

Hiram's Lighthouse

PROVIDING MASONIC LIGHT FROM TORONTO EAST DISTRICT SINCE 2003
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The need to know who our members are, what they find rewarding in life, what they have been through, what their hopes for the future are, and what their expectations for the fraternity may be is very important; not only to the member who is giving his talk, but also to the members on the sidelines. Our lives are enriched, by the members of this fraternity. Let's take the time to get to know them, who they are, where they are from, and where they hope to go.

When we do these things their lives are better, our lives are better and the fraternity becomes much stronger.

- Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Minnesota, Education Committee

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

Greetings Brethren of Toronto East District,

No message at time of publication.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

R.W. Bro. Bruce N. Palanik
District Deputy Grand Master
Toronto East District



EVENTS CALENDAR:

June 2013						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					<u>1</u> * TED-2 nd Annual Black Tie Gala see below Ajax Convention Centre	<u>2</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> * TED-Free Golf Lessons Donations to the District Charity see District Charity 4 Seasons Golf Club	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> * Wexford-2 nd Annual Golf Tournament see below Bushwood Golf Club	<u>9</u>
<u>10</u> * Universe- Friend To Friend and Brother to Brother see below East Toronto	<u>11</u> * TED-Free Golf Lessons Donations to the District Charity see District Charity 4 Seasons Golf Club	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u> Fathers Day No need to stop - get out and clean those eavestroughs! * Rainbow Girls- Installation see below Doric Pickering
<u>17</u>	<u>18</u> * Royal Arch Masons- Master Mason's Night see below Doric Pickering	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> 1st Day of Summer! Summer begins at 1:04 am. Don't waste a second!	<u>22</u>  IT'S SUMMER!	<u>23</u> * The Beaches-7 th Annual Sandcastle Competition see below Ashbridges Bay
<u>24</u> St. John the Baptist Day One of the Patron Saints of Freemasonry	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u> * Caledonia and Friendship-Joint Golf Tournament cancelled	<u>30</u>



July 2013						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<u>1</u> Canada Day! 	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>9</u> Start of Ramadan	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>
<u>15</u> 158 th Communication of Grand Lodge	<u>16</u> 158 th Communication of Grand Lodge	<u>17</u> 158 th Communication of Grand Lodge	<u>18</u> 158 th Communication of Grand Lodge	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>
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AROUND AND ABOUT:

Toronto East District Charity



We have been accepted as a Community Partner under the umbrella of the Child Life Program of the Sick Kids Foundation. We hope to raise enough money to buy at least one Multi-Sensory Cart for the children who unfortunately have to stay in Sick Kids. These carts can turn waiting rooms, corridors or hospital rooms into a reactive and enjoyable time for the Children as well as enticing positive reactions from the more seriously ill. When making donations to the project through the Masonic Foundation of Ontario, please use **Project Number 2415** on your cheque.

V W Bro Gary Fitzpatrick, who is a member of the Canadian Golf Teachers Federation, will be holding **Free Golf lessons** on

- Tuesday June 4th and
- Tuesday, June 11th between 4:00 and 8:00 pm.

at the Four Seasons Golf Course, north of Hwy 7, off Brock Rd in Pickering. Please call V W Bro Garry Fitzpatrick at 905.649.8087 to arrange your time slot. I know of a least three District Golf tournaments in the month of June. What a wonderful way to correct your swing before taking part in a Tournament.

These events are free, but we will be expecting a donation to the District Charity.

Contact: Malcolm Parish @ malcolm_parish@hotmail.com or 905.213.9858

Morality to me is honesty, integrity, character. Old-fashioned words. There are new words now that excuse everything.

- Bette Davis (1908-1989)

Blood Donor Clinics



Below you will find the district scheduled Blood Donor Clinics, but if you cannot attend them find yourself a clinic at the website indicated below and go and give blood. It is necessary to book an appointment by calling 1.88.todonate (1.888.636.6283). 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. The Toronto East District 'Partners for Life' number is **MASN011058** and any donation registered under that number goes in our totals count.

For information regarding the location of blood donor clinics, go to

www.blood.ca/centreapps/clinics/InetClinics.nsf/CVSE?OpenForm&CloseMenu

Contact: John Katz @ johnkatz@sympatico.ca or 416.264.7399



FYI

Dr. Edward Jenner, in 1789 discovered the vaccination process against smallpox. He was Worshipful Master of Faith and Friendship Lodge #270 in Berkeley, England at the time.

- Alphonse Cerza, The Truth is Stranger than Fiction, MSA

Remember the North East Corner

Although there are no days in the year when mattresses are not on sale, anyone who has had to buy one recently knows that a descent mattress, all by itself, is not a cheap article to buy.

Patients rarely think of their bed as a piece of equipment, but it is a vital part of every hospital stay, and is needed in almost every hospital department.

The Rouge Valley Health System, composed of Centenary Hospital built in 1967 and Ajax Pickering Hospital built in 1954, has served eastern Toronto for all that time. Some of the beds in use have been there since the building of each respective hospital. They have gone through more than a generation of being pushed and pulled, raised and lowered, and soaked in more liquids than anyone wants to discuss. They are breaking down and are constantly in need of repair. As anyone watching the news is aware, getting funding from any level of government is like trapping a cloud.



The cost of most of the beds is in the \$5,000 range but there are many specialized beds, including those for the Intensive Care Unit that can cost as much as \$15,000 or more. The more modern beds have more electronic features for general use and also serve for longer term patients. Features include:

- Special climate control mattresses
- Bed scale for weighing
- Low air loss
- Touch screens to monitor patients
- Rotating modules

You can help restore comfort and health, one bed at a time.

With generous support, the goal is to purchase as many new beds as possible over the next two years. Beds that are purchased in full will have a donor plaque attached.

