

# MASTER'S MESSAGE

*Brethren:*

When I first entered a lodge of Entered Apprentices in 1993, I was taught that I must learn to subdue my passions and improve myself in Masonry. I still follow this obligation with the utmost sincerity. I have learned that I have much more to learn. My passions remain high. I am far from perfect as I assume the East for a third year as Master of our Lodge; however, it is my intent to use these passions for the peace and prosperity of our Lodge in the ensuing year.

One of our labors centers on the future of Freemasonry in Glastonbury and East Hartford. A joint committee of brothers from our Lodge and Orient Lodge No.62 has been laboring under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of CT to frame a proposal for merging our lodges. In their reports at our meetings, our brothers say that the proposal will be formally presented at Lodge, *on January 4* and then, after the Grand Lodge reviews and approves the bylaws, voted upon a month later (*hopefully February 1*). Anticipate receiving this proposal by mail in January and please provide your comments by attending the meetings listed in the letter or by contacting an officer if you cannot come.

Another focus is on our Masonic outreach. This includes adding more social gatherings with our extended family as well as our "Meet the Mason" dinner, CT CHIP events, pursuing reactivating the Charter Oak Chapter of DeMolay and other ways of increasing our presence before the public. I ask for your intelligent cooperation and help in our work. Please volunteer your ideas and energy by stating "I would like to see this (idea) happening and this is what I want to do to help."

To my brothers who no can longer attend Lodge regularly, please drop us a note to let us know how you are doing.

Faternally,  
Arnie Grot



**Daskam-Columbia Lodge No. 25's 2006 Officers.** Seated is Arnie Grot, the Master of the Lodge. The other officers pictured, from the left, are: David Söderberg (Organist), Henry Killam (Treasurer), Paul Blake (Senior Warden), Jerry Thompson (Chaplain, top), Jon Beatty (Historian), Bob Flint (Secretary), Monty Fitzpatrick (Senior Steward), Skip House (Junior Warden), Peter Gambardella (Senior Deacon), Don Wills (Tyler) and Jeff Moores (Junior Deacon). *Junior Steward and Marshall are not pictured.*

# CALENDAR

*Unless specifically stated, all meetings start at 7:30 PM*

- January 3** MWGM is at Oriental-Evergreen No. 114 - Installation
- January 4** Stated Communication  
Business Meeting (**Merger Discussion**)
- January 11** EA Rehearsal 7 PM
- January 18** Entered Apprentice Degree (*Officers Tax*)  
Inspection Night  
Stated Communication  
Dinner: 6:30 PM (Reservations—call Junior Warden)
- January 19** MWGM is at Friendship No. 145 – Table Lodge
- January 30** Sixth District Blue Lodge Council Meeting  
Euclid Lodge No, 109  
150 Bridge Street, Suffield, CT  
Dinner: 6:30 PM (\$10)
- February 1** Stated Communication  
Business Meeting (**Merger Vote**)
- February 8** Building Association Officers Meeting - 6:30 PM  
Officers Meeting – 7 PM
- February 11** Junior Officer Seminar (*Open to All*)  
Sphinx Temple, Newington: 8 AM- Noon
- February 14** York Rite Testimonial Dinner for RW Chuck  
Fowler – Orient #62 (single \$20; couple \$30)
- February 15** Stated Communication/Business Meeting  
*DeMolay – Tomorrow's Leaders Today*
- March 1** Stated Communication/Business Meeting  
*Your Medicare Drug Prescription Choices*
- March 15** Stated Communication/Business Meeting  
*The Masonic Presidents - John Waterhouse*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 4** Grand Lodge Banquet (Farmington)
- April 5** Grand Lodge Annual Meeting (Farmington)
- May 17** Awards Night (*Officers Tax*)  
Dinner 6:30 PM  
Reservations by May 10

*"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands in times of challenge and controversy."*

- Martin Luther King, Jr.



