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From our District Deputy Grand Master

At this time I would like to thank the R.W. Bro.'s Association for their invitation to meet with them and allowing me to address the members of my plans, including my District Charity, for the upcoming year. I had a most enjoyable time and I am looking forward to their next meeting when I can review my year as DDGM.



At this time I thank those lodges who have welcomed me on my fraternal visits: I was so well received, I was overwhelmed. I thank all the brethren for that very warm reception.

On Saturday, September 29, I attended the Past Masters' Association Meeting which featured a presentation on the wonderful work that the Guide Dogs of Canada program does to help those with disabilities in our community. It is truly amazing what these dogs can do to make living much more enjoyable and meaningful.

This month I started on my Official Visitations, the first being to Ionic Lodge No. 549, then to Hugh Murray Lodge No. 602 and finally to Wardrope Lodge No. 555. In October there was only one Installation, at Dufferin Lodge No. 291, on Oct. 18. There was a large crowd in attendance in

the Lodge Room and in the Banquet Hall, after the ceremony. I congratulate W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra on his Installation and the officers of the Lodge on their Investiture. I wish them a most enjoyable and successful year.

Brethren; by now your secretary will have received various programmes compiled by Grand Lodge. I would ask each lodge to determine if they have a Long Range Plan in place; if not, why not? A LRP programme has been forwarded to your Lodge that will guide your Lodge through the process of implementing and using this valuable tool to enable and maintain a sustainable future. Please consider this important document.

Other programmes can be found on the Grand Lodge website. There has been considerable effort on the part of many brethren to update the website and to make its contents useful to both the brethren and the Lodges across the province.

D. Wayne Robinson
District Deputy Grand Master

The Salvation Army Family Services are holding their annual Christmas Kettle appeal from November 17 to December 24. R. W. Bro. D. Wayne Robinson is requesting that the membership of the Lodges in District C support this fund raising project by volunteering their time to man a kettle.

Should a lodge man a kettle for a day (10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) a sign will be posted at the kettle naming the lodge as volunteering their time (Masonry helping our community). The manning station requires two volunteers for a 2 ½ hour shift; thus, six volunteers are required for each kettle.

The week of **Monday, December 10 to Saturday, December 15**, has been set aside for the Masons of Hamilton to man 2 kettles inside Jackson Square mall. If your Lodge wishes to assist in this worthy cause, please contact **R.W. Bro. John MacPherson**, at 905-528-4883, and he will co-ordinate with the volunteers and the Family Services.

From the Grand Master

Fall is upon us and the Masonic season is in full swing again. To the many Lodges that participate in Fall Fairs and Craft shows - your participation in these events provides the opportunity for you to let the community know who we are and what we do. In this regard, I trust you are prepared to answer any questions that come your way, with honesty and sincerity.



If you have not thought about your response to the 'who we are or what we do' type of questions, please take some time to think about how you would answer - before you get caught off guard. Don't be like Charlie Brown's good friend Linus and wait for the ball to hit you on the head.

Lodge Building Compliance: Some concerns are being raised and rumours being spread about the compliance process. While we are not in a position yet to publish details of how the process will work, I can say that the Ad Hoc committee under R.W. Bro. Perry McConnell has done a lot of investigative work, but there are still many items to resolve. I can however make some comments on the nature of the project by responding to some questions:

First, some of our physical premises have been neglected over many years. For just as many years, we have talked about the issues of electrical, fire, and health standards for the safety of our Brethren, without taking the necessary steps to resolve the issues. We can not hide these issues under the rug any longer. Our Lodge and Grand Lodge leaders must take action now.

- Do we care about the health and safety of our Members? Absolutely, yes.
- Do we recognize that some premises are not meeting current safety standards? Yes.
- Do we recognize the liability issues involved for the Lodges, Temple Corporations and Grand Lodge? Yes.
- Is it time for us all to become involved in making any necessary upgrades or improvements to meet standards? Yes
- Do we recognize that having taken years to reach this state, we will not be able to rectify things and achieve compliance overnight? Yes.
- Do we recognize that compliance to standards must be an ongoing process? Yes.
- Do we recognize that changes and upgrades to meet standards will take time to implement? Yes.

