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Touch the Names of Those Who Never Came Home

Seventy years after World War II's end, this Memorial Day would be a fitting time to visit a local monument.

By: Jerry Cianciolo, May 22, 2015

World War II memorials—who notices them anymore? They blend into the background like telephone poles.

Chances are your community has a tribute to local men and women who served, but it's likely you've never stopped to visit. Those who fought the Axis powers are out of mind now. "In three words I can sum up everything I have learned about life," said Robert Frost. "It goes on."

Still, it's unbecoming that as we pass their chiseled names we fail to acknowledge these patriots for even an instant—especially on Memorial Day 2015, the 70th year after the end of World War II. From high-school history, we're all familiar with the vast numbers. More than 400,000 Americans were killed during the war. Another 670,000 were maimed or wounded. They came from nearly every city and town. And they fell by the tens of thousands at Luzon, Normandy, Anzio, Guadalcanal and Okinawa.

"Deeply regret to inform you that your son Sgt. John S— lost his life on March 5th 1943, as the result of an aircraft accident. Letter follows. Please accept my profound sympathy." Mothers and fathers receiving a telegram like that felt they couldn't go on—but they did. The remains of many loved ones were never returned home. Instead they were laid to rest at cemeteries in Manila, Normandy, Luxembourg and elsewhere.

It wasn't long after V-E and V-J days in 1945 that thousands of tributes sprang up—in bronze plaques, streaming fountains and granite obelisks. But seven decades have passed since the commemoration of these memorials and

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Who are those Guys? By REC John A. Ames GM2V

I was looking through the Masonic books that I have acquired and started paging through a Holy Bible, Masonic Edition copyright 1957. It contains a variety of information and has a section on Masonic and Biblical references. Thought I would share what I found, as pertaining to the Royal Arch. A complete list would take several pages, and as this article is for Royal Arch Masons I will limit this to that.

Shem, ham and Japheth; where the son of Noah and assisted him on the building of his ark and traveled with him on it, during the great flood.

Moses, of course, led the Hebrews out of captivity from Pharaoh, through the Red Sea, across the desert to the promise land. Along the way he received the Ten Commandments.

Aholiab and Bezaleel, Bezaleel was an artificer who with Aholiab, whom he chose as his assistant, designed and constructed the Ark of the Covenant and the Tabernacle.

Zerubbabel, a Jewish prince, grandson of Jehoiakim, who led a band of returning exiles from Babylon to Jerusalem to assist in the rebuilding of the city and its temple. Jehoiakim was the King of Judah when Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon seized control of Judah, deposed Jehoiakim and placed Zedekiah on the throne. Latter Zedekiah formed an alliance with the Pharaoh of Egypt and rebelled against Nebuchadnezzar. Nebuchadnezzar's army was victorious, Jerusalem and its temple were destroyed and the Jews taken captive to Babylon as slaves.

Judah, Reuben, Ephraim, and Dan were sons of Jacob, grandsons of Isaac, and great grandsons of Abraham. And as such, their descendants formed the four principal tribes of Israel. The symbols on their banners are as follows: Judah the Lion, a symbol of boldness; Reuben the Ox, a symbol of patience; Ephraim the man, found no reference; Dan the Eagle, a symbol of swiftness.

Hiram (King) of Tyre, was the grandson the Hiram who was a contemporary of David, a friend of Solomon who was the son of David.

Tyre was a city state on the southern coast of what now is Lebanon. Tyre was a trade city and no doubt because of the friendship between Hiram and Solomon, Solomon was able to acquire the timbers from the Forest of Lebanon used in the construction of his Temple.

Hiram Abiff, a widow's son from the tribe of Dan, whose father was from Tyre. But we know that he was also the master builder of King Solomon's.

There are many more reference to Biblical/ Masonic name in this Bible I have covering all of the degrees in symbolic/ blue lodge, Royal Arch, Council, and Knights Templar, as well as the degrees in the Scottish Rite. Feel free to shoot me an email if you have any names that you are having trouble referencing.



