



CENTRAL LEATHERSTOCKING MASONIC DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

OTSEGO 138 • CHERRY VALLEY 334 • COBLESKILL 394 • DELAWARE RIVER 439
 ONEONTA 466 • SCHOHARIE VALLEY 491 • LAURENS 548
 FARMERS 553 • SCHENEVUS VALLEY 592 • AD ORIENTUM UD

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Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2020

Meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:00 pm.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Rev. Tom Pullyblank led us in prayer.

At the September 2, 2020 Zoom meeting, no particular business was conducted, only general discussion.

CHARITIES CORP

Present	Office	Name
	President	W.: Stephen Garreau
	Vice President	R.: W.: Roy A. Bilby
	Treasurer	R.: W.: Alexander D. Brannan
Y	Secretary	W.: Bruce L. Van Buren

There was no business to conduct.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Present	Office	Name	Present	Office	Name
Y	President	W.: Kenneth E. Zinsar	DDGM	R.: W.: Adam Sokolowski	
Y	VP	Randy Meschutt	DSO	R.: W.: Randy Rathka	
	Treasurer	R.: W.: Alexander D. Brannan	AGL	V.: W.: Keith Dickison	
Y	Secretary	W.: Bruce L. Van Buren	AGL	V.: W.: Christopher Peretin	
Y	DL	R.: W.: Duncan M. Bellinger DuncanBellinger@yahoo.com	Y	RGL	R.: W.: Theodore C. Volkert
	ADL	R.: W.: Bill Mason wmason1574@gmail.com	ADL	R.: W.: Roy Bilby rabilby4@yahoo.com	

OTHERS PRESENT

Tom Pullyblank, Alton Dunn

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS: None

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

- W.: Ron Wood, Jr. coming off CODIV quarantine. He did not contract it.
- W.: Karl Schwarzenegger’s mother passed away.

- V.:W.: Robert F. Bennett had hip replacement
- Gilbert J. Hirscher Jr had heart issues; doing good now & going home with meds.

LODGE NEWS

Lodge	Web Present Notes		
Phoebus 82	U	N	
Otsego 138	N	Y	MasoniCon has been rescheduled for October 8-10, 2021
Cherry Valley 334	N	N	
Cobleskill 394	U	Y	
Delaware River 439	U	N	
Oneonta 466	Y	Y	Dec 7 1 st degree postponed.
Schoharie Valley 491	U	Y	
Laurens 548	N	Y	Chicken & biscuits on Sunday for takeout only.
Farmers 553	Y	N	
Schenevus Valley 592	N	N	
Ad Orientem U.D.	?	Y	Still UD?

Web: Is OurLodgePage and/or LeatherstockingMasons.org/other setup? U = needs update.

BUSINESS

- Grand Master's latest edict: 10 max at meetings; business via electronic means may be conducted except the no ritual and NO balloting on petitions.
- Northstar: The Gand Senior Deacon has been assigning queries. Oneonta received 10, 2 of which have petitioned; others have not responded. Secretaries should verify that Groupable (<https://ny.moriapp.com/>) has proper assignments for Success Coaches. Success Coaches at each lodge should sign up at <http://northstar.discovermasonry.com/Account/LogOn> to manage potential candidates.
- It was suggested that we maintain contact with candidates via Zoom.
- Insurance: It was decided to let our insurance policy lapse and review our needs. The policy did not cover much of anything except added fire for Oneonta Lodge. The organization insured was wrong. There were no coverage for punitive damages. We need to cover the officers of the District Association and the Charities Corp. We need event coverage for golf, mystery dinner, etc. Grand Lodge can cover events to a degree, but it is not clear if it is sufficient. **Randy** is seeking better policies and reviewing coverage. OES needs coverage for the dinner; **Bruce** will check what Grand Chapter OES covers.
- All lodges should review their policies for proper coverage.

Our next meeting is March 3, 2021 at Schenevus. _____ Lodge may provide the meal. If COVID-19 restrictions have not lifted, we will meet via Zoom again. Speaker will be _____.

The minutes will be distributed for review.

The Meeting was closed at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
W.: Bruce L. Van Buren, Secretary

