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Approach the issue with an open mind. Read the Grand Master's open letter on the subject. It contains some interesting information. Such as that the GL fees in our jurisdiction are the lowest in Canada and will still be the lowest if the recommendation is adopted. Grand Lodge works for our benefit and it is important that it be adequately funded. Understand why the increase has been recommended. Keep a perspective; we are looking at an increase of \$.20 per week. Remember that those who made the recommendation and those who will vote on it are Masons like you and me and have the best interests of the Craft at heart.

Ian A. Craig

FROM THE GRAND MASTER

FROM OUR DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER



As July 17-21 we will hold our 156th Grand Lodge Communication. In May information packages have gone out to the lodges. I encourage all who are able to attend.

On the Tuesday afternoon there are several seminars taking place Degree Planning, Installing Teams, Religion in Masonry, Engaging the New Mason and information on computer resources.

Voting is a central part of what happens at our annual Communication. The Board of General Purposes will vote on several recommendations. The Past Masters will vote on Grand Lodge Officers including Deputy Grand Master. And on Wednesday afternoon in our district meetings we will select a DDGM for the ensuing year.

The committee on Constitution and Jurisprudence has made some recommendations that will be discussed and voted on by the Board of General Purposes. One of them is a recommendation to increase the Grand Lodge fees. This has been creating considerable discussion, which is a good thing.



On Saturday afternoon, April 30, I had the privilege and pleasure of opening the exhibit, Freemasonry: A History Hidden in Plain Sight at the Bruce County Museum in Southampton. The project began as an idea for the sesquicentennial celebrations of St. Lawrence Lodge No. 131, which was developed by the committee chaired by W. Bro. Douglas Pedwell into a detailed plan involving the cooperative efforts of the members the Lodge, the curatorial staff of the Museum, and with the support of the Trillium Foundation, the Canadian Museum of Civilization, the Canadian War Museum, and the Royal Canadian Legion. The twelve Lodges of Bruce District and the Grand Lodge Committee on Library, Museum, and Archives cooperated to contribute artefacts of historical value to illustrate the significant role Freemasonry has played in Canadian society.

V.W. Bro. Daniel Glenney, the Grand Archivist acted as consultant. The concept was brilliant and the presentation spectacular. Elsewhere in this newsletter, the Deputy Grand Master makes mention of Community Outreach in the Strategic Plan – “which will create opportunities to demonstrate Masonic values within our communities and convey a positive and accurate perception of Freemasonry.”

The **DISTRICT CHRONICLE** is published monthly and is available for download on the district website at <http://www.hamiltondistrictmasons.org>. Please forward submissions to this newsletter through the contact details on our website.

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

This exhibition is an excellent example of just that. While the support, encouragement, assistance and resources of Grand Lodge were shared, this was a local initiative. I urge everyone within driving distance of Southampton to visit the exhibit while it is open to the public – April 30 to July 3. The exhibit has been made portable and is available to be shared with other museums across the Grand Jurisdiction. Is there a museum in your District that could take advantage of this showcase for Freemasonry in Ontario? The Brethren in Bruce have made us all proud! For further detailed information contact, W. Bro. Robert Shular, Secretary, St. Lawrence Lodge No. 131 - robshular@eastlink.ca or the Bruce County Museum and Cultural Centre, 33 Victoria Street North, Southampton - www.brucemuseum.ca.

During the month of May many Lodges around the Grand Jurisdiction hold the annual Ceremony of Installation of the Worshipful Master and Investiture of the Officers. The District Deputy Grand Master is frequently invited to make the final proclamation. Before proclaiming the Officers “legally and duly installed and invested,” I ask that you be diligent in assuring yourself that the provisions of Sections 251, 254, and especially Section 221 are complied with to the letter. There are limited conditions under which the Grand Master will grant dispensation for a member to hold two offices in the same lodge or in more than one lodge. If there is any doubt, you are advised to ask the Installing Master to produce the Dispensation if such was granted. We must not allow the Constitution to be contravened either through ignorance or for convenience or expediency.

