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### INSTALLATIONS

#### West Hill

Wednesday, December 4  
Visitors by 7:30 pm  
13 Chisholm Ave Toronto

#### Scarboro

Monday, December 9  
Banquet at 6:30 pm  
Visitors @ 7:30 pm  
457 Kingston Rd. W Ajax

#### Birch Cliff

Friday, December 13  
Visitors @ 7:30 pm  
457 Kingston Rd. W Ajax

#### Doric

Thursday, December 19  
Visitors @ 7:30 pm  
457 Kingston Rd. W Ajax

### FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Brethren of Toronto East District,

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas. Well at least today. May it continue till January 3, and then let's get back to temperatures in the mid 70's and up.

November was a very busy month for us. I want to say a HUGE thank you to ALL of you who attended one of the three Remembrance services in The District. In total we had approximately 130 Masons in attendance. Add them to the many family and friends that showed up, what a fantastic showing. As your DDGM, I was incredibly proud to be there with you.

As we enter December, our thoughts turn to Christmas. For many, this is the happiest time of the year. We look forward to spending time with family and friends. However, not everyone is as fortunate. As Masons we profess to admire the virtue of Charity. We all had our principles tested in the NE angle during our initiation. I want to remind you that while we normally think of Charity as the giving of money, that is far from always the case. Not all of us are in the position to be as generous as others, but we ALL have time; granted some more than others. Masonry helps to make us charitable men. During this festive season, think of those around us who are less fortunate. If you have the time to spare, give of your time at one of the countless organizations that help the less fortunate this time of year.

You have all heard me talk about the importance of family. They ground us and give us the foundation for success. Winston Churchill once said " There is no doubt that it is around the family and the home that all the greatest virtues, the most dominating virtues of human, are created, strengthened and maintained." Over the holiday season, keep that quote in the back of your mind, and celebrate your family. Today they come in different shapes and sizes. No two are the same. The diversity in our family unit is a pillar of our Canadian society. No matter the makeup of your family unit, cherish them and let them know what they mean to you.

We do still have some Masonic duties this month. There are installations still to come, and the social season is starting. Several Lodges hold Christmas gatherings. I urge you to partake if you can. In advance, on behalf of W. Bro. Malcolm Parish, thank you to all The Lodges who have included us in there get together. After all, our Craft is a fraternity. Enjoy each other, but please be safe. I don't want to talk to you professionally.

My Brethren, Marina and I wish you and your families a truly Merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

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

## DISTRICT EVENTS

### Toronto East District Charity The Mikey Network

This year our DDGM has chosen The Mikey Network as The District Charity Project. The Mikey Network is a charitable organization that works to outfit public places with public access defibrillators. To date, 17 lives have been saved by these machines donated by The Mikey Network. Donations can be made directly to The Masonic Foundation of Ontario project number **2547**

Gerry Newall: [g.newall@sympatico.ca](mailto:g.newall@sympatico.ca)

### Reception for V. W. Bro. Todd Owens Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies

Monday, December 2 7:30 pm  
East Toronto Masonic Temple

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell will be in attendance. Ladies are most definitely welcome. Refreshments to follow in the banquet hall.

### Rainbow Girls Family Christmas Dinner

Wednesday December 4 @ 7 pm  
Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

Please **RSVP** ASAP.  
Cost: \$18 ea

Barb McGregor: [barb.mcgregor@rogers.com](mailto:barb.mcgregor@rogers.com) / 416 282 4254

### Doric Lodge Progressive Euchre Night

Saturday December 14 7:30 pm - start  
Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

Only 20 tables available. Snacks and refreshments (no alcohol) will be provided. Prizes for high and low scores. A portion of the proceeds go to charity. Come out, chat with friends and enjoy a few hands of cards

Cost: \$15 ea available at the door  
Bill Houston: [yukon\\_born@yahoo.ca](mailto:yukon_born@yahoo.ca) / 905 426 7135

### Coronati Lodge 100th Anniversary Celebration & Regalia Dedication Ceremony

Thursday January 9 6 pm - Banquet 7:45 pm - Lodge  
Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

The officers and members of Coronati Lodge #520 (2012-13 T.E.D. Lodge of the year) would be more than pleased if you would all come and help celebrate this very important milestone. See the presentation of the gold. There will be a Fraternal Banquet by pre-purchased ticket.

