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For those who see Masonic "science" as nothing but ceremonial and social pleasantries tempered with elementary ethics, my interpretations will be discredited as fanciful. For such, however, they are not written. They are meant for the happily increasing number of Brethren who realise the Craft to be a custodian of the "knowledge of oneself" and

to enshrine profound truths of spiritual science beneath its veil of allegory.

- Bro. Walter Leslie Wilmshurst (1867-1929), The Meaning of Masonry-1927

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

Greetings Brethren of Toronto East District,



April building on the momentum of February and March exploded out of the starting gate with three Official Visits within the first 6 days of the month and by the 19th of April had seen 7 Official Visits completed and a rare Saturday Installation of the Officers of The Imperial East Gate Lodge. All were well attended and once again, I thank the Toronto East District Brethren and most notably the current Worshipful Masters of Toronto East District for their ongoing support of our District lodges and the D.D.G.M. on the occasion of his Official Visit to each of these lodges.

Our District Devine Service held on April 10th was strongly supported by the Brethren and their families; it was impressive to see our Masonic Brethren in Dress regalia with family at their side being led into the service by our District Piper. I would like to express my gratitude to the Brethren for their support and to acknowledge and thank our District Chaplain V.W. Bro. Joseph Das for his contributions to the success of this

event.



The Beaches Annual Ladies Gala and Doric Spring Dinner and Dance events were great social nights out, with dinner dancing and entertainment enjoyed by one and all.

On a sad note, Toronto East District and Masonry everywhere lost a wonderful man and a truly dedicated Mason with the passing of R.W. Bro. Joseph Chamberlain, P.M. of Riverdale John Ross Robertson Lodge and P.D.D.G.M. 2000-1 of Toronto District No 4, to the Grand Lodge Above. A Masonic Memorial Service was conducted for him by his lodge on Sunday April 17th at the East Toronto Masonic Temple. The large numbers of Brethren, family and friends in attendance were a testament to the high regard they held for him.

With only one Installation and one Official Visit remaining for the month of May, and excepting Fraternal and Social events, my year as the D.D.G.M. is fast coming to a close. Looking back, it is scary how fast time moves forward, especially as you get older, as compared to the snail like pace when as a young person, everything seems to take forever.



REMINDER...
Please get your DUES
in to the Secretary.
Thanks.

Brethren the list of candidates running for Grand Lodge for the upcoming 2016-17 year has now been published. Amongst them are numerous Brethren from Toronto East District. Please make it a point to support these Brethren who have offered their time and service to this great Jurisdiction.

Does this ring a bell?

When your mother asks, "Do you want a piece of advice?" it's a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway.

- Erma Louise Bombeck (1927-1996)

May 8th, Mother's Day. God bless them all.

There will be numerous lodge events happening in May, amongst them;

- May 5 - Installation: The Beaches
- May 11 - Official Visit: Friendship Lodge
- May 28 - T. E. D. Spring Business Meeting, Claremont, 9:00 am

Also on Saturday June 11th 2016 -

5th Annual Black & White Gala and Ladies Night.

For all details, please check our district newsletters and our Toronto East District Website.

As a reminder, tickets for the Grand Master's Banquet, to be held on Wednesday July 20, 2016 at 6:30 pm are now available.

Tickets are \$65.00 each and may be ordered direct through the Grand Lodge office. Cheque payable to Grand Lodge of Canada.

A reserved table for eight (8) is available direct from the Grand Lodge office (payment of \$500.00 by cheque payable to Grand Lodge of Canada.

Tickets are also available by order from the D.D.G.M.

Cut-off date is Thursday July 14, 2016. Prepaid orders must be received before July 14, 2016. **No tickets will be sold at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.**



Something to think about;

Holding on to anger is like drinking poison and expecting the other person to die.
- *The Buddha [Prince Gautama Siddharta] (563-483 BCE)*

A lie gets halfway around the world before the truth has a chance to get its pants on.
- *Bro. Winston Spencer Churchill (1874-1965), Nobel Prize-Literature-1953,*
British Prime Minister 1940-45, 1951-55

Brethren, as always, I look forward to greeting you.

May the Great Architect of the Universe watch over us all.

Knowledge = Confidence; Never Stop Learning.


