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### Canada

Tuesday, February 3  
Banquet 6:30 pm Visitors 7:30 pm  
457 Kingston Rd

### Alpha – Tuscan

Thursday, February 5  
Visitors 7:30 pm  
13 Chisholm Ave.

### Universe

Tuesday, February 10  
Visitors 7:30 pm  
13 Chisholm Ave.

### Birch Cliff

Friday, February 13  
Visitors 7:30 pm  
457 Kingston Rd

### Imperial East Gate Installation

Wednesday, February 13  
Banquet 6:30 pm Visitors 7:30 pm 13 Chisholm Ave

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

Below is an excerpt from the DDGM's February message. For the complete message,  
please visit [www.torontoeastdistrict.com/ddgm.html](http://www.torontoeastdistrict.com/ddgm.html)

Greetings Brethren of Toronto East District:

As the month of St. Valentine's Day begins, let us all remember to take the time to celebrate our beloved partners who support us in our Masonic endeavours and enable us to pursue our Craft and seek perfection as men, subjects, husbands and fathers. Keep balance in your lives and celebrate the love and support of those around you, for without our loved ones, none of our endeavours would be worthy.

Although none of our District Lodges hosted an Official Visit or Installation in January, this does not mean that our District was not vibrant and active in this cold winter month. Firstly, I congratulate W. Bro. Terry Spalding-Martin and the brethren of Doric Lodge, who celebrated their milestone 125th Anniversary with a lovely Robert Burns Supper, highlighted by a colourful Address to the Haggis, given by W. Bro. Dennis Rankin and an informative Immortal Memory of Robert Burns, offered up by R.W. Bro. Andrew McLelland; who, interestingly enough, grew up across the road from the Burns Cottage in Scotland. If you didn't get enough of the enjoyable haggis in January, I strongly encourage you to join me in attending the annual Burns Night celebration hosted by Markham Union Lodge, to be held at Markham Veteran's Hall on the evening of Saturday, February 7, 2015.

My deepest gratitude and congratulations go out to R.W. Bro. Greg Seale and his District Long Range Planning Committee, including R.W. Bros. David Neave and Bruce Palanik, V.W. Bros. Edward Arlitt and Ervin Aspiras, for organizing a most interesting and informative Long Range Planning Symposium this past month at East Toronto Masonic Temple. These distinguished brethren laboured for months, organizing this event, which I believe has imparted invaluable knowledge and strengthened our lodges and district. Thank you also to the panelists, for contributing their experiences to this informative morning and the 40 or so brethren who spent a Saturday morning learning how to better their lodges. I encourage each of you to work with these brethren and support their initiatives and efforts in the development and advancement of your lodge's long range plan. It will benefit you and each of us as we proactively address future challenges.

Lastly brethren I was saddened this month by the sudden loss of V.W. Bro. Alex Hart from Mimosa lodge whom we all respected for decades of contribution to our Craft and will always remember. However, the very foundations of my faith were tested this month by the immensely saddening loss of Noah Miles, the young son of Bro. Jonathan Miles of The Beaches Lodge. As a parent, I personally spent a lot of time reflecting on this tragic loss as it touched me deeply. But from the grief of this situation, I was ultimately moved and inspired by the courage shown by our brother, in eulogizing his beautiful son, reflecting on the love that this young boy enjoyed in his life and also by the support shown by our brethren, who were there for him in this most difficult time. From this immensely saddening experience, I have learned that truly the greatest gift is love; be it brotherly love, friendship, charity or relief, and every day we should celebrate all those in our lives whom we love and who love and support us.

May he whose love knows no bounds watch over each of us in our travels.

Fraternally,

R.W. Bro. Peter J. Sialtsis,  
District Deputy Grand Master,  
Toronto East District

## DISTRICT EVENTS

### Mechanics of The Work

January 24, 31, February 7, 21 & 28, March 7

Dennis Rankin: [kdrankin@pathcom.com](mailto:kdrankin@pathcom.com) / 416 691 1704  
Bob Steenson: [bob.steenson@ontarioair.com](mailto:bob.steenson@ontarioair.com) / 416 697 0822

### Riverdale JRR and Todmorden - Darts Night

Wednesday February 4 & March 4 7:30 pm  
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 345 (81 Peard Rd)

Tom Fulton: [tsfulton@rogers.com](mailto:tsfulton@rogers.com) / 416 694 3891  
Greg McKinnon: [gregmckinnonmm@gmail.com](mailto:gregmckinnonmm@gmail.com) / 416 686 0107

