Information from the Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario

From the Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Alberta:

Brethren:

It would appear that Freemasons are also the target for bilkers. The above noted has travelled in our Province and most recently in the Didsbury/Olds area. He claims to be a Brother Master Mason who has been struck with tough times. His Modus Operandi is as follows:

- Brother Master Masons from Moncton, NB
- Looking for a job
- Going through a messy divorce - needs help financially
- Claims to have a child in special needs - needs financial support
- Approaches on Thursday or Fridays for help
- Needs money for rent
- Claims a cheque from Unemployment coming on Monday
- Disappears over night
- Claims his vehicle is inoperable
- Claims to be working for Precision Drilling in the Didsbury/Olds area

Vaughan is about 40 years old. He has received some money from Freemasons. He has apparently been successful in Manitoba.

This man is not a Freemason. He has come to the attention of this office in previous years, but not successful in receiving any financial support from the Grand Lodge. I do believe that he has come to the Calgary Freemasons Hall after hours looking for financial help, on occasions he has been successful and other times the Lodge members have sent him travelling. Please be aware of this individual and do not allow yourself or the Lodge to be bilked.

Fraternally yours,

Jerry W. Kopp
Grand Secretary
The Grand Lodge of Alberta
ESPNOLA MASONIC LODGE # 527
FUNSPIEL 2008

TWENTY EIGHTH ANNUAL CURLING “FUNSPIEL”
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2008
DINNER, PRIZES AND A LOT OF LAUGHS
FOR MASONS AND FRIENDS
PROCEEDS TO ESPANOLA LODGE BURSARY FUND

ENTRY FEE;
$30.00 PER CURLER …. $60.00 PER COUPLE
ESPNOLA CURLING RINK …. ACROSS FROM THE LODGE
**FIRST PRIZE …. THE BOB WRIGHT MEMORIAL PLAQUE**
FIRST DRAW 8:00 A.M. …. FIRST 20 RINKS ACCEPTED
FREE COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS IN THE MORNING
LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE CURLING CLUB

TO REGISTER PLEASE SEND PAYMENT AND FORM TO:
GORDON FRASER
BOX 846, 22 CHURCH STREET
COPPER CLIFF, ON P0M 1N0
OR CALL AND CONFIRM ENTRY WITH GORD AT (705)682-9294
**MAKE MY JOB EASY AND ENTER EARLY**

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO GORDON R. FRASER

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Espanola Chapter No. 257 R.A.M.

On Saturday, December 1, 2007 Espanola Chapter No. 257 Royal Arch Masons Installed the new Officers for 2008. Congratulations to Ex. Companions Al Stonier First Principal, Robert Prout Second Principal and Roy Eaton Third Principal

Pictured below – E. Comp. Clive Stephenson is presented with his Past First Principal’s certificate by Ex. Comp. Al Stonier and R.Ex. Comp. Ken Pierce.

Grand Superintendents Past and Current gather for a picture during a break in the ceremony

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.
Algoma Chapter No. 139 Order of the Easter Star held a luncheon on Thursday, December 13, 2007 in honour of the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Matron of District 15 Alice Varey to their Chapter. The Luncheon held at Bridges Restaurant in Sudbury saw many members attend and greet the District Deputy.

(L-R) Betty Ann Dixon, Worthy Matron – Alice Varey, District Deputy Grand Matron District 15 – Marilyn Maloney, Past Matron and President of the Past Matrons and Past Patrons Club.
RAMESES SHRINERS

BY NOBLE WAH CHUNG

presented with a prestigious 50 Year a Shriner service pin

(Masonic Symbols and Images)

R.W. Bro. Ed Rennie D.D.G.M. presents a $1,000 donation to the Telethon from the Sudbury Manitoulin District Freemasons

MASONRY IN THE COMMUNITY

Masons from various Lodges in the District volunteered their time to man the phone lines during the Sudbury Lions Club Annual Children’s Christmas Telethon held on December 1st 2007 and hosted by CT V.