All Lodge Secretaries have received the information package from the Grand Secretary with the agenda for the Annual Communication in July, the announcement of candidates for elective office, and the proposed amendments to the Constitution. The Worshipful Master, Wardens, and Past Masters of all those lodges duly returned (Section 57) may register as voting delegates. You are “Grand Lodge” and you are the decision makers. This year there are many important matters to be decided, both administrative and financial. Exercise your democratic rights and privileges by attending and participating.

It is with much regret that unexpected health related issues have made it necessary for me to revise and reduce the published schedule of fraternal visits around the Grand Jurisdiction. Lady Brenda and I are most grateful for the many expressions of good wishes received from the Brethren. Be assured that we are ‘back on track’ even if the locomotive is slowed down. I hope that you will understand if I am unable to attend a special event in your District. Your disappointment is only exceeded by my own when I cannot be present, especially for presentations of long service awards and installations.

“A Freemason knows that in improving himself, he is an example for his brethren and his community. By improving himself first, he improves the world.” – Mark Stavish - Freemasonry: Rituals, Symbols of Our Secret Society (2007).

Raymond S. J. Daniels

FROM THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada Strategic Plan:
This month we focus on the fifth strategic initiative from our Grand Lodge strategic plan, that is, Community Outreach.

Strategic Initiative: Community Outreach: We will facilitate Community Outreach, which will create opportunities to demonstrate Masonic values within our communities and convey a positive and accurate perception of Freemasonry.

Strategic Goal 15: Heighten awareness of Masonic activities within Ontario communities.

Strategic Goal 16: Ensure that our image within the community is accurate and in line with our strategic - objectives.

Strategic Goal 17: Govern the development and communication of programs intended to provide value to our communities.

Rationale:

In order to attract and retain men of high calibre, Freemasonry must remain relevant in today’s society through the personal involvement and commitment of the Brethren within the communities in which they reside.

To learn more about our Grand Lodge 2010-2016 Strategic Plan, please contact the chairman of Long Range Planning, R.W. Bro. Wes Libbey (w.libbey@unb.ca) for information.

Ontario Mason Magazine:

The Lodge Secretaries in your District should have already received a letter from V.W. Bro. Bruce Miller, asking for their assistance in helping us compile a new mailing list for the Ontario Mason Magazine. Once Bruce collects and merges the responses from all the Lodges, this file will become the mailing source. In that regard, all members on the lists provided by the Lodge secretary will receive the Magazine, while those not on the list will, unfortunately, not receive a copy. Rest assured that **all** contact information provided to Bruce will be used **only** for the purposes of mailing the magazine. It is hoped that all Lodges will respond to Bruce’s request so that we can construct the file in June in preparation for the Fall 2011 mailing.

Annual Communication: Seminars & Workshops:

As the recent mailing indicated, there are a number of excellent seminars lined up for Tuesday afternoon July 19 at Grand Lodge. They include: Degree Planning, Religion in Masonry, Instruction in the Ceremony of Installation and Protocol and Etiquette as well as Engaging the New Mason. Please help us spread the word so that any of the Brethren who are at the Royal York on Tuesday may take advantage of these presentations.

Change?

Claude MacDonald once said: “You can’t expect to make a place for yourself in the sun, if you keep taking refuge under the family tree!”

D. Garry Dowling

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION OF GRAND LODGE 2011 AGENDA

Monday, July 18, 2011

The Board of General Purposes will meet in the Ballroom, on the Convention floor of the *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel, at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. R.W. Bro. Garry Dowling, Deputy Grand Master and President of the Board, will preside.

Tuesday, July 19, 2011

The Board of General Purposes will continue to meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Ballroom, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel.

Discussion/Participation Seminars

1:30 - 2:20 p.m.

Alberta Room - Degree Planning

B.C. Room - Installing Teams P & E

Quebec Room - Religion in Freemasonry

2:30 - 3:20 p.m.