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“GREETINGS FROM THE GRAND EAST”

Good grief, how long must we endure this? While attending Grand Lodge in Traverse City the week before Memorial Day, the bottom fell out of the thermometer again. We had morning temperatures in the mid-20s for a couple of days. Now, that’s not just a little frosty, that’s a killing frost. Several days later as Memorial Day approaches it isn’t getting much better. Brrr!!

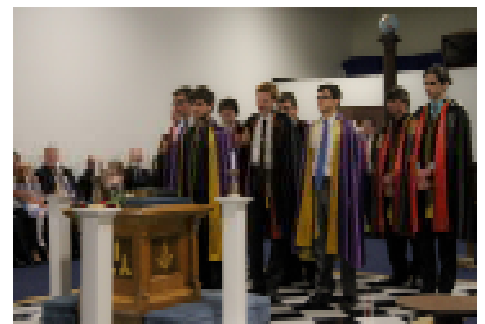
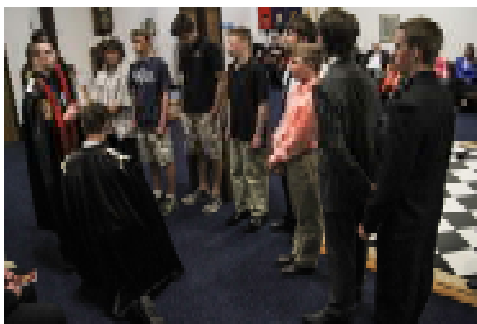
Kris and I had hoped to start a walking program to work the winter kinks out, but when we tried it on these cold mornings, we felt worse off from being out in the cold than if we stayed inside sitting by the furnace duct work. And that’s another thing, we use propane for heat and cooking, our tank was just filled a couple of weeks ago and I figured we wouldn’t need another fill until late next fall. Now, I’m thinking we may not be able to boil water on Labor Day without a refill.

Ah, well, better days are coming. At least that’s what I keep telling myself. Speaking of upcoming days, the Annual Picnic and Golf Outing are fast approaching. Remember they are on the 18th and 19th of July this year, so you need to get your reservations and orders for sponsor banners in soon. Information and forms are available in this issue.

Just a month after the picnic and golf events is the York Rite Joint Grand Session on August 19—22 at the Double Tree Hotel in Bay City. It is a great venue, so make plans to attend if at all possible.

We just arrived back home from Grand Lodge a few days ago and I thank the now Past Grand Master, MWB Bill LeVeque, and Lady Angela for the courtesy and hospitality they extended to Lady Kristi and me during the session. I have followed MWB Bill’s year on the internet and I commend him for his efforts over the past year. He has represented Michigan Masonry well.

On May 20th I travelled to Port Huron to watch an exemplification of the Initiatory Degree of the Order of DeMolay, conferred on 8 candidates by Port Huron Chapter with help from several other chapters and even a few state officers. I don’t want to be too repetitive when I keep saying this, but the work these young men do never ceases to amaze me. I honestly believe the ritualistic work I have seen from our youth groups, both young men and ladies over the past few years is right up there with some of the best in the various Masonic Degrees.



June already, so little time, still so much to do...

Finally, some quotes of interest as posted by Terry Martin-Spalding on the CanadaMasons email group.

“When a man brings flowers for no reason - there's a reason.”

- Marian Jordan (1898-1961), character Molly McGee, Fibber McGee and Molly radio program

“Children aren't happy without something to ignore, and that's what parents were created for.”

- Ogden Nash (1902-1971)

Finally this one I used to carry with me on a card when we were trailer-truckin’ to read to shippers or dispatchers when they expected me to be able to deliver freight on an unrealistic schedule.

“Lack of foresight and poor planning on your part does not create an emergency on my part.”

- Anonymous



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Greetings Companions,

T'is the morning of May 20th and I am sitting down to write this, why wait so you ask? I will give you the short version, which will be around five hundred words. This month started out as most do for me, April 30th look at my calendar to see what the month ahead has in store. This looks like an easy month weekend of May 2nd GLAS Great Lakes Association of Sojourners meeting in Flint for the weekend.

