

Hiram's Lighthouse

PROVIDING MASONIC LIGHT FROM TORONTO EAST DISTRICT
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He who endeavours to serve, to benefit, and improve the world, is like a swimmer, who struggles against a rapid current, in a river lashed into angry waves by the winds. Often they roar over his head, often they beat him back and baffle him. Most men yield to the stress of the current... Only here and there the stout, strong heart and vigorous arms struggle on toward ultimate success.

- Bro. Albert Pike (1809-1891)

From the desk of the D.D.G.M.,

Brethren,

Last month seemed like an easy month with only one Installation, but it proved to be very busy with Special Nights, Blood Donor Clinic, Robbie Burns Nights, Interim Meeting with all Ontario District Deputy Grand Masters, concordant bodies, Rainbow Girls Installation, - certainly no breather. February is promising to be much the same.

Our Official Visits are to resume with full speed. Please note that Brougham Union Lodge Official Visit has been postponed to April 1st. We also have an Annual Winter Carnival in Claremont on Sat. April 7th, and first of four Blood Donor Clinics in Doric Temple on February 9th.

Recently, talking with some newer members of the Craft, it was brought to my attention, that they have difficulty grasping the lessons of the Ritual. Written in somewhat archaic language, it certainly is a vocabulary not commonly used. That's part of it, but there is also a true need for us to be able to **Translate the Ritual** in order to make use of it in our everyday lives. As Masons we repeatedly hear, that we are in search of more Light. And we find that we are expected to dispense Light and Knowledge to all destitute and uninformed Brethren. Well, how do we do that? Are we to wait for a bolt of lightning to strike us?

A **Revelation** of some sorts?



Or is it little bits of Insights, a Reflection, that come to us in moments of quietude?

An **Introspection** or Retrospection? Well, both!

Very early in our Masonic life we are reminded, that in every one of our pursuits, we are to keep eternity in view, confirming that “life” is eternal and that at some point we give an account of our lives and actions. So we are to be **mindful** of what we do and what we think. We are to Re-examine all our actions, at all times. Question ourselves, and contemplate; this is how we grow. Self-examination is necessary if we are to make progress. It is up to us to take that rough ashlar, (our character) and adjust our tools, to chisel away and polish each individual building block, one of many, so we that can build that inner temple, one not made by hands.

Naturally, our ritual is veiled in allegory, but we are to draw aside this veil, to penetrate through out it, which is our objective, and by careful and appropriate attention, we are ultimately going to become acquainted with all its mysteries. Again, introspection, contemplation and self-examination at every step. Lessons and examples are many and often, however, one has to be conversant with the import of individual lectures.

That’s why memory work is so important, so that it can spontaneously come to mind, while dwelling on it. For instance, in Junior Warden’s lecture where the mosaic pavement reminds us of the uncertainty of all things here below, today we may tread in the flowery meads of prosperity: tomorrow we may totter on the uneven paths of weakness and adversity...Contemplate, dwell on it and you will receive an answer. These are profound snippets of revelations, more **light**. “Yet, there are other excellences of character to which your attention may be required”. On daily bases, in our daily bidding. Or the lesson on Equality, where no eminence of station in life should make us forgetful that we are brothers and each is entitled to equal regard, respect. Are we not to take these lessons to heart? What about five points of fellowship? Do we truly practice what we preach?

The need for self-examination is ever present. This is what makes our fraternity so unique.

We are not a service club, nor is it our mandate.

Our teachings are a very profound **Philosophy**, (which means Love of Wisdom), a philosophy of life. A contemplation. We are to ponder on our lectures, reflect daily on its meaning and that’s how we translate the ritual. Reading the blueprint, the tracing board. Our ritual of three degrees is about five hours long and the lessons are plentiful. But overall, there are 33 degrees in Scottish Rite and many in York Rite. So the learning continues.

The Wisdom of Life. A **Science of Being**.

One last reminder, our Grand Master’s Banquet is fast approaching, 31st of March. The Worshipful Masters of 2007-08 and 2008-09, of our Grand Master’s two-year tenure will be recognized at the Banquet, so it is essential that they be there, as well as the DDGMs of 07-08 and 08-09. We will also have a photo opportunity with the Most Worshipful Grand Master as a group. Each Lodge is expected to have at least five in attendance. Ladies, members, and non-Masons are welcome.

For tickets or tables of 8, contact our ticket chairman: W. Bro. Bob Thompson: 416.491.3230.

Hope to see many of you to join me at February’s Official Visits.



Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Dushan

R.W. Bro. Dushan Surovy
District Deputy Grand Master
Toronto East District



TORONTO EAST DISTRICT EVENTS:

February

Tuesday February 3, 2009

Canada Lodge – **Official Visit**
Lodge Opens - 7:00 pm ←
Ajax Masonic Temple

Thursday February 5, 2009

Alpha-Tuscan Lodge – **1st Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Saturday February 7, 2009

Brougham Union Lodge – **Claremont Winter Carnival**
See notice below
Claremont Masonic Temple

Monday February 9, 2009

Toronto East District – **Blood Donor Clinic**
See notice below
Ajax Masonic Temple

Wednesday February 11, 2009

The Imperial East Gate Lodge – **Official Visit**
Banquet - 6:00 pm ←
Lodge of the DDGM ←
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Friday February 13, 2009

Birch Cliff Lodge – **Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Saturday February 14, 2009

St. Valentine's Day
Hint! – You better be doing
SOMETHING for your honey!
Love is like perfume; you can't
give it away without getting a
little on yourself.



Saturday February 14, 2009

Toronto East District - **Mechanics of the Work – 1 of 6**
9:00 am to Noon
Les Armitage - 416.598.4794
East Toronto Masonic Temple

March

Wednesday March 4, 2009

West Hill Lodge – **Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Thursday March 5, 2009

The Beaches Lodge – **Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Saturday March 7, 2009

Brougham Union Lodge – **EA and FC Breakfast**
See notice below
Claremont Masonic Temple

Saturday March 7, 2009

Toronto East District - **Mechanics of the Work – 4 of 6**
9:00 am to Noon
Les Armitage - 416.598.4794
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Saturday March 7, 2009

West Hill Lodge – **Oldies Dance**
See notice below
East Shore Community Centre

Sunday March 8, 2008

Daylight Savings Time Begins!
Can't you just smell spring in the air?



