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## From Our District Deputy Grand Master

Greetings Brethren, Well, we're off to a great start of this new Masonic year. September proved to be a enjoyable most month getting out visiting and around the District, both at Lodge and at social events. We've been able to witness some very good degree work already.

September also proved to be a great month for having the pleasure of



acknowledging the accomplishments of our Brethren in the District.

It was a proud evening on September 15th for V.W. Bro Ray Graham of Dufferin Lodge as he received his regalia as Grand Steward with his family present. I think Ray has yet to take his regalia off (including to bed at night!).

At our District meeting on September 17th, R.W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra was presented with his Past DDGM pin, W. Bro. Gary McLean accepted, on behalf of Hugh Murray Lodge, the

certificate accomplishment of Cornerstone Lodge, and The Chronicle was recognized for its excellence with R.W. Bro. Bill MacPherson accepting a lovely plaque on its behalf.

Another proud evening occurred on September 27th. V.W. Bro. Art Moore of Landmarks/Doric received his regalia as Assistant Grand Secretary with his family present. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. John C. Green and The Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Terence Shand, were also in attendance making this an extra special evening. Congratulations to all!

Looking forward, October promises to be an exciting month as well, with many more visitations planned including official visits at Ionic, Hugh Murray and Wardrope as well as an Installation at Dufferin.

I want to continue to encourage you to come on out and visit. You'll be glad you did. We all know that you get out of something what you put in to it. If you want things to change and get more out of Masonry I'm going to ask you to think about how you may have to change.

See you in Lodge!

As our purpose in Masonry is to make good men better, just a reminder that our focus this year is to bring out the best in ourselves, thereby bringing out the best in each other. How can we change in ourselves to accomplish this noble feat?

Kindest Regards and Fraternally

## R.W. Bro. Craig L. Knapman



V.W. Bro. Art Moore
Asst Grand Lodge Secretary



V.W. Bro. Ray Graham Grand Steward

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## From the Grand Master

Brethren, I bid vou welcome to another Masonic While many of you hopefully have enjoyed a period of summer relaxing on vacation or spending time with family and friends at a cottage or perhaps just in a back yard, it is important recognize that some families have also suffered through difficult challenges. We as a Grand Lodge wish everyone comfort and prosperity in the future.



I want to this opportunity to thank those brethren who were able to attend Grand Lodge in July. There was much evidence of brotherhood and camaraderie at the sessions and throughout the Convention floor. Grand Lodge is a great time for meeting new friends and renewing old friendships with Brethren you have met in the past from other Lodges and Districts.

I wish to take a moment and congratulate those brethren who were fortunate enough to be elected to a Grand Lodge office. Your opportunities while holding office will be a rewarding experience in your growth as a Mason. Although you will find somewhat overwhelmed by your duties from time to time you will also find that work well done and duties properly performed will instill pride in yourself and thus your personal growth.

I also want to offer my sentiments to those Brothers who allowed their name to stand for office. By offering your name for consideration goes a long way in demonstrating to others your abilities and desire to further serve the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. Although your election was not as successful as you had hoped you can be very proud of your generosity and willingness as a person who is prepared to further serve Masonry. I thank you for putting your name before the Masons of our Grand Jurisdiction.

On a less complimentary situation I wish to express disappointment about the actions of a few brethren whose conduct at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel was less than Masonic. Sometimes, when we are in a relaxed and celebratory mood, our minds and actions wander to extremes which are not our normal conduct. Each year, your Lodge receives a letter from the Grand Master asking Masons to publicly conduct themselves in a manner that will be honourable to our fraternity. This involves behaviour related

to noise, language and appearance both in hotel rooms and hallways. Well Brethren, we are not perfect yet. There were instances where some Brethren were ordered to evacuate their rooms. I also received a letter from a high ranking officer of another organization, who was also having a conference in the hotel, and expressed to me in no uncertain terms their opinion of Freemasons, as an honourable and respected organization, had now changed due to the actions they witnessed by certain individuals at the hotel.

