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My Brethren;

Once again on behalf of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master I bring you greetings. It is nice to see the weather straightening around to spring again. April has been a busy month, and May is going to be another one. I had the pleasure of presenting two more Masonic Foundation Bursaries to students of Cambrian College on April 9. We had an Official Visit to Doric Lodge on April 10 where we welcomed Bro. Kevin Aelick into the Craft. On April 17 W. Bro. Ed Patton was installed in the chair of King Solomon in Algonquin Lodge, and we had a fairly good turnout (40 Masons) at the Divine Service here in Gore Bay on April 22, when all in attendance heard the Sudbury Manitoulin District Masonic Choir, or SUMANDIMAS Choir. On April 25, R. W. Bro. David Dainard, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee for Friend to Friend and Mentors, and R. W. Bro. Charlie Reid, speaking on the Officer Progression Program, gave two wonderful presentations at Belrock Masonic Centre. Those Brethren who missed these presentations missed an opportunity to advance your Masonic Knowledge.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to all those who are sick and/or in distressed circumstances, and to the families of those of our Brethren who have passed to the Grand Lodge Above.

Please mark your Calendar for the District Meeting which will be held on Monday, June 1, 2007 at Doric Lodge No. 455 in Little Current. Steak Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m., with the District Meeting, and the Masters and Wardens Association meeting to follow.

I have one more Official Visit to make, that being to Friendship Lodge on May 9, 2007. I hope to see any or all of you there, or at the installations of Nickel Lodge No. 427 on May 5 at 1:00 p.m., or Sudbury Lodge No. 658 on May 14. Your District is hosting a booth at the Manitoulin Trade Fair being held at the Little Current – Howland Recreation Centre in Little Current on May 4, 5, and 6. If you would like to help out, please give me a call at 282-2477. My year is winding down, but there are many important things yet to accomplish. I am looking forward to crossing paths with you during our busy time ahead. Fraternally, Peter L. Gordon District Deputy Grand Master plgordon@ontera.net

Passed to the Grand Lodge Above



Bro. John Grudzinski Nickel Lodge No. 427

Bro. Merlyn Steinke Sudbury Lodge No. 658

Bro. Larry Penton Bethel Lodge No. 699

Bro. Wendell Ranford

Doric Lodge No. 455 Affiliated March 14, 1989 from Stamford Lodge #626

Bro. Denis Jackson

From B. C. and a past member of Espanola Lodge No. 527 Brother of W. Bro. Terry Jackson Algonquin Lodge #536

Algoma East District

Bro. John Larocque Elliot Lake Lodge No. 698

Bro. William Hicks Elliot Lake Lodge No. 698 WE CHERISH THEIR MEMORY IN OUR HEARTS

Sick and Visiting

V.W. Bro. Bill V.F. Koivu Algonquin Lodge No. 536 Remains in hospital recovering from injuries sustained in a fall

Bro. Robert Dixon

Sudbury Lodge No. 658 In hospital, complications from his heart surgery continue to cause problems.

W. Bro. Ransford Galbraith Gore Bay Lodge No. 472 Recovering from knee replacement surgery

We wish them well and pray for a speedy recovery.

Doric Lodge No. 455 Official Visit of R.W. Bro. Peter L. Gordon District Deputy Grand Master



(L-R) R.W. Bro. Peter Gordon D.D.G.M. – W. Bro. Rick Belton W.M. – Bro. Kevin Aelick E.A.M. – Proud Father Bro. Aelick – R.W. Bro. Keith Legge

Of course Doric Lodge held their annual dinner prior to the meeting which is catered by the Spanish River Chapter of the Eastern Star. The brethren enjoyed the traditional Manitoulin roast beef dinner that was extra lean and extremely tender.



The brethren thank the ladies for an excellent meal and their warm hospitality.

Congratulations to Bro. Kevin Aelick on being initiated into Freemasonry during the Official Visit of R.W. Bro. Peter L. Gordon, D.D.G.M. Sudbury-Manitoulin District.

It was also a special evening for two members of Doric Lodge who received their 25 years a Mason pins. W. Bro. Robert McDonald and W. Bro. Rob Paxton received their pins from R.W. Bro. Gordon and W. Bro. Belton and were soundly congratulated by the Brethren present.



W. Bro. Paxton – R.W. Bro. Gordon – W. Bro. McDonald R.W. Bro. Peter Gordon noted that 25 years ago his father R.W. Bro. Stan Gordon was the District Deputy Grand Master and he was very pleased that he was with him.