Sincerely and Fraternaly,

R.W. Bro. Dean M. Bergerson
District Deputy Grand Master
Toronto East District




EVENTS CALENDAR:

May 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						<u>1</u>
<u>2</u> * Acacia - Friend to Friend All welcome Visitors-7:30 pm East Toronto  BRING A FRIEND	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> * The Beaches - Installation Banq - 6:00 pm ← Visitors-7:30 pm York * Alpha-Tuscan - African Heritage Night see below East Toronto	<u>6</u> * ProjectCo (TEMC) - Reception see below Westin Prince Hotel	<u>7</u> * Canada - 100th Anniversary Celebration see below Ajax Convention Centre	<u>8</u> Mothers' Day Some flowers - take her for dinner
<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> * Friendship - Official Visit Banq - 6:30 pm ← Visitors-7:30 pm Doric Pickering	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> * The Heritage Lodge - Meeting see below 12 noon Claremont	<u>15</u> * Rainbow Girls - Prospect Party see below Doric Pickering
<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u> * Brougham Union - Friend to Friend All welcome Visitors-7:30 pm Claremont 	<u>19</u> * Alpha-Tuscan - Annual Scots Night see below East Toronto * Scottish Rite - Master Masons Night see below York	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>
<u>23</u> Victoria Day The spring long weekend and the traditional start of cottage season.	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u> Death of James Anderson * T.E.D. - Spring Business Meeting All Masons welcome Coffee - 8:30 am Claremont	<u>29</u> * Ontario Chapter OES - Best Ball Golf Day see below Remington Parkview Golf & Country Club
<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>					



June 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> * Wexford - Golf Tournament see below Remington Parkview Golf Club	<u>5</u>
<u>6</u> Start of Ramadan Take pity! No food - dawn to dusk for a month	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> * The Imperial East Gate - Official Visit Visitors-7:30 pm East Toronto	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u> * St. Lawrence District - Annual Quarry Lodge Weekend see below Spencerville, On	<u>11</u> * T.E.D. - 5th Annual Black & White Gala see below Ajax Convention Centre	<u>12</u> * St. Lawrence District - Annual Quarry Lodge Weekend see below Spencerville, On
<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u> Fathers' Day A whole day all about dad. Clean the garage, fertilize the lawns, dig out the garden and then pay to take the family out for dinner. You love it!
<u>20</u> First Day of Summer ! Starts at 6:34 pm	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u> St. John the Baptist Day One of the original patron saints of Freemasonry	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u> * The Beaches - Sandcastle Day see below Ashbridges Bay
<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>			



AROUND AND ABOUT:

Toronto East District Charity

Masonic Foundation of Ontario 50th Anniversary Project Hope Supporting Prostate Cancer Research
The Mikey Network

Our Grand Master is continuing the project started by M. W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell, to support three prostate cancer research projects. Prostate cancer is the most common cancer among Canadian men (excluding non-melanoma skin cancers). It is the 3rd leading cause of death from cancer in men in Canada.



According to The Canadian Cancer Society, it is estimated that in 2015: -

- 24,000 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer. This represents 24% of all new cancer cases in men in 2015.
- 4,100 men will die from prostate cancer. This represents 10% of all cancer deaths in men in 2015.
- On average, 66 Canadian men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer every day.
- On average, 11 Canadian men will die from prostate cancer every day.

For more information, or to contribute to this cause that has affected so many, please contact
Maher Eid @ cici20101998@yahoo.com or 416.723.5507 or
Eric Lakien: eric@lakien.com

Personal integrity is important, not because it gets us what we want, but because it helps us be what we want.

- Michael Josephson

Toronto East Masonic Centre

The Directors of ProjectCo met in April and the meeting was short. All, except for one issue, revolved around cleaning up outstanding issues and the Board's intended actions on them.

The Board is pleased to announce the project's official launch on Friday May 6th in conjunction with TEMC's new development partners. Advance **RSVPs** are required ASAP at info@lalucanada.com. (See May 6 2016 below.)



The Board's thoughts and prayers go out to Bob Steenson who is recovering from heart surgery.

2316543 Ontario Limited, a for profit corporation is also known as ProjectCo. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of Toronto East Masonic Center (TEMC). TEMC is a non-profit organization created by the Masons of Lodges in Toronto East District whose purpose is to build and maintain a new Masonic temple. The members of its Board of Directors are: Gerry Campbell (Chair) Jim McKinnon (President) Neil Friedman, (Treasurer), Michael Morris (Secretary), and Joe Lefevre and Bob Steenson. Our email address is ProjectCo@outlook.com

- Gerry Campbell @ projectco@outlook.com or 416.606.1373



FYI

In the spring of 1966, brother Dallas Coleman of Denison Lodge #373 of Kansas was digging a pond when he came across an overturned gravestone marked with the Square and Compasses. Research lead to a determination that it belonged to Brother Henry Craig (1832-1862) of Valley Falls Lodge #21. The brethren of the lodge reset and cleaned the monument and erected a fence around it to keep livestock away and continue to maintain it.

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

UGLE Searching for Masons from The Past

Tuesday, December 8 2015

A digitisation project between the [Library and Museum](#) and [Ancestry](#) will make searching for masons from the past much easier.

