

Dear Brethren,

Enclosed please find the **Peterborough District's Electronic Beacon**, Volume Three, Number 7, May 2010 (Whole Number 31).

My apologies to those of you who look forward to receiving the **Beacon** each month. Coming out of an Official Board meeting at my church in Keene in late January, I fell on a piece of black ice in the dark, landing on my right shoulder. My doctor informed me that I'd pinched a nerve in my shoulder and, as a result, was to avoid using a computer mouse as much as possible and take regular weekly physiotherapy. The physiotherapist has finally given me permission to resume more computer activities, and hence I can finally produce the May 2010 issue of this publication.



This issue contains 28 pages.

The monthly calendar in the **Beacon** allows the Brethren to see, at a glance, the work being done in the District for that month. Thus, if you're interested in attending a particular Degree, look at page 5 to see where one is being conducted in the District.

Each month also provides an inspirational message from the D.D.G.M. as well as the monthly D.D.G.M. Communiqué from the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Secretary.

Definitions of Masonic terms are also included in each issue along with "*Masonic Points to Ponder*", a short piece of Masonic Education, excerpts from Mackey's *Encyclopaedia of Freemasonry*, excerpts from Grand Lodge's publication, *Whence Come We ? Freemasonry in Ontario 1764 - 1980* and excerpts from the Peterborough District's publication, "*History of A.F. and A.M. Lodges: Peterborough District*".

The **Beacon** is now reaching **816 Brethren** throughout Ontario, across Canada, in the United States, in the British Isles and as far away as New Zealand and Australia. As always, it is sent in a pdf file format and as an attachment to an e-mail with "*blind copies*" to the recipients to preserve the confidentiality of your e-mail address.

Please don't hesitate to forward it on to anyone who might find its contents of interest. By the same token, send me an e-mail if you would not like to receive further issues of the **Beacon** and your name will be immediately removed from its circulation list.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Bob McBride

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# Peterborough District's Electronic Beacon

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This house is supported by the columns of  
Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth....

- source: May 2010 Summons of  
Keene Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 374 G.R.C.



## Message from the Peterborough D.D.G.M. 2009 – 2010:

Brethren

I would like to pass on congratulations to the Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario as almost \$38,000 has been raised in support of the G.M.'s initiative, "*Coffee for our Canadian troops*", which bodes well with my theme "*Pride in ourselves, the strength of one, the power of many*".

I encourage the Lodges to keep in mind the G.M.'s message in the February 2010 *Beacon*. We have been fortunate to have many new Candidates come into the Craft recently. In the past a lot of energy and effort has been put forth to bring in new Members, but it will be just as challenging to nurture that interest in our Craft, so that the principals of Freemasonry will always be a daily part of their life. Visitation to Masonic events is an important and effective component. The night hosted by Clementi Lodge No. 313 with R.W. Bro. David Cameron's presentation on the Kipling Masonic Gavel, followed by the Degree Team of Grand Lodge Officers led by R.W. Bro. Tom Hogeboom was a very enjoyable evening that has left a lasting impression on the minds of all present. The Wellington 18th Century Degree in Campbellford on Saturday, 17 April 2010 was also a memorable night, much enjoyed by all in attendance. I highly recommend to the Brethren who have not had the opportunity to see this presentation to make every effort to do so.



The Brethren who attended the District Lodge of Instruction on Thursday, 8 April 2010 were much appreciative of the information passed on by R.W. Bros. William Elliot, George McCowan, James Pearson and V.W. Bro. Gordon Crutcher. These Brethren have a wealth of knowledge and expertise to share with us. The knowledge we gain from these meetings is best put to use when we in turn share it at Lodge, particularly when we have our practices.

Contributions to the District Project are picking up. The health care system is much talked about these days, both positive and negatively. In choosing this project I felt it was something that would show our commitment to the community in the region we know as the Peterborough Masonic District but would also have a positive influence on the hospitals and their patients in the areas around us. I thank the Brethren who have already contributed to the project and hope that many of the other Members of the Craft will come forward in this the last hour and edge us towards our goal. If only half the Masons of the District contributed \$ 20.00, I felt a goal of \$15,000 was very attainable.

Brethren please confirm in your calendars the District Divine Church Service at Havelock United Church on Sunday 30 May 2010 at 7:30 p.m. with a time of fellowship to follow and the Grand Master's Reception combined with the 150th anniversary celebration of Golden Rule Campbellford / Hastings Lodge No. 126 on Saturday 05 June 2010. I look forward to seeing many of the Brethren at Installations over the next few weeks as this Masonic year draws to a close. I leave you with the following statement to think about that a Brother said to me, "*It is not our secrets that bind us, it is our fellowship*".

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R.W. Bro. Gary T. Ballard, Peterborough District Deputy Grand Master, 2009 - 2010.



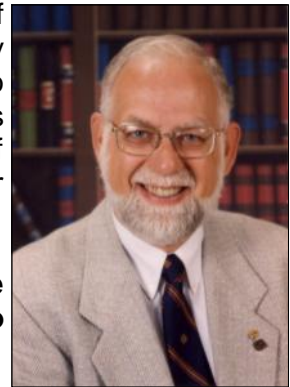
**The Book of the Work has been revised (2009).**

**Every Mason should own a copy of the revised Book of the Work.  
It's well worth the investment.**

## From The Editor:

This **Peterborough District Electronic Beacon** is a means of communicating with Brethren who have e-mail addresses. Please copy any information contained in this newsletter and forward it to Brethren who do not have access to e-mail. I look forward to receiving feedback about this form of communication. It does not replace any other forms of communication within our District but, hopefully, will provide a forum for rapid communication throughout the District.

I have purposely not included a listing of the Brethren on the circulation list for privacy reasons. If you know of other Brethren who would like to receive a copy, please let me know.



The first issue of the **Beacon** was sent on July 30, 2007. It was very humbling to have it chosen as the recipient of the Grand Lodge Award for the Best District Newsletter, 2008 - 2009. A big thanks to everyone who contributes to this newsletter. Your continued input and feedback is most appreciated.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R.W. Bro. Robert Collins McBride (Bob), Editor

- Past Peterborough District Deputy Grand Master (2007 - 2008),
- Peterborough District's Communications Chairman,
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## **When and why were the Peterborough District Masonic Association's Degree Teams formed ?**

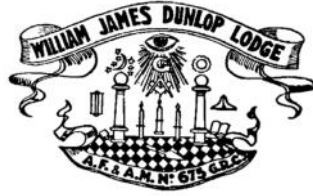
Begun in 1977 by R.W. Bro. James Hutchinson when he was Grand Senior Warden, the P.D.M.A. annually organizes the following Degree Teams: the Second Vice-Chairman hosting the Masters' Degree Team led by the Peterborough District Immediate Past District Deputy Grand Master, the First Vice-Chairman hosting the Junior Wardens' Degree Team led by the Grand Junior Warden and the Chairman hosting the Senior Wardens' Degree Team led by the Grand Senior Warden. Each of these events provides an opportunity for the respective Officers of the eleven Lodges in our District to work together, forming a bond of friendship.

- source: R.W. Bro. Robert C. McBride, District Historian.



# May 2010

| Sun  | Mon   | Tue  | Wed  | Thu   | Fri   | Sat  |
|--|---|--|--|---|---|--|
|  |   | 4<br>Percy Lodge<br>No. 675<br>visitation to<br>United Lodge<br>in Brighton<br>7:30<br>↓<br>Clementi Lodge<br>No. 313<br><b>Second Degree</b><br>Lodge: 7:30   |  |   |   | 1<br>Havelock Lodge<br>to Avon Lake,<br>Ohio |
| 2<br>Havelock Lodge<br>to Avon Lake,<br>Ohio                                       | 3<br>Royal Arthur<br>Lodge No. 523<br><b>Second Degree</b><br>Lodge: 7:30 p.m.              |  | 5<br>Percy Lodge<br>No. 675<br><b>Third Degree</b><br>Lodge: 7:30 p.m.                           | 6   | 7<br>Peterborough<br>Lodge No. 155<br><b>Ladies' Night</b><br>Dinner: 6:30<br>Lodge: 7:30 p.m.          | 8  |
| 9<br>Norwood Lodge<br>No. 223<br>Lodge: 7:30                                       | 10<br>Golden Rule<br>C/H Lodge<br>No. 126<br><b>Elections</b><br>Lodge: 7:30                | 11<br>Corinthian<br>Lodge No. 101<br><b>Installation</b><br>Banquet: 6:30<br>Lodge: 7:30<br>↑<br>J.B. Hall<br>Lodge<br>No. 145<br><b>Second<br/>Degree</b><br>7:30 p.m.  | 12<br>W.J. Dunlop<br>Lodge No. 675<br>visitation to<br>Jerusalem Lodge<br>No. 31,<br>Bowmanville | 13<br>Percy Lodge<br>No. 523<br>Emergent<br>Meeting<br><b>Third Degree</b><br>Lodge: 7:30 p.m.  | 14  | 15   |
| 16   | 17  |  | 19<br>W.J. Dunlop<br>Lodge No. 675<br><b>Second Degree</b><br>Lodge: 7:30 p.m.                   | 20<br>Keene Lodge<br>No. 374<br><b>Installation</b><br>Banquet: 6:30<br>Lodge: 7:30 p.m.        | 21  | 22   |
| 23   | 24  | 25   | 26   | 27<br>P.D.M.A<br><b>Annual Meeting</b><br>Peterborough<br>Temple<br>(banquet room)<br>7:30 p.m. | 28<br>← Royal Arthur<br>Lodge No. 523<br>Emergent<br>Meeting<br><b>First Degree</b><br>Lodge: 7:30 p.m. | 29   |
| 30<br><b>District Divine<br/>Service</b><br>Havelock United<br>Church<br>7:30 p.m. | 31<br>Havelock Lodge<br>No. 435<br><b>Installation</b><br>Banquet: 6:30<br>Lodge: 7:30 p.m. |  <p><b>PERMANENT<br/>BLOOD DONOR CLINIC</b><br/>55 George St., Peterborough,<br/>705-749-9564</p> <p><b>For information about blood donor clinics in your area call<br/>Canadian Blood Services, toll-free at 1-888-935-1666.</b></p> |  |   |   |  |



Instituted 1953

William James Dunlop Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 675 G.R.C.  
invites you to share in the celebration for  
**our Junior Warden, Bro. Jim Rees,**  
who will be giving his  
**200th Whole Blood Donation**  
on Thursday, June 10, 2010  
at 1:00 p.m.  
at the Peterborough Blood Donors Clinic  
55 George St., Peterborough, 705-749-9564



William James Dunlop Lodge has obtained dispensation for the Brethren to wear their regalia at this event.