In Masonic meetings, throughout each year, we talk about our teachings and the image we are obligated to strive for. That is to demonstrate to the general public that we represent civility and prove ourselves to be good citizens, neighbours, workmates and proud family leaders. For the most part we perform these duties quite well and then, once a year, in only two days, a few Masons present themselves in a disorderly manner leaving the image of all Freemasonry to appear less than it really is. For those guilty of such occurrences, consider going home a couple evenings and displaying the same conduct you did at the Royal York. Then reflect on how long your family situation would remain harmonious. Brethren, we can do better and I charge that responsibility to you in the future.

I was very pleased to hear that a number of Lodges had successful summer gatherings. Some of which are slightly infamous throughout Ontario, such as Lodge meetings in Hanover, Spencerville, Elmvale and Bracebridge just to name a few. These special meetings attract visitors from great distances and are well known annual events. If you have an opportunity to attend these functions you will find them both interesting and enjoyable.

Brethren, as we embark on another busy Masonic year I invite you to enjoy your experiences and go forward to display Freemasonry in its true form. Practice our craft and believe in its teachings and philosophies of life. These are major directives in the manner in which we conduct ourselves as men and as Masons.

As you know we will be receiving many invitations to Anniversaries and Receptions as well as some special Masonic events for instance the International Plowing Match near Harriston Sept. 20-24, 2016. The Grand Masters "Meet and Greet" that week will be at the Palmerston Community Centre September 22, 2016 at 5:00pm.

Three Amalgamations will take place in the coming months:

- Tuscan & Victoria Lodges in Sarnia, September 10 at 12:00 noon
- Stirling & Franck Lodges in Frankford, September 15 at 6:30pm
- Highgate & Howard Lodges in Ridgetown, November 12 at 7:00pm

**The Institution** of Templim Lucis Lodge Stratford on September 21 at 7:00pm

Enjoy masonry to its fullest and you will appreciate life, family and friends as well.

#### John C. Green

## From the Deputy Grand Master

Brethren: All across Ontario most Masonic Lodges are returning to their labors after their usual summer recess. There are, of course, Lodges which meet during the summer and stand down in the winter months. Either way it's time for the Masons of Ontario to pick up our working tools and return to labour.

The Master of these Lodges are every mindful of Section 240 of our Constitution which states, "shall cause to published in the summons or shall read or cause to be read at one or more regular meetings of the Lodge such portion of the Proceedings of the last annual meeting of Grand Lodge as in his opinion will prove most instructive and beneficial to the membership of the Lodge".

For a few moments I would like to inform you of a portion of the Proceedings as it relates to the structure of the Committees of Grand Lodge. No doubt you are aware, this year only 5 members to the Board of General Purposes were elected and 5 were appointed. This is the first of a two year down-sizing of the Board to be completed by July 2017.

To create a more effective and efficient Board, with less member's, changes were made to the structure. Previously, most of the twenty six Committees of Grand Lodge had a Chairman with some Committees having Sub-committee lead by Team Leaders. They all answered to or were given direction directly from the Deputy Grand Master.

Today's structure finds the three elected and two appointed members of the Management Committee are the only Committee Chairman. Each of these Chairmen has a Committee, under certain groupings, made up of various Teams with Team Leaders.

The Team Leaders report to their Chairman and only the five Chairmen directly report to the Deputy Grand Master who also may respond with direction and/or advice in return but only to the five Chairmen.

The five Chairmen are required to meet with their Teams regularly to keep themselves informed of the work being completed by their Teams within their mandates.

This re-design immediately makes the structure of the Committees more efficient.

Your Grand Lodge Committees are as follows:

#### The Craft Stewardship Committee

Chairman: David Cameron

Teams: Strategic Planning, DDGM Orientation, Condition of

Masonry, Seminars & Workshops

## **The Training & Education Committee**

Chairman: John Hay

**Teams:** Education, Library, Museum & Archives, Brock University Partnership College of Freemasonry, Book Sales

## The Lodge Resources Committee

Chairman: Barry Burchill

**Teams:** Leadership Development, Brother 2 Brother, Friend to Friend/ Mentor, Officer Progression, Cornerstone

## **The Operations Committee**

Chairman: Ed Standish

Teams: Audit & Finance, Benevolence, Lodge Finances,

Lodge Buildings

## **The Communication Committee**

Chairman: Tom Siemiernik

**Teams:** Website, Internal Communications, Ontario Mason, Blood Donors, Youth Initiatives, Public Awareness, E- mail

Distribution

## **Protocol & Etiquette**

Team Reports directly to the Custodian of the Work & Grand Master

The Constitution & Jurisprudence Team, Discipline Team & Fraternal Relations Team Report to the Past Grand Masters & Grand Master

At the completion of the down-sizing of the Board, next year, the ensuing steps will be a vigorous review of all Standing & Special Committees.