Kevin Aelick, the candidate and most important person of the evening was seated at the head table with V.W. Bro. John Gamble and R.W. Bro. Peter Gordon. They agreed the meal had to be the best one served to date. It is very easy to understand why so many brethren from the Eastern part of the District make the pilgrimage to Little Current.

ALGONQUIN LODGE NO. 536 INSTALLATION

On Tuesday, April 17th 2007 W. Bro. Ed Patton was Installed as Worshipful Master of Algonquin Lodge No. 536. The evening was well attended by many Masons and included all the Worshipful Masters of the Sudbury-Manitoulin District.



Installing Master R.W. Bro. Allan Burns congratulates W. Bro. Ed Patton on being Installed in the Chair as the Worshipful Master of his Mother Lodge.



The new Officers for 2007-2008 Masonic Year



The Worshipful Masters of the Sudbury-Manitoulin District 2006-2007 Back Row L-R W. Bro. Douglas Bracken, Espanola Lodge No. 527 – R.W. Bro. Eric Moore, Sudbury Lodge No. 658 – W. Bro. Kip Hawley, National Lodge No. 588 – W. Bro. Sam Khoury, Friendship Lodge No. 691 – W. Bro. David Carscallen, Bethel Lodge No. 699

Front Row L-R V.W. Bro. Brian Hester, Gore Bay Lodge No. 472 – R.W. Bro. Peter Gordon D.D.G.M. – W. Bro. Ed Patton, Algonquin Lodge No. 536 – W. Bro. Rick Belton, Doric Lodge No. 455 - W. Bro. David Kennedy, Nickel Lodge No 427

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO OUR BRETHREN

Congratulations to Bro. Stewart Paul Nelson on his initiation into Freemasonry during the regular meeting of Espanola Lodge No. 527 on March 4th 2007.



Proud Grandfather R.W. Bro. Mulack – Bro. Nelson – W. Bro. Bracken welcome their newest member of the Lodge.

Bro. Nelson is the grandson of R.W. Bro. Rudy Mulack who has indicated he is the first of many grandsons who to be initiated into Espanola Lodge.

MAY INSTALLATION DATES

SATURDAY, May 5th 2007 Nickel Lodge Installation 1:00 pm Annual Ladies Follows. Master Elect – Bro. George Nichols

Monday, May 14th 2007 Sudbury Lodge Installation 7:30 pm Master Elect – W. Bro. Gary Cayen

D.D.G.M. OFFICIAL VISIT

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9th 2007 – Friendship Lodge No. 691 Official visit It was a busy month for Espanola Lodge No. 527. On Saturday, April 14th 2007 the brethren started their day with a delicious breakfast prepared by some of their Ladies.



Following breakfast the brethren held an Emergent meeting to Initiated Bro. Michael McKechnie into Freemasonry.



W. Bro. E. Hobbs – Bro. S. Peter – Bro. M. McKechnie – W. Bro. D. Bracken – W. Bro. P. Woods – R.W. Bro. D. Cousins

W. Bro. Earl Hobbs, the candidate's father-in-law and some brethren from several Lodges in St. Thomas District made sure they attended. They included Bro. McKechnie's brother in law W. Bro. Phillip Woods, Bro. S. Peters and R.W. Bro. Donald Cousins P.D.D.G.M. 1998 St. Thomas

April 13th 2007 – Bro. Rene Malo, Bethel Lodge No. 699 on being Initiated into Freemasonry.

April 16th 2007 – Bro. Stan Waltenbury, Sudbury Lodge No. 658 on being Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason.

April 18th 2007 – Bro. Roger Lafleur, Nickel Lodge No. 427 on being Initiated into Freemasonry.

April 27th 2007 – Bro. Daniel Phillips, Bethel Lodge No. 699 on being Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason.

Shrine Club Degree Team

On Friday April 27th 2007 members of the Sudbury Shrine Club visited Bethel Lodge No. 699 an conducted a third degree. Bro. Dan Phillips was Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason by the Cast of Shriners who conferred the degree under the direction of W. Bro. Alan Hill. As he noted before the start of the degree, the Shriners enjoy participating in the Work. It is our way of demonstrating that Freemasonry and the Craft Lodge is an important part of a Shriner's life.



Bro. Dan Phillips pictured with the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. David Carscallen and members of the Sudbury Shrine Club degree team.



After the meeting Bro. Phillips had an opportunity to pose for a few pictures.

Standing (L-R) are W. Bro. Alan Hill – Bro. Dan Phillips – W. Bro. David Carscallen – V.W. Bro. John E. Gamble.

THE FAMILY OF FREEMASONRY THE YORK RITE CONSISTS OF FOUR DISTINCT AND SEPARATE SOVEREIGN MASONIC BODIES:



District Divine Service

On Sunday, April 22nd 2007 Masons and their families attended the District Divine Service at Lyons Memorial United Church in Gore Bay.

