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FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Greetings Brethren of Toronto East District:

On behalf of Carol, Madeline and our family, I wish each of you a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!! For many, this becomes a time of reflection over the past year, as well as anticipation of the new year to come. During this time of introspection and resolution, I encourage you to think about the members of our lodge and consider reaching out to those brethren who have been absent or ill lately. Consider resolving to take on a role of mentorship for our younger members, visiting other district lodges, or approaching the Worshipful Master to inquire as to what assistance he might need to help strengthen your Lodge in the coming year.

As I reflect back on the 16 installations and 2 official visits that have passed during the first half of this Masonic year, I'm grateful to each of you who took time to visit along with me, in a show of support to the brethren of our district. Our Wardens groups have been instrumental in leading the brethren in their travels and I look forward to the formation of our next Wardens group in the weeks to come. If you are a Junior Warden in your Lodge, or about to become one, please set aside time to plan on participating in this most valuable Masonic experience that will help you develop your skills, support you in your travels and also form bonds of friendship that last a lifetime.

As we look forward to the coming months, our official visits start in February, however the month of January still has a lot to offer in terms of Masonic activity within our district. I encourage all newly installed and invested officers to attend the Mechanics of the Work sessions that are starting again in January, offering valuable instruction in the conduct of the Work. Our Long Range Planning Committee, under the leadership of R.W. Bro. Greg Seale, has organized a Long Change Planning Symposium to assist all of our lodges in adopting and strengthening their long-range planning procedures and hopefully ensure stability and viability for many years come.

Doric Lodge will be hosting their 125th anniversary celebration and Robbie Burns Supper on Thursday, January 15, 2015. I strongly encourage all brethren of our district to attend with me in the celebration of this wonderful historic Lodge. I'm aware that other lodges within the district are also planning Burns celebrations, so please watch your TWITE feeds, district newsletters and the district website for dates and times of these events and plan on attending.

We are now entering the final six months of the term of our current Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell, whom we all know to be a proud member of Toronto East District. To celebrate our Grand Master and thank him for his many contributions and leadership, the Toronto East District, in combination with the Toronto and York districts, will be hosting the final Grand Master's Reception of this term, on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at the Crystal Palace Banquet Hall in Markham. Although this event is three months away, the event committee is requesting all ticket purchases be submitted by the end of January. Best seating is assigned to those who purchased their tickets for earlier on, so please contact R.W. Bro. Keith Jones at this time to secure your tickets to this historic event and tribute to our Grand Master.

Remember too that our 4th Annual District Gala and Awards Night is scheduled for Saturday, June 13, 2015 and the committee will be opening up ticket sales shortly. Please organize your group ticket purchases now to also ensure good seating and show your support this wonderful year-end celebration and night out with our ladies. If you know of any brethren that served the craft with the station over the past year or more, please put your mind to nominating them for one of the district awards. You may contact the district awards chairman for further information.

Brethren, my resolution for this year is to hopefully lead the brethren of our district and strengthening our lodges by making the Lodge experience a kinder, more encouraging and rewarding atmosphere for all of our brethren. To this end, I once again ask you to take an active role in the leadership of your Lodge. Offer guidance and support to our younger members, officers and candidates. Support your Committee Chairman and principal officers in their endeavours to advance the interests of your Lodge. Lastly, do your best to be positive in the face of difficulties, trials and errors. Endeavour to embody within yourself, those Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief and truth, so that you may encourage and lead others by your own example throughout the coming year.

May the G.A.O.T.U. grant you and your loved ones, health, happiness and security in the year to come.
With warmest fraternal greetings,

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

DISTRICT EVENTS

DeMolay Membership Day

Sunday January 11 2 pm - 4 pm
Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

If you know a young man from 12 to 21, consider bringing him out to see what DeMolay is all about.

Doric Lodge 125th Anniversary

Thursday, January 15 7:30 pm

Come join us to celebrate our anniversary as well as the birth of Robert Burns. The banquet following Lodge will include the piping in of the Haggis.

One of only a few times you can get your fill of Haggis this year.

Steve Hudson: steve@stevehudson.ca

Long Range Planning Symposium Enhancing your "in-lodge" Experience

Saturday January 24 9 am - noon
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Join us for this dynamic presentation to kick start your Lodge Long Range Planning process. The day will include:

- 3 lodges share what they have been doing to enhance the experience of their lodge meetings and functions.
- A first-hand account about getting attendance up.
- Ideas on keeping the officer funnel filled with Master Masons and future Worshipful Masters.
- Want to know how they communicate with their lodge members?
- How do they identify and overcome perceived threats to the vibrancy of the lodge?
- One guest will even share some lessons learnt from his lodge going dark.

Come hear what Grand Lodge is doing and have a review of its Long Range Planning Tool Kit. It is a great starting place to kick off any planning process. How is your lodge going to get to where it wants to be in 2015?

Come share your ideas about what we should do in 2017 to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of Masonry.

Gregory Seale: jgregoryseale@yahoo.ca / 905 477 3502
David Neave: davidneave@bell.net / 905 391 5900

Mechanics of The Work

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

Dennis Rankin: kdrankin@pathcom.com / 416 691 1704
Bob Steenson: bob.steenson@ontarioair.com / 416 697 0822

The Heritage Lodge - Annual Black Tie Banquet

Thursday January 29
Reception 5:30 p.m. Dinner 7 p.m.
School of Fine Dining (4121 14th Ave., Markham)

Speaker: Daniel D. Hrinko
Topic: The Initiatory Experience and Human Nature

Cost: \$50.00 ea

Tickets deadline - **January 15 2015 - no sales at the door**
(Please indicate choice of beef or salmon for dinner)

Bill Utton: theuttons@rogers.com / 905 831 6256
David Neave: davidneave@bell.net / 905 725 8032

Claremont Winter Carnival Parade

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

Lou Lombardi: loulombardi@explornet.ca / 905 649 3003
Wayne Lord: lord.wayne@hotmail.com

2nd Annual T.E.D. Chilli Cook Off

Saturday, March 14 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. Chili Cook Off. Bro. Joe Curry (currently deployed in Kuwait) will be returning to defend his champion Chili from last year. Think you have a chili for the ages? Come and knock off the reigning champion.

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

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

Upcoming Official Visits

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

Upcoming Installation

Imperial East Gate Wednesday, February 12

Who Am I?

Did you guess December's "Who am I?"
It was none other than V. W. Bro. Malcolm J. Parish, Asst Grand Secretary.

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

- *Public school chess champion*
- *Played goal for the east York Mohawks lacrosse club. MVP in midget year.*
- *Coached Scarborough and Beaches lacrosse teams. Won a provincial championship.*
- *Played bass with several east end Toronto bands.*
- *Graduate of Durham College sport admin.*
- *Past president and a life member of the Ontario Lacrosse Association.*

