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The Beaches Installation

Friendship Lodge Installation

Thursday, May 1 Visitors @ 730 pm York Masonic Temple Wednesday, May 14 Banquet \$ 10 @ 630 pm Visitors @ 730 pm Doric Pickering Masonic Temple

FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Brethren of Toronto East District,

I do not know about you, but I am certainly ready for some warm days. Hopefully not too long now.

As the calendar turns to May, we start to come to the stark realization that our Masonic year is rounding the final turn into the last straight away. I seems like only yesterday we celebrated our Fraternity at our annual Communication. Not sure where the time has gone. While we may start thinking and planning for the third week of July, we have to slow down as there are still plenty of events going on in the District. The Master's elect of both The Beaches and Friendship Lodge would, I am sure enjoy your support at their upcoming night. And of course, we do have one Official Visit left in June.

Throughout this year, I have not made a habit of promoting events in this message. I'm going to deviate from that now as the events I'm going to talk about are very important.

First of all, the District Meeting scheduled for May 30 is cancelled. My mother will still be here and I want to spend as much time with her as possible. Watch for a rescheduled date. I ask brother secretaries to pass this important message on to your members.

On May 25, we have the Toronto East District Annual Divine Service. This year is very special for the annual event as it is being held at The Grand Master's own church in Markham. I am sure he would really enjoy seeing many of you out to support our craft. The annual service is one of a few times we wear our Regalia in public. Let us show the congregation of St. Andrews our strength and support.

A few weeks following will be our 3rd Annual Black and White Gala. W. Bro. Bill Willis and W. Bro. Greig King, along with their committee have been working very hard to ensure another wonderful night. Our guest speaker this year will actually be a tandem. Mr. Hugh Heron, the founder of The Mikey Network will be speaking. He will be accompanied by Mr. Andrew Rosbrook. During the Toronto Marathon last year, Andrew collapsed from a sudden cardiac arrest and was resuscitated by a Mikey defibrillator. As you all know, I have chose The Mikey Network for this year's charity and these men will tell you, and show you by their presence the difference Mikeys can and do make. We are still looking for locations to place the Mikey units. We have already place three and have two more in the works. Please have a look around at the places you frequent. Could they use a defibrillator? Bring them forward to either V. W. Bro. Gerry Newall or myself.

Finally on Wednesday, July 16, at The Royal York we will celebrate the annual Grand Master's banquet. As The Grand Master is from Toronto East District, it would be great to fill the room. We already have 5 tables sold. Brethren, if you can make the banquet, please do. Tickets are \$ 60 and can be ordered from R. W. Bro. Keith Jones at lbj@telizon.ca.

On a personal note, May is a very important month in my life. Many of you have offered congratulations and words of encouragement. Marina and I are truly grateful for your kind wishes. As I embark on this new phase, I know that I am prepared to be the husband she deserves. Masonry has guided and molded me into the man I am today and prepared me for this challenge. The combination of our Craft and Marina have certainly taken this man and made him better. To quote a famous brother, "Be always at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbours, and let each New Year find you a better man."

I want to leave you brethren with a question. Have you put into practice your Masonic principles today? Gandhi taught us "You may never know what results come of your action, but if you do nothing there will be no result". I challenge you to get results. The smallest act can sometimes lead to the greatest benefit.

I wish you all the very best, and may the GAOTU look over you and your families.

Fraternally,

R. W. Bro. David J Neave District Deputy Grand Master

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

Doric Lodge E-Waste Collection

Saturday May 3 & 24 10 am – 2 pm Doric Pickering Masonic Hall

Our goal is to divert 40,000 lb. of electronic waste from landfills. Less than 12% of electronics are recycled, yet they count for 70% of toxins in landfills. Over the next 60 days (ending May 31), we will be collecting all donations of electronic waste, batteries, scrap metal, plus pop cans, beer bottles or cans and liquor bottles.

Corey Rick: <u>biggest_smile@hotmail.com</u> / 905 622 6561

Scarboro Lodge Annual MS Walk

Sunday May 4 8 am - Check in 10 am - Start Willow Park Junior Public School 45 Windover Dr., Toronto

Frank MacKay: frank mackay@hotmail.com

Brougham Union Education Night

Wednesday, May 7 7:30 pm Claremont Masonic Hall

The Claremont Masons Present: Professor Nick Eyles, Department of Geology, University of Toronto for a talk titled: ONTARIO ROCKS;

3 BILLION YEARS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE (This will be an audio/visual presentation)

Lou Lombardi @ loulombardi@xplornet.ca or 905.649.3003

Grand Junior Warden Degree Team

Wednesday, May 7 7:30 East Toronto Masonic Temple

The GJW degree team led by Toronto East District's very own R. W. Bro Walter Drane

The Winding Staircase

Women in Freemasonry
Friday May 9 12 noon
University of Toronto Faculty Club
41 Willcocks St. (just off Spadina Ave., south of Bloor St.)

Please purchase tickets via the PayPal button at our website Cost: \$35.00

thewindingstaircase@gmail.com or 416 978 6325 or the website www.thewindingstaircase.com

Wexford Lodge Elvis Priestly Concert

Friday, May 23 6:30 pm - doors open 7:30 pm - show Armenian Centre (930 Progress Ave, Scarborough)

Rock on to the tunes of the guy who started it all, with his band, The Elvi's and the Vanrosi Band! Proceeds to go to Epilepsy Durham to assist them in continuing to make a difference in the lives of people living with Epilepsy.

\$25.00 pp

George Mlynek: 905 441 5771 / Gordon McHallam: 905 728 4471 Maher Eid: <u>cici20101998@yahoo.com</u> / 416 723 5507

Ontario Chapter - O.E.S. - Best Ball Golf Day

Saturday May 24 11 am - Registration Remington Parkview Golf & Country Club (6400 Steeles Ave. E.)

Proceeds to support Grandview Kids.

\$160.00 pp after March 31, 2014 \$35.00 pp - buffet dinner only (by May 1 2014) Melynda Norman-Lee: melyndanormanlee@gmail.com 416 992 4258

Toronto East District - Annual Divine Service

Sunday May 25

9:30 am – Assemble 10:00 am - Service Begins St. Andrew's United Church (32 Main St., Markham)

All are encouraged to attend, Masons, non-Masons, families and friends. Regalia are to be worn and Masters to wear their collars. The Grand Master will be in attendance

Joe Das: joedas683@gmail.com / 416 291 6444

Scottish Rite Valley 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: <u>elroy@sympatico.ca</u> / 416 669 2777

Coronati - Ladies Night

Friday June 6 6:30 pm - Social 7:30 pm - Dinner Crystal Fountain Banquet Hall \$50 pp

Ervin Aspiras: ervin ign@yahoo.com / 647 797 8852 Cleo Balsomo: ervin ign@yahoo.com / 416 293 9606

3rd Annual T.E.D. Black & White Gala

Saturday June 7

6 pm - Social 7 pm - Dinner 9 pm - Dancing Ajax Convention Centre 550 Beck Cres., Ajax (401 and Salem)

This years guest speaker will be Hugh Heron of Heathwood Homes, founder of The Mikey Network. Hugh will be joined by Andrew Rossbrook, cardiac arrest survivor

See your Senior Warden for tickets

Wexford Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday June 14
11:30 am - Registration 1 pm - T-Off 7 pm - dinner
Bushwood Golf Club (10905 Reesor Rd., Markham)
Cost: \$150 pp

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Upcoming Official Visits

Imperial EastGate June 11