

Hiram's Lighthouse

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[T]o be Worshipful Master and to throw my whole soul in that work, with the candidate for my audience, and the lodge for my stage, would be greater personal distinction than to receive the plaudits of the people in the theatres of the world.

- Bro. Edwin Booth (1833-1893)

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

Greetings Brethren of Toronto East District,

As I write this, the temperatures outside are dropping. Daylight hours are shortening, mornings are chillier and soon the leaves will fall. Welcome to October!! And yet, while our weather changes, some say for the worse, some for the better, let's take a few moments to pause, to reflect and to give thanks for what blessings we have. A child's giggle, your sweetheart's smile, a good deed done for another; all are blessings around us. In your busy life, take a moment to look for them and give thanks.

Let's also give thanks for the dedicated work of so many Masons in Toronto East who make all of our gatherings so enjoyable and so successful. This past month the District held it's Fall Business Meeting, a Lodge of Instruction, three Receptions for Grand Lodge Officers of Toronto East and three offerings of the Mechanics of the Work series. Many Lodges conducted degrees to help their brethren continue their Masonic journeys. Three Installing Boards have assisted in putting in place three new teams of Officers in the past month with six more planning diligently for October's Installations. As well, I am sure that two Lodges are dutifully preparing for the two Official visits that take place in October, as are the brethren of two lodges preparing to honour their own recently-appointed Grand Lodge Officers. The Officers of all Lodges and I would be honoured if you could attend as many of these planned meetings outside your Lodge as you are able to attend. Specific dates and details can be found elsewhere.



Again, I'd like to remind prospective D.D.G.M.'s of the change in the required correspondence course. As well, I draw your attention to the D.D.G.M. Orientation Seminar being held on October 29th in Oshawa. Please advise the District Secretary if you want to attend.



Yes, the Masons of our District have been busy and continue to be busy to support their brethren. I thank each and every one of you for your diligent efforts for the good of Freemasonry in Toronto East.

At our recent District meeting a number of your Committee Chairs and Project Leaders provided synopses of their plans for the busy year ahead. I am sure that your Lodge Secretary will be able to inform you of these specifics. Or, you could check out the District website which will include more information in the coming weeks.

However, I want introduce you to the District Charity - the Hospital for Sick Children's Sick Kids' Foundation. I'm really excited about this project!! I think you will be too when you read W. Bro. Malcolm Parish's outline that will appear shortly. All that I will say now is that we have an ambitious goal, it is eminently achievable given our past history and I ask every Lodge to get behind this very worthwhile project to ensure that we achieve it. Bringing a smile to a sick child's face is another blessing!!

My brethren, our lives don't always follow an "up path." There are times when we may face period(s) on the "down path." But always remember that our *Attitude determines our Altitude*. In this country, we all have so much to be thankful for; count your blessings for the flowers you see and not the showers that fall. As Masons let's "*endeavour to be happy ourselves and to communicate that happiness to others.*"

May the G.A.O.T.U. keep you safe and help us all to remain true to our obligations.

Freemasonry in action . . . deeds speak!!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

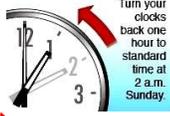
R.W. Bro. Bruce N. Palanik
District Deputy Grand Master
Toronto East District



EVENTS CALENDAR:

October 2012						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p><u>1</u></p> <p>* Mimosa - Installation Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto</p>	<p><u>2</u></p> <p>* Canada - Installation Banq - 6:30 pm ← Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering</p>	<p><u>3</u></p> <p>* Brougham Union - Installation Visitors - 7:30 pm Claremont</p>	<p><u>4</u></p> <p>* Alpha-Tuscan - Installation Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto</p>			
<p><u>8</u></p> <p>Thanksgiving Day - I'm so stuffed!</p> 	<p><u>9</u></p> <p>* Universe - Installation Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto</p>	<p><u>10</u></p> <p>* Friendship - Official Visit Banq - 6:30 pm ← Banq Cost - \$10 Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering</p>		<p><u>12</u></p> <p>* Brougham Union - Oktoberfest Fund Raiser see below Claremont Community Centre</p>	<p><u>13</u></p> <p>* TED - Mechanics of the Work - Week 4/6 see below East Toronto</p>	
<p><u>15</u></p> <p>* Caledonia- Installation Visitors - 7:30 pm York</p>		<p><u>17</u></p> <p>* Canada - Reception for R.W. Bro. Robert Kliaman - M.O.B. Visitors-7:00 pm ← Doric Pickering</p>	<p><u>18</u></p> <p>* Doric - Official Visit DDGM's Lodge Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering</p>		<p><u>20</u></p> <p>* TED - Mechanics of the Work - Week 5/6 see below East Toronto</p>	
			<p><u>25</u></p> <p>The Cornerstone Club see below U of T</p>	<p><u>26</u></p> <p>* Birch Cliff - Reception for V.W. Bro. Peter J. Sialtsis - Grand Steward Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering</p>	<p><u>27</u></p> <p>* TED - Mechanics of the Work - Week 6/6 see below East Toronto</p>	
<p><u>29</u></p> <p>DDGM Orientation Session see below Oshawa</p>		<p><u>31</u></p> <p>Halloween</p>  <p><i>WooOOooo!</i></p>				



