

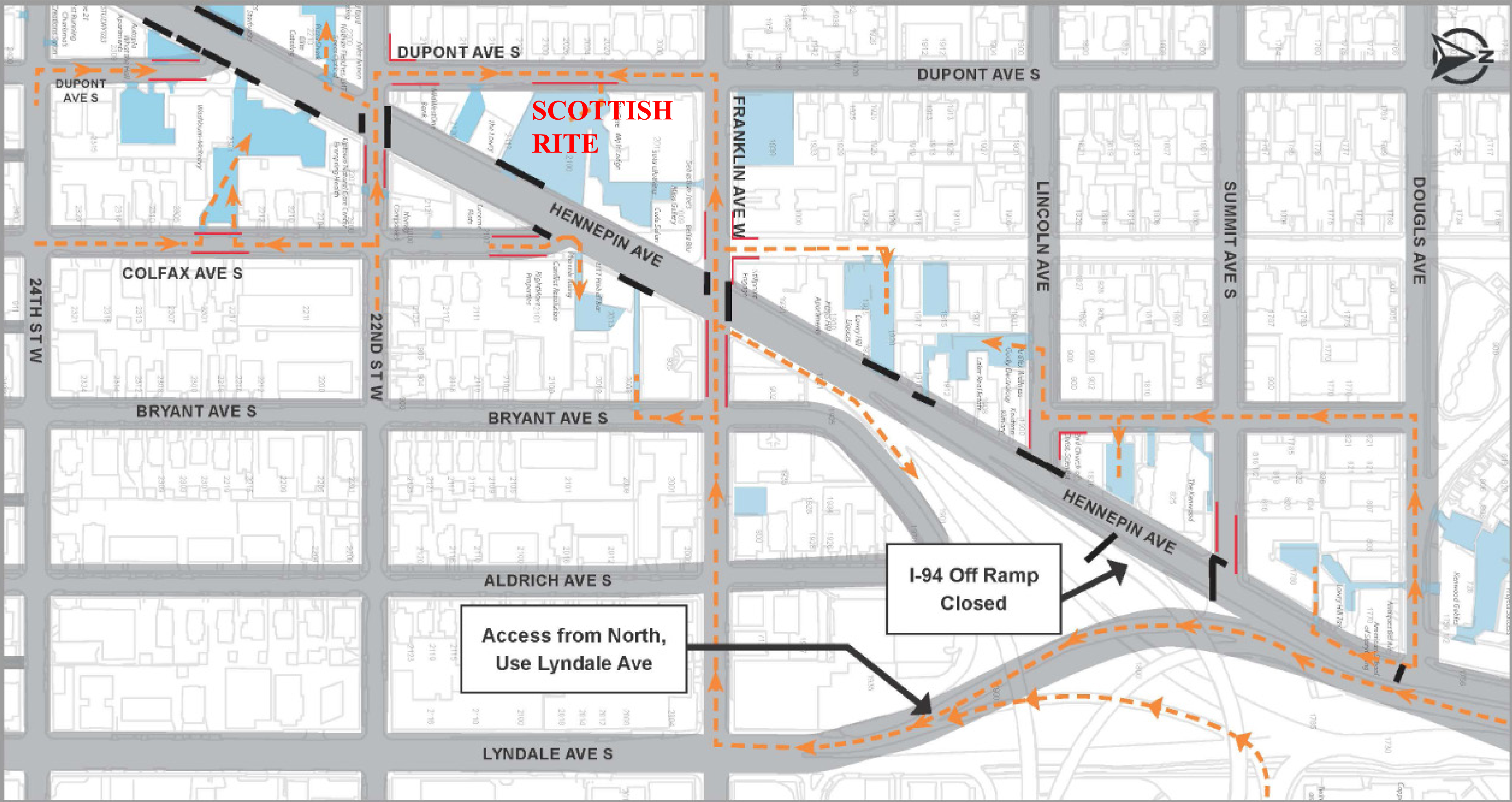
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***Every first Tuesday of the month is the Heads of Bodies and Knights of Saint Andrew meetings**

