

# Hiram's Lighthouse

PROVIDING MASONIC LIGHT FROM TORONTO EAST DISTRICT SINCE 2003

Grand Lodge Merit Award Winner for District Newsletter - 2008

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*When in the Lodge, beware of contentious brethren. Truth is as little an object with them as brotherly love. They will wrangle against truth as freely as against error, whether defeated or victorious, they will still argue and quarrel, question and dispute, until they have banished every right-minded Brother from the Lodge.*

*- Bro. George Oliver (1782-1867), The Book of the Lodge-1864*

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

Greetings Brethren of Toronto East District,



Once again, Thank You. Words cannot express my gratitude to each and every one of you for the confidence you have placed in me. You have my word that I will work hard to represent our Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell with class and dignity.

Congratulations to the following brethren of Toronto East District on their election or appointment to Grand Lodge at this past July's communication.

M. W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell	Elected Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Walter Drane	Elected Grand Junior Warden
R. W. Bro. Leyland Muss	Appointed to the Board
V. W. Bro. Todd Owens	Appointed Assistant Grand
Director of Ceremonies	

V. W. Bro. Joe Rabot	Appointed Assistant Grand Secretary
V. W. Bro. Ernest Fowles	Appointed Assistant Grand Chaplain
V. W. Bro. Edward Arlitt	Appointed Grand Sword Bearer
V. W. Bro. Wayne Nicholson	Appointed Grand Pursuivant
V. W. Bro. Jack Law	Appointed Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Clint Sturgeon	Appointed Grand Standard Bearer



An impressive list, I'm sure you agree. Watch for receptions to celebrate these Brethren's accomplishments.

On behalf of The Brethren of Toronto East District I want to thank and congratulate R. W. Bro. Bruce Palanik on a successful, enjoyable year last year. On a personal note, thank you R. W. Sir for your assistance and support from my investiture through to today. I hope we are able to continue to work together for the benefit of Freemasonry in Toronto East District for many years to come.

To V. W. Bro. Wayne Nicholson, thank you for your service. The way you completed your duties with dignity and class is an example for all to copy. You made sure it was never about 'you'. We are ever so grateful, and look forward to celebrating with you on September 5.

The time of refreshment of the summer is almost over. Many of you have all ready been summoned back to the labours of the Lodge. The summer seems to get shorter and shorter. I look forward to meeting you all again.

As I mentioned in my introductory letter to you, my focus this year will be on The Lodge. Committee chairman are being tasked with taking programs to The Lodge level. My hope is that all Lodges will take advantage of the expertise and help the various chairman will be offering you.

Many of you have heard me mention that Masonry is first and foremost a Fraternity. A Brotherhood. A great example of this was witnessed yesterday as many members of The District and their families enjoyed the wonderful weather and surroundings of WindReach farms for the annual Corn Roast. A huge thank you goes out to Bro. Maher Eid and his SW team for an excellent day.

The District team are going to work hard to help rebuild the philosophy of Brotherhood. Back to grass roots if you will. To that end, I have asked Bro. David Mason to begin a Facebook page for The District. The purpose is to share all those outside events with The Brethren of The District. Those of you on Facebook, please 'like' our page. If you have pictures from Lodge social events, send them to Bro. Mason at [david.mason.toronto@gmail.com](mailto:david.mason.toronto@gmail.com) and he will post them.

My goal in all messages this year will be to not rehash dates that are already in the newsletters. However, there are a couple of exceptions right now. Last October, Alpha-Tuscan Lodge received approval of a bylaw change to move their installation from October to September. Their installation date for this year is now Thursday, September 5.

The annual fall District business meeting will take place this year on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at Doric Pickering Masonic Hall, starting at 9:30. We should be out by 11:30 at the latest. I'm hoping to get through the business efficiently so we can spend some time socializing and getting up to speed with each other.

Brethren, once again, on behalf of W. Bro. Malcolm Parish and myself, thank you, for the honour of your confidence.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

R.W. Bro. David J. Neave  
District Deputy Grand Master  
Toronto East District



**EVENTS CALENDAR:**

September 2013						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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<u>2</u> <b>Labour Day</b> - Last summer long weekend - pack up the cottage ☹- kids are back in school tomorrow ☺	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> <b>Rosh Hashanah</b> Happy New Year!	<u>5</u> * Alpha-Tuscan - <b>Installation</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto	<u>6</u> * Doric - <b>Reception for V.W. Bro. Wayne J.D. Nicholson, - Grand Pursuivant</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>9</u> Scarboro - <b>Grand Master's Visit to his Mother lodge</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u> * Coronati - <b>Installation</b> Banq - 6:00 pm Visitors - 7:30 pm see below Doric Pickering	<u>13</u> <b>Yom Kippur</b> - starts at dusk	<u>14</u> * TED - <b>Mechanics of the Work - Week 1/6</b> see below East Toronto	<u>15</u> * Rainbow Girls - <b>Corn Roast</b> see below Doric Pickering
<u>16</u> * Acacia - <b>Installation</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto	<u>17</u> * Riverdale-John Ross Robertson - <b>Installation</b> G.M. attending Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto	<u>18</u> * Friendship - <b>Reception for V.W. Bro. Clint Sturgeon - Grand Standard Bearer</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering	<u>19</u> * Brougham Union - <b>Reception for R.W. Bro David J. Neave, - DDGM, Toronto East District</b> Visitors - 8:00 pm Claremont	<u>20</u> <b>International Gathering of Lodges Named St. Albans</b> see below	<u>21</u> * TED - <b>Fall Business Meeting</b> 9:00 am Doric Pickering * Wexford- <b>Boat Cruise and Banquet</b> see below Lake Scugog	<u>22</u> <b>First Day of Fall</b>  <b>International Gathering of Lodges Named St. Albans</b> see below
<u>23</u>	<u>24</u> * Universe - <b>Reception for V.W. Bro. John A. Law - Grand Steward</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm Ladies welcome East Toronto	<u>25</u> * All Toronto and York Districts - <b>Lodge of Instruction</b> see below Renforth	<u>26</u> <b>International Gathering of Lodges Named St. Albans</b> see below	<u>27</u> * Toronto East, Ontario, Peterborough and Prince Edward Districts - <b>Lodge of Instruction</b> see below Oshawa	<u>28</u> * TED - <b>Mechanics of the Work - Week 2/6</b> see below East Toronto	<u>29</u> * Scarboro - <b>An Evening With the Grand Master</b> see below Woodbine Banquet Hall
<u>30</u>						