- Do we acknowledge that the process of compliance will involve a financial commitment on the part of Lodges and Temple Corporations? Yes.
- Do we understand that Lodges and Temple Corporations that are not compliant will have to put together a plan for the changes required to become compliant and that this plan may be short term for some and longer term for others? Yes.

The first step in the compliance process will, of course, be to determine if a Lodge Hall or Temple building is compliant. This may generate a list of required upgrades or changes. If standards for compliance are not met, then a plan must be put in place to make those required changes.

Our current expectation is that every Lodge and Temple Corporation must initiate this first step prior to July 2013. Brethren, this project is not intended to put any Lodge out of existence. It is however necessary for us as the keeper of our Masonic homes, to ensure that each and every member of each and every Lodge can be assured that when he attends Lodge, his health and physical safety is of the uppermost importance.

As the details of the process become solidified, they will be communicated. In the meantime, if you have any serious concerns about the compliance process, do not hesitate to contact R.W. Bro. Perry McConnell, myself or the Deputy Grand Master.

Looking Ahead:

Grand Lodge Website: The website is continually being updated, especially the Members News Events section. If you haven't yet got your Login (GL Certificate) and browsed around, please accept the challenge and go for a test drive.

Our third release, which contains significant additional functionality will be released later this fall. It is currently being tested. One of the main features will be a "My Grand Lodge" section.

Official Visits: As our fall season of DDGM Official Visits is well underway, I would encourage our members to check their local District Trestle Boards and find a night where they can support the District team with their attendance. Your travelling and support of other Lodges, will no doubt, be reciprocated with a return visit to your Lodge. It is almost a guarantee that any visit to a Lodge within or without your District will be an educational experience.

D. Garry Dowling
Grand Master

To see the Grand Master's full itinerary, it is available at <http://www.grandlodge.on.ca>.

From the Deputy Grand Master

In 1994, M.W. Bro. C. Edwin Drew said; “Let us seize the opportunity to rejuvenate our Craft by endeavouring to improve our communications with our Lodges, our neighbours and friends, by all available means. Let us pursue excellence in all our activities; Let us involve all our members and their families as we move to the 21st century.”

The best communication tool in Freemasonry is us. We are the ambassadors to our Craft. Our actions, attitude and first impressions will eventually decide if a man wants to belong to Freemasonry. The way we portray ourselves in our community; by being a good citizen in our everyday life, demonstrating our kindness, being honest, being courteous towards others, but more importantly, being proud to say we are a Mason. We can be a better advertisement for Freemasonry than all the brochures, open houses, mall display booths or other programs currently in use.

By the Lodge Summons I receive, visitors and perspective candidates are visiting lodge buildings and lodge rooms in an increasing number. Most active lodges, after several years of declining membership, are experiencing new, younger and better educated men joining Freemasonry. In our Grand Jurisdiction, we recently conducted a province - wide survey asking a number of questions. We asked our membership why they joined Masonry. The top three responses were; Brotherhood; Self Improvement; and Knowledge. The results do, however, indicated that charity was low on the totem pole as a reason for joining. Most brethren seem to feel satisfied with their lodge level of charitable activity and community involvement.

The **Lodge Resources Committee**, under the direction of R.W. Bro. David Cameron, has five sub-committees that are designed to help a man who wants to become a Mason, or retain membership, or become an officer of a lodge, or assist you to make your lodge into an active and healthy lodge in your community. No one said being a Mason is easy; it takes work being a Mason. For those lodges that are experiencing difficulties, I would suggest you take the time and review some of the current programs offered by Lodge Resources.

