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## Grand Master's Corner

My Masonic activities resumed on Saturday, October 18, with a trip to nearby Lucama to lay the cornerstone for the new Masonic Temple of Lucama Lodge No. 527. This was a fine meet-



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ing with a good crowd present, including Brothers Harris and Dudley from the Gr. Lodge Office as well as Bro. Berl M. Kahn, Junior Gr. Warden, and Leslie H. Garner, Gr. Steward. This beautiful temple will be an asset not only to this Lodge but to the

Lucama community. My congratulations go to Lucama Lodge No. 527, and I predict that we will see much increased Masonic activity in that jurisdiction.

During the following week District Meetings were held in Rockingham, Sanford, and Asheboro. Attendance was very good at Rockingham, and at Asheboro we had the second largest crowd of the year. In the absence of the District Deputy Grand Master, the meeting in Asheboro was presided over by a friend and brother who had moved to Asheboro from my own county, Johnston, several years ago—Brother Pete Holland, Past District Deputy Grand Master. Other former Johnston County residents present for this meeting were Brothers Herbert and Vann Weeks and James B. Jones. One visitor who has attended several District Meetings this year was Brother Herbert Ruffin of Raleigh, Past Potentate of Sudan Temple.

On the following Thursday, Oct. 30, I traveled over to Harmony Lodge No. 340 in nearby Wayne County. This was another evening of good food and good fellowship, during which time it was my privilege to speak to this fine group and to present several 25 and 50 year

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Brother Oakley G. Hughett, D.D.G.M., pins 60-Year Veterans pin for Brother William S. Harris, Sr., Bingham Lodge No. 282.

## Greensboro Bodies Hold Joint Ladies Night

By G. WORTH COVINGTON

On the evening of November 6, 1969, Greensboro Lodge No. 76 and the three Greensboro York Rite Bodies held their annual joint ladies night with approximately 300 Masons and their ladies in attendance. Although the program had been billed as "Ladies Night" it might have been more appropriate to caption it "Awards Night" because as the events unfurled, the presentation of awards was what it was all about.

After a delightful meal, the genial Toast Master, Brother Russell P. Hale, introduced the distinguished guests among whom were R. W. Brother Maurice E. Walsh, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina; Brother R. Tyler Freeman, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North

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## Bingham Lodge No. 272 Has Annual Ladies Night

By PAUL L. COLEMAN, SEC.

The Fellowship Hall of Mount Zion United Church of Christ, Mebane, was the scene of the local annual ladies night honoring the wives and widows of Bingham Lodge No. 272, A. F. & A. M.

After a 30-minute period to meet and greet and get better acquainted, and the Invocation by A. A. Bradley, P.M., a delicious turkey dinner with all the fixings was enjoyed by 123 members and guests. Eighteen widows of former members were present as honor guests.

When the meal, was completed, Bro. J. Willard Oakley, W.M., and Master of Ceremonies announced that certain awards would be presented. Oakley G. Hughett, District Deputy Grand Master, was then recognized, who, in the name of the Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, presented the 60-year Diamond Jubilee Award to William Shakespeare Harris, Sr., (P.M. 1913) for

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## Elberta Lodge No. 654 Honors Its Past Masters

By B. A. COX, SEC.

Elberta Lodge, No. 654, observed its Past Masters and Ladies Night with a delicious dinner, special music and enjoyable talks on November 7, 1969, in the school lunch room at West End, N. C. with 98 in attendance.

Brother Zebulon B. Conrad, Master, welcomed the ladies and guests, leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country.

The Chaplain, Brother Reece B. Graham gave the Invocation and led the group in singing "My Country Tis of Thee." Brother Edgar Graham, P.M. returned thanks.

Special music was presented by Brother Calvin Cooledge Thompson, P. M., Roman Eagle No. 550, accompanied

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