Alberta Room - Degree Planning

B.C. Room - Installing Teams P & E

Quebec Room - Religion in Freemasonry

3:30 - 4:20 p.m.

Alberta Room - Engaging The New Mason

B.C. Room - Engaging The New Mason

Quebec Room - Engaging The New Mason

In addition there will be continuing general information on computer resources from 1:30 - 4:20 p.m. in the Algonquin Room.

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - **Meet the Nominees for Grand Lodge**

Wednesday, July 20, 2011

Grand Lodge will assemble in the Canadian Room, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel, at 8:45 a.m.; M.W. Bro. Raymond S. J. Daniels presiding. Brethren are requested to bring their own aprons and be seated before 8:30 a.m. Distinguished visitors, representing other Grand Jurisdictions, will be received and welcomed.

An Address of Welcome will be tendered and Grand Lodge will then proceed with business until 11:30 a.m. The brethren are asked to reassemble in the same place at 1:30 p.m.

Grand Master's Banquet

6:30 p.m.

Canadian Room,

Fairmont Royal York Hotel

M.W. Bro. Richard E. Fletcher

Past Grand Master

Grand Lodge of Vermont

Guest Speaker

Doors open at 6 p.m. Special Entertainment
Tickets \$58.00 and available from the D.D.G.M.s
Cash Sales only. Sales cease July 14, 2011.

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Grand Lodge will reassemble at 8:45 a.m. in the Canadian Room, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel.

The installation and investiture of Grand Lodge officers and the newly-elected D.D.G.M.s will take place in the Canadian Room.

Registration

In the Concert Hall, *Fairmont* Royal York Hotel, on Tuesday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Ballots will be distributed on registration in the Concert Hall, Convention Floor.

Balloting

All balloting, except district elections for the office of D.D.G.M., shall be done at the time of registration in the Concert Hall.

Hamilton District "C" Meeting

5:00 - 5:50 p.m., Saskatchewan Room - M.M.

HAMILTON MASONIC DISTRICT C SPRING MEETING

Saturday, May 28, 2011, 10:00 a.m.

Hillcrest Masonic Centre

There were 12 Lodges represented and a total of 38 people present; the meeting was chaired by R.W. Bro. Ian Craig.

There were several committee reports and discussions. The following are brief highlights from the information offered.

On Tuesday, September 27, 2011, Westmount Lodge will be hosting a **Lodge of Instruction**, with members of Grand Lodge presenting. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m., Lodge of Instruction begins at 7:00 p.m.

On Saturday, December 3, 2011, the **MasoniCh.I.P. programme** will register children at the Scottish Rite, at the Annual Breakfast with Santa. If you wish to qualify as a volunteer, you need to have a criminal check carried out by the police. It takes several weeks to process, and so apply well in advance of the event in order to qualify in time.

There is a new menu item which has recently been posted on our District website entitled: **Upgrade Your GPS**. This project was developed by your District Communications committee and provides anyone with a Garmin, TomTom or other brand GPS device to upgrade their GPS to support the discovery of any lodge within our Grand Lodge Jurisdiction. This was a project which was completed with the support of Grand Lodge and we're very happy to have it launched and being distributed to brethren across Ontario through our website. Please visit the website for more information and instructions on how to use the upgrade.

WARDROPE LODGE NO. 555

At the time that Wardrope Lodge was formed in 1919, there was a great demand for the brotherhood of Freemasonry. Receiving applications and initiating candidates were taxing lodges to the limit! This was due to the spirit of comradeship among the men who had served in the armed forces in World War I. It prompted them to seek a continuance of that comradeship in the Masonic Fraternity. Money was plentiful which made meeting the initiation fees with only slight difficulty. Usually, it would have caused a man to stop and consider before submitting his application. The existing Lodges could not cope with this influx of candidates and obviously new Lodges had to be formed. The question was how many? However, the Grand Master was the final arbiter as to the dispensation to form a Lodge.

