

# District 'C'ronicle



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## From Our District Deputy Grand Master

Brethren,

On March 1st we received from our public health officials what may be described as the most promising update since the pandemic was laid upon us. This provincial update was followed with our Grand Lodge update of March 2nd which contained cause for us all to rejoice! Details of this update can be found elsewhere in this edition. My thanks to the Chronicle team for holding this issue back for an extra day while we all waited to hear the latest.



All of us are now able to return to our familiar labours, to our regular meetings, on our regular evenings on a timeline that works for us.

So, what time works for us? Each lodge and each member will need to determine for themselves how to respond to this question. When contemplating and establishing your position on this matter, please consider:

- Our latest public health policy guidelines have been arrived at based on fact and science and devoid of opinion and politic (as they have been all along).
- Our Grand Lodge has consistently followed the provincial guidelines in combination with a fine appreciation

for the complexion of our membership as well as our teachings (as we have all along).

- Each Brother's and each Lodge's informed comfort level regarding a return must be recognised and respected.
- We all miss our Craft and all of its available privileges and obligations.

I would ask each lodge to send a quick note to our District Secretary, copying me once you have determined your intentions regarding restarting regular lodge meetings. Then, after an appropriate amount of time, I will begin visiting you all fraternally and enjoying your company.

Given the curious point in time we are at and the current state of affairs this Masonic year, I have determined conducting Official Visits would be an exercise in 'going through the motions' for all parties and therefore, there will be no Official Visits. First and foremost, we all need to get back on our feet and figure out our current condition and best path forward. Please consider the electronic trestleboard you all received back in December as void. We very likely will not see another one until the next Masonic year.

As it relates to getting back on our feet and figuring out our current condition, as you may be aware, a Zoom meeting on Wednesday, March 23rd at 7:00 p.m. entitled "Hamilton District 'C' – Lodge Vitality – A Rapid Report Card" has been organised. All Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Secretaries have been asked to attend. Your district Long Range Planning committee and think tank team have combined efforts and created a report card to help each interested lodge quickly, easily and accurately determine lodge health. The report card will be introduced at the Zoom meeting. We will also talk about the point in time at which we all currently reside, as it relates to Masonry and, perhaps most importantly, where do we go from here? Please consider this note an open invitation to all interested Brethren – from PDDGMs to EAs and all interested Brethren in between.

Here is the link and passcode:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88532485513?pwd=ODRwbIRStzFUSXIBQURaRWF4WnhlQT09>

Meeting ID: 885 3248 5513

Passcode: 697100

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Brethren, you all have shown a tremendous strength and resolve in simply getting to this point in our living with and emergence from the pandemic. The time is now upon all of us to consider when and how we convert our fortitude into our successful return to familiar and meaningful assembly. It will take all of us to ensure our return is meaningful and robust.

I cannot wait to 'C' all of you soon!

Fraternally,  
Bill

**R.W. Bro. William (Bill) Paul**

## From the Grand Master February Communique

Brethren,

*To every thing there is a  
season, and a time to every  
purpose under the heaven:*

*A time to be born, and a time  
to die;*

*A time to plant, and a time to  
pluck up that which is  
planted;*

*A time to kill, and a time to  
heal;*

*A time to break down, and a  
time to build up;*

*A time to weep, and a time to  
laugh;*

*A time to mourn, and a time  
to dance;*

*A time to cast away stones,  
and a time to gather stones  
together;*

*A time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;*  
*Ecclesiastes 3:1-5*



It seems we are living in overlapping times. The province has announced a program of lifting restrictions but there is still significant COVID around. Based on their demographics, location, building and the risk tolerance of their members, some lodges will want to open for in-person work as soon as it is allowed and others will want to wait. There is no rush to open in person; meeting virtually is still available.

I have been on several international videoconferences where it has been noted that we are ahead of the curve on education by virtual means. We have been enjoying a number of videolectures by speakers from near and far sponsored by districts, individual lodges and, of course, the Grand Lodge Education Committee. Many lodges have had their own on-line meetings for business, education and socialization.

