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Special Presentation of Grand Lodge Certificate

During the regular Java Guild luncheon on March 11th 2008, Bro. Dalton Rouse of National Lodge No. 588 was presented his Grand Lodge Certificate. On hand for the special occasion was Dalton's father Claire.



Bro. Dalton Rouse is a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, in Northern Alberta and happened to be in town for a visit. Since he would not be able to attend his regular lodge meeting it was decided to present his certificate at this time.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Doric Lodge No. 455 – D.D.G.M. Official Visit on Tuesday, April 8th 2008. Dinner @ 6:00 pm tickets \$15 contact W. Bro. Rick Belton, Secretary

Algonquin Lodge No. 536 – Installation & Investiture of Officers – Tuesday, April 15th 2008

Sudbury Shrine Club – Penny Farthing Unit hosts their Annual Italian Spaghetti Night at Belrock on Saturday, April 12th 2008. Tickets available from the Sudbury Shrine Club or any Unit member

Scottish Rite – Sudbury Lodge of Perfection Annual Reunion Friday, April 18th and Saturday, April 19th 2008

District Divine Service – 10:00 am Sunday, April 27th 2008 at the Church of The Epiphany 85 Larch Street Sudbury



Sick and Visiting

W. Bro. Al Stonier Nickel Lodge No. 427

Bro. Harvey Dorrisfield Espanola Lodge No. 527

W. Bro. Mike Gravelle Algonquin Lodge No. 536

> **Bro. Ted Bryant** Algonquin Lodge No. 536

Bro. Ron Green Bethel Lodge No. 699 We wish them well and pray for a speedy recovery.

JAVA GUILD AT BELROCK EVERY TUESDAY



COME FOR COFFEE – STAY FOR LUNCH



D.D.G.M. OFFICIAL VISIT TO NICKEL LODGE NO. 427



Nickel Lodge No. 427 invites you and your Lady to their 4th Annual Nickel Lodge Ladies Night (Installation Dinner). Tickets are now on sale for \$25.00 each.

The Installation is Saturday, May 3rd 2008 at 1:00 pm which will be followed with the Annual Ladies Night at the Belrock Masonic Centre. Join us for Cocktails at 6:00 pm and a first rate Dinner to be served at 7:00 pm. Dancing with music from one of the best DJ's in Sudbury immediately following the meal.

To reserve your tickets call

Clive Stephenson 969-4853 or 670-5792 Brian How 560-2436 Al Stonier 524-6583

The brethren guarantee a fine meal (wine on each table) dancing to a top-notch DJ and the companionship of friends.



The Editor has been assured this crew will not be cooking the meal for the Nickel Lodge Ladies Night dinner.





W.Bro. Doug Bracken W.M. – Bro. Bradley S. Bracken – V.W. Bro. Clair Bracken Proud Father – Bro. Dennis Bracken

Father and son now brothers in lodge.



Congratulations to **Bro. Mazen Saleh** of Friendship Lodge No. 691 on his being Passed to the Second or Fellowcraft Degree on March 12th 2008.

Congratulations to **Bro. Daniel Cluff, Bethel Lodge No. 699** on his Initiation into our great fraternity and gentle craft on March 14th 2008. Wednesday, March 5th 2008 was a special evening for Espanola Lodge No. 527, as the Worshipful Master's nephew became the newest member of our fraternity. W. Bro. Doug Bracken the Worshipful Master of Espanola Lodge welcomed his paternal brothers V.W. Bro. Clair Bracken and Bro. Dennis Bracken both members of Friendship Lodge No. 691 who were there to participate in the initiation ceremony of Clair's son Bradley.

The lodge room had many brethren from Espanola and Friendship Lodges in attendance.

Congratulations Bro. Bradley Bracken on your fist step into Freemasonry.



Congratulations to Bro. Rob Sime of Sudbury Lodge No. 658 on being Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on March 17th 2008.



Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation



On February 15th 2008 the North Eastern Medical School at Laurentian University received a generous bursary donation from the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation.

Ill. Bro. J. David Bell T.P.G.M. of the Sudbury Lodge of Perfection, accompanied by Ill. Bro. Ross Dixon 33 degrees and member of the Imperial Council presented the cheque to the Medical School on behalf of the Scottish Rite Foundation.



NEWS FROM OTTAWA DISTRICT 1

Congratulations to Bro. Allan Liimtainen who was Initiated in Freemasonry on Wednesday, March 19th 2008 at Hazeldean Lodge No. 517 during the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. Donald Healey.

Bro. Liimtainen is the brother in law of R.W. Bro. Brian V. Koivu, Past D.D.G.M. Sudbury-Manitoulin District and son in law to the late V.W. Bro. V.F. Koivu.

Algonquin Lodge No. 536 Presents A Craftsman's Square

Algonquin Lodge presented a one act play during their regular meeting on March 18th 2008 titled the Craftsman's Square.

A story of a young Entered Apprentice who is eager to be tested as a Craftsman but before he proves his work approached the wise old Master to prove his square true. During this time he learns lessons about the Craft and himself from the Master and his Wardens.

