

# District 'C'ronicle



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## Our District Deputy Grand Master

*"Of all that is good, sublimity is supreme. Succeeding is the coming together of all that is beautiful. Furtherance is the agreement of all that is just. Perseverance is the foundation of all actions."*

- Laozi



Brethren, our return is off to a sound and celebratory start with all lodges having now resumed their labours. No small feat given our starting point. We have all been purposeful in our intentions of getting back into the quarry. For some of our lodges, it was as if they never missed a beat while for others, simply opening lodge was a strenuous milestone to achieve and for others still, some degree within these two extremes.

As we continue to lay our immediate plans for the next Regular meeting and our future plans for the remainder of this Masonic year, let us recognise, appreciate and take action from the simplest of realities – we have always and will always be ready, willing and able to support each other.

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Our younger (Masonically speaking) members may have forgotten their early progress since joining us and may also have forgotten the study habits they

were developing. They may have forgotten, or never had much of a chance, to witness our wonders.

To all mentors, please, quickly and in an individualised manner, help these members get reignited and on a progressive course.

We hold Visiting as a central component to who we are and what we do. We toast it! Please consider including or increasing your visitation activities during these upcoming months. Your presence will be a fond and clear reminder to your hosts that we are bound together in this invaluable proposition. In all likelihood, this will inspire you further to continue your visitations, as your obligations allow, and will inspire those you visit to pick up the mantle and add this (back) into their Masonic activities. Please remember the role your district website can play in this endeavour. I am hopeful all lodges will upload the details of their upcoming meetings and that this electronic trestleboard can serve as a valuable tool when planning your visiting schedules.

Consider calling a brother and go visiting together!

Finally, while in lodge, please take a look around and, if you see the seat vacant where 'Tom' usually sits, give him a call at your very earliest opportunity just to check in. Help him find his way back to lodge should he be in need of your assistance.

Brethren, I appreciate these are thoughts and actions that we are all already aware of and are undertaking however, let us place just a little extra focus on these precepts. Doing so will assist all of us in achieving success in conducting "Masonry as Intended".

I look forward to seeing all of you in my travels through the coming month!

Fraternally,

Bill

R.W. Bro. William (Bill) Paul



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## From the Grand Master September Communique

My first order of business must be to thank every single Mason in our Grand Jurisdiction who has seen fit to afford me the second greatest experience of my life when I was elected and subsequently Invested into the Grand Chair of King Solomon in July. (Be sure and tell my wife I said second greatest experience, for the day she said 'yes' to my marriage proposal some thirty-two years ago still tops the charts!)



The second order of business is to congratulate all the new Grand Lodge Officers throughout our Grand Jurisdiction on your latest preferment! It is a great honour to share the leadership of our Grand Lodge with such a fine group of Brethren and I trust we will share a productive year together in advancing the objectives of our Gentle Craft.

There have been many Brethren of all ages at every stage in my life who have been very patient with their time shared with me to inspire, motivate, educate and 'admonish with candor,' to make me into the man I am proud to be. To all of you, I can't begin to thank you enough.

I continue to be inspired by the great leaders that this jurisdiction is blessed with. While we often take this for granted, please consider this; without the benevolent and binding influence of Freemasonry, most of us would have remained at a perpetual distance, much less become friends and Brothers.

Is it not strange that while conspiracy theorists along with those that oppose our objectives write volumes speculating as to what the 'real' secrets of our Fraternity are? The men we call our Brethren, are the embodiment of one of the greatest secrets that Freemasonry has to offer, which is to work together in harmony. As Masons, we understand that it is an exercise in futility to focus on the myriad of things that make us different and unique from one another. Our genius lies in being able to find common ground upon which to build a foundation for future generations to build upon.

Within our ranks, we have men from all walks of life who bring into our Fraternity a wide variety of skills and talent. Men, who among their purposes in being here, is to move forward the great work of Ontario Freemasonry. Honourable men, who have learned to look beyond their differences of opinions and unite in harmony to work for the greater good. Men of great vision, who see beyond the moment and know what we as a Fraternity can be and refuse to allow the phrase 'good enough,' to pass their lips. Great men, who rather

than wait for an opportunity to present itself; seize the moment and make the most of it!