Pastor Maxine McVey greeted the visitors with a very warm welcome.



R.W. Bro. Peter Gordon – Maxine McVey – V.W. Bro. John Gamble During the service, the members of the Sudbury-Manitoulin District Masonic Choir lead by Mrs. Marjorie Steinke filled the church with beautiful music and song to help everyone enjoy the celebration.



Sudbury-Manitoulin District Masonic Choir

At the end of the service, Pastor McVey invited the Brethren and their families to join the congregation for a light lunch and fellowship.

It was a beautiful day with temperatures in the 20's and everyone was delighted with the thoughts of a mild spring.



The Installation Dinner and Ladies Night for Nickel Lodge is fast approaching and if you have not yet got your tickets, please contact one of the brethren listed below.

Clive Stephenson 969-4853 (h) 670-5793 (w) George Nichols 522-2586 Paavo Liukko 524-3078 Brian Howe 560-2436

<u>DETAILS</u>

Saturday May 5th, 2007 Cocktails 6pm, Dinner 7pm Belrock Masonic Centre \$25/person (Installation at 1pm)

<u>JAVA GUILD AT BELROCK</u> <u>EVERY TUESDAY</u>



COME FOR COFFEE -STAY FOR LUNCH

SCOTTISH RITE FREEMASONRY

Sudbury Lodge of Perfection – held it's Annual Reunion on April 20–21, 2007

weekend. Four candidates received their 14° Grand Elect Perfect and Sublime Mason in Scottish Rite Freemasonry and have advanced their Masonic knowledge. Congratulations to Ill. Bro.'s Squire Ellor, Michael Muzia, Walter Davidson and Rob Lipic. May you continue your journey in the Scottish Rite to the 32° Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret.



The 4th Degree Cast prepare for the Secret Master Degree

The Scottish Rite is one of the two branches of Freemasonry in which a Master Mason may proceed after he has completed the three degrees of Craft Lodge Masonry.



The purpose of the Scottish Rite, simply stated, is to seek that which is the most worth in the world;

...to exalt the dignity of every person, the human side of our daily activities, and the maximum service to humanity;

...to aid mankind's search in God's universe for identity, for development and for destiny, and thereby achieve better men in a better world, happier men in a happier world and wiser men in a wiser world.

YORK RITE FREEMASONRY TUSCAN CHAPTER NO. 95 R.A.M.

The editor extends a special congratulations to Comp. Milton Ten Eycke on receiving his Mark Master Mason degree in Tuscan Chapter No. 95 on April 19th 2007.



Front Row L-R Comp. Robert Gordon – M.M.M. Al Farquharson, Milton Ten Eycke, Ed McDonald, Michael Muszia Back Row L-R Ex. Comp. Wah Chung – Ex. Comp. Paavo Liukko, First Principle – Ex. Comp. Stan Fenton

ESPANOLA CHAPTER NO. 257 R.A.M.

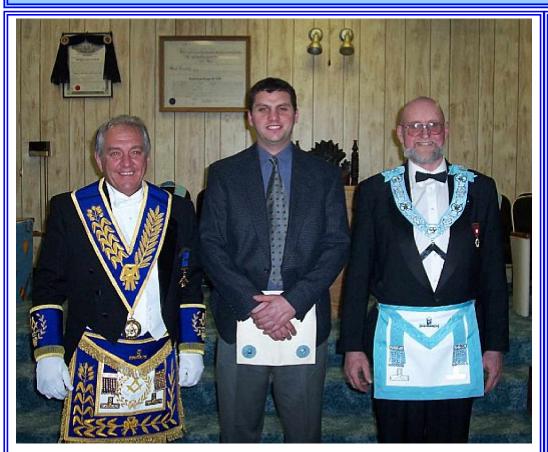


Congratulations are extended to Comp. James Gies who received the Mark Master Mason Degree in Espanola Chapter on April 17th 2007. Capitular Masonry continues to thrive and grow in Ontario District No. 14 (or the Sudbury-Manitoulin District).

Pictured (L-R)

Ex. Comp. Al Stonier – Ex. Comp. Clive Stephenson – Ex. Comp. Robert Prout

<u>News from Algoma East District</u>





By Bro. Robert Prout Secretary Elliot Lake Lodge No. 698

On Friday April 13th 2007 Bro. Wesley Kautula was Passed to the Fellow Craft Degree during the Official Visit of R.W. Bro. Patrick O'Shaughnessy.

Prior to the meeting the brethren enjoyed a Prime Rib dinner.