****Dinners are every Thursday before the degrees. You can RSVP and pay for your meal by [clicking here](#)**

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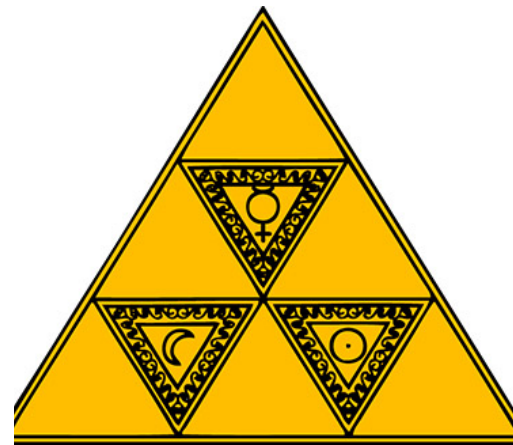
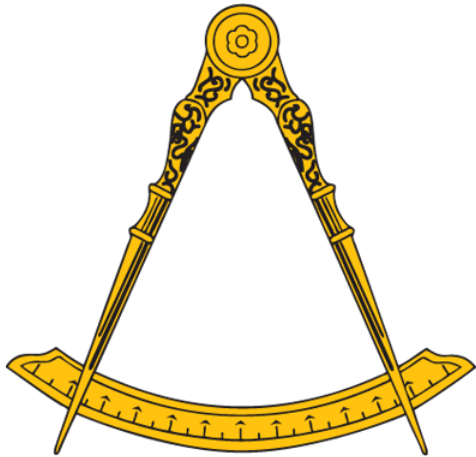
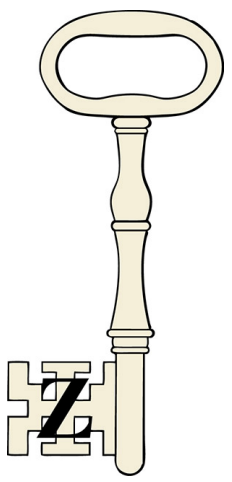


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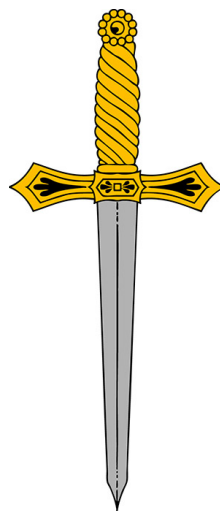
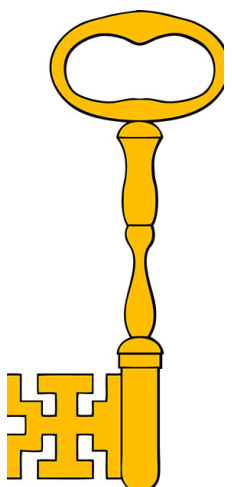
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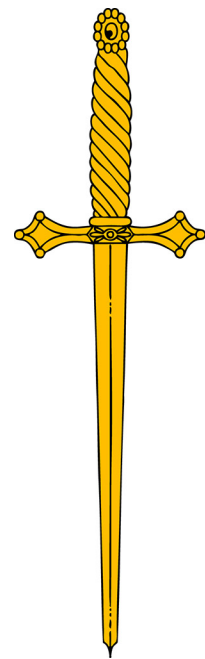
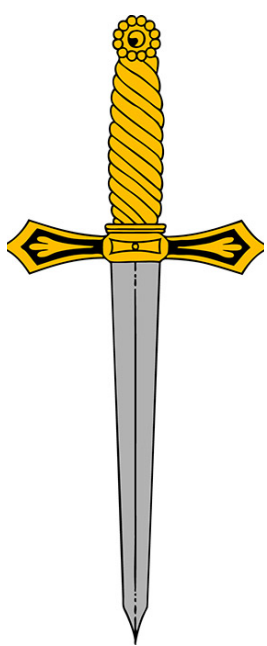
September 2 - Heads of Bodies & Lodge of Perfection Meeting



September 5 - 4°, 5°, & 6°



September 11 - 7°, 8°, & 9°



September 18 - 10° & 11° and 3rd Thursday Social



September 25 - 12° & 13°



NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Greetings Scottish Rite Brethren!

We're back! First and foremost, congratulations to our very own Illustrious Sir Tony Krall, 33° SGIG. Tony has been seated as Grand Prior on the Supreme Council.

This week, our fall degree cycle commences. Take heed of the construction on Hennepin Ave when navigating to the Temple.

Many brothers attended the Biennial Session of the Supreme Council last month, along with the funeral service of Ken Carroll, and our membership event. Due to timing, the articles for these events will appear in the October newsletter.

I am renewing our request for more writers for the SUN. Please contact me directly at mprewett@outlook.com if you would like to contribute to the incredible legacy of our fine periodical.

See you at the Rite!



Mark Evan Prewett, 32° K.:C.:C.:H.:



AUGUST HOB

The meeting commenced at 6:29 PM, but the approval of previous minutes was not addressed. Various committee reports were presented, including updates from the Building Committee, which reported the installation of new water heaters and faucet replacements. The Communications Committee highlighted the need for further information regarding the upcoming Ring ceremony on October 4th.