Friend to Friend - Team Leader: V.W. Bro. Robert Lindsay. The program will assist lodges to enlighten friends of Masons in getting to know us better and to increase membership. It has been developed to exhibit Masonry and its philosophy to the non-Masonic public, especially those men considered to be potential, quality candidates. It forms an integral part of other initiatives to bring Masonry to the forefront of public exposure through the use of display booths at International Ploughing Matches, public Open Houses in our lodges' rooms and Information Booths at Shopping Malls.

Mentors – Team Leader: R.W. Bro. Leonard Feldt. The purpose of the Mentor Program is to ensure that every Candidate accepted into the Craft is properly instructed in the fundamental principles of each Degree attained. It is necessary that the candidate is provided guidance, instruction and assistance until he is a Master Mason.

Brother to Brother – Team Leader R.W. Bro. Charles Woods. The Brother 2 Brother Program is designed to expand the interest generated in the individual Mason by the Friend to Friend and Mentor Programmes. In essence, it is a program that will provide challenge, recognition and support in order to retain, revitalize and renew our membership. It is aimed at better lodge management, better and more diverse programs in lodge, more participation by members, a better sense of belonging to a fraternity, more activities that include family and friends, and simply making all members feel that they belong and are an important part of the lodge.

Officer Progression – Team Leader R. W. Bro. Kevin Smith. It is meant to reach out to the brethren with the intention of providing a consistent message in accordance with the direction provided by The Grand Lodge, through numerous publications such as the The Book of Constitution, the Masonic Manual, Meeting the Challenge and Book of the Work. Although designed with the Worshipful Master in mind, it should be directed towards lodge members well before they reach the Worshipful Masters Chair.

Cornerstone Project – Team Leader R. W. Bro. Ronald Findlater. The primary purpose of the Cornerstone Project is to encourage and recognize lodges that plan, implement and manage a well-rounded yearly lodge program that promotes lodge activities, brotherhood, charitable work and involvement in the community. The Cornerstone Project is not a competition between lodges. I would suggest if you want to improve the Condition of Masonry in your lodge, look at implementing a Cornerstone Program that meets your needs. When a lodge makes the decision to participate in this program they acknowledge their desire to increase the value of the experience that they provide to their membership. Participation will bring many value added benefits.

We have two choices: Action vs. Procrastination. Now is the time to encourage our members to call their Worshipful Master and ask, what can he do to help improve Masonry in his lodge and in his community. Nothing will get done if we just sit back and talk about it.

Donald A. Campbell
Deputy Grand Master

The Grand Master's Charitable Project

The Grand Master's Charitable Project for 2011-2013 is Camp Trillium, the Childhood Cancer Support Center. Masonic Foundation of Ontario Project Number: 2847.

Vision:

Camp Trillium's vision is to reach children with cancer by providing them and their families with fun and enriching recreational opportunities. We achieve this vision by providing outstanding year-round camp and recreational experiences to promote the healing process in a safe family-inclusive environment.

The Camp Trillium Spirit is captured in its Core Values:

Fun: Is what Camp Trillium does and how we do it – creating memories which last a lifetime through laughter and friendship;

People: Our enthusiastic campers, dedicated staff and committed volunteers and generous supporters are the Camp Trillium Family;

Care: Camp Trillium embraces campers and their families with care in a safe and healing environment;

Innovation: Through innovative approaches, Camp Trillium provides a camping opportunity that encourages inclusiveness, creativity, personal growth and achievement;

Integrity: Integrity is at the forefront of what Camp Trillium does, from the stewardship of resources and assets, to the development and delivery of programs.

Camp Trillium is a leader in oncology camping programs. Year round in the province of Ontario fifty-six programs are provided for children living with cancer and their families and in 2010, over 3,100 campers participated in residential and family camps as well as eight-week Day Camps held across the province.

Camp Trillium is the largest provider of recreational programs for children living with cancer in North America and is the lead association in the development of oncology camping policy and procedures templates in use in most camps in Canada.

