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Officers

The Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, Inc., is comprised of the Management Staff, a Board of 12 elected Directors, 3 junior past Presidents, 3 Trustees, active Monroe County Grand Lodge officers, and up to 12 Advisory Council members.

Meetings

Management and officers of the Bureau, along with Representatives appointed by the various Masonic bodies throughout the County and contiguous Counties, meet on the second Wednesday of each month, except July and August.

Donations/Contributions

Tax Deductible donations to support all of the activities and services of the Rochester Masonic Service Bureau, Inc., can be made by check, mailed or delivered to the Bureau's main office, or through the United Way, using the Donor Option Card specifying the Rochester Masonic Service Bureau, Inc., and donor option choice "1060".

Services

Scholarships

The Bureau provides several thousand dollars in scholarships each year to local high school seniors and college students. This is a one-time award to each successful candidate. Applicants need to be sponsored by a Mason and be related through parent, grandparent or other family member. A Scholarship Committee selects qualified students to present to the Board of Directors for approval.

Herman A. Sarachan Memorial Library

The Bureau maintains an inventory of encyclopedias, books, novels, periodicals, magazines, pamphlets, brochures, videotapes and equipment and historical reference material related to the Craft or written by Masons.

The library is located in the lounge of the Shrine Mosque in Webster, adjacent to the Service Bureau headquarters offices.



Sponsored Functions

The Bureau hosts several annual district-wide programs, including:

- A Widows Luncheon. Attendees are hosted by the several lodges with which their spouses were associated. A central reception facility is chosen. Lodges provide chauffeurs, flowers and recognition lapel pins. Local entertainment is provided and Service Bureau staff and a representative of Grand Lodge recognize these special guests.
- An Interfaith Service and Brunch with multi-denominational guest clergy, presentation of a Distinguished Community Service Award to an individual who has served the community in a sustained, volunteer role. The Bureau Board of Directors approves the recipient. Suggested names should be forwarded to the Bureau office by anyone in the Craft who knows of a worthy candidate.
- An Officers Directory is published listing District-wide leaders of all men's and women's organizations. A new directory is ready for distribution by the end of August and representatives get copies for their lead officers from the Service Bureau office. The Bureau welcomes advertising to help support the work on the Directory and maintains booster pages listing those who make individual contributions to sustain it.
- Printing support is provided by the Bureau for Masonic organizations for such items as:
 - Composing programs
 - Printing programs
 - Printing mailing labels
 - Printing letters for bulk mailings



RMSB Community Activities

RMSB Loan Closet

The RMSB Loan Closet, supported by area Masons, makes available items for home care at no cost. The service is available to the community at large. The Closet is open 9:00 am to noon Monday through Friday at the Bureau in Webster. Items are picked up and returned there.

Hundreds of items in stock and available include:

- Bathtub equipment [transfer and bath benches]
- Bed rails
- Canes [including quads]
- Commodes
- Crutches [children, youth, adult and Canadian]
- Walkers [fixed and folding, with/without wheels]
- Wheelchairs [\$25 refundable deposit required]

The Bureau handles several thousand requests for equipment each year. The only qualification to borrow is that there is a need. Both monetary and equipment donations are appreciated.

RMSB Community Service Features

- Member visitations and gifts to VA hospitals
- Entertainment at nursing homes
- Support of drives for local Ronald McDonald Home Away from Home program
- Support for Red Cross blood drive programs with organizers and donors
- Support for youth camp programs, particularly involving New York Grand Lodge Camp Turk north of Utica and RSMB's Camp DeMolay outside of Sodus Point, NY



RMSB Annual Grants

The Bureau awards several thousand dollars each year to local organizations which offer community programs for the needy. Some of these agencies or programs include meals, temporary housing for the homeless, hospice care, clothing and programs for seniors.

Specifically, money is granted to organizations that provide direct support to individuals.

To apply for grant monies, agencies are encouraged to contact the Service Bureau as early each year as possible. The Board of Directors votes approval of fund distribution that is made mid-year by the Bureau's Charity Committee.



The Masonic Times

Circulation: Over 4,000 paid subscriptions
Published monthly 10 months each year

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Regular feature columns

- Assistant Grand Lecturers
- Masonic Home and Laboratory in Utica
- Masonic War Veterans Post and Veterans Service
- Hot number contacts
- Bureau of Masonic Education
- Features on District and Regional events
- Monthly calendar of events
- Financial Planning assistance
- Legal assistance
- Obituaries and memorials
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Subscriptions

Individuals may subscribe at the current rate noted in each issue of the paper on the masthead on page 2. Groups may subscribe at a group rate, providing all members on the group [i.e., lodge, chapter] roster are included.

Advertising

Circulation covers the west central New York region. Advertising for businesses and organizations that offer products and services that could be of interest to our readers is welcomed. Ads for special events are also encouraged. For information on rates and how to place ads in the Masonic Times, please contact the Bureau.



CAMP DEMOLAY

Facilities and Features

- 18 acres with Lake Ontario waterfront southwest of Sodus Point, NY
- Anderson Lodge consists of 1500 sq.ft. meeting hall, huge fireplace, fully equipped kitchen
- Male/female restroom buildings with showers
- Three cabins that sleep 12 each
- Recreation building and utility building
- Available June-October annually on first come, first serve basis
- Can be reserved for day, weekend or full weeks

Youth Groups have preferred usage and must be hosted by adult leaders:

- DeMolay Chapters
- Constellation Chapters
- Triangle Chapters
- Boy Scout Troops
- Girl Scout Troops
- Church Youth Groups

Adult Group usage, primarily Masonic for:

- Meetings
- Picnics
- Camping groups
- Family and organizational re-unions
- Retreats

How to Reserve [order of preference]:

- Masonic Youth
- Masonic organizations
- Masonic families
- Scouts
- Churches

- Clean up is responsibility of organization making reservations
- Contributions are desired
- Contact the Rochester Service Bureau, Inc. for information and reservations



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Constitution

A copy of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, New York, Inc., dated 30 April, 1927, is on file at the Bureau office. The certificate was issued by the Commissioner of Deeds, State of New York, County of Monroe, City of Rochester. It is accompanied by an outline of the Handbook for Not-For-Profit Board Members issued by the Office of the Attorney General, Charities Bureau, 120 Broadway, New York, New York.

By-Laws and Constitution

Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, New York, Inc.
[Revised and adopted December 8, 2004]¹

ARTICLE I - NAME

Section 1. The legal name of this corporation is Masonic Service Bureau of Rochester, New York, Inc. as referred to in the Certificate of Incorporation dated April 30, 1927. For convenience, this organization may be referred to as Masonic Service Bureau or Bureau.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSES

Section 1. The Bureau was formed for charitable purposes carried on continuously by the Masonic fraternity in the Monroe County area since 1817.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Each member of a Masonic Lodge which is recognized by the Grand Lodge of the State of New York and related organizations which are recognized by Grand organizations in the State of New York or Supreme Organizations in Monroe County and contiguous Masonic Districts shall be a member of the Bureau.

