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From The District Deputy My Brethren All,

I'd like you to think about the distinguishing characteristic of a Mason's heart....

I mean Charity, and its cousin Benevolence.

One needs to only open the paper or watch the news to understand the current state of the world's economics. Plant closures and layoffs spin off to support sectors and affect whole cities and communities.

What can you do about it?

Remember that peculiar moment when you were accepted into our gentle Craft, then do what you can to help.

Help also means letting Brethren know if you or another Brother are in distress. We have Brethren ready to enable the assistance that is available both at the District and Provincial level. We are fortunate to have W. Bro. Willis Campbell as the District Chairman of Benevolence, and our very own R.W. Bro. J. David Bell, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Benevolence Committee.

We can't help if we don't know.

The month of March is an especially exciting month in the Masonic Calendar:

- *Our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Alan J. Petrisor and his lovely wife will be in our District for a reception in his honour on **Friday March 20th***
- *I will be visiting my own Lodge, Nickel Lodge No. 427 on **March 4th**, for my Official Visit*
- *W. Bro. Sam Khoury will be conducting a District Brother-to-Brother seminar on **Saturday March 28th**. Java Guild will be providing refreshment.*
- *I count **9** degrees scheduled in the month. Outstanding!*

Take care Brethren. I look forward to sitting with you in Lodge and meeting you at our social events

Fraternally,

Rob Fleming

DDGM

Sudbury Manitoulin District



PASSED TO THE GRAND LODGE ABOVE



Bro. Don Rawling

Nickel Lodge No. 427

Bro. Cam Shortts

Sudbury-Manitoulin District

Bro. Robert McLatchie

Sudbury Lodge No. 658

W. Bro. Ronal Coventry

Elliot Lake Lodge No. 698

R.W. Bro. Terry McGuire

Triune Lodge No. 15

Deputy Imperial Potentate

Shriners International

WE CHERISH THEIR MEMORY IN OUR HEARTS

Sick and Visiting

V. W. Bro. Don Maki

Bethel Lodge No. 699

R. W. Bro. Wah Chung

Friendship Lodge No. 691

W. Bro. Jim Angus

Elliot Lake Lodge No. 698

We wish them well and pray for their full recovery



Happy St. Patrick's Day



**Friendship Lodge No. 691
Installation**



(Front L-R) R.W. Bro. Robert Gordon – W. Bro. Ross King I.M. – W. Bro. Sam Khoury – W. Bro. Brian Post, Worshipful Master – Bro. Rob Lipic – R.W. Bro. Rob Fleming
(Middle L-R) V.W. Bro. Brian Stoddart – W. Bro. Oliver Koski – W. Bro. Ben Mullen – W. Bro. Bernie Villeneuve
(Back L-R) Bro. Roger Kitching – V.W. Bro. Clair Bracken – W. Bro. Lyle Redden, I.P.M. – W. Bro. Milt Fleming, District Secretary – Bro. John Mischczak

Friendship Lodge No. 691 held their annual Installation of Officers on Saturday, February 14th 2009.

Congratulations to W. Bro. Brian Post the new Worshipful Master and the Officers and Brethren of Friendship Lodge.



Installing Master, W. Bro. Ross King congratulates W. Bro. Brian Post and presents him with his gavel that was crafted by V.W. Bro. Clair Bracken and given to the new Worshipful Master on behalf of the brethren of Friendship Lodge.



V.W. Bro. John Gilpin an honorary member of Friendship Lodge who will celebrate his 93rd birthday on Thursday, February 19th 2009. V.W. Bro. Gilpin will also be marking his 60th year as a Mason later this year.



(L-R) R.W. Bro. Robert J. Fleming – W. Bro. Brian Post and his Father in Law Bro. Barry Pickering from Huntsville



A few Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers came to congratulate W. Bro. Post. (Front L-R) R.W. Bro. Robert Gordon – R.W. Bro. Robert T. Runciman – W. Bro. Post – R.W. Bro. Robert J. Fleming DDGM (Middle) R.W. Bro. Eric T. Moore – R.W. Bro. Jim M. Thomson – R.W. Bro. Brian V. Koivu (Back) R.W. Bro. J. David Innes – R.W. Bro. Allan Burns





Nickel Lodge No. 427

Congratulations to Bro. Don Ross for being Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on Wednesday, February 4th 2009.



(Front L-R) W. Bro. Al Stonier – Bro. Don Ross – Bro. Jim Gies
(Back L-R) Bro. Brian Howe – W. Bro. Milt Fleming, District Secretary – W. Bro. Clive Stephenson, Worshipful Master.