Monday March 9, 2009

Scarboro Lodge – **Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Thursday March 12, 2009

Todmorden Lodge – **Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
East Toronto Masonic Temple



Monday February 16, 2009
**Family Day – Our New
Provincial Holiday**
Enjoy a NEW DAY OFF



Friday February 20, 2009
Wexford Lodge - **Norm Wheeler Appreciation
Night**
See notice below
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Saturday February 21, 2009
Toronto East District - **Mechanics of the Work – 2
of 6**
9:00 am to Noon
Les Armitage - 416.598.4794
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Saturday February 28, 2009
Toronto East District - **Mechanics of the Work – 3
of 6**
9:00 am to Noon
Les Armitage - 416.598.4794
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Saturday March 14, 2009
Toronto East District - **Mechanics of the Work – 5
of 6**
9:00 am to Noon
Les Armitage - 416.598.4794
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Monday March 16, 2009
Acacia Lodge – **Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Tuesday March 17, 2009
St. Aidan's Lodge – **Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Wednesday March 18, 2009
Cathedral Lodge – **Official Visit**
Visitors - 8:00 pm
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Thursday March 19, 2009
Toronto East District – **Lodge Resource Committee
– 1 of 4**
See notice below
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Friday March 20, 2009
First Day of Spring!
The birds are singing.



Friday March 20, 2009
Toronto East District – **Blood Donor Clinic**
See notice below
St. Aidan's Church

Saturday March 21, 2009
Toronto East District - **Mechanics of the Work – 6
of 6**
9:00 am to Noon
Les Armitage - 416.598.4794
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Tuesday March 31, 2009
Grand Master's Banquet
See notice below
Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall



AROUND AND ABOUT:

Toronto East District Charity **Honouring Our Own**

The Widows and Senior Members of our fraternity who are unable to participate in our District activities. This initiative has been developed to extend the hand of fellowship and guidance to let them know that they are remembered and not forgotten, and that they still belong to our Masonic Family. Individually, as Masons, this project will enable us to demonstrate our fidelity to the obligation we took upon ourselves to help, aid and assist our Masonic Widows and Brethren. Co-chairmen, Todd Owens and Bill Utton will be contacting our Lodges to ascertain the number of widows and brethren in each Lodge and to familiarize the members with the project. Some Lodges already have a program for their widows.

Contact: Todd Owens @ 618@ypr.ca or 416.722.0843
Bill Utton

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!
- Psalm 133:1

Blood Donor Clinics



Toronto East Masons are now officially a Partners For Life entity with the Canadian Blood Services. We just established some dates for future clinics at St. Aidan's Anglican Church and at Ajax Masonic Temple. Any brother in Toronto East District that may wish to assist at these clinics, thus getting their Lodge "credits" for the amount of donation's make at the clinic may contact the brethren shown below.

Each clinic requires two teams of 4 volunteers, one team per shift. First shift starts about ½ hour before the clinic opens to assist with set-up and the actual clinic. The second shift runs ½ hour after the clinic closes to assist with the actual clinic and the break down. Anyone interested in attending can contact the brethren shown below.

Don't be concerned if you are unable to give blood at any of the indicated Blood Donor Clinics. If you wish to be a donor, find yourself a Blood Donor Clinic at the website indicated below and go and give blood. Take your family and friends. Be sure to let your lodge Blood Donor Chairman know that you have donated to get credits for your lodge.

Do your part and "Be an everyday hero today" by attending the clinics when they are announced.

Upcoming Blood Donor Clinics -

Monday February 9, 2009
3:30 pm – 7:30 pm - Clinic Hours
Ajax Masonic Temple
457 Kingston Rd. W. (corner of Mill St.)
905.683.0365



Friday March 20, 2009
3:00 pm – 7:30 pm - Clinic Hours
St. Aidan's Anglican Church
70 Silver Birch Ave. (S of Queen)
416.691.2222

Friday May 22, 2009
3:00 pm – 7:30 pm - Clinic Hours
St. Aidan's Anglican Church
70 Silver Birch Ave. (S of Queen)
416.691.2222

Friday July 24, 2009
3:00 pm – 7:30 pm - Clinic Hours
St. Aidan's Anglican Church
70 Silver Birch Ave. (S of Queen)
416.691.2222

Friday September 25, 2009
3:00 pm – 7:30 pm - Clinic Hours
St. Aidan's Anglican Church
70 Silver Birch Ave. (S of Queen)
416.691.2222

Friday November 27, 2009
3:00 pm – 7:30 pm - Clinic Hours
St. Aidan's Anglican Church
70 Silver Birch Ave. (S of Queen)
416.691.2222

Book your appointment time in advance 1-888-2-DONATE and your visit will be quicker. For information regarding the location of blood donor clinics, go to

[//www.bloodservices.ca/centre*apps/clinics/InetClinics.nsf/CVSE?OpenForm](http://www.bloodservices.ca/centre*apps/clinics/InetClinics.nsf/CVSE?OpenForm)

Contact: Fred Bryant @ etd.blooddonors@gmail.com or 416.421.6762
Doug Gray @ dagmortgages@rogers.com or 416.266.0783
Jim McKinnon Jr. @ jmckinnonjr@gmail.com or 905.250.0190

Youth Groups of Today

The Grand Master has decreed that Masons are permitted to wear their lodge regalia while attending the youth groups to show that we support them in their endeavours. These young men and women are the future leaders of our country. By supporting our youth you are supporting those who will inherit and will be the future of our country and great fraternity.

Horace Mundy Chapter - Order of DeMolay - for boys - meets at the Whitby Masonic Temple on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 1:00 pm - www.demolay.org

Toronto Assembly No. 2 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls - meets at the Scarborough Masonic Temple on the 1st Monday and the 3rd Wednesday at 7:30 pm - www.gorainbow.org/home/home.taf



Sunday January 21st was the Toronto Assembly Installation and Gerry Ouellette (Y.I.C. - Youth Initiatives Committee) was very impressed with the turn out from the Masons. There had to be 25 to 30 Masons including the D.D.G.M.s of Toronto East District, R. W. Dushan Surovy, and York District, R. W. Bro Walter J. Rawlins, and both District Secretaries. It was very nice to see the brethren talk to the girls and asking questions about Rainbow. The girls where thrilled to see so many Masons at their installation.