Section 2. Each Masonic Lodge and Masonic related organization mentioned in Section 1, Article III, shall be entitled to one membership representative to the Bureau.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of twelve (12) elected members at large, current Grand Lodge Officers, plus three (3) immediate past Presidents. A proxy with names of Directors as recommended by the Nominating Committee, and with space to allow additions, shall be mailed to Service Bureau Representatives by December 1st to permit their mailed, faxed or email replies to

¹ Clarifications to Article IV, Section 3; Article VII, Section 2; Article IX, Section 2 approved March 9, 2005



be considered for review and consideration by the Nominating Committee prior to the annual meeting of the Bureau in December.

Section 2. There shall be three (3) classes of four (4) directors each, so that the terms of four (4) shall expire each year. If the office of any Director becomes vacant, the Board may elect a successor to serve until the next annual election. An elected director shall not serve for more than three (3) consecutive terms. After one year out of office, a former director may be nominated for election again.

Section 3. A paid employee of the Bureau shall not hold the office of Director, the exception being the Executive Director and the Secretary, as long as they meet the requirements of Article III - Membership.

Section 4. It shall be the responsibility of the Directors to approve all appointments, expenditures, acquisitions and dispositions of all real and personal property, including the mortgaging thereof.

Section 5. The Directors shall elect a President, Vice-President, Executive Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Trustee(s) and such other officers as deemed necessary by the Board.

Section 6. The President shall preside at all meetings, appoint all committees and supervise the work of the Bureau with the advice and consent of a majority of the Board members present at any meeting where such business is presented. The President shall not serve for more than two (2) consecutive years. Past Presidents are expected to serve as Directors for six (6) years after leaving executive office, following which they must be elected to fill a vacancy to continue in active service.

Section 7. The Vice-President shall exercise the functions of President in his/her absence. The Vice-President shall not serve for more than two (2) consecutive years.

Section 8. The Executive Director shall be a member of the Masonic community in good standing and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. It shall be the duty of the Executive Director to coordinate the operation of the Bureau, keep all pertinent records and make regular monthly reports to the Board of Directors.

Section 9. The Secretary shall record the proceedings of the Bureau and the Board of Directors, send notices of meetings and provide such other administrative services as now required. The Secretary shall be entitled to remuneration.



Section 10. The Treasurer shall supervise the receipt and collection of all monies belonging to the Bureau and the deposit of funds in banks designated by the Board.

Section 11. There shall be three (3) Trustees elected to be responsible for overseeing the financial assets, including investments and real property, of the Bureau. Trustees shall be elected to three (3) year terms, expiring in a staggered manner so only one (1) is elected or re-elected each year, unless an unexpected vacancy occurs requiring further action, keeping term expirations in balance. Trustees cannot be elected for more than three (3) consecutive terms.

ARTICLE V - ADVISORY COUNCIL

Section 1. The Advisory Council shall consist of not more than twelve (12) members.

Section 2. The Advisory Council shall be an advisory body to the Directors. The members of the Advisory Council shall be elected annually. There are no term limits.

ARTICLE VI - STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Executive Director, Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman of the Trustees, with power to act on all matters requiring immediate attention between meetings of the Board.

Section 2. The President shall appoint Chairpersons, all of whom shall be Directors, and members of Finance, Charities, Scholarship and Nominating Committees, and such other committees as deemed necessary by the Board.

Section 3. The Finance Committee shall prepare a budget for approval by the Board.

Section 4. The Charities Committee shall recommend to the Board the distribution of funds for charitable purposes and recommend agencies deserving such distributions, based on the amount made available for grants each year.

Section 6. The Scholarship Committee shall distribute applications for use by high school seniors, and college students who have not received previous Bureau awards, and who have a heritage within Masonic and Eastern Star boundaries.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

Section 1. The regular meetings shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month, except in July and August, with the December meeting being the Annual Meeting. The Board may change the dates of the meetings upon due notice.



Section 2. A quorum of the Board shall consist of twelve (12) voting members. The voting members of the Service Bureau shall be the President, Vice-President, Executive Director, Treasurer, Secretary, twelve (12) Directors, three (3) Trustees, reigning Grand Lodge Officers, and the three (3) immediate past Presidents.

Section 3. Each member of the Board of Directors shall be entitled to one (1) vote on any motion, except those who will not be present and those who will be excused from voting on remuneration for office.

Section 4. Members of the Advisory Council and Membership Representatives shall not have a vote, but may participate in all discussions.

ARTICLE VIII - SEAL

Section 1. The Seal of the Bureau shall be circular in form with the name of the Bureau around the outside and in the center thereof the numerals 1817 and the Masonic square and compasses with the letter G in the center.

ARTICLE IX - MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1. Any question as to the interpretation of these by-laws and Constitution shall be determined by the Executive Committee, it being the intention of these Articles that reasonable custom and usage of the Bureau shall be given due consideration.

Section 2. A paid employee of the Bureau shall not be a Director during the time of employment, except as indicated in Article IV, Section 3.

Section 3. Proposed by-law revisions shall be mailed to voting members at least two weeks prior to the meeting at which they will be voted upon.

NOTE: Clarifications to Article IV, Section 3; Article VII, Section 2; and, Article IX, Section 2, were presented and approved at the March 9th, 2005, meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 5. The Nominating Committee shall submit the names of nominees for Officers, Directors, Advisory Council, and Trustee(s).



HISTORY OF THE MASONIC SERVICE BUREAU

The 2001 description of the Bureau declares "The Masonic Service Bureau is the hub of Masonic information and activity for some 5,000 members of the Order of Freemasonry, who are members of over 17 lodges in Rochester and several surrounding towns and villages in Monroe County".

BUREAU ORIGIN

Masonic charitable activity had been carried out in an organized fashion by a consortium of Masonic Lodges in Rochester since 1810. Eminent among the early lodges was Morning Star Lodge No. 223 of Pittsford, NY. Morning Star gave consent to the formation of Wells Lodge No. 282 which was chartered June 5, 1817.

Wells' Charter was signed by Grand Master DeWitt Clinton and it was passed to the Rochester Historical Society in later years, a gift from Valley Lodge No. 109.

Activities which we now associate with "the Bureau" paralleled the establishment of Wells Lodge and remained with the early lodges until the criticism arising from the "Morgan episode" September 12, 1826. In the aftermath of that nefarious event, Wells and other lodges surrendered their charters. The Masonic Charities Organization became known as the Masonic Employment Bureau in 1916, adopting the name "Masonic Service Bureau in June of 1919, when the first Constitution and By-Laws were officially adopted.

