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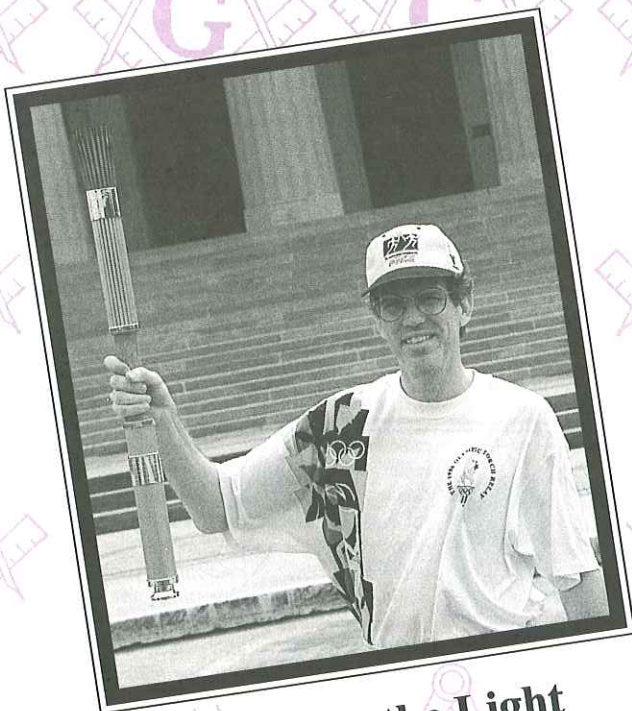
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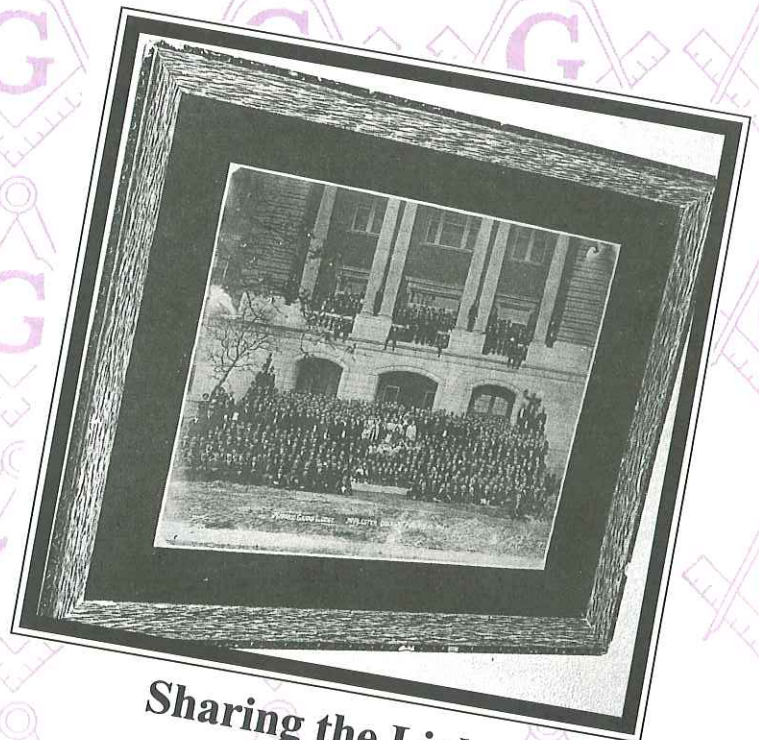
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From The Grand Master

Dear Brethren and Friends,

This year has brought a distinction to many of our Brethren. We will have presented over 750 50 Year awards before the end of December. Many of these members have not been able to attend Lodge, but still pay their dues to support the Fraternity. I have personally presented several of these, however I do want to take this opportunity to thank all of them for their continued support and dedication to our Fraternity. We have tried to list these distinguished members in this issue of the OK Mason as a tribute to them.

You should be receiving shortly, if you haven't already, an attractive lapel pin and a "Friend to Friend" Brochure. The pin is sent to show you our gratitude for being a Mason and you are encouraged to wear it whenever you can. The brochure is for you to give to a friend you think would make a good Mason. Please use it. There is no prohibition against starting a conversation with a non-Mason about Masonry! Any donation that you can make will be used strictly for the ENDOWMENT OF YOUR GRAND LODGE BUILDING! We must try to do all we can to ensure that the generations to come will have a Grand Lodge building they can be proud of and not be a burden on them to maintain. Let us do it while we can.

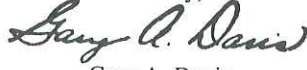
We are proud of the M.E.T.S. team and their efforts to bring Masonic Education to the craft. If you have not attended a session yet, look for scheduled dates elsewhere in this issue. This is too important an issue for our members to let go by. A great deal of work and effort has been put into this program to give our membership a professional account of our Fraternity and what it is all about. Most importantly, after attending a session, you will be able to comfortably communicate with non-Masons when talking about our Fraternity with answers to the questions most non-Masons want to know: "What is Masonry," "What do Masons do," and "What has Masonry done for you?" All this information will work great with the Friend to Friend brochure noted earlier. Therefore I challenge each Mason who is regularly attending Lodge to invite one of his Brethren who hasn't been attending and take him with you. Remember, "It's what you learn after you know it all that really counts!"

Did you know there are over 600 Masonic license plates which have been purchased by our members who are proudly displaying the Square and Compasses on the back of their vehicles throughout the State? Please note that a new law, passed March 26, 1996, allows each member to have two vehicles tagged with these license plates. You can get the application forms from local tag agencies. The tags are only \$7 each, which includes shipping. As a reminder, many travelers would stop to help someone in distress who has a Square and Compasses on their vehicle who might not otherwise do so!

I also want to thank all those Lodges which are participating in the Student of Today program. This is one of the best programs we have ever come up with and does a wonderful job of presenting our Great Fraternity to the young people as well as the adults who are teachers and relatives of these students. Keep up the good work.

With the summer months coming on us, let us all work up a sweat for Masonry in Oklahoma!

