



Morning Star Lodge receives honors

Terry L. Seward (left), newly installed Worshipful Master, and Frank W. Jones (right), outgoing Worshipful Master of Morning Star Lodge 734, Canton, display the Grand Master's Golden Trowel Award of Excellence and the First Place Lodge Officers Competition Awards won by the lodge for the Masonic Year of 1998 at the 159th annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois. The Golden Trowel Award of Excellence is an award given to only one lodge out of more than 600 in the state each year, and is the highest award a lodge can receive. The Lodge Officer Competition is the second highest, and is the only other award given by the Grand Lodge. This was the first and only time in the state that a lodge has received both awards in a single year.