While this may seem repetitive to some of you, take a moment and consider the sacrifices of time, effort, and money that you have expended labouring on the mountains and in the quarries of our Craft. And for what?

Titles that mean nothing outside of our Lodge doors? A promise of some ethereal secret to wealth and fame? Of course, not my Brethren; you of all people know that none of this is to be had within the boundaries of our beloved Fraternity. You are great, honourable, visionary men because you honour our heritage and traditions by labouring tirelessly to ensure that there is a future for Freemasonry in Ontario and the rest of the world.

Ask yourself these questions: What kind of a leader am I? What unique skills do I bring to my Lodge? Am I fulfilling my Masonic potential?

Oftentimes, in Masonic speeches and writings, authors, and orators bandy about names like: Sir John A. Macdonald, George Washington, Prince Hall, Benjamin Franklin, Teddy Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, Winston Churchill and John Diefenbaker and praise their great leadership skills and contributions to the world. Some have even wondered out loud, why we don't have men and leaders of that caliber today. Obviously, anyone who asks the question has never visited any one of our beloved Lodges within this Grand Jurisdiction. From East to West and all points in between, we are blessed with the benefit of excellent Masonic Ritualists and leaders in the world. You may not be known to the world Brethren, but you are most certainly known and respected in this Jurisdiction and the communities wherein you reside.

You, my Brethren, should not waste your time comparing yourself to others. Instead, it is time that you realize your true selves and fully embrace your role as great leaders. Many of our forebearers whom we admire and mention with such reverential awe, were men with whom you share more than you may think. While we are reminded of their great strengths and successes, it is important that we remember they were but men. Men who suffer from the same weaknesses and imperfections that we possess. However, we have an advantage that they did not. We have the privilege of building upon the foundation that they laid for us combined with the benefit of hindsight, enabling us to avoid their errors. This combined with our unique skills and abilities creates a powerful formula for success!

While we are all grateful for what they did for us, we cannot afford to expect this great work to move forward solely on the achievements of the past. We do not have the luxury of coasting or worse yet, standing idly by expecting others to do the work. This is the time, and this is the place for us to take up our tools, square our shoulders and fulfill our destiny.

You have within each of you the ability and above that, the obligation to see to it that your Masonic working tools never gather dust or become encrusted with rust.

Each of you have been endowed by the Great Architect with a unique blend of talents and skills which you were charged during your Master Mason Degree to use to protect and serve that for which we stand.

Freemasonry is after all a moral and progressive science, and it isn't merely for the sake of allegory that our beloved Ritual is grounded on the idea of the worker and his labours.

That destiny can only be realized by working in harmony and with that singularity of purpose which is meant to distinguish us from the rest of the world.

Though we are comprised of many different types of leaders, through the diligent application of our Masonic principles we can overcome any obstacle together! It is no coincidence that the body of our institution, like the human body is comprised of different parts which separately cannot survive, yet collectively can only be stopped by self imposed limitations. Just as it requires the harmony of the entire body to run a marathon or slam dunk a basketball, it also takes all of us to bring our destiny as Ontario Freemasons to fruition.

We are in this together Brethren! And together we will be successful!

**Thomas W. Hogeboom**



## From the Grand Lodge Website

These items have a direct link for your convenience

**September 8, 2022**

[DDGM E-mail Addresses](#)

**September 5, 2022**

[Approved 2022 Constitutional Amendments](#)

[Recognition of Grand Lodges 2022](#)

[Request for Dispensation - Events](#)

[Request for Dispensation - Meeting Change](#)

[Request for Dispensation - Multiple Officers](#)

[Form - When a Brother Relocates](#)

[Grand Lodge Officers and Committees](#)

[Organizational Chart - 2022](#)

[Elected and Appointed Officers](#)

[Order of Introduction](#)

**September 1, 2022**

[6 Short Talks added to Masonic education](#)

**August 30, 2022**

[Preview copies of the 2022 L Forms and Links to Survey](#)

[Monkey for completion of forms on line.](#)



**The Past Masters' Association of the Hamilton Districts cordially invites all Masons to a **Town Hall Meeting** with the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.**



**M.W. Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom**

**Saturday October 15th, 2022**

8:30 am - Meet & Greet

9:00 am - Breakfast

10:00 am - Town Hall

Tickets are \$20:00 which includes a hot breakfast.

