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<u>The Beaches</u>	<u>West Hill</u>	<u>Scarboro</u>	<u>Universe</u>	<u>Acacia</u>
Thursday, March 1 Banquet 6:30 pm \$ 20 Visitors 7:30 pm 1100 Millwood Rd.	Wednesday, March 7 Visitors 7:30 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.	Monday, March 12 Banquet 6:30 pm Visitors 7:30 pm 13 Chisholm	Tuesday, March 13 Banquet 6:30 pm Visitors 7:30 pm 13 Chisholm	Monday, March 19 Visitors 7:30 pm 13 Chisholm Ave.

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

Brethren,

February was truly a fun month. We had 3 Official Visits where both The District Secretary and I were warmly welcomed.

March is shaping up to be another great one. We have 5 Official Visits in March which is nearly a third of our overall count. There are also a few years of service pin presentations as well as some social activities. So if you haven't had a chance to get out to an Official Visit or to participate in one of the many activities I highly recommend it.

As I travel throughout our District, I see an optimism which I haven't seen in quite some time. Lodges are initiating new members. A lot of Lodges have Master Masons in the more senior Chairs. There are events being planned in Lodge as well as socially. Brethren keep up the great work you are doing.

If it is your first time visit that Lodge let me know. It is great seeing so many of the same faces each time. Maybe some of the "regulars" can bring along a new face or three? If so please introduce me.

If any Lodge would like to jump on the band wagon with Grand Lodge (or District) presentations just reach out to your District Chairman. I am sure he will help you out.

What has your Lodge done differently so far this year? Have you tried out something new? If you are having success with a particular approach, why not share it? Whether you are a new Mason or more experienced one please feel free to share with me your thoughts. I am here, after all to serve you and your Lodges.

Here's a suggestion (or 4): Maybe a Lodge wants to have the guys from the "Saturday morning class" come out during the evening to their Lodge for some Mechanics of the Work instruction and invite the other Lodges in the District? Or maybe invite our youth groups out for a presentation? Or socially, maybe challenge another Lodge to a bowling competition? Or maybe support our Youth groups by sponsoring a cooking experience? I believe we have 1 or 2 chefs in our District. Maybe they can teach our Youths how to prepare a special meal? Maybe the youth groups can then prepare the meal and sell us some tickets with the money going back to their groups?

Remember: It is YOUR Lodge and YOUR District and YOUR Grand Lodge. Let's all work together to make it the best and most active that we can. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the coming days.

As always may the Great Architect of the Universe look after you and yours. S&F,

Fraternally,

R. W. Bro. Ross E. McOuat  
District Deputy Grand Master  
Toronto East District

## DISTRICTEVENTS

### Mechanics of The Work

March 3 & 10  
9 am – 12 pm  
East Toronto Masonic Temple

The work is from the 2017 black Book of The Work.

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### Alpha-Tuscan Heritage Celebrations

Join Alpha-Tuscan Lodge as they celebrate a selection of the diversity in Toronto East District with 3 cultural Heritage Nights. Experience different cuisine and entertainment.

<u>March 1</u> African Night	<u>April 5</u> English Night	<u>May 17</u> Scottish Night
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### West Hill Oldies Dance

Saturday March 3 6 pm – Social 7:30 pm - Dinner  
St. Dunstan of Canterbury Church (56 Lawson Rd )

Cost: \$35.00 ea  
Dennis Wilson: [wm.westhill670@bell.net](mailto:wm.westhill670@bell.net)  
Earle Goodwin: [egoodwin@rogers.com](mailto:egoodwin@rogers.com)

### Caledonia Lodge Heritage Night

Monday, March 19  
York Masonic Temple

Join us as we celebrate our Scottish and Irish heritage, with good food, great entertainment and wonderful fellowship.

All are welcome

Alex Wilson: [alexdwilson@gmail.com](mailto:alexdwilson@gmail.com)

### The Imperial East Gate Lodge Whisky Night

Friday, March 30 Social 6 pm Presentation 7 pm  
East Toronto Masonic Temple

Join us for a wonderful 4 course dinner as we tour the different whisky regions of Scotland.

Open to ladies and non-masons alike.

Tickets: \$ 80 Wine and dinner (no whisky): \$ 35

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### The Imperial East Gate Centennial Celebration

Wednesday, May 30  
Dinner: 6pm Lodge: 7:30 pm

The Worshipful Master invites you to join the officers and members of The Imperial East Gate Lodge, as they welcome M. W. Bro. Paul E. Todd on the occasion of their Centennial.

We will have a wonderful dinner, followed by the ceremony investing the Lodge and members with Gold Regalia.

Tickets are expected to go fast. To reserve your tickets, please contact either the secretary or Junior Warden of the Lodge.

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### 7th Annual Black Tie Gala

Saturday June 16  
Cocktails 6 pm Dinner 7 pm Dancing 9 pm  
Ajax Convention Center

See your Senior Warden

### Black Creek Pioneer Village Lodge

Did you know there was a Masonic Lodge at Black Creek Pioneer Village? For years, Mason's of our Jurisdiction have acted as interpreters during opening hours meeting and answering question from the public in this quaint old Lodge room.

Over time, the number of interpreters has fallen and we are now at the point that many days during the month, the Lodge exhibit is closed. We are looking for new interpreters to keep this wonderful Masonic exhibit running. Time commitment is not great. If you have 1 day a month free that you can assist, please contact members of The Heritage Lodge who can put you in touch with the organizers of the interpreters.

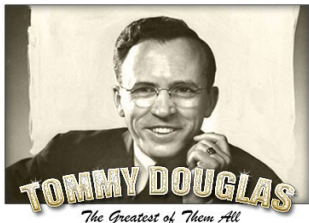
### Upcoming Official Visits

<b>Brougham Union</b>	April 4
<b>Markham Union</b>	April 11
<b>Caledonia</b>	April 16

### Installations

<b>The Imperial East Gate</b>	April 14
<b>The Beaches</b>	May 3

### Who Am I



*Did you guess the famous Mason outlined in February's The Builder?  
Some of you did. It was Tommy Douglas.  
If you did, did you also know that he is the grandfather of Keiffer Sutherland?*

*See if you can guess this famous Mason.*

*I introduced and produced Canada's first automobile and started what is known today as General Motors of Canada. My father produced horse-drawn carriages and cutters and his company was the largest builder of carriages in the British Commonwealth. My brother, John, invented ginger ale and started the company known as Canada Dry.*

*In 1931, I was appointed honorary colonel of the Ontario regiment, a position I held until 1967. In that same year, I was appointed a Companion of the Order of Canada. Through my foundation, considerable sums of money have been donated to the University of Toronto, Queen's University, University of Guelph and York University, as well as the Royal Ontario Museum.*

*I was an avid racer and breeder of horses and won several prestigious races including the Queen's Plate three times and the Belmont Stakes. I was inducted into the Canada Sports Hall of Fame in 1963 and the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame in 1977.*

*Oh, and by the way, I was a Mason!*