Create a [personalized, secure website](#) for yourself, or your lodge, with challenges or an event, and collect online donations. Each donor to your fundraising page will receive his or her own receipt automatically by email.

Outright Gift

You may consider purchasing beds in one payment. In this case, your gift will be celebrated immediately (see [Recognizing Your Generosity](#)), and your charitable tax receipt will be mailed immediately.

Pledges

To make it easier to buy a bed for your local community hospital, you may consider making a pledge, by paying in instalments over a one or two year period, customized to your needs. You will receive a receipt immediately each time a pledge payment is received. To set up your pledge, please call 416.281.7119.



Make a Direct Donation

You may wish to make a one-time gift of \$20, \$50, \$100, \$500 or whatever you can afford.

Payment Options

Online: Credit card donations are accepted online, using a secure server, at www.buyabed.ca. Gifts may also be made in honour or in memory of someone significant in your life. Tax receipts are available for immediate download.

By phone: Call 416.281.7342 to set up your pledge or make one-time or monthly donations using Visa, MasterCard or American Express.

By mail: Cheques payable to the Rouge Valley Health System Foundation may be mailed to: Rouge Valley Health System Foundation, 2867 Ellesmere Road, Toronto, ON M1E 4B9

In person: Rouge Valley Health System gladly accepts Visa, MasterCard or American Express, as well as cash, debit or money orders at the office above.

A Penny For Your Thoughts



103,000 people are diagnosed with Alzheimer's each year. Many more suffer other mental health afflictions that the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation targets with research funding.

All Scottish Rite Masons and others are asked to save and donate their pennies to support the research funded by the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation into Alzheimer's disease and other "puzzles of the mind" afflicting both young and old.

Give your pennies to the Scottish Rite representative in your lodge, Valley, Valley office, or to any designated person(s).

The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation funds cutting edge research projects into neurodegenerative disorders each year in hospitals and university research facilities across Canada. It is a virtual certainty that anyone reading this knows of a close family member or friend who has been afflicted with a mental health issue.

The "A Penny For Your Thoughts" project is designed to support, with many hands and many pennies, research that protects our thoughts. By contributing to this project -

THE THOUGHTS YOU PROTECT MAY BE YOUR OWN!

Please give this some thought and then give generously as this project will continue until there are no pennies left in circulation.

The Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation of Canada
4 Queen St. S., Hamilton, ON L8P 3R3
Phone: 905-522-0033 Fax: 905-522-3716



International Gathering of Masonic Lodges Named for St. Alban

Quinte St. Alban's Lodge in the Toronto Don Valley District will host the 60th Annual International Gathering of Masonic Lodges Named for St. Alban on September 20 - 22, 2013. Masons and their ladies are expected from Canada, the U.S.A., the U.K. and Germany. Brethren and their ladies who are not associated with a St. Alban's Lodge are always welcome to attend.



Fully registered participants will enjoy a Friday evening social get-together, lunch and Lodge meeting for Brethren on the Saturday afternoon, a ladies' program during the day on Saturday, and a banquet for everyone on Saturday evening. Single tickets will be available for lunch and for the banquet. The cost of the various events will be made known once it has been determined.

The main venue is the Holiday Inn (Yorkdale), and the lunch and Lodge meeting will be held at the York Masonic Temple. Those interested should mark the dates on their calendar now.

The Chairman of the Planning Committee is R.W. Bro. E. Roy Harrison, and the joint Registrars are R.W. Bro. Ian D. Nichols, and his wife Jean.

Further information can be obtained by sending an e-mail message to 2013gathering.to@gmail.com.

Habitat for Humanity

After several false starts due last minute date changes, we finally held our annual Toronto East District Freemasons - Habitat for Humanity build at 697 Danforth Road in Scarborough on May the 4th.



I want to thank everyone who participated and made this year's build such a resounding success. Together 15 volunteers from The Beaches, Birch Cliff and Wexford lodges raised \$3,461!!! We had signed up to build in the dead of winter, but by the time we were actually on the build site it was a stunningly beautiful spring day with blue sunny skies and temperatures in the twenties. We still had an impressive number of volunteers out, and a great time was had by all as we installed insulation and vapour barrier.

Over our lunch break of pizza and pop V.W. Bro Al McDonald moralized on the foundation of the building going up next door, and the type of structure that could be expected to be raised if aided by the square, the level and the plumb rule. I personally enjoyed the opportunity to spend the day working as a team with brethren from the lodges in our district. As we worked together we discussed the Craft and got to know each other much better than we did before. Before parting at the end of the day we did find some time to enjoy a cold beverage in the warm afternoon sun on a nearby patio.

Of all the charitable endeavours that we are invited to participate in, either at the Lodge or District level, I find this to be one of the most rewarding. Not only do we raise money for the very excellent cause of making home owners out of deserving families, we have the opportunity to put in some sweat equity. We see where our money is going, we have the opportunity many times to build along-side the families that will one day live in the homes. We have the opportunity to learn new skills ourselves or



teach someone else something in the way of handiness. We have the opportunity to work together outside of Lodge and develop friendships further.

If you haven't participated yet in a Habitat for Humanity build I urge you to consider signing up next time the opportunity arises. I know I will be there again.

Joseph Curry



Coronati Visits Across The Border

Several Coronati brethren drove to Pittsburgh and made a fraternal visit to Duquesne-McKeesport Lodge #731 under the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania on May 8, 2013 to attend its Past Master's Night Ceremony. These reciprocal visits between the two lodges have been going on for several years.



