Dudley worked as a model maker at the American Waltham Watch Factory in Waltham, Massachusetts, but we don't know the dates of his employment. We know he was

Cover: THE DUDLEY WATCH (top) AND THE BARCLAY WATCH. Below: THE BARCLAY FREEMASON WATCH.



here in Massachusetts at least until August of 1884, when Eliza (Ruddock) Dudley passed away, leaving her husband William and their six children. It's not known if Dudley remarried, but Massachusetts records list a William Wallace Dudley of Wayland born in 1887, three years after Eliza's death.

He left the Waltham Watch Company and traveled to Springfield, Illinois, where he worked for a brief time for the Illinois Watch Company. This company was headed by Jacob Bunn, Sr., and his brother John Whitfield Bunn. These brothers had been close friends of Illinois lawyer Abraham Lincoln, and were political supporters and financiers of Lincoln's campaigns. The Illinois Company produced a pocket watch in the early 1870s called the "Mason," named for one of the company's first foremen.

Bro. Dudley next moved to South Bend, Indiana, where he worked as a superintendent for the South Bend Watch Company, whose principal stockholders were the Studebaker family (of automobile fame), and whose president was Clement Studebaker. Shortly after, he returned to the East Coast, to the Trenton Watch Company. He moved to Chambersburg, a neighborhood in the south of Trenton, New Jersey, and at age 50 (on March 14, 1901) he became an affiliated member of Trenton's Mercer Lodge #50, in the New Jersey 12th District.

Bro. Dudley soon moved to Lancaster, Pennsylvania an inland city that on September 17, 1777, was the nation's capitol for the day as the Continental Congress fled from Philadelphia to York, Pennsylvania. Lancaster was also the home of James Buchanan, our fifteenth President. Dudley worked for fourteen years as a designer and superintendent of manufacture at the Hamilton Watch Company. Dudley was well-known in the industry for the quality of his workmanship. His reputation and skill led him to produce a chronometer for the U.S. Navy Department which, according to a brochure produced by the Dudley Watch Company, "... proved to be an instrument of even greater time-measuring qualities than the standards previously set by the United States Navy Department."



**THE DUDLEY MODEL 1**  
Facing page: **THE DUDLEY MODEL 2**

### The Masonic Influence

In 1920, at age 69, he left Hamilton, having acquired a wealth of skill and knowledge from his several positions and employers, and followed his dream to have his own watch company.

While working at Hamilton, Dudley was pleased to acquaint himself with several Masons who also worked there. Although according to records of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Dudley never joined a lodge in the Keystone State, he may certainly have attended meetings in or about Lancaster.

Bro. Dudley had a keen interest in Masonry. He not only was a member of the Craft, he also was a member of Scottish and York Rites, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and Tall Cedars of Lebanon. In his several positions as a watchmaker he is said to have seen and occasionally repaired a watch made in the 1700s by England's Morris Tobias, which included two Masonic symbols in its works, and which is rumored to have been the inspiration for the Dudley watch.

For some 15–20 years before opening his own factory, William Dudley had been working on a design for a pocket watch that included several Masonic symbols in the bridge plate. These emblems, including the square and compasses, the letter G, a slipper, plumb, level, and trowel with an All-Seeing eye, were initially machined by a Hamilton co-worker, Willis Raymond Michael. Records of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania list a Willis Raymond Michael, who took his degrees at age 29 in York Lodge #266 in 1924, eventually becoming the lodge's Master in 1932. He was called to the Celestial Lodge above in May, 1969. Records of the Scottish Rite Supreme Council, NMJ, show a Wor. Bro Willis Raymond Michael, Inspector-General 33°.

### Formation of the Dudley Watch Company

Bro. Dudley partnered with two local retailers and jewelers, George W. Adams and John Wood, both Masons, and in 1920 they incorporated in Pennsylvania. They were able to raise \$5,000 and open a watch factory in Lancaster. No records indicate Bro. Adams was a member of a lodge in Pennsylvania, but the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons of the

State of New Jersey recorded that he affiliated in December 1918, from New York's Radiant Lodge #739, now Maimonides Marshall Lodge #739, part of the 6th Manhattan District, and became a member of Atlas Lodge #125, now Atlas Pythagoras Lodge #10 of Free and Accepted Masons of Westfield, New Jersey. Bro. Wood joined Prince Edwin Lodge #486, now Prince Edwin-Spring Creek Lodge #486 in Middletown, Pennsylvania, about 30 miles from Lancaster. He completed his degrees in 1883 and served as master in 1887–1888. He passed away in 1922.

Dudley applied for a patent for his design, and was granted U.S. patent number 62,566 on June 26, 1923. His original patent application for a watch frame movement, filed in October, 1922, and witnessed by his son Clifford H. Dudley, was for a design that included not the square and compasses, but rather the scimitar symbol of the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. This was not Dudley's first patent. While in Waltham he was granted a U.S. patent (number 357,584) for A Tool for Closing Mainspring-Barrels.

The Dudley Watch Company initially produced Masonic pocket watches of 14kt gold. They were a size 14 movement (1-19/30 inch diameter) and contained 19 jewels. Diamonds, sapphires, and more commonly rubies are used instead of metal in watch moving parts as they produce considerably less friction and less wear. This first watch, called "Model 1," included all the symbols mentioned above plus the Holy Bible engraved on the winding arbor plate. By 1923, facing competition and demand for a smaller watch, and with dwindling sales, the Dudley Company began to produce Model 2, a smaller (12 size measuring 1-17/30 inch) movement, and 14k gold-filled. This model featured a silver-toned Holy Bible covering the winding arbor rather than etched into it. Both the Model 1 and Model 2 had a plain face with Arabic numerals. Still another watch, Model 3, was later produced that had a Masonic dial face. It, too, had a silver-toned Holy Bible riveted to the arbor plate. Its movement also differed in that the third wheel bridge, in the shape of a plumb, had a rounded edge, whereas in the previous two models the edges of the plumb were squared.

Not all of the parts used in Dudley's watch were made by his company. Some came from the Waltham factory and others from Hamilton, while still more came from Switzerland. At its peak the Dudley Company employed as many as twenty skilled watchmakers. Some

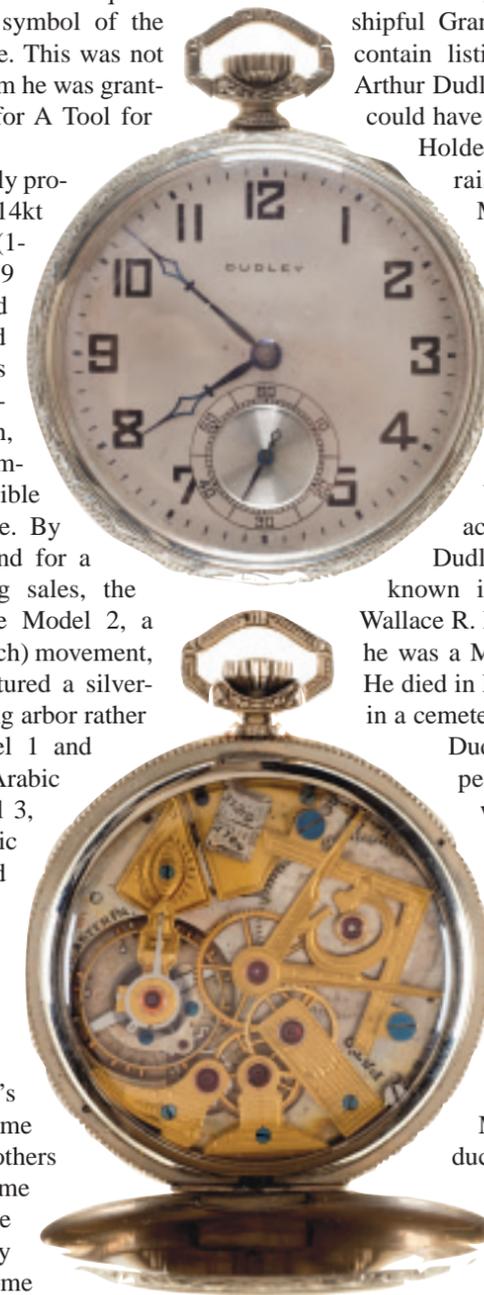
had left Hamilton and worked for Dudley full-time. Others, still working at Hamilton, took part-time positions with Dudley. Preference was given to men who were Masons. Although it is pure speculation, it's interesting to note that at the time of the formation of Dudley's company, the Ku Klux Klan was beginning a renewed campaign against Catholics, Jews, Blacks, and Masons. One can't help but wonder if Dudley's hiring of predominantly Masons was a sort of "Schindler's List" type of effort to shield his Brothers from the anti-Masonic rhetoric and possibly unfair labor practices that may have followed.

Arthur and Clifford Dudley, sons of the owner and both Masons, also worked at the factory. Canadian-born Arthur Jeffcott Dudley, a tool maker, took his degrees, according to the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, in Zeradatha Lodge #131 in 1918 at the age of 38. The records of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts contain listings of one Clifford Dudley and two Arthur Dudleys, although only one of these brothers could have been Bro. William Dudley's son. Arthur Holden Dudley was initiated, passed, and raised in Meridian Lodge in Natick, Massachusetts. He was born March 25, 1885. He signed the bylaws of his lodge on October 6, 1920, the same day he became a Master Mason. He was from Wayland, Massachusetts, where William Wallace Dudley lived with his family while working in Waltham. Wayland shares Natick's border on the north. Records do not indicate if William Dudley was his father. Massachusetts archives list an Arthur Holden Dudley of Wayland born in 1888. It's not known if another of William Dudley's sons, Wallace R. Dudley, also worked at the company, but he was a Mason and a scientific worker in metals. He died in Philadelphia in 1921 and was laid to rest in a cemetery in Ewing, New Jersey.

Dudley and his factory faced new competition from the increasingly popular wristwatch, and in 1925 his company filed for bankruptcy. At the age of 74 Dudley found himself out of work and almost entirely destitute. He was rehired by Hamilton as a mechanic, and worked there for six more years before retiring in 1931 at age 80. Bro. Dudley was called to rest in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in 1938. During his lifetime fewer than 2,600 of his first Masonic Emblem watches were produced. It's unknown how many remain.

### Availability

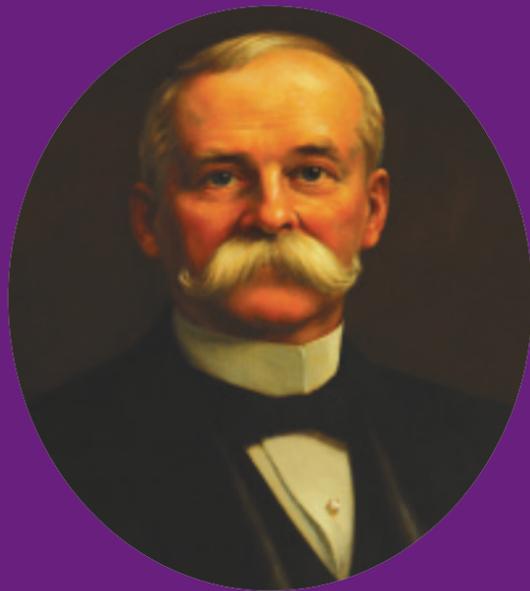
Today, as when they were originally sold, Dudley watches are available in



# Grand Masters of Massachusetts

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## BAALIS SANFORD

*“Ask A Busy Man”*

*“If we cannot be a majestic river, bearing upon its bosom great vessels of blessing to mankind, we can be a little spring by the wayside of life, singing merrily all the day and all the night, and giving a cup of cold water to a weary, thirsty passer-by.”*

*The thirteenth installment in the continuing series focused on our past Massachusetts Grand Masters.*

The city of Boston, home to our Grand Lodge, is the site of the Tea Party, the hotbed of the activities of the Sons of Liberty, the gateway to the greater world and (by its own declaration) the Hub of the Universe. But Masonry has been practiced in many other places with honor, including the great city of Brockton, which has given Massachusetts three Grand Masters: Baalis Sanford, Dudley Ferrell and Roger Keith.

The first, Baalis Sanford, was a businessman in his native town. He was employed by H. W. Robinson & Company, a dry goods store, when he came to Masonry in 1864 at age 31; he received his degrees in Paul Revere Lodge, chartered in the town of North Bridgewater over the objections of Fellowship Lodge of Bridgewater. At that time, Fellowship claimed jurisdiction over the area at that time (see Sidebar). Bro. Sanford was very active in the affairs of his new lodge, elected Senior Warden only nineteen months later, in which capacity he served two years, followed by two years as Worshipful Master in 1868 and 1869. Masonry was growing by leaps and bounds in the 1860s, with many interested men participating in the work; this rapid ascent in a prominent and well-governed lodge is indicative of his skill, especially for a man so young.

It is noted in his biography in the Proceedings that “his unflinching courtesy and his gentleness won all hearts . . . and not one honored with his friendship has aught but the kindest words of his career among them.” He certainly attracted the attention and esteem of both Masons and citizens in newly named Brockton—named in 1874 after the town of Brockville, Ontario. A group of Masons in the Campello part of the city wanted to create a lodge there, their first choice of name was “Baalis Sanford Lodge”; they eventually settled on the name “Saint George.” In 1917, after Bro. Sanford’s death, a lodge was instituted in Brockton bearing that name; it is still active today. (According to its official history, there was a Grand Lodge rule in place at the time that prevented the naming of a lodge after a living Brother. Apparently this was a recent evolution, as John T. Heard, Winslow Lewis, and Charles C. Dame Lodges were all chartered during their namesake’s lifetimes. In the latter two cases, charters were granted while their namesakes were Grand Master. In addition, Charles A. Welch Lodge, instituted just a few years earlier, received its charter while Bro. Welch was a District Deputy.) Still, it is a strong indication of the esteem in which Bro. Sanford was held even early in his career.