The KSA Committee announced the arrival of new badges, while the Tyling Committee expressed the ongoing need for additional help. The Rite Care Committee reported on the upcoming Duluth Rite Care Gala on August 21st, noting that 73 out of 90 grants had been filled and mentioned the sale of the Rite Care building. The Membership Committee is organizing a membership drive on August 21st, with a \$10 entry fee and a pre-registration portal available. The Ritual Director, Lee Kielblock, confirmed that degrees would commence in September, with directors already contacted. Other updates included the near completion of a costume book by the Wardrobe Committee and the scheduling of lighting training sessions on August 14th and 28th.

In new business, it was decided that starting in September, the Lodge of Perfection meetings would be held in the Red Room, beginning with a dinner, and the start time would be adjusted to 6:30 PM. Considerations were discussed to ensure compliance with bylaws. The meeting also addressed sickness and visitation, noting that Ed Morse was still recovering from treatment and had been awarded the title of Honorary Grand High Priest, while Ty Schmidt was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. The meeting concluded with a PR report from Dave Kampf, who thanked attendees and shared that Iowa SGIG had passed away, with Tony Krall stepping in as interim.

Disclaimer: This summary was generated based on the meeting minutes using generative AI and edited by the SUN Editor.

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RITUAL CORNER

Greetings Scottish Rite Brethren.

The degrees of the Fall class have begun and have been excellent. The degree work by the Directors, Cast, and other Committees is helping our new Scottish Rite Brothers find further light in their Masonic journey. I am always impressed by the hard work and dedication of our Scottish Rite Brethren, and urge you to come and watch the degrees with the candidates.

As the degrees continue, there are many great lessons to be learned. Today, let us investigate the 24th degree, Prince of the Tabernacle. This degree represents an initiation into the Greater Mysteries and their concepts. We learn that our duties are to labor for the glory of God, the honor of our country, and the happiness of our Brethren. We learn of the power of faith, that the soul is immortal, and there is one true God in all existence. We also learn that the mysteries have in all ages been taught using symbols. Albert Pike states, “Symbolical instruction is recommended by the constant and uniform usage of antiquity...The Deity in his revelations to man, adopted the use of material images for the purpose of enforcing the sublime truths.... (Morals & Dogma, pg. 372).

Join us to learn what these symbols teach and hear and listen to the lessons from this and the following degrees. Help our new Scottish Rite Brothers in their search for Masonic Light, and in the process, continue your journey as well. See you at the Rite.

Fraternally,

Lee E. Kielblock, 33° I.:G.:H.:
Ritual Director

Masonry is useful to all men: to the learned, because it affords them the opportunity of exercising their talents upon the subjects eminently worthy of their attention; to the illiterate, because it offers them important instruction; to the young, because it presents them with salutary precepts and good examples, and accustoms them to reflect on the proper mode of living; to the man of the world, whom it furnishes with noble and useful recreation; to the traveler, whom it enables to find friends and brothers in countries where else he would be isolated and solitary; to the worthy man in misfortune, to whom it gives assistance; to the afflicted, on whom it lavishes consolation; to the charitable man, whom it enables to do more good, by uniting with those who are charitable like himself; and to all who have souls capable of appreciating its importance, and of enjoying the charms of a friendship founded on the same principles of religion, morality, and philanthropy.



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JOIN THE LIGHTING COMMITTEE

We're looking for new members to join our close-knit, fun-loving team of brothers who are dedicated to bringing more Light to Scottish Rite Masonry.

If you enjoy working with technology, programming, experimenting with new gear—or you're just naturally curious—we'd love to have your talents on board. Whether you're a tech nerd, a creative thinker, or someone who simply loves solving problems that make our degree presentations more dynamic and engaging, we want you on the team.

Not super tech-savvy? No problem! If you're curious and want the best seat in the house to follow the action and run lights, you'll still feel right at home in our merry band of men.

We have some upcoming training sessions, and it's a great time to jump in. We share the workload so no one is overwhelmed, and we always make time for camaraderie and fun. If you're interested, have questions, or just want to check out our new lighting setup, feel free to contact me anytime.