I am saddened to say that the passing of Jeanine Cote The dear wife of Armand Cote marred it. This couple has labored many hours together for the craft and Jeanine will be missed at the many functions they attended as a couple.

From this I moved on to a four-day charitable gaming for my lodge of which I work two nights and closed up. They are not hard to do and the funds you receive would take a lot of breakfasts or spaghetti dinners, to make the same amount. I got home at 3 AM on the morning of the 16th from this event, up at 7 AM to pack for KYCH and Grand Lodge. KYCH has two new members as a result of the day's activities. The new members are David G. Boring MIGM and John A. Cromartie. I congratulate both of these fine companions and thank them for the work they have done to get to this point.

KYCH over and the odyssey begins, we are off the 189th Annual Grand Session of the Grand Lodge of Michigan. This year it was being held at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City (really Acme). We arrived Saturday evening as my traveling companion was on the Arrangements Committee. Sunday morning puts us on the beautiful course that is part of the Resort. I would say that the course was a challenge, but anyone that has played with me knows that every course is a challenge for me.

Monday Grand Session begins, meeting in the morning are the delegates to discuss the upcoming legislation. MWGM William E. LeVeque opened the afternoon session of Grand Lodge. Distinguished Visiting Guests were introduced, next came the youth groups, which are always a treat to listen to. Next came the winners of the Grand Masters youth challenge. The short version of the challenge was the youth groups had to raise \$100 to receive matching funds. Theses funds were then to be used to do the most good within the community. The winners would then be awarded a free trip to Grand Lodge, but staying at the Great Wolf Lodge, a water park in Traverse City. Ok why all of this and what did Grand Chapter have to do with it. The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Mason, along with the Grand Chapter Youth Committee presented a check to the winners in the amount of \$1000. Our MEGHP Louis C. McCray made the presentation with assistance from myself. The winning youth group was Munising Bethel No. 43 Jobs Daughters. The competition was extremely difficult and from speaking to the judges, it was not easy to choose the winner. I congratulate the winners for what they are doing within their community

Check the web site for upcoming events. Things to remember the York Rite Golf outing July 19th at Gladwin Glen, York Rite Reception dinner October 11th.

Donald

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to most of us now they're simply the flag-festooned backdrop for parades and political speeches in late May and early July. When the occasion calls for it, we solemnly remove our hats and pay homage to the "ultimate sacrifice" these countrymen made. But that's a hollow abstraction until put in everyday terms.

Many young combatants who, as the English poet Laurence Binyon wrote, "fell with their faces to the foe" never set foot on campus. They never straightened a tie and headed to a first real job. They never slipped a ring on a sweetheart's finger. They never swelled with hope turning the key to a starter home. They never nestled an infant against a bare chest. They never roughoused in the living room with an exasperated wife looking on. They never tiptoed to lay out Santa's toys. They never dabbed a tear while walking their princess down the aisle. They never toasted their son's promotion. They never rekindled their love as empty nesters. They never heard a new generation cry out, "I love you, grandpa!"

A lifetime of big and little moments never happened because of a bullet to the body one day in a far-off land. For those who crumpled to the ground, the tapestry of life was left unknit. Early on after the war we bowed our heads at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Their loss was raw then. But as years have passed all that's left are memorials no one notices—rolling credits we ignore as we go about our lives.

But on Memorial Day, we can make a different choice. A moment's reflection is all it takes to realize that every name on your town's monument was a real person. One who bicycled the same streets as you, who sleepily delivered the morning Gazette, who was kept after school for cutting up, who sneaked a smoke out back, who cannon-balled into the local pond in the dog days of summer.

With just a little imagination, it's easy to picture yourself as one of those fresh-faced youngsters—only you've been blessed with an additional 15,000 or 20,000 mornings, afternoons and evenings of life, and a warehouse of experiences they were denied.

