

# THE TRESTLEBOARD

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## SANTA VISITS LODGE

Damascus Lodge had a surprise visit from a very special Mason. Santa arrived and greeted the lodge and wished all of us a very Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Santa said he was just double checking his list, in Milwaukee. He needed to stretch and relax while the reindeer took a breather and had a snack.

Santa said he was happy to see all the members of Damascus Lodge were not on the Naughty List, though Worshipful Master Curt Campagna was getting close. W.M. Curt should be able to keep off the list with a little help from his brethren.

Santa told the lodge he was sorry he missed Senior Warden Dale Graeven. The elves at the North Pole were all a buzz with the plans, Brother Dale has for the next year.

Santa expressed hope that he would be able to attend a couple of the events, with Mrs. Clause. He has heard the June celebration of



the lodge's Centennial will be something not to miss.

While Santa's visit was short, it was nice to see that freemasonry reaches even to the north pole.

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- *Santa*
- *Bell Ringing*
- *New Lodge Officers*
- *Random Masonic Photo*
- *The Master's Message*

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## BELL RINGING

WM Curt Campagna would like to thank all those who rang bells for the Salvation Army on Saturday December 18th.

This is one of our fundraisers where all of our participants can help so many families and organizations that really need our help.

When it comes to our bell ringing, one person W.M. Curt would like to honor is Alice Rapey. Alice Rapey is the widow of P.M. Ray Rapey who passed on 12/01/99. Many of us have fond memories of Brother Ray. Brother Ray served as Worshipful Master in 1991

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## LODGE OFFICERS FOR 2005

**Worshipful Master: Dale A Graeven, P.M.**

**Senior Warden: Tom Lang, P.M.**

**Junior Warden: Pat Militzer**

**Treasurer: Louis W. Montgomery, P.M.**

**Secretary: John E. Chadderdon, P.M.**

**Chaplain : Curt A. Campagna, P.M.**

**Senior Deacon: Charles "Mick" Olson**

**Junior Deacon: Dale R. Graeven, P.M.**

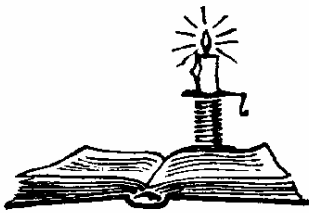
**Senior Steward: Arnold H. Luhm**

**Junior Steward: Larry Chadderdon**

**Counselor: George Weber**

**Degree Director: Michael B. Meyer, P.M.**

**Tiler: Joseph Dalkner**



The Lodge Installation will occur on January 15, 2005 at 6:00pm at Lake Lodge. All are welcome to attend the public installation. The Lodge will be opened at 5:30pm. After the installation you are welcome to share in fellowship and some appetizers.

Also the Centennial Logo will be unveiled at the installation.

## January 2005

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### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 1/11 - Stated Meeting - Encore for Curt Campagna as Master
- 1/15 - Lodge Installation - Lodge Opens at 5:30pm and Installation starts at 6pm
- 1/25 - Social Meeting - Dinner, Officer Meeting and Degree Practise
- 3/20 - Lodge Outing - Dinner and a show at Broadway Baby. Watch for details in future issues.

## SANTA AND FRIENDS



“Observe good faith and justice towards all Nations; cultivate peace and harmony with all. Religion and Morality enjoin this conduct; and can it be, that good policy does not equally enjoin it? It will be worthy of a free, enlightened, and, at no distant period, a great Nation, to give to mankind the magnanimous and too novel example of a people always guided by an exalted justice and benevolence”

George Washington  
President of the United States - Farewell Address

## MASONIC ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations on the Anniversary of your having been raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Your love the Fraternity is made apparent by the cheerful continuation of your long-standing association with it.

Visit Lodge when degrees are being conferred — you just may be reminded of the way you felt when you were initiated, passed, and raised.

Paul W. Schmidt - 1/4/1952 - 53yrs

Jacob W. Metzen - 1/15/1968 - 37 years

## HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

We wish you a very Happy Birthday and many more to come. In our hearts we raise a glass and make a toast, “To your continued long life!”

Louis W. Montgomery, P.M. - 1/10

John A. Kosidowski - 1/17

Thomas Delakis - 1/10

Col. Robert H. Acton - 1/24

Freddrick J. Gebert - 1/13

James E. Schneider - 1/26



*Have you handed out a Pocket Petition yet? Contact the Worshipful Master if need more ?*

## THE MASTERS MESSAGE



Worshipful Master  
Curt A. Campagna, P. M.

Fraternal Greetings Brethren,

Brethren, again my from my family to yours, we wish you all a Happy Holidays and a hopefully safe holiday for all.

This shall be my last Masters message, for our new Master P.M. Dale Graven the junior will be taking the reigns the next time the Tresleboard come out. I hope I have done an acceptable job for all.

On New Years Eve we entertained some of our close friends and family at our house to celebrate the end of one year and to celebrate a start of a new year. We know not what the new start brings for us, but look forward for new experiences, and all the adventures waiting for us.

As we all watched the final countdown to 2005 I had to pause to reflect how my life would change in the upcoming year. One of the leading changes is my life is the appointment as Chaplin of the Lodge. I have a lot to learn and a lot to be responsible for.

This New Year is a milestone in the Lodge filled with many new adventures and new experiences. I feel Brother Dale and all of the new officers will give this Lodge a fun and exciting new year. Our new year is taking shape with many events planned, so watch your Tresleboard or internet ([www.dl290.org](http://www.dl290.org)) for all the info.



One hundred years for a Lodge, and hundreds of good men who have given so much to the Lodge. The honor of serving carries a sense of responsibility and a keen sense of duty that all must realize. The pledge we will give to the Lodge as officers is one most humbling. May the next hundred years of this Lodge be as majestic as the first have.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you as Worshipful Master

Thank you Brethren

Worshipful Master Curt Angelo Campagna, P. M.

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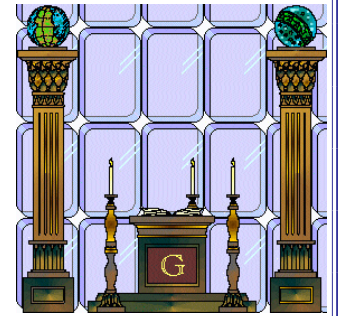
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MASONIC LABOR IS  
PURELY A LABOR OF  
LOVE.

HE WHO SEEKS TO  
DRAW MASONIC  
WAGES IN GOLD  
AND SILVER WILL BE  
DISAPPOINTED.

THE WAGES OF A  
MASON ARE EARNED  
AND PAID IN THEIR  
DEALINGS WITH ONE  
ANOTHER;  
SYMPATHY THAT  
BEGETS SYMPATHY,  
KINDNESS BEGETS  
KINDNESS,  
HELPLESSNESS BEGETS  
HELPLESSNESS, AND  
THESE ARE THE  
WAGES OF A  
MASON.

**Benjamin Franklin**  
(1706-1790)





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- MAKING GOOD MEN BETTER

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Dale R Graeven, P.M. (2007) - To be installed on Jan. 15th

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## BELL RINGING

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and for a second time 1998, and was always raising funds for good charitable organizations.

Brother Ray was the moving force for our Lodge to start our bell ringing activity with the Salvation Army. When Ray passed, Alice continued

the labor of love by helping the Lodge in bell ringing every year.

W.M. Curt is proud to say that Alice has helped us once again this year by manning the bell for two hours of ringing. He praises Alice Rapey for her commitment to the labor of love in doing the good work of charity.

## TRESTLE BOARD ASST. EDITOR