I personally want to thank the Chairman and Team Leaders of your Grand Lodge Committees who, despite changes of committee structure and committee assignments, have worked diligently to ensure all the changes were seamlessly implemented.

In closing perhaps a quote from the German satirist Georg C. Lichtenberg summons it up best:

"I cannot say whether things will get better if we change; what I can say is they must change if they are to get better."

Paul E. Todd

Deputy Grand Master

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## **Dates to Remember**

October 2016

## D.D.G.M. Official Visit

Ionic Lodge No.549 Wednesday October 5, 2016. Dinner 6:30 pm MCH

## Stories in the Stones

## The Masonic Tour

A Da Vinci Code Tour? Learn about the Masons in Hamilton and their influence on the City. Secrets will be revealed.

Saturday October 15, 2016 11 am

Tours start at 11 am at the Cemetery Gatehouse 777 York

Blvd. across from Dundurn Castle and run for 2 hours.

Tour hosted by Robin McKee of

Historical Perceptions, <a href="https://www.hamiltonhistory.ca">www.hamiltonhistory.ca</a>

## D.D.G.M. Official Visit

Hugh Murray No.602 Tuesday October 18, 2016. Dinner 6:00 pm MCH

## **Dufferin Lodge No. 291 Installation**



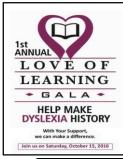


Thursday October 20, 2016. Dinner 6:30 pm Tyle 7::30 pm Flamborough

## D.D.G.M. Official Visit

Wardrope No.555 Monday October 24, 2016. MCH

## **Love of Learning Gala**



Biggest Gala of the year.
Saturday October 15, Liuna Station
For tickets or to inquire about sponsorship please contact R.W. Bro. Geoff Allan at 905-339-7724. or Email: office@dyslexiacenterhamilton.com

With your support, we can make Dyslexia History.

## **Past Masters Association**

Saturday, October 29, 2016

Speaker – R.W. Bro. David Cameron

## **Topic: A Look at Declining Membership**

Breakfast Meeting at the Masonic Centre of Hamilton

Meet and greet at 8:30 am, Open breakfast by 9:00 am.

Try the new breakfast menu for \$10

Have coffee cake with whipped butter, banana bread, croissants, mini danishes and fresh fruit salad.

With juice, water coffee and tea on side.

Our Speaker is R.W. Bro David Cameron He will present "A look at Declining Membership" and offers some good ideas and suggestions that attendees can take back to their lodges. Contact Jon Stewart at 905 5127390 cell 905 5430606 office or email. jstewart41@cogeco.ca

## Fall Divine Service Hamilton Masonic Districts' Board of Relief

Sunday October 30, 7:00 pm Scottish Rite Cathedral, 4 Queen Street South, Hamilton,



## November 2016

## D.D.G.M. Official Visit

Temple Lodge No.324 Tuesday November 8, 2016. Dinner 6:30 pm MCH

## D.D.G.M. Official Visit

The Electric Lodge No.495 Wednesday November 16, 2016. Dinner 6:30 pm Hillcrest

# **Lodge of Instruction:** "Deacons Workshop"

The Craft Association of the Hamilton Districts 9:00 am Saturday November 19, 2016.
Hosted by Valley Lodge No. 100
Dundas Masonic Temple



## Westmount Lodge No. 671 Installation

Tuesday November 22, 2016.
Dinner 6:00 pm
Hillcrest

# **Around The District Hamilton District C Meeting**



Our District Leadership team!



