

District 'C'ronicle



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Hamilton Masonic District C

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From our District Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. Glen James Notman

To the Lodges and Brethren of the District, my thanks at being elected to serve as DDGM for the upcoming year. It was good to see so many out at the Beef and Corn Roast, and I hope to meet all of you over the course of this Masonic Year.

The year 2014 marks the 40th anniversary of Hamilton District



'C' and I feel a deep honour for being fortunate enough to take my place as a leader amongst such distinguished company. As Brothers we share a common bond, values and fellowship, I am looking forward to working with all 13 Lodges in our District.

September, especially Labour Day, has always felt to me like the real start of the New Year. Time to put

away the play and relaxed times of summer and take up the tools of the trade again. Reflecting on how the Lodges coming back together in September are so much like those first days of school. New role models, new clothes, new books and lines... and as Brothers how we meet again in harmony and fellowship to take up our own share of the Work. From the newest Entered Apprentice to the wiser Past

Masters, thank you for your commitment of time, energy and caring, working together to make Masonry in Ontario strong, and good men better.

To every Brother in the District, I firmly believe in 2 core principles around masonry. First is that the Work is our unifying cornerstone and when **you** put the effort into doing the Work well, everything else – the fellowship, the pride, the purpose, etc. – comes naturally. Second that every Brother has a responsibility to take ownership in making **Your Lodge the Best Lodge**. You have my commitment and promise that I am here to assist as needed.

To the brethren who have agreed to sit as District Officers and Chairmen, and those Brethren who have agreed to assist them with their duties; my thanks. Asking people to give up that most precious commodity, their personal time, and having them respond is greatly appreciated. With your support, I know that we will have a very successful year and continue the excellent work of those who have served before me.

Our Fall District Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2014 at the Masonic Centre Hamilton in the Round Room at 10:00 a.m. Important material will be distributed to the Lodges. Please make sure your Lodge is represented at this meeting to pick up the material.

Also, there will be a brief meeting immediate after adjournment with the Masters and Wardens from each lodge to personally impart important information as requested by Grand Lodge.

Lastly, I would also like to extend my personal congratulations to our most recent appointment to Grand Lodge, V.W. Bro Jordan C. Slade, (Grand Steward) thank you for your dedication and service to the Brethren of Hamilton Masonic District C.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
R.W. Bro. Glen J. Notman

From the Grand Master



M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell

On July 16th, 2014 the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell commenced his address by welcoming everyone to the 159th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in Toronto. He made special mention of the Leaders from other Grand Jurisdictions and the Masonic Family. He went on to suggest to the Masons present that... "I am convinced the world today needs Freemasonry, its philosophy and its fundamental principles of brotherly love, relief and truth," Moreover he suggested that "It's not what you are that's important, the issue is what you are willing to become."

During his address, the Grand Master highlighted the important work that many Freemasons perform for our Grand Lodge, their Lodges, Districts and their communities. Five such Brethren were recognized for their great work: Two members were conferred with the rank of R.W. Bro. and title of "Past Grand Senior Warden (Honorary)" in recognition of their dedication and work for Grand Lodge.

R.W. Bro. Robert Lindsay, was recognized for his long and dedicated service as Team Leader of the Friend to Friend Program. The Grand Master stated; "Your unwavering support of the program and the promotion of its many benefits, have guided many new Masons to the Craft".

R.W. Bro. S. Michael Jenkyns, was conferred with the same rank and title for his work as Grand Historian since 2009. He has worked tirelessly to compile and preserve a permanent record of the

matters connected with the history of our Grand Lodge so that the Brethren of the future can know and appreciate the past!. His most recent paper, titled *Canadian Freemasonry during the First World War – 1914-1918*, is recommended reading.

M.W. Bro. Campbell went on to recognize three additional Masons with the "Grand Master's Meritorious Service Award". This award was established by M.W. Bro. William R. Pellow as a personal award, presented by the Grand Master to recognize exceptional service rendered by members of Grand Lodge.

Grand Master's Meritorious Service Award

R.W. Bro. George Burt. P.D.D.G.M., Union Lodge, No. 118, Schomberg (York District); a strong supporter and tireless worker within York District.

R.W. Bro. Robert A. Johnston. P.D.D.G.M., West Hill Lodge, No. 670, Toronto (Toronto East District).