This play was resurrected with the assistance of R.W. Bro. Alex Grey who had carefully preserved it in his archives. Initially performed in Algonquin Lodge many years earlier with the following brethren as cast: W. Bro. Mel Hodgins – Worshipful Master W. Bro. Mel Hodgins – Worshipful Master W. Bro. Tom Newburn – Sr. Warden W. Bro. Norm Hore – Jr. Warden P. W. Bro. Alax Gray as the Entared Apprentice

R.W. Bro. Alex Grey as the Entered Apprentice.

The play was written by W. Bro. C.E. Rich P.M. – P.Z. in 1952. It is a short play and is for Masonic Education. Any lodge that is interested in obtaining a copy may contact <u>R.W. Bro. Allan Burns.</u>



(L-R) W. Bro. J. DelaBosca – W. Bro. Dario Mancuso W.M. – W. Bro. J. Gallagher - Bro. Allan Liimtainen – W. Bro. M.K. Pierce – R.W. Bro. B.V. Koivu candidate's brother in law – R.W. Bro. Donald Healey D.D.G.M. Ottawa District l



The Cast L-R W. Bro. Merv Lees the Sr. Warden – Bro. Casey Stranges the young Entered Apprentice with much to learn -W. Bro. Bill Fuller the Wise Master and W. Bro. Mike Mahaffy the Jr. Warden.

With the tools used to teach Masons how to square their lives.







The Sudbury Lodge of Perfection would like to remind its members of the Annual Reunion will take place Friday, April 18th and Saturday, April 19th 2008 at the Belrock Masonic Centre.

We have 18 candidates in our class this year and would like to see many Scottish Rite Masons attend the reunion and support our newest members.



Relay For Life

W. Bro. Ben Mullen and Bro. Roger Kitching of Friendship Lodge No. 691 have registered a Sudbury-Manitoulin District Masons team that will be in the Canadian Cancer Society's all night Relay For Life on June 6th 2008 at the Laurentian University track.



The team consists of Masons and their families who are working hard to raise money for the many programs funded in North Eastern Ontario by the Canadian Cancer Society. The relay starts at 7:00 pm with a Survivor's lap immediately followed by all participating teams. At 11:00pm a Luminary ceremony takes place, all of the stadium lights are dimmed with lighting only from the thousands of candles that surround the track

If you would like to join the team or make a donation please contact W. Bro. Ben Mullen or Bro. Roger Kitching.

Concordant News & Views

Mavar Preceptory No. 65 On Thursday, March 27th 2008 three Companions of the Royal Arch received the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross. Congratulations to Companions James Angus, Brian Bigelow and Robert Brown on your further advancement in Freemasonry.



Candidates (L-R) Comp. J.R. Brown - Comp. G.E.J. Angus -Comp. B.J. Bigelow



The Council awaits entry to the Chamber



Making sure that none but true Knights of the Red Cross enter.



Knights of the Temple prepare to welcome the newest Knights of the Order of the Red Cross.

Of course if you get by the first set of guards you are then met by two more that really know their business too.









<u>A Message From The Ministry Of Transportation</u> watch for

Emergency Vehicles

There are two situations where motorists will encounter an emergency vehicle on our roads and highways: when a police, fire or ambulance vehicle is approaching from either direction or when any of these vehicles, with their lights flashing, is stopped in the same direction on the road or the shoulder ahead. Fire and ambulance vehicles will use flashing red lights and police vehicles may use either flashing red lights alone or a combination of flashing red and blue lights.

As of June 4, 2007, police departments vehicles may use flashing blue lights in combination with flashing red lights. Some police services will continue using flashing red lights only.

Motorists should respond to police vehicles with flashing blue and red lights in the same way they respond to flashing red lights.





Reacting to an approaching emergency vehicle

As required by law, a motorist who sees or hears an emergency vehicle must clear the way. When a police, fire or ambulance vehicle is approaching from either direction, with lights flashing or siren on, motorists are required to pull to the right, and if possible, stop. This is especially important during peak traffic times. Also, motorists must yield to an emergency vehicle at intersections.



It is also illegal to follow within 150 metres a fire vehicle or ambulance responding to a call.

Failing to pull over and stop for an approaching emergency vehicle can result in the following:

Fine - \$90 (\$125 in a Community Safety Zone), plus 3 demerit points on your driving record upon conviction.

Approaching a stopped emergency vehicle

Enforcing the law and providing emergency assistance often require emergency vehicles to park in a lane or on the shoulder of a road or highway.

To increase safety, Ontario's Highway Traffic Act now requires motorists approaching a stopped police, fire or ambulance vehicle with its lights* flashing to slow down and pass with caution.



This applies to all police, fire and ambulance vehicles that are stopped in the same direction of travel, either in a lane or on the shoulder of a road or highway. *Fire vehicles and ambulances use flashing red lights. Police vehicles may use flashing red lights or a combination of flashing blue and red lights.

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First Offence - \$400 to \$2,000, plus 3 demerit points upon conviction

Subsequent Offence (within 5 years) - \$1,000 to \$4,000, possible jail time up to 6 months and possible suspension of driver's licence for up to 2 years.

Road Safety. It starts with you.

A Public Service Message from the Ministry of Transportation