R.W. Bro. Patrick O'Shaughnessy – Bro. Wesley Kautula – W. Bro. Maurice MacKnight

On Wednesday night April 25th Chairmen of the Grand Lodge Brother to Brother committee R.W. Bro. Charles Reid and the Friend to Friend/Mentor committee R.W. Bro. David Dainard presented the brethren gathered with a very informative session on these two very important programs. Lodges that have utilized these programs have experienced new growth and revitalization of their membership.

The District Chairmen of the B2B committee W. Bro. Ed Rennie and the F2F and Mentor committee V.W. Bro. Doug Ashick were in attendance along with P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Wah Chung who is a member of the Grand Lodge committee.



W. Bro E. Rennie – V.W. Bro. D. Ashick – R.W. Bro. P. Gordon – R.W. Bror. C. Reid – R.W. Bro. W. Chung – R.W. Bro. D. Dainard

YOUR PICTURES ARE NEEDED FOR THE NEWSLETTER

The Sudbury-Manitoulin District newsletter needs pictures and articles about your Lodge, Masonic Family or Community. The editor will gladly add your name as guest columnist or photographer to the article. V.W. Bro. Gamble will tell you, pictures make the newsletter more interesting and fun to read.

<u>Manitoulin-Sudbury District</u> <u>News from the Western Part of the District</u>



Espanola Lodge No. 527 Event



The Knight Cruisers will be gathering on Saturday May 26th 2007 at the Espanola Complex to Espanola Complex for the 5th Annual Cruise In. Vintage automobiles will be on display and the owners will be happy to answer the many questions spectators have about their cars.

For the second year Espanola Lodge No. 527 will be making and serving breakfast at the Espanola Complex in the Upstairs hall as a fundraising event for the lodge. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 am till Noon cost is \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 per child



Its only a short ride to Espanola for a great day of family fun. Take the drive, enjoy a great breakfast and see some sweet cars.



Manitoulin Trade Fair

The Manitoulin Trade Fair will be held at the Howland Recreational Centre in Little Current on the May 4th 5th & 6th weekend. A Masonic Booth will be set up displaying Freemasonry in the Sudbury-Manitoulin District.

R.W. Bro. Peter Gordon is asking volunteers to help man the booth and address questions the public may have about the District – The Craft or why your chose to become a Mason. Contact the District Deputy <u>plgordon@ontera.net</u> and let him know when you would like to work.

Annual District Meeting and Steak Fry at Doric Lodge

Mark June 4th on your calendar because it is again time for the Annual District Meeting and Steak Fry at Doric Lodge. Brethren will enjoy famous Manitoulin steaks grilled to perfection along with bake potatoes, vegetables and salad all for \$15 a plate.



After supper stay for the Annual District Meeting and learn who is planning to run for the office of District Deputy Grand Master.

<u>Sudbury Shrine Club News</u>



The sale of the Sudbury Shrine Convention Centre is now complete. Until the Sudbury Shrine Club finds a new home the monthly meetings will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 76 in Minnow Lake.

Coming Events:

- Thursday, May 3rd 2007 Regular meeting at the Royal Canadian Legion. This will also be a night for our Ladies, Special Ladies, Candidates and their Ladies to experience an evening of fellowship and friendship. The club has made arrangements for an excellent meal. Lets consider this night as our Shrine Family Fellowship and Fun Meeting. The cost is \$20 per person which includes your meal and a complimentary glass of wine. Noble Ted Beynon, Club President invites all members of the Shrine Family to come out for some fun and fellowship.
- Thursday, May 31st 2007 The Oriental Band annual Steak Fry will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 76.
- Jun 16-17th 2007 Rameses Shrine Circus will set up at Sudbury Downs. Nobles and Masons are invited to help out with Security, Fire Watch, Sell Programs and take tickets. Approximately 20 to 25 volunteers are needed.

The Sudbury Shrine Club office is still located at the Drop In Centre 2565 The Kingsway For further information on these or other Sudbury Shrine Club activities Call Al Grigor at the Shrine Club 524-0335



Masonry In The Community By. W. Bro. Roy Eaton

During the Divine Service in Gore Bay on April 22nd 2007 unique occurrence took place when three Masons that are Presidents of the Royal Canadian Legion Branches on Manitoulin Island were together at the same time as Masons. Bro. Jim Woods President of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 514 Western Manitoulin, Bro. Bernard Andrews is President of the Manitoulin/North Shore Navy Veterans and W. Bro. Roy Eaton President of Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 177 Little Current posed for a picture together.



W. Bro. Jim Woods - Bro. Bernie Andrews - W. Bro. Roy Eaton - R.W. Bro. Peter Gordon