MASTER'S MESSAGE

Brothers: Three months have gone by fast. It seems as if only yesterday I was standing before you having my duties as Worshipful Master explained to me. Things have gotten off to a slow start as we have faced some challenges transitioning into our new roles. This is certainly to be expected, since the vast majority of our officers are young brothers. Thankfully, with the expertise and guidance of our Past Masters, Grand Lodge representatives & the Most Worshipful Grand Master himself, we are quickly settling in. I can not sufficiently express my gratitude to those who have offered good counsel to me and my officers during this time of transition.

In February, we held our 6th annual **Ladies at Table**. Brother and Chef Paul Finney prepared an absolutely excellent meal for our guests, which included lobster ravioli, stuffed filet of beef & chocolate mousse. The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother James T. McWain was in attendance, as well as our District Deputy RW Anderson Zeidler and his Associate Grand Marshal WB Richard Claing. It was a very successful event. I sincerely thank all those involved in its planning and execution.

In June, we will have out annual Secretary's Picnic. Each year, we have chosen a worthy charity to donate the proceeds to. This year, that charity will be Purple Heart Homes. This national organization provides housing solutions for disabled American veterans. Their projects range from existing home renovations to completely new construction designed to provide quality of life for our veterans. Currently, Purple Heart Homes is working on a project in Glastonbury for injured Marine Corporal Manny Jimenez. Corporal Jimenez lost his arm while on a routine foot patrol in Afghanistan in August of 2010. He also has loss of hearing in his left ear and partial loss of sight in his left eye. Manny's story was featured on WTNH, News Channel 8. Visit www.purplehearthomesusa.org/_webapp_4204387/Meet_Marin e_Corporal, Manny_Jimenez to read more about his story. The program for the evening will be a representative from Purple Heart Homes to explain the organization and give highlights on the project in Glastonbury, which should be nearing completion at that time. Corporal Jimenez is scheduled to be retired in mid-June, so he may be in attendance as well. I encourage all of you to come to lodge that day to help us raise money for a worthy cause and a brave soldier.

As always, if you would like to come to a Lodge meeting, or any other Lodge function, and need assistance getting there, do not hesitate to contact an officer! Please don't feel as if you cannot come because it has been a while since you were active, or because you may not remember the signs anymore. We are here to help and are honored with your presence and support!

> Fraternally, Michael

Columbia Lodge No. 25's 2012 Officers



From left seated: Worshipful Master Michael E. Hudson, District Deputy 6A Anderson H. Zeidler Jr. From left standing: David Kinney (Junior Deacon), David Söderberg (Organist), David Lockard (Historian), Neal Forte (Marshall), Steven McMahon (Senior Warden), Walter Grube (Secretary), Richard Beebe (Treasurer), George Zack (Tiler), Louis O. House, IV (Chaplain), Erik Roberts (Senior Steward), Radu Sapatoru (Junior Warden), Brian Berk (Senior Deacon), Winfried Quast (Junior Steward).



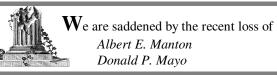
Painting for a good cause...Erik Roberts and his son John, Juan Diaz and Gil Spencer recently helped paint the interior of MARC, Inc., new offices in Manchester. MARC provides support to people with development disabilities, allowing them to live and work in and enjoy their communities. Visit <u>www.marcct.org</u> for more info.

CALENDAR

October 6	Noank - Date and Time to be determined Wine Tasting Festival	Manchester, A. NEAL FO
July July	Officers Meeting (<i>Casual</i>) Location Date and Time to be determined Picnic with OES (<i>Casual</i>)	South Glaston WINFRIED 26 Grant Far
	UPCOMING EVENTS	ERIK E. ROI 96 Clark Hill
June 20	Secretary's Picnic (Lodge opens 6:00 PM) Cookout 6:30 PM, Program at 7:30 PM Proceeds benefit <i>Purple Heart Homes</i>	DAVID B. K 888 Manches Glastonbury,
June 6	Master Mason Degree (<i>Officers Tux</i>) Stated Communication <i>Dinner 6:30 PM</i> <i>Reservations by June 4th</i> (<i>Contact JW Radu</i>)	BRIAN J. BE 16 Ridge Roa Enfield, CT (
May TBA	328th Meeting of the 6th District BL Council Dinner at 6:30 PM Meeting at 7:30 PM	LOUIS O. HO 8 Guilmartin Bloomfield, O
May 23	Diner at 6:30 PM, Program at 7:30 PM Reservations by May 9 (See Flyer) MM ^o Tragedy Rehearsal 7 PM	41 Westview East Hartford
May 16	Awards Night (Lodge opens 6:00 PM)	Glastonbury, RICHARD I
May 9	MM ^o 1 st Part Rehearsal 7 PM	149 Overlook
April 18 May 2	Fellowcraft Degree (<i>Officers Tux</i>) Stated Communication (No Dinner) Stated Communication/Business Meeting	104 Deerfield Glastonbury, WALTER GI
April 11	FC° Rehearsal 7 PM	Stafford Sprin RADUG SAP
April 4	Stated Communication/Business Meeting	STEVEN P. 1 5 Olympic A
March 29	327th Meeting of the 6th District BL Council Manchester Lodge No. 73, 29 Center Street Dinner at 6:30 PM Meeting at 7:30 PM	779 Brewer S East Hartford

