

## A Note From the GDC!

Brothers:

First let me thank W.: Joe Ruiz for allowing me to use this space. I really appreciate it.

Next, let me congratulate those members of Harry S Truman Lodge #1066 who took part in the 1999 Pilgrimage to Utica. The trip certainly was an amazing adventure, and District President V.: W.: Mike Brzoza deserves a standing round of applause for the work he did to make it possible. My advice to everyone reading this letter? Start saving now for the 2000 Trip. It'll be more than worth your while. ☺

If you receive this after the picnic, please accept my apologies. A late start and severe time pressures led to delay. Fortunately, the Committee did its usual fine job in keeping the membership up-to-date as to what was happening so I'm sure everyone will have/did have a great time at the Picnic.

On a serious note, the upcoming meeting welcoming our Deputy Grand Master as an Honorary member of Harry S Truman Lodge is a very big deal indeed, Masonically.

R.: W.: Carl J. Smith, Deputy Grand Master, will most likely ascend to the Grand East in May 2000, becoming the first Grand Master to be seated in the new millenium. His accepting Honorary Membership in our Lodge is a real honor, and deserves special notice.

I have also been informed the Grand Master, M.: W.: Stuart C. McCloud will be attending the September 16 meeting, a treat none should let go by. Grand Master McCloud is an impressive individual and well deserving of the respect he has earned as our Grand Master.

I strongly urge everyone reading this note to come to the September 16 meeting if it is at all possible. Stretch your cable tow, if you have to, but do try your hardest to be present for this milestone in our Lodge's history. You will not be bored, and you will not be disappointed. Masonically, this is a top level occasion and one you, as a member of Harry S Truman Lodge, should be present to witness.

I also urge anyone interested in learning more about our Fraternity to take part in the ongoing Leadership Training Programs being held on the last Monday of each month in Room 931 at Grand Lodge. The sessions resume in September and everyone is welcome. See me on the 16<sup>th</sup> if you're interested.

Finally, watch for news of the Grand Master's Town Hall Meeting, being held soon in Grand Lodge. If you want a candid explanation of what is going on in Freemasonry in New York State, and what Grand Lodge is doing to strengthen and improve our Craft, be with us when Grand Master McCloud answers your questions about our Fraternity. It is not an opportunity to be missed.

I hope you have had a happy and healthy Summer and look forward to meeting and greeting all of you at the September 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Fraternaly yours

*Michael P. Higgins*  
R.: W.: Michael P. Higgins  
Grand Director of Ceremonies

(Town Hall  
11.6 - Sept 18 1999)

# Harry S Truman Lodge #1066

## Summer News Letter

August 1999

Dear Friends and Brothers...

Summer greetings from the east

I would first like to extend my deepest and sincerest thanks to all the brothers who have been at my side during some really trying personal times.

It is really true that the MASONIC family is one second to none, and all my brothers are truly why this brotherhood works. The fact that we are from all walks of life is testimony that Masonry is unique and special and should be protected. I am confident that the bond we share will never be broken.

I hope this summer message finds all of you well and in good health. We are going to bring this century to a close in rare form. Truman Lodge has some really exciting events on its calendar.

We must not forget THE THIRD ANNUAL TRUMAN FAMILY PICNIC on August 14 at The Kopleng Club in Montrose N.Y. Bring your families and join with us for a wonderful day of fun and excitement.

On our first meeting back from our summer break we are having a special meeting honoring our Deputy Grand Master R.: W.: Carl Smith. All brothers are asked to attend and show your support.

Shortly after on Nov. 6 we are having our Annual Ladies Night at Roma View in Howard Beach, another truly eventful evening has been planned for you.

These great activities are going to continue all the way to the new Third Millenium at which time we will be raising several new brothers in our Lodge. We have a full calendar of events ahead and I am looking forward to seeing each and every one of you soon.

Fraternal Thanks

*Joseph Ruiz*  
W.: Joseph Ruiz  
Master  
Harry S Truman Lodge #1066

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From the Secretary's Desk,

I hope everyone is surviving the heat that we have been experiencing in the Metro Area. But though it's hot, the work of the Lodge still goes on.

By now everyone should have contacted the committee as to who is coming to the picnic. It is very difficult for them to plan what to prepare for the children if they don't know how many to prepare for. If you have not done so, please call today; Art Kessler, 212-758-8314; John Kelly, 718-762-7083 or W. : George Dondero, 718-884-6591 and give them a count.

Plans have been finalized for the meeting on Sept. 16, when the Lodge will be presenting the Deputy Grand Master, R. : W. : Carl J, Smith as our Man Of The Year, and with Honorary Membership to the Lodge. There will be a pre-meeting dinner in the Anteroom on the 19th floor prior to the meeting with all members of the Lodge invited as guests. This will be preceded by a cocktail hour at 5:00 p.m.

Please let me know if you will be in attendance for the dinner or the meeting so that we don't prepare for 50 members and have 75 show up.

Glad Tidings: Wedding Bells; Brother Larry Barnard married Dolores in June, and is also recovering from an auto accident; Brother Dr. Stuart Whitman, married Elaine Anel, of Los Angeles, Ca also in June.

The stork made a couple of visits to the extended family of R. : W. : William Feingold. His daughter Rebekah, wife of P. C. & Brother Christopher Mulhare, had a baby girl, and not to be out done Lynn Goodman's daughter in law also had a little girl. Everyone is doing fine.

Have you sent in your journal ad yet? This is the time to remember to honor our two Grand Lodge officers by taking an ad in our Journal.

**SEE YOU AT THE PICNIC !**

*R. : W. : Marty Deshevsky*  
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**"Am I a Builder?"**

I watched them tearing a building down,  
A gang of men in a busy town.  
With a ho-heave-ho and a lusty yell,  
They swung a beam and the sides fell.  
I asked the foreman, "Are these men skilled  
And the kind you would hire, if you had to build?"  
And he gave a laugh and said, No indeed,  
Just common labor is all I need.  
I can easily wreck in a day or two  
What other builders have taken a year to do."  
And I thought to myself as I went my way,  
"Which of these roles have I tried to play?  
Am I a builder that works with care  
Measuring life by the rule and square.  
Am I shaping my deeds to a well made plan,  
Patiently doing the best I can?  
Or am I a wrecker who walks the town,  
Content with the labor of tearing down."