



***Rome Lodge #96
Lodge Pin***

**This pin portrays the Emblem of Our Order,
the Tolling of Eleven Strokes, and
the Star of Fidelity.**

**The packet boat represents the start of the Erie
Canal in Rome N.Y. where the first spade of dirt was
turned by Gov. Dewit Clinton on July 4th 1817.
It also contains the outline of Fort Stanwix where the
Stars and Stripes were first unfurled in the face of an
enemy on Aug. 3rd 1777.**

**Adjacent to the Fort is the Flag of Our Country which
honors Francis Bellamy, The author of the Elks Pledge
who is buried in Rome Cemetery**

