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West Hill

Wednesday, March 5 Visitors 7:30 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.

Todmorden

Thursday, March 13 Visitors 7:30 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.

The Beaches

Thursday, March 6 Visitors 7:30 pm 1100 Millwood Rd.

Birch Cliff

Friday, March 14 Visitors 7:30pm 13 Chisholm Ave.

Scarboro

Monday, March 10 Banquet 6:30 pm Visitors 7:30 pm 457 Kingston Rd W.

Acacia

Monday, March 18 Visitors 7:30 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.

FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

OH CANADA!!!!!

Brethren of Toronto East District,

After 16 days, 24 medals including 2 fabulous hockey gold medals, the Olympics are done for another 2 years. What a marvellous spectacle of sport, and sportsmanship. Everyday brought new adventures for our Canadian athletes, and did they ever do us proud.

Every Olympic Games, it never ceases to amaze me, the phenomenal achievements by the athletes. They certainly apply the lessons we learn about our 1st degree working tools to perfection. The determination, perseverance and commitment is something we can all learn from.

A special congratulations goes out to Bro. Brad Jacobs and his curling rink from Sault Ste. Marie on their Gold medal performance. Brad is the IG in his lodge in the Soo.

On February 15, we had our Inaugural Toronto East District Chilli Cook-off and fundraiser. Thank you to The Guardians for their wonderful work. Special thanks to the brother whose idea the event was; Bro. Russ Richardson of The Beaches Lodge. From the moment Russ mentioned the idea to me and his group, he worked tirelessly to ensure its success. And a success it was. Enough funds were raised to purchase and place 1 MIKEY unit. Fantastic work brethren. And Russ, don't worry your hair will grow back. After careful deliberation, a winner of the cook off had to be picked, and I'm happy to report that Bro. Joe Curry (who is on the front cover of the latest Ontario Mason Magazine) was declared the winner. Well done Joe, you have won the honour of supplying the Chilli for the Grand Lodge meeting this coming July.

The Official Visit season has gotten off to a fantastic start. Those of you who have been able to attend, know that I try to deliver a talk each night that is personal in nature, with the hope that it will trigger your own interpretations. Well it certainly won't get any more personal than it will at the Official Visit of The Beaches Lodge. Bro. Joe Curry has graciously agreed that night to present a shortened version of his paper that was so well received at The London Masonic Education Conference. I am certainly looking forward to hearing Joe speak, and I urge as many of you as possible to come out on March 6 at York Temple.

The Canadian Cancer Society has designated March as Colorectal Cancer Awareness month. Many of us reading this have been affected by the seemingly countless different strains of Cancer. Don't be embarrassed. Get your proper examinations. A large number of us are at the age where we are considered higher risk for these types of cancers. Be proactive. Get your colonoscopies done. Trust me; any embarrassment will be short lived.

I don't know about you brethren, but I'm pretty tired of this cold. Spring is just around the corner; seems like a never ending corner, but it is. Next week, the days will get longer with movement of the clocks, and in no time, we will be in shorts and sandals again. Pass the time in the WARM welcome and fellowship of your brethren at the upcoming Official Visits. The District Secretary and I would be so happy to see many of you there. Bring some of your Lodges newer Masons. Introduce them to that great privilege of visitation that we enjoy. You and they won't regret it.

Fraternally,

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. Donations can be made directly to The Masonic Foundation of Ontario project number 2547

Gerry Newall: g.newall@sympatico.ca

Latest Update from T.E.M.C

(click www.tinyurl.com/TEMC032014 for current issue)

New Ontario Mason Magazine – Current issue

(click on www.tinyurl.com/OMMWinter2014 for current issue)

Mechanics of The Work

March 1st and 8th 9 am – 12 pm (approx)
East Toronto Masonic Temple

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

West Hill Oldies Dance

Saturday March 1 6 pm – Social 7:30 pm - Dinner St. Dunstan of Canterbury Church (56 Lawson Rd)

\$30.00 pp

Gerry Ouellette: gerry.ouellette@rogers.com / 416 412 1572

T.E.M.C. Pancake Brunch with a Touch of New Temple

Saturday March 8 9 am - 2:00 pm East Toronto Masonic Temple

Join us in the banquet hall for a brunch of pancakes, bacon, juice, coffee and tea. Some members of the New Temple Building Committee will also be on hand to share the progress to date and will endeavour to answer questions.

