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HAPPY HOLIDAYS !



District Meeting in the 21st Capitular District

R.:E.: Piers Vaughn

On November 2, 2010, the 21st Capitular District met for a very Special evening. On this night I had the honor of attending a Royal Arch Festive Board for which I acted as the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Following the dinner we repaired upstairs to the Chapter Room, where 18 Companions enjoyed my Official Visit, followed by the Grand Lecturer's Convention which was run in very able form by the Assistant Grand Lecturer, V.:E.: Alonzo Labarr. He focused on the Opening and Closing of a Chapter. The highlight of the event was a demonstration by R.:E.: Homer Burch on the revised sword work which now accompanies the Opening and Closing of a Chapter. It was impressive to see so much covered in one evening; and it was particularly heartening to hear two new petitions for membership read and voted on that evening, which will be a most welcome boost to the active membership of Vallonia Chapter No. 80 in Windsor, NY. ♦



Grand Lecturer's Convention at Penataquit

Comp. Michael J. Mucaria



On Sept. 15, 2010, the Third and Forth Capitular Districts held a combined Grand Lecturer's Convention at Penataquit Chapter No. 309 in Sayville NY. All the Chapters from both Districts had representation. Penataquit Chapter No. 309 was certified proficient in opening their Chapter. The Convention was attended by R.:E.:Bruce Testut, Grand Master of the Second Veil , R.:E.:Peter Pizzorno, DDGHP of the Fourth Capitular District , R.:E.:Mike Brolly, DDGHP of the Third Capitular District, V.:E.:Robert Barry, Assistant Grand

Lecturer for the Fourth Capitular and V.:E.:Carl Haussman, Assistant Grand Lecturer for the Third Capitular District. A very informative demonstration was given by V.:E.:Carl Haussman on proper sword work.

There were 40 companions in attendance. After the work of the evening R.:E.:Bruce Testut congratulated Penataquit Chapter on their proficiency and thanked all Companions who turned out, some of who had to travel 60 miles to attend. The floor was opened to questions and remarks, of which there were many and all were answered. The Convention was closed and a collation followed. ♦

Historic Moment Recorded

On November 6, 2010, Most Excellent Jeffrey M. Williamson Grand High Priest and Right Excellent Michael T. Dunn, Grand Scribe affixed their signatures to the Warrant of Cedars Chapter No. 335.

The signing took place at the dedication of the tabernacle and furnishings of Nunnakoma Chapter No. 308 on Long Island, NY. When GHP Williamson suddenly realized that this was a truly historic moment in Grand Chapter history, he asked the Grand Line Officers to assemble at the Secretary's desk to witness a once in a lifetime moment.♦



Asharokan Chapter Certified

R.:E.: Peter Pizzorno



On November 17, 2010, Asharokan Chapter No. 288 in Smithtown Long island demonstrated their proficiency in the opening and closing of their Chapter without the use of books.

With this certification all Chapters of the Fourth Capitular District have now shown their proficiency. ♦

Grand Scribe Visits the 1st Capitular District

R.:E.: Michael T. Dunn

It was a beautiful night in Manhattan... one of the most glamorous in the world. What made it special for me was that this night, Tuesday, November 9, 2010 I was making my official visit to the 1st Capitular District! Jerusalem-Amity Chapter #8 was the host Chapter in what is one of our most beautiful and famous Lodge rooms. The Egyptian or Chapter Room on the 12th floor of Masonic Hall at 71 west, 23rd Street! Companions, I have seen this room many times over the years but just looking at it cannot prepare you for the experience. Nothing compares to sitting in open Chapter, in this room, in the heart of Manhattan, with some the most gracious Companions in New York State.



Pictured above left to right:
Very Excellent Yves Etienne, AGL - R.:E.: Bill Hyatt – RE Michael
Dunn, Grand Scribe
R.:E.: Larry Barnard, DDGHP - E.: Arthur Fisch, HP Jerusalem-
Amity Chapter

I was very fortunate to have R.:E.: Bill Hyatt, past Grand Sentinel, along to keep me company. He made the drive considerably easier and to the credit of the Companions of the 1st Capitular District they extended the same courtesies to him that was accorded to me.

We started the evening with an intimate dinner at the Outback Steak House across the street from Masonic Hall with the District Deputy Grand High Priest, R.:E.: Larry Barnard and the Excellent High Priest of Jerusalem-Amity Chapter, Excellent Arthur Fisch. After this delightful meal we returned to Masonic Hall for the Meeting.

There were Companions present representing several Chapters in the District including the High Priest of Phoenix Chapter #2, Excellent Companion Wayne Northrup, several Companions from Jerusalem-Amity #8 and the AGL, V.:E.: Yves Etienne from Zerubabel #147. We even had with us the Right Eminent George Harrison, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, State of New York K.T. and my very dear friend the Grand Royal Arch Captain, R.:E.: Cyril Francis.

Companions, it has been my distinct pleasure to have had the opportunity to sit in Chapter with innumerable Companions across New York State and each of them has made a deep and lasting impression on my heart and memories. Each different and yet all sharing the same unique characteristics of Fraternity and Brotherhood.

I am glad that I can now say that I have had this chance to meet with the 1st Capitular District and have added the memory of that night to those cherished memories that I will carry through all the days of my life! ♦



Pictured above are some of the Companions from the 1st Capitular District in attendance that night.