Five new Lodges were formed in the City of Hamilton in 1919. Those Lodges were Ionic Lodge No.549, Buchanan Lodge No.550, Tuscan Lodge No.551, Wardrope Lodge No.555, and Hamilton Lodge No.562.

In later years however, Masonic numbers decreased because of the great depression. There was much anxiety, but these Lodges could weather the storm of the depression. It was expressed then that the "economic membership of a Lodge" is when revenue from dues plus initiation fees along with investment income meets all of the expenses of the Lodge.

The Charter Members of Wardrope Lodge possessed vision, and were dedicated workers. They laid a solid foundation, and left a structure in which an active membership may continue to work and to transmit the genuine tenets of our time honoured institution from generation to generation. The said Lodge was to meet at Hamilton, in the Province of Ontario, on the fourth Monday of the every month and remains so to this day.



R.W. Bro.
John Forth
D.D.G.M. 1924.

The Lodge was duly consecrated and R.W. Bro. John Forth was appointed as Worshipful Master. He went on to serve in this capacity for the term of 1919 -20 - 21. From the original Lodge records, the first meeting of Wardrope Lodge was held on August 25, 1919. It was at this meeting that the Lodge was instituted. At this meeting, there were 15 officers, 14 members, and 36 visitors present, for a total of 65 Masons. In exactly one year to the date of institution, W. Bro. John Forth had conferred the following degrees; 67 E.A.s, 53 F.C.s, and 48 M.M.s. That was some first

year indeed! This was accomplished in 12 regular meetings and 16 emergent meetings. By December 5, 1921, there had been the following degrees worked in Wardrope Lodge; 158 E.A.s, 146 F.C.s and 133 M.M.s for an astonishing total of 437 degrees.

Today, Wardrope's membership numbers are respectable and we continue to pride ourselves on the quality ritual work that we do and the many ways in which we aim to cultivate the mind of the new Mason and senior Masons alike.

Special Happenings in Wardrope's History

In 1921, The Grand Master granted a dispensation for the Lodge to initiate Mr. Robert McFarlane, who had lost an arm while in the war serving with the Canadian Infantry overseas. This was in keeping with the policy of Grand Masters overlooking physical imperfections caused by war service.

On May 23, 1921 it is noted that George Gaylard Sr. was initiated. This is mentioned because later both he and his five sons were all members in Wardrope Lodge.

At the regular meeting on March 28, 1932, Bro. W. J. Speare of Wardrope Lodge was present to witness the initiation of his four sons, George, Gordon, Alfred, and Walter at their initiation into the mysteries and privileges of the order. W. Bro. George C. Gage was the Worshipful Master in the East that evening and it was quite a unique initiation that may not have happened before that day or since.

On April 28, 2008 a 5th generation Mason and 4th generation family member of Wardrope Lodge was initiated. His name is Robert James Ellison and he was preceded by 3 other family members that include his father Richard Neil Ellison.

In 2010, Wardrope Lodge was awarded 'Cornerstone Lodge' designation for its success in advancing the lodge in all its facets. It was one of only three out of 14 lodges in Hamilton District C to be awarded this very important designation.

The year of 2010 was also special for Wardrope in that one of its members, Ian Craig was elected as District Deputy Grand Master of Hamilton District C. We are honoured that he not only represented the Grand Master but also that he is a fine member of Wardrope Lodge.

Submitted by V. W. Bro. John Thombs,
Lodge Historian

Next month - Hugh Murray Lodge No. 602

*A pessimist sees an opportunity as a difficulty;
an optimist sees a difficulty as an opportunity.*
-Winston Churchill