Beginning in 1877, Baalis Sanford was involved in the affairs of the Grand Lodge. Most Worshipful Percival L. Everett appointed him Grand Sword Bearer in 1877, and Most Worshipful Charles A. Welch appointed him Grand Pursuivant in 1878 (serving again with Right Worshipful William H. Chessman, the former Grand Marshal, who was elected Senior Grand Warden). His attention subsequently turned to legislative affairs, as he served a term in the Massachusetts House of Representatives where, it is said, “he gave good service,” particularly on the Committee on Mercantile Affairs.

In 1882, when he had assumed the office of city auditor of Brockton, he was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the 19th, and then the 24th Masonic District, by Grand Masters Samuel C. Lawrence and Abraham H. Howland, Jr.; in 1887 he served as Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge.

It is said that “if you want to get something done, give the job to a busy man.” The list of offices and activities which he held and in which he took part is impressive: secretary of the School Board; city auditor; Justice of the Peace; treasurer of the Brockton Gas Light Company; director of the Wales Home for Old Ladies and the Brockton Agricultural Society; secretary and treasurer of the Brockton Commercial Club; president of the Brockton Savings Bank and, after 1890, head and business manager of H. W. Robinson. He was active in all of the York Rite bodies, eventually rising to leadership in Chapter and Council, and was admitted to the 33° of Scottish Rite; and in December 1902 was elected Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, a position he held for three years—after which he was elected Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

Many of his speeches and addresses are reproduced in our Proceedings. We do not know the sound of his voice, but the cadence is preserved in his words.

In 1903, at the centenary celebration of St. Mark’s Lodge in Newburyport, he said of Masonry: “It has led the progress of civilization throughout the world; it has stood in the forefront of all that is best and truest in the earth, and, as the centuries come and go, it will take on more of power,

and, under the guiding hand of our Heavenly Father, will continue in the grand work of redeeming man from lower thought, lower purpose, and lower impulse, building him up after the pattern of the Divine, to be dedicated to all that is right, and pure, and noble.”

In 1904, at a cornerstone laying in Brookfield, he spoke of the work of the Brethren in the Craft. “If day by day we are careful to add to the building pure, noble, and upright deeds, at the end will stand a fair temple honored of God and man. . .

Characters are made up of countless acts and efforts. Every single day these myriad forces are building, building: it is an edifice that must stand and the inspired word warns us to take heed how we build it: to see that we have a foundation that will endure, to make sure that we are building on it, not for the hour in which we live, but for that hour when we shall be seen just as we are.”

In 1904, at a cornerstone laying in Quincy, he exhorted the members of Rural Lodge to follow the example of their forebears. “As you have recently entered upon the second century of your Masonic life, may the same faith and devotion . . . which inspired the founders of this venerable Lodge, to faithfulness and fidelity, stimulate you to follow their examples . . . May your Lodge continue to flourish, your Union to strengthen, and your happiness to abound; and when Masonic labors shall be completed here on earth, may we all receive an abundant entrance into the Celestial Grand Lodge above, and be admitted to the brotherhood of the perfect.”

At the time of his retirement from the office of Grand

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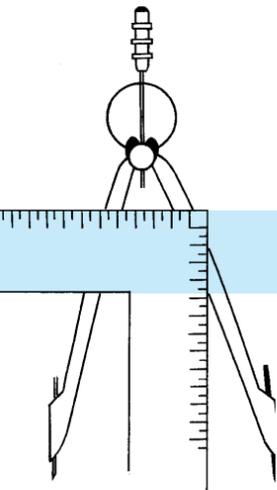
### Masonic Jurisdiction and the Growth of Massachusetts Towns

Fellowship Lodge was instituted in Bridgewater East Parish in June 1797; its charter was granted by Most Wor. Paul Revere, and its jurisdiction was for the town of Bridgewater. As was customary, Fellowship Lodge had to obtain permission from the closest lodge then in existence, Old Colony of Hingham. Jurisdiction was an important issue: prior to 1974, lodges had the right to receive all petitions from the residents of its geographical area. An applicant seeking admission to any other lodge could only become a candidate if that jurisdiction was released.

Fellowship Lodge suffered during the Anti-Masonic period, suspending meetings for several years; when the storm had abated it returned in strength, ultimately settling in Central Bridgewater. During the middle 1850s, though, the lodge faced a different sort of challenge: population growth led to the redrawing of municipal boundaries by the state

legislature. A surge of interest in the Craft in North Bridgewater, which was separated from Bridgewater in 1821, led to the granting of a charter in 1857 to a group of Masons led by Rt. Wor. Lucien B. Keith, a Past Master of Star in the East Lodge in New Bedford.

This did not sit well with the Brethren of Fellowship Lodge, who claimed jurisdiction over all of the original town of Bridgewater. Their memorial to Grand Lodge protesting this infringement was ultimately rejected. This would not be the last time that a decision by the state legislature would present difficulties for Masonry in Massachusetts – for example, as outlying areas such as Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, Dorchester, South and East Boston were incorporated into Boston proper, Grand Lodge and the resident lodges faced a series of petitions and disputes over conflicting jurisdictions.



## Meet an Active Massachusetts Mason

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts initiates and raises hundreds of new Masons every year. Most are quite content to take a back seat for a few years and learn about their new found fraternity over time. Others, such as Bro. Edward Kopec, Jr., of The Meadows Lodge of East Longmeadow, essentially jumped in feet first and enjoying every experience he can as a new member and as a lodge officer.

Bro. Kopec was raised in February, 2011. He was influenced primarily by his older brother, Bro. Robert Kopec. Once the older brother became a Mason, his interest and curiosity in the Craft only grew. Bro. Robert Kopec suggested that this might be something they could enjoy doing together, and became his sponsor.

Once a Mason, Bro. Kopec said that Wor. Richard Michael Reginer helped him “break out of his shell.” He learned from Wor. Bro. Reginer that “a voice heard is better than a voice not heard.” This attitude, he recalled, showed him that “being proactive [as] opposed to reactive in Lodge can go a long way and that sometimes speaking from the heart and leading with it isn’t necessarily a bad thing.”

Bro. Kopec said that Wor. Bro. Kenneth White, a past master of The Meadows Lodge is “one of the most active Freemasons [I] have had the pleasure of knowing, both in and out of the Lodge” and taught him that “...one Freemason can make a difference, and that no idea is a bad idea when it comes to helping the Craft.”

Bro. Kopec is active as the Chairman of his Lodge’s Widows, Veterans and Orphans program, serves on the Lodge’s Service Committee, fills the office of Junior Steward and is learning as much as he can and assisting where he can. He says he hopes that some day he will be considered worthy to hold such an esteemed honor as being elected to serve as Master of his Lodge.

He says that “although Masons are a very tight knit group, it is also a place where each Brother has a separate path, even though at times our paths may cross it’s still dependent upon you to take the first step.” He continues by saying that “Freemasonry is a place where people from all walks of life can gather together and not be subjected to the pressures, pains and objections of everyday life. . . .”

Bro. Kopec considers the Ben Franklin campaign to be great. He thinks it works well for those who are interested in our rich history. But, he says if he could change one thing, it would be to try to do something that revolves around our current members; putting faces to the Craft almost as if to say “hey, we’re just like you, we are of all ages, races, creeds and political designations.” Bro. Kopec remarks that his Lodge has been quite successful with the Open House program in publicizing the dates within their community and attracting interest.

He looks at the various paths that Freemasonry has taken over the years and says he does feel that The Craft has been on the right track. Some paths may have been longer at times or may have switched “at the wrong terminal” but he sees the membership getting younger and hungrier for knowledge and experience. He likes the many different ways the older members’ embrace of social media. He credits this for “helping to remain fresh and in the minds of those who are curious or seeking further light.”

Bro. Kopec also says that “as a Fraternity we have also held a close bond and enjoyed being a part of something bigger than ourselves but for the first time ever we can connect with Masons across the globe. There has never been a better opportunity for us to grow.” He looks at our situation today and sees us headed “to a place perhaps bigger than one can imagine or contemplate on.” He sees a very bright future for Freemasonry.

Bro. Kopec likes the new format of the Lodges of Instruction, calling them enlightening and helpful, but would also like to see a more hands-on approach. Being able to split off and have small discussion groups can be a tremendous benefit to all, instead of just sitting and listening. One benefit Bro. Kopec says he has taken from some Lodge of Instruction is the ability to be more confident in speaking in front of large groups. This has helped his in his professional life as well.

But all is not perfect. He says he sees a need to improve on our attendance and retention. He admits we all joined Masonry for various reasons, but what is hurting us is new members are having difficulty in finding their place in Lodge. We need to make that process easier. He suggests this be in the form of “hooking onto a committee right upon



Bro. Edward J. Kopec, Jr.

being raised and having to serve a predetermined amount of time.” This might be a way to “get them in the flow and make their transition easier. . . .”

He also says “all members have greatness in them, sometimes they join and perhaps it is not what they expect or feel they can’t fit in and they disappear for a while.” He says “If we were to work to help them find that greatness and bring it out it may keep them engaged and keep them coming back to Lodge.”

Being a Lodge officer has affected him in many ways. He says “there is something to be said about being tasked with helping keep a long tradition intact and making sure

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Master in 1905, he said: “No one knows the limit of his powers for good or evil; no one can measure the force of his example; no one can weigh the happiness or sorrow which he can cause. All of us must share this great responsibility in all we do, even in the common acts of life. Every one has his place somewhere in the social economy. No man can excuse himself because of his condition in life. If we cannot be a majestic river, bearing upon its bosom great vessels of blessing to mankind, we can be a little spring by the wayside of life, singing merrily all the day and all the night, and giving a cup of cold water to a weary, thirsty passer-by.”

His words were always eloquent, often soaring, and doubtless heartfelt. He was 72 when he left the Oriental Chair of Grand Lodge, and had been a faithful laborer in the vineyards of Masonry for more than 40 years. Regrettably, he had only a few years left to his long and productive life; in November 1909 he died, almost exactly a year after the

the ritual is performed the same as in days past.” Learning the ritual has helped him to understand the Craft better, aim higher, strive farther, and be persistent. He says it has helped him stay focused and dedicated and has otherwise changed his perspective on how he views the ritual, the brothers in Lodge, and Freemasonry. He also says “the sense of being part of something bigger than oneself is present here; this at times leaves a lasting impression.”

Bro. Edward Kopec certainly brings a lot of vigor and vitality to his Lodge. With brothers like him, his Lodge and the Craft as a whole are in much better hands to continue well into the future. ■

loss of his beloved Lucy, and was conveyed to his home city of Brockton to be memorialized and interred. His funeral was held in the Brockton Congregational Church, and it was said that business in the city “was almost wholly suspended, for his death was indeed a personal loss to the whole community.” In the eulogy, Rev. Bro. F. A. Warfield, said of him that “We have the comfort of a memory which will not let go the really valuable in his life, of an affection that is kept aglow with the cheer which he imparted and which enshrines him in our hearts, from which he shall never be removed. What he gave to others lives now that he is gone. What he really was continues now that life’s course is run.”

It is a touching commentary on an active Mason, a gentle soul, and a great and noble character, whose service to Grand Lodge is only a memory, over the horizon at the beginning of last century. ■

## ASK THE GRAND LECTURERS

by Rt. Wor. Robert F. Doherty, Chairman of the Grand Lecturers



With more candidates taking their obligations on the Volume of the Sacred Law of their own choosing, a number of questions have risen as to the positioning of these Books on the Altar. As one example, unlike English language books, the Koran is read right to left. Thus the question has arisen should the Koran be put “upside down” on the Altar so that if the Lodge custom is not to hold the books straight up and open them both ways simultaneously, the Koran may be opened left to right. I checked with a well known and respected Brother of the Muslim faith and he said that, while the different position is correct, he was personally comfortable with either position as well as taking his obligations

on a Bible. He then brought up the most important thing we should do and that is *ask the candidate and make every reasonable attempt to adhere to his wishes.*

One alarming aspect of the recent incident at Grand Lodge is that the individual involved was initially charged with among other things attempting to damage a house of worship. While that charge was almost immediately dropped, it points out a serious misconception that a number of people—people who would make good Masons—still harbor about us.

One way we can counter this is to assure that all prospective candidates understand our lessons are intended to complement their religious beliefs, not replace them. As long as we make candidates comfortable among Brothers of every denomination, it is impossible that we should materially err. ■

## Massachusetts to Host 2014 Masonic Communities & Services Association 84th Annual Conference

by Donna Kondracki

The Overlook Life Care Community has changed: the new meeting happening in the game room in the lobby, the collection of residents discussing a novel by the library, or the tasty smell of a perfectly prepared steak wafting from Acacia Restaurant. The Overlook Life Care Community continually evolves; most of the time the changes are driven by residents. Occasionally, innovation comes from other sources. The Masonic Communities and Services Association (MCSA) Annual Conference provides each member an opportunity to learn and grow from the experiences of one-another.

