

Brethren,

"Behold how swiftly the sands of time run, and how rapidly our lives are drawing to a close!" Where has the time gone? It seems like yesterday that I was in the East writing my first trestleboard; I never thought that I would be doing this again almost twenty years later. Brethren I do not know how to put into words the gratitude I have for you, in electing me Worshipful Master; but I promise you that I will do my very best to try to uphold the tradition of this office!

Each year a new master is elected and he thinks that he can change everything that is wrong in the lodge. I realize that this cannot be done, at least not by one person, but with the assistance of everyone, great strides can be made. Shekinah Lodge has always been known throughout the district and the state for its excellent degree work, but I am afraid that this no longer the case. Attendance over the years has fallen drastically and that although the work may not be the only cause for this, it surely doesn't help. Last year we made great advances in improving our work. This year Shekinah has what I believe to be one of the strongest line of officers in several years! These brothers have worked very hard in learning their work and deserve your support! Please come out and show these brothers that you appreciate what they are doing for your lodge!

Attendance at our meetings! Why is it so poor? Maybe it's because of our degree work, or we are not offering programs that interest our members. Brethren I do not know what the problem is, but I do know that we need your input, so that we can offer programs of interest to our members. This year at every Regular Communication we will have a Guest speaker on a different topic each month. I hope you will attend and bring your ideas, and a brother with you!

This year I would also like to see an increase in the amount of community service work done by the lodge! I feel it is about time that we, as masons, become a LEADER in this type of charity within our community. Shekinah will continue supporting the Cumberland County 4-H program, and also our military veterans at the N.J. Memorial Home in Vineland. I would like to see more participation in these endeavors. If you can help please contact me or any officer.

In closing I would like to extend to you my best wishes for a joyous Holiday Season, and a happy and healthy New Year. I look forward to greeting you at our next Communication!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Robert W. Estell, P.M.
Worshipful Master

NOTICE

**W.B. Arnold A. Shannon will be in charge of the
1998 22nd District Masonic Calendar!
All dates should be cleared through him A.S.A.P.**

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Brethren, You are cordially invited to attend the following communications:

REGULAR COMMUNICATION

Friday, January 2nd, 1998 - 7:30 PM – Business meeting. Balloting on the following petitions: Mr. George Malashkin, age 24, residing at 1108 W. Main St., Millville, N.J. Occupation: 911 dispatcher. Brother Howard Sherrill Bangert, age 58, residing at 768 E. Garden Rd., Vineland, N.J. Occupation: Driver/Trainer/Recruiter, and Brother James Vernon Robinson, age 59, residing at 703 Glenside Rd., Millville, N.J. Occupation: Machinest. (Both to continue after 10 years). Refreshment and social get together following the meeting.

EMERGENT COMMUNICATIONS

Friday, January 9th, 1998 - 7:30 PM – The E.A. Degree will be conferred upon Mr. Floyd Raymond Pennal, and Mr. Belford John Riggins. Refreshment and social get together following the meeting.

Friday, January 23rd, 1998 - 7:30 PM – The F.C. Degree will be conferred upon Brother E.A. Francis Kevin Lloyd. Refreshment and social get together following the meeting.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, January 9th, 1998 - 7:30 PM – The Grand Lodge Annual NJ Devils Hockey Game, Continental Airlines Arena. For ticket information contact the Sec'y or DDGM.

Tuesday, January 13th, 1998 - 7:30 PM – District Lodge of Instruction at Shekinah Lodge #58, Millville, N.J. Officers requested to attend, brethren always welcome.

Tuesday, January 20th, 1998 - 7:00 PM – Shekinah Square Club. Meets every 3rd Tuesday for refreshments, and social get-together. Any member can attend!

Saturday, January 24th, 1998 – The Grand Lodge will sponsor a One Day Class at Crescent Shrine Temple, 50 N. Clinton Ave., Trenton, N.J. Registration 8:00 AM - Opening at 9:00 AM. for E.A.° followed by the F.C.°; lunch then the M.M.° Reservations needed for lunch. Candidates who never completed their Masonic Degrees are encouraged to attend. All candidates participating must have a clear ballot in a New Jersey Masonic Lodge.

Wednesday, March 4th, 1998 – Shekinah Chapter Order of the Eastern Star invites ALL Master Masons to attend their annual "MASTER MASON NIGHT", at which time they will be honoring all Master Masons. Dinner 6:30 PM. Entertainment by the "Dancing Granny's". Refreshments after the meeting.

In Memoriam

FENTON ANDERSON

E.A. 6-24-46 F.C. 9-24-46 M.M. 10-19-46

Raised on High November 18, 1997

JOSEPH MURPHY

E.A. 10-17-47 F.C. 11-21-47 M.M. 1-23-48

Raised on High November 22, 1997

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