

THE RAMBLER

SWOPE PARK MASONIC TEMPLE

8521 OLDHAM RD.

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Brethren:

Coming events, Past Masters dinner.

The annual Past Master's dinner is scheduled to be held on Saturday, 3 November, 1984 at the Ararat Shrine Temple. Social hour will be from 5:30 to 6:30 PM when dinner will be served. The menu is roast beef, ham and shrimp, vegetables, salad, and drink (coffee, tea, etc) and will be served buffet style. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Our guest speaker for the evening is Most worshipful Brother Wes Cook, Past Grand Master of the State of Missouri. I would especially like to see a good turn-out of our members to honor our Past Masters and to honor this local Past Grand Master who will be in our midst. Reservations should be made with Worshipful Brother Glenn Kirk at 763-5396 not later than Wednesday 31 October 1984. (The Past Master's dinner will be paid for by the lodge).

8 November 1984 Election night

A chili supper will be held at the lodge prior to our meeting. This is the night we elect our officers for the ensuing year. It is also the night we will dedicate the William R. Gray Memorial. Worshipful Brother Gray passed away in 1983 and was one of our active Past Masters. The Memorial is a set of electric chimes made by Worshipful Brother Richard A. Wilson which will be used during our third degree ceremony and other solemn occasions. We expect to have Mrs. Gray with us for this dedication. The dinner will start at 6:00 PM with the dedication to start at 7:00 PM There is no charge for the dinner, but we will need a head count to insure we have enough food prepared. Reservations should be made with Worshipful Brother Glenn Kirk at 763-5396 no later than Tuesday, 6 November 1984. The dedication is expected to last approximately 30-45 minutes and then the lodge will be opened for the election of Officers and business meeting. No degree work will be scheduled for this night. Hope to see you there.

Auction Report

The auction is over and was very successful. We were able to raise over \$1100.00 and after deducting the newspaper ad expences, we netted just under one thousand dollars. The success of the auction is attributed to many of our brethren and neighborhood merchants. A list of those merchants is provided for your information and they certainly deserve our patronage. Some of the items sold included limosene service, (2 hours), Antique smokers table/stand, disc camera, 35 MM camera, stereo (imported from Germany), stereo record player, caculator, typewriters, school desks, a huge teddy bear, and not to mention several hand made children's toys. This is just some of the items and believe me there were many more. Brother Steve Medlock, Junior Warden was the Chairman of the auction Committee and really worked hard getting things together. A special thanke goes to Brother Medlock and to the subcommittee who made it work. I also want to say thanks to those who worked at the auction and without whose help it would never have gone so smoothly. They are Job's Daughters Bethel #7 (who contributed their profits from the concession operation to our total), R/Wor Bro. Warder Shotwell, W/Bro. Glenn Kirk, Bro. Don Matney, R/Wor. Bro. Larry Cameron, Bro. Steve Medlock, Bro. Gary Baron, Bro. Mel Tacke, Bro. Ron Ross, Bro. Curley Boseley, and Bro. Fred Aichele and to all others who were in and out throughout the auction.

The total lodge contributions collected for the Western Unit of the Masonic home to date is \$3709.00

Richard G. Brown
Worshipful Master

Donations made by following

L.P.'s AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE (LARRY PUGSLEY, OWNER)
8722A BLUERIDGE BLVD 763-0776
\$22.00 OIL CHANGE

PETE WEHNER BARBER SHOP 8730 BLUERIDGE .
HAIRCUT & SHAMPOO RETAIL VALUE \$13.50 765-3016

BANNISTER LINCOLN - MERCURY (MIKE RUDDLE, GEN MANAGER)
6300 east 87th
2 each , \$54.00 minor car tune up \$109.00 VALUE 333-6400

DUNKIN DONUTS (MIKE VETTER MGR)
87th & BLUERIDGE
6 DOZEN DONUTS (6 one dozen certificates) \$16.00 VALUE

VIDEO TO GO (DENNIS & VICKI BULLARD OWNERS)
8718 BLUERIDGE BLVD
3 each (3 beta or 3 VHS) BLANH VIDEO CASSETTES
\$26.85 VALUE 765-8646

SHONEY's RESTURANT (JOHN WATTS MGR)
2 DINNERS OF YOUR CHOICE OF ANY VALUE
\$20.00 (approx) VALUE

SPEEDY LUBE (ED ARNOLD OWNER)
8706 BLUERIDGE BLVD
2 EACH OIL CHANGE & FILTER & GREASE LUBE
\$33.90 VALUE 761-2329

The following degree work has been completed in your lodge since the last issue of thr Rambler.

First degree: Neil Franklin Miller, George Donald Howe, John William Kovelan,
John Dean Zion, William Edward Palmer, James Vernon Keaton.

Proficiencies were returned by John Dean Zion, William Edward Palmer,
James Vernon Keaton and Roy L. Jackson.

Second degree: Roy L. Jackson, William Edward Palmer, James Vernon Keaton,
John Dean Zion.

Proficiencies were returned by Lawrence Lester Rieder, Preston George
Pemberton, James Vernon Keaton, William Edward Palmer and John
Dean Zion.

Third Degree: William Edward Palmer, James Vernon Keaton, John Dean Zion,
Preston George Pemberton, Lawrence Lester Rieder.

Proficiências were returned by Ted Eugene Danley, William Edward Palmer,
John Dean Zion, Preston George Pemberton and Lawrence Lester
Rieder. It is well to note that John Dean Zion examined
himself in all three degrees by giving both the questions and
answers.

New members by affiliation: Glenn Ernest Bell. Welcome to Swope Park Glenn.

Warder M. Shotwell, Ritual Director

On the Secretary's Desk

Brethren: Our lodge year being completed by the submission of the annual report to the Grand Lodge and though Swope Park was very busy at almost every meeting we still had a net loss of seven in membership. We did confer a total of thirty one degrees and gained one by affiliation, we also lost thirteen members by death.

The Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden and myself attended the one hundred sixty third annual communication of the Grand Lodge held in St. Louis on 24th & 25th of September 1984. No doubt the most important information received was that through the monies collected by your contributions, the Masonic Home of Missouri, Western unit has become a reality. The ground breaking has been completed, initial work has been started and hopes for completion in approximately one year.

The present Grand Master intends to continue the use of the contribution program of \$3.65 or one penny a day to go to the Masonic Home West.

The proposed ammendments as presented for action were all passed with the exception of two.

Brethren 1984 has been a very rewarding year for Swope Park. we had some new programs arranged for the entertainment and fellowship of our members which I am sure you would have enjoyed. Make every effort to come to our meetings, we enjoy having you in our midst.

Glenn A. Kirk, Secretary