

# Hiram's Lighthouse

PROVIDING MASONIC LIGHT FROM TORONTO EAST DISTRICT

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*Brotherly love is not a tangible commodity. We cannot touch it nor weigh it, smell it or taste it. Yet it is reality; it can be creative, it can be fostered, it can be made a dynamic power. The Master who has it in his Lodge and his Brethren will find that Lodge and Brethren give it back to him. The Master too worried over the cares of his office to express friendliness need never wonder why his Lodge seems too cold to his effort.*

*- Bro. Carl H. Claudy (1879-1957)*

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

My Brethren

## **“Promoting Pride in Our Craft.”**

“It is through the faithful performance of our duties as Masons, that we gain a better understanding of our Institution and develop a New Appreciation for this great fraternity.” *Excerpt from comments made by Dewey H. Wollstein, PGM, Minnesota: Quoted in Facilifacts Dec 07*

I might add, that we also gain a fuller understanding of ourselves, and our influences on eve ryone with whom we communicate.

Live your Masonry every day; rejoice in the Quality of its Ethic.

The tools for honing the Perfect Ashlar are at our disposal and we can strive to polish our Rough Ashlar in our daily tasks.

Is that too great a task for us to undertake? What constitutes a true Mason?

Let me share a story I received lately.



A salesman's car breaks down in a remote country lane and a farmer in the adjacent field comes over to assist. They discover that they are "Brothers." The salesman is concerned as he has an important appointment in the local town.

"Don't worry," says the farmer, "you can use my car. I will call a friend and get yours repaired while you go to the appointment."

Off goes the salesman and a couple of hours later he returns, but unfortunately his car is awaiting a part that won't arrive until the next morning.

"It's not a problem," says the farmer, "Use my telephone and re schedule your first appointment tomorrow. Stay with us tonight and I'll see that the car is done first thing!"

The farmers' wife prepares a wonderful meal and they share a glass of fine single malt during an excellent evening. The salesman sleeps soundly and when he awakes, there is his car, repaired and ready to go. After a full country breakfast the salesman thanks them both for the hospitality. As he and the farmer walk to his car he turns to his host and asks, "My brother, thank you so much. But I have to ask, did you help me because I am a Mason?"

"No," was the reply, "I helped you because I am a Mason"

Honour the Mason within yourself.

Promoting Pride in our Daily Routines.

Fraternally,

***Elroy***

R.W. Bro. Elroy J. MacKinnon  
District Deputy Grand Master  
Toronto East District

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## Toronto East District Events

### May

Thursday May 1, 2008

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

Saturday May 3, 2008

Lodge of Instruction – **Open & Close, All Degrees**  
8:30 am to noon  
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Saturday May 3, 2008

Caledonia and St. Aidan's Lodges – **Ladies Night**  
See notice below  
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Saturday May 10, 2008

Lodge of Instruction – **Exemplify 1<sup>st</sup> Degree**  
8:30 am to noon  
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Monday May 12, 2008

Scarboro Lodge – **Emergency Measures Services (EMS) Degree Team**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Degree  
Lodge opens - 7:30 pm  
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Tuesday May 20, 2008

St. Aidan's Lodge – **Installation**  
Visitors - 8:00 pm  
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Wednesday May 21, 2008

West Hill Lodge – **R.W. Degree Team**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Degree  
Lodge opens - 7:30 pm  
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Saturday May 24, 2008

Doric Lodge – **Yard Sale**  
See notice below  
Pickering Masonic Temple

### June

Wednesday June 4, 2008

Brougham Union Lodge – **Steak BBQ**  
See notice below  
Claremont Masonic Temple

Thursday June 5, 2008

Alpha/Tuscan Lodges - **Amalgamation**  
See notice below ←  
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Saturday June 7, 2008

Friendship Lodge – **14<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament**  
See notice below  
4 Seasons Golf & Country Club - Claremont

Wednesday June 11, 2008

Alpha Tuscan Lodge - **Installation**  
Visitors - 8:00 pm  
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Saturday June 21, 2008

**First Full Day of Summer**  
Summer Solstice  
(when the sun reaches its farthest point north of the equator) will be at 7:00 pm on Friday June 20, 2008. *Enjoy our wonderful Canadian summer!*



Saturday June 21, 2008

East Toronto Masonic Temple – **MasoniChIP Day**  
See notice below  
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Monday June 23, 2008

Scarboro Lodge – **Golf Tournament**  
See notice below  
Carruther's Creek Golf Centre

Tuesday June 24, 2008

St. John the Baptist Day – **Patron Saint of Freemasonry**



Saturday May 24, 2008  
Lodge of Instruction – **Exemplify 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree**  
8:30 am to noon  
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Sunday June 29, 2008  
The Beaches Lodge – **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sandcastle  
Competition**  
See notice below  
Beaches of Ashbridges Bay

Saturday May 31, 2008  
Lodge of Instruction – **Exemplify 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree**  
8:30 am to noon  
Scarborough Masonic Temple

Saturday May 31, 2008  
**Lodge of Discussion**  
8:00 am to noon  
**RSVP** for breakfast - 905.839.7342  
Pickering Masonic Temple

Saturday May 31, 2008  
Toronto East District – **Ladies Gala and Awards  
Dinner**  
See notice below  
Sisters' Great Buffet Restaurant Banquet Hall

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## AROUND AND ABOUT:

### Toronto East District Charities



**Autism**ONTARIO  
*Disorder*) To ensure that each individual with ASD is provided the means to achieve quality of life as a respected member of society.

**FACT:** Autism Spectrum Disorders now affect 1 in 165 children in Ontario.

*Support for Families with Members with ASD (Autism Spectrum*



**WindReach Farm** strives to enrich the lives of persons of all ages with disabilities and/or special needs by providing opportunities

to enjoy experiences in farming, nature, outdoor recreation and other activities and to share those experiences with family and friends.

Please use the **Toronto East District Charity Project Number 2352** for contributions made through the Masonic Foundation of Ontario.

