



Sudbury-Manitoulin District District News Around & About

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May 2006



From the District Deputy

Brethren: As the spring weather brings change and new life the next few months will bring change to our District. The months of May and June will see the Installation of new Worshipful Masters in the remaining seven lodges in our District. All Past Masters and Brethren should make every effort to attend these Installations and support the new Lodge Officers.

On April 25th 2006 Masons from the Sudbury-Manitoulin District under special dispensation from our Grand Master attended Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day. Bro. Jacques Abourbih conducted the service and Masons and their family members were invited to participate.



L-R Bro. J. Abourbih, W. Bro. J. Gamble, Bro. P. Finkle, R.W. Bro. A. Burns, W. Bro. M. Hodgins, W. Bro. T. Newburn

The event was a very somber reminder of the number of men, women and children who died during a very dark period in the history of mankind. Bro. Abourbih has said *“Not to hate is the single most important legacy we can give our children.”* This of course is a principle lesson taught to all Freemasons.

Sincerely and Fraternally

A.T. Burns

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Passed to the Grand Lodge Above



Sudbury-Manitoulin District

Bro. William Scott
National Lodge No. 588

W. Bro. Ronald K. Tennant
Bethel Lodge No. 699

Algoma East District

W. Bro. F. D. Gefenschatzki
Mother Lodge Killwinning Lodge No. 565
Affiliated to Elliot Lake Lodge No. 698

**WE CHERISH THEIR MEMORY
IN OUR HEARTS**

Sick and Visiting

W. Bro. Allan Farquharson – National Lodge No. 588 being treated for skin cancer on his face.

W. Bro. Alan Lloyd – National Lodge No. 588 being treated for pneumonia.

W. Bro. Norm Hore – Algonquin Lodge No. 536 & Doric Lodge No. 455 recovering from heart surgery.

**We wish them well and pray for a
speedy recovery.**

Passing of a Dear Friend, a Good Mason and a Kind Gentle Man April 16th 2006

W. Bro. Ronald (Ron) Tennant



Worshipful Master

Bethel Lodge No. 699 June 2004

Brother Ron, we will miss you dearly but we will continue...Until we meet again dear friend we bid you a fond adieu. May God Bless.

Masonic Choir Sings

The District Masonic Choir performed during the District Divine Service in Espanola on April 23rd 2006. The church was filled with its parishioners, Masons and their

families. Everyone enjoyed the Choir's singing and there were many compliments made after the service. The Choir Director Marjorie Steinke has put together a marvellous blending of voices. Congratulations to everyone in the choir. Your hard work and dedication to practice has paid off with the high quality of your professional sound. The Choir will be performing at the Art Cressey dinner on May 7th and at Doric Lodge on May 30th.



**Members of the Sudbury-Manitoulin District Choir and
their proud Director – Mrs. Marjorie Steinke**

Nipissing East District and Algoma East District Official Visits



R.W. Bro. Burns D.D.G.M. Sudbury-Manitoulin; W. Bro. John D. LeRoy W.M. Sturgeon Falls Lodge No. 447; R.W. Bro. Henry McMullen D.D.G.M. Nipissing East on his Official Visit.

R.W. Bro. B. Duncan, District Secretary; R.W. Bro. Bruce Staines D.D.G.M. Algoma East on his Official Visit; R.W. Bro. Allan Burns D.D.G.M. Sudbury-Manitoulin; W. Bro. John Gamble

Shrine Degree Team Visits Sudbury Lodge

On April 24th 2006 members of the Sudbury Shrine Club including members of the Haweater Unit visited Sudbury Lodge No. 658 and conferred a Third degree with R.W. Bro. Robert Gordon sitting in the Chair of King Solomon after a



Sudbury Shrine Club Members with Bro. John McCowan

30 year break. Bro. John McCowan was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in perfect Masonic order by the Shrine Degree Team. R.W. Bro. Gordon noted the evening was an excellent example how Shriners care for and remain active in the Craft Lodge.

News from the West Manitoulin-Sudbury District

Doric Lodge No. 455 Events

May 12th 2006 – Rainbow Trout Dinner (Fund Raiser) 6:00 pm. Dress casual.

May 30th 2006 Sudbury-Manitoulin District Masonic Choir will sing a number of songs starting at 7:00 pm. The brethren have been practicing hard under the direction of Margerie Stienke and sound great. An Emerg. Meeting will open at 7:30 pm immediately following the choir and the Shrine Haweater Degree Team will confer a Fellowcraft Degree. Enjoy a short drive to Little Current and be a part of history on the Island.