(L to R) R.W. Bro. David Frida, DDGM; W. Bro. Luis Rosaroso, W.M. of Coronati Lodge; W. Bro. Charles Dudgeon, PM; V.W. Bro. Ervin Aspiras; W. Bro. Steven Kecman, WM of Duquesne-McKeesport Lodge #731; V.W. Bro. Gary Rhodes; and Ronel Manabat, WM of Remembrance Lodge #586

Coronati Holds Friend to Friend Night

During its regular meeting last May 9, 2013 the Coronati Lodge #520 held a Friend-to-Friend Night at the Pickering Masonic Temple. Around 9 non-Mason guests attended the event. They were shown a video produced by the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. After the video presentation, several Masonic topics were discussed with the visitors. A question and answer session was followed of which the guests received clarification on their impressions about the Masons. The F2F program was implemented following the guidelines formulated by the Grand Lodge designed to attract good men to knock at the doors of Masonry and at the same time promote Freemasonry to the community.

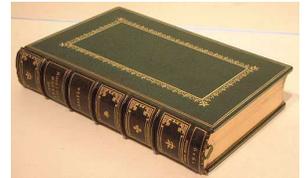




Officers and members of Coronati Lodge together with the guests who attended the Friend-to-Friend Night

Collection of MSA Short Talks Available

The Masonic Service Association has started a project to reprint the Short Talk Bulletins. The first reprint volume will be for 1923-1937, with 700+ pages and a comprehensive index. Each issue has been re-typeset, and the volume will come in two bindings: linen and gilt-edged bonded leather. The two editions will retail for \$150 USD and \$90 USD, but are available before September 1 at the pre-publication prices of \$110 USD and \$55 USD. Further, any lodge may order one linen-bound edition for \$45. (All prices plus S&H. They will ship to Canada.) (Actual book not as shown.)



This is a unique publishing opportunity and will succeed only if there is sufficient support from Masonic readers.

The Short Talk Bulletins are a treasured Masonic publication, and their information is a basic foundation for understanding Freemasonry. For more information visit: -

www.msana.com/stbvol1news.asp

I Was Wondering

In the openings and closings, what is the correct time for the Lesser Lights to be illuminated and extinguished?

See the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 4 for the timing sequence, No. 3 for openings and No. 4 for closings.

Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 4, No. 3-*The Lesser Lights, which should be placed two on the North at each corner of the altar and one midway on the South of the altar, are illuminated when the lodge is at work, except for the necessary part of the Master Mason Degree between the direction to the Inner Guard to attend to the alarm and 'the human race.'*

Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 4, No. 4-*The Lesser Lights are extinguished just before the Past Master actually closes the Volume of the Sacred Law. If the lights are on single switches or candles are used, they are lighted in the sequence Junior Warden, Senior Warden, Worshipful Master, and extinguished in the reverse order.*

When opening in the Fellow Craft degree, when the Worshipful Master acknowledges the Sign, does he first come to order in the Entered Apprentice degree?

See the Book of the Work (1999), Pg. 12. The rubrics indicate that after the Worshipful Master rises and says, "I acknowledge the correctness of that Sign" (Step and 3-Fold Sign of a Fellow

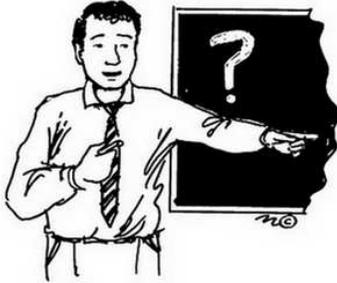


Craft). There is no requirement for the Worshipful Master to give the Step and Penal Sign of an Entered Apprentice Mason at this point.

When the Lodge is called from labour to refreshment, are the Lesser Lights extinguished and the Working Tools covered?

The Lesser Lights are only illuminated when the Lodge is at work and the Working Tools are only displayed when the Lodge is open. (See the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 4 No. 3, No. 4 and No. 6).

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Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 4, No. 6-*The Working Tools of the degree are displayed when the Master declares the lodge open and are covered when the Senior Warden declares the lodge closed. Usually this duty is delegated by the Master to the Senior Steward or an officer who is seated close at hand.*

When the Lodge is being closed in the Master Mason and Fellow Craft degrees, and after the Senior Warden proclaims the Lodge closed in that degree, should the Junior Warden and the Inner Guard knock in the lower degree?

The knocks which are to be given by the Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Inner Guard and Tyler are clearly specified in the Book of the Work. The closing is not complete until the Tyler has returned the knocks. (See the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 5, No. 9). The Greater Lights are not adjusted until the Tyler returns the knocks.

Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 5, No. 9-*In the closings the Past Master does not proceed to adjust the Greater Lights until the knocks have been returned by the Tyler.*

In coming to order do we take the Step first?

The Step is taken before coming to order.

When calling from Left to Right, does the Junior Warden repeat the Direction of the Worshipful Master?

The Junior Warden repeats the direction that is given by the Worshipful Master (See the Book of the Work, Pg. 237).

Book of the Work-2009, Pg. 237-*Worshipful Master - Bro. Junior Warden, you have my command to call the brethren from Left to Right for the space of _____.*

Junior Warden - Brethren, by command of the Worshipful Master, you are now called from Left to Right for the space of _____, but all keep within hail, so as to come on in due time, that profit and pleasure may be the result.



(Junior Warden gives 1k . which is answered by the Senior Warden and Worshipful Master The Worshipful Master gives 3k . . . The brethren rise and place Right Hand on Left Breast, the Working Tools are covered and the Lesser Lights extinguished. The Past Master closes the Volume of the Sacred Law without moving the Square and Compasses. The Junior Warden raises his column and the Senior Warden lays his down.)

NOTE - (The call may be from “Left to Right” or it may be “to call the [] off for the space of _____ for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late Bro. _____, or for any other proper purpose.)

When closing in the Master Mason degree, should both Deacons return with the Senior Warden to the West?

No. The Senior Deacon goes directly to his place in the North East as he is on the right of the Worshipful Master. (See the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 5, No. 12b).

Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 5, No. 12b-The Senior Deacon takes his place to the immediate right of the Master. The Junior Deacon who has advanced with the Senior Warden takes his place to the immediate left of the Master. They stand facing the West holding their wands directly over the Master.