Contact: Todd Owens at 905.852.7880 or [678@yrp.ca](mailto:678@yrp.ca)

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*Be a lamp, or a lifeboat, or a ladder. Help someone's soul heal. Walk out of your house like a shepherd.*

*- Jalaluddin Rumi (1207-1273)*

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### Blood Donor Clinics



CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES

If you have donated recently please send me an email at [ted2donate@aol.com](mailto:ted2donate@aol.com) (TorontoEastDistrict2DONATE) so I can keep my records current.

For information regarding the location of blood donor clinics in your area call **1-800-2DONATE** or [http://www.bloodservices.ca/centre\\*apps/clinics/InetClinics.nsf/CVSE?OpenForm](http://www.bloodservices.ca/centre*apps/clinics/InetClinics.nsf/CVSE?OpenForm)

Contact: Bob Steenson at 416.697.0822 or [bob.steenson@ontarioair.com](mailto:bob.steenson@ontarioair.com)

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### Masonic Aid for Cuba

The U.S. has a trade ban against Cuba. That ban makes the purchase of most commodities very, very difficult. Cuban currency has almost no value on international markets. Thus, if commodities were available, there is no way to purchase them. Basic stuff. Aspirin. Razor blades. Feminine hygiene products. Vitamins. While all are readily available to us at the local store, all are very difficult to acquire in Cuba. Modern medicine and medical treatment is available to very, very few.

There are currently 6,000 acetaminophen 500 mg tablets, 36 bottles of Vitamins and assorted meds ready to package to send to three lodges in Cuba.



- 1 The Grand Lodge of Cuba
- 2 Logia Humanidad
- 3 Logia Modestia

They will be evenly divided and hopefully be in the mail soon. The cost of shipping the 9 parcels will be 45.60 + taxes each via airmail or 18.85 + taxes via surface. They are usually sent by surface because it is cheaper and gets there about the same time.

Last year 71 children died of dengue fever. There is no cure, but vitamins help reduce the effect of the mosquito bite. The Masonic Home for the Aged also needs vitamins.



Note the accompanying picture of Bro. Matos in the Logia Humanidad sitting gratefully with some medicine, mainly over the counter, that wouldn't even half fill the carrying basket at your local drug store. Yet he is more than happy to get even that!

Last year, a non-Masonic group in Canada gave colostomy bags for a brother who was in desperate need. Prior to getting the bags, he was using a plastic shopping bag attached with tape to his wound.

If any Lodge would like to hold a special night to collect multivitamins for our brethren in Cuba, please let me know and I will give you all the details you need.

We do not know how privileged we are to live in Canada.

Contact: Nelson King at 416.293.8071 or [nking@freemasonry.org](mailto:nking@freemasonry.org)

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*Freemasonry will always form a state within a state. Wherever it is established, Government will be well advised to attempt to control it and to render it harmless.*

*- Bro. Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832)*

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### **Thursday March 20, 2008**

#### **Birch Cliff, Caledonia and The Beaches Lodges – Meet the Author and Friend-to-Friend Night**

The Masons of three Toronto East District lodges were proud to unite to sponsor, for the first time in their respective histories, a 'Meet The Author' night and invited Oakville's William Mann to give a presentation on the Knights Templar and their exploits in the New World, the subject of his two books. The evening was combined with a very successful Friend-to-Friend Night.

In 2006, William Mann published two popular books, *The Knights Templar in The New World*, and *Templar Meridians (The Secret Mapping of the New World)*, and expects a third to be released shortly. They detail an array of fascinating clues left behind by the Knights and their companions upon traveling across the ocean in the wake of their Norse ancestors at least a century before Columbus, activities not often discussed in high school or university classes, though certainly rigorously explored by enlightened historians today.







“We have some connections to William,” explains Past Master and Friend-to-Friend Committee Chairman Andre McCarthy. “He has a very special qualification: he is a descendant of the Supreme Grand Master of the Knights Templar in Canada, and in fact can call on a family tradition of secret knowledge of their 14<sup>th</sup> century crossing from Scotland to Canada.” There was no admission cost, snacks and drinks were available, and several senior

Freemasons explained the modern connection between the ancient Order and the Knights Templar to visitors.

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*If we could read the secret history of our enemies, we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility.*

*- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-1882)*

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**Thursday April 3, 2008**

**Sick Kids Hospital - Presentation**



Sick Kids' V.P. Cindy Yelle presenting our Deputy Grand Master, Raymond S. J. Daniels, with a plaque acknowledging the contributions Freemasons have made to the hospital since its humble beginnings, when our own John Ross Robertson began to personally fund the acquisition of beds and much-needed equipment. Also in the picture are Dr. Bob Harrison, who due to the contributions of the Masonic Foundation of Ontario and the Masons' Help-2-Hear campaign across this province for the past 20 years has successfully launched and managed the world-renowned cochlear implant for babies who are born without hearing, and Masonic Foundation of Ontario President Sam Kalinowsky.

Masons and guests of the hospital were given a personal and extensive tour of both the Auditory Science labs and Cochlear Implant labs by Dr. Bob Harrison, as well as a luncheon where the impact of our on-going contributions was passionately detailed by executives and doctors alike, and the future requirement for additional resources; front (l-r) Mike McKenna, Vivian Britton, our Deputy Grand Master and his lady, Brenda, Elroy McKinnon and his lady Margo, Andy Penaflo; back (l-r) Sam Kalinowsky, Dr. Bob Harrison, Neil Britton, Steve Armstrong, Martin Skulnick, Al McDonald and Graeme Boyce.



Catherine Hindson of Sick Kids said, “Over the past three decades Masons have donated more than **\$1.5 million** in support of many of the Hospital’s key projects and programs, including approximately **\$1.3 million** from the Masonic Foundation of Ontario for the Auditory Science Laboratory through Project H.E.L.P and HELP-2-HEAR.”