Fraternally,



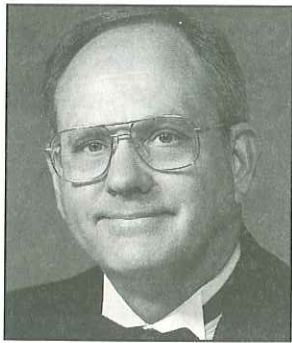
Gary A. Davis
Grand Master

raise funds for your Grand Lodge Building Endowment as well as other programs that might need financial assistance. Your Grand Lodge receives \$1 for each application which is approved and for each renewal which is made. We will also receive 0.0047 percent of all charges made on the card. If we can get our membership to support this program, your Grand Lodge could raise as much as \$250,000 over a five-year period. Won't you help? If you did not receive an application in the mail or threw yours away by mistake, let the Grand Secretary's Office know and we will see that you get one.

Gary A. Davis, Grand Master



Brethren, maybe you got something on this and threw it in the trash, or maybe you did not even get it in the mail! Just to let you know, the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma has sponsored this credit card program to



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The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma congratulates the following Brethren on qualifying for their 50-Year membership pins in 1996.

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From the Desk of the Grand Secretary

Dear Brethren,
As we are now at the midway point of our Masonic year, I would like to take this opportunity to bring you up to date on some of the items of interest in your Grand Lodge Building.

First and by far one of my favorites is the Grand Lodge Museum. I have been told by many that a Museum is never completed. I now understand why. Each week a brother, a Lodge, or a deceased brother's family brings articles to the museum to display, I have not been able to stay up with the rush.

When the Grand Lodge Board of Trustees approved the renovation of the Museum, it was with the hope that we would someday have enough mementos to fill the large upstairs atrium. Well, in a short six months, it is nearly full and more items are coming in weekly.

Brother Tresner recently wrote a nice article about the Museum for this magazine, with pictures included. The changes since then are very noticeable. The single task I set out to do was build an educationally interesting place for you, where you, your families, and your friends could come and learn more about Masonry. it's here and waiting for you.

We also set up a 501-c-3 tax status for

TAX-DEDUCTIBLE donations. These can be donations of cash or of items of Masonic interest.

With the renovation done and the expansion started, we are in desperate need of items pertaining to the Grand Lodges of Oklahoma and Indian Territories, or pertaining to the local Lodges during that period. Please search your archives, closets, basements, attics, or wherever the old relics might be stored and search your heart for the donation or LOAN of those items to YOUR museum.

On May 15, I attended a luncheon here in Guthrie honoring the teachers who had been selected for the Teacher of the Year Award by the Guthrie School System. What I found in this luncheon, paid for by Albert Pike Lodge #162, was a wonderful idea that every Lodge in the state could do with little expense, small effort, and large rewards and a lot of "thank yous" from the educators.

Almost every community in Oklahoma participates in the Teacher of the Year Program, run by the State Department of Education. As part of that program, a teacher from every school in the local system is usually nominated, and then a single Teacher is selected from those nominated to go on to the next level of competition.

Albert Pike Lodge invites each of those first nominees to a luncheon, held at a local restaurant. Some years, the Lodge simply asks enough members to come to the restaurant and agree to buy two meals—one for themselves and one for a teacher. This year, the Lodge picked up the entire tab from the Lodge treasury. They have a plaque for each teacher, or, in some years, have a Teacher of the Year Certificate from the Grand Lodge. They also have some small gift or token for the teacher. They invite the teachers to come at noon, and the Lodge contacts the principal of each school, explains their wish to honor the Teacher of the Year nominees, and asks the principal's cooperation in releasing the teacher to come to the luncheon. They also invite the Superintendent of Schools. They find an inspirational speaker to deliver a short address, and try to have the entire program over by 1:00 PM so the teachers can return to the schools.

Brethren, I do not kid you, this is a program that has tied the Masons of this community with the school system. If I have not explained it in writing well enough to understand, call me and we'll talk.

Thanks for having me again this year. I enjoy and love it.

T. Max

GRAND MASTER'S ITINERARY

JUNE			10	Guthrie, Trustee and Jurisprudence (CLOSED)
6	6:30 PM	Lone Grove #25, Reception of Grand Lodge Officers (OPEN)	11	Atoka #4, Tough School
7		Tulsa, Job's Daughters Banquet	16	OKC, Red Cross Triad
10	6:30 PM	Nicoma Park #541, Reception of Grand Lodge Officers (OPEN)	18 2:00 PM	Tulsa, Grand Master's Luncheon
11		Bartlesville, OK MOZART Festival	23-25	Sr. Warden's Class
13	6:30 PM	Brookside #538, Reception of Grand Lodge Officers (OPEN)	SEPTEMBER	
15	8:00 AM	Tulsa, Daylight Lodge #542 Reception of Grand Lodge Officers (OPEN)	5-7	Albuquerque, Southwest Conference
20-23		Tulsa, International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay	10	Muldrow, Reception of Grand Lodge Officers
22	9:00 AM	Guthrie, Trustee Meeting (CLOSED)	20	Guthrie, Trustee Meeting
29	8:00 AM	Tulsa Scottish Rite Reunion	21	Guthrie, Scottish Rite Reunion
30		New Orleans, Imperial Shrine Session	24	East Gate #543, Reception of Grand Lodge Officers (OPEN)
JULY			28	Guthrie, York Rite Field Day
1-4		New Orleans, Imperial Shrine Session	OCTOBER	
11-14		Stillwater, DeMolay Conclave	5	McAlester, Scottish Rite Reunion
13		Stillwater, Trustees Select Scholarships	21	Guthrie, Grand Assembly, OES
17	6:00 PM	Guthrie, Trustee Meeting (CLOSED)	25 6:30 PM	Petroleum #474, Reception of Grand Lodge Officers (OPEN)
19-31		Europe, Grand Master's Trip	26	Guthrie, Trustee Meeting (CLOSED)
AUGUST			NOVEMBER	
1-2		Europe, Grand Master's Trip	2	Tulsa, Scottish Rite Reunion
3	12-1-2	Pryor Creek #100, Re-dedication on 100th year	7	Guthrie, Trustee and Jurisprudence Meeting
			8-9	GUthrie, Grand Lodge Annual Communication

1995-1996 WINNERS

Senior Essay Contest

The topic for the 1995-1996 school year senior essay contest was "Should Community Service be a Requirement for High School Graduation?"

We are proud to announce the winners and to print the two first-place essays.

