

PMR Activities from November 2011 – May 2012

Life in PMR

Our Lodge closed the year 2011 with a very nice and well attended Christmas Party. Reservations were made for 30 and with children we were 34. The youngest person was WB Terry Ormand's daughter, Gemma, barely over one year "old". Two members of the local Youth Music School, age 11 and 13, provided a very nice musical program and the team of Frau Müller was active with a good choice of food and drinks. It was very nice to welcome two gentlemen with their ladies who came out of curiosity about Masonic X'mas. WB Ward Williamson is still in the Middle-East but Sister Gertrud and her grown up children came anyway. All in all, PMR is not only Masonically but also on the family-line active and strong.

In January 2012 we had degree work where Br. Thomas Sulton was raised to the sublime degree of MM. WB Ezo did a super job in organizing the degree team, with support from Alt Heidelberg, 830 Germersheim and Pirmasens' Mount Moriah Lodges. Several German Brr. filled the sidelines again which made the Lodge room look full. A nice joint collation enabled all of us to get together also on a personal basis, which is not unimportant.

To most everybody's surprise, Br. Sulton requested a chance to give a MM proficiency test in an open Lodge. This happened before closing our Business Meeting in February. WB Tom Hill did the questioning and Br. Sulton answered with no problem. One might say that such things are a rarity today. On the other hand, Br. Sulton left for Afghanistan 10 days later and he wanted to finish everything on time. His family is still here, waiting for him to return and then to CONUS.

The ACGL Annual Communication was on 13 – 15 April 2012 in Bad Kissingen, where our GL was celebrating its 50th Anniversary. Friday was the usual business meeting and election of GL officers for the coming year. The Grand-line was reelected for a second term. PMR's Annual report was one of the best and the only Lodge in the ACGL, which contributed to six different charity purposes. A coincidence; MW Br. John Provan, PGM, approved 30 years ago, in 1982, supporting the Hungarian Masonic Widows' Fund - which is still a charity program today, by PMR and other Lodges also. In commemoration of this, VWB Ecsödi presented MW Br. Litteral, GM, with a small flag of ACGL and Hungarian GL emblems, underneath "Brotherly Chain", as a thank you for the support. Friday evening was a nice joint meal with ladies and guests after which MW Br. John M. Lonczynski, PGM, presented the 50 years history of ACGL which was very well received.

Saturday was a special closed communication where distinguished guests were received and escorted to the East. Presentations were made before closing the work and PMR was in the limelight again. Two Brr. from the ACGL received the Hon.GL title, one of them was our WB Robert E. Young. He received the Hon.JGW title, apron and certificate, which, looking at his long and conscious work in interest of PMR, is very well deserved. During the evening banquet WB Paul Ezo approached the MW GM of the Hungarian GL, Br. Dr. Akos Szilágyi and his Deputy, RW Br. Körösvölgyi and presented them a PMR Coin each.

In June we are planning to have our Annual Election for the Masonic year 2012 – 2013 and in July the Lodge is dark. At the end of July we are planning our annual Picnic, which is always a good occasion to get together with our families and German friends on an informal basis. We wish you all a nice and pleasant Summer time, from the "Most Dynamic Little Lodge in the ACGL".



Seated (left to right): PM Gabor Ecsödi, WM Paul Ezo, our new MM Mike Sulton, and PM Thomas Hill, the last sitting Master of Triangle Lodge 834, Mannheim.

Fraternal Greetings.

Dues Brothers Dues. If you are not in possession of a 2012 Dues Card, please pay your dues soonest. Dues are \$75.00 for Non-resident members living in the USA or else where around the world. Please use a USA International Postage Stamp to mail your remittance to the Lodge.

As mentioned in our last News Letter the communities of Mannheim and Heidelberg are to permanently close. Mannheim during the summer of 2012, and Heidelberg in 2013. There will no longer be a US postal facility near the Lodge to mail or receive letters. This leaves us with our German mailing address. Please use this address for any future communication.

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Sincerely and fraternally,

The newsletter inspired me to ...

- a) pay my dues for 2012
resident €75 / non-resident \$75 per year _____
- b) contribute to the Charity Fund _____
- c) contribute to the General Fund _____
- Total _____

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MAY 2012

The Grandmaster's theme:

**OUR CAUSE IS NOBLE,
IT IS THE CAUSE OF MANKIND**