



DISTRICT NEWS AROUND & ABOUT

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We Remember

Bethel Lodge No. 699 will host the second annual District Remembrance Day service on November 6th 2009. We will reflect on the sacrifice made by generations of Canadian military personnel for the protection of our fundamental values. We are indebted to the men and women who served and continue to serve our country, and we will remember those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in defence of our country.

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From the District Deputy

My Brethren: The past two months have been very busy and extremely rewarding. I've now attended 16 lodge meetings, a 125th Anniversary celebration in North Bay, Bethel Lodge's 50th Anniversary and Elliot Lake Lodge's 50th Anniversary. Also, two Royal Arch Chapter, one Perceptory meeting and one Shriners Ladies Night. Sadly in addition, I have also attended four Masonic Memorial Services for departed brethren.

Unfortunately, this column only allows me to describe a few highlights from these varied evenings. My congratulations to Nickel Lodge #427 and Friendship Lodge #691 on the celebration of 50 years of visiting. What a remarkable achievement. I had contacted Grand Lodge to inquire if any other Lodges in Ontario had a similar or better record and there was no known information to dispute that our two Lodges had the record. CONGRATULATIONS !

Speaking of visiting, I was so proud of our members' attendance at Elliot Lake Lodge #698. Twenty-three of our brethren from six of our nine District lodges attended their 50th Anniversary celebrations. What a show of support for our close neighbour.

I also send congratulations to the officers and members of Bethel Lodge #699 on the occasion of their 50th Anniversary. What an honour to have the Grand Master and so many of his Grand Lodge officers in attendance for such an excellent and well run occasion. Well done everyone.

At the District Divine Service in Little Current, we were treated to another beautiful display of the talents from SUMANDIMAS the Sudbury-Manitoulin District Masonic Choir. That Sunday was the occasion of **Stand Up, Take Action, End Poverty Now!** The Little Current United Church had registered as a participant in this global day of action. As our 30 brethren present stood up with the congregation, they were part of setting a Guinness World Record when "173,045,325 citizens stood up around the world at over 3,000 events in more than 120 countries, demanding that their governments eradicate extreme poverty and achieve the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Now in its fourth year, it has been certified by Guinness World Records as the largest mobilization of human beings in recorded history, an increase of about 57 million people over last year."

In closing, I hope we will see equally good support at the Veteran's Appreciation Evening on Friday, November 6 and the Especial Communication of Grand Lodge on November 14.

As of this writing, tickets are still available for both events.

Sincerely and fraternally

Roy J. Eaton,

D.D.G.M.

Sudbury-Manitoulin



Passed To The Grand Lodge Above



Bro. Floyd Walker

Gore Bay Lodge No. 472

**WE CHERISH HIS
MEMORY IN OUR HEARTS**

Sick and Visiting

R.W. Bro. Fred Foote

Nickel Lodge No. 427

Now in a Nursing Home

Bro. Robert Fredrick

Nickel Lodge No. 427

Heart Problems in Sudbury Hospital

R.W. Bro. Keith Legge

Doric Lodge No. 455

Recovering at home

Bro. Arend van Viersen

Doric Lodge No. 455

Bro. Mark Pacey

Espanola Lodge No. 527

W. Bro. Paul Seelig

National Lodge No. 588

Very Ill at this time

Bro. Al Grigor

Bethel Lodge No. 699

Recovering at home

Visitors Welcome

**We wish them well and
pray for their
full recovery**

**D.D.G.M.
NEXT OFFICIAL VISIT
THURSDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 12TH 2009
GORE BAY LODGE NO. 472
DINNER 6:00 PM**



SUDBURY-MANITOULIN DISTRICT VETERANS' APPRECIATION NIGHT

MASONIC REGALIA, MILITARY/LEGION UNIFORMS AND MEDALS ARE AUTHORIZED

**FRIDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER 2009
HOSTED BY BETHEL No. 699**

Guest Speaker: M.W. Bro. Donald H. Mumby

BELROCK MASONIC CENTRE (SUDBURY)

DINNER.....6:00 PM

LODGE CEREMONY.....7:30 PM

DINNER TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM YOUR LODGE

The evening will commence with a banquet at 6:00 pm followed by a ceremony honouring veterans from the Second World War, the Korean War and more recently peace keeping and peace making in Bosnia, Afghanistan and other areas of conflict around the World.