All donations gratefully received David Mason: david.mason.toronto@gmail.com / 416 402 8657

Rainbow Girls - Pancake Luncheon

Sunday March 16 1:00 pm Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

Cost: \$ 8.00 pp \$ 30.00 family of four Barb McGregor: <u>barb.mcgregor@rogers.com</u> / 416 282 4254

Caledonia - Annual Irish Night

Monday March 17 7:30 pm - lodge opens 8:05 pm - non-Masonic guests York Masonic Temple

> Cost: \$ 35.00 pp Bryan Piper: <u>brianpyper@rogers.com</u>

Wexford - Whisky Education Night

Friday March 21 8:00 pm Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

For all you whisky aficionados and whisky aficionado wannabes, come out and sample some of the many kinds and tastes of single malt scotch. Proceeds to go to the district charity

Lots of food will be provided.

Cost: \$ 50.00 for 5 to 8 shots of scotch \$ 20.00 for non-drinkers for food and education Maher Eid: <u>cici20101998@yahoo.com</u> / 416 723 5507

Mechanics of the Work Class

Monday, March 24 7:30 pn Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

Scarboro Lodge will sponsor an evening of learning the way it is to be done exactly as stated in the 2013 Book of the Work.

Scarboro will hold a short meeting to do a ballot and then the class will start about 7:30 pm.

Dress is casual, no regalia, IF you are just attending the class.

There will be light refreshments after the class with a small amount of instruction as to how a banquet is to be conducted.

Bob Steenson: <u>bob.steenson@ontarioair.com</u> / 905 831 5054 Dennis Rankin: <u>kdrankin@pathcom.com</u> / 416 691 1704

GLCPO - Charles A. Sankey Lecture

Sunday March 30 3:00 pm Brock University (500 Glenridge Ave., St. Catharines)

Dr. Renée Lafferty-Salhany, Associate Professor, Department of History at Brock University will speak about: "Brothers in Arms: Freemasons and the War of 1812".

In lieu of charging for admission, a [tax deductible] contribution is requested to The Masonic Foundation of Ontario,
Brock University Partnership Project Number 2937

For information about the Sankey Lecture series www.sankeylectures.ca.

Gareth Taylor: garethtaylor@rogers.com

An Evening with M. W. Bro. Ronald E. Groshaw

Monday March 31 6 pm – Social 7:30 pm - Dinner Le Parc Banquet Hall (8432 Leslie St., Thornhill)

Join us all to celebrate the wonderful Masonic career and accomplishments of M. W. Bro. Ronald E. Groshaw, 30 years a past Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. Ladies and Non Masons guests are very welcome.

Cost: \$65.00 pp

Richard Lundy: richard.lundy@sympatico.ca / 416 266 8107

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of Toronto - Master Mason Night

Thursday May 29 York Masonic Temple

All Master Masons who wish to learn more about Freemasonry are invited to a night consisting of a dramatic presentation of one of our degrees followed by a reception and dinner. Master Masons who are not members of Scottish Rite who request it will receive an invitation and free admission to the evening.

Cost: \$ 10.00 for members

Elroy J. MacKinnon: elroy@sympatico.ca / 416 669 2777

Upcoming Official Visits

Brougham Union	April 2
Wexford	April 4
Mimosa (in Aurora)	April 7
Markham Union	April 9
Coronati	April 10
Caledonia	April 14
Riverdale J.R.R.	April 15