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Biography of Our New District Deputy Grand Master Hamilton District 'C'

R.W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra

Devin Tuinstra grew up on a farm in Ancaster Ontario within a modest Dutch Catholic family.

Despite growing up immersed in a world of race horses, crops and livestock, Devin found his passion in technology at a young age. Devin began working heavily with computers at age 5, professionally over the internet at 14, and later founded his first software company at 18. Devin's work has brought him across Canada, and the USA as well as China; where he learned Mandarin and discovered a deep respect for Chinese culture.

Devin and his wife Cait have been married for 8 years and live in West Flamborough. They have two young boys, Rain (5), and Jarvis (3).

In his spare time, Devin enjoys Windsurfing, Sailing, Woodworking, and camping in the outdoors with the family.



Devin's Masonic career began upon his own research into the past of his grandfather Herbert Stott, which led him to join Landmarks/Doric Lodge No. 654 as his mother Lodge in January of 2007. While serving as Deacon in Landmarks/Doric, Devin affiliated with Dufferin Lodge No. 291 which is located close to his home. Devin was later installed as W.M. of Dufferin Lodge in 2012 where he served for two years.

At the District Level, Devin co-founded the District 'C' Chronicle with R.W. Bro. Wayne Elgie in 2008, as well as built the District C Website. Devin served as Communications Chairman from 2008 through 2012, as Lodge Resources chairman in 2013, and most recently in the capacity of Masonic Education chairman in 2014. Devin has also served as a Director for the Craft Association. Since 2011, Devin has been actively working with the Grand Lodge Web Technology committee which has rebuilt the Grand Lodge website here in Ontario.

Devin is a 32^o member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and currently serves as the Grand Standard Bearer where he sits on the executive of Moore Sovereign Consistory and as a director on the board of Towers.

As our District Deputy Grand Master of Hamilton Masonic District C, Devin is looking forward to working with our new Grand Master, M.W. Bro. John C. Green as well as our Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Paul E. Todd.

R.W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra

Hamilton Masonic District 'C'
Fall Meeting
Saturday, September 26th, 2015, 10:00 am
Hillcrest Masonic Temple

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Please note: The opinions and views expressed in any article in the District 'C' Chronicle are those of the writers and therefore do not necessarily reflect the opinion of Grand Lodge. The editor reserves the right to edit submissions.

2015 Annual Communication

Grand Master

M.W. Bro. John C. Green

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Hamilton B

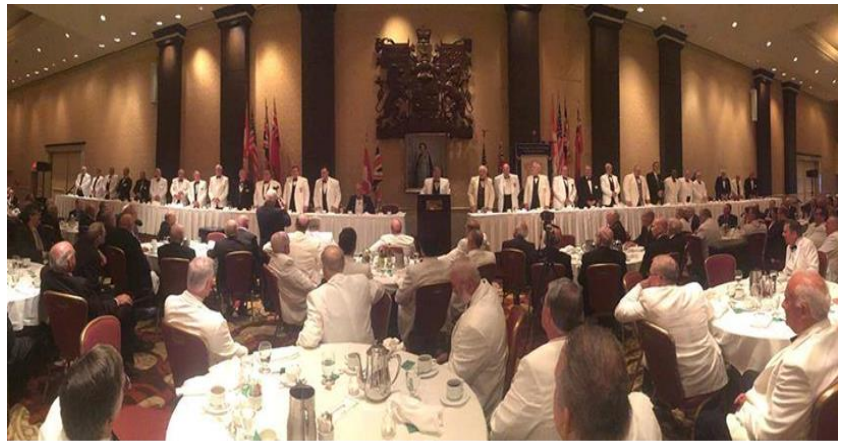
R.W. Bro. Graham Tait

Grand Steward

V.W. Bro. Mihai Samoila

V.W. Bro. Dale Chapman

V.W. Bro. Randy Haining



Grand Masters Banquet Wednesday July 15th

William Mercer Wilson Medal

Bro. Lawrence (Larry) C. Cooper

Mystic Tie Lodge No. 276, Waterloo

Bro. Ron A. Mark

North Entrance Lodge No. 463, Haliburton

Bro. Terrance James Alderson

Tuscan Lodge No. 99, Newmarket

Bro. Albert Walz

St. George's Lodge No. 15, St. Catherines

Bro. John Douglas Kennedy

Golden Star Lodge No. 484, Dryden

Bro. Jim Maxwell

Westmount Lodge No. 671 Hamilton C

Grand Master's Meritorious Service Award

R.W. Bro. Herman Eric Schroeder

Trafalgar Lodge No. 712, Hamilton A

R.W. Bro. Charles R. Alexander,

Temiskaming Lodge No. 462, Temiskaming

V.W. Bro. Murray S. Black

Georgina Lodge No. 343, Toronto Humber Valley

Stay Informed:



[Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario](http://www.grandlodgeofcanada.com)

Note:

For a complete list of Appointments, visit the Grand Lodge Website, Login, Click on the Member Area and Select the Operations Tab.

Hamilton District C

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DISTRICT PROJECT: "Prostate Hope" The Grand Master's Charitable Project

"In the lead up to the Masonic Foundation's 50th Anniversary, the Foundation Directors explored opportunities to provide meaningful funding for Prostate Cancer Research in Ontario. The conclusion was to make the funding of prostate cancer research the primary activity to celebrate this milestone Anniversary.

To further highlight the pressing need to make significant advances, the Deputy Grand Master and I pledged our full support behind this initiative. One component of this unique fund-raising partnership will involve the charitable donations made to the Grand Master's project, Prostate Hope 2550. This project is dedicated to supporting selected prostate cancer research projects. The target is to provide funding to the researchers for ten years, with a fundraising goal set at \$1,000,000."

Source: Grand Masters Blog February 2015



OUR COMMITMENT TO BLOOD SERVICES AND OUR FELLOW CREATURES

*Remember to register as a "Partner for Life"
on your next visit!*

Blood and blood products are a critical part of everyday medical care including major surgeries, medical procedures, cancer treatments and managing disease. It will require 5 donors to provide enough blood to get a patient through heart surgery. Someone with Leukemia will require up to 8 donors per week.

A liver transplant recipient will require up to a whopping 100 donors. From accidents to Cancer treatments, Blood collection is something that affects all of us.

Over the course of the year, District C Masons have supported the Canadian Blood Services by giving blood, making financial donations, and volunteering at clinics. The CBS very much appreciates the financial and volunteer support of Hamilton District C Lodges.

Thank you for the hands on efforts of Buchanan, Meridian, Hugh Murray and Temple Lodges. These Lodges regularly provide volunteers at clinics throughout the city. If your Lodge would like to volunteer, we would love to hear from you. Please reach out to David Macdonald (macdonald@airwhistle.com).

W. Bro. David Macdonald

Dates to Remember

MASONIC BEEF & CORN ROAST
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 26th 2015
ANCASTER AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
MERRITT HALL



630 TRINITY ROAD
(Corner of No.2 Hwy and
Trinity Rd.)

OPEN: 4:30 P.M.
CORN: 4:30 P.M.
DINNER: 6:00 P.M.



ADULT TICKET is \$20.00 (13 and over)
CHILD TICKET IS \$10.00 (12 and under)
FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE ALL WELCOME
Buy tickets in advance
masonicbeef.corn@gmail.com

Grand Steward Presentation

Tuesday, September 8th, 2015, 8:00 pm

Masonic Centre Hamilton (MCH)

Temple Lodge invites you to join us as we congratulate and invest our V.W. Bro. Mihai (Mike) Samoila with his Grand Steward regalia.

Grand Lodge: Mentors Program

Tuesday Sept 22nd, 2015, 8:00 pm

You are Cordially Invited to join with the brethren of
Ancient Landmarks / Doric
for the Presentation by the
Grand Lodge Resource Committee.

The Mentors Program

R .W. Bro. John Trotter

Tuesday September 22

in the Lodge room - Business 7:30

Presentation to follow at 8:00 pm

Dinner at 6:30 (\$25.00 person)

Contact secretary:

R.W. Bro William MacPherson 905-648-6771 or
wjmac@sympatico.ca

Dinner R.S.V.P. by Friday September 11

William Mercer Wilson Medal

Tuesday September 22

At the Grand Lodge Communications last month Bro. James Maxwell of Westmount Lodge No 671 was honoured by the Grand Master by being acknowledge as a recipient of the William Mercer Wilson Medal.

On Tuesday September 22, Westmount Lodge will be holding an appreciation night to honour our distinguished Brother. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John C. Green will be in attendance to personally present the award to Bro. Maxwell. All are welcome to attend that evening to congratulate Bro. Maxwell; the evening will be open to family and friends.

