

Lodge Almoner

Brother _____, you have been appointed Almoner of this Lodge for the ensuing year. The Jewel of your office is the script purse on which is a heart, and should ever remind you of your duty to attend to the comfort and comforting of the aged and unfortunate among our Brethren and their dependents. You must seek out the needy, visit the sick, administer to, and if possible, anticipate their requirements, remembering always that in the particular sphere of your activities, delay in visiting may bring you the overwhelming sorrow of having been too late. In any case where the need is beyond what the Lodge's resources can provide, he is to consult with the Grand Almoner to determine if there are resources within the greater Masonic community that can be utilized to provide relief.

(Optional) From time immemorial, the Almoner has been of inestimable value to the Master and members of his Lodge. He is the eyes, ears, and hands of the Master. He has the important responsibility of always being well informed of the health and welfare of each of the members who comprise his Lodge's family, so that when adversity arises, the Lodge can fulfill its responsibility to help, aid, and assist, if necessary. Just as the Chaplain is responsible for attending to the spiritual needs of the Brethren, the Almoner is responsible for coordinating the Lodge's efforts to provide assistance in time of adversity and need. It is his duty to keep the Master and the Lodge informed and to lead the way in coordinating the rendering of assistance to any member in need.

Look well to your important trust, Brother Almoner.