OFFICIAL STATUS

The Bureau received official status with a "Certificate of Incorporation" approved by the Supreme Court of the State of New York, 7th Judicial District, on June 29, 1927. The certificate was filed July 7, 1927 with the New York Secretary of State.

A new certificate of incorporation was filed in 1936 when the Bureau claimed to officially represent all Masonic and Eastern Star families in Monroe County. In 1949 and several subsequent years, the by-laws have been revised to keep the Bureau in line with the times. For a brief period from 2000 through 2004, the lead officer titles were Chairman/CEO, Vice-Chairman and President/COO. By-laws revisions in December, 2004 included converting back to President, Vice-President and Executive Director since those were the titles in common verbal usage.



BUREAU PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION

Historical data here in is derived from a 1972 pamphlet authored by Dr. and Brother Barton Baker, Service Bureau President in 1954. More recent data has been collected from Bureau meeting minutes and Directories by Jay McCullough, Bureau Chairman/CEO in 2000 and 2001.

Dr. Baker's description notes that "symbolic Masonry deals in ritual memorizing, the teaching of moral and geometric precepts, reverence for God, encouragement of brotherhood and ecumenism". He declares "some act as though ritual and rote were almost all-important. The Masonic Service Bureau unites all the diverse views as to the relative importance of the facets of Masonry by acting as an efficient aid to promote service and charity, which all true Masons agree is laudable in a world preoccupied with competition and material pursuits. It does countless works of brotherhood and charity which no single lodge or group of lodges could provide. The Bureau acts as a clearinghouse for Masonic relief and information for all Masonic families, and assists in very many community-wide projects. The Bureau has proved to the world that Masonry as a way of life means devotion to the common cause of brotherhood".

The Bureau continues into the 21st century as sponsor of general Masonic events, acts as dispenser of news about the Craft, primarily through its role as publisher of the "Masonic Times", and continues to be true to its original tenets of service and charity along with special elements such as its scholarship program, loan closet of sick room equipment free to the public, handling thousands of calls each year for information and service, and managing the 18 acre Camp DeMolay site near Sodus Point, New York.

SAMPLING OF ACTIVITIES OF THE BUREAU

The "Baker" 1950's pamphlet lists:

- Achievement awards to Masons who rendered unique service to the Craft and community.
- Aid in arranging the adoption of children.
- Annual variety shows to entertain underprivileged in the community with celebrity MC's.
- Blood donor service as an organized activity for several decades, originating in 1947 hosted by the Bureau and Lalla Rookh Grotto, and later taken over by the Red Cross Chapter.
- Maintaining cemetery lots for indigent Masons at Mt. Hope Cemetery. A "Masonic Plot" in Range 9 appears on the cemetery map and legend issued by the Mt. Hope cemetery office.

In 1989, Cyrus Kloner proposed a Bureau representative be appointed to recommend disposition of the plots then remaining. Lots were put up for sale but results are clouded.



In 2001, there were 5 gravesites at White Haven Memorial Park. They each had a value of \$650 and were offered for sale to the public. Again, results are clouded.

On November 10, 1947, the J. C. Riley lot no. 45 in Mt. Hope Cemetery was added to other Bureau lots. The City of Rochester conveyed the deed which was dated October 3, 1863. Other plots included 558, 586, 594 and 595 in Range 9. A Bureau report of December 5, 1952 recites "123 graves, 67 burials, 54 unoccupied graves and two reserved for a monument". No serious research has been undertaken through 2004 on the status of gravesites at either cemetery.

- In early days, the Bureau cooperated with the Council of Church Women, entertaining foreign students and senior citizens, as well as underprivileged children at the Auditorium, worked with DeMolay collecting radios, books, magazines, toys and razors for veteran's hospitals and other institutions, and did employment counseling with a fifty year history at that endeavor.
- The Bureau assumed responsibility for taking care of funeral services for out of town Lodges with the assistance of the Masters and Wardens Association.
- Worked in concert with the Council of Social Agencies.
- Participated in the arrangements for the 150th anniversary celebration of Monroe County in 1971 with several officers of the Bureau involved.
- Sponsored youth dances and parties for Masonic youth organizations including Triangle Girls, DeMolay boys and Constellation Girls.
- Organized bus trips to the Masonic Home in Utica on an annual basis giving gifts of money and tokens of remembrance to Monroe County residents.
- There were many other long and short-term activities of a community-wide charitable nature, reaching out to those deserving of recognition and service in Monroe County.



BUREAU BUSINESS AND STATISTICS

Lodges, Eastern Star Chapters, Concordant and Allied Masonic groups in the greater Rochester region have been encouraged to appoint Representatives to participate in Bureau activities on their behalf. There's an Advisory Council of up to 12 members elected annually, a Board of Directors of 12 members elected to 3 year terms, 3 immediate past presidents, 3 trustees and an executive committee group, all of whom with the staff of the Masonic Times newspaper form the core of the Service Bureau.

Bureau meetings are normally held on the second Wednesday of each month, a pattern started in the earliest days of the organization.

Statistics over the decades show that in the 1950's, there were over 50 pieces of hospital equipment maintained for loan throughout the community, with thousands of calls for some type of service each year. From 1995 through 2000, there was an average of 8,000 calls a year. Items in the load closet increased to over 1,000 and these were tracked by computer usage. Wheelchairs were donated by various individuals, hospitals and other organizations. Hundreds of hours were volunteered for the maintenance and repair of the equipment, the largest amount of time being spent by Donald Brugger during the late 1990's and early 2000's.

Scholarship values varied and through 2004, stood at \$15,000 annually in \$1,000 increments awarded to area high school and college applicants on a one-time basis each.

Charitable grants likewise varied and stood at \$15,000 annually through 2004, with differing amounts awarded to charity groups which applied and which were recommended by a committee of Bureau members to the Board of Directors.

NEWSPAPER PUBLISHING

On June 30, 1962, a Monroe Masonic News contract was entered into between the Service Bureau and Carey Studios, Inc., providing publication of the News without financial risk to the Bureau. It evolved over the years, remaining a monthly publication issued 10 times a year. It was nurtured by George L. Wetzel, who was Bureau President during its infancy. The editor was Emery Carey, a past master of Charlotte Lodge and it was his printing company, the Rochester House of Printing, that prepared the paper. His employees set type and galleys.

Carey was succeeded as editor by Al Johnson, past master of Ancient Craft Lodge.