**October 2013**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
	<u>1</u> * Canada - <b>Installation</b> Banq - 6:30 pm ← Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering	<u>2</u> * Brougham Union - <b>Installation</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm Claremont	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> * TED - <b>Mechanics of the Work - Week 3/6</b> Deacon Day see below East Toronto	<u>6</u>
<u>7</u> * Mimosa - <b>Installation</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto	<u>8</u> * Universe - <b>Installation</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm East Toronto	<u>9</u> * Friendship - <b>Official Visit</b> Banq - 6:30 pm ← Cost - \$10 Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>
<u>14</u> <b>Thanksgiving Day</b> - say Thanks - last long weekend before Christmas 	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u> <b>Ashmole Anniversary</b>	<u>17</u> * Doric - <b>Official Visit</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm Doric Pickering	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u> * TED - <b>Mechanics of the Work - Week 4/6</b> see below East Toronto	<u>20</u>
<u>21</u> * Caledonia - <b>Installation</b> Visitors - 7:30 pm York	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u> * TED - <b>Mechanics of the Work - Week 5/6</b> Deacon Day see below East Toronto	<u>27</u>
<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u> <b>Halloween</b> Take off that stupid mask and stop scaring the children! Oh, that's not a mask?			



## AROUND AND ABOUT:

### Toronto East District Charity

The Mikey Network. The Mikey Network is an agency that works to outfit public places with Automated External Defibrillator's (AED). As many of you know, the District Deputy Grand Master works closely with AED's both in an operational way and in an instructional way. The approach to the project will be two fold. There will obviously some fundraising aspects, but the District Deputy Grand Master will also include a fair amount of education on AED's / CPR and cardiovascular disease emergencies. The District Deputy Grand Master believes that the education we get in Lodge should not just be of a Masonic nature, but anything that "makes good men better." Watch for several initiatives over the coming weeks and months.



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*Integrity is the essence of everything successful.*

*- R. Buckminster Fuller (1895-1983)*

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### 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](http://www.beadonor.ca)

We've have Masons in the Toronto Area on the list awaiting transplant donations. We've had Masons in the Toronto Area die before a transplant donation became available. Imagine the heartbreak of dying or losing a loved one when an alternative is readily available - ***but no one got around to it.***

In Ontario, only 22% of residents are registered as donors at the end of 2012. During that year, 95 people, our family, friends and neighbours, died waiting for organs. In Durham Region the level of registration is ranked in the lower 2/3s of the communities listed at [www.beadonor.ca](http://www.beadonor.ca).

As an organization that is demographically the most likely to be at both ends of this issue, both needing and providing organs for lifesaving transplant, you'd think we would get behind this issue more.

What does it take?

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### FYI

USA General Thomas Benton, also Grand Master of Iowa, ordered Federal troops to protect Albert Pike's home and prevent the library from being burned, when his troops took Little Rock, Arkansas.

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

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## Toronto East Masonic Centre

Many of you will know by now the new TEMC Corporation has purchased suitable land for the development of the new Toronto East Masonic Centre. This is great news that means all going well; we will have a new home available soon!



I am pleased to advise that the Chairman of the Board, W. Bro. Graeme Boyce has asked me to head a subcommittee responsible for the Lodge Room Interior Ornamentation. This committee is formed to account for and allocate the wall space to be used exclusively for Masonic purposed inside our lodge rooms, adjacent rooms, and banquet facilities and other common areas.

A tremendous inventory of special art currently exists throughout our District in various forms; paintings, photographs, scrolls, awards, jewels and historic pieces, including swords and others regalia items. This committee is charged with finding and itemizing these items along with anything that may be held privately by someone wishing to make a contribution.

It is possible that this committee may be morphed upon completion of the new facility and ultimately become the Library and Achieve Committee responsible for the display and rotation of artefacts.

Needless to say, I consider it an honour to Chair this Committee. **I seek your assistance.** I will spread the word throughout Toronto East and beyond. Masons from afar may wish to contribute as well!

If you would like to be on this committee, let me know. Also, if you have anything you may wish to donate, let me know.

**Specifically, to each Secretary,** I request that you read this communications, in lodge, at your earliest convenience, and let me know of any comments or feedback; and through you, I would request a list of materials that may be owned or held by your lodge that you may wish to be displayed in our new facility.

Fraternal Best regards,

V.W. Bro. Douglas A. Gray  
Temple Interior Committee Chair  
Toronto East Masonic Corporation.