Leadership teams from Masonic-run health organizations across the country will be assembling to discuss industry trends, opportunities, and best practices in June of 2014 in Boston. This conference brings together thought-leaders throughout the healthcare industry and Masonic representation to discuss how to best serve our Fraternity.

Masonic Communities and Services Association (MCSA) is the leading resource for best practices among Masonic-sponsored human service organizations. The Association was organized in 1932 to provide support and direction to executive officers serving Masonic charitable organizations. Over the years the scope has expanded to include all services at member organizations. MCSA is recognized for setting the standard of care for Masonic charitable organizations by providing ongoing support, assistance, and professional education to members.

“Most industry conferences update attendees on regulatory or legal changes of which we all must be aware. These conferences also have educational sessions which discuss



David Turner, President and  
Chief Executive Officer of  
Masonic Health System  
of Massachusetts

innovative measures in addressing industry challenges. However, all too often, generic industry conferences lack connectivity amongst the educators and the audience,” said David Turner, President and CEO of Masonic Health System of Massachusetts. “This gathering is very different because it brings together providers that share similar missions and objectives. Together we face the challenges of a rapidly changing indus-



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try. However, when we depart this conference we are in constant contact with one another to lend our areas of expertise and ensure success throughout all member organizations.”

In total, there are 33 different states that offer some kind of Masonic health network. They range from being very small, essentially referral services, to being quite large, such as what we have in Massachusetts. We incorporate everything from community living, visiting nurses, care management support, and other types of outreach.

The Massachusetts conference planning committee has included many of the attending organizations as educational components in the conference. “We are giving a voice to both the large and the small health providers because we feel all attending organizations have an opportunity to provide valuable insights on the areas of business in which they specialize,” said Donna Kondracki, who is co-chair of the planning committee and Executive Assistant to David Turner.

Because of a robust schedule of speakers and the desirable Boston location, the 2014 conference is projecting to be one of the highest attended conferences that Masonic Communities & Services Association has ever had. ■

## Weighing the Risk Home vs. Nursing Home

by Lori Puccetti

“There’s no place like home.” That statement resonates to the heart of what people believe. If there is a choice of where someone wants to be through sickness and in health, it’s home. Since the beginning of homecare, the theory has been tested & proven that people heal faster, live longer, and stay healthier at home.



Lori Puccetti

The cost of nursing home care in Massachusetts is increasing rapidly. Like the greater U.S. healthcare market, the prolifera-

tion of new medical technologies and prescription drugs is one of the major contributing factors. Others include increased demand for medical services from the aging baby boomer generation, a significant portion of the population. With homecare, the focus is on the individual and you only pay for what you need.

Overlook’s mission is to provide superior care, regardless of an individual’s level of need. Most people want to know, “what does it cost me?” While, in some instances, the move to a skilled nursing facility might be necessary, there are many advantages, including financial, to first exploring if it would be more beneficial to receive services directly in your home. The following list highlights some advantages to having care brought to you rather than you going to care:

**Cost**—The average nursing home cost in Massachusetts is \$345.00 per day for a semi private room and up to \$500.00 for a private room. The monthly cost is approximately \$9,660 – \$14,000. The costs of receiving care at home can vary greatly dependent upon need; however, the value becomes apparent when you factor in that you are only paying for the services you require and remove the overhead of the facility.

**Independence**—In a nursing home, you face some limitations regarding what is available for you to do on any given day. People who have complete control over their surroundings are less likely to become depressed, one of the top diagnoses seen in clients in a nursing home setting.

**Family & Friends**—With a nursing home, it is assumed that care is provided by staff. The visitation by friends and family can fluctuate depending on where the facility is and visiting hours. At home, you set the schedule and you can easily gauge the frequency of friends and family visiting. Many of those visitors can share in providing help or assistance as needed. Socialization is key to healing and longevity.

**Caregivers**—In a nursing home, the choices you have regarding which specific individuals who will be providing your care are limited. In homecare, you choose who you feel comfortable with in your home. We are all more responsive to people we know and with whom we feel comfortable. The person providing the care also gets to know the adult on a one-to-one basis and can pick up on clues which can indicate something might be wrong.

Last but not least,

**Community**—Older adults have set routines and know the people at their grocery store, bank and church. To remain in their own home, may mean they are likely to remain active in their community. An active senior citizen is less likely to become ill than one who is not.

So there are many risks to weigh when you consider long term care. But to most people, there is no place like home. ■

## New England Philanthropy Conference Features Speakers from Two Masonic Organizations

In early March, speakers from two Masonic organizations were featured at “Philanthropy Rising” the annual conference for the New England Association for Health Care Philanthropy (NEAHP). The conference, which was held in Newcastle, NH at Wentworth by the Sea, attracts nearly 200 fundraising professionals from health care organizations across New England. Attendees were representative of all of the major hospitals, hospices, homecare organizations and long term care facilities in the region. NEAHP is a regional branch of the national organization, Association for Health Care Philanthropy (AHP). The purpose of the conference is to share best practices in Health care fundraising across health disciplines.

Keynote speakers Chris Dobens and Nicholas Reynolds opened the conference with an inspiring presentation on their invention – Boston Strong. Following the Boston Marathon bombings last April, these two Emerson College students launched a philanthropic movement which raised nearly \$1 million for One Fund Boston by marketing their Boston Strong t-shirt design on social media.

Michele Claybourne, Hospice Administrator of Overlook Hospice Services, along with Cathy LaRocca, Vice President, Fund Development for Masonic Health System of Massachusetts, presented “What if Disney Ran Your Hospice.” Cathy also served on the Conference committee as Track Dean for Home Care, Hospice and

Long Term Care. Jennifer King, Executive Director of Masonicare Foundation in Wallingford, Connecticut, presented “Working with Older Donors, 65+” to an audience of homecare and long term care fundraising professionals.

If you are interested in learning more about charitable giving to Masonic Health System of Massachusetts, please contact Cathy LaRocca at 508-434-2401. ■



Cathy LaRocca and Michele Claybourne presented at the NEAHP on the topic “What if Disney Ran Your Hospice?”

### Highlights

## IF DISNEY RAN YOUR HOSPICE

by Cathy LaRocca and Michele Claybourne

A Hospice is concerned with end of life care, however some of the tips of Walt Disney apply here as they do in many business situations. According to Walt Disney, “Whatever you do, do it well. Do it so well that when people see you do it they will want to come back and see you do it again and they will want to bring others and show them how well you do what you do.” Here are some crucial elements of his attitude toward any business:

- Both the family members and patients are treated as guests
- Exceed expectations: make the experience right.
- Everything, from staff to setting, everything is the experience
- Customer Service is not a department it is a way of working
- Golden Rule: treat others as you would be treated
- Listen and confirm: over communication is communication
- ASAP is the deadline

mended intake for fiber of 20–35 grams per day. Some health care professionals recommend upwards of 50 grams per day to help control diabetes, blood pressure and weight gain.

Diets high in fiber may: ease chronic constipation; prevent or treat diverticular diseases; prevent heart disease; prevent or treat high cholesterol; prevent hemorrhoids; treat irritable bowel syndrome; prevent or treat diabetes; prevent colorectal cancer.

Which foods contain fiber? There are two types of fiber. Insoluble fiber provides bulking agent to stool, promotes regular bowel movements and helps prevent constipation. It can help with weight control by creating feeling of fullness or satiety. Sources include cereals, wheat/wheat bran, whole grains, nuts and seeds, fruits and vegetables (especially the skin).

Soluble fiber slows the passage of stool and creates feeling of fullness or satiety. Increased intake can help lower LDL cholesterol by binding with fatty acids and balance blood sugars. Sources include brans, fruit, vegetables and beans/legumes, oatmeal/oat bran/barley, nuts and flax seeds, psyllium husk (in Metamucil).

When increasing fiber in your diet, increase fiber gradu-

ally to ease abdominal discomfort; always increase fluid intake to help proper digestion; and add both soluble and insoluble fiber from a variety of sources.

Keep in mind when reading food labels to check serving size first, then total grams of fiber per serving. Use the list below as a guide to choose the best options for your lifestyle. ■

The following foods are excellent sources of fiber. Try adding a few to your daily diet to help improve your health!

#### Fruits and Vegetables

Apples with skin  
Blueberries  
Grapefruit  
Pears  
Avocado  
Peas  
Sweet potato  
Cabbage  
Carrots

#### Cereals, Grains and Pasta

Bran cereal  
100% whole wheat bread  
Oats  
Whole wheat pasta  
Brown rice  
Quinoa

#### Beans, Nuts and Seeds

Black beans  
Flax seeds  
Soy beans  
Pistachio nuts  
Walnuts  
Chick peas  
Kidney beans  
Lentil beans  
Pumpkin seeds

## Rainbow Assemblies Spend Sunday at Overlook

by Bro. David Peterson



The Overlook was the location for six Rainbow assemblies to attend annual Rainbow Sunday services on Sunday, April 6, 2014. The following Rainbow Assemblies participated: Oxford Assembly #89, Holden Assembly #85, Spencer Assembly #72, Framingham Assembly #47, West Springfield Assembly #79, and Gardner Assembly #83.

The girls and their adult advisors met at the main entrance at the Overlook. The girls assisted with greeting the residents as they entered the chapel and then a representative from each assembly carried a flag into the chapel at the start of Sunday services. The coffee hour following the service was hosted by the Rainbow assemblies. The girls had an opportunity to visit with the residents.

Rainbow Sunday is held one time each year. This is where Rainbow girls get together to attend church services in celebration of the founding of Rainbow, which was April 6, 1922.

For more information about the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, and to contact a Rainbow assembly near you, please visit [www.massiorg.net](http://www.massiorg.net). ■

## Fiber and Digestive Health

by Melanie Cohen, MS, RD, LDN

As a Registered Dietitian, I face this question: “I suffer from constipation often and my physician recommended that I eat more fiber in my diet. I’ve tried eating more fiber and end up with terrible stomach pains and gas. What are the best ways to increase fiber in my diet without uncomfortable side effects?” This type of question refers to improving digestive health.

The average intake for American’s is 10–15 grams of fiber per day. Most of us are falling short of the recom-

# THE EXCITABLE HEART

## Ventricular Tachycardia and Fibrillation

Part IV of a Five-Part Series

by Dr. Charles Antzelevitch, Executive Director, Masonic Medical Research Laboratory

Like the beating of distant drums, your heart modulates its pace, adjusting to environmental and physical demands by slowing down and speeding up. Occasionally, it goes into a frenzy, beating out of control, racing against time for no good reason. As discussed in part III of this series, this type of cardiac arrhythmia is referred to as a ventricular tachycardia (VT). It is most frequently observed after a heart attack, in otherwise diseased or scarred hearts, and occasionally in apparently normal and healthy hearts. In most cases, VT is due to a short-circuiting of electrical activity within the ventricles of the heart, thus giving rise to a circular movement of the electrical wave. This mechanism, known as reentry, continuously re-excites the heart, causing it to beat at rapid rates. In some individuals, VT is caused by a “focal” mechanism involving rapid and repeated firing of a small group of abnormal cells within the ventricles of the heart. In the latter case, the arrhythmias are often very sensitive to the sympathetic nervous system activity and to various stimulants.

Ventricular tachycardia, when relatively slow and regular, may occur without symptoms. At more rapid and/or irregular rates, VT usually produces symptoms in the form of palpitations, pre-syncope (dizziness) and syncope (fainting spells). The dizziness and fainting spells occur because the pumping chambers do not have sufficient time to fill with blood and as a consequence are inefficient in pumping blood to the brain and other organs of the body. The ECG will alert your physician as to how dangerous the arrhythmia may be.

*The Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL) is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation founded and sponsored by Freemasonry. Recognized as a one of the finest biomedical research centers in the world, the MMRL has contributed importantly to the modern day practice of cardiology. Over the past five decades MMRL investigators have been credited with either discovering or unraveling the mechanisms of a majority of known cardiac arrhythmias and is currently one of a handful of medical research institutes worldwide capable of studying the genetic causes of the lethal cardiac arrhythmias responsible for sudden death in young adults, children and infants. The MMRL is leading the way in the development of innovative safe and effective pharmacological treatment for atrial fibrillation, one of the greatest unmet medical needs facing our society.*



If the ECG signals attending each beat of the tachycardia are similar in size and shape, the tachycardia is said to be monomorphic. In contrast, when the signals are of varying amplitude and shape, the arrhythmia is said to be polymorphic. Generally speaking, the latter is more likely to be life-threatening. The danger of a rapid polymorphic tachycardia is that it can degenerate into ventricular fibrillation (VF), which is the principal cause of sudden death. Although a heart in VF beats at an extremely rapid rate, it is useless as a pump because the contractions are uncoordinated.

Treatment of VT depends on the cause. When secondary to a focal or discrete reentry mechanism, ablation therapy may be able to prevent the arrhythmia, using radiofrequency energy to burn the abnormal pacemaker or the troublesome tissue that allows reentry to develop. In some cases, antiarrhythmic drugs, such as amiodarone, beta-adrenergic blockers (such as propranolol), potassium and sodium channel blockers, may be helpful. In the case of life-threatening arrhythmias, the first line treatment is an Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator (ICD). This is a device that senses when the heart goes into ventricular fibrillation and automatically delivers a shock to restore normal rhythm. These marvelous devices have dramatically changed the treatment of arrhythmias and have extended the lives of hundreds of thousands of people. In some cases, an ICD may be used in conjunction with antiarrhythmic drugs to limit the number of times that the device is activated.