The world's largest online family history resource, [Ancestry](#) has transcribed over two million records of Freemasons in the English and Irish Constitutions using the membership registers of the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

The names have created a searchable online database of Freemasons from the 1750s to the early 1920s. The database and images from the Grand Lodge registers are being made available via Ancestry's website. This will provide information about individual lodge affiliation, as well as address and occupation details.

It has often been difficult to track down the names of individual Freemasons if there were no details of their lodge. Grand Lodge's main communication was with lodge secretaries and there was no reason for the organisation itself to create an alphabetical index of members.

It will now be much easier for family historians, researchers and those writing their lodge histories to access this information.

Ancestry provides a pay-per-view or subscription service and free access will also be available in the Library and Museum. Further details are available on the Library and Museum's website and at www.ancestry.co.uk

Facebook Aficionado ?

The Ontario Freemasons group is a private group for Masons in Ontario. Treat the group as a banquet room atmosphere where you can share local information and events happening in Ontario. You must be a member of an Ontario lodge to join. There are currently over 700 members.

Listen to what is going on in Ontario Masonry. Give it a try.

www.facebook.com/groups/OntarioMasons/



Smile !



Want To Learn More ?

The Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education offers interesting Correspondence Courses on Masonic Education throughout this Jurisdiction that is comprised of nineteen different modules.

Any Master Mason may take any module individually for \$10.00 each or they may wish to complete a course of study for a set fee. If a Brother takes an individual module today, and decides to complete a course of study later in time, he will be accredited with the module he has completed previously. In other words, he does not have to pay for or rewrite what he has already completed in the past. There are three courses of study offered by the College of Freemasonry:

1. The Masonic Arts and Sciences (eighteen modules).
2. The Past Master (six modules as of July 2014)
3. The Worshipful Master (eight modules).



Any Brother looking to run for the DDGM of their District, the Board of General Purposes or Grand Registrar, the course required by the Book of Constitution, Section 50(b) is the **Past Master's Course**. This course is also great for those looking to be a District Secretary.

For those who wish to pay by cheque, please send it to
George Warner
4010 Chadburn Cres.,
Mississauga, ON
L5L 3X2



For those who wish to pay via credit card, just fill in the application form and send it to masonic.college@gmail.com, and the Brother will be emailed payment instructions through PayPal (an account is not necessary).

If any Brother has any questions, they may e-mail R.W. Bro. Rick Cadotte, FCF, Principal, College of Freemasonry, masonic.college@gmail.com.

You may also get information by going to the Grand Lodge Website, sign in, click “Membership”, then “College of Freemasonry”.

They also have many electronic books and other resources there. Check it out!

I Did Not Know That !

The first product Motorola started to develop was a record player for automobiles. At that time, the most well known record player on the market was Victrola, so the company called itself Motorola.

- thanks to Bro. Anon Y. Mous

The Tenets of Freemasonry: Mere Words or Good Guidelines?

Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, what fine and lofty words indeed! These are the principal tenets of our wonderful institution. They form the foundation on which our Masonic lives are founded. So let's examine what these words mean.

Brotherly Love is a combination of the philos, which means love (or philia) and adelphos, which means brother. It refers to the type of bond that we may experience with a family member or close friend. It denotes more than just a superficial relationship but rather one of deep compassion, affection and understanding. To have Brotherly Love for someone means that we truly care about and value that individual as we would a member of our own family.

Relief can be defined as a removal or lightening of something oppressive, painful, or distressing. A synonym would be welfare. It refers to [our] genuine care in our Brother's welfare. For to be able to lift a burden from a Brother's shoulders or have one lifted from our own, would indeed a joyous thing and strengthen our bond with each other.

Truth, ah what a word! Truth is derived from the old English word “trēowth” which means fidelity and taken closely from the old English word “trēowe” which means faithful. It can be defined as sincerity in action, character, and utterance and the fidelity of a standard. It is a reminder that our words, actions and character should be one of integrity. They should embody the highest standards of morality and the image of our Creator.

Yet, while it is nice to know what they mean, do we really need to use them as a guideline? In other words, do we need to follow these very closely in lives, both daily and Masonic? My answer would be an emphatic, YES!! For how would we really be able to care for our Brother's family in the unfortunate event of him being indisposed to do so? Or, how could we care about our Brother's welfare if we didn't even like the man himself? Better yet, if we weren't sincere with one another in our words and actions, how would our Brother know who we really are? KNOW THY SELF; a common inscription found over the door of many ancient and some present ante room doorways, is a reminder that before we cross the threshold of Freemasonry, we must first possess these things in ourselves. Because Freemasonry doesn't



endow us with these tenets, it deepens and gives us an appreciation for these qualities that we should already have in practice.