MasoniCh.I.P.
September 26-27,
Ancaster Fall Fair
630 Trinity Rd.,
sponsored by Buchanan Lodge

“The MasoniChIP program uses modern, police-approved techniques to create a child identification kit for the ones you love. This information is matched to work seamlessly with Ontario's law enforcement providers. By being so compatible, critical identifying information can be broadcast and shared quickly to assist with the safe recovery of missing children.

Please visit us, with your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other loved young ones, for a free child identification kit courtesy of Buchanan lodge”

Grand Lodge of Instruction

Tuesday, September 29th, 2015

Masonic Centre Hamilton (MCH), 2nd floor

Start time 7:00 p.m

(Master Masons Only)

The Custodian of the Work

and his Instruction Team presenting:

Education - Protocol and Etiquette;
Works in each Degree (1st, 2nd, 3rd); Installation
Ceremony (for Installed Masters Only)

WESTMOUNT No. 671 “caravan” to G.L.





Royal Arch Masonry

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In your journey through the three degrees of Symbolic masonry and as you have learned the proficiency lecture for each degree, no doubt many questions have arisen concerning the meaning of the ritualistic ceremonies, the historical implications and the “why” of the legends of Freemasonry. In every country of the earth; on every continent and on many isles of the sea, will be found Royal Arch Chapters, eager and willing to receive their companions from other parts of the world into that full fellowship that characterizes Royal Arch Masonry. Many believe the Sublime Degree of Master Mason to be the ultimate degree of Freemasonry and all others to be added and explanatory. Students of Freemasonry agree that the story of the Craft as presented in the three degrees is incomplete and that the degrees of the Royal Arch complete the story and answer many of the questions in the mind of the newly made Master Mason. The Royal Arch Degree was considered most important in the early years of Freemasonry and so dogmatic was the Mother Grand Lodge from which all Speculative Masonry derives that in 1813, when the two grand lodges in England united, a firm and solemn landmark was adopted and placed in the Articles of Union to guide Masons throughout the world forever on this matter: “Pure Ancient Freemasonry consists of but three degrees, viz., that of Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason, including the Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch.” This Landmark has never been changed and to this day no other degree has been officially recognized by the Mother Grand Lodge and every rite, system or additional degree of Freemasonry cannot confer its degree on a Master Mason until he has received the Royal Arch Degree. Naturally, this is as it should be, because a man is not a Master Mason until he receives the Master’s Word and he can only receive it in the Royal Arch!” The Chapter or Royal Arch Masonry consists of these three degrees: Mark Master, Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch Mason. The Mark Master Degree is believed to have originated as a ceremony of registering a craftsman mark in those years distinguished by the operative craft masons and their temple building. It was later developed into a full fledged degree by the Masonic fraternity as we know it today. Some scholars say it was the earliest degree and may predate all others by many years. It is highly regarded by students and ritualists as one of the most beautiful degrees in all Masonry, teaching lessons that have proven of value in all walks of life. Some Grand Lodges place so high an eminence on the Mark Master Degree, that they confine it to the

jurisdiction of a separate grand body, the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons. The Past Master Degree (not conferred in Ontario – in some other jurisdictions and the U.S.A.) came into being because originally the degree of Royal Arch was conferred by the Symbolic (Blue) Lodge only on actual Past Masters. This degree was instituted to make it possible for all worthy Brethren to receive the Royal Arch Degree. The first record of its conferral is found in 1768 in England. The Most Excellent Master Degree is a product of American innovation. It was conferred in Royal Arch Chapter as early as 1783 in Middletown, Conn. It is by far the most spectacular degree in all Freemasonry. It is the only degree that brings forcibly to our attention the completion and dedication of King Solomon’s Temple; the very idea upon which all Masonic symbolism has been based. The Royal Arch Degree is the climax of Ancient Craft Masonry and Masonic Symbolism. It is described as “the root and marrow of Freemasonry.” It is the complete story of Jewish History during some of its darkest hours. Jerusalem and the Holy Temple are destroyed. The people of Israel are being held captive as slaves in Babylon. Here you will join with some of the captives as they are set free to return home and engage in the noble and glorious work of rebuilding the city and the Temple of God. It is during this rebuilding that they make a discovery that brings to light the greatest treasure of a Mason – the long lost Master’s Word. Many historians have traced the earliest origins of the Royal Arch Degree to Ireland, late in the 17th century and in England in 1738. In 1752, ambulatory or military warrants for lodges were introduced. This was instrumental in placing the Royal Arch Degree on a par with the Master Mason Degree. Military lodges were greatly responsible for planting Freemasonry in the Colonies and also gave birth to use of the Mark and Royal Arch Degrees in the “New World.” The value of Royal Arch Masonry will be appreciated by all who are exalted to that most sublime degree, particularly by those who are seeking to complete their Masonic education. It reveals the full light of Ancient Craft Masonry, presents it as a complete system in accordance with the original plan and justly entitles you to claim the noble name of Master Mason. Royal Arch Masonry contains some simple, plain statement of Truth, easily understandable and helpful in our relation to life. Lodge symbolism deals with lessons of the material side of life.