It was also very nice to see the Grand Master at Primrose's Assembly (Brampton) last Sunday January 18, 2009 and they also had quite a few Mason at their Installation as well. This is what we want and we are getting the support for the girls from the Masons.

Job's Daughters – no local chapter but if there is one in your area and you wish to attend, ask at your lodge for details - www.iojd.org

Remember - today's youth are the leaders of tomorrow

Contact: Gerry Ouellette @ gerry.ouellette@sympatico.ca or 416.412.1572

Looking for a PM Going To or In Afghanistan

It seems that the problem of establishing a Lodge in Afghanistan is no longer one of logistics, but has now become one of finding a PM who is deployed or about to deploy there. Without a WM in the East, the Lodge cannot even open much less conduct any type of Masonic activity. There are Brethren there who are officers in their Mother Lodges, but only three known PMs who have rotated thorough.

So, here is the challenge - discover a PM who is currently in theatre or one who is about to be deployed in the next few months.

My idea is to look to the Reserves and/or RCMP (or other Police Service), as most of the Dark Siders know one another. I am sounding out all of my Reserve and RCMP Brethren who may know of such a Bro. and for them to "seek for that which is lost" namely a PM for a GLCPO Lodge in Afghanistan so that our Brethren there may conduct fraternal relations with one another.

Contact: Andy Pollock @ jack_nastyface@hotmail.com

Brougham Union Mosaic Pavement Raffle

A raffle is being held to fund temple refurbishing. Your chances are 1 in 100 of winning. Better odds than you get with 649 (or of getting back that money you loaned your son!) The draws will begin as soon as the tickets are all sold.

Tickets: \$20 each
No. of Tickets: 100
Prizes: 10 weekly prizes of \$50
1 Grand Prize of \$500
Contact: David Neave @ davidneave@rogers.com or 905.391.5900



Un-Masonic Charity

The effort has proven very successful: we raised 3 playpens, one stroller, 3 baby seat rockers, one portable cradle, various infant furniture pieces, tons of baby clothes and cash. Unfortunately, no cribs.

On behalf of those who have and will benefit from the donors' generosity, I wish to express their gratitude for the material help received. I also wish to express my gratitude, for seeing so many in our fraternity having reached the third rung of Jacob's ladder.

Fraternally,
Vince

Wednesday November 12, 2008

Sussex Lodge – Rusty Mason Night

The Officers of Sussex Lodge held a "Rusty Mason's Night" on Wednesday, November 12th, 2008. The purpose of this special night was to provide a comfortable atmosphere in which to reacquaint long absent brethren with the signs, tokens and words that are regularly used in Lodge.

Worshipful Master, Matthew "Sonny" Clark reported that there were twenty Brethren present, of which seven were Rusty Masons. These Brethren had been absent from one to fifteen years, with one having only sat in lodge a couple of times over a 20 year membership. The evening started with a period of fellowship in the banquet room that allowed everyone to get to know each other a little better. Next these brethren were reintroduced to the lodge room, much in the same manner as you would in an Open House. This was followed by reviewing the opening of lodge, explaining the knocks, signs etc.

Following this, the Grand Honours were demonstrated and practiced, after which the balloting procedure was reviewed. Since there were a couple of EA present, they were escorted to the banquet room while the remainder of the brethren reviewed the 2nd and 3rd degree.

Once completed everyone retired to the banquet room for pizza and refreshments. Everyone involved stated that they had enjoyed themselves and were glad that they had decided to attend when asked. Of the seven Rusty Masons that attended, six indicated that they would be attending the DDGM's Official Visit to Sussex Lodge No. 5 the following Monday.

As a follow up ... four of the seven did attend the Official Visit and two others contacted the Worshipful Master to pass along their regrets that they had work commitments.

In closing, Worshipful Master Sonny Clark reminded the brethren that they don't have to attend every lodge meeting, but he reiterated, "*never miss more than one meeting in a row*". He went on to express his personal gratitude to all that participated and took the time to attend such a wonderful evening.

Editor's Note:

V.W. Bro. Matthew "Sonny" Clark hopes that this success story spurs other lodges to try a similar event. He encourages anyone who wishes to contact him to discuss the program and the positive approach used by Sussex Lodge No. 5, to do so at meclark@bellnet.ca

The above was taken from the monthly communication entitled *B2B Facilifacts* published by V.W. Bro. Iain Wates, Grand Lodge's Team Leader for the Brother-to-Brother Program. To get on his distribution list, send a message to idwates@sympatico.ca.



Sunday December 7, 2008

The Beaches Lodge - Masons Aiding Masons in Cuba



While on vacation in Cuba, Les Zeman, a member of The Beaches Lodge #473, met with Bro. Erasmó Rodríguez Arias, secretary of Ven. Logia Holguin in Cuba, and gave him bulk containers of Multivitamins/Advils and around 15 hand crank dynamo (battery free) flashlights that were donated by various Brethren in Toronto for hurricane relief.

Bro. Arias will be waiting for the Brethren from Toronto East District to arrive on the Fraternal visit to Holguin on January 25/28, where a further donation of Masonic aprons and other regalia will be given by the Brethren of Toronto East District. Bro. Arias was

greatly appreciative of the generous donation by the Brethren of Toronto. It will be put to good use by the various Brethren in Cuba in their time of need.

Friday December 19, 2008

Acacia Lodge - Christmas Benevolence

This Christmas, Acacia Lodge (with direction from Community Centre 55 on Main St) was able to provide food and gifts for a young single mother and her eight year old son in an effort to make this a better Christmas for them. Members of the lodge met with the family to assess their needs, then shopped for gifts, non-perishable foods and a Sobey's gift card. Wrapping took place in the Temple basement with Santa's elves doing the deed and everything was delivered before Christmas. The members of Acacia Lodge who were involved are proud to be members of a Lodge that practices the Charity we all profess to admire. It takes so little from each of us to make a difference in the lives of those who are less fortunate.