Ms Hindson continued, “During the 35 years that John Ross Robertson was involved with Sick Kids, he donated in excess of \$500,000, and following his death, left the bulk of his estate to the Hospital. Sick Kids receives the income in perpetuity for general operating expenses and since the 1960’s the funds have been directed to support research. To date, his estate has garnered over \$17 million for the Hospital. While his financial contributions to Sick Kids cannot be overlooked, John Ross Robertson’s greatest contribution was his time and his vision that put Sick Kids on a trajectory to becoming the best children’s hospital in the world.”

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**Tuesday April 8, 2008**

**Toronto East District – Habitat For Humanity - Build Day**



I would like to thank all of you that showed up. You did a great job. So good that they want us back again. If you would like to, you can go any day. We could also get a smaller team together and go. Again no fund raising is required. -- Martin Skulnick



What could be more appropriate than Masons building for those in need? Great, great work, brethren!

Pictures of those who came out and enjoyed this day follow.







**Wednesday April 9, 2008**  
**The Imperial East Gate – MacLaren Evening**



The Imperial East Gate Lodge #543 conferred two Fellowcraft Degrees on brethren from True Blue Lodge #98 of Toronto York District. The candidates were Christopher Plante and Gordon MacLaren (brown suit, glasses, on left in photos).

Gordon MacLaren is the son of the late G.E.W. Ed MacLaren, Past Master (twice) of East Gate Lodge #693 [now The Imperial East Gate #543] and District Deputy Grand



Master of Toronto District Four in 1986-87.

Gordon is wearing his Lewis Jewel that was presented to him by his mother, Mrs. Jeannine MacLaren, with his wife Jennifer at his side. He is holding a framed copy of summons from East Gate Lodge of January and February of 1987 that



first mentioned Gordon's name in Ed's biography. There was a great turn out of Ed's Senior Wardens' Groups, the Titans (73-74), The Builders 86-87), and the Templars (88-89) with many ladies in attendance.

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### **Sunday April 13, 2008**

#### **Scarboro Lodge – 2008 SuperCities Walk for MS**

Scarboro Lodge #653 proudly announces that its team collected \$2900 in donations while participating in the SuperCities Walk for MS on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Our energetic DDGM was the only district Mason to take up the challenge and join the team, but the invitation stands for next year. Many thanks to all brethren who left donations in Scarboro Lodge's broken column for this event. Thank you - Frank MacKay, SW, Scarboro Lodge.

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*Let us not be satisfied with just giving money. Money is not enough, money can be got, but they need your hearts to love them. So, spread your love everywhere you go.*

*- Mother Teresa (1910-1997)*

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### **Saturday May 3, 2008**

#### **Caledonia Lodge and St. Aidan's Lodge - Ladies Night**

The members of Caledonia and St. Aidan's Lodges will once again be hosting this annual event. Great food and dancing 2 bottles of wine per table, and a gift for every lady, along with great door prizes all included with your ticket purchase. A picture of you and your wife/friend will be taken at the event at no charge as a take home souvenir. What a deal! The best in the district. How can you not take this opportunity and join us on this special evening? Only 120 tickets are available, so be sure to get yours early. The event is sure to sell out again this year. This will be a night you and your Lady will not soon forget.

Time: 6:00 pm – Social  
7:00 pm – Dinner  
Location: Scarborough Masonic Temple  
Cost: \$45/ea  
Contact: Bob Thompson at 416.491.3230 (St. Aidan's Lodge)  
Harold Clarke at 416.281.6373 or [tcnetworks@excite.com](mailto:tcnetworks@excite.com) (Caledonia Lodge)

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### **Tuesday May 20, 2008**

#### **Downtown Masonic Luncheon - Masons Talking Masonry**

Luncheons always occur on the third Tuesday of each month, summer months included. Please **reserve** to give an idea of the number of meals. Preferred Dress Code - **Jacket and Tie**.

Topic: Why we are losing the newly initiated candidates, and how to remedy the situation  
Speaker: Des Tutin  
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)

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Contact: Pat Piccione at 416.341.7938 or [pat\\_piccione@hotmail.com](mailto:pat_piccione@hotmail.com)

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

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*Fellowship doesn't begin and end with it being the other person's responsibility; it begins with each of us individually. We could possibly say that fellowship is our responsibility. Maybe we might ask ourselves how we view the fellowship we have with our Lodge Brothers? Are we, as a Freemason, ready and willing to have a close, intimate companionship and friendship with the other members of our Lodge? Are my actions helping to bring about good Masonic fellowship, or are they actions that are likely to produce results contrary to that objective? No one can answer those questions for us; we must do that ourselves.*

*While we, as Freemasons, might whisper good counsel into the ear of a Brother, not many of us feel qualified to offer specific directions in this area, because many of us have all we can handle in conducting our own lives and actions the best way possible when it comes to fellowship.*

*However, as Freemasons, we are fortunate to be able, with the help of our friends and Brothers, to study the lessons of Freemasonry, which will help us become the better man we want to be. By studying and learning we will also be better at providing that close intimate companionship and Friendship, not only to our Brethren but to all we interact with in life.*

*- Ed Halpaus  
Three, Five, Seven  
Apr. 21, 2008  
[erhmasonic@gmail.com](mailto:erhmasonic@gmail.com)*

#### Prostate Cancer Snippet:

By starting to accumulate a PSA history at age 40, a man will have measurements to compare with levels obtained in his 50's in order to determine the rate his PSA changed – his PSA velocity – a useful measure of the presence of a life-threatening cancer.

*- John Hopkins Medical Letter.*

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#### **Thursday May 22, 2008**

#### **Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry - Valley of Toronto - Master Mason Night**

Expand your knowledge of Freemasonry beyond the Craft Lodge. Witness the portrayal of the Colourful Sixteenth Degree.