We are honoured to have M.W. Bro. Donald M. Mumby, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario and presently the Custodian of the Work as our guest speaker for the evening. The Veterans' Appreciation Ceremony will take place in the Lodge Room and consist of "Parading the Colours" and "Parading the Veterans under the direction of Bro. Bob Bryson, Parade Marshall. Following this part of the ceremony a "Ceremony of the Roses" and the "Ceremony of the Passing of the Torch", under the direction of R.W. Bro. Roy Eaton, DDGM Sudbury-Manitoulin District will take place.

Wor. Bro. Mike Chorkawy – I.P.M. is our host for the evening along with the Officers and members of Bethel Lodge No. 699. The Veterans' Appreciation Night is open to invited non-masons; there will be no Masonic work conducted during the evening. Masons are to wear their regalia and veterans are urged to wear their medals.

Banquet tickets are \$15.00 each and available from Rt. Wor. Bro. Rob Fleming, Veterans' Night Committee members and each lodge in the Sudbury-Manitoulin District.

National Lodge No. 588 moves to Belrock Masonic Centre

Tuesday, October 6th 2009 marked the last meeting of National Lodge No. 588 at their lodge building on 39 Vaughan Street in Capreol. The brethren have sold the building and starting Tuesday, November 2nd 2009 the lodge will conduct their meetings at the Belrock Masonic Centre.

National Lodge held its first meeting in the town of Capreol on December 6th 1921.

Ballots on eight applicants for initiation and ten applications for affiliation were voted on that night. In 1952 the lodge building was destroyed by fire and reopened at the current address. Coincidentally, the first work conducted in the new lodge building was for two Master Masons to prove their proficiency in the third degree. The successful candidates were W. Bro. Allan Farquharson (1959) and W. Bro. Tom Clark (1960) who went on to become Worshipful Master.



Many of the brethren from the Sudbury-Manitoulin District attended the special evening for National Lodge to bid a fond farewell to the old building and extend their best wishes to the brethren for their fresh start at Belrock.



W. Bro. Tom Clark closes the V.O.T.S.L. for the last time in the old lodge room.



V.W. Bro. Milton J. Fleming, Grand Steward signs the registrar while R.W. Bro. J. David Bell along with V.W. Bro. Allan Sweetman and V.W. Bro. John E. Gamble looks on.



The Brethren enjoy one last banquet.



R.W. Bro. Eric Moore a Past Master of National Lodge exits building at the end of a memorable evening.



V.W. Bro. Keith I. Jordan, Worshipful Master National Lodge No. 588
October 6th 2009



They may be leaving their old home but a new history now awaits them at Belrock Masonic Centre



Especial Communication of Grand Lodge

All Masons from the Sudbury Manitoulin District, Algoma East District, Muskoka Parry Sound District, and Nipissing East District are encouraged to attend the
Especial Communication of Grand Lodge



Saturday, November 14, 2009
Belrock Masonic Centre
845 Regent Street South, Sudbury
Start Time: 9:00 a.m.



Dress Code: Business Suite (or Morning Suite) with Regalia to be worn.
Worshipful Masters are to wear their collars.