November 2012						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		Remembrance Ceremonies see below Claremont	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u> * Wexford- Installation Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering	<u>3</u> TED - Officer Progression Workshop - 1A see below Doric Pickering * West Hill - Ladies Night see below Scarborough Golf & Country Club	<u>4</u> Daylight Savings Ends ☺ Time to fall back  Turn your clocks back one hour to standard time at 2 a.m. Sunday
t			<u>8</u> * Todmorden- Installation Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u> Remembrance Ceremonies see below Markham \ Birch Cliff - Ladies Night see below School of Fine Dining	<u>11</u> Remembrance Day Give thanks 
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u> Diwali	<u>14</u> * The Imperial East Gate- Installation <i>Cancelled</i>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> * Markham Union- Installation Banq - 6:30 pm ← Visitors - 7:30 pm Claremont	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u> TED - Blood Donor Clinic see below St. Aidan's Church	<u>24</u> TED - Officer Progression Workshop - 1B see below Doric Pickering * Doric - Ladies Night see below Four Seasons Golf and Country Club	<u>25</u>
<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u> TED - Quarry Talks For The Entered Apprentice see below Doric Pickering		



AROUND AND ABOUT:

Toronto East District Charity

Sick Kids' Hospital

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Integrity should be preserved in all events, as essential to his happiness, through every stage of his existence. His first maxim then should be to place his honour out of reach of all men.

- John Adams (1735-1826), 2nd U.S. President-1797-1801, letter to his son Thomas

Blood Donor Clinics



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

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

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

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

Upcoming Toronto East District Blood Donor Clinics -

Friday November 23, 2012

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

Friday January 25, 2013

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

FYI

Bernard Pierre Mangam, Marshall of France and Senator was appointed Grand Master of the Grand Orient of France and served from 1862 to 1865. This is unusual because he was not a Mason. He was appointed by Emperor Napoleon III.

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



Remember the North East Corner

It is within your power to give. Your gift will mean *absolutely everything to the recipients* but it will cost you *absolutely nothing* -- ever. And you don't even have to give anything now or hopefully for a long, long time. You'll never even notice. Register for organ donation.



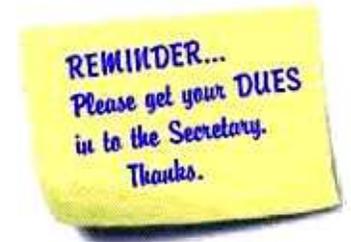
Even if you've signed a donor card, you still need to register your consent to donate. It only takes a couple of minutes. But in doing so, you could one day save 8 lives and enhance 75 more. Not a bad return on investment, eh? Register now.

www.beadonor.ca

How To Say It

Procure	pro- <u>cure</u>
Profusion	pro- <u>fyoo</u> -zhun
Proficiency	pro- <u>fish</u> -en-see
Progress (noun)	<u>pro</u> -gress
Promulgate	<u>prom</u> -yule-gate ('o' as in 'hot')
Propagate	<u>prop</u> -a-gate
Propensity	pro- <u>pen</u> -sit-ee
Propriety	pro- <u>pry</u> -et-ee
Prudent	<u>proo</u> -dent
Pursue	per- <u>sue</u> or per- <u>soo</u>
Pythagorean	pith- <u>ag</u> -or- <u>ee</u> -an
Quietude	<u>kyi</u> -et-yude
Recapitulate	<u>ree</u> -cap- <u>it</u> -yoo- <u>late</u>
Recanted	ree- <u>kan</u> -ted
Reception	ree- <u>sep</u> -shun
Recesses	<u>ree</u> -sess-ez
Recourse	<u>ree</u> -korse
Recur	ree- <u>kurr</u>
Recurrence	ree- <u>kurr</u> -ense
Rectitude	reck- <u>tit</u> -yood

- Functional Pronouncing Glossary of The Work



What's That All About?

When the Worshipful Master steps down to greet visitors should the I.P.M. join him? If so, on which side would he stand?

When the Worshipful Master steps down to greet visitors, or for any other reason, no other member would join him, unless specifically invited to do so, i.e., on the night of Installation, the Worshipful Master may invite the S.W. to join him, in which case he would position himself on the left of the Worshipful Master.

Is the Sign of Fidelity used at the banquet hour during grace?

The Sign of Fidelity is not used during grace. (See Masonic Manual, p. 63. No. 5).

(Masonic Manual-2000-The Sign of Fidelity is never used by the Worshipful Master when receiving visitors and certainly not by the visitors when acknowledging the remarks of the Worshipful Master; it is not used by the I.P.M. when walking to the altar to adjust the great



lights; it is not used when you have completed a piece of ritual or when crossing in front of the Worshipful Master. It is not used during grace at the banquet hour.)