Free and Open to all Master Masons - **but admission to this event is by ticket only.**

Time: 7:30 pm **sharp**  
Location: Rameses Masonic Centre  
3100 Keele St., Toronto  
Contact: Allan C. Dvorak – 905.509.7218 or [acdvorak@sympatico.ca](mailto:acdvorak@sympatico.ca) or  
your Scottish Rite Lodge Representative

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## **Saturday May 24, 2008**

### **Doric Lodge – Yard Sale**

Cancelled from a previous date due to inclement weather. If you have anything of value to donate it will be gratefully accepted. Empty that junk closet! If not, drop by and see what you can pick up. The cottage can always do with something! Mark your calendars.

Time: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Location: Pickering Masonic Temple  
Contact: Wayne Nicholson at 905.509.1543 or  
[nicholson@on.aibn.com](mailto:nicholson@on.aibn.com)



## **Sunday May 25, 2008**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dyslexia Walkathon - Go The Distance - Help a Child To Read**



Learning Centres For Children with dyslexia improve reading, self -esteem and future prospects for a better life. Learning Centres are non -profit and free. Support your local Walk-a-thon ... sign up your pledge sponsors ... Help solve the puzzles of the mind.

Time: 1:00 pm - Registration  
1:00-5:00 pm - Events

Location: Centennial Park, Etobicoke  
Contact: Robert James at [gsw2002@gmail.com](mailto:gsw2002@gmail.com)  
[www.dyslexia-walkathon.ca](http://www.dyslexia-walkathon.ca)

## **Saturday May 31, 2008**

### **Toronto East District – Ladies Gala and Awards Dinner**

The District Gala, presented by the Alpha Masters Group, will be held at the Sisters' Great Buffet Restaurant Banquet Hall on Old Kingston Rd. Sisters' Banquet Hall has hosted many Masonic events, all of which have been well received by the brethren and their wives. They have a reputation for good quality food and an attention to detail that ensures a first class evening for all. The District Awards presentation will occur during the dinner. This year's event will be a served meal, and is restricted to 100 persons so the tickets are sure to sell fast. Support your district and DDGM by joining us for a fabulous evening. Remember to have the better half mark Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> as booked so you may join the many old and new acquaintances you have made this year. Dancing to the music of DJ Jimmy Mack!



Time: 6:30 pm - Social  
7:30 pm - Dinner  
Location: Sisters' Great Buffet Restaurant Banquet Hall  
Cost: \$50/ea  
Contact: Alex Wilson at [alex\\_wilsonca@yahoo.com](mailto:alex_wilsonca@yahoo.com) or  
Bob Steenson at 416.697.0822 or [bob.steenson@ontarioair.com](mailto:bob.steenson@ontarioair.com)



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*It is not who is right, but what is right, that is of importance.*  
*- Thomas Henry Huxley (1825-1895)*

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**Wednesday June 4, 2008**

**Brougham Union Lodge – BBQ Steak Dinner**

A lovely summers evening accompanied by a 7 oz. steak, baked potato, salad, bun, dessert and one glass of wine. Food is served on china plates, linen tablecloths, etc. There are two sittings: - 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm. For those who wish to stay longer, tables are available under a marquee behind the Lodge Hall. Please note that only 150 tickets are available and they **MUST BE PREPAID**. **Tickets will not be available at the door.**



Time: 6:00 pm – Sitting #1  
7:00 pm – Sitting #2  
Location: Claremont Masonic Temple  
Cost: \$15/ea  
Contact: Lou Lombardi 416.518.2242 or 905.649.3003  
or [loulombardi@sympatico.ca](mailto:loulombardi@sympatico.ca)

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**Thursday June 5, 2008**

**Alpha and Tuscan Lodges – Amalgamation**

The amalgamation ceremony will take place Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup>. The Grand Master and a team from Grand Lodge will do all of the work.

The evening starts at 6:30 pm with dinner. The ceremony will then follow at 7:30 pm. We are expecting approximately 150 persons for dinner.

The Installation and Investiture will be on the following Wednesday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

1. The new Lodge will be called Alpha-Tuscan No. 384 G.R.C.
2. Their Regular Meeting will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month.
3. Their Emergent Meeting will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month.
4. Their Official Visit will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in January (problem with 2009)
5. Their Installation will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in October





## Saturday June 7, 2008

### Friendship Lodge – 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament



A great day full of golf, sunshine, fraternity, food and laughter. D'ya think he made the putt? What do ya think the laughter is all about?

Time: 9:30 am  
Location: 4 Seasons Golf and Country Club  
Cost: \$100/ea  
Contact: Ken Rayner at 905.579.7106

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## Tuesday June 17, 2008

### Downtown Masonic Luncheon - Masons Talking Masonry

Luncheons always occur on the third Tuesday of each month, summer months included.

Please **reserve** to give an idea of the number of meals. Preferred Dress Code - **Jacket and Tie**.

Topic: tba  
Speaker: tba  
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 at 416.341.7938 or [pat\\_piccione@hotmail.com](mailto:pat_piccione@hotmail.com)

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

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## Friday to Sunday June 20 - 22, 2008

### Wexford Lodge – Visit to Kedron, PA

While some lodges wonder what's happening, other lodges make something happen. Wexford Lodge will be conducting its bi-annual visit to Kedron Lodge, West Middlesex, Pennsylvania. Keep up the good work!