Camp Trillium is a place where children afflicted with cancer can enjoy what many take for granted... fun, friendships, and a respite from hospitals and treatment, but most importantly the chance to be normal.



Camp Trillium is no longer funded by the Canadian Cancer Society, Ontario Division because it no longer falls into their mandate to focus on Cancer research. Camp Trillium receives no government funding and the

bulk of the monies come through private donations from service clubs, special events and generous individuals.



533 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8M1H9

R. W. Bro. John K. Johnston
I. P. D.D.G.M. Hamilton District C
Hamilton, Ontario

Dear R. W. Sir:

I am writing to express our deepest gratitude for the generous \$6800 donation from the District C Lodges. We are truly touched by your generous support of our efforts to support children and their families with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) in the Hamilton community.

Your support has been directed to three areas within our chapter: Resource Library - to obtain more resource books and DVDs for the lending library that is open to members of the community; Friendship Clubs - social skills groups for children (ages five to eighteen) to help teach them social skills, sharing and communication; and Adult Groups - to provide opportunities for individuals (aged nineteen and over) to come together in social situations, to meet others with ASD, and to develop friendships and community skills.

It was such a pleasure meeting you, and V. W. Bro. Martin Tees, and spending time with all of the brethren (and their wives) over the past year. Again thank you for choosing us as your charity; the awareness you opened up for us was wonderful!

Sincerely,
Tricia Simons, President



THE SPONSOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

The two Masons who sign the petition have a responsibility that does not end with their signature on the petition. If you invite a guest to a gathering at your home, you make sure that he meets all your guests and is made welcome and comfortable. Isn't the man whom you recommended entitled to the same courtesy?

It is your duty to assist him with his work and take an interest in his progress. It seems that you should see to it that he fully understands the fine lessons of the degrees. If you recommend a man to the Craft, satisfy yourself that he is receiving that for which you recommended him. For more discussion go to: http://www.themasonictrowel.com/education/mentorship/the_sponsor_mentor.htm

Who's In Charge Here?

The Electric Lodge No. 495

W.M. Jordan C. Slade

Jordan C. Slade was born and raised in Burlington, and currently resides in St. Catharine's, Ontario with his wife and daughter, and is a professional chef with Canadian Niagara Hotels.



Jordan was initiated into The Electric Lodge No. 495 in November 2002, and has sat in the chair of King Solomon three times since he joined the Lodge.

Jordan is also a Past First Principal for St. John's Chapter No. 6 R.A.M., and a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason in the Hamilton Valley.

"I'm often asked by non-masons "What is it that you do, and what is it all about?" My usual reply is "We build leaders". I don't say this to be magnanimous about what we do, but I really mean it. If a new line officer has done his time in the chairs and has learned what each chair in the line has to offer... By the time he is the Master of the lodge, he will have learned how to speak publicly, to delegate, and to organize dinners, and degrees. He will also make decisions as to the well being, harmony, and future of the lodge, which include the financial responsibilities, and so much more." You tell me where else can you acquire that kind of knowledge?

Next month –
the W. M. Profile and the Seal of
Dufferin Lodge No. 291



THE "FORGET-ME-NOT" FLOWER, NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR AND MASONRY

Folklore and Legend

In a German legend, God named all the plants. When a tiny unnamed one cried out, "Forget-me-not, O Lord!" God replied, "That shall be your name."

During exile in 1398, Henry IV adopted this flower as his symbol and retained it upon his return to England the following year.

In 15th-century Germany, it was supposed that the wearers of the flower would not be forgotten by their lovers. Legend has it that in medieval times, a knight and his lady were walking along the side of a river. The knight picked a bunch of flowers, but because of the weight of his armour he fell into the river. As he was drowning he threw the flowers to his loved one and shouted "Forget-me-not." Ladies often wore it as a sign of faithfulness and enduring love.

