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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR



### 30 Years Perfect Attendance!

Spencer—Brother T. C. Neill, Jr., P.M. (right) in shown presenting a plaque to Brother A. R. Gibbs commemorating 30 years perfect attendance at Stated Communications of Spencer Lodge No. 543. The award was made at a special program honoring Brother Gibbs, on September 14, 1982. Can any Brother in North Carolina equal this record?

### New River Lodge No. 736 Dedicates New Temple

Jacksonville—An Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was held on Thursday, September 2, 1982, for the purpose of dedicating the new Temple of New River Lodge No. 736.

Grand Lodge officials present for the occasion included: Robert P. Dudley, P.M., Grand Secretary; L. R. Thomas, P.M., Grand Steward; S. Frank Noble, Jr., Past Grand Master; William W. Mims, Jr., Past Grand Master; William B. Bellois, Past Grand Master; Fred Keeler, Past Grand Master (West Va.); Dennis Combs, P.M., DDGM-9; and Billy Springle, P.M., D.D.G.M.-8.

The Grand Lodge was opened by Most Worshipful Brother A. C. Honeycutt, Grand Master, assisted by the following: William S. Godfrey, P.M. as Deputy Grand Master; Donald Walters, (S.W.-736), as Senior Grand Warden; Lemuel G. Amon, Sr., (J.W.-736) as Junior Grand Warden; Louis C. Brown as Grand  
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### Temple Dedicated

Old Town—At an emergent communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina on August 13, 1982, Grand Master A. C. Honeycutt led the dedication ceremony of the new Temple of Old Town Lodge No. 751. Grand Lodge officials in attendance included: Robert P. Dudley, P.M., Grand Secretary; Jerry G. Tart, P.M., Grand Steward; Marvin D. Wilson, Grand Tyler; Sam A. Hennis, Jr., Past Grand Master; William W. Mims, Jr., Past Grand Master; James K. Hutchens, P.M., (DDGM-47) and Samuel B. Needham, P.M., (DDGM-48).

The address of welcome was given by Brother Raymond A. Moody, Master of Old Town Lodge No. 751, and music for the occasion was rendered by Miss Alice Jane Lingerfelt.

During the Ceremony of Dedication, Brother Raymond A. Moody, (M-751) acted as Master; Raymond L. Weddle, P.M., (751) was the Principal Architect; Glenn C. Oakes, P.M. (751) was Bearer of the Taper; Jack M. Poole, P.M., (751) was the Bearer of the Constitution; and Marvin V. Olson, P.M., (751) was the Bearer of the Three Great Lights.

### North Carolina DeMolay Holds Annual Conclave

Wilson Chapter, Order of DeMolay, was host to the fifty-ninth Annual Conclave of the North Carolina Association, Order of DeMolay, from July 22 through July 25, 1982 on the campus of Atlantic Christian College, in Wilson, North Carolina.

The Conclave included competitive activities and a business session. Wilson Chapter Mothers Club members and friends actively participated in this Conclave, ending with a Banquet at which over three hundred persons were served, and awards presented.

Individual Honors: Jeff McEwen, Charlotte Chapter elected State Master Councillor, Order of DeMolay. Ralph A. Ellis received the "Legion of Honor" degree (Knight Templar). Donald R. Tomlinson, Sr. received the DeMolay "Cross of Honor" (K.T.). Bruce Morris, Dean Poythress, John Worrell, Jr., Robert Worton, all of Wilson Chapter, received the degree of "Chevalier." Tracy Ellis, Wilson Chapter received the "DeMolay of the Year" award.

Proficiency Awards: Flower Talk—Gastonia Chapter; DeMolay Degree—Greensboro Chapter; Chapter of the Year—Garner Chapter.

Team Awards—State Champions: Bowling, Apex Chapter; High Scorer, Phil Stiles, Apex  
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### N. C. Masonic Foundation Shows Steady Growth

The North Carolina Masonic Foundation has shown steady growth for the year 1982. The principal sum has increased in excess of \$700,000.00 since January 1, 1982, \$360,000 of which came from individual contributions. As of November 23, 1982 the total now invested amounted to \$2,391,848.04.

Earnings to date have amounted to \$190,000.00 which has been divided equally between the Oxford Orphanage and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

A study of the above figures will show what can be accomplished through this effort. Without the income from the Masonic Foundation to supplement other funds it would be increasingly difficult to continue the program at these two great institutions. An article giving the history and goals of the Foundation can be found on page four of this issue.

### Brother Robbins Retires As Head of Masonic Foundation

Rev. Troy G. Robbins, who came out of retirement in Florida, to become Executive Vice-President of The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, has resigned.

Brother Robbins has a back problem that is aggravated by the amount of travel involved in this position. The Grand Lodge has been very fortunate to have had the service of Brother Robbins at this important time.

### Eighth Masonic District Has Benefit For Foundation

"If there's ever been a success, this is it," said Thompson Vick as he watched the crowd enjoy a benefit barbecue August 28 at the Carteret County Shrine Club near Beaufort.

He had two reasons for his level of excitement. He was Master of Ocean Lodge in Morehead City, one of the sponsors, and was a former student of Oxford Orphanage.

The Eighth Masonic District, made up of lodges in Beaufort, Havelock, Morehead City and Newport, and the Order of the Eastern Star staged the barbecue to raise money for the North Carolina Masonic Foundation.

The barbecue, which organizers have decided to make an annual event, raised, after expenses, \$7,500 for the Foundation.

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