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LEWISBURG NO. 96 HOLDS SKETTI 'N MOVIE NIGHT







Recently, Lewisburg No. 96 held a Sketti 'n Movie Night to raise funds for IOOF visual programs. Chez Rick Reed prepared a wonderful spaghetti dinner, after which members and family enjoyed the classic movie "American Graffiti" on a large screen outdoors. Prior to the movie members enjoyed a quick round of trivia about the movie with prizes. Lewisburg raised a total of \$150 for visual programs! They plan to host more dinner and outdoor movies and invite the community to build fellowship, increase awareness of the Lodge, and raise funds!

Places to Go... People to See

* denotes furnished by Planning Board + denotes details to follow

AUGUST

20 – 23 / SGL Session/ 200th Anniv. Of American Odd Fellowship, Baltimore, MD+

SEPTEMBER

22 / Lewisburg Lodge #96 Car Show, New Columbia 22 / PGM Wooden/ PPRA Trulick Testimonial, State College+

OCTOBER

6 / PGP Oertel Testimonial, Shartlesville, PA, 6:00PM+20 / Freedom Lodge #88 175th Anniversary+ 13 / Bus tour of Gettysburg hosted by Lewisburg Lodge #96+ 13 / Grand Encampment Rally, Allentown, PA+ 20 / Freedom Lodge #88 175th Anniversary+

NOVEMBER

3/ Flight 93 Memorial service, Shanksville, PA*+ 3/ PM/LAPM Rally, Johnstown*+

DECEMBER

1 / Western Rally, Unified Lodge, Pittsburgh, PA*+

** On the second Sunday of each month, at 1:00PM, year round, Centre Lodge #153 of Bellefonte is still conducting their Music Jams!

All Lodges are reminded when planning an activity, if you would like your state officer's support please contact the Planning Board Secy, Mary Giebel, PO Box 49, Cassville, PA 16623 or 814-305-2011 mcgiebel@msn.com

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THE GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS:

Freedom Lodge No. 88, Honesdale

William Musgrove – initiated June 20th

Wysox Lodge No. 1152

Nicholas Lane – initiated June 20th

Shillington Lodge No. 1175

William Meister – initiated April 17th

Ridgway Lodge No. 969

Paul G. Fehrenbach – initiated April 21st

Lyle H. Garner

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AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

The Board of Grand Lodge Officers congratulates the following on achieving milestone years in Odd Fellowship this month.

25 YEARS

Steven R. Martin, #88 Forrest C. Goodenough, #88 Jeffrey L. Holtry, #562

50 YEARS

James R. Fetter, Jr., #116

COME VISIT THE GRAND MASTER

Grand Master Wooden has scheduled the following visits for August. I am sure he would appreciate seeing you there.

1 - Brady #116 OV - 7:30PM

3 – Aluta #488 OV – 8:00PM

6 - Malvern-Pocahontas #201 OV - 7:30PM

7 - Triune #307 OV - 7:30PM

8 – Variety #37 OV – 7:30PM

11 – Grand Lodge Board Meeting, GL Office – 10:00AM

15 – Freeport #379 OV – 7:30PM

18 – Unified #2 Picnic

20 – Bowmansdale #1179 OV – 7:30PM

21 – Boyertown #708 OV – 7:30PM

FROM THE DESK OF REBEKAH ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT NADINE HAGER

Session is in the past and what a session it was. We did several things different this time including meeting in State College instead of Harrisburg. Changes are nice sometimes. I really want to thank the session committee for all they do through out the whole year. I especially want to thank the chairwomen and chairmen, Mary DeLong and John Cupp. You work so hard to make it a great session for use. It was a very full 5 days for most of

Thank you to Emilie Cupp for all you also do for us the Saturday night fun night was very entertaining. The game was very different. And to have light refreshments with a cash bar was just right. Then Sunday Memorial Service was nicely done by the 5 Heads of the Order with the Chaplains. Thank you "Bull" Ray Boulanger for leading us in remembering those that have gone before us. The Banquet for Sunday night was beautiful. The décor on the tables and all the flowers made it amazing. The entertaining was very different. Ending the night with a favorite "Let There Be Peace on Earth". Thank you Anna Smith for all your hard work.