Girls

- First Place - Jennifer Reno {Lawton Lodge #183}
- Second Place - Kyla Carroll {Sunset Lodge #57}
- Third Place - Staci Duggan {Tyre Lodge #42}
- Fourth Place - Mandy Fritz {Mountain View Lodge #168}
- Fifth Place - Sarah K. Armstrong {Cushing Lodge #111}
- Sixth Place - Jenny Biswell {Will Rogers Lodge #53}
- Seventh Place - Becky Rice {Kingfisher Lodge #52}
- Eighth Place - Summer Renee Humphrey {Drumright Lodge #468}
- Ninth Place - LaShall Lynn Crane {Will Rogers Lodge #53}
- Tenth Place - Amy Lehr {Norman Lodge #38}

Boys

- First Place - Beau Wells {Will Rogers Lodge #53}
- Second Place - Joshua Cochran {Norman Lodge #38}
- Third Place - Ashley Sides {Drumright Lodge #468}
- Fourth Place - Jacob D. Hager {Corinthian Lodge #307}
- Fifth Place - Jason Madden {Purcell Lodge #27}
- Sixth Place - Darin Kapella {Tyre Lodge #42}
- Seventh Place - Thomas D. Larson {Composite Lodge #107}
- Eighth Place - Justin Earley {Westville Lodge #549}
- Ninth Place - Martin Milner {Moore Lodge #539}
- Tenth Place - Clark Frailey {Drumright Lodge #468}

Should Community Service be a Requirement for High School Graduation?

By Jennifer Reno

The concern regarding today's generation is

that there seems to be a lack of basic human values among young people. Because of economic, social, and political issues, the family system has been altered. The result is less emphasis on family values. The majority of young people today must rely on schools not only for academic knowledge but also for life skills.

In all schools, the academic curriculum is thoroughly covered; however character education is often neglected. When character education is taught in schools, it has been traditionally covered through lectures and classroom discussions. Statistics show that these conventional methods are not effective. The solution lies in hands-on experience. Youth need to face reality and see why values are important. These realities can be found in the community. Real life experiences are more effective teachers than lectures.

Young people need to learn the value of giving care as well as receiving care. Becoming involved in the community through participation in a variety of community service projects would allow students to move beyond their self-centeredness and put the needs of others first. What would begin as an effort to help another person would soon blossom into a personal feeling of satisfaction that gave great fulfillment to students. Students would then realize that they, the servers, benefit as much as or more than those they are serving. Teenagers constantly depend on friends, family, and school; but through community service they would find themselves in a position where someone is dependent on them.

Jane Nelson, a noted author, once stated, "What good is academic learning if young people don't learn to become contributing members of society?" Students can study hard and excel academically, but knowledge will not be beneficial if students do not possess life-skills such as care, compassion, and concern for others. Creating opportunities for students to participate in community service means giving students power to care.

Education comes from not only learning but also experiencing. Thus, making community service a requirement for high school graduation will allow students to apply academics to life experiences that will build a foundation for a compassionate and caring future.

Jennifer Reno is the daughter of Carl and Jenny Reno. She is a student at MacArthur High School in Lawton. Her teacher, Toni Walther, writes, "Jennifer is an outstanding young woman in all areas. She is an example to be followed by future students. She has been a productive citi-

zen throughout her high school years."

Should Community Service be a Requirement for High School Graduation?

By Beau Wells

Many states are considering adding community service to their mandatory high school curriculum. Some private schools have already made the addition. At a time when juvenile crime is growing out of hand, and there is an overall lack of respect for the world around us, perhaps mandatory community service is necessary to teach young people, the future of America, responsibility and to make them respect their environments.

It is human nature to have a greater appreciation for that which one has to pay for than for that which is free. Though public schools are not really free, most students consider their education to be gratis. In turn they take for granted their opportunities to learn and prepare for college, the business world, and many of life's other challenges. Mandatory community service could be a way for the youth of America to contribute to their education and thus have a greater appreciation for it.

Community service is not just a job either. Working with one's peers to improve one's environment can be fun while teaching valuable lessons. Helping out in a retirement home or delivering food to the needy could be very rewarding. A teen would also be much less likely to litter if he or she might be the person assigned to pick up the trash along the road. Likewise, one could become strongly opposed to vandalism after investing a short time in cleaning graffiti off buildings.

A high school education should not be composed of only math, science, history, and English. A young person should also learn individual lessons which will promote his or her growth as an individual and will prepare him to function in society. In order to ensure that today's students will become well-rounded, responsible adults, community service should be a requirement for graduation.

Beau Wells is the son of Barbara Wells and a student at Claremore High School in Claremore, Oklahoma. His teacher, Phyllis Heas, wrote of him, "Beau is a young man who is dedicated to his studies, yet finds time to be a friend and one who supports our school with his many talents. He is one to be appreciated."

Our Congratulations to these Outstanding Students, and to all those who participated in the Essay Contest.

CANDIDATES UNOPPOSED FOR GRAND LODGE ELECTIONS

The deadline for filing for Grand Lodge office has passed.



Lanny Ralph Sander

Lanny Ralph Sander is unopposed for election as Junior Grand Warden. Brother Sander serves as Worshipful Master of Seiling Lodge #495 in 1968 and 1970. He and his wife, Betty June Sander, have three children—Lanny Kirk, Marty Kent, and Randy Kyle.

He served as District Deputy Grand Master for District 16 in 1991 and 1992, as Grand Sword Bearer in 1993, Grand Flag Bearer in 1994, and Grand Marshal in 1996.

He is a member of the Guthrie Scottish Rite Temple, and has served the Rite as Dewey County Membership Chairman and Lodge Representative.

In the York Rite, he is a member of the Woodward Chapter and Council and the St. Aumer Commandery.

He is a member of the Seiling chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

In service to Rainbow, he has served the Seiling Rainbow Assembly and was Rainbow Dad in 1994 and 1995 and on the Rainbow Advisory Board in 1995. He was State Rainbow Dad in 1995/96 and received the Rainbow Grand Cross of Color in 1995.

In his community, Brother Sander has served on the Seiling Town Board, the Seiling Public Works Authority, and the Seiling Hospital Board. A rancher by profession, he has served the Oklahoma Wheat Growers Association, Beefmaster Breeders Universal, and the Oklahoma Farmers Union. He also serves as a Deacon of the First Christian Church of Seiling.



Charles L. Dick, Sr.