If you would like to know more about the Mark Master, Most Excellent Master and the Royal Arch Degrees just ask a Brother who is wearing his Companion jewel or contact The Grand Chapter office 361 King St. W. Hamilton L8P 1B4

905 522 5775

A GRAND LODGE CERTIFICATE

Published in "The Newsletter of the Committee on Masonic Education Summer 1994 (3 Qtr) – Vol. 14 No. 1

R. W. Bro. W. E. McLeod – Mizpah Lodge No. 572

As a Master Mason, you are entitled to receive from Grand Lodge a certificate that you have been regularly Initiated, Passed and Raised. I now present to you your certificate, and if you will examine it, I shall explain its symbolism.

At the top is a panel encircled by a floral border, in which the thistle, shamrock, and rose entwine the maple leaf. This recalls to our mind that England, Scotland, and Ireland bequeathed to Canada not only the basis of our political institutions but also the blessings of our gentle Craft. The

panel consists of several distinct emblems. It is headed by the All-seeing Eye, in rays of brilliant light. This signifies that our lives are illuminated and our actions are observed, by the beneficent Creator. Beneath this are the Royal Arms of the United Kingdom, surmounted by the Crown and flanked by the lion and the unicorn. They symbolize the loyalty to authority which must characterize every Mason.

Below this is the Great

Seal of the Province of Canada as it was used from 1841 to 1867, the period in which our Grand Lodge came into being. The Province was formed by the union of Upper Canada (or Ontario) and Lower Canada (or Quebec), and the seal alludes to both. In the centre, in an oval panel, are two classically robed maidens arm in arm, allegorical figures for Lower Canada and Upper Canada. At their sides, partly obscuring them, are two roundels or medallions. To the left is the Great Seal of Lower Canada (1793-1841). It is intended to be a stylized view of Quebec City, with a church on the hill, as seen from across the St. Lawrence River. In the foreground stands a freshly pruned oak tree, and in the river float two sailboats. (Quebec was of course the capital city of Lower Canada.

The significance of the pruned tree is now obscure, but it was originally explained by a Latin motto: the province would be stronger and richer after Upper Canada, formerly a constituent part, had been pruned away.)

The right-hand medallion carries the Great Seal of Upper Canada (1792-1841), which was designed by our first Lieutenant-Governor, Lieutenant-Colonel (and Brother) John Graves Simcoe. It includes an anchor crossing a sword, with a feathered calumet or Indian peace pipe upright between them, all over two crossed cornucopias or horns of plenty; above them are the Royal Crown and the lower left corner of the old Union Jack, as it was before 1801 when the Cross of St. Patrick was added. The whole design points out to us that the

colony, with its bounteous agricultural promise, was established by the British Naval and Military Forces, in conjunction with their Indian allies.

To the left of the Great Seal is a stylized view of what seems to be Hamilton, apparently from Burlington Beach, looking towards the Mountain. It was of course in Hamilton, on 10 October 1855, that the sovereign Grand Lodge of Canada was formed, and the headquarters, the administrative offices of the Grand Lodge have been situated in the city ever since. In the foreground of the scene, on the shore of the isthmus, is a beaver, the emblem of Canada ever since the early days of the fur trade. To the right of the Great Seal is a scene that holds a threefold significance – Niagara Falls as viewed from the shore. This natural wonder is recognized all over the world as a landmark of Ontario; moreover, it was not too many miles from here that Freemasonry was first implanted in our province, in 1780 or before. But even beyond that, it was in Niagara Falls, Canada West, on 19 July 1855, that a group of brethren resolved to call the meeting in Hamilton that resulted in independence.