W. Bro. Gary McLean Receives the Cornerstone award for Hugh Murray Lodge No. 602



Associate Editor R.W. Bro Bill MacPherson receives the Grand Lodge Silver award on behalf of the 'C'hronicle



V.W. Bro. Ray Graham presenting R.W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra with his Hamilton District 'C' PDDGM pin

## **Dufferin Lodge Presents V.W. Bro. Ray Graham with his Grand Steward regalia**



V.W. Bro. Ray Graham with his wife Julie



Celebration in the Dufferin banquet room



(R to L) R. W. Bro. Ron Luxon, R.W.Bro. Geoff Allan, V.W. Bro. Wolfgang Schneider, V.W. Bro. Ray Graham, W.Bro. Rick Jones, R.W. Bro. Craig Knapman, R.W. Bro Devin Tuinstra, R.W. Bro.Glen Notman

## V.W. Bro. Art Moore

Lodge of the Ancient Landmarks No. 654 Incorporating Doric lodge No. 382 Established 1879

- Lodge record
- Initiated -23 March 1965
- Passed -13 October 1965
- Raised -9 March 1966
- Elected as Master 1994
- Lodge Representative to the CMT1995

#### **Family**

Married to Marilyn A. Moore for 56 years (1959) Children:- Arthurlyn V. Sommerset, Wesley Todd Moore

## **District Responsibilities**

Central Masonic Temple President 2015-16 CMT Roles over 12 years;

- Lodge representative
- Director at Large
- Investment Director
- Contract Director
- Relocation Committee CMT Main St. to the Masonic Centre of Hamilton
- MCH Lease Negotiating Committee & Chairman
- President of the CMT board in 2014 & 2015

**TOWERS Board** 

Scottish Rite—"Voting Director"since 2014, re-elected in 2015 at the Annual General Meeting

## **Assistant Grand Secretary Presentation Ancient Landmarks / Doric**



M.W. Bro. John C. Green, V.W. Bro. Art Moore, W. Bro. Cory McCarthy



VW. Bro. Art Moore with his wife Marilyn and Family

## REFLECTIONS

The Newsletter of the Committee on Masonic Education

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

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## Being a Father and a Freemason

I like to share this e-mail with all of you W. Bro. Kris Kalia Wardrope Lodge No.555

A few months ago when I came home from Lodge I snuck into my son's room, like I always do, to check on them, tuck them back in, and give them a kiss on the forehead. As I bent down to kiss my oldest son's forehead he woke up, smiled his big toothy smile, and asked "how was lodge?" I told him that Lodge was fine and that I got to see his Muncles (Masonic Uncles). He giggled and asked about a few of his favorites, but as I was about to turn and walk away, his face grew sad, his eyes began to tear up, and he said that he really missed me when I was at Lodge and my Masonic meetings, and he asked why would I rather be at Lodge than at home playing with him. I felt like I had been kicked in the stomach. We had a brief discussion about what Freemasonry means to me, and that I'm not choosing the Lodge over him, and that we all have activities that we do from time to time, and some of those activities can't be done as a family. Luckily, he perked up and told me that when he grows up he'll be a Freemason too, and then we can go to meetings together.

While that night ended on an upbeat note, it has really stuck with me, and it has made me really think hard about what Masonic activities I attend, or even agree to undertake. Even

though we are admonished as an EA that Freemasonry should not interfere with our family duties, I think you'd be hard pressed to find a member that has never spent a good bit more time at Lodge than his wife or kids would like. Finding balance between our Masonic and family duties and obligations can be extremely difficult, and this seems to be a constant topic on Masonic pages, forums, and websites. While every man must find that balance for himself, and it is no brother's place to tell another how to divide or spend his time, it is important that we do take a few steps back from time to time to examine whether or not we have been rightly dividing our time, or if our 24 inch gauge has become skewed. I know for me what started as one Lodge meeting a night, and two weekends a year for the Scottish Rite (what I jokingly called my "Masonic National Guard Schedule"), has slowly but surely ballooned to several meetings and weekend activities a month.

While I have decided to be more selective in my Masonic activities, I am convinced that Freemasonry has made me a better man, husband and father. Our fraternity has given me the tools to not only better myself, but to be a better father to my children, and I will hopefully be able to subtly shape the ashlars of my sons throughout their childhood and beyond.

Freemasonry instructs us to be thoughtful, inquisitive, to be moral and upright in our dealings with others, and it teaches us to not only strive to better ourselves, but to also better those around us and society at large. These are extremely valuable lessons for a father to pass along to a son.