W. Brother Charles L. Dick, Sr., is unopposed for the office of Grand Lecturer. Brother Dick served as Worshipful Master of Yukon Lodge #90 in 1984. He and his wife Elizabeth Sue Dick have four sons; Charles

L, Jr., Robert E., Timothy J., and James P. He was District Deputy Grand Master in

1989 and 1990, has served as Deputy Grand Lecturer from 1991 to the present, and served on the Last Degree Ritual Committee in 1992, 1993 and 1994.

He is a member of the Guthrie Scottish Rite Temple, where he has served on membership committees and is an active participant in the Degrees. He is a member of Yukon Chapter #245, Order of the Eastern Star and has served the Chapter as Worthy Patron.

Brother Dick is a A-certificate lecturer. He won the King Solomon competition in Super Bowl I and Senior Deacon in Super Bowl III, and served as a Super Bowl judge in those years in which he did not compete.

He holds the KCCH in the Scottish Rite and the Grand Cross of Color in the Order of the Rainbow. He has served as Rainbow Dad and a member of the Advisory Board for the Yukon Assembly.

Retired from Roadway Express in Oklahoma City after 35 years as a long-haul truck driver, Brother Dick won the Million Mile Safe Driving Award from both Roadway Trucking and Transcon Trucking.

Notes and Notices

YOUR PRESENCE AND PARTICIPATION IS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED at a special cornerstone laying in Guthrie. On August 31, the Masons will march in procession from the Grand Lodge building to the new Guthrie City Hall, four blocks away. There, the cornerstone will be placed with Masonic ceremonies.

Grand Lodge will be opened at 9:00 AM. The Grand Lodge Museum will be open along with the rest of the building, for the convenience of your ladies, and we encourage you to bring them.

It's important to get the best participation we possibly can. Not only is Guthrie the home of the Grand Lodge and the Masonic Home, but we hope to be able to get some video footage which will form the centerpiece of a video tape being prepared to explain Masonic cornerstones and the ceremony. The tape can be given to city offi-

cials in towns across Oklahoma to help encourage the laying of more stones in the future.

For Masons who have never seen a cornerstone ceremony, this is a good one to catch. The placement of stones has been increasing in recent years. It is not only a fine service to the community, it's excellent exposure for the fraternity.

Blanchard Lodge #395 is selling computer discs of bitmaps. These bitmaps are small colorful pictures created for use on computers for newsletters, mailings, and other correspondence, but were originally designed as a wallpaper for the Windows program.

Currently, the Lodge is offering 4 discs:

- *Blue Lodge
- *Scottish Rite
- *Eastern Star
- *Misc.

The Lodge is selling the discs for \$5 each at Reunions and Grand Lodge, but they will be happy to sell them to you by mail for an additional \$2 for postage.

Call Tom Mosley (405-330-4024) or Keven Sheets (405-557-6341) or fax an order to (405-330-4679).

MASONIC EAA MEMBERS attend a special evening of fraternal fellowship being offered at Oshkosh Lodge by the Masons of Wisconsin on Monday, August 5th, Oshkosh Lodge #27, 204 Washington Street.

Registration is at 6:15 PM. At 7:00 PM, the Loge will be opened and will include the presentation of the Grand Master. The tri-poli Shrine Animals will exemplify the first and second sections of the Master Mason Degree.

There will be a special program for the ladies, including presentations by the
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Oshkosh Museum and the Paine Art Center.

The 18th Annual Jones City Lodge #537 Buddy Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, June 8th at 8:00 AM at the Choctaw Creek Golf Course. 4-person scramble. Trophies for first three places. \$100 long drive contest. Nearest to the Pin contest on four holes. \$40 per individual includes green fee and golf cart. For more information, call 399-2277 or 399-2701.

The 3rd Annual "Eager Beaver" Golf Tournament by Okemah Lodge #234 will be held on Saturday, June 29. 18-hole scramble. Foursomes will be assigned their starting hole about 8:45 AM. All tee times 8:00 AM sharp. The tournament is open to the first 40 players. The entry fee is \$25 per person, which includes green fee, cart rental

and lunch. Awards include 1st place \$100, 2nd place \$80, 3rd place \$60. Hole-in-One on hole #2, \$1,000; Longest drive \$25; Closest to pin \$25.

To enter, contact Harry Scoufos, 225 South 4th Street, Okemah, OK, 74859 (918-623-0517). Entry deadline is Wednesday, June 26th.

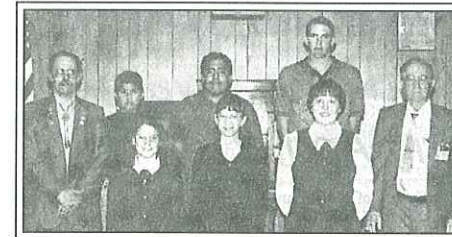
GRAND LODGE OF RUSSIA CONSTITUTED Only a few years ago, no one would have believed it would ever be possible, but we are very happy to tell Oklahoma Masons that a Grand Lodge has been constituted in Russia. There are four Lodges in the new Grand Lodge; Harmony #1 (Moscow), Lotus #2 (Moscow), New Astree #3 (St. Petersburg), and Gamaion #4 (Voronezh). One of the most heart-warming trends in the last few years is to watch

THE CRAFT IN THE WORLD

Pilot Lodge # 367, in Elgin, Oklahoma made a major difference to the youth of their area with the presentation of a check for \$4,000. The check was presented by Brother J.C. Martin to Mr. Andy Smith, Future Farmers of America, Fletcher schools. The funds will help the Fair Board of Fletcher to build a barn for the Fletcher Future Farmers of America and Four H Club to show their animals. Fletcher has the largest fair in Southwest Oklahoma.



Creekmore Lodge #74, Madill, Oklahoma, honored six Madill public school students with the "Student of Today" awards. We're glad the Lodge participates



in the program. The Student of Today awards program is one of the most popular sponsored by the Grand Lodge.

But Creekmore Lodge has been active in other areas, too. A story in the *Madill Record* recounts how young Colt Milligan suffered a stroke when he was born on April 6, 1994. Since then, he has had a series of medical problems. But the Lodge not only held a diner and raised \$1,000 to help with the medical expenses, the made arrangements for Colt to receive care from the Shriners Hospital for crippled Children. The family put this card of thanks in the paper.