The lodges of East Toronto Masonic Temple held a toy and food drive that resulted in a collection at least 10% greater than previous years. Members of Acacia Lodge took the donated food and toys to Community Centre 55 on the 19th of December. Thank you to all who contributed. The folks at Community Centre 55 really appreciate the help!

Auld Lang Syne

Undoubtedly, millions of people throughout the world sang Auld Lang Syne to see out 2008. Few know all the words and fewer still what they mean. They are attributed to Robert Burns who apparently picked up the tune and some of the words from an old man singing in the dialect of southwest Scotland. Auld Lang Syne has become the international song of departure, and is sung by more people than any other.

The possibility is that Burns only wrote two of the five verses. But, as he did with numerous other Scottish songs, he modified them and, in some cases, purified them. It seems likely that the song was first sung either in Poesie Nancy's Tavern in Mauchline, or the Bachelors' Club in Tarbolton located a few miles away.



The song was initially centred on two young men who drifted apart after their early schooling, and who, after re-uniting, reminisced about their earlier times together, the happy experiences they had together and the kindly folk they met.

When Burns became a Freemason at the age of 23 he quickly absorbed the superb symbolism of the Craft. Conviviality was, for Burns, one of the most important virtues. For him, Auld Lang Syne is a concrete expression of his love of mankind and his ideal of International Brotherhood.

The Masonic routine is to form a circle in which everyone is equidistant from the centre, demonstrating they are all equal. In this regard, the practice adopted in some lodges by placing the masters or other distinguished brethren in the centre defeats the purpose of the ceremony associated with the song.

At the beginning of the song the brethren stand with hands by their sides, symbolising they are relative strangers.

The early verses should be sung (or hummed) very softly as brethren reflect both on cherished memories of earlier times together and on those brethren who have since passed to the Grand Lodge Above.

When they come to the last verse, “And there’s a hand, my trusty frier (friend)...”, each brother then extends his right hand of fellowship to the brother on his left, then the left hand to the brother on his right. This symbolises two things: firstly, that they are crossing their hearts; secondly, that they automatically form a smaller and more intimate circle of friendship. Now they have an unbroken chain of brethren who are close friends.

The tempo should then rise and, to the tapping of feet, all enthusiastically sing the final chorus. At non-Masonic functions the foregoing routine should be followed as far as is practicable. If necessary, small circles can be formed around tables.

At Scottish functions they usually wind up by singing “O we’re no’ awa’ tae bide awa’,” form a “snake” and move round the hall in increasingly smaller circles. Then the leader reverses the movement and all participants revert to a large circle.

The ‘History of the Grand Lodge of Ireland’, published by the Irish Lodge of Research in 1925, relates that during the 19th Century the song became popular at installations and was accompanied by ‘pile-driving’, where those assembled would, after forming a circle and crossing hands, bring festivities to a close by jumping in the air and stamping their feet as hard as they could. Apparently when this took place in a tavern’s upstairs room they almost brought the ceiling down.

This pile-driving was a peculiarly Masonic gesture, being an allusion to that which underpins and was therefore a leftover from the operative days. It is interesting that even today, when the ‘pile-driving’ itself is no longer done, the rhythmic up and down movement of the hands, if done properly, still resembles the driving of a pile.

This tends to indicate that the singing of the song, and the crossing of hands that accompanies it, spread from the Craft to more general celebrations.



(tsm: It sounds a bit like the Chain of Union still practiced in a number of Masonic Obediences in the world. In fact, if you take out the jumping, you've just about got it. I hear the Chain of Union is being rediscovered by some Traditional Observance Lodges in the US.)

Author: T. G. Patterson
Publisher: The Victorian Freemason
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Express Your Joy In Freemasonry



Every day from May to December, the world comes to Black Creek Pioneer Village to see the way life used to be. There, in a small, unprepossessing white building over the friendly tinsmith's shop is a lodge room, the way it was. Through this lodge room come men, women and the young. They walk into that lodge room and see a lodge room any of us would instantly recognize. Many are Canadian but a lot are from the British Isles, Europe, the Middle and Far East, all the way to Australia, and

all places in between. Many of the visitors come from countries where Freemasonry is not as 'visible' as it is here. Or as free. Many want to know who we are, what we are and why we have been around for more than 300 years. Many have incorrect perceptions of our Craft. Almost every one of them has some question to ask, and even if they don't, the Interpreter will tell them of the history of the building, or the history of Freemasonry.

None of these questions will be answered; opportunities will be lost, if there is no Interpreter to make the guests welcome.

The task of Interpreting is not onerous. It can be as frequent as you want, or as infrequent as you want. It can be a great deal of fun! It is interesting. It is talking to the young. It is meeting and talking to people from down the street or around the world.

Give Mac McCausland a call. He'll be glad to hear from you. You will be glad you did.

Contact: Arnold (Mac) McCausland at mccaus@istar.ca or 905.567.4856

This Is An Interesting One!

One of our readers came into possession of a letter from Cuba in Cuban Spanish that is handwritten and incorrectly addressed. The translation might not be completely accurate. Because of the handwriting, even the name of the person the letter was sent to is in question. If you think you know the Mason the letter is sent to, please contact me and I will attempt to get the letter to him. The 'translation' of the letter follows.

My friend Clement Burton

Greetings and best wishes and I hope your health is good. I remember a lot your visit to the hotel "Costa Sur" in Trinidad. We song with the trio band that was performing that night in hotel "Las Villas". I am Raul from "esbe" (*don't know what that is*). You gave me a pack of underwear, do you remember?



Now looking at my notes I told myself, ah! Clement's birthday is coming soon, October 4th. I wish you a very happy B-Day but most importantly good health. I really would like to see you again, but I don't know if it would be possible. Have you been in Cuba again?

I told my wife, Clement is a nice person. Ok I send you a hug for your B-Day.

Ah! I have an uncle who is a mason and I talked to him about you.

Hugs and Friendship

Raul Palmero

The Heritage Lodge #730

The Heritage Lodge differs in many respects from other lodges in this jurisdiction because it relates primarily to the historical rather than the speculative aspects of Masonry. It is intended to provide an intellectual environment for the pursuit of Masonic knowledge, and also to provide a means of receiving and recording historical artefacts to ensure the preservation of our Masonic Heritage without encroachment on normal functions of Constituent Lodges, whose province it is to initiate candidates, confer degrees and provide light and instruction for the brethren in Masonry.