At the recent mid-term sessions the DDGMs shared some of the successes from their districts. Ones that stood out were monthly District videoconferences, sometimes called "virtual official visits". Of course that's a bit of a misnomer as ritual is not done on-line, but they introduce the district officers and

let them tell what they have been up to, honour a special person or occasion, and have a speech by the DDGM. Some even have a "virtual travelling gavel" for the lodge with the most in attendance! A toast led by the Junior Warden at the end is a nice touch.

Another successful endeavour was inviting another lodge to make a "virtual visit" with your lodge. Similarly, have some education and social time.

We also have heard of lodges who have welcomed back brothers who had moved away or were otherwise unable to attend lodge in person, but logged on to the virtual gatherings. After we do return, should we keep some videoconferences going to keep in touch with these brethren? And to interact with Masons from around the world?

This on again, off again situation is frustrating, but as the Pete Seeger/Byrds adaptation of Ecclesiastes suggests, make it a time you may embrace.

Embrace the uncertainty; embrace the time to contemplate where you want your lodge to go and how you will help it get there; and enjoy the anticipation of future activities.

*To everything (turn, turn, turn  
There is a season (turn, turn, turn)  
And a time to every purpose  
Under heaven*

Namaste

**David J. Cameron**

## From the Grand Lodge Website

These items have a direct link for your convenience

**March 1, 2022**

[GM Blog February 2022](#)

[Covid 19 Update from the Grand Master - March 1, 2022](#)

[Lodge Safety Plan Template - March 1, 2022](#)

**February 17, 2022**

[2022 Election of District Deputy Grand Masters](#)

[Covid 19 Update from our Grand Master - February 17, 2022](#)

**February 12, 2022**

[Toronto Don Valley Speaker Night on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 7:30 pm](#)

**February 3, 2022**

[The Communique - February 2022](#)

[Masonic Education Newsletter - February 2022](#)

[Mentoring Minute Volume 5](#)

[Office Opening & Vaccination Requirements](#)

[Office Hours and Contact Information](#)

<https://grandlodge.on.ca/>

# February Communique

## From the Deputy

My Brethren:

Continuing with our review of the work underway by your Grand Lodge Committees, this month we are going to present the most recent exciting work of the Lodge Finances Advisory Committee that Chairman R.W. Bro. David Armstrong has been leading for the last six months.

The number one question that this Committee has been asking for at least twenty years since your Deputy Grand Master chaired the Committee remains the same – Is your Lodge financially sound?

Over the years there have been several ways suggested to ascertain the answer to this vexing question, but the current team members of this Committee have come up with a couple of simple calculations that every Lodge can easily use to measure their financial condition and thereafter take the necessary action if they do not receive a ‘green light.’ By calculating just two percentages, a Lodge can get a measure of the state of their financial status. The inputs for the calculation should be based on the Lodge’s most recent financial statement.

You will need the following figures from those statements:

**Dues Collected** - This is the actual amount of dues which were paid by the members during the year of the financial statement. It should not include any amounts which were not paid during the year, or which might be estimated for life members. If there is a separate Life Membership Fund, and if that Life Membership Fund made an actual transfer to the Lodge’s General Funds as prescribed in the Constitution, then the amount of that transfer can be included. Initiation fees are not included, nor are interest or dividends received by the Lodge. Donations to the lodge and proceeds of fundraising or social events are also not to be included.

**Lodge Expenses** – This is the actual total of the Lodge’s expenses from the financial statement. You should exclude the amount of any benevolence paid by the Lodge and any charitable donations made by the Lodge. In general, it includes rent (or the cost of operating the lodge building, if owned), Junior Warden’s expenses (social expenses), Secretary’s expenses (including bank fees, as well as printing and postage), Grand Lodge and District Assessments, regalia expenses, honorariums and miscellaneous expenses.