Monday was opening day for session meeting. Ellie Trulick ran a very organized and informative meeting. It was very nice to have our International President Linda Thompson. She is a down to earth type of person, made you feel very comfortable.

Tuesday was more meeting and then the big night of installation. Thank you so much for all of the installing officers you did a very professional job. A special thank you to Elaine Weekley and Ruth Good my installing officer and marshall.

Wednesday was our last day of session but it doesn't mean it was a short day. We ended the day with a luncheon It is wonderful to see everyone each year but very sad to say goodbye.

There are so many others to Thank for all they did to make our session a success. Grand Master Wooden with his lovely wife Cindy do so much. Thank you also for all those who made and brought cookies for refreshments.

My Theme for the year is "Kindness & Compassion". Which is something I feel our order shows to many. It reminds me of a benediction for a church group I use to belong to. "I will do a KIND act, say a KIND word, and show mercy to all".

Thank you to all of my sisters and brothers for showing kindness to me over the years. I hope this year for me I can return the kindness to many of you as I meet with you at your lodges or at other meeting.

See you soon. Nadine

COME VISIT THE GRAND PATRIARCH

Grand Patriarch Arnold has scheduled the following visits for August. I am sure he would appreciate seeing you there.

2 - Perseverance #135 OV - 8:00PM

9 - Earl R. Leiby #106 OV - 7:30PM

10 – Royal Purple Degree @ Allentown – 7:30PM 27 – Ridgely #217 OV – 7:30PM

CROSS-COUNTRY RECRUITING

APP Mary Landes gave PDC Jim Keller an Ask1 2B1 decal for his truck. He promised her he'd put it on to spread the word. Great work!



TREASURER'S TALES - JULY 2018

We find our hero, Barney Wells at home in Grover's Mill, New Jersey for the summer of 1923. Barney is busily engaged in building a house for Elizabeth and him. He does not have power equipment so the basement needed to be dug out by hand. He hired a few of his high school students to do some of the digging. He laid the cinder block in July and set wooden beams to support the first floor. The sub-floor and framing were August projects.

President Harding died and Vice President Coolidge took his place. Mustafa Kemal Ataturk became president of Turkey. The most popular movie of 1924 was Sherlock, Jr., starring Buster Keaton. The movie is silent, but the sound track plays music. If your internet connection is fast enough, you can watch the entire movie here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yxNgVxDUE4g

The most popular songs can be found here: https://playback.fm/charts/top-100-songs/1923. Just click on the red arrow to play the song. It takes a while to load. You can find a list of the most popular books here: https://www.goodreads.com/book/popular_by_date/1923.

While working on his house, Barney was interrupted by a group of children from down the road. They knew Barney was a master story teller, probably from his knowledge of English literature. So Barney stopped and told a story, it follows:

Once upon a time, long, long ago, in a land far away, there was a little raccoon who liked to cause trouble for people and other animals. In this land, raccoons and other animals had the ability to speak and do other things raccoons today can't do. The little raccoon was named Sparkle; not because of his eyes, but because he liked to play with sparklers. He was not careful with his sparklers and caused many small fires. He had to be watched carefully because he would, without warning, light a sparkler and start swirling it around.

There was a little porcupine in this same place. His name was Jingle. He got this name because he was walking through a barn and one of his quills got stuck on a sleigh bell and the bell has followed him to this very day (or at least the day when the story took place).

There was a little skunk as well. He was named Spot. Many thought that this was a parody on the fact that he had stripes. It was not. When he got excited, he would leave a spot wherever he was standing. No one would stand in that spot for days after he was there.

Sparkle, Jingle and Spot lived in the same part of the forest. Jingle and Spot were friends, Sparkle was just an acquaintance. Sparkle tried to play tricks all the time. Jingle had several quills melted on the end by a hot sparkler wire. Spot had started to eat an apple that Sparkle had put a tack in. This kept the three from being a trio, they were sort of a duo with a tag-a-long.

The animals could speak and understand each other, within limits.

Jingle stopped by to see if Spot wanted to go down by the river to look for turtle eggs. All three of these little animals were predators and liked turtle eggs. As they were walking toward the river bank, they saw Sparkle, snoozing under a tree. They were conflicted about asking him to join them or avoiding the place where he lay. As they were discussing the matter, Sparkle awakened and walked over to them. They decided it was safer to take him along.