Remembrance

During WW I, on July 1st, 1916 at the battle of Beaumont Hamel, in France, 733 of 801 men in the 1st Newfoundland Regiment were mostly killed, however, some were only wounded. These Newfoundlanders lost their lives within the period of one hour. It was a devastating blow to their families back home.

Prior to that, on July 1st, 1867 the Dominion of Canada was formed but it wasn't until 1949 that Newfoundland and Labrador entered Confederation.

Today, July 1, is a day of mixed emotions as it is Canada Day as well. July 1 in Newfoundland and Labrador is still held as Memorial Day, not only for those lives lost in the First World War but all wars and conflicts, as well as those Canadians lost in Peace keeping missions.

After WW I the "Forget-me-not" flower was used as the symbol of Remembrance, in Newfoundland and Labrador but the Poppy slowly displaced it on July 1 as well as November 11.

This year, in Newfoundland and Labrador, the Provincial Command of the Royal Canadian Legion met and it was agreed that there would be a return to the Forget-Me-Not flower on Memorial Day.

Freemasonry

In the years between World War I and World War II the blue Forget-Me-Not flower was a standard symbol used by most charitable organizations in Germany. It had a very clear meaning: "Do not forget the poor and the destitute". It was first introduced into German Masonry in 1926.

In early 1934, it became evident that Freemasonry was in danger. In that same year, the Grand Lodge of the Sun realizing the grave dangers involved, adopted the Forget-Me-Not flower as a substitute for the traditional Square and Compasses.

It was felt the flower would provide brethren with an outward means of identification while lessening the risk of possible recognition in public by the Nazis, who were engaged in wholesale confiscation of all Masonic Lodge properties. Freemasonry went underground and this delicate flower assumed its role as a symbol of Masonry surviving throughout the reign of terror.

Today, in Europe, the Forget-Me-Not is an interchangeable Masonic symbol with the Square and Compasses. Some also use it to remember those Masons who were victimized by the Nazi regime.

By: V.W. Bro. Barry D. Thom, P.M.

Lodge McLeod No. 27, G.L. of Newfoundland and Labrador

LODGE RESOURCES – A PRIMER

“I suppose it is tempting, if the only tool you have is a hammer, to treat everything as if it were a nail.” said Abraham Maslow, in *The Psychology of Science: A Reconnaissance* (1966).

We in Masonry may regard “the Work” as our cornerstone for what gets done in Lodge. However, one often wonders how things should be done. Grand Lodge has assembled a great toolkit to assist Masons in managing and maintaining their lodges and building on the foundation laid down in “the Work” and Constitution with 5 strong pillars.

Looking through the Lodge Resources Binder, one finds at first glance a dismaying level of work and activities that need to be done at the Craft Lodge level. Committees may feel overwhelmed by the abundance of material to read and absorb. A deeper look however shows you that Grand Lodge has laid out a set of working tools for us to use in our management of the Craft Lodge.

Rather than guessing, as expert craftsman we are provided the tools needed to do the job. So to help navigate the path laid down here is a brief summary, drawn from the content of each program Grand Lodge has provided for our use.

Brother 2 Brother provides a series of tools that can be used in working with the lodge to solicit and collect feedback from its members. The tools are intended to be used as guidelines. They may be utilized as is, or modified to meet the needs of a specific lodge. If you have developed tools that work well in your lodge, please pass them along for everyone to benefit.

Friend 2 Friend is used to bring together Masons and those who have expressed an interest in learning more about the Craft. Its goal is to contribute to the revitalization of Masonry by retaining interest, rejuvenating lost interest and attracting quality candidates. Key elements of the Friend 2 Friend Program can be used to inform Investigating Committees and “Guard the West Gate” as we meet potential new members.

Mentorship is used to ensure that every Candidate accepted into the Craft is properly instructed in the fundamental principles of each Degree attained. This program provides guidance to clearly outline the roles and responsibilities of the Mentor, the Sponsor(s) and the Candidate.