It's some consolation that a majestic memorial to those who fought the good fight now stands in Washington. But most of us don't visit the capital often. There's a simpler, more personal way we can show our gratitude to those whose lives were cut short. On Memorial Day—with your smartphone turned off—pay a visit to your local monument. Quietly stand before the honor roll of the dead, whisper a word of thanks, and gently rub your finger across their names. The touch will be comforting.

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Secretary's Scribbles

Secretaries and Companions,

Calendar:

June 13 – AASR COD –Doig Conference Center – Alma
June 13 – Chapter All Degree Day –Grand Junction – 8am
June 20 – Council All Degree Day –Grand Rapids – 8am
July 18 – James Sprague Memorial Picnic –Sprague Cabin
July 19 – Annual York Rite Golf Outing –Gladwin
August 17-22 – Grand York Rite Sessions of Michigan –Bay
City – Double Tree

*Note – Watch the WEB Site for a Reporting Calendar
of Grand Chapter Reports.

Announced for Grand Honors: (Endorsements on File)-
Repeated from Last Month

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Annual Returns for 2015

Many Annual Returns have come in, but if you
haven't yet filed please do so as soon as possible.

Other Deadlines:

Grand Chapter & General Grand Chapter Award
Submissions – June 1, 2015.
Grand Chapter Committee Reports – June 15, 2015
Grand High Priest & Grand King Addresses – July
15, 2015
Grand Chapter Convocation – August 19, 2015.

Thank You and Fraternally,
Robert E. Cooper, Grand Secretary.

A Soldier, a Sailor, an Airman and a Marine got
into an argument about which branch of the service
was The Best.

The arguing became so heated the four
servicemen failed to see an oncoming truck as they
crossed the street. They were hit by the truck and
killed instantly.

Soon, the four servicemen found themselves at the
Pearly gates of Heaven.

There, they met Saint Peter and decided that only
he could be the ultimate source of truth and honesty.

So, the four servicemen asked him, Saint Peter,
which branch of the United States Armed Forces is
the best?

Saint Peter replied, I can't answer that. However,
I will ask God what He thinks the next time I see Him.
Meanwhile, thank you for your service on Earth and
welcome to Heaven.

Sometime later the four servicemen see Saint
Peter and remind him of the question they had asked
when first entering Heaven and asked Saint Peter if
he was able to ask God for the answer to their
answer?

Suddenly, a sparkling white dove lands on Saint
Peters shoulder. In the dove's beak is a note
glistening with gold dust.

Saint Peter opens the note, trumpets blare, gold
dust drifts into the air, harps play crescendos and
Saint Peter begins to read the note aloud to the four
servicemen:

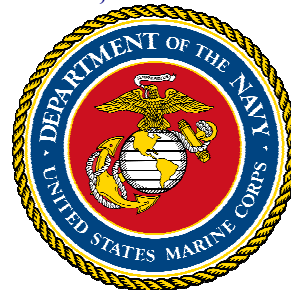
**MEMORANDUM FROM THE DESK OF THE
ALMIGHTY**

**TO: All Former Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen,
Marines and Coast Guard**

Subject: Which Military Service Is the Best?

- 1. All branches of the United States Armed Forces
are honorable and noble.**
- 2. Each serves America well and with distinction.**
- 3. Serving in the United States military represents
a great honor warranting special respect, tribute, and
dedication from your fellow man.**
- 4. Always be proud of that.**

**Warm Regards,
GOD,
USMC, Retired.**



**Memorial Day
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The Newly Elected Grand Officers

SK ALBERT JOHNSON

Right Eminent Grand Commander

COMP. EDWARD JAMES

Most Illustrious Grand Master

COMP. DONALD L. GALWAY

Most Excellent Grand Sigh Priest

October 11, 2015

Social 3:30 PM Dinner 4:00PM

Crowne Plaza West

927 S. Croyts Rd., Lansing, Mi. 48197

More Information to follow

Companions All:

This month is an excellent month to consider a Donation to R.A.R.A. (the Royal Arch Research Assistance program), both as an individual or something to be considered in open Chapter as we near our August Grand Session.

