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# **MARCH 2009**

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## **Official Visits**

West Hill The Beaches Scarboro Todmorden

Wednesday, March 4 Thursday, March 5 Visitors by 8 pm Visitors by 8 pm 2201 Ellesmere Rd. 2201 Ellesmere Rd.

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Thursday, March 12 Visitors by 8 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.

Acacia St. Aidan's Cathederal

Monday, March 16 Visitors by 8 pm 13 Chisholm Ave. Tuesday, March 17 Visitors by 8 pm 2201 Ellesmere Rd.

Wednesday, March 18 Visitors by 8 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.

# FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Being as busy people as we are, it is very easy to get wrapped up in the daily routines of our lives and in the process, lose the sight of the "Big Picture", especially with respect to our Craft. But it is the daily chores of our toil that remind us of our purpose, each well placed strike of a mallet that brings us closer to revealing that magnificent edifice we are erecting. As that celebrated artist we once represented, that sculptor and craftsman, envisioning the finished form while chiseling away at the block of marble, we are to keep firm in our mind Who we are as an Institution and as Individuals, what we stand for and what our work is. And this month, our work is plentiful.

Our Official Visits are not even half way through and we have 7 more this month alone. The support from the District thus far has been very good. We have had as many as 9 Worshipful Masters out visiting, and a good support from Warden Groups as well. We are however mindful, that we still have 21 Lodges in our District and visitations by principal officers of each Lodge is essential, especially in preparation for their own Official Visit. It is much easier to fine tune your Mechanics and Protocol when you see it done several times. The proficiency of the work was certainly evident on those Visits, where the Officers took the time to prepare and rehearse. Everybody loves to see good ritual work. And the confidence comes from knowing your material, especially when you are on the hot seat. I do encourage visitations by all Principal Officers over next several weeks. I would also like to remind all W. Masters to familiarize themselves with the necessary forms required for the Official Visits, especially the new Lodge Master / Secretary report.

Still one of the most important events coming up this month is The Grand Master's Banquet on Tuesday, March 31st, at Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall in Markham, hosted by 4 Toronto Districts and York District every two years. The Worshipful Masters of this year and last will have a "Once in a Lifetime" opportunity to take a photograph with our Grand Master, The Most Worshipful Allan J. Petrisor. So it is absolutely essential, that the W. Masters of 2007-08 and 2008-09 will be present. Their names will be published in the evening's Program and they will be Officially Recognized at the event. I urge all Lodges to have a good representation. The organizing committee expects each Lodge to purchase at least 5 tickets. Many Lodges have already taken Tables of 8. It is a very formal and elaborate event with good entertainment, and great food. Your wives, friends and non Masons are most cordially welcome. There will be a large representation of Grand Lodge Officers and Worshipful Masters.

Another event coming up I seek your support and assistance with, is our District Project, "Honoring Our Own", the luncheon for our widows and senior members of the Lodges, who due to ill health have lately been unable to partake in regular lodge events. This Luncheon will take place later in this spring. I call on the brethren of our District to assist in providing us with the names of all widows, especially ones from the years past that many of our newer members never had an opportunity to meet. It is important that we are true to our Obligation to aid and assist our Brethren in need, especially old age. There are several events taking place in our District to support this function and I hope you will recall the import of the Charity lecture and give of your time to help this worthy cause.

Brethren I do appreciate your support of our District, myself and our ever working District Secretary, W.Bro. Ron Scott.

We hope to see you all this month

Sincerely and Fraternally

Dushan Surovy DDGM, Toronto East District

# **DISTRICT EVENTS**

#### **Mechanics of The Work**

Saturday mornings, 9:00 am till 12:00 pm East Toronto Masonic Temple 6 weeks beginning February 14 VW Bro. Les Armitage: 416 598 4794

## Entered Apprentice / Fellowcraft Breakfast

Saturday, March 7

Breakfast: 9 am Discussion to start: 10:30 am
Claremont Temple 4953 Old Brock Rd. Claremont
Have all your questions that you didn't ask, or were
reluctant to ask answered to the best of our ability in a
relaxed, friendly environment.