Before they reached the river, a coyote came out of the brush and ran toward them. Sparkle went up a tree quickly. Spot left a spot and ran after sparkle. Jingle wanted to stand his ground, but the spot left by Spot was so smelly he waddled after them. The coyote got a whiff of the spot left by Spot and ran the other way. The day was saved and they continued toward the river to search for turtle eggs. They didn't find any turtle eggs, but walked through a human residential development and came across a garbage can, on the way home. They had a feast. There was garbage strewn everywhere by dark. Sparkle was so happy he lit a sparkler, Jingle rang his bell and Spot left a spot. Because of the smell, the party ended. The moral of the story is that you can celebrate after a party, but be careful when choosing the spot to party.

The kids almost groaned. One said: "Mr. Wells, you should come up with a better ending than that." Barney replied, "It is hard to tell stories when you are busy working."

The kids would not relent, and wanted a new ending. Barney thought and thought. He said, "OK, one of you make up an ending." Vic's granddaughter Joanne came up with the following ending:

After the party broke up and the little animals all went home, the owner of the garbage can came out to add another bag. When he saw the strewn garbage, he started shouting and trying to put the garbage in the can. He stepped in the spot and shouted louder till one of his neighbors threw a shoe at him. The moral of the story is that if you step in a bad spot, you will need to get a new shoe; if you make enough noise someone will give you one. The kids groaned even louder. They wanted Barney to make up a second ending.

The final ending, by Barney, goes like this: Jingle was tearing open a bag of garbage, where he found a strange piece of paper. After he squinted and strained, he read it. It was a petition to join the Odd Fellows. He took the petition back in the woods and started his own Odd Fellow Lodge for animals. Most of the time Sparkle was the outside guardian, but on days when he was excited, Spot was the outside guardian.

Comments and questions are always welcomed by the Grand Treasurer. You can contact him by email at jcupp275@gmail. com or conventional mail at P.O. Box 275, Hopwood, PA 15445.

GRAND MASTER SHERMAN WOODEN AND PAST PRESIDENT ELLIE TRULICK TESTIMONIAL

SAVETHE DATE!!! September 22, 2018

A testimonial will be held at the Ramada Inn, State College, PA.

Come one and all to show your appreciation for their year!

DETAILS WILL FOLLOW SOON!!

Since Session is just over and everyone is attempting to get back to normal everything has not been decided as to room costs, menu and/or costs. But this will be a combination and their will not be two different testimonials for Grand Master and President this year. Hopefully this will help to cut the costs of two separate room stays and banquet fees.

Also special entertainment that Ellie picked will be performing!

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY INTERESTING FACTS:

How many Odd Fellow Lodges were in YOUR County?? Did you ever wonder if your town had an Odd Fellow Lodge? Do you know where it was or do you even remember some of these Lodges? If you can take a picture of the Lodge Hall that was once in your town and mail it in, we'd be glad to have it for our archives and it could perhaps end up in the magazine!

I have attempted to try to categorize Philadelphia County by districts, but have been unsuccessful as much of this history of this county has come and went so quickly, and I'd like to be as accurate as possible. Some districts are listed correctly, and some just say Philadelphia. Also, as the temples were being dedicated and moved, many Lodges moved to different areas, making it difficult to find one distinct address. For the next month or two at least, what I'm going to do is put them in by Temples. Again, there were many more that met in these temples, but so as to not list them twice, I'm just putting the ones I didn't list yet.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY: (not in the City)

Falls of Schuylkill

Falls of Schuylkill Lodge #467 – consolidated 1935

Hestonville

Protection Lodge #243 - consolidated 1960

Kenderton

Kenderton Lodge #266 – consolidated 1989 North Star Lodge #355 – consolidated 1929 Kensington Lodge #355 – consolidated 1949

Kingsessing

Kingsessing Lodge #309 – consolidated 1972

Mount Airy (Creisham)

Mount Airy Lodge #235 - consolidated 1950

Paschallville

Paschallville Lodge #309 - consolidated 1855

Penn Township

Penn Township Lodge #319 – consolidated 1955

Rising Sun

Nicetown Lodge #848 – consolidated 1950

Southampton

Variety Lodge #37 – instituted 1988

Spring Garden

Green Hill Lodge #154 – consolidated 1951 Capitol Lodge #208 – defunct 1857 Meridian Sun Lodge #477 – defunct 1911 Uhland Lodge #584 – consolidated 1909