We look forward to meeting you and shining a little more Light together.
In Light and Brotherhood,

Nick Oliveri, 32° M.:R.:S.:
Chair, Lighting Committee
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DEMOLAY

Those of you who follow or are on social media especially TikTok there is a term of a person called an “influencer.” What is that? What are the qualifications ? What and how are they influencing? What is the objective? Open an account and you can become an influencer? The Order of DeMolay since its inception in 1919 has used men of quality, experience, talent and caring to make a difference in the lives of young men now between the ages of 12- 21, have these men influenced the lives of these young men or have they mentored and advised these young men to a better quality of life of leadership and character development. Ask any Senior DeMolay and they can tell you by name a DeMolay Advisor who influenced their life and aided in making a difference. Some of the young men just needed a gentle push in the right direction, some just need someone to listen. If you feel that you may have that quality to work with the future generation of leaders, please reach out to both DeMolay and Job’s Daughters, they will get you started in the direction of being an influencer, mentor, or Advisor.

DeMolay has had women fill the positions of Advisor in numerous Chapters, some displaying qualities that men may have difficulty expressing, but the goal is the same. DeMolay honors those adults who have worked with our youth, one of the highest Honors is that of the Legion of Honor. Gopher Preceptory LOH meets at our home in the Minneapolis Valley and several of our Scottish Rite members have been awarded with honors from DeMolay. Sunday September 28th at 5:00 pm will be the conferral of honors to individuals who have worked for and on behalf of DeMolay and their communities. DeMolay has three rankings of these honors, the Legion of Honor for an adult who is a Senior DeMolay, Honorary Legion of Honor for a Mason who was not a Senior DeMolay and a Civic Legion of Honor to an individual who has shown service to the community as well as service to our Order. This year’s recipients, and names may be familiar to you are Dan Banks, Legion of Honor, Todd Mayer and Lee Kielblock, Honorary Legion of

Honor and Kandi Banks and Bev Krall, Civic Legion of Honor. All of these individuals were nominated and received a unanimous vote by the International Supreme Council. If your schedule allows, please attend the public ceremony of investiture, your attendance would be greatly appreciated by all of the recipients of these honors.

Mark Hailer, 33° I.:G.:H.:

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Minneapolis Scottish Rite Valley would like a Brother that has marketing experience and can design strong flyer(s), that has minimal text with high-impact dynamic photos / backgrounds. Taking our ads/flyers to the next level.

Please contact Stephen Kesler – Minneapolis Valley
Communication Chair at: Communications@aasrmn.org



LOUISIANA HAS UNUSUAL RELIEF LODGE

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

How do different jurisdictions address the tenets of our profession? In New Orleans, the membership of several lodges formed a “Relief Lodge,” which was meant to provide relief to Masons visiting New Orleans. In the [annual report submitted on February 11, 1861](#), Relief Lodge No. 1 contributed \$3,087.15 (\$113,329.28 adjusted for inflation) to applicant Masons, their widows and orphans, a Tomb that they maintain, and Lodge operations. Applicants would go through a verification process to verify their association with recognized Grand Lodge jurisdictions before monies would be disbursed to help the poor and distressed.

In our jurisdiction, we approached the subject of relief through the founding of Minnesota Masonic Charities. I highly recommend listening to the interview of our very own Worshipful Brother Paul Hodnefield, 32° KCCH on the [Minnesota Masonic Histories and Mysteries Podcast, Episode #81 “Charity, Our Guiding Star”](#) for more information on the similar beginnings of our charity organization.

From the internet, it appears that Relief Lodges in Louisiana have continued to exist as recently as 2009, but there does not appear to be any information on the Grand Lodge of Louisiana’s website about whether they exist today.

Mark Evan Prewett, 32° K.:C.:C.:H.:

In 1925, the Scottish Rite SUN did not sign their articles. This one, was most likely reproduced from another Masonic publication.

**LOUISIANA HAS UNUSUAL RELIEF LODGE
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New Orleans, La.—This city and the Masonic Grand Lodge of Louisiana claim the distinction of having the only lodge restricted to relief work in the world. A brief account of Louisiana Relief Lodge, No. 1, is interesting.

Eight Masonic Lodges of this city united in forming a Board of Relief. After successful operation, a resolution was presented to the Grand Lodge to constitute the Relief Board into a regular lodge and the same was granted on July 1, 1851.

The following special law governs this unique lodge: “The members of said lodge shall consist of its officers, who may be selected from its constituents at large, Past Masters, and the Masters and Wardens in office (or their proxies), of such lodges as shall hold membership in the same.

“Said lodge shall have no power to confer degrees nor to send representatives to the Grand Lodge, nor shall it be required to pay any dues, fees or charges of this Grand Lodge.”

The work is still continued and is limited to the care of sojourning Masons. It is the same class of work done by the Relief Boards of the country. The lodge meets quarterly and is never closed, but is called from refreshment and labor and vice versa and therefore is always ready for an emergency.