At the end of 1990, Director Fritz Friedrich proposed an increase in subscription rates from \$3 to \$4 for the paper to be delivered by mail to group subscribers. The proposal was approved by the Board and an individual subscription rate of \$7 was enacted as well. Rates continued past the turn of the century, even though subscriptions declined, postal costs increased, improved equipment had to be purchased, payroll costs increased and general inflation took its toll. The group rate was increased to \$5 per member subscriber in 2003. In that year, over 2500 hours were required to publish the 10 monthly issues, including over 400 volunteer hours.

Paul Rogers took on the role of editor, advancing the quality of the paper and its production and he retired at the end of 1991. In October 1990, Jay McCullough became responsible for editorial input and Dick Giedd for layout mechanics. Mat Gingold volunteered considerable time as part of the staff of the paper, being on board from the 1980's and continuing through 2005. Rogers, Giedd and Gingold careers were as employees of the Gannett newspapers in various capacities. In November 1990, McCullough became associate editor and followed Rogers as editor in 1991.

The Bureau executive committee, editorial board and editor Rogers authorized McCullough to investigate web press print shops to attempt cost reduction, improve deadlines, and delivery to the customer. Empire State Weeklies in Webster agreed to contract with the Bureau, and continues into the year 2005 to be the printing and mailing provider of the Times.

Paul Rogers desired a name change to reflect a wider subscription area than Monroe County. The paper became the Masonic Times in 1991 as a result, covering contiguous counties as well as the Rochester metropolitan area.

Staff changes starting in 1991 included the addition of Barbara Goodrich as typesetter, Jean Brugger as a volunteer proofreader and Donald Brugger became assistant editor. Mat Gingold continued to paste up galleys, along with Dick Giedd, who retired in 1994. Due to illness, McCullough resigned and was succeeded by Don Brugger in 1993. Brugger undertook extensive computer software schooling which enhanced his talent in putting the paper together. He became expert in converting photographs into the news format which brought picture production in house, with significant cost decreases. Don remained as editor for eleven years and was succeeded by Charles "Skip" Waterstreet in 2003, who understudied Don during the previous year along with Dave King. King became associate editor and Norman P Austin was added as production assistant, succeeding Giedd.

In the background over the late decades of the 20th century and into the next decade, an Editorial Board monitored the paper for the Bureau. The editors all



were members of the Board which was chaired by Maurice Solomon for several years. He was succeeded by William Baldwin and Jay McCullough followed. Eugene Brendel of Etolian Lodge in Spencerport assumed chairmanship in the latter 1990's, and he was succeeded by Emil Schirano on March 13, 2002.

CAMP DEMOLAY

In September 1995, the corporation in charge of the Camp offered it to the Service Bureau. They were no longer able to keep pace with taxes, maintenance and general upkeep. Expenses were about \$6,000 annually. Camp manager was Robert King, a prominent DeMolay International representative. Gary Burke, another with a history of DeMolay involvement in NY and the 1996-1997 President of the Service Bureau, was instrumental in the ownership transfer. Robert Anderson spoke of the Camp as a wonderful property, deserving more exposure. Bureau officers approved the legal transfer of the property and Bureau ownership became official on June 10, 1996.

There were 18 acres of land, with 7 buildings and a 1200-foot lakefront on Lake Ontario, near Sodus Point, New York. The property was assessed at \$112,000. It became tax exempt in 1997. The Camp featured running water and connections to Town of Sodus sewage. Boulders were added to the beachfront during 1997 to reduce earlier significant erosion. Frontage was raised to 12 feet above lake level through this action.

A Camp Board of Directors of 7 members was created to prioritize efforts to make the property an attractive asset for Masonry and the Bureau. The Board was increased to 9 members on October 8, 1997. Buildings were refurbished. Roadways were widened. Trees tagged by a forester were removed. A new porch and roof were added on the north side of the Lodge and completed on June 13, 2001. Churches, Scout and other youth groups have been making reservations on a first come, first serve basis for retreats and encampments during all seasons of the year.

On January 12, 2000, a campaign commenced to endow the Camp with \$250,000 to sustain solvency. By January 9, 2002, \$21,690 had been contributed and in December 2004, the level was increased to over \$85,000. Gift categories were effected and plans to place names of donors on an entrance sign or a plaque in Anderson Lodge are under consideration by the Board.



HERMAN A. SARACHAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The library was born through the efforts of Sion M. "Ted" Honea, who was assisted by William Lindsay. Grant Romer was appointed Curator in 1989, an apt title since he professionally is a curator at the George Eastman House. He is also a speaker on Masonic topics. Honea was elected a Trustee of the Grand Lodge Library and Museum staff. He later left the region for the western U.S. in the 1990's, to be near family members.

In 1998, Library responsibilities were assumed pro tem by Michael McCullough, a Librarian in local school systems and son of Jay McCullough, a Service Bureau officer. He upgraded the system of recording items held by the Library. Reuel Lovett succeeded him in 2000.

Computer software for the Library was contributed by Lindsay and improved by George Bracht of Fairport and Webster Lodges. In 1999, an Auto-Librarian System was purchased from Highsmith Co. and installed in a new computer system contributed by Dox Electronics. The Dox Company also contributed metal racks and shelving for storage of the 1,200 books, pamphlets, periodicals, artifacts, videos and tapes. All are entered in the library program and card system. David Berger was instrumental in the acquisition of the computer, racks and shelving, paints and painting materials to enhance the quality of the Library's services.

In 2004, the Library was relocated to the Shrine Mosque in Webster where the Service Bureau had taken up residence. Shelvings were built in the lounge area by Lawrence Canfield, a former President of the Bureau and local craftsman in antique restoration and collectibles.

The book entitled "History of Masonry in Monroe County [1810-1970]" was authored by Herman A Sarachan. It was produced and sold with Bureau assistance. Another of his books, "Dear Brother Herman", was a collection of questions and answers relative to Masonry in general. It was developed from his experiences as an Assistant Grand Lecturer. The copyright was gifted to the Bureau. On June 13, 2001, the Bureau voted to turn the copyright over to the Publications Committee of Grand Lodge. The book was to be updated and published for use throughout the State. In return, the Bureau was to receive 100 copies of the original printing.



MASONIC DIRECTORY

An annual Directory of Masonic organizations in Monroe County, incorporating names of lodges, chapters, allied, concordant and related groups is published by the Bureau. Principal officers are listed with names, addresses, phone, cell and fax numbers as well as e-mail addresses. It has become an excellent reference tool or who's who of Masons. In 1972, the directory boasted 36 pages and in the early 1990's, it became a 60-page publication, remaining at that level into the first decade of the 21st century.

Maurice Solomon, and Fred and Harriet Stahl, gathered data, arranged printing and distribution of directories in the 1970's and 1980's. Fritz Friedrich took responsibility in the early 1990's. He introduced the "booster" program whereby individuals contribute a minimum amount to defray costs and their names are published as part of the booklet. Along with select commercial advertisers, the directory is self-supporting. Craft member Wayne McCrossen who owns Max Printing has printed the booklet at cost, and advertised in it, for nearly two decades as of 2004.

