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<u>Canada</u>	<u>Alpha – Tuscan</u>	<u>Universe</u>	<u>Imperial East Gate</u>	<u>Birch Cliff</u>
Tuesday, February 1 Banquet: 630 pm Visitors 730 pm 457 Kingston Rd W. Ajax	Thursday, February 3 Visitors by 8 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.	Tuesday, February 8 Visitors by 8 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.	Wednesday, February 9 Visitors @ 730 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.	Friday, February 11 Visitors by 8 pm 457 Kingston Rd. W. Ajax

FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Brethren

We are now moving into the second half of my term of office and I would like to update you on the first half which has been very challenging and rewarding. Lodges moved into new temples on a temporary basis after the Scarborough Temple was sold and all lodges were welcomed without much disruption. I planned on introducing a number of programs through our District Chairmen and with Grand Lodge assistance. However, we ran into some early problems as although the Grand Lodge Committee Chairmen and Team Leaders gave every indication that they wanted to come to Toronto East to deliver the programs, the previous year's Chairman had committed them in advance to deliver the same programs in other districts. Also we had some logistical problems in terms of facilities as when the team leaders could accommodate us, the temples were in use.

The total number of masons in our district as per the July semi-annual returns to Grand Lodge was 1,904. During the 2010 calendar year we had 95 initiations.

The Mentor program, Masonic Education, Friend2Friend and Brother2Brother programs are my Centres of Excellence where we will concentrate our efforts in creating high quality educational programs. The District Chairmen for the Mentor and Masonic Education started their programs and will continue in the second half of year.

Seventeen lodges have completed their Installations and Investitures and two lodges have had their Official visits. I have found that fewer lodges have Past Masters sitting in the chairs this year. There have been a large number of applications received by lodges. I am very extremely mindful of lodges not becoming "degree factories"; consequently our educational programs are of the highest priority.

Eight-8- Past Masters attended the DDGM Orientation workshop and this augurs well for the future of Toronto East. As of January 17 2011 I have been advised that four-4- aspirants had registered for the DDGM Correspondence Course and one aspirant had completed the first module. The deadline for course completion is April 30 2011.

During the second half of my year, District Chairmen for Friend2Friend and Brother2Brother will push these programs vigorously as they are the lifeblood of the lodges. They are very keen in being invited to lodges to make presentations on their programs. My theme this year is "Visitation + Education = Retention". Consequently, a questionnaire has been sent to all Masters by the District Chairman Long Range Planning to determine their adaptation of the two key result areas of the District-Visitation and Masonic Education. The answers will determine if the District is meeting these Key Performance Indicators as we have measurable information from last year. Going forward from a Long Range Planning point of view we will define where our district should be and how we will get there. Assistance is being sought from the Grand Lodge LRPC on a go forward basis.

We will also utilize Grand Lodge's Officer Progression workshop in April as a form of succession planning for Officer positions in lodges. They will discuss Best Practices, the Officer Learning Curve, Managing and Leadership and the Three Degrees. All current Officers and those interested in becoming Officers are expected to attend.

Within the next six months my wish is that we will accomplish all of our objectives. Toronto East has a great team and what we have accomplished and are planning to accomplish is recognized in other circles.

I would like to remind you of the Grand Master's Reception on Tuesday March 29th at the Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall. Masters of 2009/2010 and 2010/2011 will have their pictures taken with the Grand Master. Also your District has been honoured as W. Bro. Prince Selvaraj will be giving the toast to the Queen and the Craft and I will be giving the toast to the Visitors. V.Wor. Bro. Ed Russell, our ticket coordinator, has advised me that the sale of tickets is slow. Two years ago we sold 135 tickets; I'm expecting that we will increase our numbers this year. This reception is not only for masons, but also our spouses, significant others and friends are also welcomed. This is also an excellent opportunity for applicants into masonry and recent initiates to attend as they will see the pomp and ceremony and what masonry is all about.

See you at my Official Visits.