Espanola Lodge No. 527

Congratulations to Bro. Gordon Bois on being initiated into Freemasonry as the newest E.A.M. of Espanola Lodge No. 527 on Wednesday, February 4th 2009.

W. Bro. Gordon R. Fraser sat in the East and presided over the degree on behalf of W. Bro. R. Dutton, W.M. who was enjoying some warm weather in Florida.



Espanola Lodge Officers assemble on the Level with their newest E.A.M. for a photo opportunity.

Back Row (L-R) W. Bro. Tom Sturdy – V.W. Bro. Grant Moffett – Bro. Steve McCombs – W. Bro. Eric Morphet – Bro. Jim Bailey
Middle – R.W. Bro. Rudy Mulack – Bro. Peter McIntosh – W. Bro. Doug Bracken – W. Bro. Claude Gervais
Front – Bro. Grant Mooney – W. Bro. Gord Fraser – Bro. Gordon Bois – Bro. Brian Carter – Bro. Brad Bracken – R.W. Bro. Robert J. Fleming

MARCH DATES TO REMEMBER

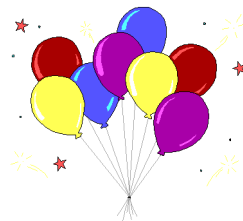
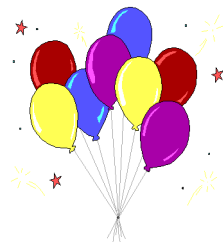
Wednesday, March 4th 2009
Nickel Lodge No. 427 D.D.G.M. Official Visit –
Dinner 6:00 pm \$12.00 per plate

Friday, March 20th 2009
Reception and Banquet for M.W. Bro. Allan J. Petrisor Grand Master at the Howard Johnson Plaza Sudbury Ontario

PLAN TO ATTEND



(L-R) R.W. Bro. Rudolph P.N. Mulack – W. Bro. Gord Fraser – Bro. Gordon Bois – R.W. Bro. Robert J. Fleming D.D.G.M.



Java Guild Celebrates
V.W. Bro. J.J. Gilpin's 93rd Birthday



A special congratulations to V.W. Bro. John J. Gilpin who celebrated his 93rd birthday Thursday, February 19th 2009. V.W. Bro. Gilpin is a regular at the Java Guild and the brethren presented him with a birthday cake in recognition of his special day. He is a member of Nickel Lodge No. 427 and an honorary member of Friendship Lodge No. 691 and will be celebrating his 60th Masonic Anniversary later this year. Above photo: R.W. Bro. Ed Rennie and V.W. Bro. Robert Storie hold the cake for John as he prepares to make the first cut.

Algonquin Lodge No. 536

Tuesday night February 17th 2009 was the annual Advance Night at Algonquin Lodge. Bro. D. Allen Bowles sat in the near east and conducted the Entered Apprentice degree with his team of officers for next year. Congratulations to Bro. Eric Lefebvre for being receiving his Entered Apprentice Degree and starting his journey into our gentle craft.



(L-R) Bro. Allen Bowles Sr. Warden – Bro. Eric Lefebvre E.A.M. – W. Bro. Dick McIvor Worshipful Master





**ATTENTION
ALL MASONS**



Masonry..
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"Brother to Brother"



The Sudbury-Manitoulin District Brother to Brother Committee invites all Masons to the Belrock Masonic Centre, 845 Regent Street Sudbury, on Saturday, March 28, 2009 for a presentation by The Grand Lodge Resources Committee

Registration at 9:00a.m.

Program begins at 9:30a.m. till 12:00 O'clock Noon.

A light lunch will be served by the Java Guild.

We are looking forward to seeing you.

W. Bro. Sam J Khoury
B2B Chairman Sudbury Manitoulin District

**Brother Jim Hunter
William Mercer Wilson Recipient**

Brethren: My name is Jeffery R. Brewe and I am the secretary for King Solomon's Lodge #378, London West District. One of our members will be receiving the William Mercer Wilson medal here on April 29th 2009. He is Bro. James Hunter who was initiated into Freemasonry by Bethel Lodge #699. Jim is a member of the Sudbury Lodge of Perfection, the Rose Croix in North Bay and the Barrie Consistory. You are most welcome to attend our meeting in April and be a part of Bro. Hunter's celebration.

Thank you.