Agenda:

1. **Lodge room opens for general admission (9:00 am)** 2. **Grand Lodge assembles (9:30 am)**
- 3 **Grand Lodge enters (9:55 am)** 4. **Piper(s) retire**
3. **Formal Opening of Grand Lodge – Grand Master (10:00 am)**
(Deputy attends the Great Lights)
4. **Grand Master invites any EA and FC Masons to enter and be seated in the lodge**
5. **National Anthems:** O Canada; Star Spangled Banner; God Save the Queen *(V.W. Bro. Arnold McCausland, Grand Organist)*
- 6 a) **Introduction of Past Grand Masters present by the Grand Master**
- b) **Grand Honours, nine times, led by the Grand Director of Ceremonies**
7. **Address of Welcome, Grand Master**
W. Bro. Cameron Gilpin, WM of Bethel Lodge No. 699, Sudbury,
Grand Master responds to the Address of Welcome
If greetings are brought by government or civic officials (non-Masons) call off Grand Lodge.
- 8 a) **Reading of Rules of Order – Grand Secretary**
PGM moves changing 'order of business'
- b) **Reading of Minutes – Grand Secretary**
PGM moves 'taken as printed in Proceedings'
- c) **Announcement of Parliamentarian**
- d) **Announcement of official photographer**
9. **Grand Master's Address:** *Get Knowledge, get Wisdom, but with all thy getting get Understanding.*
10. **Service of Remembrance – R.W. Bro. William White, Grand Chaplain**
- 11a) **Roll Call of Grand Representatives present – Grand Secretary**
- b) **Grand Honours, nine times, led by Grand Director of Ceremonies**
- 12a) **Grand Secretary's Report – M.W. Bro. Terence Shand**
- b) **Grand Treasurer's Report – R.W. Bro. Patrick McGrenere for T.R.D.**
- 13 **Presentations by selected Committee Chairmen/**
(Limited to 10 minutes each – 50 minutes)
What your Grand Lodge has to offer – Yours to Discover
 - 1) **Opening Doors**
Friend to Friend – R.W. Bro. Kim McGeagh
 - 2) **Enhancing the Fraternal Environment in your Lodge**
Brother to Brother – V.W. Bro. Iain Wates
 - 3) **Financial Planning**
Lodge Finances Advisory – V.W. Bro. Robert Kliaman for T.V.H.
 - 4) **The Road to the East**
Officer Progression – V.W. Bro. William Brimer
 - 5) **Gaining Knowledge and Understanding**
Masonic Education – R.W. Bro. David Cameron
14. **Open Forum – In the Quarry (Go to 12:45 pm)**
R.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling, Deputy Grand Master – Moderator
R.W. Bro. Robert T. Runciman
M.W. Bro. Terence Shand, Past Grand Master, Grand Secretary
- 15 **Formal Closing of Grand Lodge – (12:45 pm)**
- 1:00 **LUNCHEON – Limited seating (120)**
Guest Speaker – R.W. Bro. Samuel Kalinowsky, Honorary Member of the Board of General Purposes
- 2:00pm **MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES**
R.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling, Deputy Grand Master presiding
- Reports given by Members of the Managements Committee – Five Centres of Excellence**
- 4:00 pm **end of day**



1959

**Bethel Lodge No. 699
Celebrating 50 Years**

2009

Bethel Lodge No. 699 celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary on Friday, October 9th 2009 during a special anniversary dinner and meeting. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels, R.W. Bro. Roy J. Eaton D.D.G.M. and many other Grand Lodge Officers attended the celebrations.



Dinner guest included R.W. Bro. Roy J. Eaton, D.D.G.M. Sudbury-Manitoulin – Mrs. Peggy South, Worth Grand Matron O.E.S. – R.W. Bro. Ken Pierce, D.D.G.M. Algoma East

M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels toasts Piper W. Bro. Charlie Kennedy and drummer W. Bro. David Kennedy.

R.W. Bro. Jim Thomson P.D.D.G.M. welcomes guests to his lodge anniversary celebration



(L-R) R.W. Bro. John McGill – W. Bro. Benson Mullen – W. Bro. Ron Tallon, W. Bro. Mullen's sponsors – M.W. Bro. R.S.J. Daniels

M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels, Grand Master awaits his reception into the lodge

After dinner the brethren assembled in open lodge for the reception of the Grand Master, the Grand Lodge Officers and guests for the formal lodge 50-year dedication.