**Location - Hamilton Masonic Centre (Scottish Rite)  
4 Queen Street South**

**Reservations are required.**

For the in-person through the Past Masters' website at [pma-abc.ca/event-registration/](http://pma-abc.ca/event-registration/).

**Reservations for breakfast MUST be received by Tuesday October 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am.**

Please note meals will be ordered based on the number of registrations received. If you commit to pay at the door and do not attend, we expect you will honour your obligation. Meals will not be available for those who walk-in. Thank you for your cooperation.

Or **participate by video conference at no cost** by registering through this [Zoom registration link](#). Once registered for the Zoom video conference, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Any questions please contact our Secretary, Tom Peddle at [thomaspeddle@gmail.com](mailto:thomaspeddle@gmail.com) or (905) 741-0357.

## September Communique From the Deputy

My Brethren:

I am so happy and pleased to be able to address the members of this Grand Jurisdiction for the first time since being elected as Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario. This is such an honour and I'm pretty excited to be the President of the Board of General Purposes. Thank you everyone for the faith and trust that you have placed in me to move our labours forward in a positive direction. I feel that we have put a great team in place ready to meet the many challenges head on, honestly and openly.

Welcome back to the upcoming 2022-23 Masonic year. I would like to congratulate our newly Installed Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom on being elected to the highest office of our Grand Lodge. Also to the newly Installed District Deputy Grand Master's, welcome to the Board of General Purposes and welcome to the team. Congratulations to you all on your accomplishments thus far. We are all working together towards a common goal of harmony, peace and the betterment of all. Never forget Brethren that no matter what rank we hold, we are all equal on the level.

We have had a couple of Management Committee meetings to date and we will soon have the second Board meeting completed. The team is getting geared up to work for our Grand Lodge and work for our membership.

At the regional meetings with the Custodian of the Work, the Grand Secretary, the Grand Master and myself, the District Deputy Grand Masters were all instructed on their required duties for the upcoming Masonic term of office. The new Grand Lodge Branding was covered so that we can all have uniform business cards, letterheads and stationary. It's an initiative that I am excited about which will help us to have a stronger identity amongst ourselves and also help us to be recognized in our communities. It's a positive step forward for us and will help to connect the whole Jurisdiction into one cohesive body. Thank you to the Public Awareness Committee for seeing the Branding idea come to fruition.

We also talked about the social media aspect of our daily lives. Brethren, as social media is so intertwined into our day to day lives, be ever mindful that whatever you post, tweet, dance to or talk about, if it's on social media, it's there to stay. As we are all members of this Grand Lodge, let us remember that we need to cast and reinforce a positive and trustworthy image to ourselves and to the public. Your use of social media reflects on all of us, let us all be ever mindful of the harm or the good that we are able to cause. Your activities online are a direct reflection of our Grand Lodge and our Grand Master, be ever cautious. We are always being watched Brethren but I will talk about that in a future Communique.

I have commissioned a new Social Media Committee this year which will investigate all social media avenues and whether we should be using them. It's a new age Brethren and we are going to look at new ways of communicating. The advantage of the pandemic is that it has propelled us forward a little more into the modern times. It has necessitated the need for virtual meetings which translates into bringing the Jurisdiction and the world a lot closer together. We will continue with the virtual meetings for Management Committee meetings, Board of General Purposes meetings, Grand Lodge Committee meetings and of course for the Masonic Education Speaker Series presentations. The Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario has become a global leader in all things dealing with Masonic Education and we're not going to let up on the gas, it's full throttle ahead. There are speakers lined up for the fall season and the Masonic Education Speaker Series Committee is planning for a great winter line up as well.

I will carry on with some more information from the DDGM regional meetings next month Brethren as it's important for us all to reflect upon and learn from.

Thank you for now and we'll continue this talk soon. Let's all be the reason that someone smiles today.