Fraternally, W. Bro Jeffery R Brewe

King Solomon's Lodge No. 378

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MANDATE

At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in 2007, M.W. Bro. Allan J. Petrisor, Grand Master, established a Youth Initiatives Committee to explore how we might support the Masonic Youth Groups in Ontario, such as Rainbow for Girls, Job's Daughters and DeMolay for boys.

In 2008, for the first time in history, the youth groups were invited to make a presentation at the Annual Communication.

During the Grand Master's address at Grand Lodge, he announced, that for the duration of his term, it was permissible for any Mason to wear his Masonic regalia while attending a Rainbow for Girls, Job's Daughters or a DeMolay Meeting.

More importantly, the Youth Groups require our physical participation more than any financial support, to remain active and grow.

R.W. Bro. Robert J. Fleming has appointed W. Bro. Al Stonier as District Chairman of the Youth Initiatives Committee. He would like to see support in the establishment of a DeMolay chapter in the Sudbury-Manitoulin District. Brethren and lodges are invited to contact W. Bro. Stonier about forming a DeMolay for boys.



"Building Tomorrow's Leaders Today since 1919"

Started in 1919, DeMolay is a fraternal organization for young men between the ages of 12 and 21.

In order to join DeMolay, a young man must be at least 12 years old, be younger than 21, believe in God / a Supreme Being, and strive to be a good person.

Through two degrees, DeMolay teaches seven precepts or basic life principles upon which DeMolay members should base their lives:

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- Courtesy
- Comradeship
- Fidelity (faithfulness)
- Cleanness
- Patriotism



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Mr. Ernest Loiselle, Executive Officer
eo@demolayontario.org



Order of the Eastern Star Algoma Chapter No. 139

By Gordon McEwen, Past Patron

Algoma Chapter O.E.S.

Held their regular meeting on Thursday, February 12th 2009 to a Valentine's day theme. Chocolates were presented to each member and visitor as they entered for the meeting.



Denis St. Onge, Worthy Patron of Hope Chapter in Ottawa, Betty St. Onge, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on Education, Louella Ashick, Past District Deputy Grand Matron, Wes Ashick, Past Patron at the presentation of Sister Betty's 35 year pin from her mother Sister Louella. It was also Sister Louella and Wes Ashick's 67th Wedding Anniversary. A nice cake and ice cream was served after the meeting to celebrate their anniversary.

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Associate Matron Louise Laine, Sister Diane Zinkie, Brother Jervis Weir and Associate Patron Mike Chorkawky pass out Valentine chocolates at the Chapter entrance.



Associate Matron Louise Laine, Worthy Matron Sheila Marshall, Worthy Patron Fred Marshall and Associate Patron Mike Chorkawky greet members with a Valentine's chocolate.



Sister Helen Noonan, Worthy Matron of Spanish River Chapter in Little Current, Sister Marjorie Steinke, Grand Chapter Committee member on ESTARL, Sister Jo-Anne Coulter, Past Grand Matron of Ontario, Sister Betty St. Onge, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on Education and Past Grand Matron of Ontario.

Special congratulations to Brother Art McGinn on being chosen the "Special Valentine" by Sister Sheila Marshall, Worthy Matron. For many years Bro. Art has controlled the lights enhancing ...



... certain portions of the ritual – especially the opening and closing of the Bible.



Brother Alan Hill presented his Mother, Sister June Hill with her 25 year pin. On hand is Brother Gerry Hill, Chapter Sentinel and Sister June's husband.





SCOTTISH RITE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Valley of Sudbury

By. J. Ross Dixon

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine, bursary fund, east campus, Laurentian University in Sudbury, was the recipient of a \$1,000.00 donation from the Scottish Rite Charitable Foundation.

An identical donation for \$1,000.00 from the Foundation was also presented to the Northern Ontario School of Medicine, bursary fund, west campus, Lakehead University in Thunder Bay.



This is the third time that donations have been made by the Foundation to the School of medicine, bursary fund.

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine is the first new medical school to open in Canada in more than 30 years.

Making the presentation to the Northern Ontario School of Medicine east campus are (L-R) Ill. Bro. J. David Bell 32^o Immediate Past T.P.G.M. – Mr. Todd Spencer medical student and Charter Class member – Ill. Bro. J. Ross Dixon 33^o Member of the Supreme Council - Ill. Bro. Barry Tooley 32^o Thrice Puissant Grand Master of the Sudbury Lodge of Perfection.

WHAT IS COVERED BY THE LODGE OF PERFECTION?



