

WARREN PHILLIPS LODGE #186

WESTBROOK MAINE

17 JANUARY, 1998

HISTORY REPORT FOR YEAR 1997

Master Wor. Ernie Pinkham enjoyed a very successful year as Master of the lodge. Most of the goals set were completed. Wor. Ernie with the assistance of a few of the brethren performed a number of building maintenance projects which negated our funding outside contractors. Ed Knox cleaned exposed cement foundation and this area was painted as well as the building trim. There are only a couple of major refurbish projects to be completed in 1998.

District Deputy R. W. Harold Clough, R.W. John Caldwell, V. W. Frank Dixon and Wor. Ed Knox consisted of the installation officers for the 1997 officers. District Deputy Clough installed the elected officers and R.W. Caldwell installed the appointed officers and V.W. Dixon installed the Chaplin. Wor. Ed Knox, Marshall for the evening gave the final charge.

Warren Phillips Lodge has held the Traveling Gavel for most of the year and is still in possession of the gavel at this writing. We have the honor of having made the greatest number of visitations to other lodges in the 17th District.

The Past Masters held a Widows Night with approximately 42 people in attendance. Following dinner the ladies were retired to the lodge hall where "The Order of The Rose" was presented by the York Rites with High Priest R.W. Raymond McLellon and suite. The ladies were presented with a rose during the ceremony. Everyone was very impressed with this majestic program.

The June 18th Master Mason degree on Michael Robert Smith was performed by the Kora Temple Highlanders Degree Team, including bagpipes. Bro Smith was presented a certificate and medal by the Highlanders and commented that this was a very memorable night for him.

As our usual custom we donated one hundred dollars to the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program via the Master & Warden Committee. We also contributed two hundred and fifty dollars to the 50/50 Scholarship Fund.

Sr. Warden Carl Taylor implemented the URL that lists Warren Phillips Lodge on the E-Net. This can be accessed by typing: <http://www.groceries.com/heartland/ranch/4610> Carl is maintaining this program with revisions as required due to changes in lodge schedule. The following is an excerpt from this Homepage:

Warren Phillips Lodge No. 186

Stated Communication on the first Wednesday of each month

Annual Meeting in on the First Wednesday in January.

573 Main Street

Westbrook, Maine 04098

Phone (207) 854-5041

Welcome to Warren Phillips Lodge No. 186

The name of Warren Phillips Lodge 186 adopted March 20, 1883 in honor Warren Phillips, Past Grand Tyler.

On May 3rd 1883, sixty one citizens of Cumberland Mills met and signed a Charter whereby Warren Phillips Lodge No. 186 A. F. & A. M. was organized.

In January 1941, The Warren Phillips Corporation was incorporated, and in 1942 the decision was made to purchase land and build its own Lodge Hall.

In January of 1963 that dream was realized when the property at 573 Main Street was purchased and the building of Warren Phillips Lodge Hall began. It was completed and dedicated in January of 1965.”

Bro. Carl recommends to those on E-Net to check the URL and see the rest of the of this interesting presentation.

Warren Phillips Lodge has had the pleasure of some of its members serving in prestigious positions this past year. V.W. Frank Dixon, District 17 Representative, is a member of Warren Phillips. Last year Wor. Donald Collins, a 58 year member, was made Mason of the year of the 17th District of Maine.

Warren Phillips Lodge participated in the holiday spirit by assisting the Salvation Army Bell Ringing at the Falmouth Shopping Center.

Warren Phillips Lodge is the only Lodge in the 17th District that has had ladies join us at each of the dinner meeting, generally twice a month. Our meals were prepared under the direction of our Chief Chef, Wor. Ed Knox, who had been doing the cooking for as long as he has been a member of this Lodge.

Necrology: The lodge officiated at 3 services. (One was a non member of our lodge but the family requested our service. The Bro. was returned from Ohio for burial here in Westbrook)

We lost two members of the lodge this year.

Bro. Ernest Andrews

Bro. Ervine Marsters, Ervine was a 50 year member

We are happy to report we raised two new members this year to the Master Mason degree, one new member by affiliation and have four other candidates in the process of taking degrees to become Master Masons in 1998. Three 50 Year Medals, two Stars, and one 25 year pin, were presented this year.

Right Worshipful Harold Clough presented Bro. Robert Weimer with a certificate for perfect attendance at all Lodges of Instructions for the 17th District.

Fraternally,

Rodney W. Hunt

Historian

cc: Grand Lodge of Maine, M.W. John Anagnostis, Grand Secretary
Wor. Ernest Pinkham, Master Warren Phillips Lodge #186
Bro. Gordon Stanhope, Secretary, Warren Phillips Lodge #186