**Jamie R. Ireland Deputy Grand Master**



## Ontario Masons

**Link to Grand Lodge Branding**

<https://grandlodge.on.ca/index.php/publications/members/forms-reports-templates/branding/fonts/3055-branding-fonts-package/file>



**Link to Social Media Guidelines**

<https://grandlodge.on.ca/index.php/operations/communications-team/2659-gl-social-media-policy-reviewed-april-2020/file>

# Hamilton District 'C' – Dates to Remember

## October 2022

### Installation of Officers

Temple Lodge No. 324  
Tuesday October 11, 2022  
Tyle 7:30 pm, Reception to Follow  
MCH

### Town Hall Meeting

The Masonic Past Masters' Association  
of the Hamilton Districts  
M.W. Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom  
Saturday October 15th, 2022

8:30 am - Meet & Greet  
9:00 am - Breakfast  
10:00 am - Town Hall

Tickets are \$20:00 which includes a hot breakfast.  
Location – Hamilton Masonic Centre (Scottish Rite)  
4 Queen Street South

Reservations required!

### D.D.G.M. Official Visit

Hugh Murray Lodge No.602  
Tuesday October 18, 2022  
Dinner 6:00 pm, Tyle 7:30 pm  
MCH

(See Page 4 for details)

### Hamilton Masonic Districts' Board of Relief Fall Divine Service

Sunday October 23, 2022... Service 7:00 p.m.  
St. Andrews Anglican Church  
7 St. Andrews Avenue, Grimsby  
Hosted by Union Lodge No. 7



All Masons and families  
invited, regalia to be worn.

## November 2022

### D.D.G.M. Official Visits

The Electric Lodge No.495  
Wednesday November 16, 2022  
Dinner TBA, Tyle 7:30 pm  
Hillcrest

Dufferin Lodge No. 291  
Thursday November 17, 2022  
Tyle 7:30 pm, Reception to follow  
Flamborough

### District 'C' Masonic Education Evening

November 16th, 2022, 7:30 p.m.  
Hosted by Ionic Lodge No. 549  
Flamborough

### Installation of Officers

Westmount Lodge No. 671  
Tuesday November 22, 2022  
Dinner 6:00 pm, Tyle 7:30 pm  
Hillcrest

Craft Association of the  
Hamilton Masonic Districts  
Wednesday November 30, 2022  
Flamborough  
Hosted by Dufferin Lodge No. 291



Worshipful Master W. Bro. Glen Howie,  
the Line Officers, & Brethren of  
Hugh Murray Lodge cordially invite all  
Masonic Brethren in good standing to

To the **Official Visit** of  
Hamilton Masonic District "C"  
**District Deputy Grand Master  
Right Worshipful Brother  
William (Bill) Paul**  
to Hugh Murray Lodge  
On Tuesday October 18th, 2022 7:30p.m.  
With dinner before lodge at 6:00p.m. for \$25pp\*

At the **Central Masonic Temple**  
4 Queen Street South Hamilton, ON  
To RSVP for dinner please contact our Junior Warden  
W. Bro. Gary McLean F.C.E. at [gm40210@gmail.com](mailto:gm40210@gmail.com) by Oct 11, 2022



## A Lecture from R.W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra On Hardwood

Brethren, as you may know, my family and I recently moved into a new home this past summer, which is set back a bit from the road, and is surrounded by trees. The most prominent of these trees, is a series of Sugar Maples.

Sugar Maple trees figure prominently within our Canadian Culture, here in Ontario, particularly in the Winter months. Indeed, Quebec and Ontario are respectively the world's first, and third, largest sources of Maple Syrup.

In Canada we celebrate the Sugar Maple tree, and have adopted it, as part of our culture. In winter time, Maple Syrup festivals can be found across this region, even selling maple-leaf-shaped treats for kids. As we all know, this tree's leaf is also found prominently displayed at the centre of our National flag.

One thing that you may not know, however, is that the oldest Sugar Maple tree in the World currently grows in Peterborough, Ontario and is estimated at over 330 years of age. In old growth forests, this great tree, can grow to a height of 110 feet tall, and over 3 feet in diameter.

Brethren, reflecting upon this great symbol within our culture, brings several thoughts to mind.

The first that comes to mind, is the fragility of this tree. A new Sugar Maple sapling, relies heavily upon its surroundings, and environment. It requires water, and sunlight, to provide it sustenance and strength, in order to survive.

The second, is the speed at which this tree grows. A sugar maple tree only grows at a rate of up to 12 inches, in a good year, as it seeks the light, cast through the leaves of trees around it. Over-crowding by nearby trees, can quickly put an end to this young saplings life.