Lodge of Perfection: The fourth to the fourteenth degrees amplify the legend of the Master Mason degree and the story of the building of King Solomon's Temple. These degrees are designed to impress more forcefully the teachings of the first three degrees. In all Lodges of Perfection the 4th, 5th, 7th 13th and 14th degrees are obligatory, and are conferred in full with the Cast wearing full dress costume: the others, if not in full, are communicated by obligation and explanation.



THE LODGE OF PERFECTION IS YOUR FIRST STEP INTO SCOTTISH RITE FREEMASONRY

- 4^o Secret Master
- 5^o Perfect Master
- 6^o Intimate Secretary
- 7^o Provost and Judge
- 8^o Intendant of the Building
- 9^o Elect of the Nine
- 10^o Elect of the Fifteen
- 11^o Elect of the Twelve
- 12^o Grand Master Architect
- 13^o Royal Arch of Solomon
- 14^o Grand Elect Perfect and Sublime Mason

The Sudbury Lodge of Perfection is now accepting applications for the April 2009 Reunion.

Applications are available from members in your lodge or from Barry Tooley, Dave Bell, J. Ross Dixon, Rob Lipic, Pavvo Liukko, Clive Stephenson, Reijo Luoma, Wah Chung, Wayne Quinn, Jervis Weir, Robert Gordon, Don Rousell or any member of the Sudbury Lodge of Perfection.



TUSCAN CHAPTER NO. 95 R.A.M.



Tuscan Chapter No. 95 and Espanola Chapter No. 257 conducted a joint Holy Royal Arch degree on Thursday, February 19th 2009 at the Belrock Masonic Centre.

Candidates for the evening were Bro. Lucien Chretien of Tuscan Chapter and Bro. Brian Outinen of Espanola Chapter.

(Front L-R) R. Ex. Comp. Henry Handsley – Comp. Brian Outinen – Comp. Lucien Chretien – Ex. Comp. Clive Stephenson – R. Ex. Comp. Jim Angus

(Rear L-R) Ex. Comp. Robert Gordon – Ex. Comp. Stan Fenton – Ex. Comp. David Carscallen



R. Ex. Comp. Henry Handsley and Companion Brian Outinen of Espanola Chapter.



New Royal Arch Masons: Companions Brian Outinen and Lucien Chretien



MAVAR PRECEPTORY No. 65

Knights Templar

On Thursday February, 25th 2009 Mavar Preceptory No. 65 conferred the Order of the Red Cross on Companion Rob Lipic a member of Tuscan Chapter No. 95 Royal Arch Masons.



Companion Rob Lipic with members of the cast: Paaavo Liukko – Reijo Luoma P.P. – John Craig – Clive Stephenson and Bryan Cunningham

During General Business the Presiding Preceptor presented Sovereign Great Priory certificates to a number of Fraters in recognition of their achievements.



(L-R) B. Cunningham – R. Lipic – A. Hill – R. Luoma



Knights Jim Thomson – Robert Gordon – Ed Rennie and Mike Muzia were presented Sovereign Grand Priory certificates and Em. Kt. Albert Stonier was presented a Past P.P. certificate by Em. Kt. Reijo A. Luoma, Presiding Preceptor

The Sovereign Great Priory (SGP) is the governing body in Canada of the United Religious, Military and Masonic Orders of the Temple and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta -- the chivalric orders in the York Rite of Freemasonry or Masonic Knights Templar.

The most striking degree or Order in Masonry in the opinion of most expert ritualists is the Order of Consecration as set out in the Canadian Work. It is rightly described as the "ne plus ultra" of the Masonic system and is especially appreciated by all Christian Freemasons. We cannot describe its beauty or the impressions which are created in the mind of the Candidate. It must be seen to be appreciated.



Jewish Guards A. Stonier and J. Weir make no bones about guarding the way.



in similar manner Persian Guards; P. Liukko and A. Burns ensure the passage is guarded.