R.W. Bro. Roy J. Eaton District Deputy Grand Master First Official Visit

R.W. Bro. Roy J. Eaton completed his first Official Visit as D.D.G.M. to Sudbury Lodge No. 658 on Monday, October 19th 2009.

Congratulations Bro. Christopher Purvis for his Initiation into Freemasonry during the D.D.G.M. Official Visit.



The new Entered Apprentice Mason, Bro. Christopher Purvis with his sponsors Bro. Alain Courville & W. Bro. Gary Bate and the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Rod Junkila

Congratulations to R.W. Bro. Eric T. Moore who was recognized by his lodge brethren for receiving the Distinguished Service Medal for Services rendered to Royal Arch Masonry. This award is equivalent to the William Mercer Wilson Award in Craft Lodge.



(L-R) R.W. Bro. J. David Bell – R.W. Bro. Rob Fleming – R.W. Bro. Eric T. Moore – R.W. Bro. Roy J. Eaton D.D.G.M. Back Row – R.W. Bro. Al Burns – R.W. Bro. John Hodder – R/W/ Bro. Paul Ashley

District Deputy Grand Master Official Visit to Bethel Lodge No. 699

Just four short days after his first Official Visit the D.D.G.M. conducted his second Official Visit to Bethel Lodge No. 699 on Friday, October 23rd 2009. As the lodge had celebrated their 50th Anniversary on what is normally the regular meeting night dispensation to hold the Official Visit on the fourth Friday of the month was granted by Grand Lodge.

The work of the evening included Passing Bro. Sean Pretty to the Second or Fellowcraft degree. The D.D.G.M. commented on Bro. Pretty's knowledge and how well his preparations were for his examination before passing.

The Grand Steward V.W. Bro. Milt Fleming accompanied the D.D.G.M. on his visit.



(L-R) R.W. Bro. Rob Fleming – Bro. Sean Pretty – W. Bro Cam Gilpin – V.W. Bro. Milt Fleming, Grand Steward



(L-R) W. Bro. Cam Gilpin, Worshipful Master – Bro. Sean Pretty – R.W. Bro. Roy J. Eaton D.D.G.M.

District Divine Service at Little Current United Church

Brethren from the Sudbury-Manitoulin District joined the congregation of the Little Current United Church for their regular Sunday worship on Sunday, October 18th 2009. R.W. Bro. Roy Eaton a member of the church welcomed the Masons and their families.



**Sudbury-Manitoulin District Masons
District Divine Service Little Current United Church**

The Sudbury-Manitoulin District Choir (SUMANDIAMS) under the direction of Mrs. Marjorie Steinke sang a number of selections for the service.



SUMANDIMAS sings praise

After the service the Masons were invited to join the congregation for a light luncheon and fellowship. Many members of Doric Lodge No. 455 attend the Little Current United Church and were pleased to have their visiting brethren and their families join them for Sunday.



Algonquin Lodge No. 536 Memorial Service

SUMANDIAMAS was kept busy as they were also invited to sing at the Algonquin Lodge Memorial Service held on the 27th of October.

Mrs. Steinke was not available due to other commitments and R.W. Bro. Brian Koivu was asked to play the organ and conduct the choir.



(Front L-R) W. Bro. G.V.G. McEwen – W. Bro. M. Lees – W. Bro. D.A. Bowles – Bro. R. Bryson (Choir founding member) – Bro. A. Buer – R.W. Bro. R.J. Fleming
(Rear L-R) R.W. Bro. B. Koivu – Bro. G. Campbell – Bro. A. Davies

Pictured in the photo left are Algonquin Lodge No. 536 Officers and SUMANDIAMAS members.

Do you enjoy singing?