And finally, this great tree is **hard wood**, and **hard wood** grows **slowly**, but it grows **strong** – enabling it to weather our harsh winters where other trees **cannot** endure. Brethren, these three paradigms can be easily applied to the new Mason, as he travels through his Masonic journey.

As we all know, many men join our gentle Craft, seeking Light, and full of spark, and energy. Over time however, if that Light begins to elude him, or the environment isn't conducive, to supporting him in his personal growth, his progress quickly begins to wane, then his interest, and slowly his attendance, until he may leave our Craft altogether.

On the other hand, the opposite feelings may occur, where we may expect far too much of our new members. Let's consider for a moment the Lodge, which pays a great deal of attention to its new members, provides Masonic Education, programs, events, and regular practices. These candidates cannot help, but be constantly engaged, enthused, and excited. But then another element creeps into the relationship – that element of expectation, in response to these efforts. Perhaps the Lodge has many Past Master's eager to pass the torch to these new thriving members. These are all very good things brethren, and it can certainly be said that a certain amount of expectation is needed, however we cannot forget, that a man cannot be rushed along his Masonic journey. We all progress at our own pace, and that progression should be supported, and encouraged, though it should come to pass as the members themselves, seek for increased engagement, and responsibility.

Another element to consider, is that of providing room for this member to grow, within the Lodge. Room for his ideas to be heard, and his energy to be applied. When we worry for our future, we naturally as men begin to put policies and traditions in place, which at first, are meant to safeguard the quality and sanctity of our ceremonies. It is however, important that we not let tradition, and the way that we've always done things, stifle the growth and input, of these new members.

Brethren, it is important to remember that **hardwood grows slowly**. If we are to build **strong Lodges** that will **endure** through difficult times for generations to come, we must focus on growing hardwood within our Lodges. So quickly we can succumb to the temptation, to urge our new members to take on new roles, though in our guidance if prudence and patience prevail, that man will be far more the better for it.

Thank you,

**From the speeches archived on the Hamilton District C Website. For R.W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra**



## Around the District



### The Electric Lodge No.495 Installation of Officers

*Congratulations to W.Bro. Alex Mouriopoulos*

### 50 Year Pin



### Ancient Landmarks/Doric No. 654 V.W. Bro. Robert Gilbank

The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jeremy Goar on behalf of the Officers and all Members extend our sincere congratulations to V. W. Bro. Robert Gilbank on having completed fifty years of loyalty, zeal and attachment to the principles of Freemasonry



### Congratulations to Brother Andres Avila

## Buchanan Lodge Fraternal Visit to Western Star Lodge No. 21, Ohio



R.W. Bro. Robin Colville, W.Master of Buchanan Lodge made a fraternal visit to the brethren of Western Star Lodge 21 in Boardman Ohio, as well as Argus Lodge 545 in Canfield Ohio in September. Buchanan Lodge has been maintaining a reciprocal annual visitation with Western Star Lodge for 83 years now.

Robin was presented with a Master Masons Diploma as a keepsake which recorded the dates of his E.A., F.C. and M.M. degrees. He was also presented with other Western Star swag not shown in the pics (T-Shirt, Hoodie, Golf Polo and Baseball Cap) which he says he will be proud to wear locally.



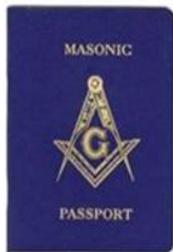
The gift diploma was from Western Star Lodge No. 21 with whom Buchanan Lodge has been visiting on a bi-annual reciprocal basis for 83 years, (Buchanan goes there this year, they come to here next year, etc ..) Buchanan has also gained the friendship of their neighbouring lodge Argus Lodge 545 in Canfield OH, the neighbouring town.

Argus Lodge has an outdoor pavilion for events, and also an amphitheatre where they can put on outdoor degrees at night lit by kerosene torch lanterns .... it is very impressive to witness. The altar and officer chairs are made from large stones.



As an addendum ... I must say I was treated like a rock star during my visit .... exceptional hospitality !!

Submitted by R.W. Bro. Robin Colville.