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# COMMITTEES

*Each Committee Chairman may call on you for help. Please answer his call in the affirmative.*

- AUDIT**  
Anthony F. Keegan, CH  
Peter J. Hunt  
William G. Bryce
- AWARDS**  
Gerald F. Thompson, CH  
Mario L. Accornero  
Peter J. Hunt  
Franklin J. Davis, Jr.
- BUDGET**  
Paul F. Blake, CH  
Robert W. Flint  
Arnold S. Grot  
Louis O. House IV  
Henry L. Killam
- BUILDING**  
Mario L. Accornero, President  
Paul F. Blake  
Robert W. Flint, Secretary  
Franklin J. Davis, Jr.  
Arnold S. Grot  
Louis O. House IV  
Anthony F. Keegan  
Henry L. Killam, Treasurer  
Gerald F. Thompson, VP
- INSURANCE**
- CT CHIP**  
Arnold S. Grot, CH  
Kaylan Chakravarti  
William C. Wilcox  
Donald A. Wills
- OUTREACH**  
Donald A. Wills, CH  
Montgomery A. Fitzpatrick  
Anthony J. Gesnaldo
- BY-LAWS**  
Steven P. McMahon
- LADIES NIGHT**  
Montgomery A. Fitzpatrick
- PROGRAMS**  
John R. Heacock, CH  
Walter Grube  
Peter J. Hunt
- PUBLICITY/ COMMUNICATIONS**  
Arnold S. Grot, CH  
Ward M. Edgerton
- RITUAL ADVISORS**  
EA Walter Grube  
FC Paul F. Blake  
MM Anthony F. Keegan  
Candidate Instructor  
David E. Söderberg
- TRUSTEES**  
Gerald F. Thompson -1 yr  
Donald A. Wills -2 yr  
Mario L. Accornero -3 yr
- WIDOWS COMMUNICATION**  
Gerald F. Thompson,

## Lodge Areas of Responsibility

- Mentor Captain:** *Walter Grube*
- Ritual Coach:** *Gerald Thompson*
- Masonic Outreach:** *Donald Wills*
- Almoner:** *Harold Rosenthal*; (860) 568-8002  
(860)-463-8366 (c)

- Financial Advisor:** *Bob Flint*
- E-Communication:** *Arnold Grot*
- Publicity Reporters:** *Arnold Grot*
- Action Programs:** *John Heacock*

*"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope or confidence."*

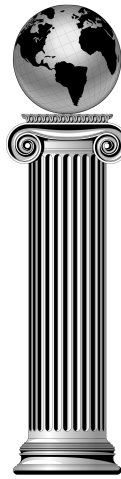
- Helen Keller

# 2006 OFFICERS

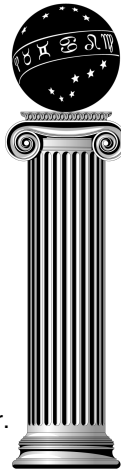
- ARNOLD S. GROT, PM** (Nancy) Worshipful Master  
87 Chapman Drive (860) 633-5849  
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Wethersfield, CT 06109
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76 Washington Circle (860) 232-5960  
West Hartford, CT 06119
- GERALD F. THOMPSON, PM** (Betty) Chaplain  
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East Hartford, CT 06118
- DAVID J. BURR** (Ana) Marshall  
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- DAVID E. SODERBERG** (Carolyn) Organist  
12 Founders Road (860) 659- 4579  
Glastonbury, CT 06033
- DONALD A. WILLS, PM** (Priscilla) Tyler  
142 King Street (860) 528-8920 (h)  
East Hartford, CT 06108 (860) 305-6005 (c)
- JONATHAN R. BEATTY** Historian  
9 Bellaire Manor (860) 635-0234  
Cromwell, CT 06416

# Masonic Anniversaries

Dates of Brothers Raised during January - March

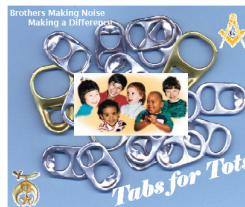


M/D	Brother
1/2	Burton W Porter
1/11	Gerald F Thompson
1/22	Winthrop Jensen
2/1	Gordon L Maltempo
2/10	Gordon L Miller
2/11	James Tsolas
2/11	John R Nordstrom
2/14	Melvin H Babcock Jr.
2/23	William G Bryce
2/24	Leonard H Barker
2/24	David A Ripley
2/24	Donald A Wills
2/26	Edward F Ruff
2/27	Alan F Rogers
3/2	Harold A Knickerbocker, Jr.
3/3	Jeffrey S Moores
3/8	John A Waterhouse
3/10	Keith R Carlough
3/11	Donald C Burney
3/15	Roger D Knickerbocker
3/17	Patrick F Griffin
3/16	Peter J Perreira
3/16	Robert M Ruggiero
3/17	Paul B Finney
3/17	Peter R Gambardella
3/17	David A Wills
3/19	Henry L Killam
3/20	Gene B Krar
3/21	Mario L Accornero
3/22	Domenick R Botto
3/22	Robert A Sinibaldi
3/22	Walter Grube
3/24	Frederick R Tongren Jr.
3/27	William Churchill
3/27	Myles E Covey
3/28	Robert Zielinski



