MASTER'S MESSAGE

To all my Brothers:

As a member of the Scottish Rite, I receive their quarterly magazine "The Northern Light". The magazine, in addition to articles about the Scottish Rite, publishes many articles about Masonry. The February 2003 issue has a very interesting article titled "An Experiment in Renewal" by Wayne R. Adams, 33rd Degree. This article deals with the decline in new membership most lodges face today. It also deals with the problem of current lodge members becoming inactive and or requesting a demit. I cannot reprint the article in its entirety, due to space limitation; so I will briefly



summarize it. The author saw a sign in an old country store in Vermont that read, "If the customer doesn't find what he wants here, he will go somewhere else." If a lodge wants to attract new members and keep the members it already has, it will have to

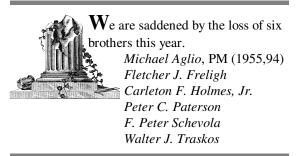
identify the needs of its present and prospective members and provide them the opportunities they want and need. If a lodge fails to do this then as the old sign implies, they will go somewhere else to find what they are looking for. The principals of Masonic renewal position a lodge to offer its members, new and present, the outlet and opportunity they are seeking for satisfaction, service and personal growth. Daskam-Columbia Lodge must offer programs that will provide these outlets and opportunities. Our future depends on it. Thank you for your ideas, support and participation in 2003.



View from the West

In addition to serving as your 2003 Senior Warden I also serve on the Connecticut Brotherhood-in-Action committee. I joined this committee one year ago. Up to then, like many brothers, I was unaware of its existence. It's principal doctrine is that just as we Masons are proud of our good works: other fraternities are also doing good work. It is important to promote these fraternities and their good work. Brotherhood-in-Action does just that. The committee is made up of members from the Knights of Columbus. Prince Hall Masons F&AM. B'Nai B'Rith and AF & AM Masons. Throughout the year efforts are made to promote BIA events in the districts and local lodges. The highlight of the year is a dinner honoring the heads of these four fraternities. Currently, efforts are being directed to publicize Brotherhood-in-Action on the Web and with E-mail news.

Donald A. Wills Senior Warden



Freemasonry - A Way of Life

As the oldest, largest, and best-known fraternal organization in the world, Freemasonry opens its doors to all who endorse its teachings. A strong belief in family, community, pride in our country, and sound ethical and moral values are what distinguish the Masonic fraternity. Our strength lies in the unity of our conviction to these ideals.

"I like to believe that people in the long run are going to do more to promote peace than our governments. Indeed, I think that people want peace so much that one of these days governments had better get out of the way and let them have it." - Dwight D. Eisenhower (1890-1969)

CALENDAR

Unless specifically stated, all meetings start at 7:30 PM Grand Lodge Banquet - Farmington 6:30 PM April 1 Grand Lodge 214th Annual Communication -April 2 Farmington Marriott 9:30 AM Stated Communication (SW Wills in East) April 2 **Business Meeting** April 6 District Deputy 6A Presentation Doric Lodge #94 – 3 PM (Officers Tux) April 13 Charity Breakfast - 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM \$4.00 Adults, \$2.00 Children April 16 Stated Communication **Business** Meeting Program: Dave Thomas's Wendy – W. Mackey CT BIA Testimonial - Angelico's New Britain April 27 3PM May 3 Tag Sale – Rain Date May 4 Ritual Seminar - 8:30 AM - Noon (Meriden) Mav 3 May 7 Stated Communication (JW McMahon in East) **Business Meeting** Charity Breakfast May 11 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM \$4.00 Adults, \$2.00 Children Awards Night May 21 Officers Tux Dinner at 6:30 PM **Reservations Required by May 11** May 24 Masonry on Parade - Sequin Lodge No. 140 10 AM Staging - 11 AM Parade - 1 PM Picnic June 4 Stated Communication & Business Meeting June 8 Charity Breakfast -7:00 AM to 11:00 AM \$4.00 Adults, \$2.00 Children June 14 Grand Masters Day - Wallingford, 10 AM June 18 Stated Communication & Business Meeting June 22 Saints John Sunday with Grand Master Sequin Lodge No. 140 – Newington 9 AM UPCOMING EVENTS Annual Picnic with OES in Noank (TBD) Summer **October 8** Ladies Night (Old Tyme Fiddlers) October 24 Grand Lodge Communication - Milford "The way to gain a good reputation is to endeavor to be what you desire to appear." - Ralph Waldo Emerson Glastonbury, CT 06033