On which side should the Senior Deacon be when attending with the wands?

The S.D. should be on the right side. (See Meeting the Challenge, p. 82. No.2).
(Meeting the Challenge-1976-*If the visiting Grand Lodge officer is entitled to assume the gavel, the W.M. directs the Deacons to attend with their wands. The S.D. is on the right of the visiting officer to be received. The Deacons cross (more usually lock) their wands as the officer enters. If the visiting officer is not entitled to assume the gavel, the deacons do attend with their wands.*)

**Does the W.M. have the right to simply declare the lodge open or closed in a particular degree?
Does a G.L. Officer have that right?**

The Worshipful Master has no right to do so; neither does any Grand Lodge Officer. Only the Grand Master, under Section 90 of the Book of Constitution, is given that prerogative, and, in recent years, has rarely used it.

On the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, why do the brethren applaud after he assumes the gavel and knocks?

This is a custom followed in many, but not all Districts, to emphasize the warmth of their reception to the representative of the Grand Master.

What are the origin, significance and symbolism of Grand Honours?

An explanation of the origin of the Grand Honours may be found in Bro. Harry Carr's book The Freemason at Work p. 392-393. The code for extending them is in Section 15 of the Book of Constitution. The method for extending them is on p. 83 of Meeting the Challenge. All members who are present in the lodge give the Grand Honours, while those who are receiving them, and those who are accompanying the recipients, stand at the S. of F.

(The Freemason at Work-1978-Grand Honours owe their origin to the first Book of Constitutions of 1723, Regulation XXIII, in which the new Grand Master was to be saluted 'in due form' after he had been proclaimed.

The 1738 B. of C., which then contained details of the Annual Installations of Grand Masters from 1717 onwards, refers to:

Anthony Sayer, G.M., 1717. When the Assembly '... pay'd him the homage'.

George Payne, G.M., 1718. When the G. Wardens were 'congratulated and homaged'.

George Payne, G.M. again in 1720. When '... it was agreed . . . that the Brother proposed [for election as G.M.] if present, shall be kindly saluted . . .'

There can be no doubt that 'paying the homage' and 'saluting' were the early fore-runners of our present-day Grand Honours, and the records show Salutations only for the M.W.G.M. and the Grand Wardens, who were the only Grand Officers in those early days.

By the time of the Union of the two Grand Lodges the list of Grand Officers had increased enormously, and there was still no rule in the B. of C. (1815) as to the number of Salutes, or who received them. But hitherto we have only discussed Salutes at the Annual Festival for the Installation of the M.W.G.M.

It was not until 4 June 1930 that Salutes for the various Grand Officers (with varying numbers of Salutes according to rank) were agreed by the Grand Lodge, as an amendment to the 1926 B. of C. It was now proper to Salute visiting Grand Officers on private lodge occasions;



that might have been customary before 1930, but the correct numbers of Salutes were not prescribed until 1930.

There is no explanation for the movement of 'hands and arms' apart from what is given in the ritual. The E.A. or F.C. 'Salutes' are the signs of those degrees, simply used as a Salutation. The G. or R Sign in the Third Degree and in Grand Lodge (and sometimes in the inner Working of Craft Lodges) is simply the appropriate sign used as a Salute.

The number of Salutes allocated to the various ranks of Grand and Past Grand Officers is purely arbitrary and without any particular symbolism. It would be easy enough to write pages on the significance of the 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 but the numbers were designed to distinguish different ranks, without any symbolical intention.

Finally, it may be noted that, in English practice, The Worshipful Master only receives these 'multiple Salutes' on the night of his Installation.

It is proper to add that the corresponding 'Honours' in Ireland and Scotland differ vastly in numbers, etc., from English practice.)

(BOC-2005, Sec. 15. The Code for extending the grand honours to officers and members of Grand Lodge is as follows:

- a the Grand Master and Past Grand Masters - nine;
- b all brethren of the rank of Right Worshipful, present and past - seven;
- c all brethren of the rank of Very Worshipful, present and past - five;
- d a brother appointed by the Grand Master to represent him at the constitution of a lodge, and not otherwise entitled to more - five;
- e the Masters and Past Masters - three;
- f a brother who is the recipient of the William Mercer Wilson Medal, only on the occasion of the presentation of the medal to him - three; and (1999)
- g all Grand and Past Grand Lodge officers of Grand Lodges recognized by this Grand Lodge may receive similar honours to those accorded to members of our own Grand Lodge, according to their rank by courtesy only.)



(Meeting The Challenge-1976-The Grand Honours are given as follows. The brethren stand with hands at their sides. The first movement is to strike the thighs with the palms. The second movement is to cross the arms over the breast, the left over the right, the palms sharply striking the shoulders. The third movement is to raise the hands above the head, striking the palms together. These three movements are repeated the appropriate number of times (see below, paragraph 2), Then the same number of smart claps are given with the right palm on the left palm; repeat with left on right; repeat with right on left; then one, right on left; one, left on right; and one, right on left.