THE WELL-DRESSED MASON

By **M. W. Bro. Raymond S. J. Daniels**, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The Final Charge delivered to the Fellow Craft makes it clear: “*The internal and not external qualifications of a man are what Masonry regards.*” In other words, clothes do not make the man. Yet, the Lodge is one of the last bastions where formal dress is the normal standard. Where did this dress code originate, and what is the rationale for maintaining it? Historians of costume agree that George Bryan (Beau) Brummell, 1778-1840, set the standard convention for men’s clothing fashion which, with minor modifications and simplifications, still pertains to this day – long trousers and tailed coat, replacing knee breeches and hose, dark colours for coat and vest. The well-known paintings of Masonic meetings depict the members in the formal dress of the day. (The painting by an anonymous artist of a Viennese Lodge depicting the composer Mozart, and the work by Stewart Watson “*The Inauguration of Robert Burns as Poet Laureate*” are examples from the 18th century.) **From the beginning of Speculative Freemasonry, we have observed formality of dress.**

The chapters on Protocol and Etiquette in both *Meeting the Challenge* (2007) and *The Masonic Manual* (2007) define the standard and specify the usage in our Grand Jurisdiction. The custom followed in Lodges varies – white tie and tails, tuxedo, business suit, even highland dress in some with Scottish roots. I have attended lodges where even the Candidate on the night of his Initiation is instructed to wear a tuxedo because that is the standard dress for all members of the lodge!

In most Ontario Lodges, a dark business suit, a white dress shirt, and a conservative tie is normally worn by members.

Costume throughout western civilization has been worn as a means of identification. The candidate for office in Rome wore a white toga. Ecclesiastical vestments are worn in church and judicial robes are worn in court. Black leather can indicate membership in a motorcycle club. Logos on jackets or shirts may signify the team loyalty of hockey fans. The flat cap in Britain was a proud badge of the working class.

During the early part of this decade, we witnessed a relaxation in the dress code followed in the business world. However, while a casual approach to attire – and even “dress-down Fridays” – were the norm, over the past couple of years, there has been a resurgence in the practice of wearing suits to the office.

In society, people do judge us by the way we dress. In all situations, business and social, our outward appearance sends a message.

The tuxedo itself, now regarded as “semi-formal” for gentlemen, was first introduced as a casual alternative to full dress “tails” in the late 1800s when the tail-less dinner jacket made its debut at the Tuxedo Club, renowned for social and

sports functions in the exclusive colony developed by Pierre Lorillard at Tuxedo Park, New York.

Many of our traditions in Canadian Freemasonry were inherited from England, together with the ancient rites and ceremonies we follow. Our history informs us that Military lodges were a major formative influence in the early days. In matters of dress, the standards observed in the gentleman’s club and the officer’s mess have had significant influence. **Just as the lodge is tyled from the outside world, the “working clothes” of a Freemason set us apart as different. In the proper sense of the word, we are an élite – by definition, a group apart!**

It may be considered “old fashioned” by some, but dressing up gives a sense of occasion. It is an outward gesture of the respect we hold for the Craft in general and more especially for our fellows in the lodge. **Uniformity in dress is a symbol of teamwork – unified purpose and concerted action – an indication that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.** In sports, the military, the police, and the performing arts (orchestras and choirs), the individual wears a uniform to signify that he is part of a larger unit with a common purpose. Will a relaxation in formal dress attract new members to our lodges, or encourage present members to attend more regularly? I doubt it very much. The lowering of standards in Freemasonry, whether moral or social, will ultimately destroy us by eliminating the reason for our existence. Actions always speak louder than words.

No, a meeting of the lodge opened in the Name of the Great Architect is not merely an unbuttoned get-together. No, dressing formally does not make us, like the Pharisee of old, better than other men, but it is an indication that we press toward the mark of our high calling.

GLOVES

Q: What are the guidelines in our Grand Jurisdiction concerning the wearing of white gloves in Lodge?

A: In our Grand Jurisdiction, current Grand Lodge Officers must put on white gloves when wearing regalia. (White gloves are considered as part of their regalia.)

There is no requirement for the Officers of our Lodges to wear gloves; neither is there any prohibition against them from doing so. The key point is uniformity. All Officers either wear gloves, or no Officer does so. It is up to the Worshipful Master of each Lodge, and his Officers, to decide what they would like to do. Members and visitors, (who are not current Grand Lodge Officers), do not wear gloves in this Jurisdiction.