There is something feeble and a little contemptible about a man who cannot face the perils of life without the help of comfortable myths. Almost inevitably some part of him is aware that they are myths and that he believes them only because they are comforting. But he dare not face this thought! Moreover, since he is aware, however dimly, that his opinions are not rational, he becomes furious when they are disputed.

- Bertrand Arthur William Russell (1872-1970), Nobel Literature Prize-1950

Saturday February 7, 2009

Claremont Winter Carnival Parade

The Claremont (Brougham Union) Masonic Temple will open at 9:00 am with hot drinks. By 11:00 am we will assemble at the marshalling area on William St. At the end of the parade we will all assemble at the Masonic Temple for a bowl of hot chili and hot drinks, with ice cream and cookies for the children.



Brougham Union Lodge is again entering two floats and inviting all Masons and their families to join us. You may wish to march in the Parade or ride one of the wagons. We are happy to report that among our guests in the Parade will be ambassadors from WindReach Farm, the Shrine Hillbilly Troop and the Shrine Drum Corps, the Rainbow Girls and DeMolay, and town crier, Bill McKee.

Please note that the Toronto East District DDGM has requested dispensation for all Masons to wear regalia for the occasion. If you are a member of a Masonic concordant body, you may wish to wear those regalia to add color and diversity.

It is always a great winter family outing and we cordially invite you to share this annual fun get-together with us.



Time: 9:00 am - Assembly
11:00 am - Parade
Location: Claremont Masonic Temple
Contact: Lou Lombardi @ loulombardi@sympatico.ca or 905.649.3003 or 416.518.2242

Tuesday February 17, 2009

Downtown Masonic Luncheon - Masons talking Masonry

Held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Please **reserve** to give an idea of the number of meals.
Preferred Dress Code - **Jacket and Tie.**

Topic: The Templars and Freemasonry
Speaker: Terry Spalding-Martin
Time: 12:00 Noon to 1:00 pm
Location: Royal Canadian Military Institute
426 University Ave., Toronto (St. Patrick - University & Dundas subway station)
Cost: \$25 (soup, sandwich, dessert, coffee/tea/soft drink)
Contact: Pat Piccione @ pat_piccione@hotmail.com or 416.341.7938

NOTE: If you are interested in sharing a Masonic subject at one of the luncheons, please contact Pat.

Tuesday February 17, 2009

Oakwood Chapter RAM – Master Masons’ Night

This is to be a very informative evening for all. We will be showing a movie on Royal Arch Masonry with guest speakers from Grand Chapter to enlighten you on Royal Arch Masonry. We will explain the steps involved in progressing through each degree in the Royal Arch along with explanations of the Chapter and its furniture, its Officers and their duties.



Come out for an evening of education and enlightenment and enjoy the splendour, colour and regal solemnity of Royal Arch Masonry.

Guests will be welcomed into Chapter at 8:00 pm and light refreshments will be available after the presentation.

Time: 8:00 pm – Guests received
Location: Ajax Masonic Temple
Contact: Gerald Newall @ g.newall@sympatico.ca or 905.728.7388 or
Peter Nuttall @ pnuttall@idirect.com or 416.283.8056

Friday February 20, 2009

Wexford Lodge - Norm Wheeler Appreciation Night

Please join us for ‘The Norm Wheeler Appreciation Night’; a celebration for the outstanding works this brother Mason has accomplished in his Lodge, his District and beyond! We look forward to seeing you that evening!



Time: 8:00 pm – Guests received
Location: Scarborough Masonic Temple
Contact: Robin Singh @ yahrobs@yahoo.com

Thursday February 26, 2009

65th Annual Shuter Haskill Hunters' Night

The Degree Team will all be comprised of hunters dressed in their camouflage, vests and boots. The Banquet afterwards will feature the best of whatever the hunters have brought down, if road kill is unavailable. ☺

Location: Ontario Lodge #26, Port Hope, ON

No man ever got very high by pulling other people down. The intelligent merchant does not knock his competitors. The sensible worker does not knock those who work with him. Don't knock your friends. Don't knock your enemies. Don't knock yourself.
- Alfred, Lord Tennyson (1809-1892)

Saturday March 7, 2009

Brougham Union Lodge – Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft Breakfast

All Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts in the district are encouraged to attend. The Master of the Lodge should come himself or appoint a representative to accompany any Entered Apprentices or Fellowcrafts that are interested in attending.

The plan at the moment is for a breakfast meeting, very relaxed. The attendees are encouraged to bring all the questions that they did not ask or dared not ask at their Initiation or Passing. In other words we want to step out of the box and try and answer all their questions (observing Grand Lodge parameters) to make their journey into Masonry more meaningful.

Please **RSVP** by Feb. 28, 2009 to ensure enough vitals.

Time: 8:30 am – 12:00 noon
Location: Claremont Masonic Temple
Contact: Garry Fitzpatrick @ garryfitz@sympatico.ca or 905.649.8087, or
Lou Lombardi @ loulombardi@sympatico.ca or 905.649.3003

Saturday March 7, 2009

Club 670 (West Hill Lodge) – Oldies' Dance

Great people, great music, great food. This annual gem features that fabulous 50's, 60's and 70's music by the one and only DJ Jimmy Mac. Dinner, catered by the great Triple G Catering, features roast beef and chicken. Food, prizes, and dancing to that good ole time Rock and Roll! The kind of music that will sooth your soul. Dress is casual. This is traditionally a sold out event. Tickets are limited. Get them fast!

Time: 5:30 pm – Social



6:30 pm - Dinner
11:00 pm – Dessert Table
Location: East Shore Community Centre
910 Liverpool Rd, Pickering
(west side of Liverpool, south of Bayly, lots of easily accessible parking)
Cost: \$25/ea Cash Bar
Contact: Horst Benoit @ 416.284.0482

Monday March 9, 2009

Scarborough Shrine Club – Master Masons’ Night



All Master Masons are invited to an evening full of fun and fellowship and to learn about the Shriner’s Hospitals For Children and other Shrine activities. Please **RSVP** to reserve your seats and for further information.