**Capital** – This is the total amount of liquid investments such as bank accounts, GICs, investment certificates and readily negotiable, marketable investments. It does not include items that cannot be readily converted into cash such as the Lodge building, shares in a Lodge building or other shares which are not regularly traded on an established, active market. It does not include any amounts in a separate Life Membership Fund or accounts receivable.

The first percentage is Dues Collected as described above divided by Lodge Expenses, multiplied by one hundred to arrive at a percentage:

$$\frac{\text{Dues Collected}}{\text{Lodge Expenses}} \times 100 = \text{Percentage 1}$$

If Percentage 1 is greater than 120% - your Lodge gets a green light.

If Percentage 1 is between 100% and 120% - your Lodge gets a yellow light – proceed with caution!

If Percentage 1 is less than 100% - your Lodge gets a red light – stop what you are doing!

The second percentage is Capital divided by Lodge Expenses, multiplied by one hundred:

$$\frac{\text{Capital}}{\text{Lodge Expenses}} \times 100 = \text{Percentage 2}$$

If Percentage 2 is greater than 200% - your Lodge gets a green light.

If Percentage 2 is between 100% and 200% - your Lodge gets a yellow light – proceed with caution!

If Percentage 2 is less than 100% - your Lodge gets a red light – stop what you are doing!

If your Lodge has two green lights for these percentages, your Lodge is financially sound. Congratulations! Keep an eye on things to maintain this happy position.

If your Lodge has a green light and a yellow light (or, worse, two yellow lights), there is some concern. The Lodge should get help for a more detailed analysis.

If your Lodge has a red light for either of the percentages (or worse, for both), danger is imminent! The financial practices of your Lodge have not been working. Hopefully it’s not too late to act. Your Lodge needs to act quickly and get the help you need to avoid financial disaster! The Lodge Finance Advisory Committee is waiting on your call to assist – at 416-540-6433 or [davidarmstrong@armstrongmanufacturing.com](mailto:davidarmstrong@armstrongmanufacturing.com)

A sincere thank you to all our Brethren for their support and assistance in ensuring the financial safety and well-being of our Lodges and their members.

Be sure and tune in next month for another review of what your Grand Lodge Committees are working on. Until then – stay well!

**Thomas W. Hogeboom Deputy Grand Master**





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

**Grand Master**

**COVID-19 Update March 1 2022**

Brethren,

On March 1 the provincial government moved us to the Roadmap Exit Step. Full details are available at [www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/r22099](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/r22099) and [www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/200364](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/200364) (Sections 4 and 5).

**Proof of vaccination will no longer be required however individual facilities may elect to continue to require it.**

**Screening signage, safety plans, and masking while indoors are still required.**

**Please remember that all other local, provincial and federal regulations must be followed as well as any advice, recommendations and instructions from provincial or local Medical Officers of Health.**

Masonic Memorial Services may be held in a funeral home at the discretion and following the rules in place by the funeral home. They may be held in a lodge room under the same rules as for a lodge meeting.

Lodges may choose whether or not to accept visitors yet.

Cleaning and disinfecting procedures should follow the advice given by Public Health Authorities.

Grand Lodge officers will continue to refrain from wearing gloves.

An updated Safety Plan template is posted on the Grand Lodge website.

**Balloting and elections** may be done by the traditional methods again.

**Degree work** may be performed as usual but masking is still required at all times.

**Lodges not wishing to open yet:** Some lodges, due to their membership or their building may not wish to open yet. They may continue to operate under the previous pandemic rules.

Lodges do not have to do degrees or official visits at this time if they choose not to.

**Brethren not wishing to return to in-person gatherings yet:** There are brethren who, after doing a personal or family risk assessment, will not want to attend an in-person gathering at the moment. No pressure should be put on anyone, officer or member, to override their own assessment.