Espanola Lodge No. 527 Events

The Espanola Paper Fest will be held on Saturday May 27th 2006 at the Espanola Complex. Espanola Lodge No. 527 will be making and serving breakfast in the Espanola Complex upstairs hall as a fundraiser for the lodge. Breakfast is from 8:30 am till Noon cost is \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 per child.

After breakfast, you can enjoy the Knight Cruisers Car Club show and many other Paper Fest events.



Its only a short drive to Espanola for a great day of family fun.



May Installations

May 6th 2006 – Nickel Lodge Installation 1:00 p.m., followed by annual Ladies Night.

May 8th 2006 – Sudbury Lodge No. 658 regular 7:30 p.m., time.

D.D.G.M. OFFICIAL VISIT

May 10th 2006 – Friendship Lodge No. 691

FAMILY OF FREEMASONRY



THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR IS THE LARGEST FRATERNAL ORDER TO WHICH MASTER MASONS AND THEIR FEMALE RELATIVES MAY BELONG. LEARN MORE ABOUT THE EASTERN STAR 2 B 1 ASK 1

JAVA GUILD AT BELROCK EVERY TUESDAY



COME FOR COFFEE – STAY FOR LUNCH

Tuscan Chapter No. 95

Congratulations to four new members of Tuscan Royal Arch Chapter No. 95 who received their Mark Master Mason Degree on April 20th 2006 after their labours in the Quarry.



Ex. Comp. Wayne Quinn – Ex. Comp. Don Clark – Ex. Comp. Brian Bigalow - Ex. Comp. Brian Koivu after their labours of the evening.

Sudbury Lodge of Perfection

Congratulations are also extended to the three newest members of the Sudbury Lodge of Perfection who received their 14th degree during the Annual Reunion on April 21st & 22nd 2006.



Illustrious Bro.'s Roger Kitching – Maurice Gillard and Paul MacArthur prepared for work.

THE FAMILY OF FREEMASONRY
THE YORK RITE CONSISTS OF FOUR
DISTINCT AND SEPARATE
SOVEREIGN MASONIC BODIES:



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York Rite Across the Border

Canadian Royal Arch Masons from Espanola and North Bay Chapters attended the Upper Michigan York Rite College - All Degree Day in Escanaba, Michigan and received the "Past Master Degree".



Ex. Comp. J. Hodder, B. Prout, R. Eaton, B. Gordon and K. Pierce pictured with members of the Upper Michigan York Rite College.

Four members from Doric Lodge #455 and others from Lodges adjacent to the Sudbury-Manitoulin District made the journey to Escanaba. The Past Master degree is not offered in Canada and can only be obtained in Britain and the United States. Our American brethren who treated them to a generous amount of their hospitality warmly welcomed the brethren from Canada. No doubt, more candidates from the North will plan a journey soon.

News from District 14 Royal Arch Masons

Congratulations to R. Ex. Comp. Gordon G.V.G. McEwen on his being elected Grand Superintendent of District 14 Royal Arch Masons and V. Ex. Comp. Henry Handsley on his appointment as Grand Master of the Second Veil.



(L to R) Grand Master of the Second Veil V. Ex. Comp. Henry Handsley, Grand Principal M. Ex. Comp. George Gifford, Grand Superintendent R. Ex. Comp. Gordon McEwen

Many Thanks Robert



R.W. Bro. Robert South is hanging up his Secretary's collar after serving as Secretary of Espanola Lodge and then Nickel Lodge for over a ten year span. Robert is well known for his attention to detail and ensuring perfection.

R.W. Bro. South and his wife Peggy are very active in the Eastern Star and he plans to spend more time supporting her this year.

Algoma East District

Elliot Lake Lodge No. 698 serves *Breakfast at the Lodge*, on **Saturday** morning from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Breakfast includes Juice, Bacon, Sausage, 2 Eggs and home fries, toast and coffee for \$3.00. If you are visiting Elliot Lake during your travels bring your Family and friends to the breakfast. Your support of the Lodge is appreciated.

Third Generation becomes a Mason

Elliot Lake Lodge No. 698 initiated the grandson of V.W. Bro. Ken Pierce



Pictured L to R Bro. George Farkouh (*Mayor of Elliot Lake*) Bro. Frank Brown (*Candidate's Father*) Bro. Curtis Brown, V.W. Bro. Ken Pierce (*Candidate's Grandfather*) and Bro. Al Yake (*Long time family friend*)

Sudbury Shrine Club News

Shrine Degree Team

The Sudbury Shrine Club Degree Team will be conducting a third degree on Wednesday May 17th 2006 during a Nickel Lodge emerg. meeting. The team will raise Bro. Tom Morris to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. If you did not see their excellent work in Sudbury Lodge on April 24th, don't miss this chance to see the Work done in proper Masonic fashion.

