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 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, to gain 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

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