Q: If you are wearing gloves, what is our proper protocol when shaking hands with someone?

A: Masonry follows the basic etiquette of polite society when it comes to shaking hands. Our protocol is to remove the glove from your right hand when shaking another person’s hand.

Condensed from P & E Essentials - Issue 11, April 2011.

HAMILTON MASONIC DISTRICT C BLOOD DONORS COMMITTEE END OF YEAR REPORT



The District's Blood Donors Committee would like to thank all the lodges and individual Masons who sponsored clinics this year. While at the same time, the committee would like to thank all the Masons who personally donated their own gift of life to this noble cause.

The Hamilton Masonic District C Blood Donors Committee is proud to report three areas in which there was a very significant improvement this year in the District:

Number of Lodges which Sponsored Blood Clinics: This year, eleven out of fourteen Lodges in the District sponsored clinics. Last year, only seven Lodges were able to support clinics, giving us an improvement of five extra Lodges participating in 2011;

Number of Units of Blood Collected: Last year nearly four hundred units of blood were collected in Hamilton Masonic District C, this year we collected eight hundred and forty five units of blood;

Number of Clinics Participating: For the last several years Hamilton Masonic District C has only been able to count with the operation of the Paramount Drive Alliance Church at 1035 Paramount Drive, which was open once every other month. This year we have been able to obtain two other clinics; one at McMaster Student Centre at McMaster University, a very active and productive clinic, and the second one at Redeemer College in Ancaster, both of these clinics operate only once every other month.

Our Blood donors Committee hopes for the same cooperation from the Lodges in the District next year.

The next clinics are: July 15, Sept. 9, and Nov. 11.
Clinics are from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Contact me for further information.

Eduardo Cordero
Hamilton Masonic District C
Blood Donors Committee



MASONIC MILESTONES



On May 3, 2011 Ancient Landmarks/Doric No. 654 presented a 50 year P. M.'s pin to R.W. Bro. Len Hewitt. Shown are W. Bro. Phil Shames (W. M.), R. W. Bro. Len Hewitt, and R. W. Bro. Norm McCarthy.

Veteran Jubilee Medal



R.W. Bro. James Hamilton is presented with a 60 year pin and Veteran Jubilee Medal at Electric Lodge on April 20, 2011.

Instituted March 27, 1931



The desire to form a lodge came as a direct result of visits between Acacia Lodge No. 61 and the Lodge of the Ancient Landmarks No. 441, Buffalo, N.Y. and was expanded in 2005 with the amalgamation with Doric Lodge No. 382. On April 26, 2011 the members of No. 654 enjoyed this anniversary cake.

V. W. Bro. Degree Team



On March 28, 2011 a Degree a team of V. Worshipful Brothers initiated Mr. Marc Minardi into Wardrope Lodge No.555.

Team members were:

V. W. Bro. George Post, V.W. Bro. Reg Joyce,
V. W. Bro. John Dove, V. W. Bro. Rory Jones,
V. W. Bro. Dan Devison, V. W. Bro. Rankin Boyd,
V. W. Bro. Cliff Foreman, V. W. Bro. Mike Sheridan,
V. W. Bro. John McCulloch, V. W. Bro. John Aikman,
V. W. Bro. John Lyness, V. W. Bro. William Lister,
V. W. Bro. Brad Carr, V. W. Bro. David Staples,
V. W. Bro. William Bown, and V. W. Bro. Doug Downey

If you would not be forgotten, as soon as you are dead and rotten, either write things worth reading, or do things worth the writing. -Benjamin Franklin

*Photos are always appreciated, too!
- Chronicle Editorial Staff*

Buchanan Lodge No. 550 G.R.C.



On the 5th May 2011 W. Bro. Garry Magwood was installed Worshipful Master of Buchanan Lodge No. 550.

At the same time W. Bro. Rowe Magwood, father of the new Master, was celebrating 50 Years as a Past Master of Buchanan Lodge and presented his son with the Gavel he used 50 years ago.