When the Working Tools are in a case or drawer, may they be left in the drawer or should they be removed for display?

The Book of the Work calls for the Working Tools to be displayed when the lodge is opened and covered when it is closed.

At the closing of the lodge is it proper to point upward when saying “and may God be with us”?

No. (See the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 6. No. 13).

Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 6, No. 13-When the words “Fidelity, Fidelity, Fidelity” are repeated with the Past Master, it is not necessary that the right hand be raised from the left breast.

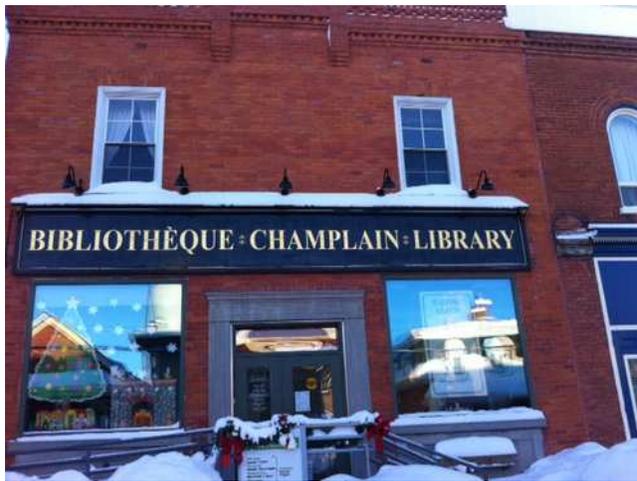
In the openings and closings, when the Wardens are holding the Sign and are required to knock, do they drop the Sign or knock with the left hand?

All knocks are made with the right hand. The Sign is dropped and resumed after the knocks are given.

- Grand Lodge of Instruction - Questions and Answers-2004



Now, Here Is A Lodge In . . .



St. John's lodge 21A, Vankleek ON

thanks to Mike Remillard

The lodge is on the second floor, over the library. You might be able to make out the sign in the window indicating that a Masonic Lodge is upstairs.

Do you have a picture of a Masonic Hall in downtown Some-Place-Else? Send it in and let others see.
*Brethren, it appears no one is travelling. My supply of buildings is getting VERY low.
Please!*

Live one day at a time emphasizing ethics rather than rules.

- Wayne Dyer

Saturday June 1 2013

Toronto East District - 2nd Annual Black and White Gala



You, your lady and guests will enjoy hors d'oeuvres to the sounds of a jazz trio, followed by a four-course dinner in a beautiful setting. Corsages are planned for the ladies. After a sumptuous meal, there will be dancing to the 21-piece George Lake Big Band orchestra.

Brethren, we want to be sure and thank our ladies in a very special way for a year of patience and support and this will be a night for them to remember. We also want to have an award ceremony that truly reflects the stature of the District award winners.

In keeping with promises, all speeches will be short and no raffle tickets of any kind will be sold, nor silent auctions held.

This year we will feature Cheryle Pounder, two-time Olympic Gold Medal Winner from the Canadian Women Hockey Team as our guest speaker.



The Hilton Gardens Hotel that shares the parking lot with the Ajax Convention Centre has offered a group rate of \$129.00. To book a room, call 905.686.2400 and book under 'Toronto East Masons' to take advantage of the rate.

Time: 6:00 pm - Social
7:00 pm - Dinner
9:00 pm - Dancing
Location: Ajax Convention Centre
550 Beck Cres., Ajax (401 and Salem)
Speaker: Cheryle Pounder,
Two time Olympic Gold Medal Winner from the
Canadian Women's Hockey Team
Cost: \$100 pp
Contact: the Senior Warden of your lodge, or
David Neave @ davidneave@bell.net or 905.725.8032, or
Bill Willis @ bill.willis@sympatico.ca or 416.578.1722, or

Saturday June 8 2013

Wexford - 2nd Annual Golf Tournament



A shotgun start followed by 18 holes of golf with a cart. Fantastic Prizes. Lots of Fun. There will also be a Free Driving Range, a Putting Contest, Lunch, and a Steak Dinner to round out what should be a wonderful day.

All brethren, ladies and guests are most welcome for a day of fun and camaraderie.

Time: 11:30 am - Registration
1:00 pm - T-Off
7:00 pm - Dinner

Location: Bushwood Golf Club
10905 Reesor Road, Markham, ON. L6B 1A8 - Phone: 905-640-1233
Cost: \$135 pp
Contact: Maher Eid @ cici20101998@yahoo.com or 416.723.5507, or
Gerald Newall @ g.newall@sympatico.ca or 905.391.9044, or
Andrew Douris @ andrewlp11@yahoo.ca or 416.320.6424, or
Ron Narinesingh @ marinesingh@rogers.com or 416.466.2037

Tuesday June 11 2013

Universe - An Evening of Fraternity

A Friend To Friend and Brother To Brother night. Any new visitors interested in becoming masons are encouraged to attend.

Time: 7:30 pm - Visitors
Location: East Toronto Masonic Temple
Cost: \$10 pp for Brethren - guests are no charge
Contact: Scott Hundey @ 416.902.7284



Tuesday June 18 2013

Royal Arch Masons - Master Masons Night

Oakwood Chapter R.A.M. invites you to this very informative evening for all, introducing another step in Freemasonry. A movie on Royal Arch Masonry will be shown followed by 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.

Light refreshments (this is Oakwood Chapter's Strawberry Night) will be available after the presentation.

Time: 8:00 pm - Visitors
Location: Doric Pickering Masonic Hall
Contact: Gerald Newall @ g.newall@sympatico.ca or 905.728.7388, or
Peter Nuttall @ pnuttall@idirect.com or 416.283.8056, or
Alan Pendleton @ xscouse@rogers.com or 416.283.2713

Sunday June 16 2013

Toronto Assembly #2 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls - Installation of Officers



The Officers and Members of Toronto Assembly #2 cordially invite you to attend their Open by Invitation Installation of Officers. Refreshments to follow. Come and see how the young ladies do it.