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## Canadian Masonic History

In 1605 the French explorer Samuel de Champlain (~1574-1635) established the settlement of Port Royal on the west side of Annapolis Basin. This settlement was the predecessor of the more noted Port Royal and Annapolis Royal, built some miles to the north, the scene of many sieges and history making events, including the organization of the first Masonic lodge on Canadian soil.<sup>1</sup>



On this first site in 1827 was discovered what some Masonic students and historians have regarded as the earliest trace of the existence of Freemasonry on the North American continent, namely certain marks on a stone found on the site of this early settlement. The stone is described as “about two feet and a half long and two feet broad, and of the same kind (of stone) as that which forms the substratum of Granville

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<sup>1</sup> <http://freemasonry.bcy.ca/textfiles/history.html>



Mountain. On the upper part are engraved the square and compass of the Free Mason, and in the centre, in large and deep Arabic figures, the date 1606. It does not appear to have been dressed by a mason, but the inscription has been cut on its natural surface.”<sup>1</sup> Remember, the Premiere Grand Lodge was not formed for another 111 years after 1606.

The first Masonic lodge in Canada was instituted at Annapolis, Nova Scotia in 1738. That would make 2013 the 275<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Freemasonry in Canada.

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=nzs5hoHvHlo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nzs5hoHvHlo)

Thanks go to Robert Jewell of Royal City Daylight Lodge in Guelph.

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### **Sunday August 18 2013**

#### **The Province of Ontario, GLCPO and The Heritage Lodge - Celebrate Our Masonic Heritage**

On this day, the Province of Ontario and the Freemasons of Ontario gathered to celebrate the life of M.W. Bro. William Mercer Wilson (1813-1875), the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada.



Grave Stone

L-R: Bro. Ted Mackay - WMW Award Recipient, Bro. Al Fellows - WMW Award Recipient, M.W. Bro. Allan J. Petrisor



Plaque

L-R: R.W. Bro. Robert Cresswell (Public Awareness Committee Chairman), Bro. Robert Foote (Public Awareness Committee Member) - spearheaded the work for the plaque, M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell, M.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling, M.W. Bro. Allan J. Petrisor

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<sup>1</sup> [http://freemasonry.bcy.ca/history/masonic\\_stone.html](http://freemasonry.bcy.ca/history/masonic_stone.html)



**Saturday August 24 2013**

**Senior Wardens' Annual BBQ and Corn Roast**

Once again, a great day was had by all who attended this family event. All sorts of burgers, hotdogs - and of course - CORN. The kids had fun. The adults had fun. The Ancients, the Toronto East District Senior Wardens Association presented a cheque for \$1,700 to WindReach Farm.



**I Was Wondering**

**When directed by the Worshipful Master to collect the Pass Grip and Pass Word, does the Junior Deacon go directly to the Senior Warden?**

The method of collecting the Pass Grip and Pass Word is detailed in the Book of the Work.

Book of the Work-2009, Pg. 11-(Second Degree Opening)

*The Deacons take possession of their wands. The Junior Deacon advances to the South East corner. The Deacons with the Senior Deacon closest to the Worshipful Master cross in front of Worshipful Master, saluting. The Senior Deacon commences (collecting the Pass Grip and Pass Word) at the South East corner, and the Junior Deacon at the North East corner, meeting in front of the Senior Warden's chair. The Junior Deacon gives Pass Grip and Pass Word to Senior Deacon who gives the same to Senior Warden.*



Book of the Work-2009, Pg. 18-(Third Degree Opening) *The Deacons take possession of their wands. The Junior Deacon advances to the South East corner. The Deacons with the Senior Deacon closest to the Worshipful Master cross in front of Worshipful Master, saluting. The Senior Deacon commences (collecting the Pass Grip and Pass Word) at the South East corner, and the Junior Deacon at the North East corner, meeting in front of the Senior Warden's chair. The Junior Deacon gives Pass Grip and Pass Word to Senior Deacon who gives the same to Senior Warden.*



**When a member is directed by the Worshipful Master to approach the Altar, what steps are used?**  
The Step and Sign of the degree.

**Where do the Entered Apprentice and the Fellowcraft sit when:**

- (a) in their own lodge, and,**
- (b) when visiting another lodge?**

On the night when they receive the degree, they are directed by the Worshipful Master where to sit; in meetings after that, they are free to sit in the North or South in their own lodge, or when visiting another lodge. When they return to receive another degree it is recommended that they sit in the North to facilitate going directly to the East for the examination.

**What can be done:**

- (a) where the candidate needs eyeglasses, or**
- (b) where the candidate has a ring which cannot be removed?**

Where the Candidate requires eyeglasses see the directions contained in the Mechanics of the Work on Pg. 7, No. 8.

In the event that the candidate has a ring which he cannot remove, it can be covered with a band-aid, as can any other metallic object.

*Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 7, No. 8-If the candidate has very poor vision, it is permissible to return his glasses to him after being raised (at the Altar). They should be taken back from him just prior to escorting him to the North East corner and then returned to him.*

**When is it necessary to replace the Inner Guard during the degree?**

See the directions to the Junior Steward in the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 14, No. 3.

*Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 14, No. 3-There is no need for you (Junior Steward) or anyone else to occupy the chair of the Inner Guard at the door when he proceeds to the anteroom door to take charge for the admission of the candidate. It is necessary that the Junior Steward or a brother near by to attend to the anteroom door when the Inner Guard advances with the Sword in the course of the floor work.*

**Do the Wardens take the step when the candidate is at their station?**

The Wardens take the proper step of the degree in which the candidate is proving his proficiency. See the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 8, No. 4.

*Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 8, No. 4-Use the step for examination of the Entered Apprentice in the West.*

**Does the Worshipful Master take the step when he is communicating the steps during the floor work?**

When the steps are being communicated, all brethren who are participating, i.e.; the candidate, the Worshipful Master (or his delegate) and the Deacon, take and maintain the proper steps.