Refreshments will be served and the media has been invited.

We look forward to a large turn-out of fellow-Masons from throughout the Peterborough District and abroad to help showcase this event to the general public.

Bro. Rees is only the third Mason to accomplish this milestone goal in the Peterborough District, the other two being V.W. Bro. Vern Orr and W. Bro. Stan Foskett.



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705-749-9564**

**For information about blood donor clinics in  
your area call Canadian Blood Services, toll-free  
at 1-888-935-1666.**



*Peterborough Masonic District  
cordially invites you and your guest to a*

**RECEPTION AND BANQUET**

*in honour of*  
**M.W. Bro. Raymond S. J. Daniels**  
**GRAND MASTER**

*Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada  
in the Province of Ontario*

*in conjunction with the*  
**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
**Golden Rule – Campbellford Hastings Lodge No. 126**

*Campbellford & District Curling Club*

*381 Front Street North  
Campbellford, Ontario*

*Saturday, June 5, 2010*

|                |                          |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| Social Hour    | 6:00 p.m.                |
| Dinner         | 7:00 p.m.                |
| Dress:         | Tuxedo or Business Suit. |
| G.L. officers: | formal                   |

\$35.00 per person

|                                 |
|---------------------------------|
| RSVP To:                        |
| Dennis Hildebrand               |
| 1 Frankish Crt                  |
| Lakefield, Ontario.             |
| K0L 2H0                         |
| Phone: 705- 652-1957            |
| E-mail: dennisoct31@hotmail.com |

Tickets will be held at the door upon receipt of payment. Ticket orders will be confirmed by e-mail.



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**GRAND MASTER'S BANQUET**  
**Wednesday, July 21, 2010, 6:30 p.m.**  
**CANADIAN ROOM, Fairmont ROYAL YORK HOTEL**

*M.W. Bro. Stephen Godfrey*  
*Past Grand Master*  
*Grand Lodge of British Columbia & Yukon*

*Guest Speaker*

**Special entertainment. Tickets \$58.00**  
Cash/cheque - make cheque payable to: Grand Lodge of Canada  
Cut off date is Friday July 15, 2010.

**Tickets available from the D.D.G.M.s**



**NOTE ...**

Reserved Banquet Tables of Eight available direct from  
G.L. Office. COST: \$464 payable in advance.  
Make cheque payable to: Grand Lodge Of Canada

Advance Admission prior to 6:00 p.m.



**A G E N D A**

**MONDAY, JULY 19th**

The Board of General Purposes will meet in the Ballroom, on the Convention floor of the *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel, at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. R.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling, Deputy Grand Master and President of the Board, will preside.

**TUESDAY, JULY 20th**

The Board of General Purposes will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Ballroom, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel.

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm **MEET THE NOMINEES**  
Salon A - Convention Floor

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 21st**

Grand Lodge will assemble in the Canadian Room, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel, at 8:45 a.m.; M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels presiding. Brethren are earnestly requested to bring their own aprons and to be in their seats in Grand Lodge before 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Distinguished visitors, representing other Grand Jurisdictions, will be received and welcomed.

An Address of Welcome will be tendered and Grand Lodge will then proceed with business until 11:30 a.m.

The brethren are asked to reassemble after lunch in the same place at 1:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, JULY 22nd**

Grand Lodge will reassemble at 8:45 a.m. in the Canadian Room, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel.

The installation and investiture of Grand Lodge officers and the newly-elected D.D.G.M.s will take place on Thursday in the Canadian Room, at such time as the Grand Master shall direct. It is essential that each one be present and that he bring his regalia with him. Every member of Grand Lodge is expected to be present sharp on time.

**INSTRUCTION CLASS FOR D.D.G.M.s-ELECT ONLY**  
The Custodian of the Work will instruct the new D.D.G.M.s on Thursday morning at 7:59 o'clock in the Alberta Room, M. M., *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel.

The D.D.G.M.s will see that their successors are in attendance and on time. They will also be present in Grand Lodge, with the regalia for the new D.D.G.M.s, and be prepared to invest at the proper time in the installation ceremonies.

The instruction class is for the new D.D.G.M.s only. Others cannot be admitted. The D.D.G.M.-elect will have with him his Past Master's apron so that he can go directly from the

class to Grand Lodge. Our time for instruction is very limited – so it is essential that all assemble on time.

**INFORMATION COMMITTEE**

Representatives of the committee will be on duty in the lobby of the *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel to supply information.

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATION**

**DO NOT DELAY IN APPLYING TO HOTEL OR IT MAY BE TOO LATE**

840 room nights are available but **your reservation should be made by June 1st**. All delegates are very strongly urged to take early action to secure accommodation. Confirmation from hotel should be obtained and presented on arrival.

*Fairmont* ROYAL YORK HOTEL – Front & York Sts  
(416) 863-6333 or 1-800-441-1414 or fax (416) 860-5008  
Single – \$189.00 plus applicable taxes Double – \$195.00

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tuesday, July 20th – discussion and participation seminars for all brethren at the F.R.Y.H. Preregistration not required.

| TIME | ALBERTA RM                | B. C. RM                     | QUEBEC RM                     |
|------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1:30 | Preservation to Pondering | Keep the Roof over Our Heads | New Younger Members           |
| 2:20 | Records And Artifacts     | Maintaining Premises         | Keeping them Interested       |
| 2:30 | Preservation to Pondering | P & E Essentials             | Learn T Listen Listen T Learn |
| 3:20 | Records And Artifacts     | Discuss-Learn -Grow          | Mentoring Vs Coaching         |
| 3:30 | Impact Of to Freemasonry  | P & E Essentials             | Ceremony Of Installation      |
| 4:20 | Masonic World Today       | Discuss-Learn - Grow         | Changes First Hand            |

PLUS: continuous general information on computer resources from 1:30 to 4:20 p.m. in the Algonquin Room.

**GRAND MASTER'S BANQUET**  
Wednesday, July 21, 2010, 6:30 p.m.  
CANADIAN ROOM, *Fairmont* ROYAL YORK HOTEL  
**M.W. Bro. Stephen Godfrey**  
Past Grand Master  
Grand Lodge of British Columbia & Yukon  
Guest Speaker  
*Doors open at 6 p.m. Special entertainment.*  
*Tickets \$58.00 and available from the D.D.G.M.s.*  
*Cash sales only. Sales cease July 15, 2010.*  
Reserved tables of (8) direct from Grand Lodge.

**Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Canada  
in the Province of Ontario**

April 16, 2010

Dear Sir and Brother:

By command of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, I beg to notify you that the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario will be held in the Canadian Room, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel, Toronto, on WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 2010, at 8:45 a.m. (DST). Representatives will take their seats before 8:30 a.m. All Master Masons desirous of attending will be officially welcomed following the opening of Grand Lodge.

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES  
SPECIAL SEATS ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOU  
IMMEDIATELY BEHIND THE GRAND SENIOR WARDEN**

**REGISTRATION**

The Credentials Committee will register delegates in the Concert Hall, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel, on Tuesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. NOTE: Members will receive their ballot on registration in the Concert Hall, Convention Floor.  
ENTRY TO CONCERT HALL WILL BE THROUGH SALON B.

All balloting, except district elections for the office of D.D.G.M., shall be done at the time of registration in the Concert Hall. The district elections for the D.D.G.M., and a second ballot, if required, for the office of Grand Secretary, and Treasurer shall commence at 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>.

REGISTRATION OF VOTING DELEGATES CLOSSES  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 21<sup>st</sup>, at 3:00 p.m. SHARP

**PROXIES**

The rules relating to the issue and use of proxies are defined in Sections 56 and 57 of the Book of Constitution. Please read carefully.