Time: 6:00 pm
Location: Watts Restaurant
Eglinton Square, Scarborough
Contact: Duncan Macaulay @ clowncastledm@hotmail.com or 905.426.7087
Prince Selvaraj @ prince.selvaraj@sympatico.ca or 416.269.9909

Thursday March 19, 2009

Toronto East District - Lodge Resource Committee

The Toronto East District Lodge Resource Committee is planning on holding some informal training and information nights at the Scarborough Masonic Temple commencing on March 19th and continuing on April 16th, May 21st and June 18th (third Thursday of each month). Meetings will commence at 7:30 pm sharp and will be followed by a short festive board.

The purpose of the meetings is to explore the Grand Lodge, Lodge Resource Manual that is being introduced to the Lodges this year by R.W. Bro. David Dainard and his committee. All who have had a chance to review the manual have had excellent comments regarding the content and structure. It is both informative and intuitive and makes for good reading too.

A full copy of the various sections of the manual is available on line at the Toronto East District website at <http://www.torontoeastdistrict.com/resources/resources.html>. I would encourage the Brethren to visit the site and download sections that are relevant to them.

The manual should be of particular interest to the junior officers of the Lodge as it provides some excellent information regarding the duties of the various offices and some valuable insights into the *hidden mysteries*, such as how to introduce a visitor, prepare a toast, present Grand Honours, which order do we receive Grand Lodge Officers, who is ‘Presented’ and who is ‘Introduced’ and why, to mention just a few.

Back to the monthly sessions. The intent is to practice opening and closing the Lodge in the three Degrees of Masonry, answering questions regarding the correct procedures and protocol after each opening and closing and explaining some of the reasons ‘Why?’ we do certain things. This will follow a similar approach to the Saturday morning sessions at the East Toronto Masonic Temple under the excellent tutorage of V.W. Bro. Les Armitage. (Which incidentally start again on February 14th at 9 am)



Following this there will be a presentation of a section of the Lodge Resource Manual. At the first meeting on March 19th, R.W. Bro. Des Tutin will guide us through the section titled 'Etiquette and Protocol'.

Keep an eye on the March edition of **Hiram's Lighthouse** for more information.



Give Brother 2 Brother A Try In Your Lodge!!

Our goal this year is to provide the lodges of the Jurisdiction with a road map that can lead to long-term sustainability. It is a program based on membership retention, member involvement, lodge administration and it encourages excellence. It teaches us that *when we are united in our efforts we have strength and when we build on our strengths we can achieve what others cannot.*

You can learn more about the *Benefits & Proven Techniques* of the program by arranging for a presentation to be conducted in your Lodge or District.

For more information, contact the B2B Team at: dwates@sympatico.ca

We Are Here To Serve You!

Saturday March 21, 2009

Cathedral Lodge – Medieval Times Dinner and Tournament



All are invited - brethren, family and friends to an evening of dinner and live entertainment. This will be an evening of fun, laughs, and unforgettable memories. Kindly **RSVP** no later than February 20th 2009 along with payments.

Time: 7:30 pm
Location: Medieval Times Dinner and Tournament
10 Dufferin St., Exhibition Place, Toronto
Cost: Adults \$50.00 + taxes
Kids \$40.00 + taxes
Contact: Spiros Roussetos @ 416.463.2002
Peter Marossis @ peter.marossis@sympatico.ca or 416.209.3010



Tuesday March 31, 2009
Grand Master's Banquet

Time: 6:00 pm
Location: Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall
60 McDowall Gate, Markham, ON
Cost: \$50 ea
Contact: Bob Thompson @ little.beau@sympatico.ca or 416.491.3230

The man of character, sensitive to the meaning of what he is doing, will know how to discover the ethical paths in the maze of possible behaviour.
- Bro. Earl Warren (1891-1974), Supreme Court Chief Justice 1953-69

Sunday April 19, 2009

Scarboro Lodge – 2009 SuperCities Walk for MS

For the **seventh consecutive year**, Scarboro Lodge will be fielding a team in the 2009 SuperCities **Walk for MS** event and . . .

Scarboro Lodge Challenges ALL lodges in the Toronto East District to join us!

This event is an excellent way to help raise funds to fight a debilitating and horrible disease, the highest incidence of which is right here in Canada. The MS Society has the best record of all charities in fundraising too - 98% of all funding goes toward research or support of sufferers of the disease. A cure is close!

Naturally, most lodges will find the prospect of trying to compete against the might of Scarboro Lodge as too intimidating - but don't let that stop you from joining in this important work. W.M. Frank MacKay has granted permission for *any* Mason to join our team! That's right, you too can join Scarboro Lodge on our triumphant march into the glory of a cure for MS!

If you can't make the Walk itself, why not sponsor a Scarboro Brother with a tax-deductible pledge? For more information, pledge sheets and online registration, go to:

www.mssociety.ca/2009Walk/SponsorTeam.aspx?&PID=990002&L=2

Time: 8:00 am to 10:00 am – Registration – breakfast provided
10:00 am to 12 noon – Walk through the park to Thompson Community Centre and back - lunch provided
Location: cafeteria in back of Cedarbrae Collegiate
Markham Rd. south of Lawrence Ave.
Contact: Frank MacKay at frank_mackay@hotmail.com

Hypocrites in the Church? Yes, and in the lodge, and at home. Don't hunt through the church for a hypocrite. Go home and look in the glass. Hypocrites? Yes. See that you make the number one less.
- Billy Sunday (1862-1935)



Saturday May 9, 2009

The Beaches Lodge – Ladies Night

Once again, The Beaches Lodge is hosting our annual Ladies Night Gala. This year it will be held on Mothers' Day weekend, so bring your Mother. We will be at a new venue - our very own Bro. Nick Zarafontis' 5 Star restaurant, The School. A lovely meal and evening at such an exquisite establishment at a bargain price of \$50.00 per person. You cannot get a better deal. A whole night of fine dining, dancing, door prizes, and other entertainment. Your special Ladies will be very impressed. Tickets are limited, so buy early.