# Masonic Passport

## Hamilton District C

### Lodge Halls

<https://www.hamiltondistrictcmasons.org/>

*Take the time to visit a local Lodge!*



**Hillcrest Temple**  
257 Mohawk Road  
West – Hamilton

**Link to Lodges that meet at this hall:**  
[The Electric Lodge No.495](#)

[The Buchanan Lodge No.550](#)

[Westmount Lodge No.671](#)



**Ancaster Masonic Temple**  
419 Wilson Street E  
Ancaster

**Link to Lodges that meet at this hall:**  
[Seymour Lodge No.272](#)

[Meridian Lodge No.687](#)



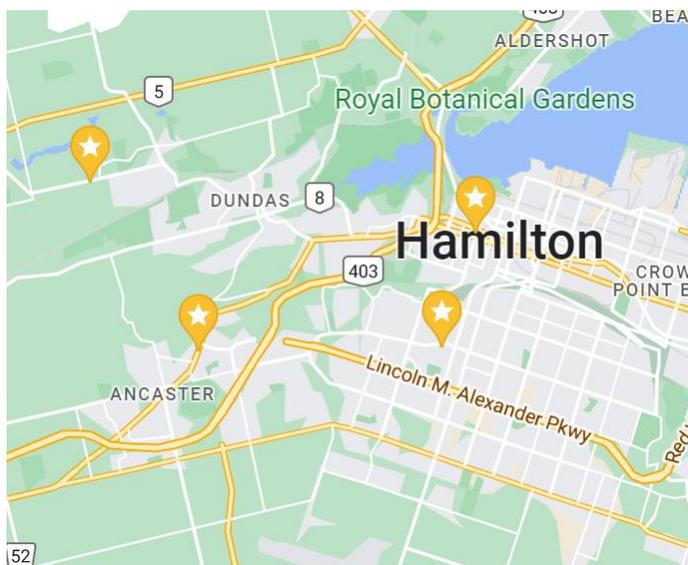
**West Flamborough Temple**  
200 Highway #8,  
West Flamborough

**Link to Lodges that meet at this hall:**  
[Dufferin Lodge No.291](#)

[Valley Lodge No. 100](#)

[Ionic Lodge No.549](#)

Hamilton Masonic District 'C' Lodge Meeting Nights				
Date	Lodge	No.	Location	Meeting
1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday	Ionic	549	Flamborough	7:30pm
1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	Buchanan	550	Hillcrest	7:30pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	Valley	100	TBD	7:30pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	Seymour	272	Ancaster	7:30pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	Temple	324	MCH	7:30pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday	Meridian	687	Ancaster	7:30pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	Hugh Murray	602	MCH	7:30pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	The Electric	495	Hillcrest	7:30pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	Dufferin	291	Flamborough	7:30pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	Wardrope	555	MCH	7:30pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Landmarks/Doric	654	MCH	7:30pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Westmount	671	Hillcrest	7:30pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	Corinthian	513	MCH	7:30pm



**Masonic Centre Hamilton**  
4 Queen Street South,  
Hamilton

**Link to Lodges that meet at this hall:**  
[Temple Lodge No.324](#)

[Harodim Lodge No.513](#)

[Hugh Murray Lodge No.602](#)

[Landmarks/Doric Lodge No.654](#)

# Masonic Education

## GEORGE WASHINGTON'S MASONIC BROTHERS, the SAILOR KING, and QUEEN VICTORIA

*(Adapted from WBro. Lorne G. Evans's several books, A Daily Advancement: An Encyclopedia of Freemasonry, Chap. 30, "The Sailor King"; and You Wouldn't Like Our Relatives: The Kings and Queens of England and the Incredible Royal Family, Chaps. 9, "Early Freemasonry in England", and 29, "Kings and Princes: Promoters of the Art")*



Figure 1 Source

[Martin Archer Shee - Royal Collection object 404385](#)

King William IV, who ruled England from 1830-37, was one of George III's seven sons, and one of Queen Victoria's uncles. As the strange, good natured 'Sailor King' was third in line of succession, he had been unlikely to become king, so, as per royal tradition, he joined the navy, at age 13. He was very much one of the tars, and even got arrested in a brawl in Gibraltar. During the American Revolutionary War, he served with distinction, commanding a 600-ton frigate (40 guns). In America, he became best of friends with then Captain Horatio Nelson, a member of Amphibious Lodge in Plymouth, England. When the American 'rebels' hatched a plot to kidnap Prince William, Worshipful Brother George Washington's instructions cautioned against insult or injury to the Prince. The plot failed when the British put an armed guard on William, and thereafter forbade him to walk around New York City unescorted. Prince William joined the Craft shortly thereafter.