2. The code established by Grand Lodge is as follows.

- a G.M. and P.G.M.: nine times.
- b D.G.M., P.D.G.M., D.D.G.M., p.D.D.G.M., Grand Chaplain, present and past, and all other elective Grand Officers, present and past: seven times.
- c Appointive Grand officers other than Grand Chaplain, present and past: five times.
- d W.M. and P.M.: three times.
- e A brother appointed by the G.M. to represent him at the constitution of a lodge, and not otherwise entitled to more: five times.
- f All Grand and Past Grand officers of foreign jurisdictions may receive similar honours to those accorded to members of our own Grand Lodge, according to their degree, by courtesy only.



3. *A convenient way to keep the count, both for the brother leading in the Grand Honours, as well as for each participating brother, is to count silently as each of the three movements of the first part is performed; thus, (1) strike the thighs; (2) cross hands over the breast; (3) strike palms together; (4) strike the thighs; (5) cross hands over breast; and so on,-until the appropriate total has been reached, e.g.,27 for the G.M., 21 for the D.D.G.M.*
4. *The Grand Honours are given at the reception of distinguished Masons; at the installation of the W.M.; at the installation ceremonies in Grand Lodge; at the dedication of a lodge room; and at the consecration of a lodge.*
5. *Grand Honours are also given at the funeral of a Mason. Here however they are given without the usual noise, and are called the Funeral Honours. They are given once, and each movement has a sentence to accompany it, thus: (a) (Hands extended, palms down-ward) “We commit his body to the earth.” (b) (Hands crossed over the breast) “We cherish his memory in our hearts.” (c) (Hands raised over the head, as if in supplication) “And we commend his spirit to God who gave it.”)*

What is the significance of voting “in the usual Masonic manner”?

The manner of signifying assent or dissent, the Masonic sign of voting is of long-standing tradition. (See *The Freemason at Work*, p. 45).

(The Freemason at Work-1978-Q. What is the significance of the right hand stretched out at length, palm downwards, when voting for the confirmation of minutes, as being ‘the manner observed among Masons’?

A. After discussion with several learned Brethren, I am still not sure of the answer. It is probably an act of ratification and, as such, it may bear some relationship to the position of the R.H. during the Ob. In that case I suggest that the outstretched hand alone is not enough, but that the thumb should be forming a square. We are taught that ‘. . . all squares, levels, etc. . . . are true and proper signs . . . etc.’, and the early eighteenth century catechisms indicate that ‘squares’ and similar more-or-less unobtrusive modes of recognition were quite common practice (even to the point of writing the superscription of a letter in the form of a square).

So far as I know, the outstretched hand is customary all over England and in the Commonwealth. But the problem has a different aspect if we distinguish between confirming the minutes and voting in general. A regulation of the Grand Lodge on 6 April 1736 prescribed that the mode of voting should be by ‘holding up one hand’, and those same words appear in Rule 59 of our present-day Book of Constitutions. Clearly the regulation requires that the hand should be held up, not outstretched, and if we assume, as we must, that the Grand Lodge adheres to its own regulations, then ‘holding up one hand’ has been, for more than two centuries, ‘the manner observed among Masons’. Yet, it must be admitted that even in Grand Lodge, when confirming the minutes and for ordinary voting, the vast majority of Brethren use the outstretched hand.)

Why do we not refer to Worshipful Masters as Incumbent Masters?

The presiding officer of a Masonic Lodge is the Worshipful Master. The terms “ruling,” “sitting” or “incumbent” are superfluous and improper. (See *Meeting the Challenge* p.76, No. 2).

(Meeting The Challenge-1976-The presiding officer of a lodge is called the “Worshipful Master.” The titles “Sitting Master” and “Ruling Master” are superfluous and improper.)



Why does the Tyler announce that the D. of C. is introducing, and, on some occasions, that he is presenting, and who is entitled to be received under the wands?

Only those who are authorized to preside are presented, and they are also received under the wands, accorded Grand Honours and given the gavel. The Grand Master (Book of Constitution, Sec. 82), a Past Grand Master of our Grand Lodge (by custom), the Deputy Grand Master (Book of Constitution, Sec. 95) and, the District Deputy Grand Master (Book of Constitution, Sec. 96). (BOC-2005, Sec. 82. *The Grand Master may preside over any lodge and may direct the business thereof during his visit thereto.*

Sec. 95. *The Deputy Grand Master shall have authority, unless the Grand Master be present, to preside at any lodge meeting and to direct the business thereof during his visit thereto.*

Sec. 96. *The District Deputy Grand Master shall have authority, unless the Grand Master or the Deputy Grand Master be present, to preside at any lodge meeting within his District and to direct the business thereof during his visit thereto.)*

If a P.M. or a G.L. Officer is occupying an officer's chair, how is he addressed?

When acting as an officer he is addressed in that capacity, i.e., Bro. Junior Deacon or Bro. Director of Ceremonies, etc., regardless of rank and never as R.W., V.W. or W. Bro. Secretary.