Time: 6:00 pm – Social
7:00 pm - Dinner

Location: The School Restaurant
www.theschoolfinedining.com
4121 14th Ave. (East of Birchmount Rd, Unionville)

Cost: \$50 each

Contact: Prince Selvaraj @ prince.selvaraj@sympatico.ca or 416.269.9909
Michael Enns @ mike-enns@hotmail.com or 416.264.5264

Saturday May 23, 2009

The Beaches, Birch Cliff and Caledonia Lodges – MasoniChIP, Open House and Community BBQ



Caledonia Lodge has recently joined with The Beaches and Birch Cliff Lodges in co-hosting this great day. We need lots of volunteers to help organize and run the event. An application to the city of Toronto to be included in their Open Door program held on the same weekend has been made. This will be a big event and hopefully well attended. We are currently looking for guest speakers, especially authors of Masonic Books, general volunteers to help organize and run the event, and either a Dentist, Dental Assistant or Hygienist to volunteer to make dental impressions. All are welcome.

Time: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Location: Scarborough Masonic Temple

Cost: - donations to cover costs will be most gratefully received

Contact: Ed Crosier @ newfser@hotmail.com or 289.240.4913 or
Charles Frankland @ cfrankland@rogers.com or 416.493.9022



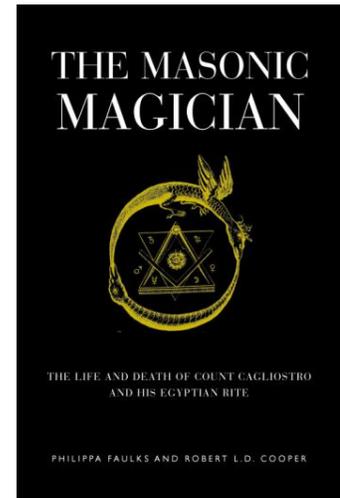
BOOK REVIEW:

The Masonic Magician

Author: Philippa Faulks and Robert Cooper
ISBN: 9781905857685
Publisher: Watkins Publishing
Published: 2008

For hundreds of years people have speculated about the true meaning of Masonic Rituals. Their mystery has captivated the interest of both detractors of the craft and great minds within the order. The degrees of Freemasonry are said to be moral lessons in the form of three ritual plays - a claim that is viewed with some suspicion by many. Even Freemasons themselves find they have a nagging sense that there must be something more to these rituals - something great, something important, something magical...

Miracle-worker or man of straw? Count Alessandro Cagliostro was a cult figure of European society in the tumultuous years leading to the French Revolution. An alchemist, healer and Freemason, he inspired both wild devotion and savage ridicule - and novels by Alexander Dumas, a drama by Goethe and Mozart's opera The Magic Flute. The Masonic Magician investigates this enigmatic man, his life and times.



Cagliostro's sincere belief in the magical powers, including immortality, conferred by his Egyptian Rite of Freemasonry won him fame, but made him dangerous enemies, too. His celebrated travels through the Middle East and the capitals of Europe ended abruptly in Rome in 1789, where he was arrested by the Inquisition and condemned to death.

The Masonic Magician tells Cagliostro's extraordinary story, complete with the first English translation of the Egyptian Rite ever published. The authors examine the case made against him, that he was an impostor and finds that the Roman Church, and history itself, has done him a terrible injustice.

This engaging account, drawing on remarkable new documentary evidence, shows that the man condemned was a genuine visionary and true champion of Freemasonry. His teachings have much to reveal to us today not just of the mysteries of Freemasonry, but of the mysterious hostility the movement continues to attract.

Chapters list this book at \$26.84 but by looking around you should be able to get it for under \$20.00.

Review by: Grand Lodge of Scotland
http://www.grandlodgescotland.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=394&Itemid=115



... by the Lighthouse Beam

Freemasonry is Not a Service Club!

In the history of our time, the first half of the twentieth century will be noted for many things. World-shaking events have followed each other in such rapid succession as to over-shadow many of the trends and movements in the social order that accompanied them. Notable amongst the latter, on the North American continent, has been the phenomenal growth of organizations [dedicated] to humanity. The multiplicity of service clubs and similar associations that have been organized during the past twenty-five years in particular is somewhat remarkable.

To the keen observer it would seem as if men (and women too), throughout the country during the years following World War I, had become intensely conscious of the vital import in the words of the Great Master who said: "Not everyone that sayeth unto me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter into the Kingdom, but he that doeth the will of My Father." The desire to be up and doing appeared to be the motivating force.

Many of these organizations, whose names are household words, and whose activities are widely publicized, have great achievements to their credit. Vast sums of money have been collected and dedicated to human betterment. Untold hours of labour have been contributed by devoted members towards the advancement of the various projects that they had undertaken to support. Blessings of many kinds have come to countless thousands as the result of their activities - truly noble endeavours to translate principles into practices, ideas into realities, and faith into works, through the effort of *doing*. The worthwhile accomplishments of these organizations, and the favourable publicity associated with their activities, have been disturbing factors in the life of Freemasonry during that same period. In discussions about their Craft and comparisons with these other institutions many of our members, from time to time, advocate a program of similar activities, and evince a desire to copy their methods and introduce them into Freemasonry. In some instances even Masters and officers of lodges have endeavoured to implement their ideas along these lines. Sincere and enthusiastic brethren sometimes give expression to their feeling of disappointment at what they term as the failure of the Craft to put its principles into practice or to measure up to its ideals, when it apparently ignores the problems of the outer world that are crying for a solution such as Freemasonry could provide. They feel a sense of frustration like unto those in the parable, who stood idly in the market place because no man had hired them, though there was much work to be done in the Master's vineyard. They are waiting for the Craft to

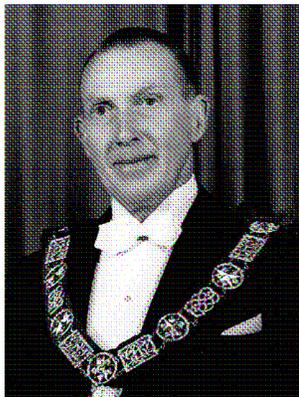


send forth a clarion call to active service in some great cause, some worthwhile project that will capture the imagination and harness the enthusiasm of the members for spectacular action.

It is claimed that Freemasonry is suffering by comparison with these other organizations operating in competition, that it is losing to them many of its keen, young members who are attracted by the more colourful activities associated with their operations, and that its influence for good must decline if it continues to remain within the cloistered walls of its lodges while outside the world bleeds.