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### Masonic Bequests:

*The Grand Lodge publication, The Masonic Manual: Guidelines for Freemasonry, provides a section entitled "Bequests" on pp. 146 - 148.*

*Bequests instruct the Executor(s) on the division of one's property, called the Estate. When making a Will, it is important to know what property constitutes the Estate and what is separate from it. ...*

*Many Masons express their gratitude to their lodge by leaving monetary bequests that they have been unable to make during life. Likewise, a Mason will probably possess regalia and perhaps Masonic Jewels on death. Some may leave a substantial collection of books or artefacts whose value to Masonry is significant but is not evident to Executors or dependents. ... Special directions must be given in the Will to deal with such situations. It may be done in the body of the Will, or it may be added later as a separate attached sheet called a Codicil that should also be signed and witnessed.*



*A monetary bequest should specify the amount and name the beneficiary and perhaps the use that is to be made of the money. The bequest may direct that the amount is to be divided in several directions to serve separate purposes. For example, one might leave a sum to the lodge with no use specified, or it may be to provide awards or scholarships or a charitable purpose, or perhaps a mixture of these. In all cases, directions for use of the gift should be clearly and simply stated. A bequest to the Masonic Foundation of Ontario will always be used for a charitable purpose.*

*Regalia and Jewels are best left to the lodge that provided them for the brother and this should be indicated in the Will. Grand Lodge Regalia in particular is costly and can be refurbished and reused. A Past Master's Jewel is important to the lodge and should be returned. It can have an extra square added and be used again. Many brethren consider it an honour to wear a jewel that formerly belonged to one they knew and respected. The Executor(s) may not know what to do with such items unless instructions are given in the Will.*

*The same applies to documents, books, and artefacts. They can be disposed of in various ways and it may be best to do this when you are yet alive but realize you will make but little use of them in future, or you may leave them as bequests. Perhaps you know of a brother who would treasure and use them. If the lodge or local Masonic Building has a library, you may place them there so more brethren may have access to them. There is always the Grand Lodge Library, which, if it does not need your books itself, will see that they are distributed to local Masonic Libraries*

*There is also your local Public or University Library which may already have a Masonic collection. The important thing is that some action is taken to see that books and documents are not lost. Other Masonic artefacts may be given to The Grand Lodge, or to a museum.*

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### **Saturday June 21, 2008**

#### **Toronto East Masonic Temple – MasoniCh.I.P. Day**

This is a Temple initiative, with Acacia Lodge booking rooms and getting dispensation. The Temple will be among the first, if not THE first in Toronto East District to participate in this program. As of the end of January, 15 clinics and 4 demonstrations have been held that created MasoniChIP Id kits for more than 1,700 children. These events have been held in Algoma, Brant, Ottawa, Wilson North, Hamilton A, Eastern, Wilson South, Bruce, London East and West (3 clinics and 1 demonstration) and Humber Valley (Toronto) Districts. Volunteers will be needed. The base hours are 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with set-up and tear down times required on both ends. The day planned has the ChIP program as its main focus, requiring 10 volunteers there alone. Cooking and selling burgers, hot dogs, drinks and snack goodies as fund raisers, and there should be some raffle prizes too as another fund raising initiative. Each of these areas will require some folks to be involved. Giving all or part of the day would be appreciated. Whatever you can afford to give.

And be sure to bring some kids!

Time: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm



Location: Toronto East Masonic Temple  
Contact: Dennis Rankin at 416.691.1704 or [kdrankin@pathcom.com](mailto:kdrankin@pathcom.com)

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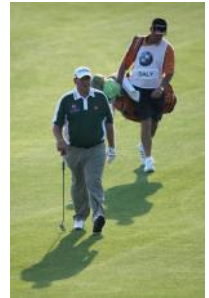
**Monday June 23, 2008**

**Scarboro Lodge – Open Golf Tournament**

A fine summer evening of nine holes of golf and dinner. All are welcome - ladies and non-masonic friends.

Time: 6:30 pm – T-off  
Location: Carruther’s Creek Golf Club  
650 Lakeridge Rd., Ajax  
Cost: \$40 - early bird special; \$50 after May 31  
Contact: Ed Crosier – [scarboro653@hotmail.com](mailto:scarboro653@hotmail.com)

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**Thursday June 26, 2008**

**Thistle Lodge #250 – A Quarry Lodge**

This could very well be the largest gathering of Masons under the canopy of heaven in a ‘Quarry Lodge’ anywhere in Ontario and possibly in all Canada.

W. Bro Khris Chute, a member of Tuscan Lodge #541, relocated a few years ago and became Master of Thistle Lodge #250.

An Irish Second Degree will be exemplified at this year’s quarry lodge and a Lewis Jewel will be presented. What is interesting is that on the Lodge night, Thursday June 26<sup>th</sup>, the Moon is in the final ‘Quarter’, being the “fourth part of a circle” and they are doing a Second Degree!

This will be the third quarry lodge. The lodge is held in a quarry owned by one of the members. There are giant rocks for the altar and the three principal chairs. Bleachers for side benchers are set up with bales of hay and the joists from the old lodge building.

Before the lodge ceremony, there will be a BBQ that is always well attended and a good time to meet with other brethren.

Lodge usually gets going by 8:00 pm and there is lots of natural light. Torches are set up around the lodge for light as it gets darker. A piper stands on top of a hill overlooking the lodge and it is a fantastic experience with the piper playing, the sound echoing through the quarry and the swallows diving around in the air.

There is always a good representation of Grand Lodge officers at the quarry lodge as well. Our Grand Master, the Toronto East District D.D.G.M. along with many other Grand Lodge Officers and possibly upwards of 200 Brethren from all over are expected.

Embroid is about two hours away and it should be a fun drive on a June afternoon/evening. Take the 401 west to Exit 222. This is Oxford Road 6. The signs will be saying Embroid/Stratford. Go north about 15 miles or so through the village of Embroid. About 5 miles north of Embroid there will be a school on your



right. Go about another mile and then do wn a big hill. This is Brooksdale. There will be signs that are put out for the Quarry Lodge but you will be turning right at the bottom of the hill.

A map can be found under the entry for the 2007 event at -  
[www.execulink.com/~lynebike/Quarry%20Lodge%20Flyer%20Rev%20061407.pdf](http://www.execulink.com/~lynebike/Quarry%20Lodge%20Flyer%20Rev%20061407.pdf)

Time: 6:00 pm – BBQ-tickets at the gate  
8:00 pm – Lodge opens  
Location: Brooksdale (north of Embro)  
Dress: Casual but an apron is required – bring a lawn chair if you don't want to sit on the bleachers  
Cost: \$15/ea for the BBQ  
Contact: John Lynes at 1.519.539.4734 or [thistle250@execulink.com](mailto:thistle250@execulink.com)

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### **Sunday June 29, 2008**

#### **The Beaches Lodge – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sandcastle Competition**

The theme for this daylong event is to build a *Sandcastle*. We expect teams to be digging by sunrise. They will realistically need to begin sculpting their walls by 10:00 am because the competition will end sharply at 3:00 pm.