Freemasonry also allows me to spend time with men who help me be the best man that I can be, my brethren constantly challenge and support me, and my brethren have also become an important part in my children's lives. What my children call their "Muncles", are a whole set of positive male role models, which boys and young men desperately need, and which are too often in short supply.

I also believe that Freemasonry is a vehicle that I can use to build and pass my legacy on with. One of the main reasons for me initially joining the fraternity was that both of my grandfathers were members, so I wanted to do something that would help me connect with them. Although they have both passed, one prior to me joining, I can't help but feel a familial tie while performing ritual, or when I'm simply studying ritual late at night.

Above all for my children, I want to leave the legacy of a man who tried to be the best man that he could be, a man that loved his wife and his children, a man who was good and true to his friends and those in need, and a man that worked hard to help others. Essentially, I want to be remembered as a good father, and a good Freemason, and I'm glad that those two pivotal pieces of my life help refine and sharpen each other.

May We Meet Upon The \_|\_ Act By The ! And Part Upon The  $\mid$ 

W. Bro. Dwight D. Seals Camden Lodge #159 Camden, Ohio

## **Lodge Officer Learning Curve**

A suggested timeline for officer preparation, from the Grand Lodge Resource Committee archives (Circa 2012)

## **Year Prior to entering Chairs**

- 1. Learn J.S. Degree Mechanics
- 2. Learn preparation of (?) in all 3 degrees
- 3. Learn preparation of [] room in all 3 degrees
- 4. Read "The Masonic Manual", "Guidelines for Officers", "Towards the Square", "Meeting the Challenge"

#### JS Year

- 1. Learn S.S. Degree Mechanics
- 2. Review all Preparations of (?) in all degrees
- 3. Review all Preparations of [] in all degrees
- 4. Learn I.G. Receiving of Candidates in 1st Degree

## SS Year

- 1. Learn I.G. Degree Mechanics
- 2. Learn I.G. Receiving of Candidates in 2nd & 3rd Degrees
- 3. Begin learning the J.W. Lecture

#### **IG Year**

- 1. Learn J.D. Degree Mechanics
- 2. Learn Floor work of J.D. for the E.A. Degree (words, approach to altar, etc. )
- 3. Complete J.W. Lecture

#### JD Year

- 1. Learn S.D. Degree Mechanics
- 2. Learn S.D. floor work for F.C. & M.M. Degrees (words, approach to altar, etc. )
- 3. Learn S.W. Lecture
- 4. Learn complete E.A. Opening and Closing ( including W.M., J.W., S.W. work )  $\,$
- 5. Learn complete F.C. Opening and Closing (including W.M., J.W., S.W. work)
- 6. Maintain J.W. Lecture
- 7. Begin a Journal ( record good, bad, members names, any info. you may need as Master )

## SD Year

- 1. Learn J.W. Degree Mechanics
- 2. Learn complete M.M. Opening and Closing ( including W.M., J.W., S.W. work )
- 3. Learn proving the Secrets at the J.W. chair, in all three degrees.
- 4. Learn E.A., F.C., & M.M. Greater Lights
- 5. List monthly Menu for Refreshment Hour as JW (try to be creative, but reasonable in price)
- 6. Maintain J.W. & S.W. Lectures, and E.A. & F.C. Openings and Closings

#### JW Year

- 1. Learn S.W. Degree Mechanics
- 2. Learn proving the Secrets at the S.W. chair, in all three degrees.

- 3. Learn S.W.'s Investing of Apron in the E.A., F.C., & M.M. Degrees
- 4. Learn about the Meeting of General Purposes (administration, protocol, etc.)
- 5. Find a Secretary, Treasurer, O.G. and J.S. for year as Master (other Chairs as necessary)
- 6. Maintain S.W. Lecture, Ob's., and E.A. & F.C. Openings and Closings

## **SW Year**

- 1. Learn W.M. Degree Mechanics
- 2. Study and refresh Ob's in all Degree's
- 3. Review the most up-to-date versions of the Grand Lodge Constitutions and Lodge Bylaws
- 4. Review requirements for Memorial Services
- 5. Firm up all Chairs are filled for the following year

## **IPM Year** ( If moving into the Chaplin Chair)

- 1. Invocations for all Degrees
- 2. Closing of [ ] ( *F.F.F.* )

(An up to date copy of the The Constitution and Bylaws should be reviewed and understood each year.)