Dress code is semi formal. Ladies - no black. Gentlemen - jacket and tie. Please wear aprons in support of the youth groups.

Time: 1:00 pm - Meeting
2:30 pm - Installation
Location: Doric Pickering Masonic Hall
Contact: Barb McGregor @ barb.mcgregor@rogers.com or 416.282.4254

Tuesday June 18 2013

Peterborough Lodge, Peterborough District - Sesquicentennial Anniversary

The Worshipful Master, Wardens & Brethren of Peterborough Lodge No. 155 Constituted under The Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario cordially invite all to celebrate

*The Sesquicentennial Anniversary of
Peterborough Lodge*

Available proceeds will go to the District Project. All Masons, spouses and guests most welcome.

The guest of honour will be the M.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling, Grand Master. Please **RSVP** your intention to attend.

Time: 6:00 pm - Social
7:00 pm - Banquet
8:00 pm - Presentations



Location: 415 Rubidge St., Peterborough, ON
Cost: \$25 pp
Contact: David Glover @ 705.743.4006, or
John Morton @ 705.740.9598

For The Good of Masonry

“Has any brother anything to propose for the good of Masonry in general and of this lodge in particular?”

You can almost hear a pin drop in the silence that follows, as the Worshipful Master’s plea goes unanswered.

One lecture that we are all familiar with contains, “Would you give it if it were in your power?” and “I congratulate you on the honourable sentiments.” Would it be fair to say that the ‘good of Masonry’ comes under this category? And does it mean that when the Worshipful Master’s plea goes unanswered that we all know all there is to know about Freemasonry? Does it mean that this is the end of the science, and does this mean that for the newly made Mason, the climax has been reached, and also that there is no further need for study? In the silence that follows a Worshipful Master’s plea, is it true that we have nothing to offer for the good of Masonry?

When we hear such a challenge from the Worshipful Master, we are being offered the opportunity of a lifetime; the opportunity to get upon our feet and speak among friends, the opportunity of speaking on our feet and we can only gain from such an experience. The more often we accept the challenge then the smaller will become our fears.

The Freemasons of today differs from the Freemason of our grandfather’s day not in relation to our ideals. He did not have television, radio and the numerous weekly periodicals. In today’s computer age we have to accept the fact that speed is essential. We have instant tea and instant coffee; we also have aerosol sprays that at the push of a button instantly solve our problem. Therefore, in the sense of learning, today’s Masonic student differs greatly from that of our grandfather’s day. He has neither the time nor patience to sift through ancient volumes of history to seek the answers that he requires.

The various Masonic publishing houses, realizing such a need, have condensed huge volumes of Masonic literature for today’s student. In fact, all he requires to know of Freemasonry and its etiquette can be purchased in pocket sized editions at low cost. Many editions represent a life-time of work devoted to Freemasonry and today’s student can reap the benefit of these interpretations. So whether we are in search of the meanings of symbolism, Masonic history or making a speech at a banquet, the Masonic student can have in his hands, for a few dollars, the condensed works, the experiences and teachings of many great men, who were also Freemasons.

With such a wealth of history, tradition, teachings and symbolism - call it what you will - can it be really true that nobody has anything to offer for the good of Masonry or for our newly made Brethren in particular.

One of the interesting books I read dealt with visitation; it related how this Brother had visited a Lodge, and had heard the necessary questions being put to the new Brother, became quite alarmed when he heard, “How do you account for this which at first appears a sparrow’s box,” so at the conclusion of the ceremony approached the Brother in question and said, surely there must be some mistake and the word should have been ‘paradox’, the visiting Brother was then assured that sparrow’s box it always had been



in this particular Lodge and sparrow's box it always would be. This then also goes to prove the value of visitation.

I also remember reading about Cleopatra's needle, and immense stone monument, a gift from the King of Egypt. It now stands on the Thames embankment in London. While it was being un-crated, workmen accidentally discovered in its base the working tools of a Master Mason.

In reading the symbolism of the apron I recall how the police force is almost like a giant steel apron, protecting society from the sparks of violence and corruption.

Does any Brother have anything to offer for the good of Masonry? I think we do; however, the next time we are challenged by our Worshipful Master let us not be shy about our presentation, as long as the true meaning is understood; we are among friends, who are depending on us.

Author: Charles Connolly
Publisher: Masonic Bulletin, GRBC.
5972.

Sunday June 23 2013

The Beaches - 7th Annual Sandcastle Competition



Members of the Craft, their families, friends and the community at large are once again invited to participate in the 7th Annual Sandcastle Competition and, as a team, build your best version of Krak castle on the warm white sands of Ashbridges Bay in Toronto. A fun day for all!

In previous years, impromptu teams young and old have assembled early in the day prepared to combat the impact of both sun (or rain) on sand and gravity to the delight of many

thousands passers-by while attempting to claim The Beaches Cup, which will be awarded at 3:00 pm by The Beaches Lodge.

There is no pre-registration process for teams in the competition. A team might consist of a family (see picture - Doug Lauder's kids), a lodge, a business, or just some people walking by - just a group of people working together to achieve a goal, while competing against other teams and, you're right, it's fun too!

Please feel free to contact Bro Doug Lauder if you need directions to the event or additional details related to your team possibly partnering with a doctor or nurse-fuelled team and contributing to the fundraising component in concert with Toronto East General Hospital foundation staff.

Wear those really cool shorts and slip into your most beaten up flip flops. Borrow the neighbour kid's plastic shovels and pail. If you have an idea of what a sandcastle looks like, it will certainly help. Although each team can have as many members as they want, to be fair, only 4 team members should be working on their structure at any one time. More people tend to fall over each other and wreck the real workers' construction. The rest can protect the cooler. One year when it rained in the morning, it made building castles in the afternoon really easy, because the sand was perfect to sculpt.