- Grand Lodge of Instruction - Questions and Answers-2004

Now, Here Is A Lodge In . . .



Vegas Lodge #32

Las Vegas, NV

thanks to Les Goldhawk, Burns Lodge, Wyoming, ON

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

There used to be a time when it meant something to be a Mason; it showed a level of class.

- A. C. (Arthur Charles) Green (1888-1974), Dallas Morning News



Monday October 8 2012

Thanksgiving Day



While enjoying this last long weekend of this wonderful year, partaking of love and laughter with food, friends and family, remember the very many in our community, maybe even in our lodge, that have no opportunity for any of these things. They are thankful for the littlest of things. For the rest of us there is so very much to be thankful for. Take a quiet moment and say your thanks to the Great Architect.

Friday October 12 2012

Brougham Union - Oktoberfest Fund Raiser

The Masons and others in the community are taking up the cause of assisting a family in need in the community. Because of their son's health issues, there are a number of things that have to be retrofitted in the home, at a great cost. Estimates are about \$75,000 to make their home accessible for him.

Oktoberfest in Claremont will feature live music and Oktoberfest food, as well as a cash bar. Tickets are available. Come on out and Oom-Pa-Pa. Lederhosen are optional for which we give thanks.



Time: 6:00 pm - to 1:00 am
Location: Claremont Community Centre
Cost: \$25 pp
Contact: Country Depot @ claremontoktoberfest@gmail.com or 905.649.8828

Saturday October 13, October 20 and October 27 2012

Toronto East District - Mechanics of the Work

These classes are open to all Masons, regardless of their office, rank or Home District. It doesn't even matter if you've missed any or all of the previous sessions.

Our district has schools of instruction that are an excellent method of learning the work in a fun, friendly atmosphere and as I have travelled the district over the years I have seen the results of these Saturday mornings come to fruition on the floor of the lodge.

W. Bro, Greig John King, Canada Lodge Summons

The October 13th and 20th sessions will be a special emphasis for the work of the Deacons in the Fellowcraft and Master Mason Degrees. The October 27th session will be a review / wrap up of all the degrees.

We wear no regalia; dress is what's comfortable and appropriate for our gathering and our openings and closings are practice only. Our coffee is \$2.00 to allow us to cover expenses. Questions are entertained throughout the sessions as they arise. Bring your questions and your 2012 black 'Book of the Work' with you.



This day's schedule will see us begin at:-

- 9:00 a.m. - in the Banquet Hall for coffee, a social quarter of an hour and registration.
- 9:20 a.m. - Lodge will open. We will open in all three degrees and discuss the appropriate lessons while in each degree.
- 10:55 a.m. - Labour to Refreshment for a short break for necessities
- 11:05 a.m. - call back on.
- Noon - finish the formal part of the lessons by closing lodge. Return to the Banquet Hall for refreshments.

Our classes are always gatherings of profit and pleasure.

Time: 9:00 am - to Noon
Location: East Toronto Masonic Temple
Cost: \$2 for coffee and sticky buns
Contact: Dennis Rankin @ kdrankin@pathcom.com or 416.691.1704 or
Bob Steenson @ bob.steenson@ontarioair.com or 416.697.0822

Friday October 26 2012

The Cornerstone Club - Expand Your Horizons

The Cornerstone Club brings together a diverse set of both Masonic and non-Masonic speakers presenting interesting topics that range from the classic Liberal Arts and Sciences to modern academics, history, esoteric studies, and world affairs followed by a Question and Answer period. This is the way in which Freemasonry originated - minus the ritual.



This day's talk could be described as "A layman's wide-eyed walk through the seven liberal arts and sciences."

Seating is limited so please **RSVP** and purchase your ticket in advance on-line for the luncheon event through the Cornerstone Club website.

Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Malcolm Sinclair
Topic: The Confession of a Longhanded Geometer
Location: University of Toronto Faculty Club - Primrose Room
41 Willcocks Street, Toronto, ON, M5S 1C7 416.978.6325
Cost: \$30 (please purchase tickets at the Cornerstone Club website)
Contact: www.cornerstoneclub.org

The Wages of a Master

There is a saying that you have heard in Masonry many times: "You get out of Masonry only what you put in it." There may be a great deal of truth in such a statement, but it is a rather conservative estimate.

You get far more out of Masonry than you ever can put into it. There is no work or study that pays greater spiritual dividends than the work of Masonry. There is no time better spent and that yields more happiness and satisfaction than time spent in the work of Masonry.



If one is looking for a purely material or financial reward, then his time in Masonry is only a waste of effort. From the time you evidenced a desire to become a Mason, it was made plain to you that Masonry offered an opportunity for spiritual and mental growth, and did not offer or promise the least financial reward. The Wages of a Master are in keeping with the thing sought through Mastership.