**THURSDAY, JULY 22nd**

Grand Lodge will reassemble at 8:45 a.m., in the Canadian Room, Convention Floor, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel.  
Terence Shand, Grand Secretary

**2010 — PLEASE LOCATE YOUR MEETING ROOM WELL IN ADVANCE OF MEETING — 2010**

| District         | Time         | Room                 | Floor      | District              | Time         | Room                      | Floor      |
|------------------|--------------|----------------------|------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|------------|
| Algoma           | 5:00 to 5:50 | Salon A              | Convention | Ottawa 1              | 4:00 to 4:50 | Salon B                   | Convention |
| Algoma East      | 5:00 to 5:50 | Newfoundland         | M.M.       | Ottawa 2              | 4:00 to 4:50 | Confederation No. 3       | M.M.       |
| Brant            | 5:00 to 5:50 | Whistler 1-264       | 1st Floor  | Peterborough          | 4:00 to 4:50 | Toronto                   | Convention |
| Bruce            | 4:00 to 4:50 | Prince Edward Island | M.M.       | Prince Edward         | 5:00 to 5:50 | Confederation No. 5 and 6 | M.M.       |
| Chatham          | 5:00 to 5:50 | Montebello 1-265     | 1st Floor  | St Lawrence           | 4:00 to 4:50 | British Columbia          | M.M.       |
| Eastern          | 4:00 to 4:50 | New Brunswick        | M.M.       | St Thomas             | 4:00 to 4:50 | Confederation No. 5 and 6 | M.M.       |
| Erie             | 5:00 to 5:50 | Algonquin            | M.M.       | Sarnia                | 5:00 to 5:50 | Quebec                    | M.M.       |
| Frontenac        | 4:00 to 4:50 | Montebello 1-265     | 1st Floor  | South Huron           | 5:00 to 5:50 | Saskatchewan              | M.M.       |
| Georgian North   | 5:00 to 5:50 | Banff 1-263          | 1st Floor  | Sudbury-Manitowlin    | 5:00 to 5:50 | Toronto                   | Convention |
| Georgian South   | 4:00 to 4:50 | Banff 1-263          | 1st Floor  | Temiskaming           | 4:00 to 4:50 | Library                   | M.M.       |
| Grey             | 4:00 to 4:50 | Quebec               | M.M.       | Toronto Don Valley    | 5:00 to 5:50 | Ballroom                  | Convention |
| Hamilton A       | 5:00 to 5:50 | Tudor 7              | M.M.       | Toronto East          | 4:00 to 4:50 | Ontario                   | Convention |
| Hamilton B       | 4:00 to 4:50 | Tudor 8              | M.M.       | Toronto Humber Valley | 4:00 to 4:50 | Ballroom                  | Convention |
| Hamilton C       | 4:00 to 4:50 | Saskatchewan         | M.M.       | Toronto West          | 5:00 to 5:50 | Concert Hall              | Convention |
| London East      | 5:00 to 5:50 | Salon B              | Convention | Victoria              | 4:00 to 4:50 | Tudor 7                   | M.M.       |
| London West      | 5:00 to 5:50 | Confederation No. 3  | M.M.       | Waterloo              | 5:00 to 5:50 | Alberta                   | M.M.       |
| Musk-Parry Sound | 4:00 to 4:50 | Algonquin            | M.M.       | Wellington            | 4:00 to 4:50 | Salon A                   | Convention |
| Niagara A        | 5:00 to 5:50 | Territories          | M.M.       | Western               | 4:00 to 4:50 | Newfoundland              | M.M.       |
| Niagara B        | 4:00 to 4:50 | Whistler 1-264       | 1st Floor  | Wilson North          | 5:00 to 5:50 | British Columbia          | M.M.       |
| Nipissing East   | 5:00 to 5:50 | Prince Edward Island | M.M.       | Wilson South          | 4:00 to 4:50 | Territories               | M.M.       |
| North Huron      | 5:00 to 5:50 | New Brunswick        | M.M.       | Windsor               | 4:00 to 4:50 | Alberta                   | M.M.       |
| Ontario          | 5:00 to 5:50 | Tudor 8              | M.M.       | York                  | 4:00 to 4:50 | Concert Hall              | Convention |

**NOTE: ALL balloting, except district elections for the office of D.D.G.M., and, if required, a second ballot for the office of Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer, shall be done at the time of registration in the Concert Hall.**

**Tuesday, July 20th — 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM MEET THE NOMINEES — Salon A, Convention Floor**

**DISTRICT MEETINGS**

The District Meetings, for the election of District Deputy Grand Masters and for such other business as may properly be brought before them, will be held at 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, in the rooms of the *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel.

**REGALIA ROOM**

The Ontario Room, Convention Floor, will be available to general membership to change into regalia on Wednesday and Thursday, but must be vacated at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, to be used for District Meetings. For safety's sake hats and coats, regalia bags, etc should be checked in hotel check room as neither the *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel nor Grand Lodge will be responsible for loss or theft.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION and JURISPRUDENCE

Your committee has received FIVE (5) proposed amendments to the Constitution of Grand Lodge

**The 1<sup>st</sup> “proposal”** is to appoint each of the District Secretaries as an Assistant Grand Secretary rather than a Grand Steward

*Your committee finds this proposal irregular*

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> “proposal”** is to require a candidate for the position of District Deputy Grand Master to possess a certificate of completion of the District Deputy Grand Master's course by adding a new section to Section 50 of the Book of Constitution.

50. (a) A candidate for the office of District Deputy Grand Master must be a Past Master of a lodge of the district and be a resident thereof, or his place of residence must be considered by the Grand Master to be near enough to the district to enable such District Deputy Grand Master to discharge his duties and responsibilities to the district in a satisfactory manner.

(b) A candidate for the office of District Deputy Grand Master or Grand Registrar shall be in possession of a certificate of completion of the course for prospective District Deputy Grand Masters as offered by the College of Freemasonry.

(c) Should a Past Master, at the time of his election, be in office as Master of his lodge, and should his election be confirmed by the Grand Master, such election shall operate to vacate his office of Master, and a new election shall be held forthwith by the lodge.

*Your committee finds this proposal regular*

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> “proposal”** deals with PART VI, CHARGES, Summary of the Antient Charges and Regulations Item 11.

This proposal states that the existing section 11. Be amended from “You admit that it is not in the power of any man, or body of men, to make innovation in the body of Masonry.”

To “You admit that it is not in the power of any man, or body of men, to make innovation in the body of Masonry without the consent first obtained of the Grand Lodge” and making the appropriate corrections to the Ritual, in accordance with Sections 5, 6, and 7.

*Your committee finds this proposal irregular*

**The 4<sup>th</sup> “proposal”** deals with Section 307, Form 6, Application for Initiation.

It proposes that the Application Form be corrected by changing the words “being free by birth” to “being a free man” with the appropriate changes made to the Ritual, in accordance with Sections 5, 6, and 7.

*Your committee finds this proposal irregular*

**The 5<sup>th</sup> “proposal”** deals with Section 113(Powers and Duties of Grand Secretary) and suggests the addition of Subsection (q) to read Report the number of Grand Lodge Members to each annual meeting of Grand Lodge.

*Your committee finds this proposal irregular*

July 2010



**Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada  
in the Province of Ontario**

**NOMINATIONS - 2010**



**GRAND SENIOR WARDEN - 2010**

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|  | <b>KEITH JONES</b> – General Manager, 212 Snowdon Avenue, Toronto M4N 2B3. Canada Lodge No. 532, Toronto East District. WM 2008.  |
|  | <b>JOHN PETER LOGAN</b> – Professor & University Administrator, 2060 Westmount Drive, Oakville L6M 3P2. University Lodge No. 496, Toronto West District. WM 2006.                     |
|  | <b>ENOCH JACOB SOLOMON</b> – Semi-Retired Travel Consultant, 105-2330 Bridletowne Circle, Toronto M1W 3P6. Grey Lodge No. 589, Toronto Don Valley District. WM 1993. G. Steward 2005. |
|  | <b>ROBERT DENNIS STILLWELL</b> – Police Officer, 31 Catherine Drive, Whitby L1R 1L7. High Park Melita Lodge No. 531, Toronto Don Valley District. WM 1997, 2003.                      |



**GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN - 2010**

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|  | <b>ROBERT EVERTON TODD</b> – Retired, Accountant, 484 Queenston Road, Suite B61, Hamilton L8K 1J4. Composite Lodge No. 667, Hamilton B District. WM 1986, 2002. |
|  | <b>STEVEN EARL WARREN</b> – Senior Director, Planning, 398 Maidstone Crescent, Oakville L6M 1A1. Oakville Lodge No. 400, Hamilton A District. WM 1998           |


**GRAND TREASURER - 2010**

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|  | <b>THOMAS WALLACE HOGEBOOM</b> – Quality, Environmental and Public Relations Manager, 192 Dundas Street West, Napanee K7R 2A6. Maple Leaf Lodge No. 119, Frontenac District. WM 1994, 1995, 1999, 2006, 2007. DDGM 1997. B of GP 1999-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Long Range Planning, Communications, DDGM Orientation, Management. G.L. Committees Chaired: Finances (Advisory), Membership Resources. |
|  | <b>PATRICK JOSEPH MCGRENER</b> – Retired Corporate Secretary/Treasurer & Chief Operating Officer, 353 Commissioners Road, West, London N6S 0A3. Wellington Lodge No. 271, Wellington District. WM 1997. G.J.W. 2002. B of GP 2009. G.L. Committees Served: Audit & Finance, Lodge Finances, Bloor Donors, Seminars & Workshops.  |






**GRAND REGISTRAR - 2010**

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|  | <b>DONALD KENNETH BROMLEY</b> – Retired Police Officer, 111 Shady Lane Crescent, Bowmanville L1C 5B1. Jerusalem Lodge No. 31, Ontario District. WM 1985. G. Pursuivant 2004.                        |
|  | <b>MILTON PERRY JOHN MCCONNELL</b> – Retired Firefighter (Division Chief), 12 Villeneuve Drive, P.O. Box 422, Maxville K0C 1T0, Maxville Lodge No. 418, Eastern District. WM 1984. G. Steward 2001. |

**GRAND SECRETARY - 2010**

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|  | <b>TERENCE SHAND</b> – Grand Secretary, 704-180 George Street, Hamilton L8P 1E8. Doric Lodge No. 424, Toronto East District. WM 1975. DDGM 1989. B of GP 1992-2003. D.G.M. 1999-2001. G.M. 2001-2003. G.S. 2003-2010. |
| (ACCLAMATION)   |   |








**BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES - 2010**

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|   | <b>LESLIE FRANKLIN ARMSTRONG</b> – Industrial Maintenance Mechanic, 740 Norman Street, Box 251, Wyoming N0N 1T0. Huron Lodge No. 392, Sarnia District. WM 1988, 1998. DDGM 2006. B of GP 2008-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Public Awareness.  |
|  | <b>JOHN DAVID BELL</b> - Retired Environmental Officer, 1630 Paris Street, Unit 402, Sudbury P3E 3C1. Algonquin Lodge No. 536, Sudbury-Markham District. WM 1998. G. Steward 1999. G. Registrar 2002. B of GP 2004-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Seminars & Workshops, Public Relations, Masonic Education. G.L. Committees Chaired: Benevolence, Buildings (Advisory).  |
|  | <b>LES BODROGI</b> – Private Investigator, 1610 Magenta Court, Mississauga L5G 3A7. Perfect Column Lodge No. 510, Toronto Humber Valley District. WM 1982, 1998.   |
|  | <b>BARRY FRANCIS BURCHILL</b> – Quality Control Inspector, 10 Kesler Avenue, Ottawa K2E 5Z1. Acacia Lodge No. 561, Ottawa 1 District. WM 1996, 2002. DDGM 2006. B of GP 2008-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Youth Initiatives. G.L. Committees Chaired: Long Range Planning.  |
|  | <b>DAVID ROSS DAINARD</b> – Retired Labour Relations Officer, 4144 Odessa Court, Niagara Falls L2E 6J5. J.R. Robertson Lodge No. 545, Toronto East District. WM 1991. DDGM 1998. B of GP 2002-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Communications, Computer Resources. G.L. Committees Chaired: Ontario Mason Magazine, Friend-to-Friend, Mentor, Lodge Resources.  |
|  | <b>JOHN RICHARD HAY</b> – Retired Teacher, 1319 Hooton Drive, R.R. #2, Cavan L0A 1C0. J.B. Hall Lodge No. 145, Peterborough District. WM 1986. DDGM 2004. G. Steward 1993. B of GP 2008-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Lodge Resources, Friend-to-Friend, Mentor. G.L. Committees Chaired: Condition of Masonry.  |
|  | <b>GREGORY HILL HAZLITT</b> – Retired Educator, P.O. Box 503, R.R. #5 Goderich N7A 4C7. Morning Star Lodge No. 309, South Huron District. WM 1981. DDGM 1984. B of GP 1995-2007, 2008-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Condition of Masonry, Blood Donors, Membership Resources. G.L. Committees Chaired: Seminars & Workshops, Masonic Education, Library Museum & Archives, DDGM Orientation, Long Range Planning, Benevolence. |

**BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES - 2010**

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|   | <b>TERRENCE VICTOR NORNER</b> – Retired Manufacturer, 8050 Front Road, Stella KDH 2S0, The Beaches Lodge No. 473, Toronto East District. WM 1975. G. D of C 2001. B of GP 2002-2006, 2008-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Management Discipline, Audit & Finance, Condition of Masonry. G.L. Committees Chaired: Finance (Advisory).  |
|  | <b>BARRY JOSEPH HUTTON</b> – Retired Human Resources Manager, 30 Stornoway Crescent, R.R. #4, Seaford N0K 1W0, Doric Lodge No. 424, Toronto East District. WM 1993. DDGM 1998. B of GP 2002-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Membership Resources, Youth Initiatives. G.L. Committees Chaired: Condition of Masonry, Seminars & Workshops, DDGM Orientation, Public Awareness. |
|  | <b>HENRYK EDWARD KRAJEWSKI</b> - Retired Advertising Coordinator, 3 McBride Drive, St. Catharines L2S 3Y4, Seymour Lodge No. 277, Niagara A District. WM 1990. DDGM 1997. B of GP 2008-2010. G.L. Committees Chaired: Public Awareness.   |
|  | <b>STUART WESTON LIBBEY</b> - Retired Professional Engineer, 1714 Jane Street, Cornwall K6J 1X9, Cornelian Lodge No. 669, Eastern District. WM 1975, 1995, DDGM 2003. G. Steward 1985. B of GP 2007-2009. G.L. Committees Served: Buildings (Advisory), Long Range Planning.  |
|  | <b>ROBERT FRANK MANZ</b> - Electrician, 218 Phillips Street, Thunder Bay P7B 5L7. Port Arthur Lodge No. 499, Algoma District. WM 1988. DDGM 1994. G.L. Committees Served: Public Relations, Computer Resources, Communications, Prot. & Etiquette.  |
|  | <b>TERRY ALLAN MCLEAN</b> - Manager, 110-65408 Falconer Drive, Mississauga L5W 1M1. The Sunnyside Lodge No. 664, Toronto Humber Valley District. WM 1985, DDGM 1990, B of GP 1997-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Management, Communications, Leadership Development. G.L. Committees Chaired: Brother-to-Brother, Friend-to-Friend, Long Range Planning, Membership.         |
|  | <b>JOHN ROBERT PATTISON</b> - Teacher, 158 Upper Canada Drive, Kitchener N2P 1E5. Twin City Lodge No. 509, Waterloo District. WM 1994, 1995. Asst. G. Chaplain 2009.  |

**BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES - 2010**

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|   | <b>VINCENT GEORGE PHILLIPS</b> - Equity Funder & Venture Capital, 30 Harding Boulevard, Suite 505, Richmond Hill L4C 9M3. York Lodge No. 156, Toronto Don Valley District. WM 1991, 2004, 2005. G.L. Committees Served: Finance (Advisory).   |
|  | <b>DAVID MICHAEL SHEEN</b> - Firefighter, Division Chief, 33 Belgrave Square, Markham L5C 2T6, Trillium Lodge No. 575, Toronto Humber Valley District. WM 1992, 1998. DDGM 1993. B of GP 2000-2008. G.L. Committees Served: Management, Buildings (Advisory), Communications, Long Range Planning. G.L. Committees Chaired: Public Relations, Blood Donors. |
|  | <b>THOMAS ANDREW SIEMERNIK</b> – Retired Technician, Box 51, 25 Aldergrange Avenue, Innerkip N0J 1M0, Oak Branch Lodge No. 261, Wilson North District. WM 1982, 1997. DDGM 2001. B of GP 2006-2010. G.L. Committees Served: Friend-to-Friend, Public Relations. G.L. Committees Chaired: Blood Donors.  |
|  | <b>JOHN ERNEST STEVENS</b> – Retired Certified Mgmt Accountant, P.O. Box 211, Station 'B', London N6A 4V8, Henderson Lodge No. 388, London West District. WM 2003. DDGM 2007. G.L. Committees Served: Lodge Resources, Friend-to-Friend, Mentors.   |
|  | <b>DESMOND WASHER</b> – Retired V.P. Operations, 895-506 Maple Avenue, Burlington L7S 2H7. The Electric Lodge No. 495, Hamilton C District. WM 1975. Asst. G. Secretary 1992.   |
|  | <b>HARRY WELSH</b> – By-Law Officer, 724 6TH Line, Innisfil L9S 4R6, Corinthian Lodge No. 96, Georgian South District. WM 1995. DDGM 2007. G.L. Committees Served: Lodge Resources, Friend-to-Friend, Brother-to-Brother.   |
|  | <b>DAVID EDWARD WOOD</b> – Retired Vice-President, 147 Island View Drive, Gananoque K7G 2V5, Meridian Lodge No. 687, Hamilton C District. WM 1986. DDGM 1991. G.L. Committees Served: Leadership Development, Public Relations, Computer Resources, Brother-to-Brother, Lodge Finances (Advisory), Communications.  |

## Monthly Communiqué from Grand Lodge: 2009/10 – 19

**May 2010**

### ***From the Grand Master ...***

Our ancient and honourable fraternity has been described as a gentleman's philosophical society. This apt definition implies a certain standard of courtesy and conduct that goes beyond mere civility and is characterized by respect, honour, and integrity in all interpersonal relations, both within and without the Lodge. The Charges of a Freemason specifically forbid "*doing or saying anything offensive that would forbid an easy and free conversation, for that would blast our harmony and defeat our laudable purposes.*" We are admonished in the General Charge: *May kindness and brotherly love distinguish your conduct as men and as Masons.*

The twenty-first century is an age of instant global communication through sophisticated Information Technology. E-mail and electronic texting devices allow us to exchange information with the click of a key. Every tool created and invention known to man can be perverted and put to sinister use. So it is with our communication tools. While the efficiency and expediency of communication has been of great benefit to us, it has also created many serious issues in the jurisdiction. Private piques and quarrels, instead of being kept '*in house*' and settled amicably in a gentlemanly fashion, are fuelled and escalated when e-mails written with a full head of steam are circulated to anyone and everyone in the address book. When differences arise between Brethren, it is all too easy to fire off a scathing note before cooling off, and allowing common sense and reason to prevail. Many of the issues that come before the Grand Master and Grand Secretary for mediation stem from this misuse of the electronic communication media.

During the last three years, e-mails critical of Grand Lodge in general, and recently, the Grand Master in particular, have been circulated by an anonymous writer. The source being unidentified, these letters are considered unworthy of acknowledgment or response by Grand Lodge. Every democratic institution benefits from positive criticism and a loyal opposition. However, unfounded allegations and slanderous accusations circulated indiscriminately with malicious intent create disunity and are unworthy of anyone who claims to be a Mason. Each one of us could benefit from a careful reading and contemplative study of the General Charge where the Ideal of a Freemason is portrayed. We ought to ask ourselves, do we really mean what we say on the floor of the Lodge? More importantly, do we actively practise what we preach? It is our bounden duty to press toward the mark of our high calling.

Be careful of your thoughts, for your thoughts become your words.

Be careful of your words, for your words become your actions.

Be careful of your actions because your actions become your habits.

Be careful of your habits, for your habits become your character.

Be careful of your character, for your character becomes your destiny.

(The Friendship Book 2010)

This is the season of Installations in many of our Lodges. Best wishes to all those new Worshipful Masters and Officers assuming leadership roles responsible for the government of the Lodge. In your hands rests the future success of the Lodge.