R.W. Bro. Leyland A. Muss
 District Deputy Grand Master

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DISTRICT EVENTS

Mechanics of The Work

Saturday mornings, 9 am till 12 pm
East Toronto Masonic Temple
6 weeks beginning February 5 (except February 19)

VW Bro. Les Armitage: 416 598 4794
W. Bro. Dennis Rankin: 416 691 1704

Claremont Winter Carnival Parade & MasoniCHiP Program

Saturday February 5,
9 am - Coffee 11 am - Parade _MasoniCHiP 10 am - 3 pm

At the end of the parade we will all assemble at the Masonic Temple for a bowl of hot chilli and hot drinks, with ice cream and cookies for the children.

Toronto East District DDGM has received dispensation for all Masons to wear regalia (blue lodge or concordant body) for the occasion.

We will also be holding a MasoniCHiP program on this day in the community center to coincide with the carnival.

Lou Lombardi: loulombardi@xplornet.ca / 905 649 3003
Chris Kellar: cbkellar@hotmail.com

Markham Union Annual Burns Supper

Saturday February 5
Social - 530 pm Banquet - 630 pm
Cedarbrae Golf and Country Club
Steeles Ave. to the first lights east of Markham Rd. turn south, then 1st left

\$40 ea payable in advance - Cash Bar

Jim Crawford: jcra4d@istar.ca / 905 294 9262
Bruce Grimbleby: bgrimbleby@yahoo.ca / 905 472 8124

Toronto East District Lodge of Discussion

Saturday February 12
Coffee 930 am Discussion starts @ 10 am
Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

Topic: What do new members want from Masonry.

Oakwood Chapter 233 of Royal Arch Masons Master Masons Night

Tuesday February 15 8 pm
Pickering Masonic Temple
Hwy # 2 and Mill Street {2 streets west of Westney Road}

We will be showing a movie on Royal Arch Masonry with special guest speakers. We will explain the steps involved in progressing through each degree in the Royal Arch along with explanations of the Chapter and its furniture, its Officers and their duties.

Alan Pendelton: xcouse@rogers.com / 416 283 2713

Toronto East Masonic Centre General Meeting

Monday February 28 7:30 pm
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Bob Steenson: bob.steenson@ontarioair.com / 416 697 0822
Joe Das: joedas683@rogers.com / 416 291 6444
John Barnes: mystics.toronto@rogers.com / 416 497 6143

West Hill Lodge Oldies Dance

Saturday March 5th
Pickering East Shore Community Centre
Cocktails 530 Dinner at 6:30

Tickets just \$25 per person

Bro. Steve McClymont: 416 226 6792

Habitat for Humanities

Saturday March 19 and Saturday April 30 2011
4572 Kingston Rd.

Both of these dates will be interior work. Start time for each build is 8:00 am sharp, and the day normally ends somewhere around 4:00pm. Pizza and pop lunch will be provided and volunteers also receive a Habitat for Humanity T-Shirt.

Michael Morris: mkmorris@gmail.com / 416 931 2954

Caledonia - Irish Night

Monday March 21
730 pm Lodge opens 8 pm visitors received
York Masonic Temple
1100 Millwood Rd.

Listen to the great music of the Ulster Accordion Band and marvel at Irish Dancing, Culture and Humour. Delight in a Banquet of *Gourmet* Corned Beef and Cabbage.

Cost: \$25

Brian Black: briancblack@rogers.com / 905 824 0032

Toronto East District Blood Donor Clinic

Friday, March 25 3 pm - 730 pm
St. Aiden's Church 70 Silver Birch Ave.

Toronto and York Districts Grand Master's Reception

Tuesday March 29
530 pm - Social 7 pm - Dinner
Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall
60 McDowell Gate, Markham

The Worshipful Masters of 2009/10 and 2010/11 will have their pictures taken with the Grand Master.

Ladies most welcome.

\$55.00 per person

No tickets will be available at the door. Cut off is March 1st

Ed Russell: ajaxruss48@yahoo.ca / 905 619 3167, or your District Deputy Grand Master while on his travels

Upcoming Official Visits

West Hill	March 2
The Beaches	March 3
St. Aidan's	March 22

Scarboro, Todmorden and Acacia's Official Visits have been postponed to May 9, 12 and 16 respectively.