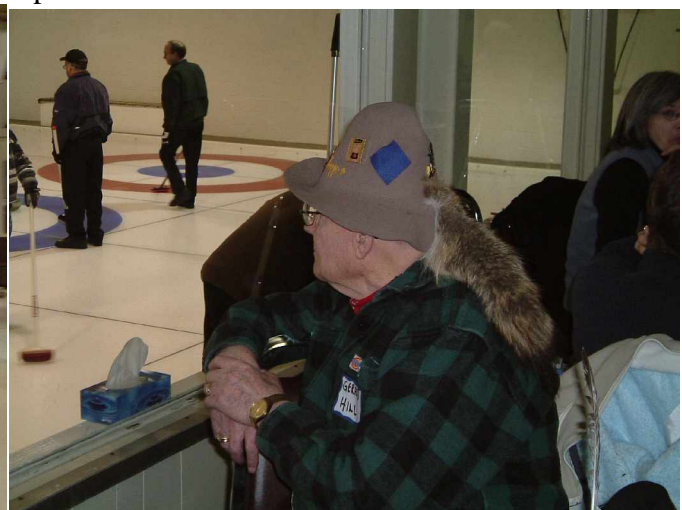
Espanola Funspiel

Saturday, February 21ST 2009 marked the 29th Annual Espanola Lodge Curling Funspiel drawing 16 Teams from around the district. The winning team of Bob Brill, Skip – Carl Bouchard, Vice – Mack Emiry, Lead – Beth Emiry – Second are now keepers of the Bob Wright Memorial trophy for the year.



Hillbilly and Penny Farthing Shriners and their ladies strike a pose for the camera


Next years event will be our 30th Anniversary Spectacular and W. Bro. Gordon R. Fraser and his lovely lady Brenda Gordon are looking forward to the event. We are hoping to see all of our current teams and some of the teams from our early years join us for a reunion and participate in our celebrations.



Freemasonry

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**JAVA GUILD AT BELROCK
EVERY TUESDAY**



**COME FOR COFFEE
STAY FOR LUNCH**



From Darkness Toward Light

Something significant happens, or at least should happen for Masons when an initiate confirms in whom he puts his trust. The response can easily be overlooked but it does have importance for all three degrees. When we witness that response and let it pass as mere formality we miss part of the beauty, knowledge and understanding we as Masons are challenged to seek in this life.

The initiate is told that he is in the hands of a true and trusted friend whom he can follow with firm but humble confidence. It is useful for each Mason to reflect upon the meaning and the implications of that statement in the larger sense. Every man seeks answers to the fundamental questions of his existence: What am I? Why am I here? Where am I going? Our Masonic art guides and directs each man to know himself by providing a carefully constructed course in self-improvement, self-examination, self-discovery, self-analysis, self-realization along with an understanding of his relationship with the Creator. Of itself, Masonry does not, nor can it, make good men better, but that great work of moving from Darkness to Light must be done by the Mason striving each day to be a better man before the Deity in whom he puts his trust.

Regarding initiation as a mere ceremony may mean very little. However, in a symbolic sense initiation is really a picture of a man starting on the journey of life. It is a journey of moving from darkness toward light through the three degrees. It is a journey from the unreal to the real, from darkness toward light and from out of the shadows of mortality into the way of life everlasting. The candidate sets out on a mystic journey on an unseen road, traveling West to East and East to West by way of South seeking the location where truth is known and life reveals both meaning and mystery. The journey makes him fully aware of the moral lessons contained within the lectures and how they should be used in building character and understanding and trust in the Deity.

It is a fact that from the time of our birth until the time that we pass through the valley of the shadow of death we need a guide to keep us on that path. It does not lie within man to direct his own steps on that path. Freemasonry sets out the principles along with many guideposts in its teachings. Simply, but unmistakably stated, from our first steps to the last we live and walk by Faith and not by sight. The V.O.S.L. lays out the path in clearly defined terms.

The Freemason, who understands the concept of needing guidance from a Higher Power, has arrived at the beginning of wisdom. Man cannot find his way alone in the rough and tumble of life nor can he, as an initiate find his way in lodge without humbly trusting his guide and his mentor. He leans on his guide, he follows him and he fears no danger. Trusting his guide is a model for trusting God in whom he vows to put his trust.

Freemasonry is a moral science and it teaches that we must learn the way and the will of God, not in order to use Him for our own purposes, but to be used by him for His own ends. The difference may seem minor at first; it is really the difference between true faith and a false faith – between religion and superstition. In Freemasonry morality occupies first place and without it Freemasonry would not be Freemasonry.

The journey out of Darkness toward the Light has a deep and abiding meaning. It offers answers to the persistent questions that are as old as creation. What am I? Whence come I? Whither go I? It tells us that the West is the symbol of this world and the East is the world of above and beyond.