**How should the Inner Guard carry the sword?**

When carried, the sword must always be in an upright position in the right hand with the elbow tucked in to the side and the forearm parallel to the ground.



**How should the Inner Guard present the sword to the Worshipful Master in the floor work?**

The sword is handed over with the hilt resting on the left forearm, so that the recipient can grasp the hilt. See the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 15, No. 7.

Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 15, No. 7-(Inner Guard) *Be alert to advance with the South at the proper time during the floor work. Rest the hilt of the Sword on the left arm in presenting it. Remain to receive the Sword, Hood Wink and Cable Tow.*

**Does the Senior Warden give the charge to the candidate before or after the investiture of the apron?**

The Senior Warden shows the apron to the candidate while he says, “By command of the Worshipful Master I invest you with the distinguishing badge of a . . .” He then, (with the assistance of the Junior Steward or another delegated officer) invests the candidate with the apron, before continuing with the charge. See the Mechanics of the Work, Pg. 8, No. 5 and No. 6. Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 8, No. 5-(Senior Warden) *Remain on the dais when investing the candidate.*

Mechanics of the Work-1985, Pg. 8, No. 6-(Senior Warden) *Pause to permit the Junior Steward - or other officer to tie the apron before giving the apron investiture charge.*

- Grand Lodge of Instruction - Questions and Answers-2004

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**Now, Here Is A Lodge In . . .**



Norwood Temple, Norwood ON

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

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*You cannot contribute anything to the ideal condition of mind and heart known as Brotherhood, however much you preach, posture, or agree, unless you live it.*

*- Faith Baldwin (1893-1978)*

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## Wednesday through Sunday and Holidays until September 29 2013

### **Freemasonry: A History Hidden In Plain Sight**



Come and tour this exciting new travelling exhibit which relates the history of Freemasonry and its influence on our society today. Learn about the history of Freemasonry in Uxbridge Township. The museum has partnered with Masons from Uxbridge's Zeredatha Lodge to bring this exhibit to the museum. Group tours are welcome (please pre-book). Regular tour rates apply.

Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Location: Uxbridge Historical Centre  
7239 Conc. 6 (just north of Brock Street)  
P.O. Box 1301, Uxbridge, ON, L9P 1N5

Cost: \$5 - adult  
\$4 - senior/student  
\$3 - child  
\$14 - family (2 adults, 2 children)

Contact: [museum@town.uxbridge.on.ca](mailto:museum@town.uxbridge.on.ca) or 905.852.5854

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## Wednesday September 4 2013

### **Rosh Hashanah starts at Dusk**

Rosh Hashanah, literally “head of the year,” is a Jewish holiday commonly referred to as the “Jewish New Year.” It is observed on the first day of Tishrei, the seventh month of the Hebrew calendar, as ordained in the Torah, in Leviticus 23:24.

Rosh Hashanah is the first of the High Holidays or Ten Days of Repentance which are days specifically set aside to focus on repentance that conclude with the holiday of Yom Kippur.



Rosh Hashanah is the start of the civil year in the Hebrew calendar (one of four “new year” observances that define various legal “years” for different purposes as explained in the Mishnah and Talmud). It is the new year for people, animals, and legal contracts. The Mishnah also sets this day aside as the new year for calculating calendar years and sabbatical and jubilee years.

Jews believe Rosh Hashanah represents either analogically or literally the creation of the World, or Universe. However, according to one view in the Talmud, that of R. Eleazar, Rosh Hashanah commemorates the creation of man, which entails that five days earlier, the 25 of Elul, was the first day of creation of the Universe.

- Wikipedia.com

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## Did You Know

### **Money!**

Nothing to do with Masonry. It was just amazing to me how recent this was. Consider that this was well after the time of the formation of the Premier Grand Lodge.

For thousands of years, until quite recently actually, although metal coins were in use, the principal form of money was wood, clay, shells and other perishable items. The reason this is not generally known is that coins were usually manufactured from material such as silver and gold that did not deteriorate and



disappear while clay tablets etc, destructed when exposed to any amount of water. You could horde and bury coins and they would survive, as metal detecting searchers in England can attest. Bury some clay tablets or sticks, and they're gone with the next farmer's plough.

For more than six hundred years, from the twelfth to the late eighteenth century, the operation of the public finances of England rested on a simple but ingenious piece of accounting technology: the Exchequer<sup>1</sup> tally. A tally was a wooden stick, usually harvested from the willows that grew along the Thames near the Palace of Westminster. On the stick were inscribed, always with notches in the wood and sometimes also in writing, details of payments made to or from the Exchequer. Some were receipts for tax payments made by landowners to the Crown. Others referred to transactions in the opposite direction, recording the sums due on loans by the sovereign to prominent subjects. "9£ 4s 4p from Fulk Basset for the farm of Wycombe" reads one that has survived, for example, relating a debt owed by Fulk Basset, a thirteenth-century Bishop of London, to Henry III. Even bribes seem to have been recorded on Exchequer tallies: one stick in a private collection bears the suspicious-sounding euphemism "13s 4d from William de Tullewyk for the king's good will".



Exchequer Tally Sticks

Historians agree that the vast majority of fiscal operations in medieval England must have been carried out using tally sticks; and they suppose that a great deal of monetary exchange was transacted using them as well. A credit with the Exchequer, as recorded on a tally stick, would after all have been welcomed in payment by anyone who had taxes of his own coming due. It is, however, impossible to know for certain. For although millions of tallies must have been manufactured over the centuries, and though we know for sure that many thousands survived in the Exchequer archives up until the early nineteenth century, only a handful of specimens exist today. The ultimate culprit for this unfortunate situation is the zeal of England's nineteenth-century advocates of administrative reform.