Please **RSVP** ASAP.  
Cost: \$20 ea. for the Banquet  
Gary Rhodes: [gary@rhodes.ca](mailto:gary@rhodes.ca) / 416 751 7783

### T.E.D. Habitat For Humanity Build Day

Saturday January 11 8 am to 4 pm  
30-40 Acme Crescent, Toronto

Each year, Toronto East District Freemasons sponsor a build day for Habitat for Humanity Toronto where we help build a home for a deserving family. You are invited to throw your support behind this build, either by signing up as a volunteer, or donating to sponsor the build. To register as a volunteer, or to make a secure online donation please visit <http://bit.ly/1hmVCW0>.

Joseph Curry: [joseph.curry1@gmail.com](mailto:joseph.curry1@gmail.com) / 647 893 6298

### Todmorden Lodge 6th Annual Robbie Burns Night

Saturday January 18: 6:30 pm - Social 7:15 pm - Dinner  
Royal Canadian Legion Brigadier O. M. Martin Branch #345  
81 Peard Rd., Toronto, ON M4B 1T7 (Victoria Park and Peard)

Come and join us for 'a celebration of the birth of Robert Burns, Scotland's most influential and beloved poet. There will be raffles, door prizes and dancing followed by a late night, light finger food buffet, tea and coffee. All are welcome.

Tickets are available through any member of Todmorden Lodge, the Brigadier O. M. Martin Branch 345 of the Royal Canadian Legion, at the door or from our Senior Steward. Proceeds raised are being donated to Masonic Charities as decided by the District Deputy Grand Master for the Toronto East.

Cost: \$45 ea. (if purchased through [www.eventbrite.ca/event/8446925983](http://www.eventbrite.ca/event/8446925983) cost is \$48.69 ea.)

Senior Steward: [todmorden647@gmail.com](mailto:todmorden647@gmail.com)

### Mechanics of The Work

January 25th, February 1st, 15th, 22th, March 1st and 8th  
9 am - 12 pm (approx)

East Toronto Masonic Temple

We will meet in the banquet hall for our wake-me up cuppa joe and selected health food items between 8:30 & 9:00 a.m. We will request a donation to offset the costs for the refreshments. Again this year, these sessions are sponsored by Todmorden Lodge #647.

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Bob Steenson: [bob.steenson@ontarioair.com](mailto:bob.steenson@ontarioair.com) / 416 697 0822

### Markham Union Annual Robbie Burns Night

Saturday February 1 5:30 pm - Social 7 pm - Dinner  
Cedarbrae Golf and Country Club  
55 Mac Frost Way (1st lights east of Markham Rd, south of Steeles Ave.)

Thrill to the skirl of the York Region Police Pipe Band Pipes and Drums. Wonder at the grace and beauty of the dancing of the York Region Police Highland Dancers.

There will be a stirring rendition of *Immortal Memory to Robert Burns* and the *Address and Toast to the Haggis*. There will also be a Silent Auction and Spot Prizes.

Cost: \$40 ea

Jim Crawford: [jcra4d@rogers.com](mailto:jcra4d@rogers.com) / 905 294 3698  
Bruce Grimbleby: [grimblebybm@ymail.com](mailto:grimblebybm@ymail.com) / 905 472 8124

### Upcoming Official Visits

Canada	Tuesday, February 4
Alpha-Tuscan	Thursday, February 6
Universe	Tuesday, February 11

*Marina and I wish you and all your families the most Merry Christmas and we hope your New Year is filled with joy and prosperity.*

*Merry Christmas*