Albert Pike Lodge #162 in Guthrie hosted their annual academic awards banquet. The evening honors the top ten students in the freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes at Guthrie High School. The event, held in the ballroom of the Guthrie Scottish Rite Temple, has become one of the major events of the school year, and the award is highly prized among Guthrie high

Masonry reemerge in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. Our congratulations to our Russian Brethren, and our best wishes for their Masonic future.



The Renaissance of a Lodge

Perry Lodge has seen a remarkable rebirth, going from a Lodge unable to open at some meetings and unable to do the Degrees (and which had not raised a Master Mason in 12 years) to a Lodge which is doing good Degree work and attracting new members. The "word on the street" is that some members of the Lodge, unwilling that it should continue to die, asked for help with the ritual, insisted that members learn the meanings of the ritual as well as the words, and created a new "culture" in the Lodge which was committed to getting outside the tiled recesses and which expected success rather than stagnation. The Oklahoma Mason asked the Master of the Lodge to have some Lodge member write an article about their successes.

Perry Lodge #78 A.F. & A.M. has recently experienced a certain amount of success in recruiting new members. This has caused some to wonder how it was done. The author of this paper hopes that everyone reading it understands that there are no simple formulae that caused this turnaround. Searching for a single "Magic Bullet" that will cause Lodges to grow is a waste of time. Understanding the underlying causes of the decline and growth of Perry Lodge and perhaps the Masonic Lodge as a whole, can lead to many "Magic Bullets," and many partial solutions. Many small magic bullets, fired consistently in the same direction, will accomplish the goal. Once a problem is understood, then the correct questions can be asked, and hence,

the various aspects of the problem can be exposed and addressed.

The activities found in the Perry Lodge which have sparked the revitalization were based upon the following mixture of facts, premises and ideas:

Between the years 1900 and 1960, our fraternity prospered and was very influential and powerful. Since then, our decline has been steady. We all wonder what happened. Many rightfully suspect that the problems may not be with "the country" or "society," but with ourselves.

During the period of prestige and success, we increasingly allowed ourselves to change. We have lost sight of the purpose of the Masonic Lodge; additionally, we have lost sight of what made Masonry great in the beginning. Our purpose was never to see how many new members we could get, although we all look forward to that. We have confused that with the true purpose.

Our true purpose is "to improve ourselves in Masonry." I do not speak of refining the presentation of our lectures. For if we must learn our lectures, we must also learn from those lectures. But there is more to our improvement than that. We must understand the reasons for having the lectures. The reason for having the lectures is not purely informational, it is intended that we act according to our own teachings and become a part of the community. There, we should serve the community and serve as examples of how citizens and Masons should act and interact within our com-

munity.

Since knowledge begets responsibility, the following come into play:

Masons cannot live forever on the honors and laurels of the past.

Masons must become part of (and at times, leaders of) their community.

Masons must leave the comfort of their Lodge room and live in the world.

Masons must go beyond the theory (or study) of life and become practitioners of life.

Masons must stand up for the principles we are taught in Masonry.

Masons should remember we have much to offer our community. Honesty, honor, integrity, industry and zeal are commodities that are becoming rare; yet they are virtues that are still prized and respected by all good people. This is why so many were eager to join us and wanted to be associated with us.

The success recently experienced in the Perry Lodge has come from a renewed interest in public affairs and the community. The more involved the Lodge has become in the community, the more interest it has received from potential new members. People wish to join us when we are doing something constructive. They have little interest in us when we are only serving ourselves.

"Helping community leaders when possible and becoming such leaders (if necessary)" was the philosophy of the Perry Lodge leadership. Apparently that is what has



TO BE A BROTHER

Masonry is a brotherhood in many different forms. It is only when we practice brotherhood that we reach our full potential, personally and corporately, as Freemasons.

From the Masonic Home

Summer is upon us sooner than we imagined. It seems as though we went directly from winter to summer without spring. Much needed rainfall has been few and far between. The temperatures are already reaching the high 80's and are forecast to go higher.

Aside from all this, the Members at the Home are enjoying getting out more now. Several have been on outings in April and May. They went to the mall just before Easter. On Easter, there was a Birthday Buffet and Easter Parade so they could all

show off their new Easter outfits. Another time some of them enjoyed lunch at Goldie's restaurant in Edmond. On April 20th, thirteen Members went to the annual 89er Parade in downtown Guthrie. There was a tour of the Ostrich Farm east of Guthrie on May 3rd, after which they went to Braums for ice cream. The movie "Twister" which was filmed partially in Guthrie premiered and the Members went to see it in Oklahoma City.

Our thanks go out to several groups which entertained at the Home with parties during the months of April and May. Those

include Moore Eastern Star, District 6 Rainbow, and Amigo Chapter.

On May 5th, Fidelis Chapter and Blanchard Chapter hosted a party for Minnie Norris' 100th birthday. On May 6th the VFW Women's Auxiliary did likewise.

Many of the Home Members attended a luncheon at the First Baptist Church in Guthrie on May 15th.

Remember, you are all welcome at the Masonic Home. So come visit us when you can!

Tommy Johnston
Administrator

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sparked a small Masonic revival in Perry. While the number of new members has grown, the greatest growth is in the social status of the Lodge.

Will the revival last?.....Only if Perry Masons continue their community involvement! It will not last if "making new Masons" becomes the primary goal of the Lodge.

- by Larry Longan -



FROM THE QUARRY

Notes from and about the Masonic Family

From Altus

A special celebration was held at Altus Lodge to celebrate the beginning of Brother and Reverend Noel George's 60th year in the ministry and his 50th year in Masonry. Reverend George, who lives in Olustee, Oklahoma, is Pastor of the Prairie Hills Baptist Church. His 50-year pin was presented by P.G.M. Bobby Laws.

Reverend George joined the fraternity at Headrick in 1945.

According to an article in the *Altus Times*, our Reverend Brother became interested in Masonry when he noticed that most of the community leaders were members of the fraternity. He inquired about the organization and then petitioned. In the article, he said that Masonry helped him develop as a person because it promotes honesty among its members.

We congratulate Brother George on his Masonic membership, and, especially, on his remarkable record of service in the pulpit.