Most have heard it before, but in short let me explain just how your contribution is used by our support to R.A.R.A.

The R.A.R.A. fund contributes to the Central Auditory Processing Disorder (CAPD) which is not a hearing impairment. Those scientists receiving part of your donation are working on the reception of sounds received by the brain that are not being translated properly and cause a mixed message for the person.

Also, the Hearing Health Foundation (HHF) receives part of your donation. This group of scientists are, and have been, moving forward with a cure for complete deafness, thanks to the contributions of R.A.R.A. and yourselves.

Finally the Autism Speaks Program is involved of the actual testing of infants from 12 to 36 months old for autism and (CAPD).

Contributions are not unrewarded. Certificates are given for donations from individuals or Chapters of \$25, \$50, \$100 or more.

A diamond lapel pin is given for \$500. Donations and for each additional \$500 donation a diamond is added to the pin.

All contributions are tax deductible.

Contributions should be sent to our Grand Secretary at any time throughout the year, and as I say, this month would be good timing.

Remember the upcoming Picnic & Golf Outing in Gladwin, July 18th & 19th along with the "all Degree Day" in Grand Junction ! Hope to see you at each of these and have a great summer !!!!

Carl J. Peterson, GM3rdV.

Michigan Grand York Rite Sessions – Aug. 19th – 22nd, 2015
 Grand Chapter, Wed., Aug. 19; Grand Council, Thur., Aug. 20; Grand Commandery, Fri & Sat., Aug 21 & 22

**Michigan Grand York Rite
 2015 Sessions Committee
 Brian K. Himes, Chairman
 Larry A. Inscho
 Harry A. Walbridge**

**Hotel Reservations:
 Doubletree Hotel Bay City Riverfront**

Attn: Reservations Department
 One Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, MI 48708
 Phone: 989 891-6000 Fax: 989 891-9680

Group Room Rate: \$105.00 plus 11% tax per room, per night
 Cut Off Date: July 17, 2015

Check-In Time: 3:00 PM Check-Out Time: Noon

Please Note: Reservations request must be received in their office by midnight on the above cut off date in order to guarantee the group rate. Requests received after the above date will be subject to availability and the group rate is not guaranteed. All reservation requests must be accompanied by a first night room deposit, or guaranteed by a major credit card. Rooms will not be reserved unless secured by one of the above methods.

GUESTROOM PREFERENCE (Subject to Availability)

- If more than one room is requested, please enclose a list of names and addresses, indicating which guests share rooms.
- If you would like a confirmation sent to you via email, please provide your email address below.

of Rooms

_____ Standard Room – 2 Beds _____ Standard Room – King Bed
 (Limited number of King Bedded Rooms in the Hotel)

_____ Number of People in Your Guestroom

Special Requests (Please Check)

_____ Handicap Accessible _____ Hearing Impaired

GUEST INFORMATION

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone: _____ FAX: _____
 *** E-Mail: _____
 Arrival Day/Date : _____
 Departure Day/Date: _____
 Credit Card Number: _____
 Exp. Date: _____
 Name of Card Holder: _____
 or Check or Money Order (Enclosed) in the Amount of: _____
 Signature: _____

MEAL RESERVATION FORM – GYR 2015

Name _____ Lady _____
 Address _____
 City _____ St. _____ Zip _____
 Phone () _____ E-mail _____
 Organization _____
 Title _____
 Special Dietary requests _____

*** Make your reservations from the following selections:

Grand Chapter RAM – Wed., Aug. 19, 2015

7 AM Chap. Memb. Breakfast No. ____ @ \$13.00 = \$ _____
 12 Noon Ladies Luncheon No. ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ _____
 12 Noon Companions Luncheon No. ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ _____
 7 PM "Support Your Team" Banquet No. ____ @ \$30.00 = \$ _____

Grand Council R&SM – Thur., Aug. 20, 2015

7 AM Comp./Ladies Breakfast No. ____ @ \$13.00 = \$ _____
 12 Noon Ladies Luncheon No. ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ _____
 12 Noon Companions Luncheon No. ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ _____