The prize will be a trophy of *unprecedented* value. Two years ago there were a dozen castles built and two trophies were awarded: one selected by the judges and one by popular vote - a "people's choice" award. The year it rained in the morning, a team of young ladies from East York whose castle was very intricate walked off the beach with the trophy, by winning The Beaches Cup.

Sunburns, blisters, heat stroke, sand in places we won't talk about and laughter - free of charge.

Time: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Location: Beaches of Ashbridges Bay
Contact: Doug Lauder @ douglauder@lifesuccessconsultants.com or 905.728.0534

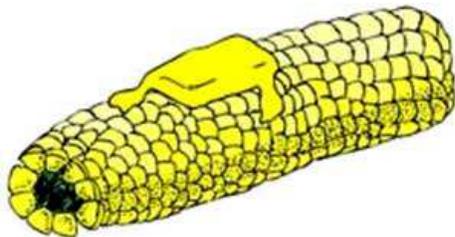
*Think of these things; whence you came, where you are going, and to whom you must account.
- Bro. Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790)*

Monday July 15 2013
158th Annual Grand Lodge Communication
See the Grand Lodge section below.

Nine Requisites for Contented Living:

1. *Health enough to make work a pleasure.*
 2. *Wealth enough to support your needs.*
 3. *Strength to battle with difficulties and overcome them.*
 4. *Grace enough to confess your sins and forsake them.*
 5. *Patience enough to toil until some good is accomplished.*
 6. *Charity enough to see some good in your neighbour.*
 7. *Love enough to move you to be useful and helpful to others.*
 8. *Faith enough to make real the things of God.*
 9. *Hope enough to remove all anxious fears concerning the future.*
- Bro. Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832)*
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Saturday August 24 2013
Toronto East District - Annual BBQ and Corn Roast



The Annual BBQ and Corn Roast held by The Ancients (Senior Wardens Group 2012/13), Toronto East District.

Time: 11:00 am
Location: WindReach Farm
Cost: \$10 pp - Adult
\$25 - Family

Contact: Maher Eid @ cici20101998@yahoo.com or 416.723.5507, or your lodge Senior Warden



*A good thing to remember,
A better thing to do -
Work with the construction gang,
Not with the wrecking crew.
- Anonymous*

Saturday September 7 2013

London Masonic Conference

Come out and enjoy a variety of distinguished and accomplished speakers including our Keynote Speaker:

Bro. 2nd Lieut. Joseph F. Curry
Member of Beaches Lodge #473, Toronto and
Canada Lodge U. D., Kandahar, Afghanistan
Author of The Rifle and the Apron
and
The Craft at Work in Kandahar

To volunteer to be a lecturer contact Rick Cadotte @ rickcadotte@hotmail.com

There is no ladies program but the opportunity to shop till you drop and a variety of restaurants is near by. A hotel package is available.

Tickets to the event, including lunch, are available to Masons and male guests. Please make cheques payable to: London West Masonic Event

Time: 8:30 am - Registration
9:00 am - 4:00 pm - Lectures
Location: Dufferin Masonic Hall
453 Dufferin Ave, London, ON
Cost: \$25 pp - including lunch
Contact: To Register - contact
Randy Hearn
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Saturday September 28 2013

Scarboro - An Evening with R.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell

The Worshipful Master and Brethren of Scarboro Lodge No. 653 are most proud to cordially invite you to join our Deputy Grand Master.

Purchase tickets online at:

<http://doncampbelldinner.eventbrite.ca>

(service charge applies to online sales)

or contact Scarboro Lodge to arrange the purchase of your tickets by mail:

scarboro653@hotmail.com

(no service charge for sales conducted through the mail)

Time: 6:30 pm



Location: Woodbine Banquet Hall
30 Vice Regent Blvd., Toronto, ON - 416.743.0003
Cost: \$75 pp - General Admission
\$55 - Ladies
Contact: Scarboro Lodge @ scarboro653@hotmail.com



The 158th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge
Fairmont Royal York Hotel
Monday, July 15 through Thursday July 18 2013

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Your committee has received SIX (6) proposed amendments to the Constitution of Grand Lodge, three of which were withdrawn.

The 1st proposal deals with current Section 50(b) and proposes that it be amended to read as follows:

Section 50(b)

A candidate nominated for the office of District Deputy Grand Master or Grand Registrar shall be in possession of a certificate of completion of the course known as "Past Masters Course" as offered by the College of Freemasonry.

The proposer is Bro. Richard Cadotte *Your committee finds this proposal regular*

The 2nd proposal deals with current Section 114 and proposes it be amended to read as follows:

Section 114

The Grand Registrar may at the pleasure and direction of the Grand Master take charge of any district or lodge for which there is not a District Deputy Grand Master.

The proposer is R.W. Bro. David R. Mackey *Your committee finds this proposal regular*

The 3rd proposal deals with the creation of a Secretary or Treasurer Jewel for exemplary service to the lodge:

It proposes Section 384(at) remain unchanged.

Section 384(b) be replaced to read:

The Grand Lodge recognizes and adopts the usage of the Secretary Jewel and the Treasurer Jewel in our jurisdiction.

The present Section 384(b) be renumbered to be Section 384(c) and include the Secretary Jewel, the Treasurer Jewel following the Grand Master's Meritorious Medal.

The present Section 384(c) be unchanged and renumbered to be Section 384(d).

The proposer is R.W. Bro. Don Hamilton *Your committee finds this proposal irregular*

REGISTRATION

The Credentials Committee will register delegates in the Concert Hall on Tuesday evening July 16th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, and Wednesday July 17th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. **NOTE:** Members will receive their ballot on registration in the Concert Hall, Convention Floor.