Fraternally,

D. Garry Dowling,  
Grand Secretary

David J. Cameron,  
Grand Master

**COVID-19 Safety Plan,  
(Template Updated March 1, 2022)**

This is a summary of the 6 questions that make up the Covid-19 Safety plan. (Available on the Grand Lodge Website)

Use this template to document how your lodge will keep members and other people safe at your Temple. The full COVID-19 safety plan explains what you should think about and gives examples to help you come up with your plan.

**1. How will you ensure all members know how and are able to keep themselves safe from exposure to COVID-19?**

*Consider:* What guidance will you need to provide? How will you share information? Do you need new or more frequent types of communication? Where will you update yourself on new COVID-19 guidance?

**2. How will you screen for COVID-19?**

*Consider:* How you will stay current about what symptoms to look for? Will you use a screening checklist? Who will do the screening? Who needs to be screened and how often?

**3. How will you control the risk of transmission?**

Include how you will maximize distance and separation, reduce transmission from surfaces and objects, and support good hand and respiratory hygiene. (Note: once we move to the Exit Step all these controls may no longer be required. Check updates.)

*Consider:* What engineering and administrative controls will you use? What changes will you make? Who needs to be in the workplace? How will you gather worker ideas about different ways of working?

**4. What will you do if there is a potential case, or suspected exposure to, COVID-19?**

*Consider:* What is the contact information for your local public health unit? What are your isolation procedures? How will you gather workplace contact information for public health contact tracing?

**5. How will you manage any new risks caused by changes to the way you operate your business?**

*Consider:* With workers, review existing critical risks and whether work practice changes will affect your current risk management strategy. Are any new risks introduced due to changes in worker numbers or work practices? What new risk controls are required?

**6. How will you make sure your plan is working?**

*Consider:* How often will you schedule a review of your plan? How will you get input and ideas from workers and clients? Who is responsible for evaluating how things are working and for adapting the plan as you find better/easier ways to do things? How will you communicate changes?

Download the full Covid-19 Safety Plan here:  
[Lodge Safety Plan Template - March 1, 2022](#)

## Hamilton District 'C' –



Upcoming events listed on the Hamilton District 'C' website.

**Mar. 16: Hamilton Masonic District C's Masonic Education Night** - (Details on right)

Date/Time Details: March 16 2022 / 7:00pm

**Apr. 10: Charles A Sankey Lecture in Masonic Studies: A Tale of Two Lodges**

Date/Time Details: April 10 2022 / 3:00 pm EST

Web Link: [live.sankeylectures.ca](https://live.sankeylectures.ca)

## From the Education Chair

Please join us for Hamilton Masonic District C's Masonic Education Night on **March 16th at 7:00.**

This promises to be a thought-provoking evening which should be of interest to both the seasoned brethren and the brethren new to the craft. W. Bro. Stan Satchell and W. Bro. Lorne Evans will be discussing topics from the first degree such as:

- What is a Cowan?
- The preparation of the candidate.
- What it means to hele.
- Steps approaching the altar.
- Working tools.
- Charity.
- Apron
- VOSL

Fraternally,  
W. Bro. Stan Satchell  
Masonic Education Chair , Hamilton Masonic District C

Topic: Ham 'C' Masonic Education

Time: Mar 16, 2022 07:00 PM America/Toronto

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81723954942?pwd=cy92bW84R0p6SGZKVTZGSmJPZzRLUT09>

Meeting ID: 817 2395 4942

Passcode: 617459

Find your local number:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kdPJQJ9obs>

### Audit and Finance Committee



## Ontario Masons

Operations Pillar

### You are invited to a Virtual Town Hall

Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

If you have a question, this is your opportunity to get an answer to that question from the comfort of your own home.