In closing, these words embody the basic and highest levels of humanity: They exude the qualities that our Creator implanted in us for most beneficent purposes, and that is why they form the principle guidelines of our wonderful institution of Freemasonry.

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Now, Here Is A Lodge In . . .



St. Mark's #5, St. Andrew's by the Sea, NB
with thanks to Les Goldhawk - Burns' Lodge #153

Do you have a picture of a Masonic Hall in downtown Some-Place-Else? Send it in and let others see.

*As you are a Christian Mason, you must on all occasions study to perform the duties of Christian morality, which are comprehended under the triple category of God, your neighbour and yourself.
- Bro. George Oliver (1782-1867), The Book of the Lodge-1864*



Thursday May 5 2016

Alpha-Tuscan - African Heritage Night

Please welcome the first African Heritage Degree Team of our Grand Jurisdiction. The brethren of the “AFROCAN” degree team will be performing an Entered Apprentice degree on Mr. Cesar Pelnaver. It is important to note that the brethren comprising this degree team belong to lodges from within the Toronto East District (Alpha-Tuscan, Acacia, Coronati, West Hill, Wexford) as well as outside (Robertson, West Gate, Georgina).

The AFROCAN degree team’s vision is to become a traveling degree team within our Grand Jurisdiction and to provide as much support as possible to lodges within our Grand Lodge. They are open to performing degree work when called on and hope to bring some energy and momentum in delivering the ritual work (with a different flavour/accent).

A “spicy” formal banquet will follow the meeting.

Time: 7:30 pm - Lodge opens
8:00 pm - Guests received
Location: East Toronto Masonic Temple
Contact: Kelly Dadzie @ kellydadzie@gmail.com or 416.586.2934

Friday May 6 2016

ProjectCo (TEMC) - Reception

Please accept this as your personal invitation to attend an evening of information gathering and the opportunity to finally meet our partners in this great venture to develop the site at 2180 Lawrence Ave. E. for the good of Masonry.

We expect the event will attract many local politicians, we may even see the Mayor of Toronto, John Tory and the Premier of Ontario, The Hon. Kathleen Wynne come by. Our overseas investors have also committed to attend the reception.



We have Alan C. Dvorak, Gordon C. Crutcher and Ronald Narinesingh, providing short talks on The Masonic Foundation, Who are the Masons and The History of the Toronto East Temples.

This is an invitation ONLY event, numbers are limited. If you would like to attend, please **RSVP** ASAP to receive your confirmation.

Free Parking: Guests are to park their cars and come directly to the event room where they will submit their license plate number into the “Target Park” Kiosk that is setup outside the event room. A sign will be displayed at each parking meter with the function name to advise guests of this procedure.

Time: 6:30 - 9:00 pm - Social and Hors d’Oeuvres
7:30 pm - Remarks
Location: Westin Prince Hotel
9000 York Mills Rd, Toronto M3B 3H2
Contact: Lalu Canada @ info@lalucanada.com or
Bob Steenson @ bob.steenson@ontarioair.com or text 416.697.0822



Saturday May 7 2016
Canada Lodge - 100th Anniversary Celebration

No further information available

Location: Ajax Convention Centre

Saturday May 14 2016
The Heritage Lodge - Meeting and Talk

All Master Masons are invited to attend. Hosted by Brougham Union Lodge #269.

Time: 12:00 noon - Light Lunch
1:00 pm - Lodge Opens
Topic: Rosslyn Chapel
Speaker: David Neave
Location: Claremont Masonic Hall

Saturday May 14 2016
Masonic Legacy Tour - Head of the Lake

A day of Masonic enlightenment and intrigue. 31 designated sites, with tours of the Grand Lodge Office, Library, Museum and Archives, as well as tours of the Scottish Rite Cathedral. All are invited to attend. Hosted by Dufferin Lodge #291.

Time: 12:30 pm onward - self-guided tour booklets issued *while they last*
4:00 - 6:00 pm - Fellowship and refreshments at Dufferin Lodge
Location: Dufferin Masonic Lodge
200 Highway #8, Dundas, ON
(Flamborough - Weirs Lane and Hwy #8)

Sunday May 15 2016
Rainbow Girls - Prospects Pledge Party



Do you know a little girl between the ages of 7 and 10 years old?

Toronto Assembly #2 would like to invite her to a **Pledge Prospect Party!**
Join us for some fun, food, games and crafts!

What is a Pledge?

A Pledge is a girl between the ages of 7 and 10 years old who pledges she will join Rainbow Girls when she turns 11 years old.

Our program is designed to be a confidence builder! A Pledge will learn the importance of being of service to others and how to accept responsibility as well as how to be both an effective leader and a dependable follower. She will have the opportunity to learn how to speak effectively and to listen carefully. Pledges learn to develop their leadership abilities. They also meet girls their own age and develop new friendships. There are NO initiation fees or yearly dues.