Nunnakoma Chapter No.308 Dedication

R.:E.: Peter Pizzorno



On Saturday November 6, 2010, the Grand Chapter of the State of New York dedicated the Temple for Nunnakoma Chapter No. 308. The Chapter, which was originally dedicated in 1915, is located on the far eastern end of Long Island and is the smallest of the four Chapters which comprise the Fourth Capitular District.

In attendance were M.:E.: Jeffrey M. Williamson, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, R.:E.: Michael T. Dunn, Grand Scribe, R.:E.: Richard J. Kessler, Grand Captain of the Host, R.:E.: Cyril A. Francis, Grand Royal Arch Captain, R.:E.: Bruce Testut, Grand Master of the Second Veil, R.:E.: Paul A. Czubaj, Grand Sentinel and R.:E.: Wainwright G.F. McKenzie, Grand Chaplain..

The ceremony was attended by over forty-five Companions, their ladies, and friends. The space, which when not used for Masonic purposes, is a church hall. It was transformed by the beauty and solemnity of the dedication ritual. The emphasis on the meaning of the symbolism contained in the ceremony and its specific application to Royal Arch Masonry was not lost on those present.

In his remarks M.:E.:Williamson touched on the early history of the formation of Nunnakoma Chapter. He then returned to the present and spoke about the achievements of the Companions in New York in their efforts in surpassing both charity and membership goals. After awarding the Zerubbabel Award to the DDGHP of the Fourth Capitular District, R.:E.: Peter C. Pizzorno, himself a member of Nunnakoma, M.:E.:Williamson urged the Chapter as well as all the Companions in attendance to continue making Royal Arch Masonry the premier Masonic body in the State of New York.

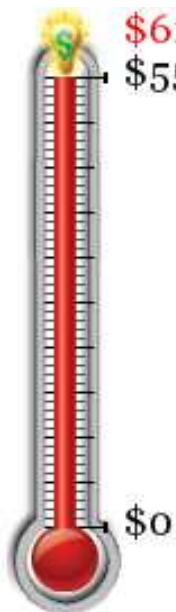
R.:E.:William V. Hall, High Priest of Nunnakoma Chapter and a former DDGHP, expressed his gratitude to the Grand Chapter for their efforts in making this day a success. He noted that many of the Grand Line had to travel over five hundred miles to perform this ceremony. He also thanked the Fourth Capitular District for their constant support of Nunnakoma in spite of it being over 60 miles from the next nearest Chapter. He felt that this willingness of all the Chapters in the Fourth Capitular to support each other was the main strength of the District. Finally he expressed pride in the Companions of the Chapter itself for their leadership in the District and their fervency and zeal in all Royal Arch activities.

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ROYAL ARCH CHARITIES - Contributions through November 31, 2010

	GHP Allocation	School Fund	School Current	SEALS	RAC Med Res Fund	Lungs	Total	
District 1	\$150.00	\$1,320.00		\$888.00	\$1,102.50	\$428.50	\$3,889.00	6.28%
District 2				\$260.00	\$160.00	\$25.00	\$445.00	0.72%
District 3	\$163.00	\$1,153.00		\$251.00	\$400.00	\$702.00	\$2,669.00	4.31%
District 4	\$150.00	\$430.00		\$400.00	\$695.00	\$40.00	\$1,715.00	2.77%
District 6	\$40.00	\$657.50			\$902.50	\$60.00	\$1,660.00	2.68%
District 11		\$245.50		\$137.50	\$20.00		\$403.00	0.65%
District 12	\$223.00	\$6,975.88	\$29.87	\$247.00	\$2,485.00	\$10.00	\$9,970.75	16.10%
District 14		\$475.00		\$200.00	\$645.00		\$1,320.00	2.13%
District 17	\$182.50	\$55.00		\$360.00	\$90.00	\$30.00	\$717.50	1.16%
District 18		\$773.34			\$563.33	\$333.33	\$1,670.00	2.70%
District 19	\$87.80	\$128.70		\$600.00	\$125.00	\$50.00	\$991.50	1.60%
District 20	\$15.00	\$4,182.18		\$249.00	\$1,915.00	\$10.00	\$6,371.18	10.29%
District 21	\$50.00	\$2,923.00	\$1,020.00	\$966.10	\$807.50		\$5,766.60	9.31%
District 22		\$721.00			\$50.00	\$10.00	\$781.00	1.26%
District 24		\$280.00		\$200.00	\$20.00		\$500.00	0.81%
District 25	\$40.00	\$225.00	\$60.00	\$86.00	\$165.00		\$576.00	0.93%
District 27	\$20.00	\$715.00		\$540.00	\$945.00	\$350.00	\$2,570.00	4.15%
District 28	\$40.00	\$25.00			\$75.00	\$20.00	\$160.00	0.26%
District 29	\$75.00	\$1,114.50		\$50.00	\$562.50		\$1,802.00	2.91%
District 31	\$150.00	\$3,612.00		\$220.00	\$2,332.00	\$230.00	\$6,544.00	10.57%
District 32		\$300.00	\$200.00		\$20.00		\$520.00	0.84%
Other	\$1,011.50	\$8,003.86	\$1,361.20	\$110.00	\$405.00		\$10,891.56	17.59%
Total	\$2,397.80	\$34,315.46	\$2,671.07	\$5,764.60	\$14,485.33	\$2,298.83	\$61,933.09	



What gets measured gets done!

The GOAL was \$ 55,000

You have exceeded it by

\$ 6,933.09

Where does your District stand?

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