

# THE RAMBLER

SWOPE PARK MASONIC TEMPLE

8521 OLDHAM RD.

MARCH 1980

## Events At Swope Park Lodge during January and February

On Jan. 10th, Daniel Stephen Campbell was initiated into the Mysteries of Freemasonry with Bro. Eugene Carr in the East. Bro. Carr is our Senior Steward this year. Also Bro. John C. Waggoner gave back his proficiency in the Master Mason Degree and is now a full fledged member of Swope Park Lodge.

On Jan. 22nd our own Ritual Study Club met at the Temple and practiced openings and closings, and then conferred the 1st Degree on a straw candidate. Brethern we meet each Third Tuesday of the month and every Master mason is invited to attend and take part or just look on. Your attendance will enable you to learn the Masonic Ritual so you can participate in the work during our regular stated meetings. Please come out and join with the Officers and help us out. Our meeting starts at 7:00 P.M. and closes at 9:00 P. M. Also on Wednesday the Masters and Wardens Study Club meets at 9th and Harrison and you are urged to attend there during the same hours. You will find most of your Swope Park Officers there so you will feel at home.

On Jan. 17th the Auditing Committee met and approved the books of the Secretary and Treasurer.

Our Custodian, Wor. Bro. Harry B. Sherman and Wife Hazel returned from a long stay in Hilo, Hawaii where they have been visiting their daughter Mrs. Janet Cameron. Harry reports he visited the Masonic Lodge in Hilo while there.

On Jan. 24th two Entered Apprentices gave back their 1st degree proficiency, namely Bros. Fred S. Medlock and Francis E. Rogers. They then received the Fellowcraft Degree. Afterwards Bro. Ron Boehmer gave back his proficiency in the 2nd Degree, also on the 24th, Bro Clarence L. Clark, an 84 year old Master Mason was elected to membership in Swope Park Lodge, transferring from Raytown Lodge on account of the steps at Raytown. Welcome to Swope Park Brother.

On Feb. 14th, Bro. Curley Clyde Boseley gave back his proficiency in the First Degree. Bro. Boseley took his First Degree in a St. Louis Lodge in 1944, and then was called into the Service and he is now trying to catch up on his Masonic work. Later the same night Bro. Ron Boehmer took his Third Degree and was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason with Wor. Bro. Marshall C. Rimann in the East in the Second Section. Bro Rimann did an excellent job in Raising Bro. Boemer. Bro. Fred S. Medlock also gave back his proficiency in the Second Degree, being examined by Bro. Gary Mullins our Junior Warden. Bro. Medlock gave back an excellent examination.

On Feb. 19th, Swope Park Lodge met in Special Communication and Conferred the First Degree on Bro. Melvin L. Tacke. Usually on the Third Tuesday of each month, Swope Park Lodge meets at 7:00P.M. for Ritual Work. All Master Masons are invited to attend.

On Feb. 28th, Bro Fred S. Medlock was Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason with Wor. Bro. Dale G. Carter in the East. Bro. Carter is Master of Swope Park Lodge this year, and did a beautiful job in the Second Section. Wor. Bro. Glenn A. Kirk gave the Lecture and Wor. Bro. Marshall C. Rimann gave the Charge, it being his first attempt since he learned this piece of Masonic Ritual. He did a fine job.

Brethern, our Annual Spring Dinner will be held at Swope Park Temple on Mar. 27th., 1980 at 6:30 P. M. Please plan to attend and make your reservations early. Lets all get together and make this a gala evening. Our own District Deputy Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Lawrence S. Cameron will make his Official Visit to our Lodge That night. Lets have a big crowd out that night to welcome Bro.

Cameron, and listen to the Message he brings us from our Grand Master.

W. D. Shotwell, B.D.

#### "On The Secretary's Desk"

Word has been received that several pins mailed to our 25 year members have not been received. If you have previously been notified that you are due a 25 year pin and have not received it or if you want to know when you will be eligible, drop me a line.

I would like to remind those who have not as yet remitted their 1980 dues, you are now delinquent and the time grows short before suspension time. Please mail yours today. We do not want to suspend anyone without just cause. If you have any problems concerning your dues that we may assist in any way, please let me know.

Glenn A. Kirk, Sec.

#### From the Masters Trelselboard

Greetings Brethren, It is with pleasure and the assistance of several Brethren, to send you another edition of "The Rambler", to inform you of the work we have done since our last newsletter and of coming events.

We had a very good time at the Pot Luck dinner last month. I do intend to do that again in the near future, so watch for the Rambler to inform you when. The only unfortunate incident was when our Junior Warden, Gary Mullins, and our Junior Steward, Bro. Ron Ross got caught washing dishes after the dinner. They say life at home hasn't been the same since their wives found out they could wash dishes, (my sympathy Brothers).