Anyone with a spade and bucket can compete, but having some idea of what a sandcastle looks like 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 one time.

The prize will be a trophy of unprecedented value. Last year, Doric Lodge won the Beaches Cup defeating Caledonia and The Beaches Lodges. Come and help dethrone the champions! They ain't got nothing!

Time: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Location: Beaches of Ashbridge's Bay  
Contact: Graeme Boyce – 416.402.1853 or [rawgraeme@gmail.com](mailto:rawgraeme@gmail.com)

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### **Monday June 30, 2007**

#### **Hanover Lodge - Annual Steak Fry**

An annual event that has been a highlight in the near north country for many years. Meet people from all over the province and the United States. Enjoy a HUGE delicious steak. Oh, and bring your own plate and utensils.

Time: 4:00 pm - Socializing  
6:00 pm - Steak dinner  
7:30 pm - Speaker  
Location: Hanover Lodge #432  
Hanover, ON.  
Cost: \$25 per person  
Contact: Jim Scarborough – 519-364-4520  
Allan Morrow – 519-364-4810



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*Conscientiousness has in many outgrown that stage in which the sense of a compelling power is joined with rectitude of action. The truly honest man, here and there to be found, is not only without thought of legal, religious or social compulsion, when he discharges an equitable claim on him; but he is without thought of self compulsion. He does the right thing with a simple feeling of satisfaction in doing it, and is indeed impatient if anything prevents him from having the satisfaction of doing it.*

*- Herbert Spencer (1820-1903)*

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**Saturday July 12, 2008**

**Caledonia Lodge and Georgina Lodge – Toronto Harbour Dinner and Dance Cruise**

Caledonia and Georgina Lodges are again putting on a joint sunset boat cruise on the Jubilee Queen. There will be a DJ and a dinner, door prizes and raffle. Come and join us for a scenic and romantic evening. It was a smooth ride last year, so no problem with dancing up the night. Contact either Lodge for further information.

Time: Board – 6:00 pm  
Disembark – 11:30 pm

Location: 539 Queens Quay W., Toronto  
between Bathurst St. and Lower Spadina Ave at the  
Marina Quay W.

Cost: \$60/ea

Contact: Harold Clarke at [tcsnetworks@excite.com](mailto:tcsnetworks@excite.com) or  
Alex Wilson at [alex\\_wilsonca@yahoo.com](mailto:alex_wilsonca@yahoo.com)





## This Month

### May

May was named for Maia Majestas, the grandmother goddess of spring, mother of the Roman god, Mercury (Greek - Hermes), and chief goddess of the Seven Sisters (Pleiades).

The deities that figure prominently are Bast, Flora, Maia, the Horned God, and all Gods and Goddesses who preside over fertility. Other goddesses are honoured in May: Maya, mother source of the Buddha; the Greek goddess Rhea, mother of Zeus and other Olympians; and Cybele, oracular priestess and Anatolian Mountain Mother.

May is traditionally the month of fertility and procreation in all nature religions. With new beginnings, new growth and the optimism of the coming summer, is it any wonder that the nature spirits, faeries and elves figure prominently in the lore of the month.

May has several unlucky connotations for some reason. The month of May was considered an unlucky month particularly for getting married. *'Marry in May and you'll rue the day.'* Being born in May was thought to produce a sickly child. Never buy a broom in May or wash blankets. *'Wash a blanket in May. Wash a dear one away.'* Cats born this month will not be good rodent catchers and even worse, will bring snakes into the home.

May 1<sup>st</sup> marks the hand fasting, between the Mother Goddess and God; the mystical union between the Divine Feminine and the Divine Masculine, which results in the off spring, consciousness, and the fruitfulness of the growing season. The Angles and Saxons seemed to have called this month of May "Tri-milchi", meaning that, owing to the fresh grass of spring, they were able to milk their cows three times a day.

May's colour is green, for abundance, growth, fertility and prosperity. Other colours are brown and pink.

Green was worn during this month to honour the Earth Mother. So how can we not think of the "green man", an enigmatic figure to be found in thousands of images carved in stone in the medieval churches of Europe? It appears normally as just a face, usually male, sprouting foliage, becoming foliage, or growing from foliage. It has been suggested that this figure, now known as the Green Man, was a special sign for the stonemasons but there are probably just as many in wood as in stone. He is, though, almost confined to the building trades being uncommon in painting, manuscript, or stained glass. Furthermore, and mysteriously, no known medieval account explains the reason for the Green Man. In the Islamic tradition, "Khidr", the Green Ancient seems to hold a similar position.



Beltane, the Celtic start of the summer season, begins at sunset on April 30<sup>th</sup>. The patron of Beltane is Diana, goddess of the hunt, of wealth, wisdom and tender affection. Beltane means "bright fire," and is the fire festival that begins the yearly spiritual cycle. Nine, the sacred number of endings was the basis of this festival in 19<sup>th</sup> century Scotland. Nine teams of nine married men gathered logs from the nine sacred trees of the Celts. At sunset, all fires were extinguished, and at sunrise, a new fire was kindled



without the use of metal. All the people danced around the bonfire in a sun wise direction, and jumped over the flames and through the smoke, which purified and transformed their spirits. After the flames had died down, farm animals were driven over a path cleared through the smoking coals, to ensure their fertility. The people then danced around a Maypole that pierced the Earth as a phallic symbol of co-joining and fertilization. Dew was collected, and the people drank of it and washed their faces with it. The people then took coals home to re-ignite their hearth fires. They had all partaken of all four elements, and the alchemical process was complete. The community was again whole and blessed by their divinities.