VT/VF occurring in apparently normal hearts has been the subject of intense study in recent years. These studies have demonstrated the existence of primary electrical disease caused by defects in specific ion channels. Patients with these “channelopathies” generally have a structurally normal heart. One form of channelopathy is called the long QT syndrome (LQTS), because the QT interval in the ECG is prolonged in patients afflicted with this disease. It is hereditary and has now been linked to a genetic defect in one of twelve different genes that affect the function of ion channel that carry potassium, sodium or calcium channels. The ion channel defects lead to the development of a polymorphic tachycardia known as Torsade de Pointe’s, which can degenerate to ventricular fibrillation. The syndrome tragically takes the lives of teenagers and

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## The Prodigal Mason

by Richard Thompson



Last March I was reviewing the life’s journey that brought me to where I am now. My birthday is in March and as I add another year to my age, I often find my thoughts drifting to the past.

This is quite different from the thoughts of my youth. When I was young, I was always thinking of the future. I couldn’t wait to be 10! I couldn’t wait to become a teenager! I was anxious to be 18! The age of 21 couldn’t come fast enough! At 30 I would feel like I was actually an adult!

There are, of course, some decisions I regret, but like Frank Sinatra sang in My Way, “Regrets, I’ve had a few, but then again, too few to mention.” (I realize that by quoting a song by Frank Sinatra I’m admitting I’m no longer a young man.)

Of all the decisions I’ve made, one of my best was to become a part of the Masonic Fraternity. I started this journey with the Order of DeMolay and I can honestly say that during the years since I became a DeMolay the Fraternity has changed me.

We often say, “You only get out of Masonry what you put into it!” To me, the truth is greater than that. I think you get more out of Masonry than you ever put into it. This may be the one case where “the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.”

While all these thoughts came rushing at me, I suddenly realized my Masonic journey is now in its 49th year. It started on March 26, 1965. I can remember that day like it was yesterday.

I started my journey at the Lowell Masonic Center. In the foyer there are two couches facing each other. I was sitting on the couch facing the stairs that lead to the lodge room.

There were seven of us waiting for the start of the Initiatory Degree. Waiting with us was Dad Frank Gentle. That night, Dad Gentle was a stranger. Soon after that night, he became a mentor. Further on, he became a friend.

Dad Gentle taught me these two most important

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things—how to follow and do the job you were assigned, and how to lead and how to make those assignments.

DeMolay had a tremendous impact on my life. DeMolay gave me the confidence I needed for my adult years. It taught me how to speak in public and how to use reason to solve problems. Also, in a lot of ways, you can say I am writing this column because I joined Lowell Chapter that March night.

When I joined Lowell DeMolay, the chapter had a newsletter—*The Templar*. My first assignment was to work on that newsletter. I started in production, then moved to writing and finally completed my tour some years later as the editor.

So I went into the newspaper business—first as a reporter, then an editor. Along the way I wrote columns and editorials.

Now, I can’t give DeMolay all the credit for steering me into a career in journalism. I grew up in a house filled with newspapers, magazines, and books. Some of my earliest memories are of my mother and father sitting in the living room reading the newspaper. I learned at an early age the printed word was special.

But DeMolay gave me my first taste of what it was like to be a writer. That newsletter was my first news publication. That was my start. That newsletter also gave me the chance to earn a “not too easy to get” merit bar—Journalism.

DeMolay was the first step on a journey where I discovered just who I am and what I can be. I’m still on that journey and the Fraternity is still helping me to discover more and more about myself. And it has done something else. It has allowed me to find friendships whose duration I mark in decades. And thanks to DeMolay, I have friendships that have lasted for almost five decades.

So next year will be my 50th anniversary as a DeMolay. Maybe I should head off to Lowell Chapter on the fourth Friday to celebrate that milestone in the place where it all began. That fourth Friday is March 27th—50 years and one day later.

The Order of DeMolay is different from what it was when I was a teen. But in the important ways, it is still the same. It is still preparing young men to enter the years of manhood. And for some it is just that first step on the road of fraternal activity, fraternal friendships, and fraternal lessons.

## Dinner Honors Rookies, Master Builders

The annual Rookie and Master Builders' dinner was held at Grand Lodge on April 4. Over 75 Rookie Award and Master Builder Award recipients attended the dinner. Also in attendance were members of the membership committee, Past Grand Master Richard J. Stewart, and the Grand Master.

M. Wor. Harvey J. Waugh, thanked those in attendance for their dedication to the Craft, and encouraged them to help others obtain these awards, which were designed to help get men



involved in the various activities of the fraternity.

— Bro. Christopher Rooney

## Cape Masons Working to Preserve Welt Mural



Bro. Milton H. Welt painted the 8 1/2 by 20 1/2 foot mural in the Harwich High School lobby when the high school was built in 1964. The lapse of time has destroyed many valuable monuments and Bro. Welt's mural will be no exception. The high school is to be razed to make room for the nearly completed Monomoy Regional School District's combined Chatham Harwich High School. The old Harwich High School gone so will be one of our links to artistic Masonic achievement. The Milton Welt Preservation Project is a nonprofit organization that has been established to help preserve Bro. Welt's contribution to not only Cape Cod cultural history but Masonic cultural history as well.

The preservation of the mural has two phases. The first involves restoring and moving the mural to a safe place (about \$90,000) and then installing it where it may be viewed by all at the Harwich Community Center when additional funds have been raised (up to \$80,000). Harwich Friends of the Arts are halfway to their phase one goal but time is running out. If you would like to help save our worthy Brother's work please make a tax deductible donation to: FOTA/Milton Welt Mural Project care of Milton Welt Mural Preservation Project, PO Box 413, Harwich Port MA 02646. Your donation would allow future generations to enjoy Bro. Welt's Masonic Legacy. And you like me can look toward the future and say proudly "A Mason created this and Masons helped to preserve it." — Wor. Alan R. Melanson

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Club in Fort Myers and on Friday welcomed a crowd of more than 70 at the Delray Beach Golf Club. M. Wor. Bro. Waugh brought the news of the wonderful things happening with Freemasonry in Massachusetts while Rt. Wor. Bro. Jolly updated the audiences on the business happenings at Grand Lodge and within the fraternity as a whole.

At the Delray luncheon, Bro. William Sandler, of Marine Lodge, surprised the Grand Master by making a generous donation to Grand Lodge. He was enthusiastic about the programs the Grand Master mentioned, including the Brotherhood Fund, and wanted to help.

Also at the Delray Luncheon they met Barbara Rogers, wife of Bro. Lee Rogers, member of Maj. General Henry Knox Lodge. She asked if someone could visit him at a nearby rehabilitation center; he was in rehab and could not be present at the luncheon. Following the luncheon Rt. Wor. Bros. DeNicola and Jolly visited Bro. Rogers and presented him with a Grand Master's pin. Barbara Rogers wrote after the visit, "We felt very welcome [at the luncheon] even though we didn't know anybody. Thank you both for coming over to the Manor Care Rehab and presenting my husband [with the pin]."

This was the third year in a row that the Florida visit has taken place, the first two years during the term of M. Wor. Richard J. Stewart. The visits have been well received by all the members and many commented on looking forward to next year's return visit. — Wor. Lee H. Fenn

### Trowel Deadlines

#### Fall 2014

Articles: June 20, 2014

Lodge News: July 18, 2014

#### Winter 2014

Articles: September 19

Lodge News: October 17

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## Lodges Fete New Grand Officers

Above: Deputy Grand Master Rt. Wor. Joseph C. DeNicola was received after his appointment by his home lodge Old Colony Lodge of Hingham at the Brockton building. Upper right: Sr. Grand Warden Thomas A. Stark received by Norfolk Lodge in Needham. Pictured here with M. Wor. Harvey J. Waugh and Master of Norfolk Lodge Wor. A. Theodore McIntosh. Right: Jr. Grand Warden Kenneth W. Pfeiffer in a pensive moment when being received by Frank W. Thompson Lodge of Bedford at the Lexington building with some of the suite of Grand Lodge in the background.



## Weymouth-Braintree S&C Open House Features "Touch a Truck"



The Square & Compasses day at the Weymouth & Braintree Masonic Building featured a well attended Touch a Truck event (left). A Touch a Truck event brings families and passersby into the open house because they see firetrucks, cherry pickers, backhoes, and other large scale equipment parked in front and around the building. The kids can sit in the trucks, have their pictures taken and then tour the building. — Wor. George H. Raymond.

## 12 Noon Club Thrives in Weymouth

The 12 Noon Club meets the third Monday of each month at 12 noon at the Weymouth United Masonic Lodge. Masons from all parts of the jurisdiction, but primarily from the south shore, gather for a home cooked lunch and a chance to socialize on an informal basis. The club has been around for more than 15 years and currently has about 65 members. Dress is casual and first time attendees are treated as guests of the club. — Wor. Jeffrey Jarvis



## Regional News Editors for Trowel

*Do you scoff at cell phone photos?* Do you know what SLR means? Do you love being the photographer at events? Have you bought more camera equipment that you thought you could use? Can you take a picture of two people and have the people, not the background, in focus?

*Can you write clearly and fast?* Are you honest and happy to work with other authors? Do you have a good eye for grammar?

**Work on TROWEL.** You will be pressed into service as photographer, writer, and editor of the pieces featured in the Fraternity News & Events section of the magazine. The positions are geographical: Worcester and West; North, East and Boston; South and Cape. Each area has its challenges and each area needs coverage in TROWEL Please send resume and a photographic sample to me,

Wor. Lee H. Fenn, [editortrowel@gmail.com](mailto:editortrowel@gmail.com).

## Lewis Jewel Presented to New Marine and Mason

Matthew John Whittall Lodge of Shrewsbury graciously hosted Bro. Justin Lane-Qualey of Franklin Lodge of Grafton and his family at their Regular Communication on March 11, 2014. At that time, he was presented the Lewis Jewel by his father, Wor. Stephen Qualey. Bro. Lane-Qualey recently completed recruit training at Parris Island, South Carolina and will soon ship out to North Carolina for Marine Combat Training. Rt. Wor. H. Bradford White, Jr., District Deputy Grand Master for the 23rd Masonic District, was present to offer congratulations to both father and son.

—Bro. Stephen Qualey



(L to R) Wor. Robert Prouix, Master, Matthew John Whittall Lodge, Wor. Stephen Qualey, Bro. Justin Lane-Qualey, Christina Qualey and Rt. Wor. H. Bradford White, Jr.

## Mariners Lodge “Monkey’s Fist” Gets Around

One of the most enjoyable social activities for any lodge is to travel to another lodge and meet with the brethren and share ideas and experiences. Many lodges have created a “travelling artifact” as an incentive to encourage visitations. Generally, the way it works is that the lodge who travels the farthest earns the right to “capture” the artifact and bring it back to their lodge. Mariners Lodge in Cotuit has as its artifact a “monkey’s fist,” (below) a nautical knot used in handling a ship’s mooring lines. Last year, Joel H. Prouty Lodge of Auburn traveled to Cape Cod, visited Mariners and claimed the “monkey’s fist.” Unwilling to lose their coveted artifact, three members of Mariners returned to Prouty Lodge this past February and

retrieved the “monkey’s fist.” All agree that the experience was great fun and fostered brotherhood and fraternity in ways which would most likely not occur otherwise.

—Bro. Theodore P. Theodores

**Academic Lodges** *continued from page 3*  
Brothers I would have otherwise never met,” said Bro. Jeffrey M. Cox, Assistant Secretary of the Boston University Lodge.

According to tradition, the Academic Convocation cannot be opened without the use of the Convocation Gavel. This gavel is composed of wood from historically significant buildings from the MIT, Harvard, and Boston University campuses. The hosting Master, in this case Wor. Bro. O’Brian, receives the gavel from the other The Harvard’s Master, Wor. Donald Watson and Boston University’s acting Master, Sr. Warden Bro. James J. Howard, III. After the presentation and opening ceremonies, Rt. Wor. Edgar Rolando de Leon, and his suite of distinguished Masons were received for the purpose of paying the three lodges a fraternal visit.

Bro. Rev. Dr. Lawrence Edward Carter Sr., 33°, gave a moving and inspirational keynote address about the principles of our fraternity and how academic lodges will play a pivotal role in passing them on to the next generation of Masons. Wor. E. Donald

Weiner of MIT Lodge summarized that Bro. Carter challenged the Brethren present to unite and “. . . encourage the ‘Brotherhood of Man’ through our actions and the ideals of the teachings of Masonry.”

Following the keynote address, the Brethren attended numerous breakout sessions on topics ranging from meditation to Mithraism, from finances to networking, and even the challenges and rewards of starting an academic lodge. “It felt like we were actually doing Masonry instead of just talking about Masonry,” was said by at least ten Brothers who were there.

After dinner in the Paul Revere dining room, Bro. Howard, provided some closing remarks, and applauded the attendees for supporting what academic Masonry should be about. He invited all those present to mark their calendars for Saturday, September 20, 2014 and Wednesday, April 8, 2015. On these dates, the Boston University Lodge will host two scholars on Freemasonry: Professor William Moore of Boston University’s American Studies department; and David Hackett (Author of: *That Religion in Which All Men Agree: Freemasonry in American Culture*). He concluded that, “Knowledge on its own is nothing. It is the application of that knowledge which is truly powerful. These presentations will echo Bro. Carter’s sentiments about what we as academic Masons can provide to humanity through the pursuit of useful knowledge and the application thereof.” All Masons interested in attending should contact Bro. Howard for more information at james.howard@bu-lodge.org.