From Brian Pierson, Rainbow Supreme Deputy in Oklahoma

Over 80 adult volunteers and sponsors, more commonly known as "Rainbow Advisory Board Members," assembled on February 17 and 18 at the Edmond Lodge for a weekend workshop. An aggressive series of seminars covered topics from insurance to ritual, assembly bookkeeping to Grand Assembly Contests. Many of the presentations were conducted by Rainbow Advisors, with special help from Brother David Epperly, Past Master of Del City Lodge #536, on Rainbow insurance. Brother Jay Hannah, Cherokee Lodge #10, provided a keynote address on Saturday night which was entertaining as well as inspirational. The Advisory Board and girls from Edmond Assembly #95, prepared and served lunch for those attending, with special guests Grand Worthy Advisor Christy Brown; Grand Worthy Associate Advisor Tyler Musae; and Grand Charity Melissa Rawdon attending. The weekend pro-



vided an opportunity for those attending to ask questions of the presenters, share their ideas and suggestions for the Order, and participate in some great fellowship.

From Tinker Chapter # 43, National Sojourners

Continuing a tradition of many years, Tinker Chapter #43, National Sojourners, held its annual Bridge of Light dinner meeting at the Officer's Open Mess, Tinker Air Force Base on Wednesday, March 28, with Right Worshipful Ron Johnson, Deputy Grand Master, as keynote speaker.



17 Worshipful Masters, 5 District Deputy Grand Masters and 3 Past Grand Masters were guests of the Chapter.



Right Worshipful William C. Clure, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, was elected into membership along with CPT Billy R. Orick, Worthy Grand Patron, OES.

National Sojourners, Inc., is an organization composed of Master Masons who have served or are serving as Commissioned or Warrant Officers of the Uniformed Forces. Its purposes include support of all patriotic aims and activities in Masonry and the development of true patriotism and Americanism throughout the nation. Its Bridge of Light program is designed to acquaint other Masonic bodies with its aims and purposes and to build a bridge of understanding and cooperation between them. Under its Americanism program, Tinker Chapter's Flag Team has traveled throughout the state, making its *Building the Flag* presentation. Support of ROTC at the High School and College level is another long-term program of the Sojourners.



METS Program holding seminars across state

“Bill, I just found out you’re a Mason. I’ve wanted to join Masonry for a long time and you’ve been my best friend for years! Why didn’t you ever talk to me about it?”

“Well, er, ah, gosh Tom, I, ah, I just didn’t know what to say.”

It happens all the time. We miss men, good men who would be good Masons, because no one talks to them about Ma-sonry.

It’s a great shame. It means we have failed in our responsibilities as a friend, and that someone we like has been denied the joy and fellowship of the fraternity. It’s a lose—lose situation. But it doesn’t have to be.

The METS program is designed the change all that, and it’s working. Special

seminars are being held across the state with just one purpose in mind—to help Masons get comfortable in talking about Masonry.

The comments from those who have taken the seminar have been enthusiastic. We printed some in the last issue.

Now a METS Super Saturday is being planned to help every Mason to have a chance to attend the seminar and earn the special pin given to graduates.

ON SUPER SATURDAY, JULY 13, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, SEMINARS WILL BE HELD AT CORONADO LODGE (HENNESSEY), AT EUFAULA LODGE, AT SULPHUR LODGE, AT WILL ROGERS LODGE (CLAREMORE), AND AT YUKON LODGE. It’s a great opportu-

nity.

Of course, there are other seminars scheduled as well:

- June 15 - Blackwell & Mt. Scott
- June 22 - McLoud
- July 6 - Duncan & Chandler
- July 13 - SUPER SATURDAY
- July 18 - Kingfisher
- July 20 - Mustang
- July 27 - Bedouin Shrine
- August 3 - Lone Grove & India Shrine
- August 31 - Lindsay & Del City
- Sept. 28 - Jones City

Don’t miss these opportunities for fun, fellowship, and some special information about the fraternity.

METS GRADS.

Since the list printed in the last issue of *The Oklahoma Mason*, the following Brethren have graduated from the METS program (we apologize for any inaccuracies or misspellings, some Brethren do not print as clearly as others on the sign-in sheets.)