ENTRY TO CONCERT HALL WILL BE THROUGH SALON B.



All balloting, except district elections for the office of D.D.G.M. shall be done at the time of registration in the Concert Hall. The district elections for the D.D.G.M., and a second ballot, if required, for the office of G.M. and / or D.G.M. shall commence at 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm on Wednesday July 17th.

REGISTRATION OF VOTING DELEGATES CLOSSES

WEDNESDAY JULY 17th, at 3:00 pm SHARP!

PROXIES

The rules relating to the issue and use of proxies are defined in Sections 56 and 57 of the Book of Constitution. ***Please read carefully.***

Regalia Room

The Ontario Room on the Convention Floor will be available to the general membership to change into regalia on Wednesday and Thursday but must be vacated by 3:00 pm Wednesday July 17th to be used for District Meetings. For safety's sake, hats and coats, regalia bags, etc. should be checked in the hotel checkroom as neither the Fairmont Royal York Hotel nor Grand Lodge will be responsible for loss or theft.

Meet the Nominees

Tuesday July 16th from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm - Salon A, Convention Floor

District Meetings

The District Meetings for the election of District Deputy Grand Masters and for such other business as may properly be brought before them will be held at 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm on Wednesday July 17th in the following rooms. *All ballots at District Meetings, regardless of colour, are **ONE VOTE** only.*

<u>District</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Floor</u>
Toronto Don Valley	5:00-5:50	Ballroom	Convention
Toronto East	4:00-4:50	Ontario	Convention
Toronto Humber Valley	5:00-5:50	Ballroom	Convention
Toronto West	4:00-4:50	Concert Hall	Convention
York	5:00-5:50	Concert Hall	Convention

Agenda

Monday July 15

The **Board of General Purposes** will meet in the Ballroom, on the Convention floor at 9:00 am and 1:30 pm. R.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell, Deputy Grand Master and President of the Board, will preside.

Tuesday July 16

The **Board of General Purposes** will meet at 10:00 am in the Ballroom.

MEET THE NOMINEES - 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm - Salon A - Convention Floor

Wednesday July 17

Grand Lodge will assemble in the Canadian Room at 8:45 am, M.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling presiding.

Note: Appropriate Dress for admission to Grand Lodge Communication (Canadian Room) will be Jacket, Dress Pants, Shirt and Tie.



Brethren are earnestly requested to bring their own aprons and to be in their seats in Grand Lodge before 8:30 am on Wednesday. Distinguished visitors, representing other Grand Jurisdictions, will be received and welcomed.

An Address of Welcome will be tendered and Grand Lodge will then proceed with business until 11:30 am.

The brethren are asked to reassemble after lunch in the same place at 1:30 pm.

Thursday July 18

Grand Lodge will reassemble at 8:45 am in the Canadian Room.

The **installation and investiture of Grand Lodge officers and the newly elected D.D.G.M.s** will take place in the Canadian Room, at such time as the Grand Master shall direct. It is essential that each one be present and that he bring his regalia with him. Every member of Grand Lodge is expected to be present sharp on time.

Instruction Class for D.D.G.M.s-Elect Only

The Custodian of the Work will instruct the new D.D.G.M.s on Thursday morning, July 18 at 7:59 am in the Alberta Room.

The D.D.G.M.s will see that their successors are in attendance and on time. They will also be present in Grand Lodge, with the regalia for the new D.D.G.M.s, and be prepared to invest at the proper time in the installation ceremonies.

The instruction class is for the new D.D.G.M.s only. Others cannot be admitted. The D.D.G.M.-elect will have with him his Past Master's apron so that he can go directly from the class to Grand Lodge. Our time for instruction is very limited - so it is essential that all assemble on time.

Seminars

Tuesday July 17

Discussion and participation seminars for all brethren. Pre-registration not required.

<u>Time</u>	<u>B.C. Room</u>	<u>Quebec Room</u>	<u>Alberta Room</u>	<u>Algonquin Room</u>
1:30 to 2:20	What Came Ye Here To Do?	Website of Grand Lodge	Engaging the Cohort	Computer Resources
2:30 to 3:20	The Cold Call	Website of Grand Lodge	Lodge of Inspiration	Computer Resources
3:30 to 4:20	What Came Ye Here To Do?	What Works P & E Town Hall	Serving Lodge of Inspiration	Computer Resources



GRAND MASTER'S BANQUET

Wednesday July 17, 2013

6:30 pm

CANADIAN ROOM

FAIRMONT ROYAL YORK HOTEL

W. Bro. Andrew Hammer

Masonic Author & Lecturer

Guest Speaker

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Doors open at 6:00 pm. Special Entertainment.

Tickets \$58 available from the D.D.G.M.s.

Cash sales only. Sales cease July 11, 2013.

Reserved tables of 8 direct from Grand Lodge.



... by the Lighthouse Beam

Simplified Robert's Rules of Order

Note: this document is meant to be informative and not to supersede the “Procedure” section of the Canada Lodge No. 532 By-Laws¹, the Book of Constitution or the authority of the Worshipful Master.

Main ideas:

- Everyone has the right to speak once if they wish, before anyone may speak a second time.
- Everyone has the right to know what is going on at all times.
- Only urgent matters may interrupt a speaker.
- The members discuss only one thing at a time.

How to do things:

1. You want to bring up a new idea before the group.

After recognition by the Worshipful Master, present your motion. A second is required for the motion to go to the floor for debate, or consideration.

2. You want a motion just introduced by another person to be killed.

Without recognition from the Worshipful Master simply state “I object to consideration.” This must be done before any debate. This motion requires no second, is not debatable and requires a 2/3 vote.

3. You want to change some of the wording in a motion under debate.

After recognition by the Worshipful Master, move to amend by

- adding words,
- striking words or
- striking and inserting words.