Wor. Bro. O’Brien and his team of officers at the Richard C. Maclaurin (MIT) Lodge provided the vision for what became “. . . an awesome, courageous and brilliant set up, and the standard has been raised,” according to Wor. David L. Riley, District Deputy Grand Secretary for the Second Masonic District. Those present will agree that the future of the pursuit of further light is indeed bright.

—Bro. James J. Howard III

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# 2014 MASONIC ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the more than 600 Massachusetts Masons who, being blessed with long life and great lodges, have achieved the important milestones listed below. The celebrants are grouped by the number of years since being raised—75, 70, 65, and 60—and under their current lodge regardless of where they were raised. These anniversaries are based on the date a

Mason was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

Please contact your lodge secretary if you have any concerns about your seniority or status. It is possible that some recent demits, or recent deaths have not been reflected in the listings. TROWEL regrets the lack of photographs.

## 75-Year Anniversaries Brethren Raised in 1939

Bro. Noble Addison Phillips *Gatun Lodge*

Wor. Warner Franklin Smith *Mount Zion Lodge*

Bro. Arthur Everett Hoeg *Norfolk Union Lodge*

Wor. Carleton Nickerson Goff *Old Colony Lodge*

Rt. Wor. Sidney David Cronig *Oriental-Martha’s Vineyard Lodge*

## 70-Year Anniversaries Brethren Raised in 1944

### Amity-Mosaic Lodge

Bro. Warren Abbott Weed

### Caleb Butler Lodge

Bro. Sheldon Lubinsky

### Converse Lodge

Bro. Harry Sugarman

### Crescent-Pittsfield Lodge

Bro. Laurence Waldemar Lattizzori

### Dalhousie Lodge

Wor. John Murray Balcom

### Elm-Belcher Lodge

Bro. George Dennis Robinson

### Esoteric-Sherwood Lodge

Bro. Edward Margoles Broad

Bro. William John Tribelhorn

### Gatun Lodge

Wor. James Roscoe Kimball Jr

Bro. William Hinkson Wymer

### Golden Rule Lodge

Bro. Frank Louis Verdonck

### Guiding Lights Lodge

Bro. Frederick Edward Coe

### Hayden Lodge

Bro. Stanley Irving Brooks

### Hope Lodge

Bro. Henry Milo Gates

### King David Lodge

Bro. Bernard Charles Creswick

### Lafayette-Greylock Lodge

Bro. Earl Russell Kittredge

### Liberty Lodge

Bro. Lester Hartwell Bills

Bro. Thomas Bisson Saunders

### Major General Henry Knox Lodge

Bro. August Harold Asseier

### May Flower Lodge

Bro. William Wallace Kelley Jr

### Montgomery Lodge

Bro. Arthur William Peterson

### Morning Star Lodge

Bro. Roy Erling Johnson

### Moses Michael Hays Lodge

Bro. Philip Nicholas Stamas

### Mount Lebanon Lodge

Bro. Frederick Ellingsworth Morgan

### Mystic Lodge

Bro. Eric Frederick Fuegel

### Prospect Lodge

Bro. Richard Aymar Allen

### Saint Mark’s Lodge

Bro. Frederick William Hirsch

### Saint Martin’s Lodge

Bro. John Pettigrew Taylor

### Sojourners Lodge

Bro. Randall Richard Rockwood

### The Consolidated Lodge

Bro. Myron David Goldman

### United Brethren Lodge

Bro. Fontinelle Scott Carpenter Jr

### Universal Lodge

Bro. Robert Clason Nickerson

### Waltham Triad Lodge

Bro. Sumner Dean Lewis

### Warren Lodge

Bro. Randolph Paige Morse

Bro. Hugh Edwin Ramsden

### William North Lodge

Bro. Robert Wade Barris Jr

## 65-Year Anniversaries Brethren Raised in 1949

### Alpha Lodge

Bro. Vernon Craig Matheson

### Amity-Mosaic Lodge

Bro. Carl Pomroy

### Artisan Lodge

Bro. Douglas Everett Knotts

### Aurora Lodge

Bro. Norman William May

Bro. Jacob Vandebrock

### Beth-horon Lodge

Bro. Warren Russell Davis

### Brigham Lodge

Bro. Ronald Lloyd Croft Jr

Bro. John Edward Dimm

Bro. Henry Ernest Friberg

Bro. Abraham Neurick Goodman

Bro. Lewis Leslie Gordon

Bro. Robert Phillip Johnston

Bro. Murray Novick

Wor. Howard Albert Vincent

### Budleigh Lodge

Bro. Robert Allen Wood

### Charity Lodge

Bro. Anthony Mazza

### Charles River Lodge

Bro. George Emery Whiting

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- Chicopee Lodge**  
Bro. Kenneth Donald Stevenson
- Cochichewick Lodge**  
Bro. William Arthur Doucette
- Columbian Lodge**  
Bro. James Arthur Atsales
- Converse Lodge**  
Bro. John Americo Ciano  
Bro. Arthur Fentin  
Bro. John Price Weldon Jr
- Corner Stone Lodge**  
Bro. Frank Arthur Davis
- Crescent-Pittsfield Lodge**  
Bro. William Cornell Powers  
Bro. Stuart Lavere Preston  
Bro. Edward Skoletsky  
Bro. Arthur Stein
- Eastern Star Lodge**  
Bro. Vernon Luis Blackledge  
Bro. Henry Marcel Dumoussaud
- Eden Lodge**  
Bro. Niles Howard Tucker
- Esoteric-Sherwood Lodge**  
Bro. Abraham Benjamin Feinstein  
Bro. Wallace Guy Mueller
- Essex Lodge**  
Bro. Raymond Hodge
- Ezekiel Bates Lodge**  
Bro. Robert Brownell Angus  
Bro. Robert John MacEwen  
Bro. Edward Barney Stevenson
- Fellowship Lodge**  
R.W. David Ernest Chaffee
- Franklin Lodge**  
Bro. John Brewster Robinson
- Fraternal Lodge**  
Bro. D. Judson Gayton  
Bro. Byron Russell Hall  
Bro. Milton Leon Penn
- Gatun Lodge**  
Bro. John H Greve  
Bro. David Paul Ottinger
- George H. Taber Lodge**  
Bro. Eli Gifford Braley
- Globe Unity Lodge**  
Bro. George Orville Andrews Jr  
Bro. John Howard Ellis
- Golden Fleece Lodge**  
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- Golden Rule Lodge**  
Bro. Royal Henry Evans Jr  
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Bro. Robert Elbridge Dearth  
Bro. Donald Arthur Pease
- Guiding Lights Lodge**  
Bro. G Willard King  
Bro. Sidney Vernon Rudge
- Hampshire Lodge**  
Wor. Robert Graham Davidson
- Hayden Lodge**  
Wor. William Lewis Ayers

- Jerusalem Lodge**  
Bro. Homer Edward Chilson  
Bro. Earle Berkley Quist
- John Hancock Lodge**  
Bro. Walter Lincoln Davis
- John T. Heard Lodge**  
Bro. Donald Garfield Kirk
- Jordan Lodge**  
R.W. Bogos Willis Peligian
- Joseph Warren-Soley Lodge**  
Bro. William Farmer Gullette Jr  
R.W. Roger William Hannemann
- King Solomon's Lodge**  
Bro. Edward Douglas Harrison
- Lafayette-Greylock Lodge**  
Bro. George Bacon Higgins
- Lawrence United Lodge**  
Bro. Herman James Schneider
- Level Lodge**  
Bro. Leonard Edward Katz
- Liberty Lodge**  
Bro. Charles MacDonald Dallas
- Macedonian Lodge**  
Bro. Thomas Graham Morris
- Major General Henry Knox Lodge**  
Bro. John Templeton Brodie Jr  
Wor. Donald Angus MacLeod  
R.W. Alvin Morris Steinberg  
Bro. Raymond Frederick Sundstrom Jr
- Marine Lodge**  
Wor. George Anthony Marken  
Bro. Paul Nicholas Stanton  
Wor. James Morris Thatcher
- Mariners Lodge**  
Bro. Russell Stuart Fleming
- Massasoit-Narragansett Lodge**  
Wor. William Banaclough McLlwayne Jr
- Meridian Lodge**  
Bro. Armenag John Kaprielian Jr  
Bro. Richard Bell Murdoch
- Merrimack Lodge**  
Bro. Pierre Jean Kennedy
- Middlesex Lodge**  
Bro. William Leslie Hall
- Montgomery Lodge**  
Bro. Harold William Anderson  
Bro. Ronald Ellsworth Mitchell
- Morning Star Lodge**  
Bro. Charles Edward Aronson
- Moses Michael Hays Lodge**  
Bro. Jordan Birger  
Bro. Noah Fieldman  
Bro. Irwin Leonard Gilbert  
Bro. Murray Kusmin  
Bro. Allen Munroe Mintz  
Bro. Leon Vincent Rosenberg
- Mount Carmel Lodge**  
Bro. Harvey Robert Berger  
Bro. Henry Clinton Chase  
Bro. George Savas Karavasiles  
Bro. Edwin Legge  
Bro. Wilfred Stacey Tucker

## Bethany Lodge Brings World Series Trophy to Newburyport

Hundreds gathered at Bethany Lodge in Newburyport on March 22 to have the opportunity to be photographed with the 2013 World Series Trophy. Mayor Donna Holaday officially proclaimed it "Red Sox Day" and thanked the local Masons for arranging to show the trophy. Lines stretched through the building into the parking lot and down the block for a good part of the day. There was no charge, but Red Sox memorabilia and Fenway-themed snacks like hot dogs and popcorn were sold. The Lodge raised more than \$1,000 for a fund for a new baseball field for the community.

The World Series Trophy is not officially on tour, so convincing Red Sox officials to release it to Bethany Lodge was quite an achievement. Bro. James DeBoisbriand was a driving force behind the effort, making calls to the Red Sox front office last November and then coordinating the advertising campaign which resulted in such a tremendous turnout. Below: Mayor Donna Holaday reads "Red Sox Day" proclamation at the Newburyport Masonic Building.



- Mount Hermon Lodge**  
Wor. Robert Ole Anderson  
Bro. Elis Alvar Guditz
- Mount Holyoke Lodge**  
Bro. Richard Willy Adams  
Bro. William Bruce Aitkenhead Jr  
Bro. Donald John Buss
- Mount Hope Lodge**  
Bro. Alan Bradford Lancashire
- Mount Moriah Lodge**  
Bro. Charles Earl Beal  
Wor. Roger Harmon Perry
- Mount Tabor Lodge**  
R.W. Paul Edward Gerolstein
- Mount Vernon-Galilean Lodge**  
Wor. Douglas Harold Smith
- Mountain Lodge**  
Bro. Robert Flagg Corse
- Mystic Lodge**  
Bro. Armand Vallin Feigenbaum
- Norfolk Lodge**  
Bro. Edward Daniel Heiman  
Bro. Noble Walter Jahnke  
Bro. John Sotir Mitro
- Norfolk Union Lodge**  
Bro. John Murray Gibbons
- North Quabbin Lodge**  
Bro. Richard Charles Spofford
- Oriental-Martha's Vineyard Lodge**  
Bro. Samuel Bernard Issokson
- Oxford Lodge**  
Bro. Erwin Merton Murdock
- Pacific Lodge**  
Bro. Bernard Thomas Aldrich Jr
- Palestine Lodge**  
Bro. Ralph Henry Marks Jr
- Pequossette Lodge**  
Bro. Allen Palmer Andrews  
Bro. Frank Jim Gordon Jr  
Bro. Carl Thomas Weiner
- Philanthropic Lodge**  
Bro. John Wesley Hamilton Jr  
Bro. Leslie Sheldon Harris
- Pioneer Lodge**  
Bro. Frank Arnold Dobson
- Puritan Lodge**  
R.W. Robert Edward Godbout Sr



Rt. Wor. Clifford P. Bohnet, District Deputy Grand Master of the 22nd Masonic District is standing by the door of the George Washington Memorial with Bro. Mathew Christ, a member of Hope Lodge in Gardner.

## Aurora Lodge in Pilgrimage to Washington Masonic Memorial

Aurora Lodge of Fitchburg along with some members of Artisan Lodge of Winchendon and Hope Lodge of Gardner made a pilgrimage by train to the George Washington Masonic Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia during the week-end of March 29. They were greeted by Wor. Mark Tabbert, Director of Collections, and conducted on a private tour of the Memorial. Later in the day, they repaired to the adjacent Apartments of Alexandria-Washington Lodge #22 to open a Special Communication and confer the Fellowcraft Degree on Bro. Michael Bisceglia. Wor. Scott Mathieu of Aurora Lodge presided with Rt. Wor. Clifford Bohnet, District Deputy Grand Master for the 22nd Masonic District, in attendance.