The Mason properly instructed and guided learns the secret that the soul has its setting from beyond the world of sense and time and is given by the Creator to discipline and develop us. Our life on this earth is not a futile quest in which we are engaged but that life has meaning and purpose. Freemasonry teaches that we are guided and guarded by a Friend who knows the way and can be trusted to the end. There is the promise that we can penetrate the veil that dims our eyes. We will be able to see and hear the truth of the V.O.S.L. and the lessons contained therein when we are ready and worthy to receive it. There is a biblical injunction that tells Mason to let their light shine. The light however, will not shine unless the Mason takes the time to fill the lamps with oil.

References: Book of the Work 2007: Short Talk Bulletin, MSA and material published by the Committee on Masonic Education.

What the candidate and/or member gets out of Freemasonry starts with his rebirth - initiation. What he ends up with depends on himself, for what the Mason is sent to seek is the beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols. If the Freemason seeks diligently he will get more out of it than he puts in - not materially but spiritually and mentally.

We need to learn that truth again and again. It is emphasized in the ritual line by line, precept by precept as we move around the Altar and up the winding stairs and beyond that into the light and joy of eternal life. The Freemason needs always to consider the summary statement by an eminent theologian, "Remember light shines into darkness – never let the darkness remove the light." So when the initiate responds by saying that he puts his trust in God we rejoice with him welcome him to the Fraternity that has a true and trusted guide in this world and in the next.

by R. W. Bro. Garnet E. Schenk, F.C.F.
for The Committee on Masonic Education
February 2009





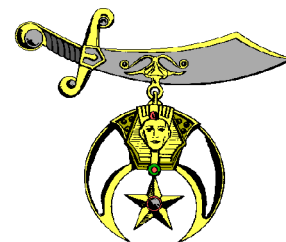
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By V.W. Bro. John E. Gamble

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 National Lodge Business Meeting Only	4 Nickel Lodge Official Visit Dinner 6:00pm 3 rd Bro. F. Kirk Espanola Lodge 3 rd Bro. T. Masson	5 Shrine Club Regular Meeting	6	7 10:30 Espanola RAM 1:00 RAM Dist. Meeting 3:00 Elam Council
8	9	10 Doric Lodge Masonic Education	11 Friendship Lodge EAM – Mr. Ryan Lipic	12 Gore Bay Lodge 2 nd Bro. Hye Clark Algoma Chptr. O.E.A.	13 Bethel Lodge 2 nd Bro. Daniel Cluff	14
15	16 Sudbury Lodge Step-Up Night EAM Mr. A.F. Stephen	17 Algonquin Lodge Elections 2 nd Bro. David Marshall	18	19 Tuscan Chapter RAM HRA Degree	20  Reception for Grand Master M.W. Bro. Allan J. Petrisor	21 Grand Master's luncheon at Espanola Lodge 12 Noon
22 Shrine Club Invites Master Mason and their wives to a Wine and Cheese 3-5 pm Belrock Masonic Centre	23 Sudbury Lodge Emergent 2 nd Bro. M. Faux	24	25 Friendship Lodge Emergent EAM Mr. McNabb	26 Mavar Preceptory Knights Templar Malta Orders	27 Sudbury Lodge of Perfection Regular meeting General Business	28 @ Belrock 9:00 Brother to Brother Presentation 10:00 Excalibur York Rite College 12 Noon lunch served by Java Guild 1:00 Alpha Council R&SM
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Master Mason's Wine & Cheese



Sudbury Belrock Masonic Centre

3 – 5 p.m.

Sunday, March 22nd 2009

The Sudbury Shrine Club cordially invites all Master Masons and their wives to come and see what the Sudbury Shrine Club and the Shrine Hospitals for Children are all about.



Complimentary wine and cheese for our guests

The members of the Sudbury Shrine Club want you to become part of our organization dedicated to fun, fellowship, and a fraternal philanthropic cause.

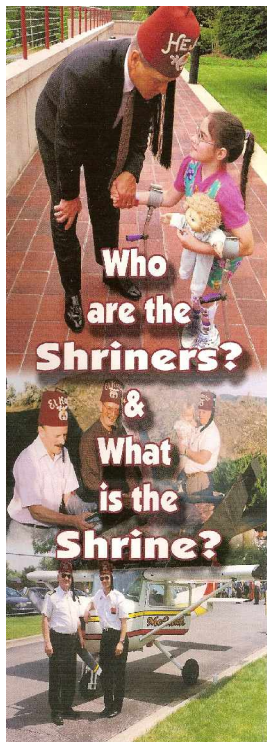
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To Be One  .. Ask One





Sudbury Shrine Club News



Sudbury twins helped by local Shiners BY HEIDI ULRICHSEN

When you look at the upright posture of 16-year-old identical twins Daniel and David Phillips, you'd never guess that a few years ago their spines were so curved that they looked like horseshoes.