Updated computer equipment and printing software allowed conversion from external business to in-house typesetting in the 1990's when Robert Pettit and Jay McCullough assumed responsibility for assembling data and setting type. Barbara Goodrich provided mailings and telephone service to gather data for directory production. In the first decade of 2000, Skip Waterstreet assumed editorial duties and has been assisted by Ramona Dimino and Barbara Goodrich.



WIDOW'S LUNCHEON

The annual Monroe Masonic Widow's Luncheon became the responsibility of the Service Bureau in the 1990's. It was created through the efforts of Vernon Goodrich, Donald Wright, Duane Manchester and Lawrence Canfield in the 1980's. They were the Grand Lodge officers in the 1st and 2nd Monroe Districts when they teamed to develop recognition of the widow's on a countywide scale.

Spouses of deceased Masons from all the Lodges in the Monroe County region are invited to a luncheon at a local party house by Lodge officers. The lodges underwrite the costs, members act as escorts and hosts and chauffeur many of the ladies. Corsages are provided along with entertainment. Each is provided a memento, and if recently widowed, a Grand Lodge widow's lapel pin.

Notable among MC's have been Robert Rudman until 1989 when he was succeeded by William Baldwin. In 1989, Baldwin reported 430 in attendance.

In addition, several lodges hold their own recognition of the ladies. They also provide subscriptions to the Masonic Times to help these women stay in touch with their "Masonic family".

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Member organizations pay dues that provide Bureau operating revenue, along with bequests, earnings on investments and general contributions and gift donations. Small amounts are realized from sponsored activities and from those who serve, and have served the Bureau in volunteer capacities. In earlier days, funds came from proceeds of annual variety shows.

The Shelmire Fund was created early in the history of the Bureau and became the base for the Bureau's endowment. At the end of 1992, total assets were reported to be at \$265, 146, according to the Treasurer's report. Receipts that year were \$17,400 and disbursements \$11,421. In 1995, \$103,000 was received from estates for the purpose of improving Bureau operations.

As of January 31, 2000, the investment portfolio stood at \$929,400. In mid 2003, this dropped to \$778,500 reflecting stock market declines.



LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Cyrus Kloner did a tireless amount of pro bono work for the Bureau, particularly in the 1990's. He handled property bequests, estates and legacies, taking care of realty transactions in several states to legally convert and convey principal to the Bureau general fund, or to special endowments as desired by donors.

Positive Bureau cash flow in the last decade of the 20th century was largely attributed to the professional fiscal management of Vernon Goodrich. He was counseled by David Larson, who was a professional money manager during these years.

CHARITY COMMITTEE

Luncheons and receptions held for the purpose of gathering cash contributions were a primary source of revenue which was then distributed to various community charities. In May 1989, \$14,000 was earmarked for charitable distribution. In 2001, the fund was increased to \$15,000 where it stood as an annual figure through 2004. During Vern Goodrich's tenure as Executive Director, the Charities Fund was endowed at \$250,000, insuring a future distribution of funds from annually earned interest. The perennial chairman of the Committee was Jack Thibaut, who passed away in mid 2004.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

In May 1989, the Bureau earmarked \$12,000 for scholarships for area high school students or college students who had not previously been awarded. Distribution was in \$500 and \$1,000 increments. The fund was endowed at \$250,000 and awards were maintained at \$1,000 each thereafter, at an annual distribution under the interest maximum earned the previous year. Irna Jean T. Walker was perennial chairman of the Committee until the end of 2004, when she was succeeded by Janet Porter. Walker had been a schoolteacher with a long-standing professional career in local school districts.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

Governing Body

All Board, Advisory Council and Staff and Committee members of the Bureau serve as volunteers. Excepted are the Executive Director, Secretary, Editor and Assistant Editor positions. Occupants of those offices are part-time paid professionals.



Masonic Home Visits

In the 1980's and 1990's. Harry Kennedy arranged the annual bus trips to the Masonic Home in Utica, under the sponsorship of the Bureau. December 1989 was the anniversary of the 25th annual trip from Monroe County. Kennedy had chaired most of the trips. Special plaques were presented to Robert and Linda Zahn in 1990 by Kennedy in recognition of their ongoing efforts in assisting with the trips.

Presidents Award

Along with other earlier recipients, William Hook and Harold Bollotin were presented plaques in 1997 in recognition of their years of dedication to the work of the Bureau, putting in many volunteer hours to advance the benefits of the Bureau. In 1999, Erna-Jean T. Walker was presented the award because of her many years of selfless service in serving on and chairing the Scholarship committee. William Hook repeated as recipient in 2000 for intensive labor efforts at Camp DeMolay. Richard Snyder received it in 2002 when he dove into Camp DeMolay improvements providing hundreds of volunteer hours.

Equipment Refurbishment and Restoration

In the 1980's and 1990's, Brother John Zona did considerable carpentry, electrical and maintenance jobs in setting up the Bureau and Masonic Times offices when they were relocated to the 3rd floor within the 875 East Main Street Masonic Temple Building. Most action occurred during 1989 when the building was sold to Saucke Brothers Construction Company. The Bureau assumed management of the 3rd and 4th floors. Robert Pettit was Executive Director and Robert Rudman President when the Bureau settled in.

During the 1990's, Mat Gingold and Ted Honea, along with Richard Giedd and Donald Bell, were recognized for their volunteer time with the Bureau over several years each. They dealt with the newspaper, office equipment, computer installations and repairs and whatever other chores needed handling.

MILITARY ACTIVITY

Odell Kelly was among the first to arrange monthly volunteer visits to the Canandaigua Veterans Hospital. He was Chairman and Treasurer of the Christmas Planning Committee for about one thousand patients. The volunteers in the group were fellow Masons and members of the Eastern Star.

Tom Paglia and Harold Bollotin were faithful volunteers for Veteran's Services for several decades each, amassing hundreds of hours in visitations, holiday activities at the hospitals and received awards from the VA for their efforts. Paglia became Vice-Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on



Veterans Affairs and in 2001, was named Chairman of the Committee, continuing in that capacity through 2004.

In the WWII days, Sampson Air Base troops in the Geneva area were entertained at the Masonic Temple through Bureau sponsorship of dinners and dances.

The Bureau Youth Committee sponsored dinner dances at Sampson and U of R students were hostesses for these events. "Talk a letter home" discs were made and annual variety shows performed by Bureau members for audiences as large as 5,000. There was a time when the USO was furnished with hosts and hostesses, including Thanksgiving Days when the Bureau provided turkey dinners throughout the day for the troops.