—Wor. Stanley Herriott

- Quinsigamond Lodge**  
Bro. Pendleton Norcross Havener  
Bro. Carl John Lindegren Jr
- Richard C. Maclaurin Lodge**  
Bro. Jack William Carpenter  
Bro. Robert Cloudman Waterhouse
- Rising Star Lodge**  
Bro. George Saliem Hadaya  
R.W. Arthur Jameson Lucas
- Rural Lodge**  
Bro. Charles Robert Hillier
- Saggahew Lodge**  
Bro. John Kazarosian  
Bro. John Richard Lunt  
Bro. George Ernest Prokupek
- Saint Alban's Lodge**  
Bro. Robert Julian Ferestien
- Saint Martin's Lodge**  
Bro. Robert Bearse Thomson
- Saint Matthew's Lodge**  
R.W. John Badger Leitch  
Bro. Robert James Macartney
- Saint Paul's-Algonquin Lodge**  
Bro. Roy Esson Prout
- Satucket Lodge**  
Bro. Joseph Albert Salhaney
- Siloam Lodge**  
Bro. Gordon Look Newell
- Simon W. Robinson Lodge**  
Bro. Philip Byron Brown  
Bro. Alfred Arthur Curtis Jr  
Bro. John Vernon Jenkinson  
Wor. Ernest Frederick Stokes Sr
- Sojourners Lodge**  
Bro. William Edwards Daniels
- Star of Bethlehem Lodge**  
Bro. Harry Hintlian
- Starr King Lodge**  
Bro. Richard Elliot  
Bro. Warren Stevens
- The Consolidated Lodge**  
Bro. Philip Bloom  
Bro. Louis Engber  
Bro. Lester Earl Glaser  
Bro. Melvin Leonard Litvin  
R.W. Ronald Rosenberg
- The Meadows Lodge**  
Bro. Robert Burns Schoolcraft

- The Tyrian-Ashler-Acacia Lodge**  
Bro. Leslie Page Curtis
- Trinity Lodge**  
Bro. Robert Waters
- United Brethren Lodge**  
Bro. James Richard Williams
- Waltham Triad Lodge**  
Bro. Gerald Forest Dearborn  
Bro. Walter Winslow Hollis  
Bro. Edward Hagop Mesrobian  
Bro. Carl Gustav Nordgren  
Bro. Ralph Moody Stanley
- Wamesit Lodge**  
Bro. Robert Gray Colbath
- Warren Lodge**  
Bro. Louis Emanuel Janos
- Webster Lodge**  
Wor. John Pattison Trull
- West Roxbury-Dorchester Lodge**  
Bro. John Emmanuel Speare
- Wilder Lodge**  
Bro. Richard Albin Bergman  
Bro. William George Cutter  
Bro. William Gordon Graham  
Bro. David Albert Lubin
- William Parkman Lodge**  
Bro. Richard Allan Mancib

## 60-Year Anniversaries Brethren Raised in 1954

- Alpha Lodge**  
Bro. Richard George Colcord
- Amicable Lodge**  
Wor. Wellman James Bartlett
- Amity-Mosaic Lodge**  
Bro. Richard Thomas Campus  
Bro. Richard Clayton MacWhinnie  
Bro. Leslie Sewall Ray Jr  
Bro. Robert Day Thomas  
Bro. Edison Huntley Wentworth Jr
- Ancient York Lodge**  
Bro. Arthur Edwin Cohen  
Bro. Rodney Tenney Folsom  
Bro. George Raymond Garmon Jr  
Bro. Anastasio Georgeopoulos  
Bro. Bryant Livingston Kirby  
Bro. John McKinnon Jr  
Bro. Christos L Tournas
- Ancon Lodge**  
Bro. James Pinkerton Wilson
- Artisan Lodge**  
Wor. Maurice Roderick Bateman
- Aurora Lodge**  
Bro. William Ernest Kuriger  
Bro. Rodney Ernest Luchford
- Azure Lodge**  
Bro. Harold Theodore Coffin
- Bethany Lodge**  
Bro. Willard Pierce  
Bro. Robert Emery Smalley
- Beth-horon Lodge**  
Bro. Willard Sherburne Levings  
Wor. James Frank Otis  
Bro. Douglas Fraser Storrie
- Blue Hill Lodge**  
Bro. Herbert Lyman Gagnon  
Bro. William Joseph Rogers
- Boylston Lodge**  
Bro. Carl Robert Swenson  
Bro. Lloyd Wendel Underwood
- Brigham Lodge**  
Bro. Louis Beron  
Bro. Donald Gregory Cieri  
Bro. Clodovaldo Concepcion  
Bro. Harold David Hewinson  
Bro. Harry Kaplan  
Bro. Morton Bertrum Levine  
Bro. Arthur Norman Musen  
Bro. Selwyn Joseph Smith
- Bristol Lodge**  
Bro. William Chauncey Paynton
- Budleigh Lodge**  
Bro. Philip Chester Pitman
- Caleb Butler Lodge**  
Bro. Harry Carl Johnson Jr  
Wor. Clark Weston Paige
- Celestial Lodge**  
Bro. Earl Parker Carlson  
Bro. Robert George Lovely  
Bro. William Attwood Swansburg  
Bro. George Thomasian  
Bro. Charles Lincoln Wakefield
- Charles A. Welch Lodge**  
Bro. George Andrew Jamieson  
R.W. Alvin Richmond Piper
- Charles River Lodge**  
Bro. James Huylett Armitage  
Bro. Austin Chilson Buchanan  
Bro. Evan Lawrie Rhoads Jr
- Charles W. Moore Lodge**  
Bro. George Ardash Koljian
- Chicopee Lodge**  
Bro. Bernard Melvin Crosby  
Bro. Warren Emery Hoffman
- Cochichewick Lodge**  
Bro. Albert Richard Midgley  
Bro. Herbert Reuben Skane
- Columbian Lodge**  
Bro. Warren Arthur French  
Bro. James David McLachlan
- Converse Lodge**  
Bro. Avrom Bernard Friedland  
Bro. Edward Goldberg  
Bro. James Henry Watts III  
Bro. Theodore Wong  
Bro. Murray Yavner
- Corinthian Lodge**  
R.W. John Henry Hart  
Bro. Richard Haskell Peterson
- Corner Stone Lodge**  
R.W. Dexter Leroy Gasper
- Crescent-Pittsfield Lodge**  
Bro. Harry Monroe Howell
- Dalhousie Lodge**  
Bro. George Lester Bent  
Bro. George Douglas Fortune  
Bro. Norman Dewolfe Mattson

**Delta Lodge**

Bro. Robert Herman Belyea  
Bro. William Louis Hapke  
Bro. Kenneth Rhys Langler  
Bro. Alexander Mitchelson  
Bro. Arthur Roland Swanberg  
Bro. Henry Grafton Welsh

**DeWitt Clinton Lodge**

Bro. Robert Wales Leason

**Eastern Star Lodge**

Bro. Donald Hilton Brown  
Bro. Walter Clifford Littlefield  
Bro. Stuart Barker Mason  
Bro. Donald Granville Tripp  
Bro. Ellis Royden Westcott

**Elm-Belcher Lodge**

Bro. Gordon Denny Clarke  
Bro. James Lytle Duffman  
Bro. Henry Clay Earle III  
Bro. Robert Francis Quigley Jr

**Esoteric-Sherwood Lodge**

Bro. Theodore Peter Carellas

**Essex Lodge**

Bro. Thomas Patterson Dea

**Evening Star Lodge**

R.W. Joseph H. Liss

**Ezekiel Bates Lodge**

Bro. Vernon Andrew King Jr  
Bro. Charles Frank Thomae  
Bro. Armand Raymond Zarrella

**Fidelity Lodge**

Bro. Col. (USA-Ret) Ray Edwin Frye Jr  
Bro. Howard Grant Johnson

**Franklin Lodge**

Wor. Robert William Forsberg

**Fraternal Lodge**

Wor. Richard Murray Scudder

**Friendship Lodge**

Bro. Park Roy Glass Jr  
Bro. George Allan Janes  
Bro. Charles Malcolm MacDonald

**Garden City Lodge**

Bro. Harold Leon Lowenstein  
Bro. Eugene Lester Salem

**Gatun Lodge**

Bro. Robert Aubrey Douglas Jr  
Bro. Charles Richard Hashagen  
Bro. Virgil Monroe Lucky  
Bro. William John Schuster  
Bro. Donald Eugene Wilson

**George H. Taber Lodge**

Bro. Donald Charles Brooke  
R.W. Lynwood Pendexter Harriman  
Wor. Richard Joseph Moore

**Globe Unity Lodge**

Wor. Norman Addison Sanderson

**Golden Fleece Lodge**

Bro. Ernest Brekalis  
Bro. Scott Frederic Lovejoy  
Bro. Lewis William Pollack

**Golden Rule Lodge**

Bro. Herbert James Furness Jr  
Bro. James Paul Reynolds Jr  
Wor. Howard Clay Waddle Jr

**Good Samaritan Lodge**

Bro. David Calvin Hancock

**Guiding Lights Lodge**

Wor. Robert Wesley Eaton  
Bro. James Phimester Fyfe  
Bro. Anthony Demetrios Gregoriou  
Bro. Donald Herbert Patnod  
R.W. Henry Bigelow Rand  
Bro. Otis Everett Wickwire

**Hampshire Lodge**

Bro. Ernest Robert Kohler Jr

**Harmony Lodge**

Wor. Richard Gunn Podlenski

**Hayden Lodge**

Wor. Raymond Stuart Haire

**Hope Lodge**

Bro. George Carl Erickson Jr  
Bro. Alfred Francis Hayward  
Bro. William Ironside McFaul

**Howard Lodge**

Bro. William Daniel Boyne  
Bro. James Robert Kelley

**Jerusalem Lodge**

Bro. Paul Charles Colodny  
Bro. Stanley Greenberg

**Joel H. Prouty Lodge**

Bro. Robert Frederick Fenby  
Bro. Ernest Leonard Johnson  
Bro. John Robert Lilley II

**John Cutler Lodge**

Bro. William Oren Tower

**John Hancock Lodge**

Bro. Henry Kalil Hyder Jr  
Bro. George Frederick Russell Jr  
Bro. Edward Wolfendon

**John T. Heard Lodge**

Bro. Donald Phillip Hovey  
Bro. Perley Burnham Mears  
Bro. John Aldo Peterson

**Jordan Lodge**

Bro. James Charles Bougas  
Bro. George Spyros Velonis

**Joseph Warren-Soley Lodge**

Wor. Donald Lyman Dawes

**King David Lodge**

Bro. Israel Jacob Helfand  
Bro. William Johnston Miller Jr  
Bro. Calvin Clinton Overlock

**King Philip Lodge**

Bro. Louis Hathaway Gorton

**King Solomon's Lodge**

Bro. Clifford Robert Gardner

**Konohasett Lodge**

Wor. William Parker Miller

**Lafayette-Dover Lodge**

Wor. Louis James Fisher

**Lafayette-Greylock Lodge**

Wor. Donald Robert Millberry

**Lawrence United Lodge**

Bro. William Abraham Haddad Jr  
Bro. James Middleton  
Bro. Martin Lewis Neistadt  
Bro. Norman Maurice Shack

**Level Lodge**

Bro. Burton Leonard Siegal  
Bro. Sumner Silver



Members of Wakefield Chapter of DeMolay, William-Sutton Lodge, DeMolay State Officers, and M. Wor. Harvey J Waugh after the work of the evening at Grand Lodge.

**William Sutton Lodge Hosts Wakefield DeMolay Degree at Grand Lodge**

The Wakefield Chapter of DeMolay has undergone explosive growth, with 13 new members joining since December, allowing them to petition for their permanent Charter. In support of DeMolay in the North Shore, on April 17, William-Sutton Lodge hosted the boys of Wakefield in Grand Lodge as they inducted Jacob Thatcher Brooks into the fraternity. In attendance was M. Wor. Harvey J. Waugh, who was duly impressed with the work of the evening.

The DeMolay Degree not only consists of ritual and an obligation, but also contains a theatrical portion depicting the trials and tribulations of the Fraternities namesake, Jacques DeMolay. The work of the evening was conducted with members as new as a few months and as young as 12 years old. The outstanding performance has led to multiple Blue Lodge donations to the Chapter for the Boys to showcase their talents. They welcome the opportunity to visit Lodges and spread the word that our future Masons are here in DeMolay. If you would like the Wakefield Chapter of DeMolay to visit your lodge, please contact the Dad Advisor, Wor. Perry Calias; pcalias@comcast.net, 339-927-0711. The Wakefield Chapter meets on the first Wednesday and third Friday each month (7:30 pm) at the Wakefield Masonic Building. —Wor. Perry Calias

**Cell Phones Versus Cameras**



Put your best foot forward: use a camera to document your lodge. Above is a cell phone shot and a camera shot. The difference is important. Please, try to use the camera shot and make your photographs shine.