At their meetings, Pledges perform a short opening ceremony, read minutes, report on activities, perform initiations, and special ceremonies. They have a short closing ceremony and minimal floor work. A



regular meeting without initiation is a maximum of 20 minutes long. Then the Pledges usually retire for a social activity, refreshments and *FUN!*

We hope to see you there!

Time: 3:30 pm
Location: Doric Pickering Masonic Hall
Contact: Debbie Wright @ debbie_wright248@yahoo.com or 905.767.9073, or Sarah Lisanti @ sarahml@rogers.com or 647.504.9769

Thursday May 19 2016

Alpha-Tuscan - Annual Scots Night

No further information available

Wear your kiltie!

Time: 7:30 pm - Lodge opens
8:00 pm - Guests received
Location: East Toronto Masonic Temple
Contact: Kelly Dadzie @ kellydadzie@gmail.com or 416.586.2934

Thursday May 19 2016

Scottish Rite - Valley of Toronto - Master Mason Night



All Master Masons are invited to be their Guests. Witness the portrayal of the Colourful and Impressive 16th Degree

A ticket at no cost to the visitor is required for admittance.

Time: 7:30 pm - Sharp
Location: York Masonic Centre
Contact: Your lodge Scottish Rite Representative or Elroy MacKinnon @ elroy@sympatico.ca or 289.388.4407

Monday May 23 2016

Victoria Day

Victoria Day is a federal Canadian public holiday celebrated on the last Monday before May 25, in honour of Queen Victoria's birthday. The date is also, simultaneously, that on which the current reigning Canadian sovereign's official birthday is recognized.

It is sometimes informally considered as marking the beginning of the summer season in Canada. It is also commonly known as the 2-4 weekend as May 24th was Queen Victoria's birthday. The number also signifies the number of bottles in a standard case of beer without which sitting around the campfire would simply be an exercise in getting smoke in your eyes and freezing your butt.

The holiday has been observed in Canada since at least 1845, originally falling on the sovereign's actual birthday, and continues to be celebrated in various fashions across the country on the fixed date; the



holiday has always been a distinctly Canadian observance. It is a federal statutory holiday, as well as being a holiday in six of Canada's ten provinces and all three of its territories.

- Wikipedia

Saturday May 28 2016

Anniversary of the Death of Bro. James Anderson (c. 1679/1680-1739)

Compiler of the famous Anderson's Constitutions of 1723 and 1738 which are recognized as being the first printed volumes dealing officially with Freemasonry. The records of the United Grand Lodge of England show that Bro. James Anderson was ordered to "digest the old Gothic Constitution in a new and better method," on Sept. 29, 1721. Only three months later, Dr. Anderson presented his finished production to the Grand Lodge (Dec. 27, 1721), which has come down to us as the basis for all Freemasonry.

The historical part, however, which traces the history from the Garden of Eden to 1721, is quite fanciful, unreliable and pretentious. No one today would quote that part as an authority.

It was not until the following March (1722) that a committee was appointed to examine the character of the revision, and it was not until 1723 that the volume came from the printer. The first edition was followed by a second in 1738, the latter being more valuable because it contains some history about the Grand Lodge covering the period 1717-1738

Little can be learned of his Masonic connections previous to 1721. He was not at the revival of Freemasonry in 1717, but he assumed the station of Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge, January 17, 1723, and was Master of Lodge No. 17 in 1723 (Masonic students have not been able to identify this lodge.) He was, however, shown as a member of Lodge of the Horn in 1723, and later of other lodges meeting in London. He attended Grand Lodge fifteen times between 1723 and 1728, acting as Grand Warden on four occasions.

His death was May 28, 1739, shortly after he had issued the second edition of the Constitutions. He was buried in Bunhill Fields with Masonic services, and accounted for the earliest known account of a Masonic funeral which appeared in the London Daily Post of June 2, 1739: -

"Last night (June 1) was interred the corpse of Dr. Anderson, a Dissenting Teacher, in a very remarkable deep Grave. His pall was supported by five Dissenting Teachers, and the Rev. Dr. Desaguliers; it was followed by a dozen of Freemasons who encircled the Grave; and after Dr. Earle had harangued on the Uncertainty of Life etc., without one word of the Deceased, the Brethren, in the most solemn dismal Posture, lifted up their Hands, sighed, and struck their aprons three times in Honour to the Deceased."

- William R. Denslow, 10,000 Famous Freemasons-1957

Sunday May 29 2016

Ontario Chapter OES - Best Ball Golf Day

All are welcome. Come and enjoy a great Sunday afternoon of golf. The fee includes 18 holes of golf with the use of a power cart, a box lunch, a scrumptious buffet dinner and a 2 for 1 or 4 for 2 golf voucher.