Raymond S.J. Daniels

## Grand Master's Itinerary:

May 2010

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| 01    | Victoria District Grand Master's Reception, Fenelon Twp. Centre   | Cambray           |
| 02    | * Toronto Humber Valley District Divine Service 4:15<br>St. Phillips Anglican Church  | Etobicoke         |
| 04-05 | * Lorne Lodge 622, Excursion by Train   | Chapleau          |
| 06    | The Beaches Lodge 473, Installation (Bro. Prince Selvaraj)  | Scarborough       |
| 07    | * North Huron District Grand Master's Reception,<br>St John's Lodge 284, Morris & Grey Community Centre 5:30/7:00   | Brussels          |
| 08    | *Pythagoras Lodge 137 - 150th Anniversary<br>Land Forces Central Area, Training Centre, Building 206 6:30/7:30  | Meaford           |
| 11    | Leeds Lodge 201, Installation (Sean Pere) 7:30  | Gananoque         |
| 14    | * Ontario District Grand Master's Reception,<br>Lions Community Centre, 157 Elgin St.   | Cobourg           |
| 15    | 3:00 Rising Sun Lodge 129, Rededication of Cornerstone,<br>57 Mosely St.,<br>5:30/6:30 * 150th Anniversary, Reception & Banquet,<br>Royal Canadian Legion | Aurora            |
| 18    | Management Committee Meeting Grand Lodge Office 10:00   | Hamilton          |
| 19    | Temple Lodge 690, Third Degree Bro. Sean Ellis 7:30   | Waterloo          |
| 22-26 | World Conference of Sovereign Grand Commanders, A&ASR   | Toronto           |
| 24    | Victoria Day  |                   |
| 27    | 10:30 * Royal City Daylight Lodge 742, 10th Anniversary<br>Order of the Amaranth Grand Sessions   | Guelph<br>Markham |
| 28-29 | Annual Communication, Grand Lodge of Quebec   | Montreal          |

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| 05 | * Peterborough District Grand Master's Reception,<br>Golden Rule Hastings Lodge 126, 150th Anniversary,<br>Campbellford Curling Club 5:00/6:00 | Campbellford |
| 08 | Grand River Lodge 151, Installation 7:30   | Waterloo     |
| 12 | St Lawrence District Quarry Lodge, 10th Anniversary  | Spencerville |
| 17 | Kerr Lodge 230, Installation 7:30  | Barrie       |
| 19 | Richardson Lodge 136, 150th Anniversary, Christ Church Hall  | Stouffville  |
| 21 | * Mystic Tie Lodge 279, Summer BBQ 6:00  | Cambridge    |
| 23 | * Oshawa Scottish Rite Club, Strawberry Dinner 6:00  | Oshawa       |
| 24 | 10:30 Royal City Daylight Lodge 742, Installation<br>7:00 A&ASR Valley of Guelph Installation  | Guelph       |
| 26 | Maple Leaf Lodge 119, 150th Anniversary conclusion,<br>Banquet- Prince Arthur Banquet Hall, Speaker  | Bath         |
| 27 | * Norfolk Lodge 10, Pilgrimage to Grave of First Grand Master  | Woodhouse    |
| 28 | Hanover Lodge 432, Steak Fry, 5:00   | Hanover      |

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| 02-08 | * Shrine Imperial Council Sessions                                 | Toronto |
| 19-20 | Board of General Purposes,<br>Fairmont Royal York Hotel            | Toronto |
| 21-22 | Annual Communications of Grand Lodge,<br>Fairmont Royal York Hotel | Toronto |

True Masonic retention is obtained when both  
Ritual and Masonic knowledge are balanced  
with one another.

- source: May 2010 Summons,  
William James Dunlop Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 675 G.R.C.



## **From the Deputy Grand Master ...**

April showers brought with them another 82 Official Visits by our D.D.G.M.s. It is hoped that the D.D.G.M.s have risen to the occasion and that the Brethren have responded with their attendance. The Official Visit of the D.D.G.M. is an important milestone in the life of every Lodge. It is an opportunity for the Lodge to ‘*strut it’s stuff*’, a special occasion to welcome visitors from near and far and a chance to add on a couple of extra pounds at the banquet hour.

### **Honorary and Life Memberships:**

We still see references to making Brethren Honorary and Life Members or to changing By-Laws with respect to Life Members in the Summons we read. I would ask the D.D.G.M.s to keep an eye out for such situations in the Lodges in your District and encourage the Brethren to be certain that they conform to the requirements of Sections 185 and 187 of the Book of Constitution. In the Condition of Masonry reports we continue to find Lodges that have Life Memberships yet do not have a separate Life Membership Fund. Consult the Grand Secretary if you have any questions.

### **Strategic Plan Projects:**

*Our Grand Lodge Vision: “To ensure the timeless vitality of Freemasonry in Ontario.”*

Last month we reported on the 9 strategic projects that had been started March 1. Initial work continues on these projects, but as they are still in the initial stages, not all have updates at this time. We can report the following:

- Project 2010-04: Ontario Mason Address Database – 11 Lodges have volunteered to participate in the pilot and we are now in the process of creating the technology sandbox in which to conduct the pilot
- Project 2010-05: Information Systems Strategy for Grand Lodge Committee Shared Computer Resources – A strategy for configuring the Sharepoint software to manage the pilot has been created. Server hardware will shortly be purchased to support this pilot and the pilot for project 2010-04.
- Project 2010-07: Establishment of Publishing Review Committee – members of the Publishing Review Committee have been identified and we hope to have this group in operation soon
- Project 2010-08: Proposal for Masonic.h.I.P. Business Model – the details of the proposal continue to be put in place and the final proposal will be made to Grand Lodge in July

In addition to the above, several new initiatives have started:

A new taskforce has been assembled to define a short term strategy for our Grand Lodge Website. This group has had its first meeting, reviewed its mandate, generated some good discussion and will begin documentation of the strategy and action plans in the near future.

A proposal is in the initial stages to deal with digitization of the Grand Lodge Proceedings in order to make them available to all our Brethren via a website connection.

### **Grand Lodge Committee Budgets:**

The Management Committee is reviewing the budget requests for next year as submitted by your Grand Lodge committee chairmen and will make its recommendations to the Audit & Finance Committee this month.

### **Grand Lodge Committee Chairmen Reports:**

Just to let the D.D.G.M.s know that they are not the only ones with reporting deadlines, all your Grand Lodge Chairmen have been under the gun to submit their Committee reports on time for the Preliminary Proceedings. And yes, we do have a number of delinquents that we are chasing.

D.D.G.M. Notes:

1. Have you booked your rooms for Grand Lodge, Monday July 19 – Thursday July 22?
2. Have you made the information regarding the Grand Master’s Banquet tickets (Wednesday, July 21) available in your Districts?
3. Note that the meeting of the Board of General Purposes starts at 9:00 AM Monday, July 19, 2010.

D. Garry Dowling

## ***From the Desk of the Grand Secretary ...***

As summer approaches, several of our members choose to vacation in Europe and/or visit with family members of their ethnic origin. With the advent of internet, many are inappropriately using e-mail to Lodges/Districts/Grand Lodges, overseas, in order to effect a visit. Subsequently, your Grand Lodge office is receiving numerous complaints regarding this break in protocol which necessitates this message being circulated to our membership via your office as D.D.G.M. A Masonic protocol exists between Grand Lodges that, quote, "*correspondence outside of one's own jurisdiction MUST be made through the two respective Grand Lodge offices.*" Some jurisdictions reply with the information requested directly to this office (with reminders of the protocol) while others ignore the request in its entirety.

A related issue is that of accompanying documentation to the visiting Lodge/Jurisdiction. Suggested is: a current dues card, together with a letter of introduction and good standing, on Lodge letterhead, under Lodge Seal, with signature of the Worshipful Master and Lodge Secretary. Only the Lodge has the most recent up-to-date information of a member's status.

Terence Shand

### **Symbols of our Craft**

The following poem was written by Bro. Gianpaul Callipo, Maple Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 54 G.R.C., York District. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels wrote to me, in my role as Editor, on 25 February 2010: "*Good evening R.W. Sir and Bro. Robert. I am forwarding this for your consideration for **Reflections**. I am very impressed with the work of this new Mason and his insight.*"

As I gaze upon the checkered floor  
I understand that there is a lot more.

Lessons are to be lived, but only two ways,  
that is the good  
and surely the bad.  
As I step onto the white,  
I feel the good that I have.

The black comes very near, and I place on it too,  
For these are the lessons of bad  
that must be lived right through.

My Masonic life will lead by lesson  
For the square will be my Masonic impression.

I shall act upon it, but never doubt it.  
I know my Brethren will remind me of it.

My badge of innocence is a feeling of peace.  
For this symbol is but older than the Golden Fleece.

I have now advanced to my Fellow Craft Degree  
For there still is a world, for me to see.

That now Jachin is my second support,  
I will learn to be honest and not to come short.

I can now start to live, guided by the Square  
For when I gain more knowledge ... with you I will share.



- source: ***Reflections: The Newsletter of the Committee on Masonic Education***,  
Volume 24, Number 3, Spring 2010, pp. 8 - 9.  
To obtain a subscription of this quarterly Grand Lodge publication,  
please go to page 27 of this May 2010 issue of the ***Beacon***.

## GRAND MASTER'S PROJECT 2009 - 2011

To advance the study and understanding of Freemasonry and to encourage research into the significant impact fraternalism in general and Freemasonry in particular have made on society in Ontario over the last three hundred years, the Grand Master's Project (2009–2011) will establish a fund to create a **Centre for Masonic Studies** in conjunction with a university in Ontario. In an age when Freemasonry has been fictionalized and trivialized in popular culture, gaining credibility in the academic community would restore the true historical perspective of the fraternity.