Officer Progression identifies the building blocks the Worshipful Master, and upcoming Master Masons can use in building and maintain the lodge. The better the preparation of the design, the more functional the end result. If the W.M. prepares for the role as leader, the more rewarding is the task. The tools provided here help answer the question “Am I preparing a sound foundation or are there chinks in the structure that need repairing?”

Cornerstone exists to encourage and recognize lodges that plan, implement and manage a well-rounded yearly lodge program that promotes lodge activities, brotherhood, charitable work and involvement in the community. The cornerstone provides a road map and compass to use the other tools provided under lodge resources.

These pillars equip our lodges and members with the tools we need to avoid the temptation of banging on the nailheads and to move forward in strengthening the craft. To paraphrase the Grand Lodge Website...Lodge Resources provides a tool kit “of tried and true solutions to lodges problems, or attempts at improving themselves, without changing their unique ‘culture’. In other words, why ‘reinvent the wheel’ when it is just there for the lodge to use when necessary?”

So where to find this toolkit? Go to the Members Only section of the Grand Lodge Website, and look under Craft Stewardship...Or feel free to contact me and I’ll provide what assistance I can.

W. Bro. Glen Notman,
District Lodge Resource Chairman
gnotman@hotmail



UP-COMING BLOOD DONOR CLINICS

Date	Location	Time
Nov. 9	Paramount ¹	1:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Nov. 19	H. C. C. ²	8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Dec. 28	H. C. C. ²	8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Jan. 11	Paramount ¹	1:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Jan. 14	H.C.C. ²	8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Feb. 22	H.C.C. ²	8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Mar. 8	Paramount ¹	1:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Mar. 25	H.C.C. ²	8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

- 1 - Paramount Drive Alliance Church
1035 Paramount Drive, Stoney Creek
- 2 - Hamilton Convention Centre (H. C. C. -
in the Exhibition Hall by the Main Entrance)

The District Blood Donors Committee needs the assistance of a few good men to be able to man the Hospitality Stations at the Convention Centre on Summer's Lane, in the downtown Hamilton. For further information, please contact R. W. Bro. Eduardo Cordero at 905-548-5111 or 905-730-9850 or at ecordero@cogeco.ca.

THE JUNIOR WARDEN'S TOAST

The toast is a mini-speech with a definite structure to it – introduction, body and conclusion. The purpose of proposing a toast is to honour a person or persons, an institution or, less commonly, an event. It is a speech made in praise or appreciation. It ends with the group acknowledging the recipient(s) by saying his name or identifying the group. The Junior Warden's Toast as we tend to use it is really the final acclamation, not a toast. It is chanted as a motto of our Order, but it can be part of a toast if it follows a declaration of friendship. Here is one way to make it into a toast:

*Dear brethren of the Mystic Tie
The night is waning fast.
Our work is done, our feast is o'er;
These words must be the last.
Goodnight, goodnight,
Repeat that old refrain:
"Happy to meet,
Sorry to part,
Happy to meet again."*

Posted in the CanadaMasons@yahoogroups.com and internet search for "what is toast".

GO GENTLY

*Go gently our good Brother
from this your earthly toil.
Let your spirit soar and fly
Into that new dawn.*

*Where kindred spirits wait
dressed in blinding light.
Bidding you home welcoming you back,
to dwell among their sight.*

*And when the scribes read from your scroll
here or in that place.
The Most High will say well done my Lad
and grant you peace and grace.*

*So farewell our good Brother
until we meet again.
The fraternity We will miss you
And forever call you friend.*

V.W. Bro. David Stone
Ionic Lodge No. 549, A. F. & A.M
Hamilton, ON



In Memoriam

Bro. James Darby

Landmarks/Doric Lodge No.654

Passed to G.L.A.: October 5, 2012 in his 91st year.
Bro. Darby was a member of Doric Lodge No. 382 since 1953 and affiliated in 1971 with Landmarks/Doric No. 654.