L. to R. - R.W. Bro. Ian Craig, W. Bro. Rowe Magwood, W. Bro. Garry Magwood (W. M.), and V.W. Bro. Bill Rutledge.

50 Year Service Pin



Presented to V.W. Bro. Mike Sheridan at Ancient Landmarks/Doric No. 654 on April 26, 2011.

L. to R. - R.W. Bro. Bob Wands, W. Bro. Phil Shames (W.M.), V.W. Bro. Mike Sheridan, R.W. Bro. Norm McCarthy

INTERESTING WEBSITES

http://nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/lists/all/index.html

Between 1901 and 2010, the Nobel Prizes and the Prize in Economic Sciences were awarded 543 times to 840 people and organizations. On the site, you can view the full list of Nobel Prizes and Nobel Laureates. A listing of Masons who have won will follow in a future edition.

<http://www.wardropelodge.com>

Learn more about this very active Hamilton District C lodge.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CmeM4L16RI&feature=share>

Brother Masons - Sung by Dan W. Quinn - Listen to pioneer Recording Artist Dan W. Quinn (1859-1938) singing about the Masonic Order with "Brother Masons" from "Woodland", on a Victor 10" Grand Prize record from 1905.

IN MEMORIAM

W. Bro. Arthur Stewart, Passed to the G L A April 24, 2011, at age 88, the Sergeant Major called his last parade. Arthur served during WWII in Italy and northwest Europe with the Irish Regiment of Canada. From 1949 to 1965, he served with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders of Canada (Princess Louise,s). Past Master of Ionic Lodge No. 549, member of The Hamilton Chapter No.175 R.A.M. and the Shrine. It is Arthur's wish that memorial donations be made to the Huntington Society of Canada.

William J. C. White, Passed to the G.L.A. May 17, 2011 in his 96th year. Initiated February 25, 1958, Passed March 25, 1958, and Raised May 27, 1958.

Arthur Hurst, Passed to the G.L.A. on May 18, 2011 at the age of 85. Arthur joined his Mother Lodge in 1954 in the Phane of Fife, in Scotland. He came to Canada and on Nov. 5, 1959, he affiliated with Buchanan Lodge No. 550. He served as Lodge Secretary for almost twenty years. Cremation has taken place. Donations in Arthur's memory may be made to the Juravinski Cancer Centre.

UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2011

DUFFERIN LODGE LADIES' NIGHT,

Masonic Centre Hamilton, 4 Queen Street South, Hamilton.

Hamilton City Ballet Presentation of **Sleeping Beauty**, including a full course dinner in advance.

Reception at 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m. Ballet 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are available for \$50 per person by calling Bro. Bruce Hauser at (289) 339-5307 or by email at bruce@brucehauser.ca. All are welcome.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2011

WM. HOYLE MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE, departing from the Masonic Centre @ 9:30 a.m. Sponsored by The Electric Lodge No. 495. RSVP

or contact Bro. John Hammersley 705-722-7299 or mrhammersley@hotmail.com.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2011

VALLEY LODGE No. 100, 6th Annual Golf Tournament at Copetown Woods Golf Club. Begins at 10:00 am. \$125

includes cart and dinner. \$55 dinner only. Contact : Bill Paul (905) 719-6464 or bill_paul@dart.biz . All payments must be received by no later than 05/28/11.

JULY 18 - 21, 2011

THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION OF GRAND

LODGE, ROYAL YORK HOTEL, TORONTO. Board of General Purposes Meetings July 18 and 19. Seminars, Tuesday afternoon July 19. Grand Lodge July 20 and 21. District Meetings Wednesday afternoon 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. Grand Master's Banquet, Wednesday evening 7 p.m. For more details see [page 3](#) of this edition.



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2011

15th Annual MASONIC BEEF AND CORN ROAST, at Ancaster Fair Grounds. Opens at 4:30 pm, Corn 5:00 pm, Dinner 6:00 pm. Tickets \$15 from the Lodge Secretary and Committee members. No tickets sold at door.

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