**Liberty Lodge**

Bro. Peter Dean Barter  
Bro. David Packer Creed  
Bro. Richard Raymond Howarth Sr  
Bro. Kenneth Baker Obear Jr

**Macedonian Lodge**

Wor. Carl Lee Douglas Jr

**Major General Henry Knox Lodge**

Bro. Robert Alan Baer  
Bro. Simon Sonny Cohen  
Bro. Robert Borrah Goldberg

**Manchester Lodge**

Bro. Guy Mansfield Bailey

**Marine Lodge**

Wor. Sherman Baker  
Wor. James Wellington Currie  
Wor. Clifford Clayton Goehring  
Bro. Philip Dearborn Holmes  
Bro. Thomas MacGregor  
Bro. William Work Jr

**Massasoit-Narragansett Lodge**

Bro. Antonio Guy D'Adamo  
Bro. George Edward Levesque

**Matthew John Whittall Lodge**

Wor. Donald Ralph Gray  
Bro. Marson Eaton Pratt

**May Flower Lodge**

Bro. Frederic Lestern Lincoln  
Bro. Robert Kenneth Malcolm  
Wor. Richard Stanford Nantais

**Meridian Lodge**

Bro. Edward James Hurst

**Merrimack Lodge**

Bro. Donald Earl MacQuarrie  
Bro. Sark Pashigian

**Milton Lodge**

Bro. Herbert Spencer French Jr

**Montgomery Lodge**

Bro. Edwin Earl Fielder  
Bro. Edward Walker Henderson  
Wor. George Earl Shepard

**Morning Star Lodge**

Bro. Roger Emerson Brooks Jr  
Bro. William Henry Eklund  
Bro. Robert John Freeman  
Bro. Wilbert Harry Valiquette

**Moses Michael Hays Lodge**

Bro. Frank Carter Blum  
Bro. Sumner T Blustein  
Bro. Eli Cotler  
Bro. Morris Gallant  
Bro. Joseph Golov  
Bro. Nathan Samuel Grifkin  
Bro. William Gurwitz  
Bro. Herbert Issner  
Bro. Seymour Kaplan  
Wor. Norman William King  
Wor. Stanley Sal Marshall  
Wor. Arnold Aaron Schaffer  
Bro. Jack Smith  
Bro. Frank Edward Snyder  
Bro. Allen Snyder  
Bro. Philip Straser  
Bro. Fred Wagner

**Mount Carmel Lodge**

Bro. Irving Marmer  
Bro. Samuel Bernard Sheldon

**Mount Hermon Lodge**

Bro. Harold Carter Fuller

**Mount Hollis Lodge**

Bro. Robert Charles Hopkins

**Mount Holyoke Lodge**

Bro. Nicholas Belales  
Bro. Richard William Harnish  
Bro. Frank Obremski Jr

**Mount Hope Lodge**

Bro. Edward Abraham Bieler  
Bro. Robert Earl Chavenson  
Bro. Ephraim Fischel Horvitz

**Mount Horeb (D) Lodge**

Bro. Alfred Stanley Dauphinais  
Wor. Clarence Elmer Norcross

**Mount Horeb (W) Lodge**

Bro. William Francis Miller

**Mount Moriah Lodge**

Bro. Russell John Smith

**Mount Orthodox Lodge**

Bro. Peter John Vogian

**Mount Tabor Lodge**

Bro. Jacob Aronson  
Bro. Malvin Nathan Blotcher  
Bro. Alfred Stone Gardner  
Bro. Edwin Cuthbert Gardner  
Bro. Edward Peter Mabardi

**Mount Tom Lodge**

Bro. Alexander Charles Chapman  
Bro. Allan Robert McKinnon  
Bro. Allan Lester Simpson  
Bro. Ralph Raymond Thomson

**Mount Zion Lodge**

Wor. Harold Stephen Goldsmith

**Mystic Lodge**

Bro. Wilfred Norman Vercoe

**Mystic Valley Lodge**

Wor. Arnold Russell Carlson  
Bro. Robert Henry Ellefsen  
Bro. Robert Alan Freedman  
Bro. William Hamilton King

**Noquochoke Lodge**

Wor. Thomas Melvin Brooks Jr

**Norfolk Lodge**

Bro. Wesley Richard Currie  
Bro. George Cameron Greene  
Bro. Irving Ray Hopkins  
Bro. Fred William Krech

**Norfolk Union Lodge**

Bro. William Rau Schneider

**North Quabbin Lodge**

Wor. Francis Walter Foster  
Wor. James John Rich Jr

**Norumbega Fraternity Lodge**

Bro. Walter Clifford Fisher  
Bro. Leon Gray Tuck

**Occidental Lodge**

Wor. John Albert Dietrich

**Old Colony Lodge**

Bro. Henry Frederick James



(L to R) Rt. Wor. Walter Hunt, Wor. William Richards, Master of Ezekiel Bates Lodge and Rt. Wor. Heath VerBurg, District Deputy Grand Master for the 16th Masonic District, reading a proclamation from the Massachusetts Senate congratulating the Attleboro Historic Preservation Society on its 15th Anniversary.

**Ezekiel Bates Lodge Hosts Attleboro Historic Preservation Society**

On March 20, 2014, more than 100 Masons and members of the public attended the regular meeting of the Attleboro Historic Preservation Society hosted by Ezekiel Bates Lodge. The presentation focused on the history of Freemasonry in Attleboro and included a tour of the Lodge building and the Masonic Museum. The discussion was led by Rt. Wor. Walter Hunt, Grand Lodge Historian, who traced the role of Masons in the area from colonial times to the present. The meeting was also a celebration of the Society's 15th Anniversary. Several proclamations from the Massachusetts Legislature and were read marking the milestone. —Bro. Christopher Dickerson

**Olive Branch Lodge**

Bro. Carl Eric Scott

**Orient Lodge**

Bro. Arnold Raymond Goodrich  
Bro. Ralph Eugene Hanson  
Wor. Irving Roland Parsons  
Bro. Ronald Emil Sigmund

**Oxford Lodge**

Bro. Kermit Grandone Bickford  
Bro. William Francis Nims Jr

**Palestine Lodge**

Wor. Charles Edward Wilderman

**Paul Revere Lodge**

R.W. David Tyler Carleton  
Wor. Gerald Burton Nordling

**Pentucket Lodge**

Bro. Constantine Stephen Bentas  
Bro. Christo Charles Malonis  
Bro. William Panas

**Pequossette Lodge**

Bro. Harry Amiralian  
Bro. Ralph Hiram Hutchins

**Perfection Lodge**

Bro. Robert Erwin Marcus  
Bro. Elliot Young

**Philanthropic Lodge**

Bro. Walter Frank Bartlett

Bro. Gordon Stanley Borek

Bro. Glover Fulford Broughton  
Bro. Charles Bond Chapman III  
Bro. John Arnold Martin Dow Jr  
Bro. Carl William Easterlind Jr

Bro. Richard David Gardner

Bro. Ralph Burton Melen

Bro. Benjamin Butler Morrill II

Bro. Edward James Phillips

Bro. Harold Sydney Rubin MD

Bro. Richard Allen Snow

Bro. James Irving Starratt

Bro. Richard Lawrence Watson

**Phoenix Lodge**

Wor. Kenton Winfred Greene

Bro. Richard Arlen Whiting

**Pilgrim Lodge**

Bro. James Frederick Baldwin

Bro. Charles Dewager Goss

**Pioneer Lodge**

Wor. Roland Carbonneau

Bro. James Goddu

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Wor. Theodore McIntosh of Norfolk Lodge and Wor. Jay Gibson of Norumbega Fraternity Lodge respond to the toast to the Masters.

## Norfolk, Norumbega Fraternity Hold Annual Joint Table Lodge

Norfolk Lodge (Needham) and Norumbega Fraternity Lodge (Newton) held a Table Lodge in March at the Needham Masonic Building. Each Lodge opened separately, recessed, and then reconvened to receive the District Deputy Grand Master for the 5th Masonic District, Rt. Wor. Lawrence Bethune. Wor. Theodore McIntosh of Norfolk and Wor. Jay Gibson of Norumbega Fraternity Lodge presided as Masters. Several other distinguished Masons participated including the Senior Grand Warden, Rt. Wor. Thomas Stark, Grand Steward, Rt. Wor. Donald LaLiberte, Grand Lodge Historian, Rt. Wor. Walter Hunt and Past Grand Secretary, Rt. Wor. Jeffrey Gardiner. The two lodges have a long tradition of hosting joint table lodges, alternating between Newtonville and Needham.

—Wor. Theodore McIntosh

## Marathoner Invested at Mystic Valley

At a recent rehearsal for the third degree at Mystic Valley Lodge, Bro. Jon Hindmarsh assumed the role of the Candidate. When the Second Section began, Bro. Hindmarsh was escorted



to the East and said “Worshipful Master, invest me with these.” He handed the Master the Boston Marathon Jewels that he had earned on the previous afternoon for successfully completing the Boston Marathon; he had run for a charitable cause.

In fact, in the true spirit of a Third Degree Candidate, Jon ran the entire marathon barefoot. Furthermore, he was barefoot for rehearsal, and revealed the soles of his feet as evidence of his arduous undertaking.

—Wor. Philip Privitera

### 60-year Veterans *continued from previous page*

#### Plymouth Lodge

Bro. Frank Churchill Dunlap  
Bro. George Hansen  
Bro. Richard Allen Krueger

#### Puritan Lodge

Bro. Stanley Roger McKay

#### Quaboag Lodge

Bro. Robert Bradford Tuttle

#### Quinebaug Lodge

Bro. Ralph Alvin Eastman  
Bro. Samuel Vangel Sotir

#### Quinsigamond Lodge

Bro. Clinton Albert Reynolds

#### Quittacus Lodge

Wor. Earle William Cooper  
Bro. Russell James Morgan  
Bro. Carlton James Smith  
Bro. Kenneth Taylor

#### Rabboni Lodge

Bro. Alphonse Felix Lucas  
Wor. Cyril Wyche Jr

#### Richard C. MacLaurin Lodge

Bro. Stanley Andrew Hoff  
Bro. Paul William Stern  
Bro. Reverdy Edmond Wright

#### Rising Star Lodge

Bro. James Antranig Ashjian

#### Rufus Putnam Lodge

Bro. Ronald Ellis Berube  
Bro. John Vincent Brunelle  
Bro. Alfred Stearns Hammond  
Bro. Richard Vernon Kesseli  
Bro. Kenneth Wellman McCauley  
Bro. Daniel David McCauley  
Bro. Arthur Stanley Palmer Jr

#### Rural Lodge

Bro. Arthur Herman Ahola  
Bro. James Leon Angelos  
Bro. Walter Berthelsen  
Bro. Richard Foss Booth

#### Saggahew Lodge

Bro. Arthur Roland Batchelder  
Bro. Douglas Terry Coles  
Bro. Howard Maynard Faulkner  
Bro. Harold Allen Fernald Jr

#### Saint Alban's Lodge

Wor. George Albert Chase  
R.W. John Chisholm Fuller  
Bro. Stanley Peter Planton  
Wor. Kenneth Reid Ramsay  
Bro. Alexander Ludwig Spier

#### Saint Andrew, The Lodge of

Wor. William Albert Thorndike

#### Saint George Lodge

Bro. Donald Emerson Surgens

#### Saint John's (N) Lodge

Bro. John Jenkes Holmes III  
Bro. Ian True Marshall

#### Saint Mark's Lodge

Bro. Donald Martin Emerson  
Bro. Donald George Hunter  
Bro. Charles Sidney Pike

#### Saint Martin's Lodge

Bro. Bruce Munson McCluskey  
Bro. Preston Lee Smith

#### Saint Matthew's Lodge

Bro. Kenneth Harrison Chadwick  
Bro. Phidias George Dantos  
Bro. Philip Luce Dennett  
Bro. Richard Frederick Gould  
Bro. James Walker

#### Saint Paul's-Algonquin Lodge

Bro. John Francis Roman Sr

#### Satucket Lodge

Wor. Hugh Franklin Hubbard Jr

#### Siloam Lodge

Bro. Robert Alden Miller

#### Simon W. Robinson Lodge

Bro. Thomas William Alexander  
Bro. Frank Edward Armstrong  
Bro. Frank Herbert Davis  
Wor. Bob Rudy Homberg  
Bro. Basil Kaloyanides  
Bro. Donald Murray MacMillan  
Bro. Wilbur Leo Peabody Jr  
Bro. Howard Bruno Russman

#### Social Harmony Lodge

Bro. James Edward Ladd

#### Solomon's Temple Lodge

Bro. Norman Parnell Seagrave

#### Star In the East Lodge

Bro. Glenn Freeman Cookson  
Bro. John William Donaghy III  
Bro. Sidney Herbert Kaplan  
Bro. David Harris Meltzer

#### Star of Bethlehem Lodge

Bro. James Alexander Hain Jr

#### The Consolidated Lodge

Bro. Robert Edmond Corriveau  
Wor. Marvin Jason Fox  
Bro. Gerald Ginsberg  
Bro. Leonard Glazer  
Bro. Earle Groper  
Bro. Murray Arnold Jacobson  
Bro. Edward Howard Margolis  
Bro. Edward Israel Masterman  
Bro. Robert Leo Mayer  
Wor. Milton Louis Meltzer  
Bro. Louis Wilgoren

#### The Harvard Lodge

Bro. William Lane Bruce  
Bro. James Paris Gazaway  
Wor. Charles William Rudiger

#### The Massachusetts Lodge

Bro. John Coules

#### The Meadows Lodge

Bro. Ray Bennett Smith

#### The Tyrian-Ashler-Acacia Lodge

Bro. Philip Lloyd McComiskey Jr

#### Thomas Talbot Lodge

Bro. Nathaniel Kirkegaard Brown

#### Union Lodge (D)

Wor. Alexander Fraser McHoul

#### United Brethren Lodge

Bro. John James Demetri  
Bro. John Cameron Doyle  
Wor. Robert Fuller Wade

#### Universal Lodge

Bro. Charles Bartlett Higgins

#### Vernon Lodge

Bro. Virgil William Hawes

#### Waltham Triad Lodge

Bro. George Henry Joyce Jr  
Wor. William Etsell Larssen

#### Wamesit Lodge

Bro. Howard Archibald West  
Bro. Chester Allen Wright

#### Wampatuck Lodge

Bro. Francis Adams Brooks Jr  
Bro. David Brownell Mann

#### Washington Lodge

Bro. Frederick Stewart Robertson Jr

#### Wellesley Lodge

Bro. Reginald Monroe Beuttel Jr  
Wor. C. Oswald Peters



### Dudley Watch *continued from page 11*

different styles, and sell for various prices, ranging from a few thousand dollars up to \$25,000.