An Act of Parliament of 1782 officially abolished tally sticks as the main means of account-keeping at the Exchequer, though because certain sinecures<sup>2</sup> still operated on the old system, the Act had to wait almost another half-century, until 1826, to come into effect. But in 1834, the ancient institution of the Receipt of the Exchequer was finally abolished, and the last Exchequer tally replaced by a paper note.

Once the tally-stick system had finally been abolished, the question arose of what to do with the vast archive of tallies left in the Exchequer. The general feeling was that they were nothing but embarrassing relics of the way in which the fiscal accounts of the British Empire had been kept, "much as Robinson Crusoe kept his calendar on the desert island", and it was decided without hesitation to incinerate them. Twenty years later, Charles Dickens recounted the unfortunate consequences:

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<sup>1</sup> The modern equivalent would be the Canada (you owe us money) Revenue Agency

<sup>2</sup> Definition: A position that requires no work but still gives an ample payment; a cushy job



*It came to pass that they were burnt in a stove in the House of Lords. The stove, over gorged with these preposterous sticks, set fire to the panelling; the panelling set fire to the House of Lords; the House of Lords set fire to the House of Commons; the two houses were reduced to ashes; architects were called in to build others; we are now in the second million of the cost thereof.*

- Felix Martin, Money: The Unauthorised Biography-2013

And we've been paying in good hard coinage ever since. (I wonder how this compares to gas plant closings!)

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### **Thursday September 12 2013**

#### **Coronati - Installation**

The members and new officers of Coronati Lodge invite all brethren to celebrate their Installation. There will be a formal banquet before lodge opens for which there will be a nominal charge. After the ceremony there will be light refreshments at no cost. Please **RSVP** for tickets to the banquet.



Time: 6:00 pm - Banquet  
7:30 pm - Visitors  
Location: Doric Pickering  
Cost: tbd - for formal banquet only  
Contact: Gary Rhodes @ [gary@rhodes.ca](mailto:gary@rhodes.ca) or 416.751.7783

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### **Friday September 13 2013** **Yom Kippur starts at Dusk**



Yom Kippur, also known as the Day of Atonement, is the holiest day of the year for religious Jews. Its central themes are atonement and repentance. Jews traditionally observe this holy day with a 25-hour period of fasting and intensive prayer, often spending most of the day in synagogue services. Yom Kippur completes the annual period known in Judaism as the High Holy Days.

According to Jewish tradition, God inscribes each person's fate for the coming year into a "book" on Rosh Hashanah and waits until Yom Kippur to "seal" the verdict. During the Days of Awe, a Jew tries to amend his or her behaviour and seek forgiveness for wrongs done against God and against other human beings. The evening and day of Yom Kippur are set aside for public and private petitions and confessions of guilt.

At the end of Yom Kippur, one considers one's self absolved by God.  
- Wikipedia.com



**Saturday September 14 and 28 2013 and  
Saturday October 5, 19 and 26 2013**

**Mechanics of the Work Classes**

These classes are open to all Masons, from the newest Entered Apprentice to the rustiest young timer. We are informal in the normal lodge meeting sense and welcome anyone who wants to improve their skills or reacquaint themselves in many aspects of our ceremonies and rituals. Attendance for the full three hour class or at every class is not compulsory.

The work is from the **2013 black Book of the Work.**

We cover openings and closings, coming to order, the F.P. of F., the Grand Honours, entering and leaving a lodge while at work as well as when and how to address the Worshipful Master.

The 5<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of October will be the Deacons' Days. These are very popular and informative and aimed primarily at the Deacons but also those who interact with them. Here we will cover the work of the degree, collecting the PG and PW, receiving GL officers under the wands and collection of a ballot.



There will also likely be one session in the evening at the Doric Pickering Masonic Hall. An announcement will be made in plenty of time. There will be another set of classes commencing in January. Dates to be announced.

Hope to see you come visit to partake in and enjoy the sessions that many others have gotten a charge out of over the many years this program has been offered. Our D.D.G.M. has promised to pop in and give us his support and input too.

Time: 8:30 pm - Coffee (*coffee!*) and sticky buns  
9:00 pm - noon - Classes  
Location: East Toronto  
Contact: Gerry Campbell @ [kdrankin@pathcom.com](mailto:kdrankin@pathcom.com) or 416.691.1704

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**Sunday September 15 2013**

**Toronto Assembly #2 Rainbow Girls - Corn Roast**

The corn is super sweet this year. Come out and get butter all down your front, kernels stuck between your teeth and support a great Masonic youth group. Admission includes hotdogs, hamburgers, corn, potato chips and soft drink. Please **RSVP** if attending.



For those of you who might have young ladies considering joining this dynamic Assembly, it might help to know that they are planning a Cruise of the Trent-Severn Waterway and Lift Locks on September 29<sup>th</sup>. I'd like to do that!

Time: 2:30 pm - (*no ritualistic meeting*)  
Cost: \$5 ea - pay at the door  
Location: Doric Pickering  
Contact: Dale Davies @ [dale\\_davies63@yahoo.ca](mailto:dale_davies63@yahoo.ca) or 416.438.0011



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**Tuesday September 17 2013**

**Riverdale-John Ross Robertson - Installation**



The members and new officers of Riverdale-John Ross Robertson Lodge invite all brethren to celebrate their Installation. Our new Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell will be attending. There will be a formal banquet after lodge closes for which there will be a no charge.