GRAND YORK RITE GRAND BANQUET – Thur. Aug 20, 2015

7 pm New York Strip Steak No. ____ @ \$36.00 = \$ _____
 Roasted Airline Chicken Breast No. ____ @ \$36.00 = \$ _____

Grand Commandery KT – Fri. Aug. 21, 2015

7 AM KT Gen Memb Breakfast No. ____ @ \$13.00 = \$ _____
 12 Noon Ladies Luncheon No. ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ _____
 12 Noon KT Luncheon No. ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ _____

Grand Commandery KT – Fri. Aug. 21, 2015

8 AM KT Gen Memb Breakfast No. ____ @ \$13.00 = \$ _____

Sub Total \$ _____

Registration Fee: \$ **10.00**

TOTAL \$ _____

Please Make Checks Payable to:

Michigan Grand York Rite Committee

Notice: Meal reservations must be postmarked by Aug. 7, 2015. All Meal reservations postmarked after Aug. 7, 2015, are subject to a Late Fee of \$25.00.

Meal reservation cancellations will be honored prior to August 14, 2015.

REMITTANCE MUST ACCOMPANY RESERVATIONS!
 Please forward all reservations with remittance To:

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 c/o Larry A. Inscho, PGHP
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 Fostoria, MI 48435-0143

Brother Jeffery W. Agan, Templar Lodge LEO and member of the Rochester Lodge #21, sent this informative article to be edited for this publication. It has an important message about our commitment to our brothers and God.

Oaths and Obligations Are Commitments.

Are the words in an oath or an obligation we just say or words that we live by. Ask yourself the following questions: Why do you say the pledge of Allegiance? What is the pledge? Repeat it aloud slowly and listen to the words. "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all". Are they just words? Do you say them because that is what we do? Did you mean what you said?

What is meaning of the word obligation? Webster's has the following definition:
Obligation: Any debt, written promise, or duty.

As Masons each of us has taken an obligation more than once. So what did the repeating of this obligation mean to you? Were they words you repeated or were they words that had a purpose and a duty?

The Obligations that we took at each of the degrees that began our journey as Mason's were placed there because they had meaning and a purpose. The obligations that we took had a debt with them, a duty, and a promise to the members of the craft and God. Does the same weight apply to the obligations as they did the day the craft started, or when the operative members of the craft took their obligations? Each of us need to look inside of our self and see the reason we said these obligations and at the other oaths or obligations that we have taken. Do you live by the words of the obligation? If not, see if you can live by them. If you cannot then consider the possibility, Masonry is not the place for you.

If we allow members in the craft to just say the obligation to complete the degree, what does the future hold for the craft? Will there be a craft if the brother just says words that have no meaning or duty for him to follow? When you enter the lodge the day you took your first steps in Masonry, what did you do before you took the first degree? Before you were allowed to seek entry, what where ask some questions into the lodge? Each asked on your honor do you ; So from the beginning of your journey as a Mason, honor was a key aspect of Masonry.

Brothers, the obligations we take as Masons are not mere words. The words of the obligations have a debt to them, a debt not just to the brothers of the craft but to the deity that each of us invoked during the obligations. So we must look again at the obligation we took and ask if we just did it so we could complete the degree. Did we say it with a true heart and understanding that our Deity accepted the obligation as a debt that each of us has to answer to on that day when we enter into that house not made with hands?

There was a time when a man's word was his bond, that if a man said that he was going to do something then he did it and when there was a sense of honor. A lack of honor among men is one of the reasons for the issues we have in society today.

Without honor there is little chance that a society can continue. If a king or ruler wanted to do away with a group or person they had people present false witness against them. If the society has honor, it makes it harder for the leaders to find people who are willing to lie.

Brothers of the craft owe it to our brothers that have gone before us to honor the craft and to ensure that we only allow brothers into the craft that understand that the obligations are not just parts of the degrees. The words have meaning and a debt that will be paid one day.