R.W. Bro. David G. Martin. P.D.D.G.M., King Edward VII Lodge, No. 471, Niagara Falls (Niagara B District).

M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell made note of the contributions of the work of all members of Grand Lodge and encouraged Masons throughout the jurisdiction to lead a balanced life so that they can give Freemasonry their best and be the Mason they want Grand Lodge to represent.

Our Grand Master concluded with a slightly altered quote by Geraldine Ferraro: "*If you take advantage of everything Freemasonry has to offer, there's nothing you can't accomplish.*"

Donald A. Campbell
Grand Master



Around the Hamilton DISTRICTS

Past Masters' Association of the Hamilton Districts

Invitation to all Past Masters
Guest Speaker: DR. BRENDA VRKLJAN

SAT. OCT 25, 2014 at the Scottisih Rite.



Shifting gears, changing perceptions about older drivers in Canada.

Supporting safe travel of older people represents one of the greatest public health challenges facing Canadian society and other Westernized countries. The car remains the most viable means of travel for this growing population, particularly for those in rural and suburban areas, who rely on their vehicles to maintain their independent lifestyle. Safe driving depends not only on a person's health and driving ability, but also on the driving environment itself, including the type of vehicle. However, the underlying question remains – are older drivers really a problem?

Join Dr. Brenda Vrkljan, an Associate Professor in the Occupational Therapy program in the School of Rehabilitation Science, where her research focuses on medical risk and driving. Dr. Vrkljan is the lead investigator of the McMaster University-Candrive site that is part of a larger study tracking over 1,000 drivers aged 70 and older across Canada, Australia, and New Zealand (www.candrive.ca). She is also co-lead of a project on vehicle design funded by McMaster's Labarge Optimal Aging Initiative.

8:30 a.m.: Meet and Greet
9:15 a.m.: Breakfast available \$12 p.p.

Breakfast reservations by contacting
Jon Stewart (905) 543-0606
jstewart@cogeco.ca
Gary Magwood (905) 561-6593
gary.magwood@gmail.com

Westmount No.671 BBQ
August 9, 2014

Thank you Bro. George Casey, and family for a fantastic venue and good time had by many! This editor and Mary thoroughly enjoyed, and did not go home hungry.

Temple No. 324 BBQ.
August 9, 2014



Thank you Mike Arsenault for a wonderful venue and your family's hospitality

Wentworth Lodge No. 166 A.F. & A.M. G.R.C. Hamilton Masonic District "B"

150th Anniversary Celebration



Please bring your lady and join us for a once in a lifetime event
Saturday, October 4, 2014

Liuna Gardens
Stoney Creek, Ontario
Reception at 5:30 p.m.
Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
Tickets \$50 per person

Tickets are limited and available from
V.W. Bro. Brian Muir and W. Bro. Les R. Vass
For further information contact
W. Bro. Les R. Vass at 905-630-7828

Military Degree Team

DATE: Thursday, September 4, 2014.
LOCATION: York Masonic Temple
1100 Millwood Rd.
Toronto, ON.

TIME: 7:30 p.m.
FESTIVE BOARD: To follow.
Guest Speaker: M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels
BANQUET COST: \$10.00

Contact: **Bro. Joseph Curry**
Joseph.curry1@gmail.com

Degree Team is composed of current and past members of the Canadian Armed Forces.

Wearing of medals and decorations are encouraged.

Hamilton Masonic District C Calendar
SEPTEMBER 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 IONIC No. 549	4 BUCHANAN No.550 Military Degree Team: York Masonic Temple 1100 Millwood Rd. Toronto, ON. 7:30 p.m.	5	6 BLOOD SERVICES 35 Stone Church Rd. from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
7	8 VALLEY No. 100	9 TEMPLE No.324 SEYMOUR No.272	10 MERIDIAN No.687	11	12	13 BLOOD SERVICES <hr/> District C meeting MCH 10:00 a.m. <hr/>
14	15	16 HUGH MURRAY No.602	17 THE ELECTRIC No.495	18 DUFFERIN No.291	19	20 BLOOD SERVICES 35 Stone Church Rd. from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
21	22 WARDROPE No.555	23 LANDMARKS / DORIC No.654 WESTMOUNT No.671	24	25 CORINTHIAN No.513	26	27 BLOOD SERVICES <hr/> ONTARIO EDUCATION CONFERENCE (See page 6) <hr/>
28	29	30 Master Mason Nite at the Scottish Rite Club. 4 Queen St. S. in Hamilton.				