West Philadelphia

Livingston Lodge #135 – defunct 1847 Iroquois Lodge #508 – consolidated 1909 West Philadelphia Lodge #572 – consolidated 1917 Hamilton Lodge #596 – consolidated 1927

19 Lodges with 3 active.

Next month – Philadelphia County (more Lodges that were or are not located in the downtown) – Get your pictures and articles in now!





At 7201 Germantown Avenue in Philadephia stands a remarkable building which was formerly home to Mount Airy Lodge #235, which is shown still in the brickwork. Special thanks to Charles Danihel for providing us with this location and a few pictures.

HELP SAVE OUR LODGE!

After 172 years in Adams County the only remaining IOOF Lodge in the County, York Springs #211, is faced with losing our Lodge Home. In 1910 the I.O.O.F Hall was sold to the York Springs First National Bank with an agreement that the Lodge would stay in its home for a nominal yearly fee. After 61 years the York Springs bank sold to the Adams County National Bank. The third floor of the building was removed with the Lodge moving down to the second floor. The Bank officials and Lodge officers signed another agreement for a yearly lease that would continue our use of the Lodge's home unless the building was sold, destroyed by fire, storm, or other accidental cause. This winter after 47 years the York Springs Lodge was given notice by the Adams County National Bank to vacate the building by June 30, 2018.

The Lodge began searching for a new home within the Borough of York Springs and are left with only one option however the building is in great disrepair and the Lodge does not have funds to make the structure safe for occupancy. If we are not able to raise funds to begin the building stabilization the Lodge of York Springs will have no other option but to dissolve.



With this notice of distress we, the York Springs Lodge #211, is asking for help from our brother Lodges. As one way to raise funds we have sorted our artifacts and are putting up for sale those items no longer in use. The auction will be held in Hanover, PA by Randy Dickingsheets Auction House sometime this fall. Watch for a notice in a future Odd Fellows Magazine.

If you could help in any other way it would be greatly appreciated. We can be reached by phoning Brother Harry Howe, Financial Secretary, who is spear heading the "new home search" at 717-528-4381 or email at howeharry@ hotmail.com. Financial help can be sent to Harry Howe, Financial Secretary, York Springs Lodge 211 at 77 Ridge Road, York Springs, PA. 17372.

We thank you so much for any help you can see fit to give us. After a history of 172 years we want to honor those who have gone before and remain York Springs Lodge #211 Odd Fellows!

Yours in Friendship, Love, and Truth York Springs #211 I.O.O.F. Lodge

Thank Mou!

I would like to thank you for awarding me this \$500 scholarship. It will help me pay for tuition and become a pilot. I've been taking summer classes this year and working weekends to expedite graduation.

Thank you, Gage Hysong

FREEDOM LODGE 88 INITIATES TWO INTO THE BROTHERHOOD

The Initiatory Degree was performed by the members of Freedom Lodge June 20th. We would like to welcome William Musgrove and Nicholas Lane into the Brotherhood!



Officers of Freedom Lodge with the new Brothers

AMBRIDGE ENCAMPMENT #259

It was a great meeting as we welcomed our newest member Robert Ruff. Also happening at our meeting, Chief Patriarch, David O. Whitlinger represented our Past Chief Patriarch, Donna L. Faub with her PCP/PG Jewel, for her good work. Great job Donna!! Pictures taken by the Junior Warden.







ODD FELLOWS CLOVER LODGE 348 - AMBRIDGE AWARDS 5 \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS

Ambridge presented five Beaver County students \$1,000 scholarships during the concluding dinner at its 12th Annual Golf Scramble held Sunday, June 10th at Black Hawk golf course. With 72 golfers and supporting volunteers, a good time was had by all for a great cause. This is the 12th year we have presented \$1,000 scholarships to deserving students who are selected based on their academic record, community service and completion of two essays. Below are the pictures of Clover Lodge 348's Noble Grand Dave Carlson and Right Supporter of the Noble Grand Carl George with each of the five winners.