Contests include closest to the hole, closest to the line, longest drive, lowest and highest scores, and pink lady - door prizes and much more!



All proceeds to benefit the Alzheimers Society of Durham.

Time: 11:00 am - Registration
5:30 pm - Buffet Dinner
Location: Remington Parkview Golf & Country Club
6400 Steeles Ave E, Markham, ON L3S 3J5, 416.293.2833
Cost: \$160 ea
\$640 group of 4
\$35 ea - Buffet Dinner only
Contact: Jack @ 905.683.2970 or
Melynda Norman-Lee @ melyndanormanlee@gmail.com or 416.992.4258

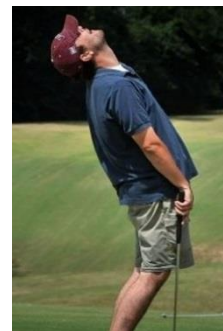
*Truth is within ourselves. It takes no rise
From outward things, whate'er you may believe.
There is an inmost centre in ourselves
Where truth abides in fullness; and to know
Rather consists in finding out a way
Whence the imprisoned splendour may escape
Than by effecting entrance for a light
Supposed to be without.
- Robert Browning (1812-1889)*

Saturday June 4 2016

Wexford - Golf Tournament

We invite all Brethren, Ladies and guests to join us to enjoy a full day of fun and friendship including 18 holes of Golf with Cart, Lunch and Dinner. There will be Fantastic Prizes and Lots of Fun.

Time: 11:30 am - Registration
1:00 pm - Tee Time - Shotgun
7:00 pm - Dinner
Location: Remington Parkview Golf & Country Club
6400 Steeles Ave E, Markham, ON L3S 3J5, 416.293.2833
Cost: \$150 ea
\$40 ea - Dinner only
Contact: Maher Eid @ cici20101998@yahoo.com or 416.723.5507 or
Andrew Douris @ andrewlp11@yahoo.ca or 416.320.6424



Friday June 10 and Saturday June 11 2016

St. Lawrence District - Annual Quarry Lodge Weekend

Weekend events for Masons and non-Masons. Dress is casual (bring a lawn chair).

There will be a Euchre Tournament on Friday evening, and a Breakfast on the Saturday morning. Ladies are free to wander as they wish during the day, no events are planned. Lodge will open on Saturday afternoon at 1:00 pm. Masons only may attend this event. After the lodge meeting, there will be the Quarry Lodge Dinner.



The candidate will be M.W. Bro. Donald H. Mumby.

All tickets for events must be purchased prior to Lodge Opening. Tickets are available from those shown below

Time: Friday June 10 2016 - 6:30 pm - Euchre Tournament - Cost \$10 ea
Saturday June 11 2016 - 8:00 am to Noon - Breakfast - Cost \$12 ea
Saturday June 11 2016 - 1:00 pm - Lodge opens
Saturday June 11 2016 - 5:30 pm - Quarry Lodge Dinner - Cost \$25 ea

Location: Hunter's Quarry
Spencerville, ON
1909 County Rd. 21 (east off highway 416)

Cost: \$10 ea - Euchre Tournament
\$12 ea - Breakfast
\$25 ea - Quarry Lodge Dinner

Contact: for information or to purchase tickets
Barry Burchill @ burchillddgm2006@hotmail.com or 613.225.7039, or
Sonny Clark @ sclark@meclark.ca or 613.340.0088, or
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Bob Easton @ bobev902@gmail.com or 613.924.2256, or
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Saturday June 11 2016

Toronto East District - 5th Annual Black and White Gala



The ticket price has not increased in 5 years - even at 2% inflation this should be over \$110 by now. The committee is trying to keep this affordable. Even a night out at the with your wife for dinner with appetizers, salad, main course, dessert, wine, coffee, after dinner treats, dancing and entertainment, with tax and tip will cost you far more than that - but proceeds are going to the District Charity, not the Keg's corporate profits!

There will be complimentary wine on tables at dinner - included in ticket price. Cash Bar. Every lady will receive a red rose.

There is a brand new band this year - The Isotones! (Members of Toronto Symphony and North York Symphony). A quartet will also be playing during the cocktail hour.

See a slideshow throughout the reception and dining hour with dozens of photos from each Lodge and their 2015-16 events. There will be a touching tribute to the Masons this district has lost this year.

There will be a brand new Photo Booth company! They will be set up in the foyer between 6 and 8 pm. Take advantage of free photos for you and your guest. Also new this year! There will be 6 tables of prizes to be bid on throughout the evening as a silent auction.

We will be assisted with the flowers by the Rainbow Girls and the photo booth by the Order of DeMolay. Please thank our Masonic Youth for their help this year!