As part of the visitations of Masons to the VA Hospital in Canandaigua, entertainment has been provided along with gift items such as electric razors, magazines, radios and Christmas items. Even discarded watches and radios were provided for use in the Department of Physiotherapy.

Over the years, Tom Paglia and his wife Cora, along with Harold Bollotin and his wife Sylvia with other volunteer friends and members of the Craft, kept close contact with the Canandaigua VA hospital in behalf of the Bureau, where they relentlessly visited patients, collected and wrapped Christmas gifts and helped in distribution of those gifts. They often enlisted the participation of reigning district grand lodge officers as well. They were the successors of Harry Kennedy whose name had become synonymous with Masonic service for veterans and for the elderly.

On April 30, 1998, Tom Paglia was recognized at Veteran's Volunteers Awards Night in Canandaigua for having contributed over 5,000 hours volunteering during the previous 22 years.

The Bureau assisted in the formation of the James A. Hard Masonic War Veteran's Post. In the 1990's, it merged with the Wayne Charter Post and together they became the James A. Hard-Wayne Charter Post No. 12, Masonic War Veterans of the State of New York. Emil Schirano, member of the Board of the Bureau at the turn of the 21st century, also served as Post Commander at that time.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community Service

For the decade of the 90's, Harold Bollotin continuously created opportunities for Masons to participate in activities such as Sigl Center fundraisers, walk-a-thons, special Olympics, hospital visits to the children and the like. He prided himself on announcing he was a member of the Masonic community, performing as a member of the Service Bureau. He was "Professor Korn" for children and seniors.

Sick Room Equipment

Help was constantly needed to clean, repair, sort and stock loan closet equipment. Regular volunteers were Bureau staffers Donald Brugger and Vernon Goodrich. On occasions, one or another of the member lodges would commit a volunteer group to spend some hours to help with these efforts.

Ronald McDonald House

In 1989, the cornerstone of the Rochester Ronald McDonald House was laid in a Masonic ceremony by Grand Master Sheldon Blank and his grand line. The stone cost \$700 with half borne by the firm that provided it and the other half by the Bureau. Paul Gleason also had the Bureau duly inscribe the trowels used in the ceremony.

John T. Keller who was 1988 Master of Flower City Lodge was an energetic promoter of the House needs. He promoted Masonic involvement through the Masters and Wardens Association of the County. He later became a member of the House Board of Directors and had accumulated many hours of volunteer service there.

Service Bureau Director and Trustee Donald Darrohn was recognized for his inspirational leadership in revitalizing the District program to support the House. In the year 2000, the District raised \$10,000 and on March 14, 2001, boasted another \$9650 in donations. Darrohn received the Grand Lodge Community Service Award on St. John's Day in Utica in 2001, the only Craft Brother to have done so. Don assumed chairmanship of the shopping mall drives which were the mainstay of solicitation dollars in support of the House. He organized volunteers to man booths and handled all the logistics.

The County Masters and Wardens Association had initiated the connection with the House at the end of the 1980's. They turned control over to the Bureau later in the 1990's. During the first decade of Masonic involvement, over \$100,000 was raised. There have never been any costs since all expenses have been borne by mall managements, local businesses and Masonic and Eastern Star volunteers to man the booths.



Eagle Scout Program

The Bureau assumed responsibility from the Masters and Wardens Association for continuing recognition of Eagle Scouts in the community. In 1997, Bureau officers presented a gift of \$3000 to Otetiana Council at the annual Eagle Scout Banquet. This activity continued through 2002.

The official kits for Scouts and their parents, with Masonic certificates, were presented, usually at Courts of Honor. These contained logo tie clips for the father, a pin for the mother, and a medal with ribbon and lapel pin for the Scout. A Bureau representative would attend the various Courts and make the presentations in behalf of the Bureau.

ANNUAL INTERFAITH SERVICE AND BREAKFAST/BRUNCH

This activity was initiated by Theodore T. Benz and Anthony J. Schatzlein in 1941. There were 740 Masons in attendance at the premier. William F. Strang, attorney and member of Seneca Lodge was in attendance, as Deputy Grand Master.

Religious services were conducted over the weekends, at Temple Beth El, Christ Episcopal Church and Salem Evangelical Church. All came together for the breakfast program at places like the Rochester Masonic Temple, Bausch & Lomb dining rooms and Midtown Plaza's main lobby in the 1950's and 1960's. There are more details in Herman Sarachan's "History of Freemasonry in Monroe County" which was published in 1970.

During Sarachan's second term as Bureau President, he inaugurated the **DISTINGUISHED COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD** for presentation to a citizen of the greater Rochester community who was recognized for charitable, volunteer service. The award has been a special feature since 1960 and the names of recipients are in Appendix I of this History.

Linda and Robert Zahn were lead figures in maintaining the event into the 1990's. There were no programs from 1995 through 1997 because of escalating costs and waning interest. In 1998, President Lawrence Canfield assigned the task of restoring the event to the Bureau Vice-President, who in that year was Jay McCullough. Both the interfaith service and breakfast were moved to Logan's Party House, through the efforts of Ramona Dimino. The Service Bureau Council handled ticket sales and served as hosts. Past award recipients were polled for names of candidates to receive the DCSA. Attendance for that year was 227 and in 1999, increased to over 250. Angelo DiCataldo who was a Bureau Council member and later Vice-President and President, provided handsome plaques for presentation to honorees over the years and later, his son Michael followed suit.



The Bureau added a monetary gift of \$500 for the award recipient to give to a charity of his or her choice. Flowers, photographs and religious service pamphlets have been regularly provided by Linda Zahn as a gift. Paul Gleason, Bureau past president, trustee and DCSA recipient has been the perennial arranger of the Interfaith Service. Father Otto Vogt, a retired priest in the Rochester Diocese has participated with Paul and several Jewish Masons have taken on the role of Rabbi. The breakfast part of the program became a brunch in the early part of the 21st century.

PHYSICAL PLANT

Owners of the Rochester Temple and Auditorium building on East Main Street were forced into selling it starting in 2001. Vernon Goodrich began efforts, with several pro-tem committees, to find a new home. Many areas within the City and County were investigated. The Bureau's income could not sustain a lease which was paid at the rate of \$20,000 annually in 2001 and 2002.

After several months of searching, the decision was to enter into a land lease at the Shrine Mosque in Webster, NY. In September of 2002, the Bureau contracted to build a 2,100 square foot addition to an existing building at the 979 Bay Road site, with an occupancy plan of 35 years at a rental of \$160 per month. The base cost was \$165,000. Occupancy took place on the last couple of days of May, 2003 when all final effects were removed from the Rochester Temple.

