



December 2019

Brethren:



This month although relatively quiet has whizzed by quickly. Winter and Christmas are upon us.

Thank you again to the organizers and participants of the Veterans Appreciation Night in Espanola. It was a touching and successful event. Our guests included a WWII veteran and two sets of parents whose sons made the ultimate sacrifice in Afghanistan. We are looking for a lodge to step up and host it for next year.

In December I will be attending the CTV/Lions Telethon to answer phones and make our contribution from the district lodges. Please let us know if you can attend as a representative of your lodge.

The Official Visit to Gore Bay was postponed last month due to weather and the candidate having trouble getting back to town for the evening. We have discussed the date and are looking to move it to the spring when hunting and weather won't be an issue. We will advise shortly when it is scheduled.

Let us keep all ill and distressed brethren in our hearts and prayers especially during the holidays. Please remember to advise your DDGM, District Secretary, District Chaplain, and/or Barry Tooley our Sick and Visiting lead so we can properly inform the brethren. Take the time this month to reach out to a brother or widow and wish them the best during the holidays. Many of us are blessed with family who either live in the area or make their way home to spend that cherished time with loved ones, but there are also a few that won't have that pleasure and we should make an effort to remember and contact them when possible.

My wife Cheryl and I want to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Please be safe and make the best of the holidays with your loved ones.

Fraternally,

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





District Chaplain's Observations

R.W. Bro. Clair Bracken

District Chaplain



To reap the benefits of Masonry, we have to toe the line. We have to believe not only in the part which comes easiest to us, but to believe 100 %. We have to educate ourselves to live and practice Masonry, not only in the lodge room, but in our lives: at work, at home, at play. Then, and only then, can we call ourselves true Masons.

The only dogma in Masonry is the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. The only Theology is the Theology of the Good Samaritan – friendship and brotherly love. Surely this is enough doctrine, enough theology, to make our world a better, safer place.

In any Masonic endeavour, those who do not participate do not enjoy the full value of our beloved Craft!

A good deed is never lost: he who sows courtesy, reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love

Galatians 6: 7-9 - Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.... And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.





 <h1 style="text-align: center;">DECEMBER 2019</h1> 						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 SUDBURY SHRINE CLUB CHILDREN'S XMAS PARTY HOLIDAY INN	2	3	4 ESPANOLA 527 MASONIC ED. NICKEL 427 YEARS OF SERVICE CEREMONY	5 SUDBURY SHRINE CLUB REG. MEM. MEETING ELECTIONS DINNER 6:00 MEET. 7:00		
8	9	10 DORIC 455 MASONIC ED. CITY OF LAKES 536 ELECTION OF S. W. & MAS. ED.	11 FRIENDSHIP 691 STEP -UP- NIGHT 3rd DEGREE BRO, JASON BROWN	12 GORE BAY 472 MASONIC ED.	13 BETHEL 699 ELECTION OF OFFICERS	14
To Be One  Ask One		17 JAVA GUILD XMAS DINNER	18	19 TUSCAN 95 NO MEETING	20	21
22	23	24	25 	26 MAVAR 65 NO MEETING	27	28 ESPANOLA 527 BREAKFAST AT LODGE 8:00 -10:00 AM 1ST & LAST SATURDAY
29 	30	31	D.D.G.M. PROJECT NO. 2679  			

JAVA GUILD AT BELROCK – EVERY TUESDAY
“Come for Coffee...Stay for Lunch”

GRAND LODGE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION II
July 15-16, 2020 Fairmont Royal York, Toronto 1,



Mentor's Minute

W. Bro. Robert Tailleir

Mentor / Education Lead



The purpose of Freemasonry is, the chief point in Freemasonry is...and I quote, "...to endeavor to be happy ourselves and to communicate that happiness to others."

Happiness is an elusive goal but one that must be diligently sought after every day.

How then can we achieve happiness?

Quite simply, when you commit any part of the work to memory and assimilate not just the words but the meaning of those words into your heart and mind you are taking a step on the path of happiness.

When you deliver the work in lodge that is another step towards happiness.

When you practice outside the lodge the principles of Freemasonry you are in effect communicating that happiness to others and you are making your family, the community even the world a happier/better place.

Learn the work. Deliver the work. Live the work and you will achieve the chief point in Freemasonry. If you would like assistance, ask a mentor.





Did You Know?

R.W. Bro. Rob Fleming

When is it proper to use the Sign of F.?

- 🍁 During prayers and obligations;
 - 🍁 When the V.O.S.L is being attended;
 - 🍁 F.F.F. in the closing of the lodge;
 - 🍁 By the S.W. when presenting a candidate;
 - 🍁 When receiving Grand Honours or accompanying a Brother who is receiving them,
- and
- 🍁 As directed during the Installation Ceremony.



Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario Website

<https://grandlodge.on.ca>

Sudbury – Manitoulin District Website

<http://www.smmasons.com>

Sudbury – Manitoulin District Blog

<http://sudburymanitoulinmasons.blogspot.com>

Sudbury Shrine Club Blog

<http://sudburyshriners.blogspot.com>



Around the District



The November District Meeting





Nickel Lodge No. 427

Congratulations to our newest Master Mason Brother Michael Edgar



Worshipful Master Tom Morris

on the occasion of recognizing 25 years a Freemason for

Right Worshipful Brother Clive Stephenson



Veterans Appreciation Night hosted by Espanola Lodge No. 527



***Mr. & Mrs. Byre s and Mr. & Mrs. Arnold
Two Silver Cross Mothers with their Husbands
Lost their Sons David and Glen on the same day in Afghanistan***



The Table of Honour attended by Bro. Ghislain Cotton & R.W. Bro. J. David Innes





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Sudbury Shrine Club



...on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.....

A great Santa Claus Parade measured by any standard





Special Ladies Luncheon was a Christmas -themed affair this year



Sudbury Shrine Club's Special Ladies Luncheon





UPCOMING EVENTS



After the Mayor's proclamation...more ongoing than upcoming ..the Shriner's famous cakes, cookies and truffles are on sale





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THE MASONIC FOUNDATION OF ONTARIO

**R. W. Bro. R. J Lipic's
2019 – 2020 District Charity
is the Neo Kids Foundation
located at Health Sciences
North serving the Region**

Please contact W. Bro. John Miszczak
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email jm.miszczak@hotmail.ca.



**Sudbury and Manitoulin
District
DDGM Charity 2019-2020
No. 2679**

WHY DONATE

Your donations to NEO Kids Foundation directly contribute to existing programs and services currently provided by NEO Kids. Your donation will also help us in achieving our ultimate goal, of building a bigger home to accommodate the growing needs for the children in Northeastern Ontario.

Children are not small adults. Just like them, their health care needs are unique. Your donation will help to purchase vital pieces of equipment, conduct life-changing research and increase awareness for children's health needs.

For Masons giving to a cause.

**We request your donation to this
worthy charity supporting our
DDGM.**

Please make cheques payable to:
"The Masonic Foundation of Ontario"
Memo section: DDGM Project No. 2679



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Saturday December 7th

Beginning at 2 p.m.

District Masons will be answering phones 8 to 9 p.m.



*Espanola Lodge No. 527
Cordially invites you to attend a
Lewis Jewel Meeting
Monday January 6th 2020
Please note meeting date change*