As an indication of this trend of thought among Freemasons we are reminded that a few years ago, when the Grand Lodge of British Columbia was celebrating its 75th anniversary, the idea was expressed that it would be a fitting occasion for the Grand Lodge to send forth a call to the Craft throughout the province to undertake some great project in public welfare, which might glorify the closing quarter of its century, and be worthy of its great inheritance of past years. A similar suggestion, but in the form of a definite recommendation, was placed before the Grand Lodge of Alberta about two years ago, which received wide publicity in the press at that time, concerning the problem of youth and the establishment of a Masonic farm training centre in the province.



A native of Ireland, and an executive for the Canadian civil service, M.W. Bro. Laurence Healey was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia and Yukon for 1952-1953.

These trends of prevailing thought amongst Freemasons present a very definite challenge to all those who are placed in positions of responsibility for the guidance of the Craft in these trying times, and the question under consideration here is, perhaps, the most important to be discussed by this Conference, or by any similar assembly of Masonic leaders today.

In the Masonic design, the major effort is directed toward the development of character and improvement of life and conduct in the individual man, who is mentally, morally and physically qualified to benefit from the teaching, and who has the avowed desire to learn and to improve. By a peculiar system of ritual and ceremonies great principles of morality and virtue are inculcated, which help to build him up into a better man and a better citizen.

Freemasonry is unique amongst human institutions, for it is evident that its pattern was drawn under divine inspiration from the accumulated spiritual wisdom of the ages. Its lessons are derived from the powerful drama of life and death as portrayed in its allegories, where the ultimate meaning of life is interpreted in terms of moral and spiritual values that fortify the soul against the trials and vicissitudes of life.

By keeping the great principles of Truth, Honour, Charity and Justice strong and active in the lives of individuals, Freemasonry believes that goodness and honour in society must result from the presence within it of men who are actuated by these high principles, and whose desire shall be to mould the life of the world nearer to the Masonic ideal. When every Freemason carries over into his particular sphere in society the great precepts of the institution, an inevitable impact is made upon the whole life and transactions of mankind. Raise, and set in motion, the spiritual potential of Freemasonry, and a force is thereby generated that can transform the world.

Other organizations may find opportunities for service in seeking to ameliorate the sufferings and hardships that result from maladjustments of the social system - the *effect* of wrong and evil in society. But Freemasonry seeks to apply its age old, tried and proven philosophy to the *cause* - the sources from whence most of the ills of humanity spring. It deals in principles rather than in projects, in the dissemination of ideals rather than in programs of self-advertisement. Men can agree on principles and ideals without necessarily agreeing upon the particular method by which they may be applied to some specific problem. Rivalries and contentions over the merits of various projects, and the methods by which a plan of campaign might be undertaken, would sow the seeds of dissension in the body of the Craft, while it is the very essence of Freemasonry that unity of purpose in all essentials be preserved among its members, if the beauty and harmony of the structure is to be maintained.



A Masonic lodge may be likened to a school, or university, where men who have passed the qualifying examination go through a course of study in science and are the scientific application of moral and spiritual truth to the art of right living. Its graduates, having learned that Freemasonry is a way of life, a quality of life to be lived day by day, go out into the world and give practical effect to the principles and ideals which they have acquired in their training as craftsmen.

In the secular college or university, the student is taught principles of engineering, agriculture, law, medicine, and various other subjects, then, having graduated, he goes forth to apply his knowledge in the world to operations of commerce, industry, transportation, and the thousand and one other activities which make up our economic system.

But no one puts forward the suggestion that the university itself should enter the field of engineering as a corporate body and proceed to develop some hydroelectric project, or set up its own factory for the manufacture of automobiles, or foster similar projects designed to carry into practical effect the principles that it teaches to its students. No one expects it to do so, neither could it undertake such activities without serious detriment to its usefulness as an institution of learning devoted to study and research and to the training of youth.

Why, then, expect the university or college of Freemasonry to sponsor projects, or embark upon adventures outside the scope of its organization, or beyond the design of its peculiar system? Why should its timeless glory, as an Institution dedicated to the teaching of moral and spiritual principles, be tarnished by the corroding influence of petty rivalries amongst contending claimants for its sponsorship of their particular projects, whether political, civil or religious. Surely it cannot be suggested that, like the Biblical Esau, it should sell its sublime inheritance in the eternal verities for the mere pottage of public acclaim at its transient success in the operation of some project, however laudable.

Without inviting defeat, confusion, and ultimate decline, the Institution of Freemasonry cannot deviate from the great design on its trestleboard - the making of Freemasons - building the temple of living stones. Just as the university graduate carries his acquired skill, with the honour of his *Alma Mater*, into the world of commerce and industry, so the Masonic graduate carries his skill, and the honour of his Ancient Craft, into the world of thought and ideas, of life and conduct, where men may see his good works and be inspired by his example. Thus Masonic ideals and principles overflow into the life of the community, the city and the nation. And if our community and national life does not reflect that quality of higher idealism which should come from the presence therein of such a large body of Freemasons, then the important task of the moment should be to so strengthen and improve the quality of lodge membership as to increase the power and influence of that overflow, rather than to dissipate our energies following a will-o-the-wisp of temporary schemes and projects.

Other institutions which are organized for service activities, and which play such a prominent part in public life, owe much of their success to the presence in their ranks of many keen and enthusiastic members who received their training in Masonic lodges. In many cases the majority of those actively engaged are members of the Craft who adopt this method of putting their Masonic ideals into practice. But there is no conflict of interests. There is no competition between these bodies and our Ancient Institution. Freemasonry was not designed for such a purpose, neither is it in the Masonic scheme, nor in any part of its basic foundations.

Perhaps, a fitting conclusion to this presentation of the question for consideration may be a quotation from a recent address by one of the most distinguished Past Grand Masters of the Craft, His Majesty King George VI, when he said: "English Freemasonry has behind it the experience of nearly two and a



half centuries of steadfast adherence to fundamental principles, and I believe that a determination to maintain the values which have been the rock upon which the Masonic structure has stood firm against the storms of the past, is the only policy that can be pursued in the future.”

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