Time: 7:30 pm - Visitors  
Location: East Toronto  
Contact: Gerry Campbell @ [gerry\\_campbell@msn.com](mailto:gerry_campbell@msn.com) or

416.606.1373

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**Friday September 20 through Sunday September 22 2013**

**International Gathering of Masonic Lodges Named for St. Alban**

A Masonic event of some international significance will occur in Toronto when Quinte St. Alban's Lodge No. 620 in the Toronto Don Valley District hosts the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual International Gathering of Masonic Lodges Named for St. Alban. This event has occurred continuously since the first Gathering was held in 1954. Masons and their ladies are expected from Canada, the U.S.A., the U.K., New Zealand and Germany. Brethren and their ladies who are not associated with a St. Alban's Lodge are always welcome to attend.



The main venue is the Holiday Inn (Yorkdale). Fully registered participants will enjoy a Friday evening social get-together, a luncheon and Lodge meeting for Brethren on the Saturday afternoon, a ladies' program during the day on Saturday, and a banquet for everyone on Saturday evening. Registration for the full program is \$175.00 per person; registration forms can be downloaded from

[www.quintestalbans.com/60th-gathering-registrationform.pdf](http://www.quintestalbans.com/60th-gathering-registrationform.pdf)

Individual tickets are available for some of the events:

- The luncheon preceding the Lodge meeting at the York Masonic Temple - \$25.00
- the ladies' program, consisting of transportation for a visit to the Bata Shoe Museum (Bloor and St. George), lunch, and a visit to Casa Loma - \$55.00
- The banquet on Saturday evening at the hotel - \$75.00 per person (specify beef, chicken, or salmon)

Tickets for individual events may be ordered by sending a cheque payable to "The St. Alban's Gathering" with a list of the tickets desired to

The St. Alban's Gathering  
51 Lyall Ave.  
Toronto, ON  
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Further information may be obtained from the Joint Registrars, R.W. Bro. Ian D. Nichols, and his wife Jean at 416.691.3075, or by e-mail to [2013gathering.to@gmail.com](mailto:2013gathering.to@gmail.com).



## Masonic Reading

We are in need now of more Masonic reading in the Craft.

It seems to be thought by some brethren that if they have the work and lectures committed to memory, from the Entered Apprentice Degree to the end without omission or failure that they have all of Masonry.

But they err; never were men more mistaken. There is a study for lifetime and food for the mind as long as the mind is capable of reflection.

Masons must have a greater appreciation of the Order, and the members of our Fraternity generally must come to the conclusion that it is not sufficient to know by heart a ritual, if they would ever be benefited by Masonry, or be a benefit to it. And we are sure of one thing more - unless the members generally come up to this position, the Order will become profaned by those Craftsmen.

It is impossible for so large an association to sustain itself before the world with responsibility and usefulness, or maintain its power of adhesion, with so large a portion of its constituents ignorant of its essential principles and character. The lifeless weight is too enormous; there is not sufficient vitality to resist it.

Let everyone, then, who wishes the prosperity of Masonry, encourage the education of the Craft; promote a spirit of inquiry; spread Masonic information, culture and philosophy; and make it their special business to elevate the Order by every practical means; in so doing, they will succeed in accomplishing a great thing; they will be able to uplift the prestige of our Order to the highest grades of perfection and completeness.

It must be eminently worthy to the attention of every Mason to read Masonic articles, where they are sound, practical Masonic truths; and it will do good, for the best informed Masonic student is the reading Mason.

It must come as an improvement in the duties and practices of our Craft, if we want in reality to bear our great emanational-sublime name, Mason.

Author: H. Geffen  
Publisher: Masonic Light  
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### **Saturday September 21 2013**

#### **Wexford - Boat Cruise and Banquet**

Wexford Lodge is holding their bi-annual fraternal visit with their American Brethren of Kedron Lodge No. 389, Pennsylvania. Wexford welcomes all members of the fraternity and their families to enjoy the day with them. Tickets are required.

We will depart from the historic and pretty town of Port Perry for a boat cruise of beautiful Lake Scugog.

Time: 10:30 am - Boarding  
11:00 am - Sail



Location: 1:00 pm - Return  
 Scugog Island Cruises  
 119 Queen St., Scugog, ON - 905.982.1106  
 Cost: \$25 ea - light lunch included

That evening Wexford will be holding a banquet with their Kedron friends to which all are invited.

Time: 6:00 pm - Social  
 7:30 pm - Dinner  
 Location: Radisson Hotel Toronto East  
 55 Hallcrown Pl., Toronto, ON M2J 4R1 - 416.493.7000  
 Cost: \$40 ea

Contact: Ken Penchoff @ [kenpenchoff@yahoo.ca](mailto:kenpenchoff@yahoo.ca) or 905.668.1402  
 Maher Eid @ [cici20101998@yahoo.com](mailto:cici20101998@yahoo.com) or 416.723.5507  
 Ronald J. Narinesingh @ [rnarinesingh@rogers.com](mailto:rnarinesingh@rogers.com) or 647.291.6466

### **Sunday September 22 2013**

#### **First Day of Autumn**



I don't know about you but I thought it just became summer!  
 What a great summer it has been! Time goes too, too fast!

This day is also termed the September Equinox. This is when the sun reaches the Equator and starts moving south. The furthest north the sun gets is the Tropic of Cancer which is 23.5 degrees north (summer). The furthest south the sun gets is the Tropic of Capricorn which is 23.5 degrees south (winter).

Between the two tropics there really are no seasons. It is warm and humid all the time. And we live here - why? Oh! To rake the leaves and shovel the snow, right?