Anthony W. Keck	Bill Hatfield	Scott Stevenson	Steven F. French	Hugh Hass	Boddie Williams
Jimmie L. Smith	William O. Miller	Otis Hawkins	David N. Price	R. Franklin Herndon	Bid Williams
M.J. “Jim” Pfeiffer, Jr.	Larry McMannus	Jerry D. Bell	William M. Pybas	William L. Jacobs	Runnal Tobey
Jerry Pharos	John Nabors	Wilson Crawford	Nathan Schlinke	L.E. Fuller	Bill Mitchell
Steve Nelson	Leroy Driskill	James E. Britt	Chuck Walters	Ted Harbough	Ted Coleman, Jr.
Doug Helm	Fred Price	Robert S. Dunn	Stan Scott	James Siris	David White
Ralph G. Carr	Pete Turner	Leslie Walker	Roger Wadley	Kenneth L. Lewis	Lynn Atkins
Richard Abel	Gill Sharp	Kenneth McNabb	William W. Most	Ray Curtis	J.D. Atkins
Mike Haggard	Bob Davis	Charles Robinson	Frank Baines	Gary S. Rounsaville	Brother Clay
John Gambling	James L. McGinn	Gregg Smith	Ray Jackson	Stephen E. Ribel	Eddie Horton
Pete De Shong	Bennie V. Tice	George Gilbert	James Beasley	Terrill Jones	Jim Costilow
Jerry L. Donathan	R W Glenn R. Abshire	Jack Randall	Martin Johnson	Terry Cobel	J.D. Cline
Robert L. Jones	Jim Meiseman	Carlos Bollman	John P. Dodge	Eric Jones	Gorman Hopkins
George J. Fatkin	Gregg Heath	George White	Lee Wright	Paul A. Watkins	Roy Blackburn
Jim Walters	William F. Lacy	Jerry B. Simpson	Blake K. Baskin	John Schrawger	Jim Browning
Garry Kannady	Dennis Acre	Harland French	Jim Wiles	Allyn Green	Al Alexander
Walter K. Berry	Dewayne Dixon	Louis Bernal, Jr.	Roger T. Jones	H. Dale Weddle	David Quentin
Charles E. Walters	Charles C. Price	Paul R. Niehoff	Joe Britton	N.B. Kelley, Jr.	Chester Eddwards
Kelly Savage	Charles L. Stuckey	L. T. McCullers	Jerry Lasater	Dan Thompson	Bobby W. Holley
Albert R. May	Art Gambrel	Robert Sprinkle	Fred S. Sloan	Earnie Keyser	James H. Wyatt
Gelbert E. Beckham	Bob Horn	Walter Williams	Ron Sloan	Floyd Bowman	Archie Mack
Jim Yost	Lee Bensch	Gene Moore	Dee Sanderson	Harold Hodson	Kenneth T. Mays
Howard L. McCormick	Bruce Irving	C.Z. Pennington	Ray H. Killian	W.L. Pete Whicker	Jim Halbrook
Edward T. Ross	M W Billy D. Sullivan	Ernest H. Hofmann	stephen L. Ford	Larry B. Fletcher	Jim Viele, Jr.
Wayne Reese	Dean Swiney	Bobby McCarty	Billy Miller	Billy G. Whitaker	Richard Lucas
John O’Neal	D. E. Raney	James A. Nelson	Charles H. Williams	Ralph K. Harris	W.E. Gene Phillips
Monte Gene Hendrix	C. J. Raney	Charles R. Smith	Charles R. Smith	F. Craig Bowman	C.A. Poulter
Wilburn B. Day	Glovis E. Hall	Leslie Ward	Leslie Ward	Mark Ehnen	Ronald L. Carr
Ralph E. Perona	Larry Hall	Charles Gilleny	Charles Gilleny	Herschel Cawthron	J.H. Danne Dannenmarer
Dr. Timothy Brown	Jimmie F. Carlton	Robert Pugh	Robert Pugh	David Cawthron	Robert L. Culwell
Donald H. Wallace	Ken Wallis	Charles V. Manis	Charles V. Manis	Herman Thomason	Dave Snyder
Alton Downey	Bill Tolbert	Artie Staggs	Artie Staggs	Charlie L. Ramsey	Charles Gillentine
Milburne Downey	Ray Tomerlin	Jarvis Williams	Jarvis Williams	J. Michael Henthorn II	Eric Fite
O. W. Kennedy	Ralph Mills	Martin V. Knapp	Martin V. Knapp	Ronald S. Coppedge	Gene Smith
Mike Allen	W. L. “Lee” Ballard	William A. Dupree, Jr.	William A. Dupree, Jr.	Rawleigh Ray Howell	H.W. Kerksieck
Bill Little	Chadd Forgy	Jimmy Sevier	Jimmy Sevier	Manford Terrell	Arthur c. Pinson
George Welch	Duke Ellis	Warren W. Myers	Warren W. Myers	Gerald F. Churchill	Jeff Bohannon
J.T. Freeman	Ron Gillentine	Billy S. Hendry	Billy S. Hendry	Charles Johnson	Ray Hargrove
Darrel Bradley	Mike Chalk	Delmer Martin	Delmer Martin	Ray Nausam	George R. Norman
Woody Burnett	Donald Wallis,	Perry Shanon	Perry Shanon	Jim Carroll	Randy Richardson
W. G. Kimberline	O.L. Nabarn	Robert L. Bradway	Robert L. Bradway	Art Fench	John W. Grey
Louis C. Reid	Danniel Hornkey	Ralph A. Deming	Ralph A. Deming	Jim Ferguson	Watie Ketcher

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Jimmie Frank Hollingsworth	James Ward Johnston	George Oscar Nolley	Dave Bryon Barker	MORRIS Lodge No. 471	Thurman Eugene Bair
Walter Horton Jr.	HYDR0 Lodge No. 230	James Nelson Prator	Sigmon Nolen Glascock	Forrest Clinton Harris	James Travis Baumgardner Jr.
Frederick Canada Larrance Jr	Roy Cleveland Cantrell	Thomas Wallace Ray	Thomas Wallace Ray	Burtis Edward Smith	
	BOSWELL Lodge No. 232	Mathiel Merle Walker	Rex Paul Taylor	AMITY Lodge No. 473	Ardis Dean Beard
	Loal G. Tucker	John W. Wolfe	L. C. Waggoner	Benjamin Franklin Arnold	Armon Henry Bost
	OKEMAH Lodge No. 234	Howard B. Arwine	POCASSET Lodge No. 403	Frankie Roy Frow	William Brison Brinnon
	Otto Doyle Donaghe	Olice Morton Inman	Orville Heaston	Raney Charles Aldridge	Harold Clonce Clark
	Walter Bearden Howerton	Saint Elmo Pippis	TUTTLE Lodge No. 405	Jack Rogan Fredenberger	Robert Charles Earlougher
	ERICK Lodge No. 237	Emmett Lonnie Wilkins	John Herbert Surbeck	William Goudaket Jr.	Seth Montel Grubbs
	Edward Levi Fowler Jr.	Oscar Williams	SKIATOOK Lodge No. 416	John Thomas Osborn	James Sephas Hartshorn
	Earl Eugene Vaughn	HAMPTON-NOBLE	Lee Frank Ivy	Thomas Loughridge	Lucius William Hubbell
	Jesse Alva McCraw	Lodge No. 291	Joel Amos Owens	Perryman J	Julian William Kaster
	Nolan I. Moore	Sherman Frederick Bonnell	W. E. Spurgeon	Hubert Edward Staires	Ceylon Smith Lewis Jr.
	Elro Louis Scott	James Marvin May	Wesley Francis Stevens	Lloyd Prunty Williams	William Ernest Miller
	John Raoul Valdez	CARNEGIE Lodge No. 294	Charles E. Strange Jr.	SAND SPRINGS Lodge No. 475	Annibale Albert Paolucci
	Waddie Alvin McCombs	Odell Herring	CANTON Lodge No. 418	Clarence Oliver Degarmo	Charles Leroy Phillips
	David Franklin McNabb	CORINTHIAN Lodge No. 307	Merle L. Langdon	Elliott Thomas Finley	Prescott Frampton Reib
	Gerald Raymond Zellner	William R. Bassett	Deward Osburn Whetstone	Jeff Robert Ford	Tony William Risner
	GROVE Lodge No. 187	Buel B. Fisher	WAYNOKA Lodge No. 422	Hugh Fred Jobe Jr.	Cecil Orion Smith
	Martin L. Bolt	Jay Lawrence Hague	Max F. Bixler	John Leo Kycler	HARRY Lee Spencer
	Gordon Holiday	Doyle Max Johnson	Owen Hulsey	SEMINOLE CITY Lodge No. 476	BETHANY Lodge No. 529
	John Allen McFadin	James Dwight Smith	DELTA Lodge No. 425	Wallace L. Minnick	Clyde Alonzo Adams
	Dale W. Schmitt	William Jacob Smith	Joe Clyde Ashlock	Eugene L. Price	Benjamin J. Howard
	Billy Charles Womack	RED ROCK Lodge No. 308	Joe Clay Boatright	Kenneth G. Speer	Augustus Wilson Smalley Jr.
	WOODWARD Lodge No. 189	Willis M. Despain	Paul W. Brightmire	Eugene Pearl Swearingen	CACHE VALLEY
	John Everett Chaney	Max Dickson	Jimmie Buccella	MEEKER Lodge No. 479	Lodge No. 530
	Hubert W. Clow	HEADRICK Lodge No. 311	Earl Paul Coles	Charles M. Woody	Woodrow Wilson Kerr
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	Merit L. Espy	HINTON Lodge No. 313	Jack Irving Gaither	James Guy Crook	B. Wayne Moorman
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75-YEAR PINS