Allison K. Garrison, Ambridge Area High School



Devin R. Seamon, Ambridge Area High School



Brendan D. Jugan, Central Valley High School



Jonathan O. Pulley, Central Valley High School



Ryan P. Leindecker, Freedom Area High School

FREEDOM LODGE 88 AWARDS FOUR SCHOLARSHIPS THIS YEAR

The Howard Goodenough Jr Memorial Scholarship was awarded this year to Alecia Seitz. Penn State Harrisburg is where Alecia plans to study Finance. Courtney Varcoe has been awarded the Freedom Lodge 88 Scholarship. The Nursing Program at Misericordia University is where Courtney plans to further her education. Johnson College is where Carter Terysen has been accepted into the Car-

pentry and Cabinetmaking Technology Program. Carter was awarded the Honesdale Oddfellows Scholarship. Clayton Martin will be continuing his education to become a Business/Marketing Major at Penn State Worthington. Clayton has also been awarded a Honesdale Oddfellows Scholarship. We at Freedom Lodge with all scholarship recipients the best of luck in the next chapter of their lives!









Clayton Martin

Alecia Seitz

Courtney Varcoe

Carter Terysen

ALERT LODGE 936 ODD FELLOWS

News Release: Rochester Mills, PA

The Alert Lodge 936 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows is pleased to announce that it has recently awarded two annual IOOF Scholarships. One scholarship was for in the Academic track, while the other was for those in the Vocational track. Winners completed essays in which they described how they intended to use their leadership skills to create a kinder and gentler world.

The recipient of this year's \$1000 academic scholarship was Kara Gibbon, a Indiana High School graduate who will be attending Penn State University and majoring in Statistics. Kara is the daughter of Don and Debbie Gibbon of Indiana, PA. This outstanding young woman won her scholarship by prevailing over numerous other contestants from Indiana and Jefferson Counties in an essay-writing contest. Shown with Kara are Lodge members Allen Ryen (left), David Hamilton, and Daniel Anderson (right). The recipient of this year's \$1000 vocational scholarship was Desirae Henry a Marion Center High School graduate who will be attending the Douglas Education Center toward a degree as an Esthetician and Nail Technician.

Alert Lodge 936 was pleased and gratified with the participation of so many aspiring students in this contest, and rests assured that



the Classes of 2017 will be sending a new crop of leaders into our communities. Our sincere thanks to all who participated this year. It is the hope of the Lodge to be able to offer additional scholarships in coming years, as we build our scholarship program in hopes of helping build a better world for us all. If anyone would be interested in joining Alert Lodge # 936, we need a few good men and women. Any questions should be directed to Noble Grand Dr. Allen Ryen at 724-286-3042.

OBITUARIES

Due to publication time, we regret we cannot accept Obituaries older than three months.

JAMES H. GOLD

Mackinaw Lodge No. 380 May 29, 2018



Brother James H. Gold, 86, of Mifflinburg, PA, was initiated into Selinsgrove Lodge #197 on August 20, 1963. He transferred to Mt. Dempsey Lodge #172, Landisburg, on December 1, 1969 and finally became a member of Mackinaw Lodge #380, New Bloomfield, through consolidation on July 22, 1996. At the time of his death, he was the last surviving member of Selinsgrove Lodge #197 still affiliated with the Order.

He was a member of Dreisbach United Church of Christ. Surviving is his wife, the former Eleanor Erdley, three children, two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Burial was held in Turbotville Cemetery.

ROGER A. MADIGAN

Wysox Lodge No. 1152 June 2, 2018



Brother Roger A. Madigan, 88, of Towanda, PA, was initiated into Bradford Lodge #167, Towanda, on April 21, 1969. He then became a member of Wysox Lodge #1152 through consolidation on August 22, 1989. At the time of his death, he was the last surviving member of Bradford Lodge #167.

He was State Representative from 1976 to 1984 and a State Senator from 1985 to 2008 and was a member of Luther Mills United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, the former Margaret Gobel. Surviving is his second wife, the former Millie Kemmerer, two daughters, two sons, five grandchildren, three stepchildren, six step-grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Burial will be at the convenience of the family in Bradford County Memorial Park, Luthers Mills, PA.

RICHARD A. JAMES, SR.