Don't drink and drive! Save the cab fare! Catch a ride on the "Magic Masonic Fun Bus"! The bus holds 46 people. Pick-ups starting at -

- York Temple at 5 pm.
- Chisholm Temple by 5:20 pm (estimate)
- Doric Temple by 5:50 pm (estimate)

Arrive at Ajax Convention Centre by approx. 6:15 pm.

Return trips start at 11:30 pm.

\$20 a ticket. See Eric Smith, Pat Hillis or Rod Rego for tickets.

Or take advantage if or hotel room deal.

Homewood Suites by Hilton

600 Beck Crescent, (next door) 905.619.5072

Must book by May 10th to get the special rates. 10 rooms are set aside at \$129 a night and 3 larger at \$149 a night. Mention you are with Toronto East Masons, Group Code: **TEM**

Attention all Businessmen: Please support the Gala, the District and our District Charity by purchasing an ad in the Gala Program. Let your Masonic brethren know what you do for a living, and that if they need a service done that your business handles, it is always best to go through a Brother you can trust.

- Full Page ad \$350
- Half Page ad \$250
- 1/3 Page ad \$150

All advertisers will receive a Certificate of Appreciation. Craig McOuat will design the ads for you for free for your support. To book an ad in the Gala Program contact Craig McOuat.

Time: 6:00 pm - Social Hour and Hors d'Ouevres

7:00 pm - Dinner

8:00 pm - Guest Speaker (tba)

8:30 pm - Awards

9:00 pm - Dancing

Location: Ajax Convention Centre

550 Beck Crescent, Ajax, ON

(just northeast of Salem Road and Hwy 401)

Cost: \$100 ea

Contact: your Senior Warden, or

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Saturday June 11 and Sunday June 12 2016

T.E.D. - The Piper's Project

The Enbridge Ride to Conquer Cancer benefits the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre. I am once more taking this cycling journey through some of Southern Ontario's very scenic countryside. I will again ride from Toronto to Niagara Falls.



Last year we raised \$4,100 for the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre. This year I've been assigned a more modest goal of \$2,500 - but I'm aiming higher . . . \$4,500! My plan is to ride for a total of 5 years and I hope to raise \$25,000 in total for prostate cancer research. I believe it's all achievable!



Donations for 2016 have already started and I thank my supporters wholeheartedly for leading the way. Over 80% of donations are received online and the process is very easy . . . so easy that even I have done it! Receipts are issued to the donors directly.

Here's how to do it:

- Access 'The Ride To Conquer Cancer' (Toronto) website (2016 ride) using Google or:
http://to16.conquercancer.ca/site/PageServer?pagename=to16_homepage
- Push 'Donate', the middle button at the top of the screen,
- Enter my name - Bruce Palanik . . . correct spelling does count here,
- Enter your donation information and message, if you wish. Those messages were very inspiring last year and meant a lot.

For those not comfortable making online donations, you can print a donation form from the website. If you choose to donate by mail, please do so by May 15th as mailed donations take 3-4 weeks to process.



Once again, I am asking for your support, your words of encouragement, and your donations.

Time to roll! Cheers!

Contact: Bruce Palanik @ brucepalanik@rogers.com or 905.839.7342

Saturday June 25 2016

Grand Master's Prostate Hope - Golf Tournament



A Golf Tournament in aid of the Grand Master's Charity, Prostate Hope. The Grand Master is hoping to raise 1 million dollars by July 2017 for this very worthwhile cause, Prostate Cancer Research. I believe this particular Charity is one that should be very close to our hearts as it is a disease that touches almost 1 in 6 men in Canada. Fee includes golf, golf cart, buffet and prizes!

A great tournament supporting a great cause. All financial donations will receive a tax receipt. Masons having fun and making a difference.

Participate by, making a financial donation, buying raffle tickets, attending the tournament, being an event or hole sponsor and or donating a prize.

I hope that the Masons will rally to support this great cause. All funds raised will go directly to support Prostate Hope. All are welcome.

Early Bird Draw. The first 60 tickets sold will be entered in a draw to win a Golf Foursome at National Pines Golf Club worth \$450.00

Time: 11:30 am - Registration



1:00 pm - Tee Time - Shotgun
Location: Caledon Woods Golf Club (formerly the 27-hole Bolton Golf Club)
15608 Regional Rd. 50, Bolton, ON L7E 3E5 - 905.880.1400
Cost: \$150 ea
Contact: Darren Dunlop @ dunlop.georgina343@gmail.com or 416.464.2078 or
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Sunday June 26 2016

The Beaches - 10th Annual Sandcastle Competition

The Beaches Lodge is proud to announce its 10th Annual Sandcastle Competition will be held on the first Sunday of the summer. An award, the Beaches Cup, will be presented to the team who builds the best sandcastle - as decided by an independent group of judges.