Shrine Oriental Band & Colour Party

The Oriental Band & Colour Party will have their annual Steak Fry on Friday, May 26th 2006, starting at 5:00 p.m., supper at 6:00 p.m., in the Starlight room. Tickets are \$15.00 each and available from Al Grigor (Shrine Office) at 524-0335, Wah Chung 674-6159 or any band member. Come our for fun and fellowship, enjoy a juicy BBQ steak with all the trimmings and your favourite Camel milk.

Hawewater Unit

The Hawewater Shrine Degree Team will be conducting a Second degree on Tuesday May 30th 2006 at Doric Lodge in Little Current. The Sudbury-Manitoulin District Choir will be performing some of their songs prior to the lodge meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. and the lodge will be open to the public for their performance. Masons especially Shriners should try to be part of this historical night.

M Hillbilly Degree M



Git yor finest duds togethur coz the Hawewater Shrine Unit will be hostin a Hillbilly Degree down on John Skippen's farm come June 25th. Cuzin John Hodder is a makin all the plans fur a fun filled day for you and the missus.

New Date

June District Meeting

The Sudbury-Manitoulin District Meeting will be held on Monday, June 12th 2006 immediately following the Doric Lodge Steak fry. Aspirants for District Deputy Grand Master will be asked to express their intention to run in July.

Grand Master's Banquet

Tickets can now be ordered for the Grand Master's Banquet Wednesday, July 19th 2006. Tickets are \$50.00 each and may be ordered through the District Secretary and with a cheque payable to the Sudbury-Manitoulin Masons.

Congratulations & Best Wishes to the following Brethren:

Bro. Ryan Stewart, Doric Lodge No. 455 on being his initiation into Freemasonry on April 11th 2006.



Bro. Ryan Stewart and a few friends

Bro. Mike Wilson, Friendship Lodge No. 691 on being passed to the Fellowcraft Degree April 12th 2006.

Bro. Michael Zegil, Gore Bay Lodge No. 472 on being passed to the Fellowcraft Degree April 13th 2006.

Bro. Stanley Weatherbee, Bethel Lodge No. 699 on being passed to the Fellowcraft Degree April 14th 2006

Bro.'s Grayme Anthony and Casey Strangers, Algonquin Lodge No. 536 on their being passed to the Fellowcraft Degree and to Bro.'s Ed MacDonald and Don Clark for proving their proficiency of the Master Mason Degree on April 18th 2006



(L to R) W. Bro. J. Fuller, Bro. Casey Stranges, Bro. Ed MacDonald, Bro. Grayme Anthony, Bro. D. Clark, R.W. Bro. A. Burns

Bro. Terry Beange, Nickel Lodge No. 427 on his initiation into Freemasonry on April 19th 2006

Bro. John McCown, Sudbury Lodge No. 658 on being raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason by the Sudbury Shrine Club degree team on April 24th 2006.



Bro. John McCowan – R.W. Bro. R. Gordon – W. Bro. R. Junkala

Bus to Grand Lodge

The Masters and Wardens association has once again booked the Greyhound Bus for July.



The bus leaves Belrock at 7:00 a.m. and drops you off at the front door of the Royal York.



It's a great way to travel to Grand Lodge and attend our District Meeting. Cost is expected to be \$55.00. Sit back, enjoy the ride and support the next District Deputy Grand Master

NOTE: V.W. Bro. Robert Storie must have your paid reservation by June 1st in order to confirm the bus.

Join us *A Walk in the Park* 150th Anniversary

Celebrating Ontario District Masons
Oshawa Memorial Park, McLaughlin Band Shell

Friends Family
and Neighbors
All welcome

June 17th 2006
12 noon til 10 pm

Admission: Free!

Live Music all Day

Family Picnic

Food Vendors BBQ

Beer Tent

Vintage Car Show

Guide Dog Demonstrations



Ontario District Project will be presenting
a Donation to Canine Vision Dog Guides

Performing in the Band Shell:

- "Terri Crawford and Rick Johnson" 2 Juno Nominations
- "George Olliver" 2 Juno Nominations R & B and Soul
- "Felicidad" Jazz Quintet
- "Friends of Bluegrass "
- "Warne Commission" Country
- "Solstice" Flamenco Trio
- "The County Town Singers" Choir
- "Amorce" High School Band Classic Rock



Booths from all 15 Ontario District lodges
Booths from: Grand Lodge, Masonic Foundation,
Shrine Club, DeMolay, Scottish Rite, York Rite,
and Eastern Star.
Masonic Parade with Pipers



Bake Sale

Clowns

Dunk Tank

Crown & Anchor

Games

Jumping Castle



Free Tours of Masonic Temple

Vendors Selling Masonic Memorabilia

Raffle for a Diamond Ring valued at \$1700.

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