This panel at the top serves to remind us of our heritage and our faith, and that our Grand Lodge antedates Confederation, and originally covered the whole Province of Canada. For that reason, it was at first called simply The Grand Lodge of Canada. Not until after Confederation, when the independent Grand Lodge of Quebec had broken away – in fact, not until 1887 – were the words "in the Province of Ontario" added.

The emblems in the lower part of the certificate are all familiar to Masons. They derive from the form of certificate which has been issued by the United Grand Lodge of England ever since 1820. Most conspicuous are the Three Great Pillars that support a Freemason's Lodge. That on the left is Ionic, that on the right is Doric, and that in the centre is Corinthian. In masonry, they are called Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty, and represent Solomon King of Israel, Hiram King of Tyre, and Hiram Abif.

The pillars rest on square pedestals, adorned with the Three Movable Jewels. On the left is the Square, denoting the Master; on the right the Level, denoting the Senior Warden; and in the centre is the Plumb-rule, denoting the Junior Warden.

These pedestals rest on the Black and White Mosaic Pavement of the lodge, which represents the Light and Darkness, the joys and sorrows, of our chequered existence on earth. The pavement is approached by three stairs of degrees. Towards the back of the Pavement are the Celestial and Terrestrial Globes, which point our Masonry Universal. Formerly they were a regular feature in the lodge room, but have fallen into disuse in this country, although they may still be found on the wardens' columns.

Leaning against the centre pedestal are the Three Great Lights: the open Volume of the Sacred Law, to rule and govern our Faith; the Square, to regulate our lives and actions; and the Compasses, to keep us within due bounds with all mankind. To the left foreground is the Rough Ashlar, a stone rude and unpolished as taken from the quarry. In order to shape it for the intended structure, the entered apprentice employs the Chisel and the Mason's Maul, which are shown

reposing on it. To the right foreground is the Perfect Ashlar, the stone made ready by the hands of the Craftsmen.

From its top protrudes a metal ring, part of a lifting device called a Lewis, which is another old Masonic symbol. In the centre foreground are the twenty-four inch gauge and the pencil, which are used by the Master to lay lines and draw designs on the Tracing Board.

Between the pillars, in the right hand space, is a printed text stating that the Brother named (that is, you) had been regularly Initiated, Passed, and Raised. A Latin version appears in the righthand space. In former days, Latin was the language of international diplomacy, and even if you went to a land where English was not spoken, men would still know from the Latin that you were a regularly made Mason. Latin had been used on English Craft certificates since about 1766. It was dropped in England in 1964, but we have retained it in Canada.

The year of your Initiation is entered twice. It is given as A.D., that is Anno Domini, "in the year of our Lord" the form of dating in general use. Before that it is A.L., that is Anno Lucis, "in the year of Light." This is the Masonic Era, which is calculated by adding 4,000 to the Common Era. Traditionally, it alludes to the date of man's creation. It still serves to remind us that the origins of Freemasonry go back to time immemorial.

At the bottom, by way of authentication, the Grand Secretary has subscribed his name and affixed the seal of Grand Lodge. You will find a full discussion of the seal and its symbolism on pages 150-153 of Beyond the Pillars. In brief, it indicates that our Grand Lodge is the Canadian offshoot of the United Grand Lodge of England; that we revere the Great Architect of the Universe; that the Holy of Holies in Solomon's Temple is at the centre of our symbolism; and that we watch our ceremonies and listen to them but do not reveal them.

Your certificate is not yet complete, for it requires that you sign your name in the space provided in the margin. This space has the Latin words "Ne Varietur", which means "Not to be altered". If you find a certificate in which the signature has been altered you must treat the man who bears it as a Masonic impostor. You will now approach the Secretary's desk and append your signature to your certificate. (D.D.G.M.'s notes: The Latin text no longer appears on the certificates issued by the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.)