Not many are around. Dudley's original prototype is housed at the House of the Temple, the headquarters of the Scottish Rite Masons of the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction in Washington, D.C. The first produced watch, owned by Bro. Dudley, was donated to the Museum at the Masonic Homes in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, by Bro. C. Clark Julius and his wife. Bro. Julius, a member of York Lodge #266 and several other Masonic bodies, and a well-known Masonic writer and researcher, was called to the Celestial Lodge above in September, 2010. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is said to have seven watches.

A Model 1 Dudley Masonic watch is on display at Philanthropic Lodge in Marblehead, Massachusetts. It was given to the lodge by Bros. Lester W. and Benjamin R. Chadwick. The watch had belonged to their father, Bro. Benjamin White Chadwick, who carried it for many years. The older Bro. Chadwick, born in 1882, was initiated, passed, and raised in Philanthropic Lodge in 1911. A recipient of a 50-year Veteran's medal, he passed away in 1962. The National Heritage Museum in Lexington, Massachusetts, maintained by Scottish Rite Masons of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, has in its collection five Dudley watches including a Model 1, a Model 3, and three versions of Model 2. The Museum also contains an extensive collection of other timepieces donated by Bro. and Mrs. Willis Michael.

Online searches show several Dudley watches for sale, offered for up to \$12,500 or “best offer.” Not all of these are the original three models made by Dudley. After the Dudley Watch Company went out of business, much of its invento-

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ry was sold to the P.W. Baker Company, which continued to produce some watches from scraps until 1935 when it sold out to the XL Watch Company of New York. Final production ended in 1976. Today the Barclay Watch Company of Apollo, Pennsylvania, has produced three limited edition watches based on the Dudley designs. The first, a wristwatch called The Masonic, sold out. The second, The Freemason, is a pocket watch patterned after the Dudley. The Shriner is a wristwatch inspired by Bro. William Wallace Dudley's original patent application, but never produced.

The Dudley Masonic Watch is an example of workmanship which can be admired for its inherent beauty and precision. It may be further valued by Masons for its unique use of many of the symbols of our fraternity. Bro. William Wallace Dudley was a skilled craftsman with a keen mind. His remarkable contributions to the science of time, his special appreciation for aesthetics, and his love of Masonry Acame together to produce the striking watch which bears his name, and whose beauty will endure for future ages. ■

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The curious may find excellent photographs of Dudley and other Masonic watches at the web site of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia and Yukon:

[http://freemasonry.bcy.ca/curiosities/masonic\\_watches/](http://freemasonry.bcy.ca/curiosities/masonic_watches/)

young adults. The genetic definition of the disease has made possible the development of gene-specific therapy. While many patients are protected by use of beta-blockers, others require ICDs. Studies currently underway are examining the therapeutic value of sodium channel blockers such as ranolazine, based in part on reports from the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory.

Another type of primary electrical disease is known as the Brugada Syndrome. The Brugada syndrome has been linked to a defect in seven different genes encoding sodium, potassium and calcium channels. A very rapid polymorphic tachycardia develops in these patients, which may cause them to faint. In some cases sudden death is the first symptom. This too is a hereditary disease whose incidence is highest in individuals of Southeast Asian origin. For reasons that physicians and scientists do not as yet understand, the disease often lies dormant for three to four decades before emerging to rear its ugly head. The average age of death of Brugada patients is 40. ICDs are indicated in patients who have previously experienced syncope or who have been resuscitated from sudden death. Recent work from the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory has suggested a new pharmacological approach to therapy using “transient outward current” blockers, such as quinidine. This pharmacologic alternative may be critically important in

many parts of the world where ICDs are not affordable.

Short QT syndrome (SQTS) is another inherited channelopathy characterized by abnormally short QT intervals on the ECG and an increased propensity to develop atrial and ventricular tachyarrhythmias. It was first described as a new clinical entity in 2000 and like LQTS and Brugada syndrome is responsible for sudden cardiac death (SCD) in individuals with structurally normal hearts. Cases of SQTS have been reported with presentation as early as in the first year of life, suggesting that it could be one of the etiologies underlying sudden infant death syndrome. The implantation of an ICD is first line therapy in symptomatic individuals. Genetic defects in five different genes encoding potassium and calcium channels have been associated with SQTS.

The knowledge that has made these diagnostic procedures and therapeutic measures available emanated from decades of painstaking research conducted at medical research laboratories throughout the world. Among the laboratories contributing fundamentally to our present knowledge of cardiac electrophysiology and cardiac arrhythmias is the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory. For over 50 years, scientists at the MMRL have contributed to our understanding of the function of the heart in both health and disease. On-going research continues to focus on cardiac arrhythmias, the single largest mechanism of death of Americans. In coming segments of this series, I will expand on other arrhythmias, their causes, treatments and cures. ■

## The Young Tyler

by Wor. David Riley

The Young Tiler stood in the lobby of the hospital, awaiting his brothers. After a few moments, the Past Master and the Master entered and greeted him.

“Do you have any more news about our Brother?” the Master asked as he shook the Young Tiler’s hand.

“His wife was just here,” the Young Tiler replies. “She said he still can’t talk, but seems to enjoy company. Hospital rooms are awfully boring places, usually, you know.”

“Well, alternately boring and terrifying,” the Past Master mutters as he shakes the Young Tiler’s hand. “He’s way too young to be facing medical issues this serious.”

“But . . . isn’t he about your age?” the Young Tiler asks, having the decency to blush after asking the question if not quite having the sense not to ask.

“Like I said, a young man,” the Past Master quips as the three of them head for the hospital room where their brother is recovering.

Later, as they leave, they are all somewhat subdued; the

effect of seeing their Brother in serious distress. Each, in his own way, was considering his memories of the Brother and praying for him to be whole and healthy soon.

“There is no such thing,” the Master says, when they reach the parking lot, “as aging gracefully. Time really does wreak havoc on the human race.”

“I remember it was just the other day, I was talking with our Brother and he was planning to take some time to go visit his grandchildren next month,” the Past Master mentioned. “He had been talking about doing that for some time, but it was never quite a good time. There was always something at work or some project that he needed to finish. And now . . .” the Past Master gave a small shrug, “Isn’t it amazing how we let all the trivia of life use up those grains of sand in the hour glass, always thinking that there will be more of them for what is important. But we all know that there is only so much sand.”

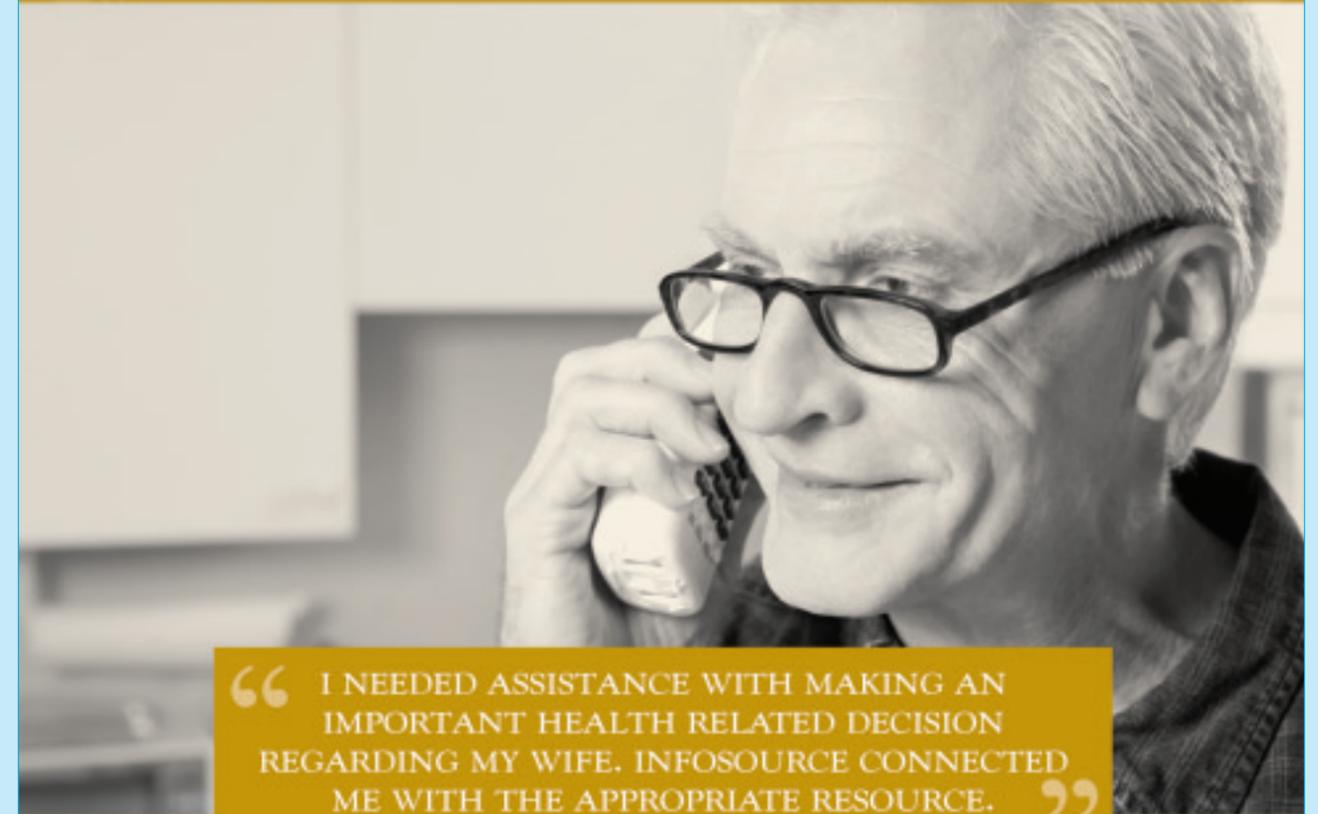
The Young Tiler frowned and shook his head, “Our Brother has many more years in which to get around to those things, I hope.”

“So mote it be,” said the Master. “But I think we’d all be wise to consider that time is the most precious thing we have—and we are, none of us, sure how much of it we have left, so we should spend it wisely.”

“I think I’m going to go home and spend some time with my family,” said the Past Master. ■



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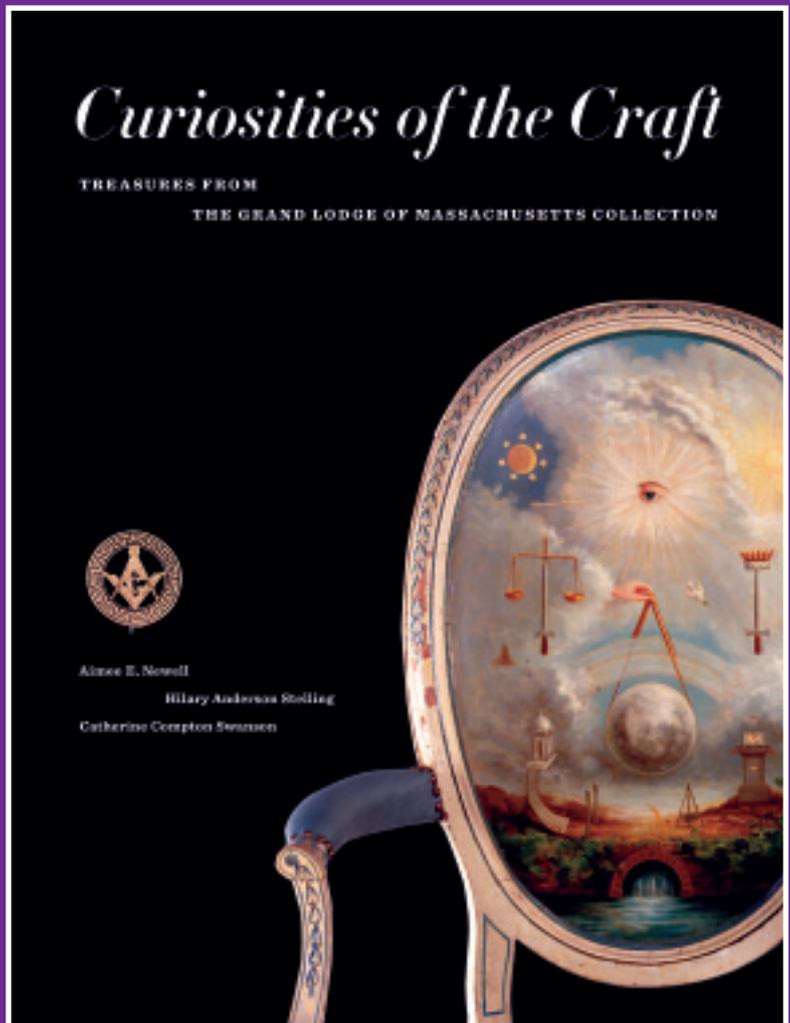
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