Bro. Reg Wheeler

Landmarks/Doric Lodge No.654

Passed to the G. L. A.: October 21, 2012.
Long time member of Landmarks/Doric Lodge.
In his 93rd year, known as "Mr. Hamilton".
Long time resident of the Hamilton Beach Strip.
Alderman of Ward 5 of the City of Hamilton for many years.
Played CFL football for the Flying Wildcats (Tiger Cats).
Chairman of the Canadian Football Hall of Fame.
Rowed for the Leander Boat Club's Olympic Team.
47 years of service to Dofasco.

Bro. Roger Collins

Junior Warden, Westmount Lodge No. 671, Age 57

Initiated: Westmount Lodge No.671 - May 25, 2008

Passed: September 23, 2008

Raised: November 18, 2008

Installed as Junior Warden: September 27, 2011

Passed to the G. L. A: September 4, 2012



L. to R. -Bro. Jeff Heimpel, S.W., W. Bro. Dave Midgley, Secretary, W. Bro. Chris Cleaver, W. M. and Bro. Roger Collins, J.W., at the November 2011 Installation at Westmount Lodge.

We cherish their memory in our hearts.

Around The District

Another Family Kodak Moment



V. W. Bro. Martin Tees's Friends And Relatives joined in on the festivities at the recent presentation of his Grand Lodge Regalia at Hugh Murray Lodge. Left to right. - Martin Bannon, Sandra Street, Robert Thompson, John Fell, Lori Seibel, and Martin's sister, Marjorie Colthorpe.

Corn Roast Proceeds Go To St. Peter's Hospital For Alzheimer's Research



Several prominent Hamilton District Masons were in attendance to present the cheque to three key officials at St. Peter's Hospital. (L. to R.) R.W. Bro. Tom Marshall, R.W. Bro. Elgin Forth, R.W. Bro. Dave Gibson, Bro. Kojo Chintoh, R.W. Bro. Roger Parliament, V. W. Bro. Dan Devison, and R.W. Bro Roy Binns (presenter), On behalf of St. Peter's were Rebecca Repa, President, St. Peter's Hospital; Dr. Alex Papaioannou, Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of Geriatric Medicine, McMaster University and CIHR Research Chair – Eli Lilly Osteoporosis and Fracture Prevention; and Heather Scott, Director, Development, Hamilton Health Sciences Centre.

Installation Well-Attended At Dufferin Lodge No. 291



W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra (W. M.) posed along with D.D.G.M. D. Wayne Robinson, Officers of Dufferin Lodge No. 291 and the Installing Board on October 18, 2012.



The Head Table at the Dufferin Lodge Installation Banquet featured (L. to R.) S. W., Bro. Wesley Almeida, I.P.M., W. Bro. Gary Lloyd, D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Wayne Robinson, W. M., W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra, Installing Master, R.W. Bro. Norm McCarthy, R.W. Bro. W. Elgie, J. W., W. Bro. O. Mann.

Hugh Murray Lodge No. 602 D.D.G.M.'s Official Visit Saw A Good Crowd of Visitors and Members



W. M. Michael DuFour stands proud along with his members and visitors on their Official Visit.

**Members of Ionic Lodge No. 549 and Visitors
Gathered For Their Official Visit**



W. Bro. Andrew Simpson joined the D.D.G.M., Officers, Brethren and Visitors at the conclusion of the meeting to mark the historic event.

A SPECIAL INVITATION FROM THE D.D.G.M.

At each Official Visit the brethren are invited to bring a **non-perishable food item** that will be passed along to the Salvation Army food bank.



DDGM
Food collections at
Official Visits
Salvation Army



200 lbs

Drop-off bins with the Salvation Army logo will be located in the foyer of every building for your donation.