Then, is this work of Masonry confined to the lodge room? No. It is important that every Mason attend as many meetings of his lodge as he possibly can, and it is important that the Mason participate in as many activities of the lodge as he possibly can, according to his talents, large or small. Yet, the work of Masonry is as extensive as life *itself*. The work of Masonry calls for an examination of self to determine how our own lives Reflect the teachings of Masonry. If we are honest in this, then other fields of work in the interest of humanity will be opened, and we will enter into them with joy and enthusiasm because we are Master Masons and cannot do otherwise.

Try it! You'll find a harvest of happiness.
Dewey H. Wollstein, More Light, 6010

Monday October 29 2012

Multi District - Perspective DDGM Orientation Session

The Districts invited for this session are: Ontario, Peterborough, Prince Edward, Toronto East and Victoria. Those interested in attending should let their District Secretary know by October 22nd of their intention to attend to help place the food order.

Time: 6:00 pm - Light Refreshments
6:30 pm - Session Begins
Location: Oshawa Masonic Temple
91 Centre St. S., Oshawa
Contact: Wayne J. D. Nicholson @ toronto.east.secretary@gmail.com or 289.387.1145

Wednesday October 31 2012

Halloween

Halloween or Hallowe'en (a contraction of its original title "All Hallows' Eve"), also known as All Hallows' Eve, is a yearly holiday observed around the world on October 31, the eve before the Western Christian feast of All Hallows. According to some scholars, All Hallows' Eve initially incorporated traditions from pagan harvest festivals and festivals honouring the dead, particularly the Celtic Samhain; other scholars maintain that the feast originated entirely independently of Samhain.



Typical festive Halloween activities include trick-or-treating (also known as "guising"), attending costume parties, carving jack-o'-lanterns, lighting bonfires, apple bobbing, visiting haunted attractions,



playing pranks, telling scary stories, and watching horror films, as well as the religious observances of praying, fasting and attending vigils or church services.

- Wikipedia

He who distributes the milk of human kindness cannot help but spill a little on himself.
- James Matthew Barrie, 1st Baronette (1860-1937)

Movember



Hey! Junior! What happened? The cat die?

During November each year, Movember is responsible for the sprouting of moustaches on thousands of men's faces, in Canada and around the world. With their 'Mo's,' these men raise vital funds and awareness for men's health, specifically Prostate Cancer.



On Movember 1st, guys register at Movember.com with a clean-shaven face. For the rest of the month, these selfless and generous men, known as Mo Bros, groom, trim and wax their way into the annals of fine moustachery. Supported by the women in their lives, Movember Mo Bros raise funds by seeking out sponsorship for their Mo-growing efforts.



Mo Bros effectively become walking, talking billboards for the 30 days of November. Through their actions and words, they raise awareness by prompting private and public conversation around the often ignored issue of men's health.

At the end of the month, Mo Bros and their female supporters celebrate their gallantry and valour by either throwing their own Movember party or attending one of the infamous Gala Partés held around the world by Movember, for Movember.

<http://ca.movember.com/?home>

Saturday November 3 2012

Toronto East District - Officer Progression Mentor Workshops - Session 1A



This program introduces the attendees to many of the important issues regarding a Mason's journey through the chairs to that of the Worshipful Master. Last year's two-session program was extremely well-received but many suggested that it be expanded to enhance the learning value.

The topics and materials for the 2012-2013 program will again be a combination of those prepared by Grand Lodge's Lodge Resources

Committee Officer Progression Team as well as those developed within T.E.D. specifically for this program.

The District's Officer Progression Mentor Program will be offered once in the fall of 2012 and once again in the winter/spring of 2013. Each offering will consist of three Saturday mornings. Registrants will be expected to attend all three sessions and actively participate throughout.



As in the past, the maximum number of participants for each three-session program is 24. This has been a concern expressed by some, but to date the maximum has never been reached . . . not even close, so there is lots of room for you. To ensure sufficient participation, the minimum “course load” will be 8.

Objectives

- To help Officers in Toronto East District plan their progression through the chairs
- To provide a discussion forum for considering best practices for Lodge Officers
- To assist attendees in developing action plans to be better prepared as WM in their Lodge
- To provide an overview of the roles and responsibilities of Lodge Officers

Program Topics Will Include

- Responsibilities and Duties of Lodge Officers
- Preparing for Your Journey
- Best Practices - Food for Thought
- The Master’s Chair and Your Journey Towards the East
- SWOT and Implications for Each Officer in the Lodge
- Developing Your Senior Wardens’ Group
- Protocol and Etiquette
- Ritual Q’s & A’s
- Self-Development - Tips ‘ n Techniques

Workshop Dates

- SESSION I: November 3*, 24* and December 15, 2012
 - Register by: *October 26, 2012*
 - OR
 - SESSION II: March 16, April 6 and 27, 2013
 - Register by: *March 8, 2013*
- (All sessions from 9:00 am-12:00 pm)

*All sessions will be held at the East Toronto Masonic Temple,
(13 Chisholm Ave., Toronto)
EXCEPT November 3 & 24 which will be held at
Doric Pickering Masonic Hall (457 Kingston Rd., Ajax)*

Registration

Complete the registration form found in the district website www.torontoeastdistrict.com and submit it with the materials fee to Bruce Palanik *no later than* the registration dates noted. Late registrations will not be accepted.

Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Location: Doric Pickering Masonic Hall
Cost: \$35
Contact: Bruce Palanik @ brucepalanik@rogers.com or 905.839.7342



Saturday November 3 2012

West Hill - Ladies Night

Ladies Night "A Sweetheart's Serenade - A Night to Honour Our Ladies"

A fantastic night! Honour your special lady. Bring your family and friends. It will be a really great night for one and all. Tickets will be available from any of the senior officers. Please book the date, phone for your tickets, and be sure to join us for a gourmet meal, great Jimmy Mac music, and loads of fun. And you can stay out later this evening because this is the night we set our clocks back an hour.



Time: 6:00 pm - Social
7:00 pm - Dinner
Location: Scarborough Golf and Country Club
321 Scarborough Golf Club Rd.
Cost: \$50 per person
Contact: Gerry Ouellette at gerry.ouellette@sympatico.ca or 416-412-1572 or
Chris Cooksey @ 416-696-0352

Sunday November 4 2012

Remembrance Day Ceremonies - Claremont



Attendance will be noted to go towards the year end District award. Regalia and Service Medals to be worn - Masters will wear collars.

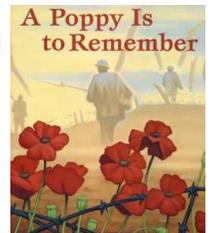
Time: 1:30 pm - Assembly
2:00 pm - Service
Location: Claremont Legion Hall
Contact: Lou Lombardi @ loulombardi@xplornet.ca or 905.649.3003

Saturday November 10 2012

Remembrance Day Ceremonies - Markham

Attendance will be noted to go towards the year end District award. Regalia and Service Medals to be worn - Masters will wear collars.

Time: 9:30 am - Assembly
10:00 am - Service
11:00 am - Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Cenotaph
Location: Veterans' Hall
Contact: Bruce Grimbleby @ bgrimbleby@gmail.com or 905.472.8124



Saturday November 10 2012

Birch Cliff - Ladies Night



All are welcome. Bring your family and friends. Tickets will be available from any of the senior officers.

Time: 6:30 pm - Social

7:00 pm - Dinner

Location: School of Fine Dining
4121 14th Ave., Markham

Cost: tba

Contact: Mino Daruwalla @ minoodaruwalla@hotmail.com or 905.576.4783 or
Errol Chin @ erroll@bell.net / 416-778-0369

Sunday November 11 2012

Remembrance Day

Take a moment to remember and give thanks to those who gave all they had to give.



Saturday November 24 2012

Doric - Ladies Night



Enjoy a great evening in a great Christmas decorated setting. A fine roast beef dinner followed by dancing into the wee hours. All are welcome. Bring your family and friends.

Time: 6:00 pm - Social

7:15 pm - Dinner

Location: 4 Seasons Golf and Country Club
1900 Concession 8, Claremont

Cost: \$55 pp

Contact: Terrence Doyle @ tmdoyle@rogers.com or 416.528.3823

Friday November 30 2012

TED - Quarry Talks for the Entered Apprentice

Come and discuss, ask questions and learn about the Entered Apprentice Degree. Open to all Masons in the district. An informal social time will follow.



Time: 7:30 pm
Location: Doric Pickering Masonic Hall
Contact: Scott McDonald @ smcdonald60@rogers.com or 905.428.7756



... by the Lighthouse Beam

Right Angles, Horizontals and Perpendiculars

It appears to me that there has been some confusion among Masons about the Lights in a Lodge, as relates to the Three Lesser Lights, The Three Great Lights, and The Three Lights, (of the lodge,) and also about the one light above the altar that is turned on when the Three Great Lights are displayed upon the Altar.

I will attempt to shed some light on the questions about these lights as relates to a Lodge Room as well as to some of the other “Threes” we find in Freemasonry. In Freemasonry, we are encouraged to tell our Brothers what we want, and that is Knowledge, in Freemasonry Light means Knowledge. So when we talk about the three Triads of lights that are in a Lodge the symbolism behind the lights is knowledge.

The Three Lesser Lights and the Three Lights have often been confused, thinking that the Third Section of the Lecture of the First Degree stating that a Lodge has Three Lights which are situated in the East West and South refer to the Three Lesser Lights, which they do not.

In the Webb-Preston work, which much of the ritual of the Grand Lodges of the United States is based it says; the Lights of the Lodge are three, situated in the East, West, and South. There is none in the North because King Solomon’s Temple was situated so far north of the ecliptic that neither the Sun nor Moon at Meridian height could dart their rays into the north part of the building. The North, therefore, among Masons has always been termed a place of Darkness.