Applying himself to his naval career, Prince William became Lord High Admiral of the Royal Navy. One of his escapades was straight out of Gilbert and Sullivan. In 1828, he set out to sea for ten days, with a squadron of ships, without telling anyone. Upon the Admiral Prince's return to port, the Prime Minister, the Duke of Wellington, politely fired him. (The Duke had been a member of Trim Lodge, in Ireland, for nearly 40 years.) While on dry land, the Sailor Prince was an inveterate womanizer. He enjoyed a long affair (1791-1811) with an

Irish actress, Dorothea Jordan, who produced ten illegitimate children. In his efforts to produce a legitimate heir, William made numerous overtures of matrimony to wealthy heiresses and European princesses, but to no avail.

Fifteen years before the birth of the Sailor King, there arose a sense, in England, that the Grand Lodge, founded in 1717, had de-Christianized Freemasonry, and that the two Saints John were being devalued. Their feast days were no longer celebrated as the auspicious occasions for the installation of Worshipful Masters. Accordingly, in 1751, certain disenchanting Freemasons, led by the pretentious and antagonistic Irish Mason, Laurence Dermott, (1720-1791), established a new, more observant Grand Lodge, 'according to the Old Institutions,' and called themselves the 'Antients.' They were influential in North America, in Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, and Canada. Eventually, though, two of the Sailor King's Brothers re-united Freemasonry. Prince Edward, Duke of Kent, became Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England (Antients) in 1813. He was Queen Victoria's father. Prince Frederick, Duke of Sussex, became Grand Master of the Premier Grand Lodge of England (Moderns), also in 1813. Together, they hammered out a compromise constitution. Prince Frederick remained Grand Master of the newly United Grand Lodge of England for 30 years. His brother, King William IV, the Sailor King, served as Grand Patron of the United Grand Lodge of England from 1831 until his death in 1837.

With the death of his niece, Caroline, (1817), and his brothers, Edward (1820) and Frederick, (1827), the Sailor Prince became heir to the British throne, but had no heir, himself. He was finally crowned King William IV in 1830, at age 65, the oldest British monarch to ascend to the throne, until Prince Charles. (age 73). When the Sailor King died in 1837, of cirrhosis of the liver, he had no legitimate heir. Fortunately, his younger brother, Edward, had had a daughter named Victoria, who ruled as Queen for 64 years, into the twentieth century. (1837-1901). Only Queen Elizabeth II has surpassed that feat, ruling for 70 years. (1952-2022).

Submitted by:  
**W. Bro. Lorne G Evans**  
Hamilton District C  
Historian

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## In Memoriam, Editor's Note



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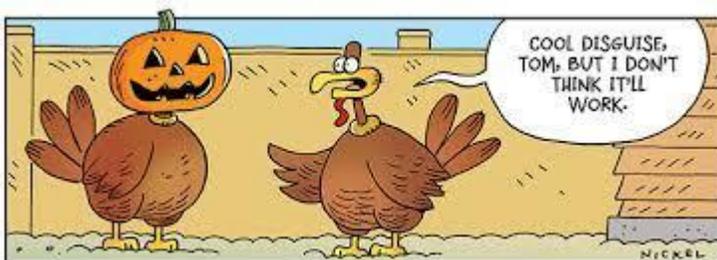
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 Raised: June 13, 2006

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

### From the Editor

Brethren,

A comment from the Associate Editor, "An editor is a critical reader whose job is to polish and refine a story or an article." We would love to curate your articles.

Thanks to W. Bro Lorne Evans for his submission this month on the "Sailor King". He always has such interesting topics to read about. I included a picture of his book and his email if you want to purchase a copy.

Also thanks to the timely submission from R.W. Bro. Robin Colville. It highlights the benefits of visiting emphasized by our D.D.G.M. in this month's message.

The Passport page highlights our District Lodges this month, with links to our website for their writeups. local area lodge buildings. If you can, plan to come out and to support our District Lodges at the Installations and Official Visits.

Happy Thanksgiving and Halloween.

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