Would you like to have fun singing?

Why not join SUMANDIAMAS and have a great time singing with your Masonic brethren?

**Our practices are 4:30 every Monday afternoon
at the Belrock Masonic Centre
Banquet Room**

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES

Espanola Lodge No. 527

W. Bro. Gordon Fraser of Espanola Lodge became a blood donor over the past year and was presented with a certificate from the Grand Lodge Blood Donor committee.



Front L-R: R.W. Bro. Allan Burns – W. Bro. Gord Fraser – W. Bro. Brian Carter – R.W. Bro. Roy J. Eaton D.D.G.M.

Congratulations to Bro. Tom Robinson for being Passed to the Second or Fellowcraft Degree during the regular meeting of Espanola Lodge on October 7th 2009.



Bro. Tim Robinson

As Bro. Robinson prepared to be Passed to the Second Degree, W. Bro. Carter opened the lodge in the Third Degree. Bro. Gordon Bois then proved his proficiency as a Master Mason. The Worshipful Master then closed lodge in the third and reopened in the Second degree.

Both candidates were very well prepared for their work of the night.



Bro. Gordon Bois

Bro. Gordon Bois has enrolled in the Grand Lodge College of Freemasonry. He has an interest in becoming a Lodge Officer and learning all he can about our Gentle Craft.

Espanola Lodge No. 527



February 20th 2010
Stay tuned for more details.



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Nickel Lodge No. 427

Congratulations to Bro. Brian Leduc on his Initiation into Freemasonry during the 50th Annual Nickel & Friendship Lodge reciprocal visit on October 7th 2009.



(L-R) W. Bro. Brian Howe, Worshipful Master Nickel Lodge – Bro. Brian Leduc – W. Bro. Brian Post, Worshipful Master Friendship Lodge.

Friendship Lodge No. 691

Congratulations to Bro. Anthony Biro on his Initiation into Freemasonry during the 50th Annual Friendship & Nickel Lodge reciprocal visit on October 14th 2009.



Bro. Dave Simmonds from Ashlar Lodge No. 701 in Tillsonburg travelled to Sudbury to be with his good friend on his Initiation into Freemasonry.

Algonquin Lodge No. 536

Congratulations to Bro. Preston Hiscock on his Initiation into Freemasonry during the regular meeting of Algonquin Lodge on October 20th 2009.



Sponsors and candidate: (L-R) Bro. Bill Evenochko – Bro. Preston Hiscock – V.W. Bro. John E. Gamble

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES



Pictured in the photo left is W. Bro. Brian Post, Worshipful Master of Friendship Lodge No. 691 and V. W. Bro. Clair Bracken holding a certificate of appreciation from the Greater City of Sudbury that the lodge received at a recent council meeting.

The certificate recognizes the Fifteen Years the lodge has been involved in the adopt a road program.




File Photo

Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Distinguished Service Medal for Services rendered to Royal Arch Masonry

At the regular meeting of Tuscan Chapter No. 95 on October 15th 2009 the Companions congratulated Comp. Eric T. Moore on his award of the Distinguished Service Medal from the Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario. This award is the equivalent to the William Mercer Wilson Award presented by the Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Comp. Moore had served Royal Arch Masonry and Craft Freemasonry for many years and is a past Worshipful Master of Sudbury Lodge No. 658 and National Lodge No. 588. He is also a Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Sudbury-Manitoulin District.

**Java Guild At Belrock
Every Tuesday**



**Come For Coffee
Stay For Lunch**



(L-R) Ex. Comp. Robert Gordon "H" – Ex. Comp. Stan Fenton, First Principal Tuscan Chapter No. 95 – Comp. Eric T. Moore – Ex. Comp. David Carscallen "J" – R. Ex. Comp. Kian A. Jensen, Grand Superintendent Ontario District No. 14

Fifty Years of Reciprocal Meetings

What started 50 years ago as a meeting between two lodges, one located in Sudbury and one in Copper Cliff has traversed the years to become the longest running reciprocal visit between lodges in the Sudbury-Manitoulin District.