This proposed partnership between the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario and Brock University, St. Catharines, would honour the name of R.W. Bro. Charles A. Sankey (1905-2009). Dr. Sankey served as Chancellor of the University 1969-1974. A renowned Masonic scholar, he was active in all the concordant bodies of Masonry – Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite (33°), Royal Order of Scotland, Royal Arch Masons. His extensive collection of rare Masonic books and papers is in the Special Collections of the James Gibson Library at Brock, providing a rich resource for research scholars and students. To initiate the project, a series of lectures is planned beginning in the spring of 2010.

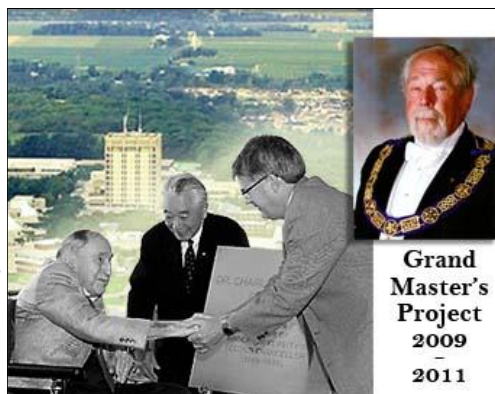
All contributions should be made through the Masonic Foundation of Ontario,  
**Project Number 2937**

Raymond S.J. Daniels  
Grand Master  
4 August 2009

Masonic Foundation Office: (905) 527-9105  
Mel Duke: melvyn.duke@sympatico.ca

**Charles Alfred Sankey, B.Sc., M.Sc., Ph.D., D.Sc., P.Eng.,** was an internationally recognized authority in the field of chemical engineering in the pulp and paper industry. He became Brock University's second chancellor in 1969. Originally from Manitoba, Dr. Sankey eventually settled in St. Catharines, Ontario, and worked for the Ontario Paper Co. Ltd. in Thorold, Ontario. He was a very active member of Masonry and served as District Deputy Grand Master in 1967-1968.

The Masonic collection at Brock University numbers more than 1,200 works, one of the largest collections of books on Freemasonry at any Canadian university. This extensive collection offers researchers and readers an opportunity to learn more about the Masonic fraternity and explore the relationship between Freemasonry and the social and political history of Ontario.



Aug. 10, 2005: Dr. Charles A. Sankey, left, who celebrated his 100th birthday on July 31, 2005, is shown with Chancellor Dr. Raymond Moriyam, centre, and former President David Atkinson. Brock University officially renamed the Senate Chamber to the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber. Atkinson stated that Sankey was a man who had a profound impact on Brock and the Senate Chamber "as the place where the most vigorous debate occurs, should be the place that carries his name."



## Peterborough District Project

Further to our last report in which we stated that the CT (Computed Tomography) scanner for Campbellford Memorial Hospital was expected to be installed and operating in January 2010:

The installation was accomplished on schedule and on budget and immediately has proven itself as a life saving diagnostic acquisition.

On this occasion following a (CT) scan, it was determined, with assistance of a visiting radiologist and consultation with a Toronto Hospital, that there was a very serious heart problem. The patient suffered cardiac arrest. There followed a very risky medical procedure which started the heart. An air ambulance transferred the patient to Toronto, where a surgical team was standing by. Surgery completed, all went well!

This story was told to me by Mr. Neil Hamman and he assured me there are already many examples to the credit of this wonderful medical unit. Mr. Hamman is available to speak at a meeting, should you wish more information.

We trust this true life saving story will be an inducement to our Masonic Brethren. Personal satisfaction will be the result of our contribution to this chosen project and, who knows, the next person to benefit from it may be one of us!

Information can be obtained from your Lodge Chairman or either co-chairman listed below:

Fraternally yours,

W. Bro. Donald E. Jones and Bro. Robert Laing, District Project Co-chairmen

W. Bro. Donald E. Jones  
Phone: (705) 745-5375. E-mail: dejfrj "at" sympatico.ca

Bro. Robert Laing  
Phone: (705) 653-2850. E-mail: rbel "at" sympatico.ca

During a computerized tomography (CT) scan, a thin X-ray beam rotates around an area of the body, generating a 3-D image of the internal structures



## Arts

In the Masonic phrase, “*arts, parts, and points of the Mysteries of Masonry*”, *arts* means the knowledge, or things made known *parts* the degrees into which Masonry is divided, and *points* the rules and usages. (See *Parts* and also *Points*.)

- source: Albert G. Mackey, M.D., 33°, [An Encyclopaedia of Freemasonry and Its Kindred Sciences, Comprising The Whole Range of Arts, Sciences and Literature as connected with The Institution,](#) (London: The Masonic History Company), 1924, p. 80.

## Parts

In the old obligations, which may be still used in some portions of the country, there was a provision which forbade the revelation of any of the *arts, parts, or points of Masonry*. Oliver explains the meaning of the word parts by telling us that it was “*an old word for degrees or lectures.*” (See *Points*.)

- source: Albert G. Mackey, M.D., 33°, [An Encyclopaedia of Freemasonry and Its Kindred Sciences, Comprising The Whole Range of Arts, Sciences and Literature as connected with The Institution,](#) (London: The Masonic History Company), 1924, p. 544.

## Points

In the *Old Constitutions* known as the Halliwell or Regius MS., there are fifteen regulations which are called *points*. The fifteen articles which precede are said to have been in existence before the meeting at York, and then only collected after search, while the fifteen points were then enacted. Thus, we are told -

“*Fifteen artyculus they there sougton, (sought, found out)  
And fifteen poyntys there they wroghton, (wrought, enacted).*”

The *points* referred to in the ritualistic phrase, “*arts, parts, and points of the hidden mysteries of Masonry,*” are the rules and regulations of the Institution. Phillips’ [New World of Words](#) (edited 1706) defines *point* as “*an head or chief matter.*” It is in this sense that we speak of the “*points of Masonry.*”

- source: Albert G. Mackey, M.D., 33°, [An Encyclopaedia of Freemasonry and Its Kindred Sciences, Comprising The Whole Range of Arts, Sciences and Literature as connected with The Institution,](#) (London: The Masonic History Company), 1924, p. 572.



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## Masonic Education: *Tips for Installations & Investitures*

### Editor's Note:

Brethren:

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### PREPARING FOR A CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION

This outline provides some practical suggestions for an Installing Master to consider PRIOR to the Ceremony of Installation. It also reviews his responsibilities.

#### 1. It's an Honour - and a Challenge

"From time immemorial, it has been an established custom . . . for each lodge, once in every year . . . to select . . ." and install their Master. Every lodge does it - every year. The process is the same, whether for a first-time Master or a "recycled" P.M.

In each and every case, the ceremony is, or should be, a highlight of the year for the lodge and all its members.

To be asked to be the Installing Master is an honour and privilege. It is second only to that of actually being elected W.M. of the lodge. However, that honour carries with it an obligation and a great deal of work.

As the Installing Master, you are the driving force behind the most exciting evening your Master Elect has yet to experience in his Masonic journey. Your obligation is to ensure the evening measures up to his expectations and that it is everything it possibly could be, with respect to the Ceremony.

While there are still some Installing Master's who attempt to put an Installation together in a month - or a couple of weeks - it does take the better part of a year to do it properly and completely, particularly if it's your first time as an Installing Master.

The Installing Board should be made up of as many lodge members as possible. While all members of the Installing Board itself must be Installed Masters, (including the Tyler), younger and newer lodge members - who are not Installed Masters - may certainly take part in the investiture of Officers and asked to present the working tools. It is absolutely essential that the Installing Board be given ample time to learn, (or re-learn), their work.

Except in the case of an emergency, it is inexcusable to ask someone to deliver a piece of ritual only a few days before - unless, of course you've previously asked them to back up that part.

#### 2. Starting At The Beginning

The W.M., constitutionally is required to preside over every meeting of his lodge. This does not mean that he must undertake to perform the entire Ceremony of Installation all by himself, anymore than the reference to "W.M." in the Book of Work means the Master must do it all. However, it is his right and prerogative to do so. Also, he is responsible to ensure that it is done properly.

**Only under special circumstances** should anyone other than the Worshipful Master install his successor! This should be borne in mind when reading the following comments.

- When the Senior Warden (i.e. the potential W.M.) asks you to be his Installing Master:
- Be sure he is aware that he must first seek permission from the W.M.
- Your first question must be - has he done that?
- When he tells you that he has and that the W.M. is agreeable, you should quietly confirm with the W.M. that such is the case. You want to personally seek the W.M.'s blessing and also invite him to be involved in the Ceremony. This is but simple common courtesy.

Determine if there are any special people that the potential W.M. may wish to play a part in his Installation, such as his sponsor. Or, if any special courtesies would be appropriate, such as a father placing his son in the Chair. This would also be a good time to enquire if a family member may want to make a presentation (e.g. a gavel, or his apron).

#### 3. Forms – Aids to Planning

Remember there is an excellent specimen trestle board you could utilize. It is posted on the Grand Lodge web site. The address is: <http://grandlodge.on.ca/Forms/>

(Note the capital "F" on Forms.) Scroll down the page (under "Lodge Forms") until you come to: Installing Board BLANK. Updated 2008 10 04.1.doc . That specimen trestle board outlines all the parts of the Ceremony that can be assigned, step by step.

Does your lodge maintain a worksheet that would provide you with a history of which member can do what parts of the Ceremony? (If not, why not?) Such a worksheet can save you a lot of time in assigning the various parts.

Hopefully this worksheet provides for computer date stamping. That way, you (and all readers) will easily know if you're working with the most recent revision.

Consider also preparing a trestle board in two formats:

- The first outlines the PARTS of the Ceremony, in their sequential order, as per the specimen on the Grand Lodge web site.
- The other lists each PERSON (in alphabetical order) who is participating in the Ceremony – and opposite his name, shows all the parts/tasks assigned to that brother. (This is very handy when one person is doing two or more parts.)