we will see that you get there. Is sickness or distress causing you hardship?

If you know of any brother or member of a brother's family who is sick, injured or in any other distress and would welcome help, please contact our Chaplain, Worshipful Master or Secretary.



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Columbia Lodge Brothers Birthdays

Aubrev Pharmer Sr - 4/2 Paul Taylor - 4/3 Charles Gabalis - 4/5 Frank Reichenbach - 4/6 Philip Jarish - 4/10 Gilbert Spencer - 4/14 Robert Fitzgerald - 4/16 Fred Moultrie - 4/18 Arthur Rettberg - 4/19 Neal Forte - 4/26 John Lebel - 5/2 Roy Griffin - 5/3 Newman Fellows - 5/7 Richie Bernard - 5/10 James Shelmerdine Jr - 5/14 Lerov Spiller - 5/16 John Benker III - 5/22 Robert Sinibaldi - 5/22 Franklin Davis Jr - 5/23 Craig House - 5/25 Preston Miller - 5/26 Earnest Elliott - 5/28

Paul Garneau - 4/2 Kalyan Chakravarti - 4/4 Horace Moore - 4/6 Robert Neumeister - 4/7 Christain Sager - 6/21 Donald Keller - 4/11 Jordon Smith - 4/17 Kenneth Slocum - 4/19 Peter Hunt - 4/22 Wilhelm Ziemann - 5/1 Ralph Fish Jr - 5/2 John Pirzl - 5/7 Jonathan Dresser - 5/9 Peter Gambardella - 5/11 William House - 5/15 Lawrence Miffitt - 5/17 Charles McLain - 5/19 David Lockard - 5/22 Radu Sapatoru - 5/24 Michael Aglio - 5/26 James Caulfield - 5/27 Robert Bahnsen - 5/30 Richard Beebe - 6/2

Ladies at Table





On February 15. 2012 Brothers, wives and friends assembled to enjoy fellowship at a seven course dinner with a toast preceding each serving. Masons understand and recognize the support that they receive from their ladies. Ladies At Table is just one of many ways in which we show them our gratitude. Chef Paul Finney (www.octoberkitchen.com), in top left photo, prepares stuffed ravioli with a lobster tomato cream sauce. The lower right photo shows the kitchen crew: Rick, Tim, Bob, Rich, Don, Paul, Arnie, Will, Jeff and Pete. Skip House was the event chairman.