Prior to its inception, two good friends R.W. Bro. W.J.C. (Bill) Noble of Nickel Lodge and W. Bro. Frank Shedler of Friendship lodge would meet at St. Paul's United Church and would discuss reasons why they did not get around to visiting each other's lodges. They agreed that during their year as Worshipful Master they would arrange for their lodges to conduct a reciprocal visit. A few Masons who were members of St. Paul's include R.W. Bro. J.D. Innes, V.W. Bro. W. McKnight, Bro. R. Bryson and Bro. A. Buer.



Members and Visitors present for the Nickel Lodge No. 427 meeting on Oct. 7, 2009

The first 50-year celebration meeting took place at Nickel Lodge on Wednesday, October 7th 2009 and Bro. Brian Leduc was Initiated into Freemasonry.



V.W. Bro. J.J. Gilpin

Present for the meeting was V.W. Bro. John J. Gilpin a member of Nickel Lodge and an honorary member of Friendship Lodge. This was the Forty-Nine reciprocal visit for V.W. Bro. Gilpin. He had only missed one over the years because of illness.

The second 50-year visit took place the following week on Wednesday, October 14th 2009. Bro. Anthony Biro the candidate was initiated into our Gentle Craft.

During this meeting both Worshipful Masters, W. Bro. Brian Post of Friendship Lodge and W. Bro. Brian Howe of Nickel Lodge presented V.W. Bro. John J. Gilpin with a framed photo of himself as a memorial to his love of Freemasonry and his endless support of his two lodges.



W. Bro. Brian Howe, W.M. Nickel Lodge – V.W. Bro. John J. Gilpin – Bro. Brian Leduc E.A.M. – W. Bro. Brian Post, W.M. Friendship Lodge



Celebration dinner head table included V.W. Bro. J.J. Gilpin, V.W. Bro. M. Fleming, W. Bro. Brian Howe and W. Bro. Brian Post



V.W. Bro. John Gibson with W. Bro. Brian Post, W. Bro. Brian Howe and R.W. Bro. Roy J. Eaton D.D.G.M. at the presentation of his memorial photo commemorating the 50th reciprocal visit of Nickel and Friendship Lodge.

Bro. Anthony Biro of Friendship Lodge No. 691 receives his E.A.M. apron during the 50th reciprocal visit of Nickel Lodge to Friendship Lodge.



Worshipful Masters exchange the gavel commemorating the start of the Work for the evening.



Very Worshipful Brother John J. Gilpin Biography Of A True Freemason

Nickel Lodge No. 427

by W.B. Garry L. West

When you see John Gilpin at Java Guild every Tuesday, he is a quiet, polite gentleman and always good to talk with. John Gilpin however, is much more as I found out when we spoke recently to get a background for this article.

John has lived through huge changes in the world we now live in. Two of his older brothers fought in WWI and suffered mustard gas poisoning. They passed many years ago and John feels that their deaths were directly linked to the mustard gas from the War. When he talked of growing up in his family as a boy, his experience of having his father tell him on his grade 8 graduation at Central Public School, that it was high time he got out and got a job, so he could contribute to the family income and stand on his own, was an experience most of us escaped by being born later. John certainly handled that and more by becoming a quietly strong man.

John married Gladys and they raised three children, two boys and one girl. Robert, the oldest is a plumber, and he has 2 boys and a girl; Gary has 3 daughters, he is employed as by City of Sudbury (Police Services) and Karen is a schoolteacher and she has one son and one daughter.

John has many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

John started out after school in Eaton's Groceteria (for ten years), then on to Hodges Store in Falconbridge 1934, where he spent sixteen years. He worked at Silverman's Department Store as Manager of Men's Wear and on to become Office Manager for twenty-two years. He moved to Dominion Trust as General Manager in 1950 for ten years until retirement.