The gemstone of May is the green emerald, said to improve psychic powers, sharpen intellect, intuition and memory. It is also reported to improve learning ability and communication, and to heal the nervous system. The emerald is associated with the planet Mercury and the sense of smell.

The plant sacred to May is the Hawthorne, also known as the May Tree or Whitethorn, which blooms in May. Herbs of the month are Dittany of Crete, elder, mint, rose and mugwort. Its flowers are lily, foxglove, rose and broom. The scents are rose and sandalwood.

Astrological signs are Taurus and Gemini.

The animals are the felines, cats, lynx, leopards, etc. The birds are the goose, dove, and swan.

May 1, 1881 was the birthday of Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, holographic thinker and presenter of the concept of the unity of natural and human consciousness.

On May 5<sup>th</sup> in some parts of China, the Feast of the Dragon is held annually. As part of the celebration, in ancient days, dolls were made from mugwort leaves that were considered sacred. The dolls were hung above gates and doors to repel negative influences and entities.

The second Sunday in May (May 11 this year) is Mother's Day, originally a festival to honour the ancient Grecian Rhea, mother of the gods, and Cybele, Roman mother goddess. In 17<sup>th</sup> century England, the fourth Sunday in Lent was known as Mothering Sunday. In the US, a day to honour mothers was first issued by the governor of West Virginia in 1910, a result of a letter-writing campaign started by Anna M. Jarvis. A congressional joint resolution was passed on May 8, 1914 making it a national holiday. An International Mother's Day Association was incorporated on December 12, 1912. A red carnation means that mother is still living; a white carnation stands for a mother who has passed on.

May 14<sup>th</sup> is the Festival of Isis in Egypt and was widely celebrated in the Roman world. In Greece, this day was the Festival of Apollo, or Apollo's Birthday. Apollo was called by the same name in Rome where they dedicated a temple to him. Apollo was the son of Jove (Jupiter) and Latona, the brother of Diana, and was the god of archery, music, poetry, and healing. He was also called Phoebus Apollo. On his birth at Delos, Apollo was acclaimed by all the gods and the island was covered with golden flowers and encircled with swans. As soon as he tasted the ambrosia of his nurse Themis, he suddenly grew to full youth and demanded a lyre and a bow. He announced that his father's will would be presented to the world through his oracular lyric poetry. Apollo then began to play and to "step high and featly" as became his style of dance. Apollo's temple was at Crisabe low Mount Parnassus in Phocis.

May 15<sup>th</sup> is sacred to the goddess Maia and to Vesta, goddess of the hearth. (The Ides of March, May, July and October fall on the 15<sup>th</sup> – Ides of all other months fall on the 13<sup>th</sup>) On this day, Vestal Virgins,



Vesta's temple priestesses performed a ritual that addressed the regulation of the coming summer's water supply, the basis of support for all life. In ancient days, the temple handmaidens and oracle -priestesses managed resources, such as calculating festival calendars , as well as acting as intermediary between divinities and the populace.

The May 20<sup>th</sup> full moon is the called the Buddhic Moon. This marks the celebration of Buddha's enlightenment under the Bodhi tree, and the yearly return of the Buddha to bless our wo rld. All people are invited to join the gathering of souls to affirm the Divine plan for our planet and all humanity. Many groups conduct ritual celebrations at the time of the full moon to awaken higher consciousness toward blending all Earth beings into a united whole. They ask for wisdom, love, knowledge and the spiritual vitalization of humanity during the coming year.

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, the celebration of the Three Mothers was observed annually on or around this date each year in Celtic countries, which honoured the Triple Goddess, who brought prosperity and a good harvest. The Three Mothers, or Triple Goddess, are known world round in many cultures, and represent the three stages of life. This triad also symbolizes the three phases of the moon: Crescen t, Full and Dark. The Goddesses are most often known by the titles of Maid, Mother and Crone. This is also the feast day of Hermes Trismegistus, patron of alchemy.

May 30<sup>th</sup> is Memorial Day in the United States. Memorial Day was first celebrated on May 30, 1868 to remember and honour men who died in the Civil War by decorating their graves. It was known then as "Decoration Day." Since then, the holiday is kept to memorialize all servicemen who fought and died in defence of the country.

May seems to be a month of remembrance, but it does not have to be full of sadness, but of honour and esteem; it is an excellent time to recognize and appreciate the attributes of honour and bravery in our living associates as well.

Have a great month of May.

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## ... by the Lighthouse Beam

### Teaching Candidates Their Degree Work

(This article was modified mildly to be more relevant to Ontario Masonry from a paper called 'Teaching Masonic Catechism', written by Tim Bryce. Further articles by this author can be found at [www.FreemasonInformation.com](http://www.FreemasonInformation.com))

I have had the pleasure of teaching several Brothers their Masonic catechisms and obligations over the years. Those parts of the ritual that the candidate must commit to memory in order to prove themselves after each degree. I find it to be good practice for me and keeps me sharp when I'm called upon to provide assistance in degree work. More importantly, it has offered me an opportunity to get to know some very fine men. Very rarely will I instruct more than one person at a time. I find it is better to teach one-on-one since people tend to learn the memory work at their own unique pace. It also allows me to concentrate on the nuances of each person's ability to absorb the material.

Although I try to teach at a regularly scheduled time and place, I recognize our professional lives make it difficult to do so. Consequently, I am willing to meet the Brother as needs require, be it at the Lodge, his office or mine, my house or his. (Frankly, I prefer the latter as it affords me the opportunity to smoke a cigar as we sit outside.)

When teaching a new Brother the catechism, I am looking for the fire in him to learn the work and, if I see it, I'll bend over backwards to help him master it. But I have had a couple of occasions where the student really didn't want to learn the material. In this situation I have offered to help him find another instructor who could possibly help him. Inevitably, it is not the instructor but the individual who simply lacks interest and eventually drops out.