It is important that each of us to think before we act and to think when we say the Pledge of Allegiance. Are they just words or do you mean what you are saying? Remember the Pledge is a form of an obligation. Never take an oath or obligation without realizing it is a commitment to our brothers and God and is based on our honor.

RAM Outdoor Degree Day

Sat., June 13th
374 56th Street
Grand Junction, MI

MMM Degree: 9am
Lunch noon: after MEM Deg.
Lunch donation: \$ 10.00.

RAM Degree: 1pm
Questions....call
Rick Stange
h: 269-628-4432
cell: 269-655-4157

Flag Day Sun., June 14th



St. John the Baptist Wed., June 24th

Father's Day Jun 21st



2015 York Rite Golf Outing

Gladwin Heights Golf Course, 3551 W. M-61, Gladwin 989-426-9941

Grand Chapter Grand Council Grand Commandery

Companions and Sir Knights

Sunday, July 19th, 2015 is a day you can join in for fun & fellowship and also raise funds for the charities of the York Rite.

This is a four person scramble for members, family and friends (Men & Women). The cost has gone up to &70.00 this year, due to increased cost of meals. Reservations received prior to July 9th receive a \$5.00 discount. Price includes – 18 holes of golf, cart, dinner, and prizes. Make up your own foursome for the discount of \$20.00 per team.

If you do not have one, we will place you on a team. Registration at the course will begin at 8:30 AM and starting tee time is scheduled for 10:00 AM on the 1st Tee. *** If we have enough layers registered in advance, the course will allow us to have a shotgun start.

Don't play Golf! Join us for fellowship and a great meal. Dinner at 3:30 PM. Cost for dinner is only #23.00.

We are asking all Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies to sponsor a hole or tee box for \$25.00. The profits will be equally divided between the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery for the charity that each Grand Body chooses. We can, also, accept, and do encourage individual &/or business sponsors.

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Jim Sprague Memorial 18th Annual Royal Arch Picnic

(all friends are welcome to attend)

Sprague Cabin near Gladwin, MI

Need directions contact Lou McCray

Saturday, July 18, 2015 dinner around 3 pm

RSVP -- Choice of Steak or Grilled Chicken

Pot-Luck side dishes! Donations to help pay for meat

Return the information below to:

Lou McCray at P.O. Box 483, Hale, MI 48739

or call: home (989) 728-5384

cell (989)305-1937

e-mail at: elcemccray@yahoo.com

Name: _____

Others attending: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Total attending- _____ # Steaks _____ #Gr. Chicken _____

May stay overnight in an RV, Trailer, or Tent,
on site, or in one of the several local Motels.

2015 York Rite Golf Outing

Gladwin Heights Golf Course, 3551 W. M-61, Gladwin 989-426-9941

Grand Chapter Grand Council Grand Commandery

Sunday July 19, 2015

I/We would like to sponsor a hole or tee box, please have the sign read:

_____ (\$ 25.00)

I/We will be participating: Name: _____ (\$70.00) [65.00 if paid by 7/9/15]

Address: _____ City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Playing with: _____ \$ _____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Additional persons – Dinner Only: _____ (\$ 23.00 each)

Enclosed please find my payment of \$ _____

Make checks payable to **ROBERT E. COOPER** – marked “**YR GOLF Outing**”

Mail to: **ROBERT E. COOPER 101 20 MILE RD., CEDAR SPRINGS, MI 49319**

Dinner Choices – (Please include yourself)

of Steaks _____ # of Chickens _____

Please copy as needed!!!