Upcoming Official Visits:

- **Wednesday October 1, 2014; Ionic Lodge No.549 at MCH. 6:30 p.m. Dinner, and 7:30 p.m. Meeting.**
- **Tuesday October 21, 2014; Hugh Murray No.602 at MCH. 7:30 p.m. Meeting.**
- **Monday October 27, 2014; Wardrope No.555 at MCH. 7:30 p.m. Meeting.**

2014-15 District 'C' Officers

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

District Secretary

W. Bro. Mihai (Mike) Dorin Samoila

Masonic Education

W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra

Lodge Resources

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V.W. Bro. Desmond Washer

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R.W. Bro. Tom Marshall

V.W. Bro. Robert Doherty

District Advisors

R.W. Bro. Geoffrey S. Allan

R.W. Bro. Peter C. Mouriopoulos

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R.W. Bro. D. Wayne Robinson

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R.W. Bro. Bill MacPherson

Brethren:

There will be no roll call response from the following Hamilton Districts' brethren this month;

R. W. Bro. George Gordon Wilkes, in his 97th year passed to the G. L. above Thursday July 31st 2014. George was a member of Dundurn Lodge No. 475 and well known by many District C brethren who attended Scottish Rite functions.

We will miss you, George. You knew the book and were available at any time for any Lodge. Thank you, Brother.

W. Bro. Norman Pearson

Landmarks/Doric Lodge No.654

Passed August 8, 2014

Dr. Pearson enjoyed a distinguished career as both an academic and a planning consultant and was one of the founders of The Bruce Trail., He was Director of Planning with the former Hamilton-Wentworth Planning Board, Commissioner of Planning for the City of Burlington, and Founder of the School of Rural Planning at the University of Guelph.

Initiated	Nov. 26 1957
Passed	Feb. 11 1958
Raised	April 22 1958

Affiliated Life member of:

Landmarks/Doric No. 654, (Life member)
P.M. of St. John's No. 209(a)
London Daylight Lodge No. 735

W. Bro. Jason McCulloch

Interesting Websites

This year's Sankey Masonic Lecture: The War of 1812-1814
<http://sankeylectures.ca/lectures/2014-lecture/>

Protocol and Etiquette: Should you wish to view any previous issues, they can be downloaded from the Grand Lodge web site, as well as several District web sites, including the Hamilton District A web site at:
<http://hamiltondistrictamasons.org/node/167>

Events

"Ensuring the Timeless Vitality of Freemasonry in Ontario"

ONTARIO MASONIC EDUCATION CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 27th, 2014

Registration 8 AM Wrap-up 4 PM

Humber College North Campus

203 Humber College Boulevard, Toronto
Lecture Theatre E135

Leadership & Development

Dr. Ken Jones, Dean Emeritus, Ryerson University,
Rogers School of Business

Prostate Cancer Research - Breakthroughs in Diagnosis and Treatment

Dr. Glen Bauman, Chief Oncologist & Researcher,
University of Western Ontario, London Health
Sciences Center

Aging and Memory Loss

Dr. Steven Jordens, Professor of Psychology,
University of Toronto

The Ancient Landmarks

R.W. Bro. Dale Graham

Rudyard Kipling's Gavel

R.W. Bro. David Cameron

Tomorrow is NOW

R.W. Bro. Lindsay Reiach

Registration Form

Registration deadline is September 20, 2014

*This event will include free parking, catered lunch and
refreshment breaks.*

*All attendees must be preregistered with tickets picked up
upon Conference arrival.*

There will be no ticket sales at the door.

Cost before September 14th is \$50.00

After September 14th \$65.00

VISIT THE GRAND LODGE WEBSITE FOR THE
MOST UP TO DATE INFO

For General Enquiries

Contact David Lewis at; cfme@cogeco.ca

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From the Editor

September brings us a new Masonic year, and it is
back in the quarry for our assigned duties, visitation,
and the support of our Ancient and Free Craft.

If anyone has pictures or informative news items,
interesting to our readers, please forward them to
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W. Bro. David J. Jack (*Dave*)



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