*"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."*

- Sir Winston Leonard Spenser Churchill



**Tabs for Tots** are collected by the brothers and brought to our Lodge. Money obtained from the tabs is used to purchase items for the hospitals. Please save your tabs. *Contact Harold Rosenthal if pickup is required.*

# BRING A FRIEND DINNER

Brothers, I am continuing the task of chairing the "Meet the Mason" dinner, which will be scheduled in the Spring. It is not too early to begin work on this worthy cause, which has successfully led to the raising of many new Masons in the last two years. **Your contribution is necessary and very easy.** Give me names of men from the greater Glastonbury area that you deem worthy of this great fraternity. It does not have to be a personal friend of yours, maybe someone you have done business with or read about in the community, a neighbor or teacher. You do not have to wait until a month ahead to submit these names brothers, you can call me anytime, email or tell me at a meeting.

Fraternally,  
Don Wills, PM  
Chairman, Bring a Friend Dinner



We are saddened by the recent loss of  
*Melvin O. Hanson*  
*Samuel W. P. McGill, Jr.*  
*Wesley Thoman*



**Daskam-Columbia Lodge No. 25** of South Glastonbury has staffed the finish line for the *Santa's Run* every year since 1989. Pictured at the finish line for the 2005 *Santa's Run* on Sunday, December 4, are from left: Walt Grube, Lloyd Wood (b), Harold Rosenthal, Dave Wills (b), John Heacock, Steve McMahon, Mario Accornero (b), Don Wills, Peter Gambardella (b), Skip House, Henry Killam and Bob Flint. The photo was taken by Arnie Grot, Master Elect of the Lodge, who ran the race.

*"Leadership is action, not position."*

- Donald H. McGannon

# PAST MASTERS

OF DASKAM - COLUMBIA LODGE NO. 25

*Living*

Leon W. Turner, PDD 6S 1959	1950
Mario L. Accornero	1958, 95
James W. Bain	1961, 86
Henry L. Killam	1961
Reno L. Ferrando	1962
Leon E. Gardiner	1965
Winthrop Jensen	1967
Robert W. Flint	1968, 76, 87
Franklin J. Davis Jr., AGM 6C 2002	1972
George N. Seely *	1973, 84
Harold M. Waters Jr.	1973, 93
Michael A. Geoffroy	1974
Delmar G. Cooke Jr.	1975
Carl L. Edgerton, PDD 6A 1980	1975, 85
Paul H. Garneau	1976
Frederick R. Tongren Jr.	1977
Richard T. Chapman	1978
Arnold B. Waterman	1979
Franklin C. Field *	1980
Edward A. Portaluppi	1981
Lorne A. Pulcifer	1983
Douglas S. Haseltine *	1986
Franklin J. Davis	1988
Richard P. Taylor, PAGM 6C 1996	1989, 90, 91
Gerald F. Thompson, PDD 6C 1993	1989
Frank J. Decker	1990
Steven P. McMahon	1991, 92, 2005
Walter Grube	1993, 94, 97, 2001
Herbert E. Grommeck	1996
Arnold S. Grot	1998, 2002, 2006
Paul F. Blake	1999, 2003
Peter J. Hunt, DD 6C 2002	2000
Donald A. Wills	2004
Anthony F. Keegan, PAGM 6C 1993	
(Wyllys-St. John's No. 4)	1982
William S. Edge Jr. (Van Courtlandt #1034, NY)	1952
Louis O. House IV (Mosaic #52, ME)	1986
William G. Bryce (Manchester #73, PLR)	1994, 99

\* Demitted

*"A computer terminal is not some clunky old television with a typewriter in front of it. It is an interface where the mind and body can connect with the universe and move bits of it about."*

— Douglas Adams, British author

*"For you will be treated as you treat others. The standard you use in judging is the standard by which you will be judged."*

- Matthew 7:2

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