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma congratulates the Brethren on qualifying for their 75-Year membership pins in 1996. A Computer Program is being written as we go to press, but as soon as it’s written, we will have a complete list of those qualifying for their 75-Years Memebership Pins. Thank You.

MASONIC CALENDAR

June 1, Oklahoma Lodge of Research Meeting, Alva Lodge #105, fellowship at 11:00 AM, Meeting at 1:00 PM

June 8, 18th Annual Jones City Lodge Buddy Golf Tournament (see Notes and Notices section)

June 29, Tulsa/McAlester 1-day Reunion, Tulsa

June 29, 3rd Annual Eager Beaver Golf Tournament, Okemah Lodge (see Notes and Notices section)

July 12-14, DeMolay Conclave, Stillwater

July 13, METS SUPER SATURDAY (See METS article)

August 10, Jones Outdoor Degree and District Meeting, Jack Dorman Ranch, Lodge opens at 5:30 PM

August 16, Triad, Red Cross of Constantine, Oklahoma City

August 23-25, Senior Warden's Charge

August 31, Cornerstone laying, Guthrie City Hall, all Masons are encouraged to attend. Meet at Grand Lodge building no later than 9:30 AM to march in procession to City Hall at 10:00.

September 1, Oklahoma Lodge of Research, officers meeting, Midwest City Lodge #532

September 7, Oklahoma Lodge of Research Meeting, Maud Lodge #106, fellowship at 11:00 AM, Meeting at 1:00 PM

September 21-22, Scottish Rite Reunion, Guthrie

September 28, Grand Masters York Rite Field Day, Guthrie Scottish Rite Temple, 7:00 AM

October 5-6, Scottish Rite Reunion, McAlester

October 25-26, Fall Ceremonial, India Temple Shrine

November 2-3, Scottish Rite Reunion, Tulsa

November 2-6, Triennial General Grand Chapter and Council, Grove Park Inn, Ashville, NC.

November 8-9, Grand Lodge, Guthrie

December 14, Oklahoma Lodge of Research, stated meeting and election of officers, Guthrie, Grand Lodge building, 11:00 AM, lunch at Towne House Restaurant, 12:00 Fellowship, 1:00 PM meeting

Please notify the Grand Secretary of upcoming Masonic Family events so that they may be included in the Calendar. Also see Grand Master's Itinerary.

From the Cover page

Attracting the Light - Some Brethren of Guthrie Lodge #35 made a special gift to the Grand Lodge Museum. Having secured the permission of the owners, they climbed the towering cupola of the former Masonic Children's Home in Guthrie and recovered the lightening attractor which ornamented the building. Shown here are the Brethren who conceived and carried out the project—Bob Bennett, Paul Mahar, Rodney Luckinbill and Rodney Clark (who climbed

the tower and lowered the nearly 200 lb., hand forged iron attractor)—presenting the artifact to Grand Lodge officers R.W. Ron Johnson, Deputy Grand Master; R.W. Garry Odom, Grand Senior Warden, and R.W. Bill Clure, Grand Junior Warden. Brother Bennie Compton, Master of the Lodge and who was also involved with the project, was not available for the photograph.

Carrying the Light - Brian Pierson, Past Master of Albert Pike Lodge #162 and Rainbow Supreme Deputy in Oklahoma, was

one of the Americans selected to carry the Olympic torch on its journey to the games in Atlanta. Caught here in front of the Scottish Rite Temple, Brother Brian shows us all that Masonry is in the running.

Sharing the Light - The Grand Lodge Museum is expanding (see related material in *From the Desk of the Grand Secretary*) Photographs of early Grand Lodge Communications help tell the story of Masonry in Oklahoma.

1996 SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

June 6, 7 & 8 - Dist. #6 - Hebron Lodge #215, Cleveland - Barnicoat
June 6, start at 5:00 PM, others at 9:00 AM

June 7 & 8 - Dist. #27 - McAlester Lodge #550 - Hopper

June 8 & 9 - Dist. #20 - Hiram Lodge #494, Bethany - Dick

June 21 & 22 - Lodge School - Perry Lodge #78 - Dick

July 20 - 21 - Dist. #11 - Collinsville #165 - Hopper

Aug. 10 & 11 - "Tough School" - Atoka (#4) - Bd. of Gr. Lecturers

Aug. 16 & 17 - Dist. #29 - McLoud Lodge #126 - Dick

Aug. 17 & 18 - Dist. #9 - Afton Lodge #76 - Hopper

Sept. 12, 13 & 14 - Dist. #37 - Creekmore Lodge #74, Madill - Stewart

Sept. 14 & 15 - Dist. #11 - Owasso Lodge #545 - Hopper

Sept. 20 & 21 - Dist. #38 - Ada Lodge #119 - Dick

Oct. 10, 11, & 12 - Dist. #33 - Lawton Lodge #183 - Stewart

Oct. 10, 11, & 12 - Dist. #19 - Durant #45 - Dick

Oct. 11 & 12 - Dist. #21 - Okla. City Lodge #36 - Barnicoat

Oct. 12 - Lodge School - Newkirk Lodge #88 - Crisler

Oct. 12 & 13 - Dist. #12 - Red Fork Lodge #505, Tulsa - Hopper

Nov. 8 & 9 - Grand Lodge - Guthrie

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