Alma Lodge No. 523 June 5, 2018



Brother Richard A. James, Sr., 83, of Ferndale, PA, was initiated into Alma Lodge #523, Johnstown, PA, on January 17, 1975.

He was a Veteran and a member of Moxham Christian Church.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, the former Amelia Wicknick, and one grandson. Surviving is his second wife, the former Evelyn Harteis, four children, two step-children, six grandchildren, nine great-grandchil-

dren, three step grandchildren and five step great-grandchildren. Burial was held in Grandview Cemetery.

F. ALLAN MAUGER

Malvern-Pocahontas Lodge No. 201 June 6, 2018

Brother F. Allan Mauger, 98, of Honey Brook, PA, was initiated into Malvern Lodge #201 on October 2, 1944, where he became a Past Grand and received the Grand Lodge Degree on November 15, 1948. At the time of his death, he was the Lodges oldest member, by age and tenure.

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Marian Grant, and one son. Surviving is one son, one daughter, seven

grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Burial was held in Washington Memorial Chapel Cemetery, Valley Forge, PA.

CAROLYN R. SCHLEICHER

Lady Hall Rebekah Lodge No. 202 June 8, 2018



Sister Carolyn R. (Snyder) Schleicher, 84, of Catasauqua, PA, was initiated into Lady Lillie Best Rebekah Lodge #222, Schnecksville, PA, on June 18, 1958, where she became a Past Noble Grand on October 5, 1977 and received her Rebekah Assembly Degree on June 20, 1978. She then became a member of Lady Hall Rebekah Lodge #202, Aluta, through consolidation on April 19, 2018.

She was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Catasaugua. She was preceded in death by one granddaughter. Surviving is her husband, Lee, of Jordan Lodge #192, Schnecksville, two daughters, one son, three grandsons, and a sister-in-law, Marion Snyder, also of

Lady Hall Rebekah Lodge #202.

Services were conducted by the members of her Rebekah Lodge and burial was held in Fairview Cemetery, Whitehall.

CATHERINE E. MCMENAMIN

Past District Deputy President/ Past RA Ambassador Letitia Penn Rebekah Lodge No. 173 Canton Philadelphia No. 1, P.M. June 19, 2018

Sister Catherine E. "Kay" (Rowland) McMenamin, 91, of Southampton, PA, was initiated into Letitia Penn Rebekah Lodge No. 173, Philadelphia, on November 20, 1982, where she became a Past Noble Grand and received her Rebekah Assembly Degree. She served as Secretary for many years, and served as District Deputy President from 1988 – 1998. She went on to serve as Ambassador of Goodwill for PPRA Bonita Morningstar from 1993 – 1994. She was a former Matriarch of Kossuth LEA #98 of Warren, PA. She was initiated as a Lady into Philadelphia Auxiliary #1, L.A.P.M., on October 12, 1991 and held membership there until March 29, 2018, when she joined Canton Philadelphia #1, Patriarchs Militant. She was also Director Emeritus of the Home for Orphans of Odd Fellows, Philadelphia. At the time of her death, she was the oldest living member of both Letitia Penn Rebekah Lodge #173 and Canton Philadelphia #1.

She was a member of St. Johns's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hatboro. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward, of Walker Lodge #306. Surviving are two children, one daughter, Cathy Spalding, also of Letitia Penn Rebekah Lodge #173, the other James McMenamin, five children and two great-grandchildren.

Burial was held in Lawnview Cemetery, Rockledge. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Visual Research Foundation.

NELSON E. LEARD

Freeport Lodge No. 379 June 13, 2018



Brother Nelson "Everett" Leard, 96, of Worthington, PA, was initiated into Freeport Lodge #379 on April 19, 1968, where he became a Past Grand.

He was a U.S. Army WWII Veteran and a member of Grace Baptist Church, East Franklin Township.

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Ethel Barto. Surviving are his two sons, Michael and Allen, who are also both

members of Freeport Lodge #379, one daughter, four grandchildren and one great-grandson. Burial was held in Slate Lick Cemetery.

Paoli Lodge No. 290 June 13, 2018



Brother Lowry J. "Larry" Lantz, 88, of the Middletown Home, was initiated into Star of Hope Lodge #199, Coatesville, PA, on January 12, 1959. He became a member of Paoli Lodge #290, Downingtown, through consolidation on November 17, 2005.

