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**November 2019** 

#### **Brethren of the Sudbury Manitoulin District:**

I have enjoyed a busy start to the Masonic year with a few visits to lodges and plenty of planning for the new calendar year. We have applied to host a couple of Grand Lodge seminars. Hopefully we will be able to provide at least one, soon to be booked in. We have also begun planning for a Friend 2 Friend night, and will have more information once that is firmed up.

I want to thank those of you who attended the reception in September as well as the brethren who took the time out of their Thanksgiving long weekend to join me at Bethel Lodges official visit. Both evenings were an enjoyable and enthusiastic start to the year.

This month we begin on Monday November 4<sup>th</sup> with a district meeting at Belrock at 7:00 PM, then our district Veterans Appreciation Night hosted by Espanola Lodge on Friday November 8<sup>th</sup>. This is an important evening not only for masons of the district but for all Canadians as we are reminded almost daily that many have made enormous sacrifices not only for our own wellbeing and futures but for many countries who are unable to protect their own values and citizens. Canada has always been there to protect and defend within and without and Masons themselves have been counted among those who unselfishly gave themselves during many conflicts and peacekeeping missions throughout the world. Please come out for the ceremony. Monday November 11<sup>th</sup> will also see several locations for Remembrance Day services throughout the district. If you need a ride or advice on where the closest ceremonies are being held, contact your lodge secretary. I am sure they can assist.

My next Official visit is to Gore Bay Lodge on Thursday November 14<sup>th</sup>. I would like to see you attend, and if you haven't been to their new lodge room, it would be a good reason to come and enjoy the new surroundings and the usual excellent hospitality Gore Bay Lodge is known for.

I have also had the opportunity to discuss several matters that are affecting Masonry in general with other districts in our jurisdiction, and I am reminded at each interaction how fortunate we in the Sudbury Manitoulin District are to be a part of this district. Our support and friendship between the lodges is second to none. We are very well positioned to weather the challenges our fraternity face with the level of respect and dignity we show one another. I am proud to be a mason in our district and thank you all for demonstrating what we can achieve as a team.

Fraternally,

Robert J. Lipic
District Deputy Grand Master 2019-20
Sudbury Manitoulin District









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#### **District Chaplain's Observations**

R.W. Bro. Clair Bracken

#### **District Chaplain**

The real freemason is distinguished from the rest of mankind by the uniform, unrestrained rectitude of his conduct. Other men are honest in fear of punishment which the law might inflict. They are religious in expectation of being rewarded, or in the dread of the devil, in the next world.

A freemason would be just if there were no laws, human or Divine, except for those written in his heart by the finger of the creator. In every climate, under every system of religion, he is the same.

He kneels before the universal throne of God in gratitude for the blessings he has received and humble solicitation for his future protection. He venerates the good men of all religions. He disturbs not the religions of others. He restrains his passions, because they cannot be indulged without injuring his neighbour or himself. He gives no offence because he does not choose to be offended. He contracts no debts which he is not certain he can discharge, because he is honest upon principle.

[this article was taken from a Farmer's Almanac published in 1823 in Andover, Mass.]

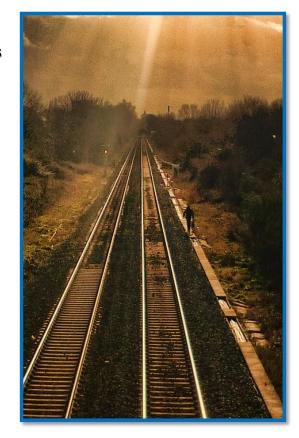
Its content is as good and as true as the day it was written.

How many Masons today would be just, if there were no laws to keep us within due bounds?

Let us not pretend to be Masonic lights.

Let us get back on the straight and narrow track.

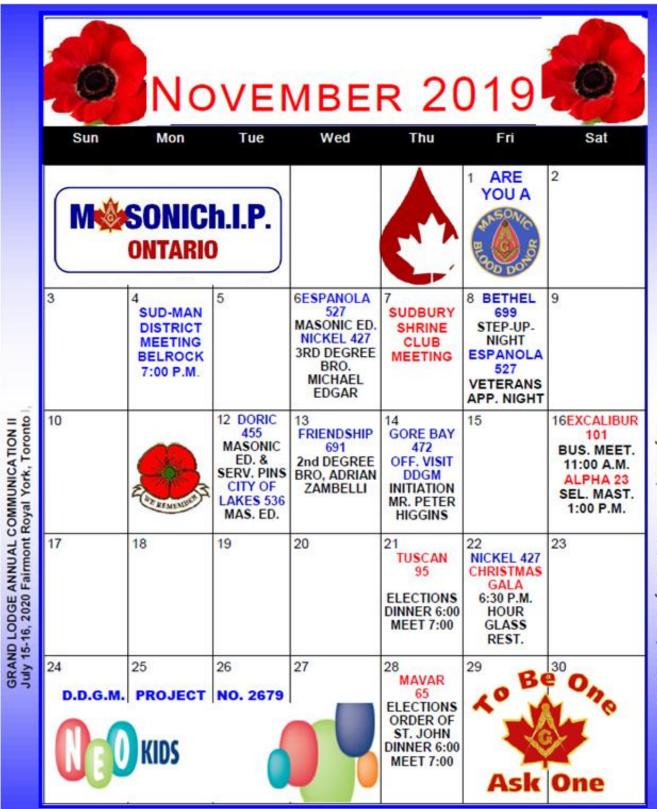








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Mentor's Minute

W. Bro. Robert Tailleur

Mentor / Education Lead



Altruism as a philosophy of life is fading in this self/selfie centered society we are building today. People living for the sake of others...living altruistically is rarely seen today, but there is hope in our craft.