D.D.G.M.'s November Official Visits

Tuesday, November 13, 2012 -

Temple Lodge No. 324
MCH - Dinner - 6:00 p.m.
Acc. - Landmarks/Doric Lodge No. 654
Lodge tyled at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 21, 2012 -

The Electric Lodge No. 495
MCH - Dinner - 6:00 p.m.
Acc. - Seymour Lodge No. 272
Lodge tyled at 7:00 p.m.

November Installations

Thursday, November 22, 2012 –

Corinthian Lodge No. 513
Masonic Centre of Hamilton
Dinner: 6:00 p.m.
Lodge tyled at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 27, 2012 –

Westmount Lodge No. 671
Hillcrest Temple
Dinner: 6:00 p.m.
Lodge tyled : 7:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Friday, November 9, 2012 -

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

Paramount, Stoney Creek
1:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 10, 2012 -

**THE MASONIC PAST MASTERS' ASSOCIATION
OF THE HAMILTON DISTRICTS**

Masonic Centre Hamilton (Scottish Rite).



**GUEST SPEAKER - Chief of
Hamilton Police Service
Glenn De Caire**

Meet and Greet: 8:30 a.m.
Breakfast: 9:00 a.m.
Cost: \$10.00
Meeting begins: 9:45 a.m.
COMING FOR BREAKFAST?
Please contact Tom Young by
Wednesday, November 7

to reserve your breakfast - thomas.young@shaw.ca or at
905-318-0182.

Monday, November 19, 2012 -


BLOOD DONOR CLINIC


**Hamilton Convention Centre
(Exhibition Hall by Main Entrance)**

8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Contact R.W. Bro. Eduardo Cordero to volunteer or for more
information at ecordero@cogeco.ca.

Tuesday, November 20, 2012 -


HAMILTON DISTRICTS' MEMORIAL SERVICE



LEST WE FORGET
HAMILTON MASONIC
DISTRICTS A, B, C 
 Memorial & Remembrance Service

TUESDAY, November 20, 2012 7:30PM
 Scottish Rite Cathedral, 4 Queen Street South, Hamilton ON
 Reception and refreshments to follow in Round Room


All lodges in all three Hamilton districts
 are invited to attend or participate



In the spirit of **REMEMBRANCE DAY**
 the wearing of service uniforms & decorations is encouraged
 to show support for Masons who have also had service in our
Police, **F**ire, **A**mbulatory and **A**rmed **S**ervices

Arrival at 7pm for parking, dressing into
 regalia and signing in with Tyler

Detailed planning will be forwarded to Lodge
 Secretaries/WMs at end of September 2012



Organized by **Hugh Murray Lodge, No. 602**
at the Scottish Rite, Norman E. Byrne Cathedral,
7:30 p.m.
Contact W. Bro. Edward Patterson at
tardis_01@hotmail.com for further information.

Saturday, November 24, 2012 -

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND DANCE

Third Annual Valley Lodge No. 100

Cocktails at 6:30
p.m., Family Style
Dinner at 7:30 p.m.
Hamilton Air Force
Club, Dundas
Cost - \$55.00 per
person.



Please contact Bro. Lance Mullett for more information or
tickets at 905-572-5535 or Lmullett@saspt.com.

Saturday, November 24, 2012 -

**56TH ANNUAL ADAM ZIMMERMAN
MASONIC BONSPIEL**

Landmarks/Doric Lodge No. 654



Dundas Granite Curling Club
24 Head St.
9:30 a.m. Start, 11:45 a.m. Lunch,
2nd game- 1:00 p.m. Apply as team
members of a Lodge or individually.
Cost \$40 per person. Additional
information contact: Dennis Monteith
905-383-9381 or

Monday, November 26, 2012 -

MASONIC EDUCATION PRESENTATION

Wardrope Lodge No. 555

will host a presentation by **R. W. Bro. John MacPherson** on
the **Masonic Memorial Service** under the auspices of
W. Bro. Geoffrey Allan, District Masonic Education
Chairman.

Share a copy with a member who does not
have a computer.



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