In the Ritual of the Masonic Degrees, there are many references to the sets of three: The Lights of the Lodge are Three, which are fixed in the East, West, and South. The Three Lesser Lights, which represent the Sun, Moon, and Master of the Lodge. The Three Great Lights, which are the Holy Bible, Square and Compass. The Immovable Jewels of the Lodge are three namely, the Square, Level, and Plumb, (or Plumb Rule.) The Orders of Architecture most revered are three, which are the Doric, Ionic, and Corinthian. The Movable Jewels are Three, the Rough Ashlar, the Perfect Ashlar, and the Trestle Board. There are also other sets of Three such as Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty in our ritual, but for now, I will not list them all, and just comment on those I have mentioned.

The Lights of the Lodge refer to the Master, Senior Warden, and the Junior Warden, who are situated in the East, West, and South. In some old rituals, and in some Masonic Lodges, there were actually what were called Fixed Lights, which were windows in the East, West, and South, and were “to light the way of the workmen to and from their labours.” Since in a Masonic Lodge there is a lot of symbolism, I will suggest that the Master and Wardens of the Lodge are symbolic of the Lights of the Lodge to shed light [knowledge] on the Craft in their labours.

A Masonic lodge cannot open without the Three Immovable Jewels - the Square, which is represented by the Master - the Level, which is represented by the Senior Warden - the Plumb, which is represented by the Junior Warden. So for a Lodge to be open we need the Master, and



Wardens in their Stations, and by them, we have represented the Immovable Jewels, and the Three Lights of the Lodge. In addition, the ancient and original orders of Architecture most revered by Masons are only three the Ionic in the East - signifying Wisdom, the Doric in the West - signifying Strength, and the Corinthian in the South - signifying Beauty.

It is said in one of the Lectures that the Three principal Officers represent "Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty," which as I mentioned above are represented by the Orders of Architecture most revered by Masons, the Ionic, Doric, and Corinthian, they are the three symbolic supports of the Lodge, and while they are represented by the Master, and Wardens, they also represent the Master, and Wardens. So the Ionic, Doric, and Corinthian, represent Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty. The Master represents the pillar of wisdom, which is symbolized by the Ionic, the Senior Warden represents the pillar of Strength, which is symbolized by the Doric, and Junior Warden represents the pillar of Beauty, which is symbolized by the Corinthian.

There is another allusion to Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty in our ritual, which we will notice from the Second Degree too, when it is explained that the letter G also alludes to the Sacred Name of Deity, which in English speaking societies we refer to as God.

The letters G. O. D. also are symbolic of Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty. As it is mentioned in the book "Masonry Defined", they are the initials of Gomer, Oz, and Dabar, three Hebrew words, which mean Beauty, Strength, and Wisdom. The book goes on to say that "it is a coincidence worthy of a Mason's thought to consider that the English name for Deity should be the initials of these Hebrew words Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty." D. Dabar means Wisdom, O. Oz means Strength, and G. Gomer means Beauty.

The Three Lesser Lights represent only the Sun, Moon, and Master of the Lodge, they are placed in a triangular position in the Lodge, and their position is not further described in the work, except to say that they are the lights by which the Three Great Lights are visible, which would imply that they are near the Altar. They can be placed around the altar in whatever arrangement is convenient for the Lodge. They do not represent the Officers of the Lodge, there is some symbolism to them, which is explained in the First Degree, in that they represent the Sun, Moon, and Master, and the reason for the symbolism is then explained. Again in the Webb-Preston work, and as it is explained in Coils Masonic Encyclopaedia, it is said: "that the Three Great Lights of Masonry, which are to be seen only by the aid of the Three Lesser Lights."

So as far as lights are concerned we have three sets of triads of Lights in the Lodge, and each is distinct from the other, not having the same meaning or symbolism at all - except that light symbolized knowledge.

I would just like to make an additional observation about one of the Immovable Jewels, the Jewel of the Junior Warden, which we are told is the Plumb, but as seen in the Jewel itself it is a Plumb Rule. The Plumb Rule is a board, that has a plumb line attached near one end, so that when held vertically, the line will lie along the midline of the board or rule, thus affording a straight edge which is perpendicular or vertical, making the use of a plumb line on a building, or pole, more accurate and, permitting the drawing of a vertical line.

In the First Degree in one section of the lecture a Mason is asked; "What are signs?" He answers "Right Angles, Horizontals, and Perpendiculars." The answer alludes to the three immovable jewels.



The Square, which is the Jewel of the Master, represents “Right Angles.” The Level, which is the Jewel of the Senior Warden, represents “Horizontals.” The Plumb, which is the Jewel of the junior Warden, represents “Perpendiculars.”

Finally, as you may have already seen the pattern, and remember from the ritual, the Three Movable Jewels - The Rough Ashlar, the Perfect Ashlar, and the Trestle Board, are also represented by the Junior Warden for the Rough Ashlar being that he also represents Youth as Entered Apprentices, The Perfect Ashlar is represented by the Senior Warden being that he also represents Manhood as Fellow Crafts, and the Trestle Board represents the Master as he also represents Age as Master Masons, that we may enjoy the happy reflections of a well spent life and die in the hope of a glorious immortality.

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