Their x-ray technologist mother, Helene Phillips, realized David had severe scoliosis in 2002 after looking at an X-ray of his chest. When Daniel went in for the same test, doctors said he had an even worse form of the condition. That's when the Sudbury Shrine Club got involved. They operate an outreach clinic in the city for children with orthopaedic and motor difficulties. The orthopaedic surgeon who runs the Sudbury clinic, Dr. Reg Hamdy, referred the family to the Shriners Hospital in Montreal. Daniel was scheduled for surgery to straighten his spine immediately, and David was fitted with a corrective back brace. Eventually, David had the same surgery as his brother.

Identical twins Daniel and David Phillips, 16, show off the scoliosis brace the Shiners provided for David.

The family spoke about their experiences at an information session about Shriners hospitals at the Sudbury Shrine Centre last week. "I didn't have to pay for my brace, because the Shriners pay for everything," said David.

"When we went to Montreal to get the brace, it took about four hours to get it fitted, because they have padding inside. They have to make it fit perfectly so that you can actually stand to wear it." Helene says she can't thank the Shriners enough for helping her boys. "It was a very emotional time. We really appreciate the help we received from the dedicated, skilled and professional staff at the Montreal Shriners Hospital," she says. Shriners raise around \$625 million every year by selling Christmas cakes, collecting cans and putting on circuses. The money is used to support 22 hospitals across age of 18 with orthopaedic problems, severe for research to find new ways to treat these

North America. The hospitals treat children under the burns and spinal cord injuries. The funds are also used conditions.



The first Shriners hospital opened in hospital opened in 1925. Through its advances in treatment, says Fred Clark, Ontario, called the Rameses Temple. ago, if a child had 54 percent burns difficult to treat," he says.

Shreveport, Louisiana in 1922, and the Montreal research activities, Shriners hospitals have made huge the incoming president for the overall Shriners body in "We're in the burns business. Back quite a few years throughout their body, that was considered very "Today, it ranges up in the low 90s. That's how

technology and research, which our hospitals are so well known for, help people." It is not practical to send children to Montreal every time they need a check-up, says Clark. That's why an outreach clinic was set up at the Children's Treatment Centre in Sudbury about 10 years ago. The clinic is especially well known for treating children with cerebral palsy by injecting their limbs with botox, which decreases muscle spasms. "The Shriners' commitment to children is evident every day that their club members man our hallways at the Children's Treatment Centre during the clinics," says Sally Spence, clinical director of the Children's Treatment Centre.



Rorab Shrine Club

North Bay

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Welcome Shriners & Visitors

The Nobles and Ladies of the Rorab Shrine Club of North Bay welcome you to our beautiful city. The 2009 Ceremonial Committee has organized a fun filled weekend of events so you can “ROAR with RORAB on **June 11 – 12 – 13 and 14, 2009.**

North Bay Region, At the Heart of Ontario’s Blue Sky Region

Now just an easy 1.5 hour drive from Sudbury, this friendly and inviting city nestled between two lakes, offers stunning views and plenty of activities. Situated at the junctions of Highway #11 and the Trans Canada Highway #17. North Bay provides excellent infrastructure by road, rail and air, “*the crossroads to everywhere*”.

In North Bay’s quaint and lively downtown, visitors will find small boutiques, artisan shops, restored heritage sites and an active waterfront on Lake Nipissing. The nearby Heritage Carousel provides an opportunity to ride beautiful hand crafted horses plus a most recent addition is the Winter Wonderland Carousel, depicting Northern Ontario fauna in all of the winter glory. Local volunteer carvers and artists completed these exciting Carousels.

While exploring North Bay’s history and culture, make sure to include a visit to the Discovery North Bay Museum with exhibits and events offered year-round. The Canadian Forces Museum of Aerospace is a must to see the evolution of air defence. For a change of pace, take a cruise on the Chief Commanda II on Lake Nipissing and down the Historic French River.

Come and enjoy our fresh air, clean water and friendliness. We would love to share our city!

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Welcome Sudbury Shriners

I am sending this early notice/reminder to advise that the Rameses 2009 Spring Ceremonial will be hosted by our neighbors in North Bay.

Sudbury Shrine Club requested a block of Rooms and have received confirmation that we will be at the "Travelodge" located at 1525 Seymour Street, in North Bay.