[Registration information below](#)

#### Presenters

Grand Treasurer, R.W. Bro Sydney Schatzker  
**Topic:** Grand Lodge Assessment Increase

R.W. Bro. David Armstrong, Chairman of Lodge Finances  
**Topic:** Is Your Lodge Financially Sound

#### Bonus Special Panelists

Grand Master, M.W. Bro. David J. Cameron  
Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom  
Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling

R.W. Bro. Jamie Ireland, Chairman Masonic Education Pillar  
R.W. Bro. John Hay, Chairman Membership Pillar  
R.W. Bro. Tom Siemiernik, Chairman Communications Pillar  
R.W. Bro. Richard Kaufman, Chairman Operations Pillar  
R.W. Bro. Art Di Cecco, Chairman Community Outreach Pillar

#### Moderator

R.W. Bro. Michael Locke, Chairman Web Technology

To register for the workshop, please go to the following link;  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8791333656906345230>

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### Charles A. Sankey Lecture in Masonic Studies



Lecturer:  
Prof. J. Scott Kenny  
Department of Sociology  
Memorial University  
St. John's, NL

Sunday, April 10, 2022 at 3 p.m. EST

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**"A Tale of Two Lodges:  
Weberian Types and an  
Analytical Model of Canadian  
Masonic Involvement in  
the 21<sup>st</sup> Century"**

No tickets are necessary. This event will be live-streamed.  
To join the event, go to this link: [live.sankeylectures.ca](https://live.sankeylectures.ca)



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**A Lecture from  
R.W. Bro. Peter Mouriopoulos  
On Inter-Lodge Visitation**

Brethren, I wish to renew a plea to you for inter-district visitations. Many of my predecessors have brought this same message to you in the past. Well, tonight it is my turn.

I am sure that later we will hear a toast to the visitors that will expound on the many good reasons we visit in Masonry. Believe me, brethren that visitation is our lifeline in Masonry maybe more so today than it ever has been in the past. We are encountering diminished numbers in the craft in all aspects, membership is down or diminishing, new candidates in some lodges is zero. We need to make these brethren feel like they are joining an organization that is second to none.

I was quite pleased to see the number of masons that are here this evening. I know that many of you are here to accompany myself on my official visit, and I am extremely grateful for that, but I am more grateful that our candidate had the opportunity to have an audience of this caliber here to witness his initiation into Masonry.

As important as it is to follow the District Deputy Grand Master on his visits it is more important to support our new candidates as they join and progress through their various degrees in Masonry.

Nothing can be more impressive to the candidate than to see a large number of Masons occupying the chairs in the lodge, from this he may develop a favourable opinion of masonry that will encourage him to participate beyond the point of just paying his dues. We never have a second opportunity to make a first impression. We owe this to all our newest Masons in the district.

At the Fall Meeting in September, I requested that lodges, usually through their Secretaries, inform the other lodges of their agenda for a particular evening so they can bolster the numbers for that meeting to make that special candidate feel even more welcomed. Visitation has many excellences that we have heard many, many times in the past, but there are two in particular in my estimation that need repeating that they become indelible to your minds. Firstly, visiting with our sister lodges in the district allows us to meet our so to speak extend family, we learn from them a different perspective, and I might add of the same objectives, of Masonry, that we have not encountered in our own Mother Lodge. This is the Educational aspect of Masonic Visitation that we are admonished to do on daily basis. Years ago, a PDDGM of my own lodge asked me if I have been out and visiting with other lodges, just prior to my Installation as Worshipful Master, Because he said something that I found profound at that time which has stayed with me since. He said, " If you go out and visit, IT SHOWS, and if do not go out and visit, IT SHOWS." This is the way of learning, my brethren. Secondly, as you have undoubtedly heard or said in the past why is the DDGM preaching to converted, well brethren I do have the converted in front of me this evening and all of you have a difficult task before you. I believe all of you care deeply for

Masonry and I am sure that is why you are here this evening. The mission that we have is to make sure that our craft will last forever. As lodges are today undergoing many difficulties, we need to visit for the "Moral Support" of our brethren, but more particularly for our existence.