He was a U.S. Army National Guard Veteran. Burial was held in Middletown Home Cemetery.

MELLIS M. ZELLNER, JR.

Aluta Lodge No. 488 June 16, 2018



Brother Mellis M. "Mel" Zellner, 88, of Bushkill Township, PA, was initiated into Aluta Lodge #488 on May 4, 1999, where he became a Past Grand on October 5, 2001, and received the Grand Lodge Degree November 17, 2001. He then held the position of Secretary for over 15 years.

He was a U.S. Army Veteran and a member of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church of Moorestown.

He was preceded in death by a grandson. Surviving is his wife, the former Phyllis Fluck, one daughter, four sons, thirteen grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by the members of his Lodge and burial was held in Cedar Hill Memorial Park Cemetery, Allentown, PA.

EARL E. KILLEN Alma Lodge No. 523

June 20, 2018

Brother Earl E. Killen, 89, of Bolivar, PA, was initiated into Alma Lodge #523, Johnstown, PA, on April 28, 1956.

He was a U.S. Korean Conflict Veteran and a member of

the former St. Mary's Catholic Church, Bolivar. He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Albina Mauro, two daughters, five grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. Burial was held at S.S. Simon & Jude Cemetery.

WILLIAM E. SMEDLEY

Past District Deputy Grand Master Brady Lodge No. 116 June 25, 2018



Brother William E. Smedley, 81, of Picture Rocks, PA was initiated into Walker Lodge #306, Philadelphia, on December 4, 1954 and became Past Grand on October 1, 1966. Bill enjoyed the many major parts in Walker's Installation team and performances in Walker's Degree Work. One might wonder if his Father Roland had any influence in Bill's involvements in that his Father was Degree Master for many years.

One fond memory of Bill's was from Degree Work Walker put on for lodges in Toronto Canada where Bill was the Traveler and his Brother Bob was the Good Samaritan. He called it "The Triple Brotherhood" in that Bob was: (1) his blood brother, (2) his lodge brother and (3) to quote the degree work: "he was my true brother and friend that had mercy on me."

The Smedley Family involvement in Odd Fellowship at Walker Lodge dates back to the late 1800's which includes many uncles and cousins. Bill, his Dad Roland G. Smedley and Brother Robert G. Smedley have individually marked over 50 years of active membership in Odd Fellowship. At the time of his death, Bill was the Lodge's oldest tenured member.

Bill was a U.S. Army Veteran who was stationed in Korean in the ASA (Army Security Agency). His previous employment was in management with The Philadelphia Gas Works (PGW) where Bill retired after 30 years of service. He was married 41 years to his best friend Joanne Helms from the Philadelphia area and moved to Picture Rocks Pa in 1995 after retiring from PGW.

Bill transferred to Brady Lodge #116 in Muncy Pa. in 1996 where he was greatly loved and respected by all and very instrumental in building up Brady where it is today. He held the position of Secretary for many years. While at Brady Lodge Bill became the District Deputy Grand Master from 2006 - 2012 and regularly attended Grand Lodge Session as a Representative, where he was active on several committees. Bill raised three children William, David and Jennifer Smedley and he also guided three step children: Richard, Susan and Sharon Helms. A viewing was held on Friday evening of June 29th at McCarty-Thomas Funeral Home, in, Hughesville at which time Masonic services were held by an abundance of Masonic members. Funeral services were then held Saturday, June 30th at the Clarkstown United Methodist Church in Muncy Pennsylvania at which time Odd Fellow Services were held by an abundance of members from Odd Fellowship and members of Brady Lodge No. 116 which both Bill and his wife Joanne Smedley are members.

Bill loved fishing and hunting and mowing his back nine in his tractor mower with his loving golden retrievers following. Bill was a gentle, loving, kind and funny man and loved by all who came in contact with him. He will be sorely missed by those that knew him. Memorial contributions may be made in William's name to the Odd Fellows Brady Lodge #116, P.O. Box 379, Picture Rocks, PA, 17762

EARL R LEIBY ENCAMPMENT ATTENDED THE READING PHILLES BASEBALL GAME FOR THERE PICNIC

They enjoyed a all you can eat buffet of chicken, hotdogs, ribs, hamburgers and more....