Every member of the Installing Board, (including those who will be Investing the Officers Elect and proposing - or responding - to Toasts at the Banquet), should receive a Confirmation Letter. Such a letter not only will make it clear what responsibilities have been assigned to that person, it will also prompt them to get back to you if there has been a misunderstanding.

Corresponding with Members of the Board by e-mail is quite acceptable. However, e-mails don't always reach their intended recipient. So while e-mails are good, supplementary correspondence by a written letter, sent by Canada Post, is even better.

The *Ceremony of Installation* booklet does suggest that the assignment of certain parts may require a little more care, (i.e. the Qualifications of a Master, the Summary of Ancient Charges, the Obligations, the Wardens, the Directors of Ceremony, the Chaplain, the Secret Work, the Charge from N.E., and, of course, the General Charge). These parts, in particular, should have a backup person assigned, as should there be a backup for the I.M. himself.

#### **4. The Process**

On your own, before you spring into action, familiarize yourself with the Ceremony. Even more importantly, read the very useful Comments on the Ceremony, which are found at the back of the Ceremony of Installation booklet.

Carry out a couple of thorough reviews of the Ceremony itself, its mechanics and those aforementioned key lectures. Familiarize yourself with the "big picture".

While it is certainly not necessary for the I.M. to personally do all of the ritual, he must ensure that it is done properly. Bear this in mind when assigning parts.

When selecting your installing team, there are two key parts that should be carefully considered:

- The Director of Ceremonies: His skill and knowledge of the ceremony will set the tempo for the ceremony. While the I.M. directs the overall program, a good D of C is instrumental in seeing everything comes together as it should. The I.M. is in charge of the program; the D of C is in charge of the "floor" and what happens on the "floor". When the I.M. and the D of C work hand in hand, the outcome is a memorable and impressive ceremony, leaving a favourable impression on everyone in attendance. Those who participate are grateful. Most of all, the M.E. and his officers will be inspired and will likely reflect fondly back upon the ceremony over the rest of the year.
- The Assistant Director of Ceremonies: He will provide a fluent flow to the details, such as adjusting the W.M.'s apron before the installation, helping to escort the brethren and officers, as well as getting the Officer' collars in the proper order prior to investiture.

Start by making up a list of potential participants. Take care to slot in those special people whom the potential W.M. has requested be given an opportunity to participate.

It is important that the Past Masters of the lodge be asked to participate in the Ceremony. After exhausting the resources of the lodge, then invite brethren from other lodges to be part of the ceremony. The principal Officers and lecturers will add lustre and polish to the ceremony, so select wisely.

Contact each person on your list to determine if he will take part. If you don't already have it, ask them for both their e-mail address and their postal address. REMEMBER - This should be done MONTHS before the Installation, NEVER a week or two before.

Of course, there can be situations where a participant has to cancel, but you do have a potential backup. Right?

Now, take the time to send out that Confirmation Letter. It can prevent nasty surprises later.

Confirm with the Lodge Secretary that he has invited the DDGM and the District Secretary to attend the Installation. And that he has ordered the M.E.'s apron and gavel. And the I.P.M.'s jewel. And that he has the Examining Board's report, the Auditors' Report, (duly signed, of course), and the lodge Minute Book and By-Laws, along with the Book of Constitution. (Don't leave anything to chance.)

As a courtesy, you should also advise the DDGM, by letter, that you would like him to make the Final Proclamation.

#### **5. Using the Same "Hymn Book"**

Ensure all members of the Installing Board are using the current Installation Ceremony booklet. Grand Lodge does make revisions to the booklet, from time to time. Each revision supersedes (i.e. totally replaces) the previous version. Everyone participating in the Ceremony MUST work from a common reference source. (We should probably start a

recycling program for out-of-date editions of our rituals and ceremonies.)

## **6. Rehearsals**

You should schedule at least one rehearsal for the Board and, ideally, another for the members of your lodge who are “not Installed Masters”. This way, M.M.’s, F.C.’s, and E.A.’s will know what is expected of them, such as how to enter and leave lodge, how to perambulate properly and how to give the Grand Honours. Some of these members may also be presenting the Working Tools, or investing an Officer.

You could tactfully mention to the Board that while THEY may not need the practice, (which of course they do), YOU certainly need it. Tell them you need to rehearse your timing, your interaction with and instructions to the Board, and to have assurance that everything will occur in an impressive manner.

## **7. Prime Function of the Installing Master**

The Installing Master’s prime function is similar to that of a traffic cop. He is responsible for everything; for the “big picture”. He keeps the ceremony moving along in an orderly fashion.

When the day for the Installation arrives, it can be very hectic for the I.M. Last minute phone calls, cancellations, substitutions, questions . . . There is a lot happening. It can be very confusing. So, here’s a suggestion about another tool that you could use. It’s an expanded version of the Ceremony’s worksheet. It outlines the entire Ceremony, in order:

- With the name of the person doing the task
- Together with the first couple of lines of his ritual.
- While there should be only one prompter, we have all been at an Installation (and a Degree) where the prompter momentarily loses his place, for a variety of reasons.
- In such a situation, the I.M. can get the Board Member started and the prompter back on track.

**IMPORTANT:** This is not meant to suggest in any way that reading from the Ceremony of Installation booklet is an acceptable alternative to delivering the ritual from memory!

## **8. And In Conclusion**

That’s it - but is it? Just a few last reminders:

As the Installing Master, remember that you are to assume the chair in the First Degree, after all the other business of the lodge that evening has been completed.

It is left to the discretion of the W.M., the I.M., and the M.E., whether any visiting brethren, (including the Installing Board), are received into the lodge in the First Degree, or the Second Degree.

It is the I.M. (or a designated P.M.) who opens the lodge in the Second Degree, and then proceeds with the Ceremony.

The Officers of the Installing Board will be asked to take their chairs, (either formally or informally), before the M.E. is presented.

## **9. Wrapping Up**

Here are a few final suggestions:

- Upon assuming the chair, (and thanking the W.M. for the privilege), you could remind the brethren of several things:
  - There is only one prompter – and who it is;
  - Any local traditions are not a part of the ritual and must be avoided;
- The brethren who perambulate are to remain standing after they have finished, until the new W.M. seats them.
- When assigning work, it is quite acceptable to have other Past Masters open the lodge in the Second and Third Degrees, as well as to open and close the Board. They must, however, assume the gavel in the proper form
- Should an appointed Officer Elect be unable to attend, he may be invested by proxy. (This is not the case, though, with an elected officer.)
- Should the outgoing W.M., for some reason, not be available to be invested as I.P.M.:
  - This can be done at a later date.
  - A Board of Installed Masters must be opened at that time.
  - The Board is a separate entity. As such:
    - (1) There is no need to first open lodge in the Second or Third Degree.
    - (2) A Board can be opened directly from the First Degree.
- Have an information card prepared, listing the names of the Officers Elect in the order you want them to re-enter the lodge, after the Board has been closed. (This would be the order in which they are to be Invested.)
- Give this card to the Senior Warden Elect, as he is responsible for lining up the Officers in the vestibule. Also give a copy of the card to the Tyler of the Board, and the D of C.
- In keeping with the significance of the evening, the I.M. should definitely wear a tuxedo (i.e. Black Tie), as is also the case with every other Member of the Installing Board. If applicable, they also should be wearing their dress regalia.

- Prior to the ceremony, reserve a chair for yourself to the right of the I.P.M.'s chair. This is especially important if the lodge room is full. That's where you will need to sit after the I.P.M. has been invested and escorted to his chair. (DO NOT ASK THE I.P.M. TO GIVE UP HIS CHAIR AFTER HE HAS BEEN INVESTED.)
- Remind the W.M. that if he wishes to express his appreciation to the I.M. (or anyone else) at the end of the Ceremony, he should take no longer than three minutes to do so. (Even Oscar recipients at the Academy Awards are on the clock.) This is not an appropriate occasion for him to unduly add to the length of the evening. Our motto is: "In by 8:00 out by 10:00"
- Every Worshipful Master should be given the learning opportunity and enjoy the experience of acting as an Installing Master. To encourage this, a copy of the current edition of the Ceremony of Installation booklet should be presented to the new Worshipful Master on the night of his Installation. With a year to prepare himself, he will certainly be able to preside with competence and confidence twelve months hence.

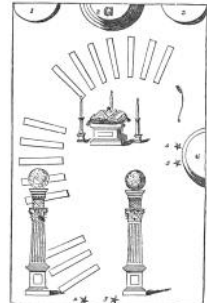
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### There is no religion higher than the Truth

A Mason is a Philosopher studying the hidden mysteries of nature and science. In this Pythagorean definition, a philosopher is not a wise man, but a lover of wisdom – a humble seeker for Truth. The Quest for Truth is our most noble purpose. "Certain treasures lead us on a veritable 'Queste' that is undertaken one day for no conscious reason and never ends, a queste through nature, people, history, art, a queste that is total and absolute. This is the reason that such an approach is eternal, and it could well prove that the gold one hunts for is much more a spiritual as opposed to material gold that may be everywhere and nowhere, in each place spirit may breathe, each step that human knowledge takes forward." (Gérard Lupin, quoted by Jean Markale) Is that not the whole purpose of Freemasonry encapsulated in a few lines? Masonry, from the beginning, was, and is, a "Teacher of Great Truths".

### Where shall Truth be found?

Ancient legends tell of a secret vault containing a sacred treasure. The winding stair leads to the sanctum sanctorum deep within the mystical temple. The injunction "Know Thyself" was inscribed over the portals of the ancient temples of Initiation. 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; Self-fulfilment. Of itself, Masonry does not, nor can it, make good men better. That great work must be done, like an Olympic athlete in training, by each individual striving daily to be a better man.