In summation, brethren our future as the greatest moral institution needs you in these difficult times, if you are there for it, it will be there for you. Thank You

**Masonic Passport**

**Do you have these sites in your passport??**



Masonic Temple  
Detroit  
500 Temple St, Detroit



Mother Kilwinning Lodge  
99 Main St, Kilwinning  
KA13 6AW, United Kingdom



Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario Hamilton ON

Philadelphia  
1 N Broad St,  
Philadelphia, PA



Grand Lodge of New York  
New York City 71 West 23<sup>rd</sup> St.

Vancouver Masonic Centre  
1495 West 8th Avenue,



## Are You a Traveling Man



By Worshipful Brother  
John Bartoszak  
Master of Humane Lodge No 21,  
Rochester

I have learned a lot from traveling throughout the jurisdiction and beyond. I have found that there are differences between jurisdictions, districts, and even subtle differences from lodge to lodge. Those differences define who we are and should never be relegated to history. Maintain your lodge traditions, provided they do not conflict with Grand Lodge. Take as an example, in Humane Lodge 21 we not only use a Chamber of Reflection but celebrate it. An antiquated aspect of Freemasonry, Humane reinstated it, and have found it to add a new level of sublimity to the Entered Apprentice degree. It's different, while not changing or conflicting with Degree ritual, and gives the new initiate a unique perspective when they begin their Masonic journey.

Another benefit of traveling is the feeling of belonging. No matter what lodge I travel to, I am accepted as a friend and honored guest. I can vividly remember walking into Mt. Lebanon Lodge in Laconia, unknown to anybody, and being greeted as a lifelong friend. It was like I was a member of their lodge. "Grab a plate and have a seat, Brother." One of my homes away from home, Winnepesaukee Lodge No. 75 in Alton, is a great place to visit. They always have a program during the Stated Communication and a great meal. Federal Lodge No. 5 in Dover is another interesting place to visit. Their programs are generally more conversation than presentation. Sometimes starting as a book report and turning into a debate on the meaning of symbols in the lodge.

If you have been a Mason for 30 or 40 years you can probably open a lodge without thinking about it. You've seen the opening hundreds of times. As a newer Mason, if you don't travel, you can see the opening ten times a year. You can double that if you travel once a month. Go to one lodge a week and you'll see the opening forty or more times a year. After a few years, you won't have to study to open a lodge, you will already know how to. Sure, you'll probably want to study anyway, but you will have heard and seen it so many times that it will flow in your memory. You can then own the ritual, and not be robotic in the delivery. You'll be able to make it interesting and fresh for your membership.

You never know when you will run into a Brother. I was in Sloppy Joe's in Key West, enjoying an adult beverage when a gentleman asked me if I was a "Traveling Man". I said, "Sure, I just drove down from NH". He pointed at his ring and asked again "No, are you a Traveling Man?". The light bulb lit up bright and we had an hour-long masonic conversation in Key West.

Travel; you won't regret it.  
Yes, I am a Traveling man.

Source Grand Lodge of New Hampshire:

[Article: Are you a Traveling Man? - Grand Lodge of NH, Free & Accepted Masons \(nhgrandlodge.org\)](https://www.hamiltondistrictmasons.org/masonic_moments/An%20Apple%20for%20the%20Teacher.pdf)

## Masonic Education

*Here is a definition of a word found within Masonic ritual that is not common outside of our Lodge rooms.*

### Wonted

The common man asks 'don't you mean wanted?'. The educated man, and the Mason who has heard this word in our Ritual, understands it to mean a habit. Indeed, within our Ritual we hear the phrase 'wonted custom', which tells us how very important a regular practice is the recurring action being described. Later in the Ritual the Initiate is reminded to emulate that person who has that 'wonted custom'. We should emulate his fidelity to our Fraternity, and develop our own 'wonted custom' that is described in the Ritual.

