

"DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER 4th DISTRICT: 2004-2005"

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master and Grand Council.

I would like to first thank Most Illustrious Stephen A. Licht for my appointment to the position of District Deputy and to all who extended words of encouragement, brotherly advice, and best wishes for a successful and memorable term of office.

The following report is a brief synopsis of my observations over the past year while performing my duties as deputy.

BLOSS COUNCIL #14: Now meets in Albany on alternating months with DeWitt Clinton Council # 22. Excellent working relationship exists with these two councils. Unable to do degrees without support from another council. Officers making a good effort. Discussions held to merge with DeWitt Clinton Council.

DeWITT CLINTON COUNCIL # 22: Now meets on alternating months with Bloss Council in support. Officers improving with ritual now that they can meet on a regular basis. Gives assistance to other Councils for degree work. Discussions held to merge with Bloss Council #14. This would give the companions good at ritual work the chance to mold a good team for doing degrees and provide a strong line of officers.

JOSEPH WARREN-CRYPTIC COUNCIL #37: Good working line of officers. Has good ideas and programs. Would like to see more activity on a district level. Had good degrees with support from other councils. New members are taking an active part. Would like more companions to visit and share the evening.

CATSKILL #78 and HUDSON #62 COUNCILS: These Councils try to meet together but cannot open without having a group of visiting companions. They have mentioned a possible merger with a third Council. I would recommend this in order to keep them active and satisfy their willingness to have meetings. These are good companions and they should make a move to take what ever action is necessary.

ONEONTA COUNCIL #87: Able to do ritual and do degrees. Took in several new members. Strong and well organized.

ST. GEORGE'S COUNCIL #74: Able to do ritual and degrees. Gives support to other Councils for degree work. Strong Council and well organized.

In conclusion, I had a very rewarding and memorable year, and would like to thank all the people I met and had the opportunity to work with in the course of my tenure as District Deputy. The character of the companions is what I imagined Freemasons to be before I became a member.

Fraternally.

R. I. Stanton Hussey

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Stanton Hussey", written over a horizontal line.