Acknowledgements: The general outline of the address and the discussion of the Masonic symbols are taken from the Appendix to the published Emulation Ritual as demonstrated in the Emulation Lodge of Improvement. For earlier forms of the certificate, see T.O. Haunch, "English Craft Certificates", AQC82 (1969) 169-253. On the Great Seal of Canada, see Conrad Swan, Canada: Symbols of Sovereignty (Toronto, 1977), pages 105-112, 163-169; George W. Spragge, "The Great Seals and the Mail" for 25 September, and 9 October 1976. The writer is grateful to the Grand Secretary's Office, for providing copies of two letters written on the subject by M. W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, under dates of 27 October 1948, and 20 May 1950; and also to R. W. Bros. George A. Revell and James J. Talman for other information and suggestions.



Why Keep Aspirin By Your Bedside?

About Heart Attacks

There are other symptoms of an heart attack besides *the pain on the left arm*. One must also be aware of *an intense pain on the chin*, as well as *nausea* and lots of *sweating*,

However these symptoms may also occur less frequently.

There may be NO pain in the chest during a heart attack.

The majority of people (about 60%) who had a Heart attack during their sleep, did not wake up.

However, if it occurs, the chest pain may wake you up from your deep sleep.

**If that happens,
Immediately dissolve two aspirins in your mouth**

CALL 911

- **say "heart attack!"**
- **say that you have taken 2 aspirins.**
- **phone a neighbor or a family member who lives very close by**
- **take a seat on a chair or sofa near the front door,**
- **and wait for their arrival and..**
- **DO NOT lie down**

A Cardiologist has stated that, if each person, after receiving this e-mail, sends it to ten people, probably one life can be saved!

Do forward this message; It may save lives!



Just a reminder to all: purchase a box of aspirins, keep one in your car, pocketbook, wallet, bedside, etc.



A Schedule of Upcoming Historical Perceptions Tours and Presentations "Stories in The Stones"



Unless indicated otherwise, Robin McKee's "Stories in the Stones" cemetery tours commence from the entrance to the Hamilton Cemetery, 777 York Boulevard (across from Dundurn Castle), at 11:00 am and last for about two hours. On each occasion there will be a lively and informative tour of selected grave sites in historic Hamilton Cemetery. You will be introduced to some of Hamilton's interesting personalities and be enriched in your knowledge of local history. The tours take place rain or shine. Be sure to bring the necessary food, drink and clothing needs. No reservations are required. There is no charge for the tours. Each tour will introduce you to some of Hamilton's interesting personalities and our rich history.

A downloadable and printable brochure of the 2015 "Stories in the Stones" tours can be secured by clicking on [Stories in the Stones - 2015](#). The schedule for the tours in 2015 season is listed below. The specific theme of each tour is indicated in brackets.

- August 1 (Civil War Tour)
- August 8 (Art Crawl Tour) (NEW)
- August 15 (Firefighters Tour)
- August 22 (Power of the City Tour)
- August 29 (War of 1812 Tour)
- September 5 (Past Mayors Tour)
- September 12 (Art Crawl Tour) (NEW)
- September 19 & 20 (Hamilton 1st)
- September 26 (War of 1812 Tour)
- October 3 (Disasters Tour)
- October 10 (Art Crawl Tour) (NEW)
- October 17 (Masonic Tour)**
- October 24 (Civil War Tour)
- October 31 (War of 1812 Tour)
- Nov. 7 (Event) & Nov. 14 (Veterans Tours)

* **Note:** The special "War of 1812 Tours" will include an informative tour of selected grave sites pertaining to the War 1812.

Submitted by Bro. Jay Drosky, Bro. and Bro. Robb Ellison
Wardrobe Lodge No. 555

WE REMEMBER

Bro. Thomas Cowman
Corinthian Lodge

Date of Birth – February 12, 1924

Initiated – March 28, 1946

Passed – May 16, 1946

Raised – June 28, 1946

Received his 50 year pin March 28, 1996

Passed to the Grand Lodge Above July 13th, 2015

We will remember his family in Prayer



Call for Submissions

We enjoy articles submitted by a wide range of members. This is very much appreciated and ensures that we continue to have an interesting newsletter. To make the Chronicle more topical, we are looking for Lodge Events, Pictures and Articles to include in each edition.

The Editors will strive to find space in the upcoming issues, and make this your publication. So we are asking you, our members, to seriously consider submitting your stories for publication in the Chronicle. So if you have something to share, or something to say, send it along, with an image or photos. If you don't have digital photo files to send and only have photographs, we can scan them for you and place them in the article.

The bottom line is that it is easy to get an article in the Chronicle and the more from our members the better!



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