We are taught that Masonry is a progressive science. Albert Einstein (1879-1955), that great genius of the twentieth century, put it in these words: "Curiosity has its own reason for existence. One cannot help but be in awe when he contemplates the mysteries of life. It is enough if one tries merely to comprehend a little of this mystery every day. Never lose a holy curiosity." It is in this sense that every speculative Freemason is a student of philosophy and every Masonic Lodge is a Temple of Learning.

*"Get Knowledge – get Wisdom, but with all thy getting, get Understanding."*

- source: M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels, "The Quest for Gold",  
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## [“Opportunities For Further Light”](#)

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### **The Schismatic Grand Lodge at Niagara Part Two**

**Editor’s Note:** Prior to 1763, what we today think of as Ontario was part of *New France*. Between 1774 and 1791 it was part of what was known as *Quebec*. Between 1791 and 1841 it was known as *Upper Canada*, between 1841 and 1867, as *Canada West* and in 1867 became known as *Ontario*.

The irrevocable step came on April 24, 1803 when Silvester Tiffany, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Upper Canada, wrote to Jarvis demanding the surrender of the jewels and any other belongings held by him, the same to be forwarded to the Niagara Brethren.

In October 1803, Patrick, spurred by the activity at Niagara, summoned all Lodges, in Jarvis’ name, to send representatives to a meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge at York on February 10, 1804, but those favourable to the Grand Lodge of Niagara ignored the summons.

In the years after 1804, the schismatic Grand Lodge held regular assemblies (except for the war years, 1812-1815) and officers were elected and installed. Its members were active in the individual Lodges and Grand Lodge issued ten warrants for new Lodges, all in the Niagara Peninsula and Western Ontario.

During its twenty year existence, three Brethren presided over the assemblies of the Grand Lodge: first George Forsyth, a merchant of Niagara (1753/5—1806; G.M., 1802—1806), then Dr. Robert Kerr (1754/5—1824; G.M., 1807—1818, and again in June 1822), and finally George Adams of St. Catharines (G.M., 1819—1822).

By 1822 when the Second Provincial Grand Lodge was formed under Simon McGillivray, the steam had gone out of the controversy. For three years, Danby had been an invalid under the care of George Adams and most of the dissidents were willing and happy to patch up their quarrel.

Looking back from the present day, it is easy to condemn the Niagara Brethren. Their position was indefensible from a legal point of view but their reaction, born as it was of frustration, is at least intelligible. Their activity may have saved Masonry for Upper Canada for without them the Order would have had no leadership at all for a number of years. But, after 1822, harmony prevailed and the fraternity once more began to grow.

John Ross Robertson provides a judicious appraisal of these early days:

The history of the Provincial Grand Lodge and its schismatic companion does not make a brilliant page in the history of the Craft of Upper Canada. As an organization it possessed all the elements which, combined, should have made a powerful and influential body.

The account of its work must be read with profit by all who desire a knowledge of Masonry in Upper Canada from 1792—1822. Whatever defects might be found in the proceedings of the governing body, the work of the subordinate Lodges was excellent. Their history possesses a two-fold interest, for they displayed an inherent and sterling strength which was steadily maintained during a term of years when, without the supervising attention of a Grand Lodge, they were subjected to the throes of every storm that was raised by those in power. Then the earnestness of the membership demonstrated that they had the principles of the Craft at heart and were determined to stand by the ship, knowing that sooner or later disturbing elements would disappear and peace and harmony would prevail.

- source: Wallace McLeod, ed., [Whence Come We ? Freemasonry in Ontario: 1764 - 1980](#), (Hamilton: Masonic Holdings), 1980, pp. 32 - 33.



Simon McGillivray



William Jarvis

**Next month:** Lodges under the Schismatic Grand Lodge.



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## Peterborough District A.F. & A.M. History

### Norwood Lodge No. 223

In writing about Norwood Lodge No. 223 which was Instituted on July 14, 1870, two names appear often in the early records: R.W. Bro. Bertram W. Squire and W. Bro. R.G. Lawlor. B.W. Squire was a leader in his community. Coming to Canada as a small boy, he received his education at Norwood, early learned the baking trade and, with his father and two uncles, formed a milling business. Later he became an exporter of many lines of farm produce and owned a general store. He served on the village council and for six years as reeve and twice served his Lodge as Master.



John Lawlor was the principal of the Norwood High School for twenty-five years.

Besides R.W. Bro. Squire and W. Bro. Lawlor in the years since the Association was formed, other leaders have been: R.W. Bro. Walter Bitten, R.W. Bro. G.R. Baker, V.W. Bro. A.M. Weir, V.W. Bro. Charles MacMillan and W. Bro. David McNeill. They have been the mainstay of Masonry in Norwood.

The following have served as Grand Lodge Officers since the formation of Peterborough District:

- R.W. Bro. Gerald R. Baker (Peterborough D.D.G.M.: 1944-1945)
- V.W. Bro. Walter Bitten (Grand Steward: 1945-1946)
- R.W. Bro. Walter Bitten (Peterborough D.D.G.M.: 1958-1959)
- V.W. Bro. William Weir (Grand Steward: 1959-1960)
- R.W. Bro. John W. Auckland (Peterborough D.D.G.M.: 1974-1975)
- V.W. Bro. David McNeil (Grand Steward: 1975-1976)
- R.W. Bro. Douglas J. Percy (Peterborough D.D.G.M.: 1986-1987)
- V.W. Bro. Neil McClure (Grand Steward: 1987-1988)
- R.W. Bro. Brian Rumbles (Peterborough D.D.G.M.: 1999-2000)
- V.W. Bro. Keith Buchanan (Grand Steward: 2000-2001)

Other Grand Lodge Officers from Norwood Lodge No. 223 over the years included:

- 1900-1901 V.W. Bro. William Roxburgh,  
Grand Organist, Norwood Lodge No. 223.
  - 1903-1904 R.W. Bro. Dr. J.C. Moffat,  
D.D.G.M., Norwood Lodge No. 223.
  - 1905-1906 V.W. Bro. Joseph Pearce,  
Grand Standard Bearer, Norwood Lodge No. 223.
  - 1909-1910 R.W. Bro. Samuel Ford,  
D.D.G.M., Norwood Lodge No. 223.
  - 1913-1914 R.W. Bro. Bernard W. Squire,  
D.D.G.M., Norwood Lodge No. 223.
  - 1933-1934 V.W. Bro. E. Pitt Cuffe,  
Grand Steward, Norwood Lodge No. 223.
  - 1968-1969 V.W. Bro. Charles MacMillan,  
Grand Steward, Norwood Lodge No. 223.
  - 1985-1986 R.W. Bro. John Webster,  
D.D.G.M., Hamilton District,  
Affiliated with Norwood Lodge No. 223.
  - 1998-1999 V.W. Bro. Ray Beggs,  
Grand Steward, Norwood Lodge No. 223.
- source: author unknown, "*History of A.F. and A.M. Lodges: Peterborough District*" (Peterborough), 1968, p. 23, with updates from R.W. Bro. Robert Collins McBride, District Historian, 2001 – 2010.

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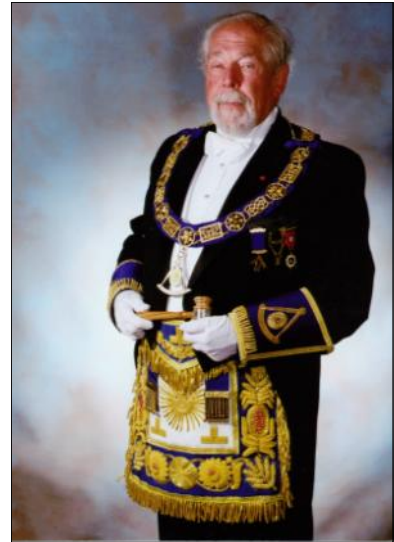
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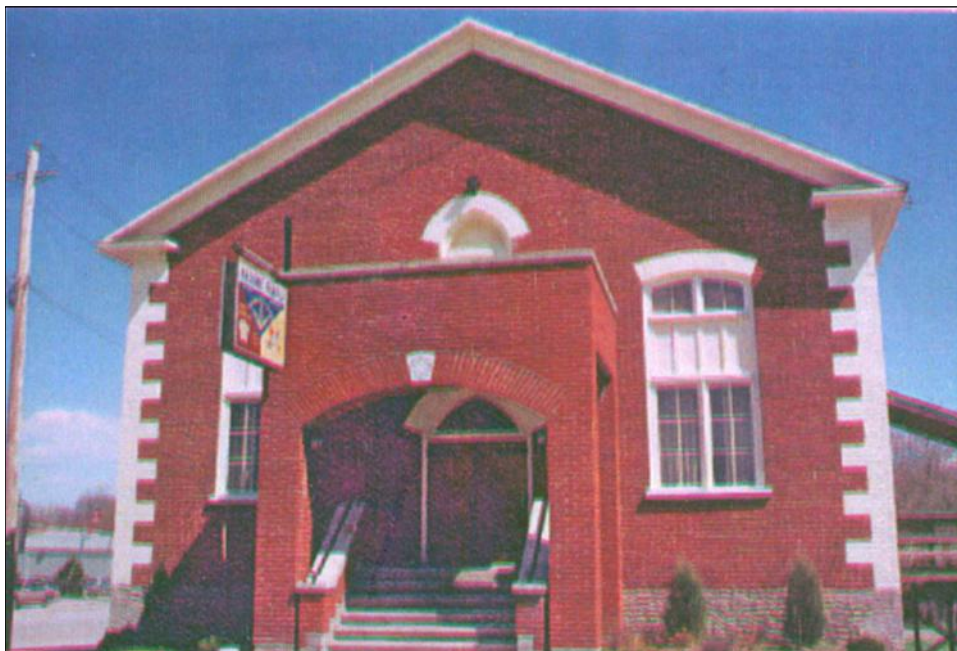
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