All are welcome to attend.

VW Bro. Gary Fitzpatrick 905 649 8087

RW Bro. Lou Lombardi 905 649 3003

## **West Hill Oldies Dance**

Saturday March 7
5:30 pm - Social 6:30 pm - Dinner
11:00 pm - Dessert Table
East Shore Community Centre
910 Liverpool Rd, Pickering
Cost: \$25/ea Cash Bar
Horst Benoit @ 416.284.0482

#### Scarborough Shrine Club Master Mason Night

Monday, March 9 6:00 pm Watts Restaurant Eglinton Square, Scarborough

Duncan Macaulay: clowncastledm@hotmail.com/905.426.7087 Prince Selvaraj: prince.selvaraj@sympatico.ca/416.269.9909

## Caledonia Lodge Irish Night

Monday, March16
7:00 pm - Meeting 7:30 pm - Visitors
Scarborough Masonic Temple
Bring your non-Masonic male friends to our Irish Night.
We will have Irish Dancers to entertain you,
and you will also get some good Irish Fare,
and a guest speaker.
Cost: \$10

Alan Pendleton @ xscouse@rogers.com

## **Lodge Resource Committee Seminar**

Thursday, March 19 7:30 pm sharp

Come out and explore the Grand Lodge, Lodge Resource Manual. The intent of the evening is to practice opening and closing the Lodge in the three Degrees, answering questions regarding the correct procedures and protocol after each, followed by a short presentation. At this first meeting, R.W. Bro. Des Tutin will guide us through the section titled 'Etiquette and Protocol' There will be 3 more sessions on the third Thursday of each subsequent month

#### **Toronto East District Blood Donor Clinic**

Friday, March 20 3:00 - 7:30 St. Aiden's Church 70 Silver Birch Ave. Tor (south of Queen)

## **Cathedral Lodge Night at Medieval Times**

Saturday, March 21 7:30 pm 10 Dufferin St., Exhibition Place, Toronto Adults \$50.00 + taxes Kids \$40.00 + taxes Spiros Roussetos: 416.463.2002

Peter Marossis: peter.marossis@sympatico.ca/416.209.3010

## The Imperial East Gate Charity Euchre Night

Saturday, March 28
Arrive @ 7:00 pm Games begin @ 7:30 pm
Robert and Brenda Gatt's
135 Port Royal Trail, Scarborough
(parking at the school across the street)
All are invited - brethren, family and friends to an evening of

Euchre and friendship.

Proceeds will go to the SOS Childrens' Villages

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Donations of money, food, and prizes gladly accepted.

RSVP for table space.

Brenda Gatt: whitewind@rogers.com/416.297.9744

## Doric Lodge Hawaiian Luau Dance

Saturday, March 28 8:00 pm
Ajax Masonic Temple
All are invited - brethren, family and friends to a Hawaiian evening. Dance to the DJ and enjoy a late snack.
Door prize, a 50/50 draw, and DD4U will be available to get you and your car home if you have been drinking.
\$20 ea if paid for before March 19. \$25 ea after
Mark Sale: marksale@sympatico.ca/905.619.9773

#### **Grand Master's Banquet**

Join us to celebrate the tenure of our Grand Master
MW Allan J Petrisor
Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Canada in The Province of Ontario

Tuesday, March 31, 2009 6 pm Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall 60 McDowall Gate, Markham Tickets: \$ 50 per person

Masons and non-Masons welcome Masters of 2007-08 and 2008-09 should be in attendance For Tickets and to reserve a table contact WB Bob Thompson: little.beau@sympatico.ca/416 491 3230

# **Toronto East District - District Divine Service**

Sunday April 26, 2009
10:00 am - Assembly 10:30 am - Service
St. Dunstan of Canterbury Anglican Church
56 Lawson Rd., Scarborough.
All family and friends are very welcome.
Regalia is to be worn, and Masters are to wear their collars.
Joe Das: joedas683@rogers.com/416.291.6444