HISTORICAL DATA SUMMARY

Some persons named in the appendices come with little detail on their Masonic, professional, civic or other fraternal data, including that on their families or social lives. Some stories may be in Grand Lodge records, historical treatises locally and statewide in the Rochester and Grand Lodge Libraries. Past issues of the Masonic News or Masonic Times or other media may carry data. In some cases, highlights of their years in the Service Bureau are contained in appropriate sections of this historical treatise.

John Dyer of Etolian and Charlotte-Corinthian Lodges and an Assistant Grand Lecturer created the Bureau's first Internet website in September, 2001. In September 2003, the Bureau web was linked to the Monroe District web which had been maintained by Pedro Ugalde of Northfield Lodge. The record herein contained can therefore be found at *monroemasonic.com*.

As this history is revised, updated and improved upon, perhaps more light can be shed on the roles of those who served, making the Bureau a unique "hub of Masonic information and activity" in the mid western region of New York State.



Errors, omissions, additions which should be part of this History are welcomed by the staff of the Masonic Service Bureau at anytime.

APPENDIX I

Distinguished Community Service Award Honorees

Awards began in 1947, but were limited to members of the Masonic Craft with no record available. In 1960 the Board of Directors voted to eliminate the restriction. *[The asterisk before the name indicates deceased]*

- 1960 *Bernard E. Finucane
- 1961 *David Harvard
- 1962 *Henri J. Projanski, clothing manufacturer
- 1963 *Gilbert J. C. McCurdy, department store owner, merchant
- 1964 *Dr. Samuel J. Stabins, vaccine creator
- 1965 *Albert W. Skinner, Monroe County Sheriff
- 1966 *Lennarth C. Anderson
- 1967 *Morrie E. Silver, sports promoter
- 1968 *Caroline W. Gannett, charities volunteer, spouse of Gannett News founder *Mrs. F. Hawley Ward, charities volunteer
- 1969 Major Ralph R. Leidy, head of Salvation Army Rochester
- 1970 *Rev. Thomas B. Richards
- 1971 *Odell B. Kelly, Service Bureau Executive Director
- 1972 *Thomas H. Hawks
- 1973 *Anthony J. Schatzlein, originator of Service Bureau Interfaith Service/Breakfast
- 1974 *F. Ritter Shumway, Rochester industrialist
- 1975 *Carl L. Stevenson
- 1976 *Dr. Wilbur Eddy Saunders
- 1977 *Dr. Charles Robb
- 1978 *Frank W. Allen
- 1979 *Eddie Meath, media personality, creator of "toys for tots" XMAS delivery to hospitals
- 1980 *Rev. Charles J. Lavery
- 1981 *Hon. Frank J. Horton, Congressman
- 1982 *Hon. Norman J. Selke, Judge in Monroe County
- 1983 Killiam J. Schmitt
- 1984 *Honorable Barber B. Conable, Jr., Congressman
- 1985 *Mrs. Coris H. Carlson, charities, spouse of Xerox founder
- 1986 *R. Kenneth Crawford, funeral director and past Sr. Grand Warden, died in 1994
- 1987 Gabe Dalmath, NBC TV News Anchor and Producer



- 1988 Dr. Wende W. Logan, medical researcher specializing in women's cancers *Jerry Flynn, public relations celebrity, emcee of many charity events
- 1989 Willis Sprattling, Xerox public relations director
- 1990 Gary Mervis, founder of Camp Good Days and Special Times for young cancer victims
- 1991 Martha A. Tack, charities volunteer
- 1992 Rosa Wims, provider of soup kitchen, clothing, job search, lodging for poor/displaced Rev. Paul R. Gleason, Jr., community charities volunteer, Grand Chaplain of NY Masons
- 1993 Mrs. Dorothy Steele, community charities volunteer
- 1994 Dr. Walter Cooper, promoter of educational programs for minorities, member NY Board of Regents, promoter of 3rd World sister cities programs, anti-poverty program volunteer, retired Kodak Research executive.
- 1998 Dr. C. Padmanabh Kamath, volunteer at Faith Community Health Awareness Center. Volunteer recruiter, clinical lab director at Highland Hospital
- 1999 Donald W. Alhart, ABC TV News Anchor, Rochester Rotary Past President, volunteer
- 2000 David P. Crawford, funeral director, pastoral counseling center, fundraiser for WWII Washington Memorial, founder of grief education forum, member Rochester Chamber. Jaycees and Rotary, Better Business Bureau award for outstanding record of community service.
- 2001 Daniel M. Meyers, President, Al Sigl Center, member Rochester Rotary, Association for the Blind, Lifespan, Eastman House and Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra
- 2002 Bonnie Vahey, Public Relations and Executive Director, Ronald McDonald House
- 2003 Tom Ferraro, Food Link
- 2004 Theresa Capozzi, volunteer service to numerous agencies, caregiver, fundraiser and promoter of volunteerism.



APPENDIX II

Principal Leaders of the Bureau

1810-1814	John Ray	Master, Morning Star Lodge No. 223, Pittsford, NY
1815	Azel Ensworth	Master, Meridian Lodge
1817	A. Hamlin	Master, Wells Lodge No. 282
1818-1827		Commander, Monroe Encampment, Knights Templar. First Mayor of Rochester 1834
1828	Jonathan Child	
1835-1836	Jacob Gould	Mayor of Rochester
1837	Thomas Kempshall	Mayor of Rochester
1838-1847		High Priest, Hamilton Chapter RAM
1848		Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1849-1865	William E. Lathrop	
1866-1871		
	Otis Cole	Civil War Vet, Commander in Chief Rochester Consistory, Masonic Benevolence Committee
1872-1877		
1878	William Lincoln	President, Western NY Masonic Relief Assn
1879-1888	Sage	Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1889	William A.	Master, Frank R. Lawrence No. 797,
1890-1892	Sutherland	Grand Master Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1893-1895	Warren E. Hubbard	Master, Frank R. Lawrence No. 797, Minister Financier of benevolences Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1896-1901	George H. Clarke	77 Main St lodge rooms destroyed in fire during his term Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1902-1904	Thomas Brooks	Masonic Fair and Building Project coordinator Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1905-1907	J. Hungerford Smith	Community business owner Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1908-1910	Herbert Leary	Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1911-1913	Frederick Smith	Doctor of Medicine Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory
1914-1919	Esten P. Fletcher	Masonic Employment Bureau organizer 1916
1916-1917	Frederick R. Boyce	President, Masonic Employment Bureau
1918-1919	Herman Dussenbach	President, Masonic Employment Bureau
1920-1922	Edwin G. Foster	
1923	John W. Baker	
1924	George J. Vetter	
1925	Charles M. Buck	