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Masonic Anniversaries

Dates of Brothers Raised during April-August

M/D Brother

4/4 Robert N Sidway 4/5 Robert H Kellogg Jr. 4/9 John H Somers 4/9 Craig A House 4/12 Gilbert D Spencer 4/12 Franklin J Davis Jr. 4/12 Arthur W Flick Jr. 4/12 Dean S. C Williams 4/13 Jack R White 4/16 Harold M Waters. Jr. 4/17 John W Page 4/19 Robert W Flint 4/24 Charles E MacDonald 4/24 Herbert N Bagshaw 4/26 Lester G Palifka 4/27 Warren E Bristol Jr. 4/27 Robert L Neumeister 4/27 Melvin O Hanson 4/27 Robert V Johnson 4/28 Edward Nordstrom 5/2 Roger L Dock 5/3 Charles D Vitale 5/4 Reno L Ferrando 5/5 Harold M Neumuth 5/7 Peter B Deich 5/8 John N Waters 5/8 Frank J Decker 5/9 Steven P McMahon 5/10 Arthur R Colby 5/11 Franklin J Davis 5/14 Henry Hallas 5/14 Homer G Scoville 5/15 Maurice I Johnson 5/15 Walter J Bialkowski Jr 5/16 William B Skidgell 5/16 Edward F Sparkowski 5/16 Herbert E Grommeck 5/20 Donald A Keller 5/22 Franklin M Jacks 5/22 Michael A Geoffrey 5/22 Arnold B Waterman 5/23 Richard T Walsh 5/24 Donald W Strickland 5/25 Peter J Hunt



6/4 Wesley Thoman 6/5 John R Kennedy 6/6 Hazen A Calhoun 6/6 Henry H Hunt III 6/6 Roy A Griffin 6/7 Charles S Clapp 6/7 Richard T Chapman 6/7 Albert K Garrard 6/7 Eric L Ellison Jr 6/7 Richie B Bernard 6/7 Timothy Dock 6/19 Alvin L Bean

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6/7 Robert N Martineau 6/8 Wilbur T Judson 6/9 William F Cribbs 6/9 Richard J Lennon 6/9 Theodore L Pesce 6/9 Eric W Judson 6/10 Allen F Fraser 6/10 Richard D Martens 6/10 Timothy M Way 6/11 Robert J Lewis 6/12 Llovd G Wood 6/13 Richard C Newell 6/14 Jonathan N Dresser 6/16 Earnest W Elliott 6/17 Ryan W Henderson 6/19 Paul A Taylor receiving recognition 6/19 Lucius M Chapman 6/22 Vincent J La Bella Sr 6/22 Anthony F Keegan Blue Lodge Council 8/9 Charles W Armstrong

Peter J. Hunt

for his service as

2002 Sixth District

President.

PAST MASTERS

OF DASKAM - COLUMBIA LODGE NO. 25 Living

Living	
Leon W. Turner, PDD 6S 1959	1950
Richard H. Sweet	1954
Louis O. House III	1956
Mario L. Accornero	1958, 95
Robert H. Kellogg Jr	1959
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. Geoffrey	1974
Maurice I. Johnson	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
Henry P. Gamble, PDD 6C 1996	1983, 84
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
Walter Grube	1993, 94, 97, 2001
Herbert E. Grommeck	1996
Arnold S. Grot	1998, 2002
Paul F. Blake	1999
Peter J. Hunt, DD 6C 2002	2000
Ralph Sinay, PAGM (PM Wyllys-St	
Anthony F. Keegan, PAGM6C 1993 (PMW	
William S. Edge Jr. (PM Van Courtla	
Walter E. Shannon (PM Warren #51)	1997, 98, 99
Louis O. House IV (PM Mosaic #52, 1 * Demitted "A great deal of talent is lost to th	

"A great deal of talent is lost to the world for want of a little courage. Every day sends to their graves obscure men whose timidity prevented them from making a first effort."

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DASKAM-**COLUMBIA** LODGE No. 25 **AF. & A.M**



April - June 2003

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