V.W. Bro. John Gilpin receiving his 60 Year Masonic Pin

His Masonic career began with initiation, March 3 1949 (he received his 60-year pin in March of this year. John received his Master Mason Degree then became Worshipful Master of Nickel Lodge #427, and later became District Secretary under R.W. Bro. W.J.C. Noble in 1968. John has not joined any concordant bodies, preferring to concentrate on his Lodge activities and his family. For John, Masonry has been a very big part of his life, his main activity outside family and career.



(L-R) W. Bro. Brian Post – V.W. Bro. John J. Gilpin holding commemorative photo – W. Bro. Brian Howe – R.W. Bro. Roy Eaton

John is very proud that he had three brothers who were also long time Masons. One was a District Deputy Grand Master in Alberta.

His other preferred activity was taking his family to their cottage just out of Spanish on the North Channel. They spent many summers there and his kids grew up with the cottage being a big part of their lives.

John was a Founding Member of St. Peter's United church and is now a Member of St. Andrew's United church.

He worked in managerial positions throughout his career where his kind manner and good leadership made him respected by his superiors and revered by his subordinates.

When one meets John, you realize that this is a gentleman. He has always demanded much of himself and did not put up with less than a top notch job, as anyone who has watched him perform Ritual in Lodge could testify.

John has always felt strongly that the Ritual in Lodge must be followed precisely. He has set a high standard for the rest of us that are following in his footsteps. I know it is too early to talk about John's Masonic legacy, but I know he will want to be remembered for this above all, that there is only one way to do the work in Lodge and that is exactly as prescribed in the book.

For myself, I enjoyed my extended visit with John, and I hope that I have done him justice as a man I am proud to know



Important Dates For November



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND 2009 – DISTRICT MEETING AND MASTERS AND WARDENS MEETING STARTING AT 7:00 P.M. BELROCK MASONIC CENTRE.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH 2009 – DISTRICT VETERANS' APPRECIATION NIGHT HOSTED BY BETHEL LODGE. DINNER AT 6:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH 2009 – DORIC LODGE NO. 455 (SPECIAL OPEN LODGE) VETERANS' APPRECIATION NIGHT.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH 2009 – REMEMBRANCE DAY



Lest We Forget

WEAR YOUR MASONIC REGALIA AND PARTICIPATE IN REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH 2009 – D.D.G.M. OFFICIAL VISIT TO GORE BAY LODGE

ESPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF GRAND LODGE – 9:00 A.M. SATURDAY, NOV. 14TH 2009 AT THE BELROCK MASONIC CENTRE.

Plan To Attend



“Calling All Worshipful Masters – Senior & Junior Wardens – Lodge Secretaries – Treasurers and Masons with a communication interest”

Grand Lodge Communications Committee Seminar

ATTENTION: Algoma East & Sudbury-Manitoulin Districts

The Grand Lodge Communications Committee is conducting a training session Saturday, November 12th 2009 at the Elliot Lake Masonic Temple: 171 Spruce Avenue, Elliot Lake.

Session will include Preparation of Lodge Summons and distribution by email for Craft Lodge or Royal Arch Masonry.

Presenters: M.W. Bro. Terence Shand, Grand Secretary & V.W. Bro. Robert Kliaman, Chairman Communications Committee

Date: Saturday, November 12, 2009

Time: 6:00pm

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<http://www.grandlodge.on.ca/150thAnniversary/LicencePlate.htm>

ALGOMA EAST DISTRICT NEWS

Elliot Lake Lodge No. 699 celebrates 50 Years



Elliot Lake Lodge located at 171 Spruce Avenue, Elliot Lake is an historic landmark in that town. It originally was a bunkhouse and entertainment centre for Uranium miners. It was eventually sold to the Masons in 1959.