When you pick up the book of the work, learn parts of the ritual and deliver them to a man becoming a Mason or a brother advancing in the craft that is an altruistic act. The time, energy and heart invested in learning and delivering work is altruism...you are living for the man, for your lodge and Masonry.

As with charity and mercy, altruism blesses the man listening as well as the man speaking.

It is therefore essential to our growth and the vitality of Masonry that we continue learning new work, attend meetings and deliver that work which we've learned.

For assistance or suggestions contact your sponsors, your lodge mentoring committee or the district mentors.







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## Veterans Appreciation Night

Guest Speaker
Comrade Gary MacPherson

## Friday November 8th



Espanola Legion

March on the Colours 6:30

Dinner 7:00



Presentation & Ceremony to follow

## \$25 per person

#### Tickets available through:

R.W. Bro. Dave Hodgins 705-665-2989 W. Bro. Jim Ramsay 705-869-7609 R.W. Bro. Rob Fleming 705-682-4775 Espanola Legion 705-869-1711

Business Suit / Uniform Dress is appropriate

Hosted by Espanola Lodge No. 527





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**Did You Know?** 

R.W. Bro. Rob Fleming

The term "blue lodge" is considered incorrect when referring to a Lodge in Ontario..."Craft Lodge" is the correct term.

No matter how well intentioned the compliment may be, commenting on the calibre of the Work, in open Lodge, is reserved for the Worshipful Master of the Lodge and the District Deputy Grand Master of the District. Indicate that you enjoyed the evening and congratulate individuals later.



The title "Worshipful Sir" applies to everyone who has ever been installed as a Worshipful Master, (and not achieved a higher office). So there can be several "Worshipful Sirs" in a lodge, but there is only ONE "Worshipful Master".

The Master of a lodge is therefore entitled to be – and should be – addressed by his proper title at all times – unless otherwise called for in our rituals and ceremonies. He is the Worshipful MASTER.

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Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario Website <a href="https://grandlodge.on.ca">https://grandlodge.on.ca</a>

Sudbury – Manitoulin District Website <a href="http://www.smmasons.com">http://www.smmasons.com</a>

Sudbury – Manitoulin District Blog <a href="http://sudburymanitoulinmasons.blogspot.com">http://sudburymanitoulinmasons.blogspot.com</a>

Sudbury Shrine Club Blog http://sudburyshriners.blogspot.com





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# **Around the District**



Bethel Lodge No. 699 – Official Visit of the D.D.D.M.



City of Lakes – Bro. Andrew Nutt achieves the Fellowcraft Degree – Good job Bro. Nutt





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R.W. Bro. Lipic presents both the W.J.C. Noble Blood Donor and the Journeyman's Award W. Bro. Don Gravelle – Worshipful Master City of Lakes Lodge No. 536



..and the Joe Lesser Efficiency Award goes to Friendship Lodge No. 691...receiving the award on behalf of the Lodge... W. Bro. Alan Fey Worshipful Master



Nickel Lodge No. 427 Initiation on Past Masters Night Welcome Brother Bro. Trevor Kunto







Nickel Lodge' Emergent Meeting saw Bro. Stan Mac Nabb as a newly minted Fellowcraft - Congratulations







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#### The Sudbury and District Lodge of Perfection Installation

Officers for the 2019 - 2020 Year

with Illustrious Brother David A. Bennett 33°- Lieutenant Grand Commander (2nd right front)

Thrice Puissant Grand Master – Illustrious Brother Thomas King

(and the reason the I.P.T.P.G.M. Illustrious Bro. Ryan Lipic can't stop smiling)













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## Oktober at the Sudbury Shrine Club







The October Meeting was held in Little Current – Thank you Haweater Unit!!



They're at the post.....



...they're off



..and the dromedary diva winner is.. Lady Norma





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The Oktoberfest food and camaraderie was great!!!

..but the dessert was BETTER





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# Sudbury & District Lodge of Perfection Porchetta Dinner

Belrock Masonic Centre
Saturday November 2nd
Bingo at 4 ~ Dinner at 6
Cash Bar





#### Tickets

Ryan Lipic	688-6398 ryan.lipic@gmail.com
Tom King	693-2925 tomk@persona.ca
Rob Lipic	692-4335 rob.home123@gmail.com
Dave Hodgins	692-9868 davehodgins@eastlink.ca
Gary Cayen	566-8302 gacayen@cbsn.ca
Rob Fleming	682-7250 robfanfleming@sympatico.ca
Clive Stephenson	969-4853 clivedeb@vianet.ca
Mike Lalonde	682-4662 bro.malalonde@gmail.com
David Spencer	562-4005 david.spencer54@yahoo.com





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# Sudbury Shrine Club Annual Cocktail Party



Get into the Holiday Spirit
Sudbury Shrine Club 259 Elm
Saturday November 23rd 7-? P.M.
Tapas and appetizers served by La Cascade Catering
Dance to the Music of Victor John
Tickets \$50.00 per Person

Payments are not deductible for tax purposes

Net proceeds for this event are for the Benefit of the Sudbury Shrine Club