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Winners of the drawing held June 30th, 2018 Thank you everyone for your support again this year.

If you were not a winner of the prizes listed below, you will be a winner in the hearts of the children you supported this year.

	Prizes	Name	Ticket #	Location
1	\$100.00 Cash – Victory Lodge #658	Josh Guscott	1161	Summit Hill
2	\$100.00 Cash – Vienna Lodge #847	Sara Phillips	2785	Bethlehem
3	\$50.00 Cash – Bushkill Encampment #55	Lori Snyder	1471	Allentown
4	\$50.00 Cash – Canton Allentown #39	Rick Day	3502	Montgomeryville
5	\$50.00 Sheetz Gift Card	Vince DeSantamaria	2945	Bethlehem
6	\$50.00 Wawa Gift Card	Iris Patten	3653	Quakertown
7	\$50.00 Applebee's Gift Card	Wysox Lodge #1152	3766	Wysox
8	\$50.00 Texas Road House Gift Card	Wismer Auto Restor.	4046	Souderton
9	\$50.00 Red Lobster Gift Card	Robert Hodes	2282	Quakertown
10	\$50.00 Giant Gift Card	Michael Marconi	2368	Lansdale
11	\$50.00 Home Depot Gift Card	Nancy Kuhns	4583	Perkasie
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13	\$50.00 Carrabba's Gift Card	Jarred Kidd	2713	Mertztown
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The officers and members of Bushkill Encampment #55, Vienna Lodge #847, Victory Lodge #658 and Canton Allentown #39 wish to thank all of you that patronized our endeavor this year.

Robert Raffensberger, Co-Chairman Rory King, Co-Chairman Bruce Torrence, Treasurer

MIDDLETOWN HOME - TURKEY HILL EXPERIENCE

Our residents enjoy going on many a trips here at The Middletown Home. Since it's officially summer, we decided to visit somewhere to beat the heat! So we took a trip down the road to Columbia to check out the Turkey Hill Experience. We learned a little about the ice cream making process and even got to create some flavors of our own! Then we got to taste test some Turkey Hill ice cream specialties like: Graham Slam and Salted

Carmel. Delicious! Once we ate our ice cream, the residents got to thinking about some ice cream from the good old days and we decided to have a "Cho Cho Ice Cream Party!" Although not many ice cream shops still carry "Cho Cho Ice Cream," we found one shop that did and we ordered 100 of them for next month! Our residents are really looking forward to getting a blast from the past by enjoying a frozen treat they haven't had in years!







HOME FOR ORPHANS OF ODD FELLOWS PROVIDES GRANT TO HELP FUND CAMP CHARLIE FOR GRIEVING YOUNGSTERS

The Home for Orphans of Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania recently provided a grant to the Safe Harbor Program of Abington-Jefferson Health. Safe Harbor provides support in a safe place so that children, teens, and young adults grieving the death of a loved one can move through the healing process. It also provides parents with the necessary tools to understand and assist their grieving children.

The grant from the Home for Orphans is provided to help fund Safe Harbor's Camp Charlie day camp program this summer, a free week-long healing experience where children engage in activities and challenges to help guide them through the healing process. Camp Charlie is for children aged 6-12 years and provides art and music therapy sessions, a fun "Carnival," supplies, games, snacks, and t-shirts, related to healing. Camp Charlie has been shown to provide a positive difference in the lives of the children who attend. The program utilizes volunteers and Camp Charlie "Buddies" – young people

who have been through the Camp Charlie program in the past and return to bring their experiences and care to the younger campers.

A most memorable event is the closing ceremony, which takes place on the last day of the camp, where campers proudly present their artwork and music and dramatic activities that they have been practicing. This year's theme has been "Hollywood." A poignant aspect of the closing ceremony is a reading of the names of those who have died; as each name is read, the camper joins her or his family in ringing a Tibetan bowl in memory of their loved one.

Shown here are Orphans Home Trustees Byron Goldstein, Arthur Weiler, and Peter Uhniat providing the grant check to Safe Harbor Co-Director Heide Marcelis. Also shown here are some of the fun activities for the campers on their special Carnival Day.









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