### **Wednesday September 25 2013**

#### **All Toronto Districts and York District - Lodge of Instruction**

Lodges of Instruction provide a valuable opportunity for every Mason to learn anew or refresh himself in those aspects of our ceremonies not directly related to the memorization and delivery of the lectures.

<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Session</u></b>	<b><u>Length</u></b>
6:30 -6:55	REGISTRATION	25 min
7:00 -7:10	Welcome Introduction of G.L. Officers &Team	10 min
7:10 - 7:35	Protocol and Etiquette	25 min
7:35 - 8:00	Entered Apprentice Degree	25 min
8:00 - 8:25	Fellow Craft Degree	25 min
8:25 - 8:40	BREAK	15 min
8:40 -9:00	Installation Ceremony ( <i>Installed Masters only</i> )	20min
8:40 - 9:00	Break Out Sessions	20 min



	<i>(for Master Masons)</i>	
9:05 - 9:30	Master Mason Degree	25 min
9:30 - 9:55	Question Period	25 min
9:55 - 10:00	Appreciation	5 min
10:00 p.m	ADJOURNMENT	

Time: 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm  
 Location: Renforth Temple  
 596 Renforth Dr, Toronto, ON

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**Friday September 27 2013**

**Toronto East, Ontario, Peterborough, Prince Edward Districts - Lodge of Instruction**

Lodges of Instruction provide a valuable opportunity for every Mason to learn anew or refresh himself in those aspects of our ceremonies not directly related to the memorization and delivery of the lectures.

See above for timetable.

Time: 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm  
 Location: Oshawa Temple  
 91 Centre St. S., Oshawa, ON

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**Saturday September 28 2013**

**Scarboro - An Evening with M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell**

The Worshipful Master and Brethren of Scarboro Lodge No. 653 are most proud to cordially invite you to join our Grand Master. No reservations. Tickets must be purchased in advance of the event.

Purchase tickets online at:

<http://doncampbelldinner.eventbrite.ca>

(service charge applies to online sales)

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

[scarboro653@hotmail.com](mailto:scarboro653@hotmail.com)

(no service charge for sales conducted through the mail)

Time: 6:30 pm  
 Location: Woodbine Banquet Hall  
 30 Vice Regent Blvd., Toronto, ON - 416.743.0003  
 Cost: \$75 - General Admission  
 \$55 - Ladies  
 Contact: Scarboro Lodge @ [scarboro653@hotmail.com](mailto:scarboro653@hotmail.com)

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*Nothing strengthens the judgment and quickens the conscience like individual responsibility. Nothing adds such dignity to character as the recognition of one's self-sovereignty; the right to an equal place, everywhere conceded; a place earned by personal merit, not an artificial attainment, by inheritance, wealth, family, and position.*

*- Elizabeth Cady Stanton (1815-1902)*

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## Movember



### *Hey! Junior! What happened? The cat die?*



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

According to the oncologists, if you live long enough, you will get Prostate Cancer. Prostate Cancer, diagnosed or not diagnosed, is discovered in a majority of autopsies of men past a certain age. It is not if but more likely when.

On November 1<sup>st</sup>, guys register at [Movember.com](http://Movember.com) with a clean-shaven face. For the rest of the month, these selfless, courageous 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>

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## Shibboleth, You Say!

*Through a defect in aspiration peculiar to the tribe*

We are familiar with the Biblical story of the defeated Ephraimites attempting to cross the river Jordan and, because of their difficulty in pronouncing the sibilance of a certain word, they were unsuccessful.

A similar situation occurred more recently after the conflict at the Dardanelles:

“After Lord Allenby's final routing of the Turkish forces, broken parties of fugitives arrived at the fords of Jordan. There were many Arabs and Syrians conscripted in the Turkish Army. The fords were held by our Arab allies, and when Turkish soldiers tried to pass, they one and all said they were Syrians. So the Arab guards said, ‘Say now ‘Bowel’ (onion), and they said, ‘Bossel,’ for no Turk could pronounce it right.”

The same situation holds true with the word ‘Hindu’.

In *Seven Systems of Indian Philosophy*, Pandit Rajmani Tigunait writes along similar lines:

“ . . . [T]he current popular usage of the term Hinduism does not correspond to its original meaning. When Alexander the Great invaded the subcontinent around 325 BCE, he crossed the river Sindhu and renamed it Indus, which was easier for the Greek tongue to pronounce. Alexander's Macedonian forces subsequently called the land to the east of this river India. Later, the Moslem invaders called the Sindhu River the Hindu River because of their language, Parsee, the Sanskrit sound ‘S’ converts to ‘H’. Thus, for the



invaders, Sindhu became Hindu, and the land east of that river became known as Hindustan.”

This then is another example where the crossing of a river and pronunciation of a certain word can identify the country of origin of the speaker.

During the Pacific War, in the Philippines, the Americans sometimes had difficulty in easily distinguishing friendly Filipinos from the similarly short-statured enemy.

Therefore, they chose a password that their Filipino allies could pronounce properly, whereas the Japanese usually had difficulty because it contained several ‘L’s which would be mispronounced as ‘R’. The password was ‘Lollapalooza’.

The word is also an American colloquialism that even a foreign person fairly well-versed in American English would probably mispronounce or be unfamiliar with. In George Stimpson’s *A Book about a Thousand Things*, the author notes that, “in the war, Japanese spies would often approach checkpoints posing as American or Filipino military personnel. A shibboleth such as ‘lollapalooza’ would be used by the sentry, who, if the first two syllables come back as ‘RoRRa . . .’ would open fire without waiting to hear the remainder.”

This word dates from a late 19<sup>th</sup> / early 20<sup>th</sup> century American idiomatic phrase meaning: “an extraordinary or unusual thing, person, or event; an exceptional example or instance.”