Columbia Lodge Brothers Birthdays

James Cox Jr - 6/7

Walter Smith - 7/4

John Heacock - 8/6

John Nave - 8/13

James Jarvis - 8/20

Earl Evans - 8/22

Vincent La Bella Sr - 6/3 Charles London - 6/6 Michael D'Altilio - 6/6 Leon Turner - 6/6 Rodney Beebe - 6/9 Laurence Atwell - 6/11 Clarence Norton - 6/10 Timothy Hilliker - 6/21 William Smith - 6/11 Mervin Lichtel - 6/23 John Page - 6/25 Anthony Keegan - 6/27 Philip Grasso - 6/28 Patrick Griffin - 6/28 David Willette - 6/29 Peter Konney - 6/29 Donald Kilgore - 6/30 Kenneth Weiss - 7/2 Jonathan Tufano - 7/3 Carl Edgerton - 7/8 William Bland - 7/11 Roger Dock - 7/15 Gerald Thompson - 7/15 Richard Walsh - 7/15 William Blatchley - 7/20 Mark Lincoln - 7/23 Charles Etchells Jr - 7/24 Charles Marshall - 7/26 William Yebram - 7/26 Louis House. IV - 7/27 Charles Holmes - 7/28 James Johnston - 7/29 Jav Trepp - 8/2 Michael Lebore - 7/29 James Webber - 8/7 Leonard Whitford Jr - 8/8 Charles Daly Jr - 8/9 Dwight Nickerson - 8/9 Delmar Cooke, Jr - 8/11 Robert Nordstrom - 8/13 Edward Sparkowski - 8/15 Dwight Slocum - 8/16 Gilbert Wishart - 8/17 Leonard Barker - 8/19 Gary Jensen - 8/20 Herbert Grommeck - 8/20 John Christensen - 8/21 David Burr - 8/22 William Henry - 8/24 Arnold Grot - 8/25 Robert Johnson - 8/25 Allan Nielson - 8/26 David Kinney Jr - 8/27 William Stephens - 8/29 Durward Wakefield - 8/29 Richard Taylor - 8/31

Connecticut Child Identification Program



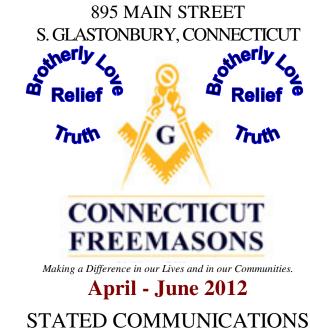
On January 21, February 12 and 13, we conducted CTCHIP events at Cub Scout Pack 158's, 356's and 180's Pinewood Derbies at Hebron Avenue and Navuag Schools.

COLUMBIA's Living PAST MASTERS

Leon W. Turner, PDD 6S 1959	1950		
Mario L. Accornero	1958, 95		
Henry L. Killam	1961		
Reno L. Ferrando	1962		
Leon E. Gardiner	1965		
Robert W. Flavell, PDD 6B 1978	1967, 68		
Winthrop Jensen	1967		
Franklin J. Davis Jr., PAGM 6C 2002	1907		
William A. Blatchley	1972		
Harold M. Waters Jr.	1973, 93		
Michael A. Geoffroy	1973, 93		
Kenneth A. Slocum PAGM 6B 1990	1974		
Delmar G. Cooke Jr.	1974		
Carl L. Edgerton, PDD 6A 1980	1975, 85		
Paul H. Garneau	1976		
Ralph W. Fish Jr.	1977		
Richard T. Chapman	1978		
Robert G. Fitzgerald, PDD 6B 1990	1979		
Arnold B. Waterman	1979		
Franklin C. Field	1980		
John R. Ranney PAGM 6C 1999	1980		
Edward A. Portaluppi	1981		
Dwight W. Nickerson	1982, 83		
Douglas R. Ewen	1984, 2004		
Douglas S. Haseltine	1986		
Carl R. Falcone	1987		
Franklin J. Davis	1988		
William C. MacKnight	1988		
Richard L. Beebe, PDD 6C 1999	1989, 2007		
Richard P. Taylor, PAGM 6C 1996	1989, 90, 91		
Gerald F. Thompson, PDD 6C 1993	1989		
Frank J. Decker	1990		
Laurence E. Atwell	1991, 2005, 06		
Steven P. McMahon, AGM 6A 2009	1991, 92, 2005		
Leonard E. Whitford Jr.	1992		
Walter Grube	1993, 94, 97, 2001		
Herbert E. Grommeck	1996		
Arthur M. Rettberg	1996		
Lawrence A. Miffitt	1997, 98		
Arnold S. Grot	1998, 2002, 06, 11		
Paul F. Blake	1999, 2003		
Gilbert E. Wishart	1999, 2003		
Earl S. Evans	2000, 01		
Peter J. Hunt, PDD 6C 2002	2000, 01		
Donald A. Wills, DL 2006	2000		
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Louis O. House IV (Mosaic #52, ME 1	1986) 2008 2009, 2010		
Jeffrey S. Moores	,		
Robert F. LeDoux (Friendship #145)1981Artherer F. Kerser, PACM (C 1002 DD (A 2000)			
Anthony F. Keegan, PAGM 6C 1993 DD 6A 2009			
(Wyllys-St. Joh	-		
Burton F. Turner (Somerset-St James	#34) 2007		

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