Teams of builders, whether comprising co-workers, friends or families, can arrive at any time but must complete their design by 3:00 pm. “We always expect some teams to be digging by sunrise,” says founder and organizer Graeme Boyce. “But we’ve found to be finished by 3:00 pm they realistically need to begin sculpting by mid-morning.”

The competition is located east of the Woodbine Bathing Station and west of the Summerville Pool, adjacent to the boardwalk. In addition to a local TTC stop, there is a paid parking available at Ashbridges Bay, and additional parking lots north of Lakeshore, off Eastern Avenue, near the cinemas. “As a tourist attraction, building sandcastles has become incredibly popular for many beach communities around the world, but anyone with a spade and bucket can compete in our event that has attracted plenty of teams each year,” continues Boyce.



Put together a team. It doesn't have to be family or Masons. Bring along a team from the scout or guide troop, or a class from school or any other group with which many of us belong. For the benefit of passers-by, each team is encouraged to post a small sign with an explanation of the castle or structure they are building, as well as its significance. “Cuz the barbarians are coming,” works. A fun day, digging in the sand.

The prize will be a trophy of *unprecedented* value. One year it rained in the morning and 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: Wee Hours of the Morning (or 9:00 am) - Getting Started
3:00 pm - Judgement Time
Location: Beaches of Ashbridges Bay
Contact: Graeme Boyce @ gboyce@civilizedproductions.com or 416.402.8591



Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain in life or accomplish for yourself. It's what you do for others.

- Bro. Danny Thomas (1914-1991)

Monday July 18 2016

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Information to follow



... by the Lighthouse Beam

Tolerance



One of the fundamentals of Freemasonry is tolerance. I refer you to an excerpt from the General Charge when the author talks about the ideals of a Freemason. “The man who towards himself is a severe judge, but who is TOLERANT with the debilities of his neighbour.” We don’t speak of it much in lodge, but it is inherent in the very way our lodges operate. We promote prudence, justice and temperance and advocate brotherly love and good conduct in Freemasonry. A cornerstone of Masonic philosophy is the right of each individual to his own concept of Deity and that philosophy has at its foundation the virtue of tolerance.

True Brotherly love is when a brother can show tolerance to another human in spite of the conflicting opinions and failings of others, even if this means a case of applying the old maxim in practice: “Hate the sin - love the sinner.”

Tolerance is one of the precepts of Freemasonry. There can be no Brotherly Love without it. Many a Mason will demonstrate tolerance firstly in terms of religious tolerance or political tolerance. That is only part of the pie. As we begin to fully appreciate the customs and traditions of Freemasonry, we realize how much deeper the meaning of tolerance goes.

Taking our instruction from the Volume of the Sacred Law, we are told to “Love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us, and pray for those who spitefully use us.”

The Old Testament tells us that we should conduct ourselves with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in all matters of love.

Tolerance is defined in the dictionary as being patient and indulgent toward those whose opinions or practices differ from one’s own. It also means being free from bigotry, or severity in judging the opinions or conduct of others. Being tolerant also means we show forbearance.

We need to be tolerant of others, but we also need to be tolerant of ourselves. Tolerance is not about surrendering our own beliefs, or compromising our own values. It is all about respecting another’s right to hold differing views.

The opposite of Tolerance is intolerance, bigotry, prejudice, narrow mindedness, fanaticism, small mindedness. All characteristics that are unbecoming of a true Mason.

As Masons, we should all fall into the first category. We must ask ourselves. Is it possible in a world of free and independent thinkers to establish a relationship of friendliness and tolerance with another whose views are diametrically opposed to mine?



The answer is YES. It may be difficult at times and it will often take a determined effort. It's easy to be positive and tolerant when everything is going our way, but not so easy when they don't. That's when we need to become alert and try to figure out where the other party is coming from. If there is an irritation, what is the source?

Masonry is not about one person dominating over another: it's about living in complete harmony with each other. That is what Freemasonry teaches; that is what this Fraternity strives to create amongst its members. If we truly love another person and if we really practice Brotherly Love with our fellow man, we must be tolerant of them. Again I stress - tolerance does not mean endorsing the beliefs, or actions of others. It does, however mean that tolerance is respecting the beliefs and actions of others without resentment. No man truly obeys the Masonic law who merely tolerates those whose opinions are opposed to his own. We must be able to communicate and sit together in Brotherly Love putting aside our differences. Every man's opinions are his own private property, and it is the right of all men to maintain their own opinions.

Finally, I wonder if we ever think about our level of tolerance in our everyday lives.

How tolerant are we of others in the workplace, in society, at home?

How tolerant are we with others when no one is looking?

When no one we know is present?

We have to ask ourselves "Is there room for improvement?"

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