## **Family Reunion**

Last spring, a friend put me in touch with Mrs. Jean Leggatt, a Mason's widow who was hoping to find a good home for her late husband, Jack's, Masonic Regalia. His Master Mason's apron was pristine — and, it was gold-trimmed. I had an immediate mental image of the Jr. Warden at Valley, who has been wearing the silver apron of his Mother Lodge.

When I contacted him, Bro. Jordan Young expressed his gratitude, and mentioned that he would gladly wear Brother Leggatt's Master Mason's apron until he could wear a Worshipful Master's apron. At that point, we could present Jack Leggatt's apron to Jordan's younger brother, Keegan, one of 3 Young family members at Valley (their father, Mike, is also a member).

So Bro. Jack Leggatt's Valley apron is now reunited with the Valley family. His legacy will be passed from Brother to Brother for years to come. Bro. Jack Leggatt won't soon be forgotten.

Submitted by W. Bro. Lorne Evans



Valley Lodge Members celebrating the Regalia reunion

#### IN MEMORIAM

#### **Bro. Ian Nesbitt**

Lodge of Ancient Landmarks / Doric No. 654

Initiated February 23 1988 Passed May 24 1988 Raised November 22 1988

Passed to the Grand Lodge Above September 5, 2016
We will remember his family in prayer

# **Prostate Hope The Grand Master's Charitable Project**

In the lead up to the Masonic Foundation's 50th Anniversary, the foundation has decided to provide meaningful funding to Prostate Cancer Research in Ontario through a select group of research projects.

The three research projects chosen to participate in this semicentennial commemorative initiative are as follows:

McMaster University: Ph.D. candidate, Jen Hoogenes under the supervision of Dr. Bobby Shayegan at McMaster University in Hamilton has developed an assessment tool for trainees as they learn how to do robot assisted radical prostatectomy's. Currently in the validation phase, this will be the first tool of its kind and will eventually be incorporated into urology curriculum of the Medical school.

Queen's University: Dr. Robert Siemens supervises a survivorship group which includes cognitive psychologists who are attempting to understand the needs and gaps for men and their spouses in terms of their care after treatment. This includes a better understanding of "quality of life" issues.

Western University: Master's student Sean Leith under the supervision of Dr. Joseph Chin at Western University in London is delving into why some prostate cancers metastasize and others are less likely to do so. Many genes that promote cancer cell invasion have been isolated, but there is less known about suppressor genes. His research involves selectively silencing single suppressor genes in cultures and measuring the resultant invasiveness of the cell line. The supervisors are very excited at the prospects such funding will open for the researchers in their charge.

Through Prostate Hope, we can share in this excitement by making a contribution to this worthwhile project by giving a donation, a pledge or a bequest.

See more at:

http://www.masonicfoundation.on.ca/prostate cancer.html

## **Masonic Foundation Project # 2713**

Please reference this project number for Hamilton District C

## From the Editor

Brethren.

We are looking to reinstate a Questions and Answers section in the Chronicle. Please feel free to submit your questions to the editorial team and where space allows, we will provide some answers, or point you in the right direction.

A request...The Scottish Rite - Hamilton Valley, are updating their current membership list: in particular mailing addresses AND email addresses.

If you are a member of the Scottish Rite - Hamilton Valley, please email Ken Adamson at: adminsec-towers@aasr-hamiltonvalley.ca and provide him with your name; lodge name and no.; as well as your current mailing address and email address.

Thank you to the Brethren for their submissions this month. It makes the Chronicle more meaningful to have your input included. Interesting stories and letters from across the District.

If you can make it, I strongly recommend the Stories in the Stone tour October 15<sup>th</sup>. An interesting way to see some of the history and impact Masonry has had on the ambitious City.



Some humour to end. (Borrowed from Ontario Freemasons Group on Facebook) Note, if you use the Cornerstone guidelines, and stay involved, this doesn't have to happen in your Lodge!

The Chronicle strives to keep the Brethren of our lodges informed and engaged, we invite feedback and comments.

S&F Glen Notman



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