Provided for your daily advancement in Masonic knowledge from the Sarnia District Masonic Library. V.W. Bro. Marshall Kern, F.C.F., Librarian & Historian. Blog: [Blog: https://masterseblem.wordpress.com/](https://masterseblem.wordpress.com/)

The Legacy of  
Raymond S. J. Daniels, PGM



## An Apple For Teacher

### Icon of Knowledge

Why, as school children did we give 'an apple to the teacher?' Tradition and mythology hold that the fruit of the tree of knowledge that grew in the Garden of Eden and eaten by Adam and Eve was an apple. The apple is a symbol of the key to knowledge – the knowledge of Good and Evil. (Genesis 2:9) In Masonry we are taught that the emblem of Divine Providence is the Star that gleams in the centre. Cut across to reveal the core, we see at the centre of the apple a five pointed star – a perfect pentagram. It brings to mind another reference in our Ritual: "the bright morning star whose rising gives peace and salvation to the faithful and obedient of the human race."

### Teachable Moments

There are many opportunities when the Worshipful Master can share 'a few words of wisdom' with the Brethren: while the candidate is resuming his personal comforts – when congratulating the candidate at the conclusion of the degree – in the Master's Message from the East in the monthly Summons – in responding to a brother's question in the anteroom. Carpe diem! Never miss an opportunity.

"The Master of a lodge will find his Mastership of greater joy and satisfaction to himself, and of much greater value to the brethren if he equips himself to become a teacher as well as a ruler and ritualist. (The lodge should be) a school for the education of Masons. Unfortunately, the average Mason does not pry far beyond the ceremonial, and Masonry reveals its hidden mysteries only to those who diligently seek them." Grand Lecturer, Prince Edward Island, 1987 – Proceedings 1989, p. 249

### From our District Website

[https://www.hamiltondistrictmasons.org/masonic\\_moments/An%20Apple%20for%20the%20Teacher.pdf](https://www.hamiltondistrictmasons.org/masonic_moments/An%20Apple%20for%20the%20Teacher.pdf)

**MISSION Services**

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**GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Register Now @  
[Masonicopen22@gmail.com](mailto:Masonicopen22@gmail.com)

Registration – 12:00 p.m.  
 Shotgun Start – 1:00 p.m.  
 Social Hour – 5:30 p.m.  
 Dinner – 6:30 p.m.  
 Charity Event – 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday**  
**June 25th, 2022**

**\$180 per player**  
 incl. cart, dinner & charity event

**\$70 per person**  
 dinner & charity event

**CENTURY PINES GOLF CLUB**

\*rain or shine\*

Finally,  
 My winter fat is gone now  
 I have spring rolls.

via LoveThisPic.com

## Ontario Masons Brand

Our Grand Lodge recognizes the importance of a Brand Identity and how it can directly establish the sense of value and strength of an organization.

The Chronicle is now using the approved layout for the new Brand Identity which includes the Maple Leaf with the adapted Square and Compasses within the Maple Leaf as our new Brand Symbol, with 'Ontario Masons' as our new Brand Wordmark to its immediate right.

These elements are available for download from the Grand Lodge website [grandlodge.on.ca](http://grandlodge.on.ca) After logging into the Member's area, click on the heading 'Grand Lodge'. In the 'Grand Lodge' section, click on the heading 'Our Brand' to access the new Brand Standards.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Nothing to Report**

**In Life Respected, In Death Regretted.  
 We will cherish him in our hearts forever.**

## From the Editor

Brethren,

We held this issue back one day to add in the Grand Lodge Covid 19 announcement. Looking forward to resumption of in person meetings soon. \*Subject to provincial and municipal guidelines.

I am also looking forward to our Education Chair's chat on March 16<sup>th</sup>, the "Hamilton District 'C' – Lodge Vitality meeting, and the Sankey Lecture on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

This month in support of the The Masonic Passport quiz answers Bill and I were cruising the internet to find content related to traveling, visiting and being a Mason. All of this is underlined with one of the archived DDGM speeches.

Spring is coming Brethren. Daffodils signal the reemergence of warm and sunny skies. They also, appear to represent our Masonic Values

Be well, be safe!

S&F, Glen

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