Brethren, I would like to encourage all of you who can to attend the Master and Wardens study club, held every Wed. evening at 7:00PM at 9th and Harrison. It is an opportunity to have fellowship with Brethren from other Lodges in the 22nd District, and also to learn the Ritual Work. I would like to remind you that membership cards for the Master and Wardens study club are available for \$2.00 thru our Sec. Wor. Bro. Glenn A. Kirk, or at the study club.

Another event coming up Sat. evening April 12, 1980 at the Scottish Rite Temple, 1330 Linwood is the Masters and Wardens dinner in honor of The Grand Lecturer, Rt. Wor. Bro. Stanton T. Brown, also The Grand Master of MO, Most Wor. Bro. Gus O. Nations will be there. Tickets for this dinner are \$6.00 each and can be purchased from our Sec or at the Master And Wardens Association.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our annual spring dinner. I might also add that we are having degree work that night, along with the official visit of our District Deputy Grand Master, Rt. Wor. Bro. Larry Cameron. Make plans to come out and have a memorable evening.

D.D.G.L. Rt. Wor. Bro. Thomas C. Hurt will be holding a School of Instruction at Swope Park Lodge, Sun. Mar. 23, 1980 at 2:00 PM.

Dale G. Carter, W. M.

#### "From The Library"

It is quite encouraging to see the way in which the Brethren are responding to the call to establish the Ray Hamilton Memorial Library as the finest Masonic Library in the area. The final touches have been made to the library room itself and we wish to thank Wor. Bro. Bill Gray, Bro. Roy Gilmore, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Larry Cameron for donating their time, skills, and labor to this project. Their endeavors are greatly appreciated.

Our collection of books is beginning to grow rapidly also. Wor. Bro. Paul Kelly, Past Master of York Lodge #563 has most graciously presented to us a number of volumes from his personal library, some of which are quite rare and expensive. We would also like to thank the following brethren who have either given us

books or made donations for the purchase of them; Fred Aichle, Wor. Master Dale Carter, Jim Bartow, Gary Mullins, Curley Boseley, Ed Calvert, Larry Cameron, and Kenneth Lair of Raytown #391 and Ron Ross.

We ask that you also become a patron of Swope Park Library by either donating a book of Masonic interest or the funds to buy one. You can send your donation to the Sec., Wor. Bro. Kirk, or better still deliver it in person at one of our meetings. For those of you celebrating your Masonic birthdays soon why not do so by giving the lodge a present of a book.

Every book donated or purchased from a donation will have the donors name inscribed as such on the inside of the volume and thus your gift will become a lasting memorial in the archives of the lodge.

Marshall C. Rimann  
Chairman, Library Comm.

#### Demolay Activities in 1980

On Jan. 28, 1980 an area Demolay Prospect Party was held at Wm. F. Kuhn Chapter Order of DeMolay at the Swope Park Masonic Lodge, 8501 Oldham Rd. Kansas City, Mo.

Prospects for DeMolay membership were brought from Sedalia, Whiteman Air Force Base, Independence, Lee's Summit, Grandview, Parkville, and Wm. F. Kuhn Chapters. Several parents of the boys, Members and Advisors of each chapter accompanied them. Sweethearts from Parkville and Wm. F. Kuhn also attended. Over 100 people attended the party. Refreshments were served by the Wm F. Kuhn Mother's Club after the meeting.

On Feb. 17, 1980 an Initiation was held at Wm. F. Kuhn Chapter. Four boys, Roy Glor, Phillip Goldsby, Richard Nave and Shawn Rojas from the Wm F. Kuhn Chapter, and Curtis Wise and Tim Henry from Kennemer Chapter at Grandview were initiated.

The Initiatory Degree and DeMolay Degree were conducted by team members of the Area DeMolay Chapters. The team was assembled by the State Area Master Councilor, Brian Jones of Lee's Summit, Mo.

Refreshments were served by the DeMolay Area Mother's Club after the meeting.

Personnel of the International Supreme Council, Tim Moberly and John Lowe; Darrill Brown, State Master Councilor, St. Louis, MO Area Governors, Dad Queener, Independence, Dad Davis, Raytown; Floyd Van Dolah and Jim Nathan, Personal Representatives of the DeMolay State Executive Officer, Ron Compton of St. Louis attended the meetings and helped make the meetings a great success.

On March 9, 1980 at 4:00PM, Installation of Officers for the Wm. F. Kuhn Order of DeMolay Chapter, was held at the Swope Park Masonic Lodge, 8501 Oldham Rd. Kansas City, Mo. Refreshments were served immediately following the ceremony.

The Chapter appreciates all support and attendance the Masonic Orders have given them.

Kenneth E. Lair,  
Chapter Dad

Please make your reservation for Swope Park's annual spring dinner at 8521 Oldham Rd. at 6:30 PM, Thursday March 27, 1980 by calling Worshipful Master Dale G. Carter 763-7013 or the Sec. Glenn A. Kirk 763-5396 or by Mailing your reservation to Glenn A. Kirk, Sec. 10323 Crystal, K. C. MO. 64134

I Will attend the dinner \_\_\_\_\_

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