In the past, you have probably heard me say that the only reason we learn catechisms is to perpetuate our degree work. This is why I think it is vital to not only teach the catechism, but to also describe how



Freemasonry works, the history of both the fraternity and the Lodge, and the customs to be observed. In addition, I take the student to a Masonic degree so they can observe it from the sidelines (thereby more clearly assimilating the degree). Again, I think it is important to develop a rapport with the student and express your commitment to the person. In turn, the student expresses his commitment to you. I learned this from my own instructor, and we remain fast friends and trusted Brothers to this day.

Sometimes, Lodges appoint a Lodge Instructor to teach the work. Such



dedicated people are becoming increasingly hard to find. When a Lodge Instructor is not available, it is wise to get the junior officers to teach the work, particularly the Stewards and Deacons. This does two things: it forces the Lodge officers to sharpen their memorization work, and it provides the means to get to know the new Brothers who may play a vital role for the officer should he ever reach the East.

After a Brother has been raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, I am often thanked by the student for my efforts. But as I tell them, they did all of the hard work, not me. I expect nothing in return other than the Brother does a good job and perhaps teaches someone else down the road. Being an instructor is a big responsibility and should not be taken lightly; you have to be one part teacher, one part coach, and one part Brother. You shouldn't simply teach the student his memory work; you need to teach them to be a Mason and to seek further light. A little investment of time in the Brother early on will inevitably pay dividends later on for Freemasonry and the Lodge.

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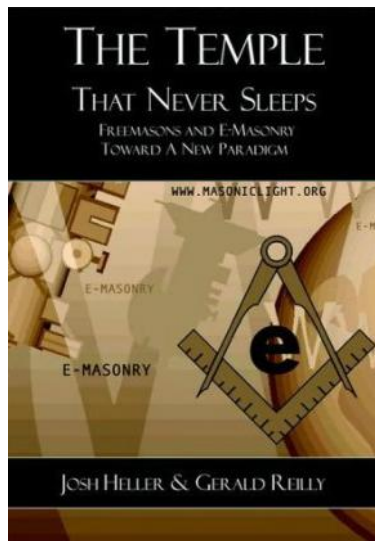


## Book Review

### **The Temple That Never Sleeps**

Author: Josh Heller and Gerald Reilly  
ISBN: 1-887560-68-8  
Publisher: Cornerstone Book Publishers  
Published: 2006

As any school kid knows, if you want to know something, you call up Google or some other search engine, enter what you want to know and the entire world comes to your monitor. Not just your town; not just your province; not just your country. The whole world!



If you plan on being in Dogbreath, Old Lizard, you can enter that information into Google, along with the word 'mason' and back will come all the information in that town related to Freemasonry and every lodge that bothers to have a website. You take the 'contact info' option and ask if they will be having a meeting while you are there and if they will permit you to attend. Within a couple of days, you should have made contact and probably a Mason from the lodge will offer to pick you up and take you to lodge.

Grand Lodges in general don't like this. They are concerned with jurisdictional control and recognition. They want you to send a letter to your secretary, who will send a letter to the Grand Secretary who will send a letter to the Grand Secretary for the Grand Lodge for Dogbreath, who will contact one or more secretaries of lodges in the town who will send a reply all the way back up through the chain.

Cumbersome! Old fashioned! Not keeping up with the available technology! Grand Lodges are like dogs, standing stiff-legged, growling, on guard over a food bowl that has long been empty.

If there is some topic in Freemasonry that interests you, chances are there is no one in your lodge with the same interest. Possibly, with a lot of luck, there will be one or two in your district with the same interest. Chances of talking to a like-minded group of Masons face to face are few and very far between.

Then, along comes the internet. The authors of this book, Brothers Heller and Reilly have been involved from the beginning with <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/masoniclight/>, one of the oldest and largest Masonic chat groups around. This book is the result of a 19-question survey conducted among participants in the site about the relationship of E-Masonry and Masonic lodges. It is an important book to read.

The respondents make it overwhelmingly clear that they want cross-jurisdictional communication even if E-Masonry is officially made available via jurisdiction or lodge: an explicit challenge to the traditional jurisdictional prerogatives around recognition and visitation. It is a challenge to the concepts of "mainstream", "regular" and "clandestine."



Further, when lodge attendance is not possible, E-Masonry is proving to be a means of support and a resource for the maintenance of interest in the Craft. Many comments are made indicating that, for a variety of reasons, E-Masonry is not only sustaining, but is proving to be a sustainable form of Masonic experience. It can be fitted between other commitments; it is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week and 365 days per year. It saves the need to travel; it is cost effective and stimulating, calming and consoling. It is becoming for some, if not a way of life, a valued part of their daily routine and a significant part of their Masonic improvement.

Maybe this book presents a radical view of Freemasonry, but we often forget to remember how much Freemasonry has been innovatory during the Enlightenment.

It does examine the possible validity of E-Masonry as a means to get Masonic ideas across and discussed among a wide audience and sets us out on a possible future course for the Craft, which many will simply not accept, in their small view of their Lodge experience.

There are parts of the book that will make you want to bring out the torches and pitchforks. That's probably why it is important to read it. A large part of me is afraid that, while it may be heresy, it may also be truth. Certainly it is true that electronic Masonry and chat groups challenge many of the traditions. Such things as recognition, regularity, and clandestine status simply don't enter into the picture as limitations on conversation. Many young Masons regard such concerns, especially regularity and recognition, as simply silly.

There is no question that instant communication and the World Wide Web are changing the world rapidly and in unpredictable ways. It is also true that Lodges and Grand Lodges that do not make effective use of those tools are going to be left hopelessly behind. There is much good information in this book. It is worth reading. Whether it is a blueprint for the future, or a copy of the enemy's battle plans, each will have to decide for himself."

This book is well-written, ready to read and a starting point for further investigations and discussions. For sure Grand Secretaries will not like this book, but in the meantime and paradoxically, exactly this is the reason of its high value. Freemasonry is not and cannot be a mummified body.

The book may be found at major book retailers for about \$17; BUT the book being about the internet, why not go looking on the internet and buy it there.

Author: several websites

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