### Claremont Winter Carnival Parade

Saturday February 7  
9 am - Coffee / Hot Chocolate 11 am - Parade  
Claremont Masonic Hall

Lou Lombardi: [loulombardi@xplornet.ca](mailto:loulombardi@xplornet.ca) / 905 649 3003  
Wayne Lord: [lord.wayne@hotmail.com](mailto:lord.wayne@hotmail.com)

### The Winding Staircase Dinner and Lecture

Thursday February 26 6:30 pm - Social 7 pm - Dinner  
University of Toronto Faculty Club (41 Willcocks St)

The speaker will be Renée Lafferty, Assistant Professor of History and Canadian Studies - Brock University  
The topic of the lecture will be "Brothers in Arms: Freemasons and the War of 1812"

Cost: \$ 45 ea - tickets prepaid  
Please purchase tickets via [www.thewindingstaircase.com](http://www.thewindingstaircase.com)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual T.E.D. Chilli Cook Off

Saturday, March 7 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
East Toronto Masonic Temple

"The Guardians" in conjunction with the Beaches Lodge #473, are pleased to announce the 2nd Annual T.E.D. Chilli Cook Off. Bro. Joe Curry (currently deployed in Kuwait) will be returning to defend his champion Chilli from last year.

Think you have a chilli for the ages?  
Come and knock off the reigning champion.

Russ Richardson: [russ-driver@hotmail.com](mailto:russ-driver@hotmail.com) / 647 222 5855  
Mark Ingram [ingram75@gmail.com](mailto:ingram75@gmail.com) / 416 420 0291

### West Hill Oldies Dance

Saturday March 7 6 pm - Social 7:30 pm - Dinner  
St. Dunstan of Canterbury Church (56 Lawson Rd )

\$30.00 pp

Walter Drane: [wallyjd@rogers.com](mailto:wallyjd@rogers.com) / 416 755 3734  
Gerry Ouellette: [gerry.ouellette@rogers.com](mailto:gerry.ouellette@rogers.com)

### Birch Cliff - Ladies Night

Saturday March 21 6:30 pm - Social 7:30 pm - Dinner  
Rembrandt Banquet Hall (930 Progress Ave.)

Tickets: \$ 45 ea  
Errol Chin: [erroll@bell.net](mailto:erroll@bell.net) / 416 778 0369  
John Darling: 416 291 3737

### GLCPO - Charles A. Sankey Lecture

Sunday March 22 3:00 pm  
Brock University (500 Glenridge Ave., St. Catharines)

Speaker: Susan Mitchell Sommers, Professor of History  
Saint Vincent College in Latrobe, Pennsylvania

Topic: The Masonic Empire of Thomas Dunckerley: England to Quebec and the Broad Oceans In-between.

For information about the Sankey Lecture series  
[www.sankeylectures.ca](http://www.sankeylectures.ca).

Gareth Taylor: [garethtaylor@rogers.com](mailto:garethtaylor@rogers.com)

### T.E.D. - Blood Donor Clinic

Friday March 27 3 pm - 7:30 pm  
**NEW LOCATION** - Beach United Church (140 Wineva Ave)

Gilbert Carreiro: [gilbert.c@rogers.com](mailto:gilbert.c@rogers.com) / 416 704 7551

### Toronto & York Districts Grand Master's Reception

Tuesday, March 31  
Social 5:30 p.m. - Dinner 7p.m.  
Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall (60 McDowell Gate, Markham)  
Tickets: \$ 60 each

Help us celebrate our very own  
M. W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell, with a night for the ages.

Keith Jones: [kjones@nmdaviscorp.ca](mailto:kjones@nmdaviscorp.ca)

### Toronto East District - Divine Service

Sunday April 19  
St. Margaret in The Pines Anglican Church (4130 Lawrence Ave. E)

Joe Das: [joedas683@gmail.com](mailto:joedas683@gmail.com) / 416 291 6444

### Upcoming Official Visits

West Hill	March 4
The Beaches	March 5
Scarboro	March 9
Todmorden	March 12
Acaia	March 16

### Who Am I?

Did you guess December's "Who am I?"

It was none other than W. Bro. Bill Wills, PM Riverdale John Ross Robertson Lodge.

Here is January's. Look next month for the answer:

- As a kid I bought a racing bicycle by raising budgies and tropical fish
- The entrepreneurial spirit led to running my own business for eight years
- I have played in several musical groups and even recorded an album consisting of steel and strings with a blend of Latin with reggae and soca rhythms
- I hiked part of the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu
- On occasion I have been inspired to write poetry