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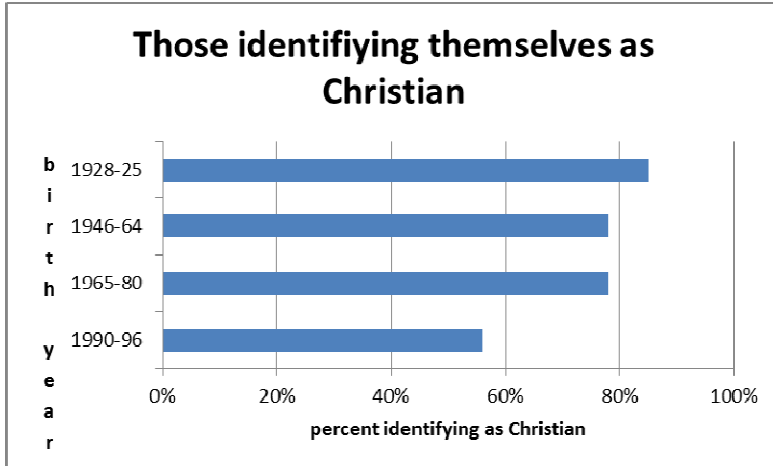
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In whom do you place your trust?

While the United States is expected to remain majority Christian for decades, the number of Americans



who claim no religion affiliation has climbed to 22.8%, according to a recent Pew study. At 25.4%, only evangelical Protestants account for a greater share of the population than the unaffiliated. This rise in unaffiliated is driven by a generational divide, which my graph illustrates. The unaffiliated are joining or starting church-like communities without religion.....a God-free community. I will let you contemplate the ramifications.

Changing of the Guard

On August 20, 2015 there will a Changing of the Guard, so to speak, at the 157th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan in Bay City. The Order of the Silver Trowel will also be



exemplified. This is a side, or “chair” degree, and is conferred on present or past Thrice Illustrious Masters. I hope that in addition to the dais officers, the Captain of the Guard, Conductor of the Council, and Steward also make an effort to attend. I promise you the day will be worthwhile, entertaining, and most of all fraternally beneficial to you.

While there are no signs and passwords required, it might interest you to know that a 3:00 PM every day for nearly 900 years at Her Majesty’s Royal Palace and Fortress –(aka the Tower of London) The Officer of the Guard and escort, march to the Tower to collect the word, the password for after-hours entry to the Tower of London. The word is the password, which is changed daily, the word used by Tower staff, residents and the soldiers on duty. William the Conqueror began to build the Tower of London in 1080. Successive monarchs added to the fortress over the following centuries.



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Greetings Brothers, Companions, Sir Knights and all bodies:

In reviewing progress or success with gains or losses and with other criteria in mind here is where we stand in my opinion. How do you see it?

Religious Observances of the 4 required did your commandery participate either at a house of worship or in your asylum. Do you have any ideas for more participation next year?

Did your commandery have one or more Knighting's this past year? Are you developing them slowly and using assigned mentors to provide education to make a better more effective knight. His retention is our goal we cannot afford to waste the efforts of the knight who signed the top line of his petition. I received only one request for A Forgotten Knight recognition. Search your membership for those we know or would like to meet at our conclaves or events. Go contact them your voice and interest in them may bring results.

A blanket Dispensation for was given for participation did your commandery participate in any worthwhile events?

Our Awards programs were underutilized. Look around at you fellow fraters and honor them with recognition they deserve.

Inspection were scheduled and completed. Thank you for those who assisted other commanderies complete their inspections.

The 159th Annual conclave is coming. Do your part and attend. Contact the MICHIGAN GRAND YORK RITE SESSION COMMITTEE c/o Brian K. Himes, PC or your recorder for registration information.

Sir Knights we have held on for another year. We must soon realize it is time for an aggressive advance forward. The bugler has sounded assembly and soon we must prepare for the sound of charge to gain victory.

JUST DO IT

Let's go fishing or hunting for EA's, FC's, MM's, Companions and Sir Knights.

Until we meet again, keep the wind at your back and your eye on the horizon.


Paul W. Roggow, Grand Commander

Please join Northville Council No.30 in supporting
Illustrious Companion Ryan J. Groat, PTIM



At the 157th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council
of Michigan August 20th, 2015.

Companion Ryan has served the past two years as
an appointed Grand Council Officer and now seeks
to be elected to the office of
Right Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard.



HONOR THOSE WHO ANSWERED
THE CALL TO SERVE