4. You like the idea of a motion under debate, but you need to reword it beyond simple word changes.

Move to substitute your motion for the original motion. If it is seconded, debate will continue on both motions and eventually the body will vote on which motion they prefer.

5. You want more study and / or investigation given to the idea under debate.

Move to refer to a committee. Try to be specific as to the charge to the committee.

6. You want more time personally to study the proposal under debate.

Move to postpone to a definite time or date.

7. You are tired of the current debate.

Move to limit debate to a set period of time or to a set number of speakers. Requires a 2/3 vote.

8. You have heard enough debate.

Move to close the debate. Requires a 2/3 vote.

Or move to previous question. This cuts off debate and brings the assembly to a vote on the pending question only. Requires a 2/3 vote.



¹ Canada Lodge No. 532 has a section called “Procedures” as a part of their by-laws.



9. You want to postpone a motion until some later time.

Move to table the motion. The motion may be taken from the table after 1 item of business has been conducted. If the motion is not taken from the table by the end of the next meeting, it is dead. To kill a motion at the time it is tabled requires a 2/3 vote. A majority is required to table a motion without killing it.

10. You are unsure that the Worshipful Master has announced the results of a vote correctly.

Without being recognized, call for a “division of the house.” At this point a standing vote will be taken.

11. You are confused about a procedure being used and want clarification.

Without recognition, call for “Point of Information” or “Point of Parliamentary Inquiry.” The Worshipful Master will ask you to state your question and will attempt to clarify the situation.

12. You have changed your mind about something that was voted on earlier in the meeting for which you were on the winning side.

Move to reconsider. If the majority agrees, the motion comes back on the floor as though the vote had not occurred.

13. You want to change an action voted on at an earlier meeting.

Move to rescind. If previous written notice is given, a simple majority is required. If no notice is given, as 2/3 vote is required.

You may INTERRUPT a speaker for these reasons only:

- to get information about business - **point of information**
- to get information about rules - **parliamentary inquiry**
- if you can't hear, safety reasons, comfort, etc. - **question of privilege**
- if you see a breach of the rules - **point of order**
- if you disagree with the Worshipful Master's ruling - **appeal**

You may influence WHAT the members discuss:

- if you would like to discuss something - **motion**
- if you would like to change a motion under discussion - **amend**

You may influence HOW and WHEN the members discuss a motion:

- if you want to limit debate on something - **limit debate**
- if you want a committee to evaluate the topic and report back - **committee**
- if you want to discuss the topic at another time - **postpone or lay it on the table**
- if you think people are ready to vote - **previous question**



Parliamentary Procedure Motions Chart ¹					
Adjourn	S			M	
Recess	S		A	M	
Table	S			M	
Close Debate	S			2/3	R
Limit Debate	S		A	2/3	R
Postpone To Later Time	S	M	A	M	R
Refer To Committee	S	M	A	M	R
Amend Amendment	S	M	A	M	R
Postpone Indefinitely	S	M	A	M	R
Main Motion	S	M	A	M	R
Adjourn	S			M	
Recess	S		A	M	
Table	S			M	
Close Debate	S			2/3	R
Limit Debate	S		A	2/3	R
Postpone To Later Time	S	D	A	M	R
Refer To Committee	S	D	A	M	R
Amend Amendment	S	D		M	R
Postpone Indefinitely	S	D	A	M	R
Main Motion	S	D	A	M	R

Legend

S = Must Be Seconded
A = Amendable
2/3 = Requires a 2/3 Vote

D = Debatable
M = Requires A Simple Majority Vote
R = May be Reconsidered or Rescinded

¹ Adapted from Case Western Reserve University Graduate Student Senate Handbook



Excerpt from the Canada Lodge No. 532, G.R.C. By-Laws on Procedure

- Whenever the Worshipful Master shall so declare, a motion shall not be received unless submitted in writing, with the names of the mover and seconder thereon, nor be open for discussion until stated to the Lodge by the Worshipful Master. All motions shall be decided by a majority of votes, unless otherwise provided.
- The votes of the members shall be given by each holding out his right hand, and shall be counted by the Master, or Deacons, unless the numbers should be so unequal as to render counting unnecessary.
- A brother desiring to speak, or submit a motion, shall rise and respectfully addressing the Master, shall confine his remarks to the question, and observe due order and decorum.
- No brother shall speak twice on the same subject, without permission of the Master, unless in explanation, or the mover of the resolution in reply.
- On a point of order being raised while a brother is speaking, or when a brother is called to order by the Master, he shall at once take his seat. The point of order shall then be stated, and the Master shall decide it thereupon without debate.
- No motion to amend shall be in order while two previous motions to amend are under discussion, or indisposed of; nor shall a motion for the “previous question” be in order at any time.
- A motion to “lay on the table,” to “postpone,” or to “commit” may at any time be made.
- If the Master indicates a desire to speak while a brother is on the floor, that brother shall immediately sit down that the Master may be heard.
- All brethren shall observe the first call of the Master’s gavel.
- Whenever a question has been submitted for consideration, it cannot be withdrawn without the consent of the Lodge.
- Every member present shall vote on any question brought before the Lodge, unless excused by the Master or Lodge from doing so.
- A motion that has been declared lost cannot be renewed at the same meeting of the Lodge.

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ADMINISTRATION:

Help! I'm Lost!

The following subscribers are lost. Their addresses come back as incorrect. If you have a good address, please let me know.

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Hiram's Lighthouse is your newsletter. It is published on the last day of every month. If **Hiram's Lighthouse** does not have the content you would prefer, it is because the editor does not have that content available. With 19 lodges currently in the district, including grip-and-grin pictures of the Official Visit, Installation and Ladies Night of each lodge would dominate the content. If you want something more, please submit it. Please feel free to offer suggestions, submissions for ... **by the Lighthouse Beam**, book and film reviews, and topics of Masonic interest.

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