In time the term also came to refer to a large lollipop.<sup>1</sup>

More examples of shibboleths are available at < [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_shibboleths](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_shibboleths)>

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### **Saturday November 9 2013**

#### **London Masonic Conference**

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

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

To volunteer to be a lecturer, contact Rick Cadotte @ [rickcadotte@hotmail.com](mailto:rickcadotte@hotmail.com)

There is no ladies program but the opportunity to shop till you drop and a variety of restaurants is near by. For those who wish to stay the night: call 1-800-HILTONS (1.800.445.8667) and provide the date and the code ‘LON’ in order to access the rate of \$109. (300 King St. London, ON)

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

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<sup>1</sup> <http://en.wiktionary.org/wiki/lollapalooza>



Time: 8:30 am - Registration  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm - Lectures  
Location: Dufferin Masonic Hall  
453 Dufferin Ave, London, ON  
Cost: \$25 ea - including lunch  
Contact: to register  
Randy Hearn  
66 Stephen Moore Dr.  
R.R. #5 Komoka ON  
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## **... by the Lighthouse Beam**

### **Masonic Education The Fun and Easy Way**

Being a Lodge Education Officer and making certain there is good Masonic Education presented at each regular meeting of the Lodge doesn't need to be complicated; it's really fairly simple and fun to do. Being a Lodge Education Officer (L.E.O.) is a great reason to indulge into an activity you really enjoy - learning more about Masonry. Being a Lodge Education Officer really is as simple as reporting to others what you've learned and found interesting. If you find some information that's good and pleasant to know about, others will enjoy hearing you report on it.



An effective Lodge Education Officer will become involved in a wide variety of activities that are very enjoyable to be involved in, such as;

- A. helping make the Worshipful Master's job easier,
- B. helping develop future Lodge Officers and Committee Chairs through his Lodge Education Committee,
- C. making certain that there is a part of every regular meeting devoted to Masonic Education.

Item C takes the cooperation of the Master to schedule adequate time in the agenda, so the Lodge Education Officer can provide Masonic information and education. Anyone (the Lodge Education Officer or another Brother) who prepares something for Masonic Education in a Lodge will spend hours (sometimes many hours) in preparation, and it is very discourteous to not allow adequate time for the presentation that has been prepared.

That said, Masonic Education and the delivery of it in Lodge should, and can be fun and easy; the delivery of it should add to the enjoyment of the Lodge experience for everyone. This can happen when all of us in the Lodge are willing to pitch in and help the Lodge Education Officer and the Lodge.

One truism about Masons is that if another Mason needs help he is willing to step in and lend a hand; if his brother needs to know something that will make his life better he's willing to pass on information and good counsel. Freemasons don't like to keep secrets when it comes to helping a Brother learn.

Another truism is that every Freemason wants to learn about our Fraternity; we all want to learn something of what Masonry has to pass on to us: And we all love to attend a Lodge where we enjoy the fellowship and the learning. When a Lodge is strong on fellowship and learning then more of its members will be found attending. Actually if they aren't able to attend Lodge they most likely would miss not being there: Here's a question; if you're unable to make it to one of your Lodge meetings, do you miss not being there?

Another truism is that every Lodge has many Masons who are quite knowledgeable when it comes to things Masonic: Their participation is one element that helps make Masonic education fun and easy.



Standing up in Lodge to relate to our Brothers something we know about, and are happy to know it, is nothing more than talking with and informing a Brother about something he will enjoy learning too. Masonic Education doesn't need to be of a certain length; it only needs to be long enough to communicate the information, so that those hearing it will understand it: Communicating in that way is better than trying to fill a certain length of time.

Another idea is for Lodges to have those who deliver some good and interesting Masonic education to go to neighbouring Lodges to deliver it there too; that way more Masons will enjoy hearing it and getting to know a fine Masonic Brother from another Lodge. It pays for the Masters, Wardens, and Lodge Education Officer's of neighbouring Lodges to phone and meet with each other regularly, so that they can help each other in making Lodge Meetings enjoyable to attend for the members of their Lodges.

There is no reason to do things the hard way; Masons like to help one another. Any Brother can deliver some good and interesting Masonic information and education, he doesn't have to be the Lodge Education Officer; the more participating in Lodge for various reasons - including Masonic education presentations - the better, and I know of no Lodge Education Officer who would not welcome help and information from a Brother.

Much Masonic Education doesn't need to be in a tiled Lodge. There are many times when having a more extensive Masonic education presentation may be better delivered over the Lodge supper. When this is done a shorter bit on Masonic education can then be presented during the meeting.

Much good Masonic education and information can be passed from one brother to another in a Masonic discussion group: A Masonic discussion group can be held at the Lodge; either before or after a meeting; at a restaurant after a meeting; or at another time during the week. A discussion group can meet for 30 to 60 minutes or longer with one or more topics of discussion scheduled. One good thing about Masons is that when we get talking about Masonry we can have a very good and informative conversation where everyone has a good time learning something new about our beloved Craft.

One Lodge I know of built a patio with a fire pit in it: What a great idea; to sit in fellowship around a campfire discussing Masonic education. This kind of Masonic discussion group could also be held in a Brothers back yard if the Lodge doesn't have the space.

The office of Lodge Education Officer is an enjoyable and important office to hold. The Lodge Education Officer with some effort to involve other members of the Lodge in some way will help add to the enjoyment of attending Lodge for everyone

We all love to attend a Lodge where we enjoy the fellowship and the learning, and the learning should be as easy to deliver, and as enjoyable to receive, as it is to participate with our friends and Brothers in fellowship.

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