1926	James H. Thompson	
1927-1928	Garson Meyer	
1929-1930	F. Alton Collins	
1931	G. Carson Baker	
1932-1933	Walter L. Pierce	
1934	Elmer G. Seel	Doctor of Medicine Promoter of "Year of Rochester" Centennial
1935	Theodore T. Benz	Co-creator of Interfaith Service and Breakfasts
1936-1937	William C. Miller	Funeral Director
1938-1940	Richard Y. Holden	
1941-1942	James E. Laird	Rochester War Week observed 1942. Masons prominent in sale of War Bonds
1943	Amos S. Parent	
1944-1947	Henri P. Projansky	Clothier. Provider of mimeograph work for lodges totaling over 48,000 letters/cards each year
1948-1951	John M. Biggs	
1952-1953	C. Herbert Holt	
1954-1955	Barton Baker	Doctor of Medicine Wrote Bureau history to 1950
1956-1957	Frank J. Horton	Bureau VP in 1955, Rochester City Councilman Masonic Grand Rep from Ohio Congressman until 1990's Member Grand Lodge Committees
1958	Leonard Parker	
1958	Charles H. McCracken	Superintendent of Transportation, Kodak
1960-1962	Herman A. Sarachan	Renowned Masonic Ritualist. Author of Masonic Books. Library named in his honor
1963-1964	George L. Wetzell	Founder of local Masonic newspapers
1965	James Gisleson	Diligent community service volunteer Masonic Grand Rep from Turkey
1966-1967	R. Kenneth Crawford	Funeral Director Sr. Grand Warden
1968	Sidney H. O'Dell	[bio in Appendix III]
1969-1970	Harry H. Kennedy	Grand Lodge staff officer
1971-1972	John D. Braund	
1973	Robert P. Zabel	Kodak Film Division Personnel Director DDGM, Commander in Chief Rochester Consistory Multi-term secretary, Rochester Consistory Elected 33 rd Degree
1974-1975	Stanley C. Allen	



1976-1977	Rodney R. Rittenhouse	Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory Board Chairman, Masonic Learning Center Scottish Rite Deputy Rep for NY Grand Lodge staff officer Elected 33 rd Degree
1978-1979	Ralph A. Kellogg	Grand Lodge staff officer Retired to Florida in 1990's
1980	Roger Lowry	Grand Lodge Endowments Committee [deceased 2001]
1981-1982	Harold E. Weiser	Ronald D. Mertens Grand Lodge staff officer, Jr. Grand Warden 1989 Expelled from Craft 2001
1983		
1984-1985	Maurice Solomon	Chairman, Custodian of the Works 1990's Manager of County Masonic Directory Perennial Chairman, Editorial Board of Bureau
1986	Frederick A. Stahl	Grand Lodge staff officer Community business leader and Bureau Advisor
1987	Gerald J. Glaser	Master, Flower City Lodge, DDGM Mechanical engineer, owner/operator of stock brokerage [deceased 9-26-2003]
1988-1989	Robert E. Rudman	Grand Lodge staff officer Master, Monroe Lodge No. 173, Brockport Superintendent Gas, RG&E
1990-1991	Paul R. Gleason, Jr.	Minister, Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge of NY Service Bureau Motto "Caring is Everything"
1992-1993	David C. Clarke	DDGM 1988-1989 Master, Valley-Simes Lodge Administrator, Rochester City Schools
1994-1995	William A. Baldwin	Grand Lodge staff officer Division Director of Training, Kodak [deceased unexpectedly 1999]
1996-1997	Gary L. Burke	Lodge Master Owner/operator craft retail outlets DeMolay activist and State Executive 2001 State DeMolay Dad 2002
1998-1999	Lawrence K. Canfield	Grand Lodge staff officer Owner/operator/restorer antique store Former member NYS Police Security/Safety Xerox and Kodak Received Grand Lodge Personal Achievement Award
2000-2001	F. "Jay" McCullough	DDGM 1989-1990 US Marine Corps Korea combat vet Security Director, Kodak retiring in 1986 after 30 years Master, Monroe Lodge No. 173, Brockport Grand Veil, Royal Arch Masons NY Member, several Grand Lodge committees Member American Legion Posts and Masonic War Vets Civil aviation pilot and aircraft owner



2002-2003	Angelo DiCataldo	Master, Wakan-Hubbard Lodge No. 154 Member and leader of several Masonic bodies Owner/operator several businesses in Rochester area
2003-2005	Linda Zahn	First woman to hold the lead position in the Bureau Head of several Bureau committees over several years Staunch Eastern Star member Strongly involved in her Church activities



APPENDIX III

Executive Directors

Also titled

Managers, Superintendents, Presidents

1916	John B. Coleman, Manager, Masonic Employment Bureau
1918	Caroll W. McConnell, Superintendent
1919	John C. McNab, Superintendent
1920-1929	Horace G. Oliver, Manager
1930-1942	Rev. Hugh A. Taylor, Manager
1943-1946	Erma A. Hughson, Executive Secretary/Assistant Manager
1947-1956	Willard J. Smith, Manager
1956-1973	Odell B. Kelly, Executive Director Known as "Father Kelly" throughout the Masonic community Born November 7, 1902, Steuben County Graduated High School in Bath and RBI in 1921 Master, Corinthian Temple 1938 Active in several concordant bodies Honorary Legion of Honor, DeMolay Awarded 33 rd Degree in 1963 Grand Sword Bearer, President Masters & Wardens Irondequoit Town Councilman 8 years Elder in Summerville Presbyterian Church Rotarian Insurance Adjuster for 25 years
1974-1982	William R. Zufall Grand Representative from North Carolina BS in electrical engineering Many years at General Dynamics Over 25 years in Rochester Post Office main offices
1983-1986	Warren Trimble
1987-1988	Roderick C. Meier Grand Representative from Alaska Kodak Engineer for 43 years until 1986 US Air Force 1944-1946 in C-47 transports U of R Engineering graduate Master, Churchville Lodge 667 twice Active in several concordant bodies
1989-1992	Dr. Robert C. Pettit DDGM Commander in Chief, Rochester Consistory 33 rd Degree



Honorary Legion of Honor, DeMolay
High Priest, Royal Arch Masons Chapter
Treasurer, several Masonic bodies
Professional career as Rochester area Dentist
Civil aviation pilot and aircraft owner

1993-2003

Vernon L. Goodrich

Master, Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969
DDGM
Local and State offices in Royal Arch Masons
Leader of Commanderies, Knights Templar
Several offices in Rochester Consistory & awarded
MSA
Honorary Legion of Honor, DeMolay
Several offices in Damascus Shrine
CPA and Financial Advisor
Owner/operator several small businesses
Awarded BS and MBA, MCC and RIT
Adjunct instructor at SUNY, Brockport
[deceased July 20, 2003]

2003-

Charles "Skip" Waterstreet

Past Master, Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969
Treasurer, Craftsman/Robertson Lodge No. 969
Editor, Masonic Times
Eastman Kodak Retiree