A copy of the "Rameses Shrine Rooming List" will be posted at our Drop-in Center and I encourage you to plan to attend and support our Newly "Initiated" Nobles

If you prefer, send your request via Email to ed@emptec.ca and include the following:

Name of Noble

Address

Phone

Dates Room Requested (June 11, June 12, June 13)

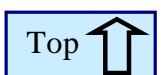
Room Rate is \$149.99 per night and includes Complimentary Breakfast and a discount at Don Cherry's located beside hotel.

Ed Patton

Chair - Spring Ceremonial, 2009

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Rorab Shrine Club of North Bay





PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP RAMESES SHRINERS

TO THE POTENTATE, OFFICERS AND NOBLES OF RAMESES SHRINERS, SITUATED IN THE OASIS OF TORONTO, DESERT OF: ONTARIO CANADA:

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in _____
Lodge # _____ located at _____
City *Province*

which is a Lodge recognized by or in amity with the Conference of Grand Masters of North America.
Furthermore, I have resided at my current address for not less than 6 months, as required by the Bylaws of The Imperial Council. I respectfully pray that I may be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and become a member of your temple.

If I be found worthy, and my request granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of The Imperial Council and the Bylaws and Ceremonies of your temple.

Birthplace _____ Date of Birth _____

Were you ever a DeMoly? _____ If so, what was the Chapter name and location? _____

Profession or occupation _____

Have you previously applied for admission to any temple of the Order? _____

If so, what temple? _____ When? _____

Residence Address: _____
Street *City*

Country *Province* *Postal Code*

Business Address: _____
Street *City*

Country *Province* *Postal Code*

Business Phone: _____

Mail Address _____

Home Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Wife's Name: _____

Date _____ 20 _____ Signature _____

Print Full Name Here _____
Name in full, initials not sufficient

Recommended and Vouched for in the Honour of:

Noble _____ Membership No. _____

Noble _____ Membership No. _____

Fez size: _____ Method of Payment _____



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Upcoming Grand Events

17-20 April 2009
Grand Lodge of SA & NT
Installation. Registration
papers available from
Grand Lodge.

2 May 2009
The Grand Lodge of WA
Half-yearly
Communication
in Bunbury.

29 October -
1 November 2009
Grand Lodge of WA
Grand Installation at the
Burswood Entertainment
Complex.

Archives Committee

Monday only
9:30 - 12noon
archives@freemasonswa.org.au

Grand Lodge Library

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The Flames from Hell

Victorian Bush Fire Relief Appeal

Our Victorian brethren are in shock! The full horror of the burning fury, which may have been created by twisted human minds, is yet to be revealed. Even so, we know more than enough. We know that many have lost their lives, many are seriously injured, and more yet have lost everything they own.

It is simply not possible to provide meaningful comfort to those who suffer the loss of loved ones, but it is possible to provide relief for the care and future wellbeing of the survivors. Money is desperately needed and, regardless of how much is raised, you may be assured that every last cent will be utilised.

Unless one has had the tragic experience of losing a home, and all it contains, it is very hard to imagine the number of years it takes to replace the material possessions that we regard as being the essentials of everyday life. The irreplaceable, personal treasures really are irreplaceable. The photos, the lock of baby's hair, the wedding veil and the love letters, are never to be returned, no matter how hard one works in the years that lie ahead.

As the days unfold, we will hear more horror stories of despair and misery, and many of these stories will involve our Victorian brethren. We are still awaiting a complete account from the Grand Lodge of Victoria but we were fully aware that the Western Australian brethren would not wish to wait. We have therefore already pledged our fullest support to give them all the help that we in the West can muster.

Brethren, send whatever amount of money you can afford to the appeal, and please send it as soon as you possibly can! You can also be assured that it will be administered with great love and care for the relief of our distressed Masonic brethren and their families.

Please make cheques payable to: **The Grand Lodge**
and mark on the back **'Bush Fire Appeal'**
Post to: **Grand Lodge, PO Box 691, Victoria Park 6979.**



GL OF WA HALF-YEARLY COMMUNICATION

Lord Forrest Hotel, Bunbury
SATURDAY, 2 MAY 2009

- 1:00-2:15pm Brethren & ladies' luncheon \$20
- 2:30-5:30pm Communication, and presentation by guest speaker RW Bro Greg Goding, PAGM (QLD). Ladies outing to Dolphin Discovery Centre
- 6:30-7:00pm Pre-dinner drinks (at bar prices)
- 7:00-10:30pm South West Districts' Banquet & Ball \$60