Entrance to Lodge anteroom



R.W. Bro. P. Gillespie & R.W. Bro. P. McGrenrie in the lodge banquet room

Later that afternoon the brethren and their wives went to the Collins Hall for a special anniversary banquet. The lodge received congratulations from the Mayor of Elliot Lake, Mr. Rick Hamilton who spoke on the important role the lodge has played in the history of that city.

Dinner included delicious roast beef prepared and served by the Order of the Eastern Star.

The Sudbury-Manitoulin District news congratulates brethren of Elliot Lake Lodge No. 699 on the Fiftieth anniversary of their lodge. A special 50th anniversary meeting of the lodge was held on Saturday afternoon, October 10th 2009. Guests included the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels, many Grand Lodge Officers and brethren from Sudbury-Manitoulin and surrounding districts.



W. Bro. Richard Meisner with Grand Master M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels and a few Grand Lodge Officers



(L-R) M.W. Bro. William R. Pellow – M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels Grand Master – R.W. Bro. Ken Pierce D.D.G.M. Algoma East District



M.W. Bro. William Pellow strikes a pose for Sudbury-Manitoulin District photographer V.W. Bro. John E. Gamble.





MasoniCH.I.P..

Child identification program sponsored by the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario working with regional and national law enforcement agencies.

What is the MasoniCH.I.P.?

The MasoniCH.I.P. program uses modern, police-approved techniques to create a child identification kit for the ones you love. The kit collects photos, video, voice recordings, digital fingerprints, dental impressions, saliva swabs as well as traditional statistical information (height, weight, hair and eye colour, etc.)

This information is matched to work seamlessly with Ontario's law enforcement providers. By being so compatible, the critical identifying information can be broadcast and shared more quickly than ever before to assist with the safe recovery of missing children.

The MasoniCH.I.P. program is brought exclusively to families by dedicated Masons and their volunteers, free of charge along with our sentiment that "We hope you never need to use it."

What's in a MasoniCH.I.P. Kit?

When a child has a kit prepared, their parent or guardian will receive a printed colour data sheet with several ID card inserts, a CD-ROM storing all the digital information, and a sealed bag with the dental plate and cheek swab.

All this information is given to the parent or guardian. No information is ever stored by the MasoniCH.I.P. program.

Elements Attributed to MasoniCH.I.P.:

- A signed permission form is required to participate in the program.
- Events are offered, "At No Cost To Parents" so that anyone wanting their child to participate in the Event can do so, provided they sign a permission form before engaging in the Event.
- All identifying items generated at MasoniCHIP Events are the sole property and given to the individual, child's parent or guardian: are placed in an ID pack along with safety education information and taken home for safe keeping in case the need arises to give law enforcement items to help find a missing person.
- No information of identified individual is to be retained, (except a signed permission form required to participate in the program held by the Masonic Grand Lodge) by any organization or agency involved.
- Events consist of Masons setting up equipment and enlisting volunteers necessary to generate individual Complete ID Packages that contain identifying items. These items are vital to law enforcement agencies in the recovery and identification of missing persons, and aid in the prosecution of perpetrators.

Identifying Items Include:

- Fingerprints and physical descriptions card.
- Digital still photographs compatible with local Amber Alert requirements for ease of dissemination.
- Brief recorded interview on CD/DVD disc that shows the child's mannerisms, speech pattern and provides details on places they frequent.
- Dental impression generated by qualified volunteers (using Toothprints® wafer) provides a 3-dimensional dental record that can be used for identification.
- DNA sample can be generated from Saliva and cheek skin cells accumulated on the Toothprints® wafer or cheek swab, sealed uncontaminated in a zip-lock bag. This also serves as a scent tracer for scent discriminating tracking dogs to follow.
- Abduction Prevention Education provided to parents and children during the event or as a hand out included inside the ID package, increases public awareness about the risk of abduction or exploitation our children now face in today's society, and provides them with useful safety tips and prevention techniques.



Scottish Rite Freemasonry



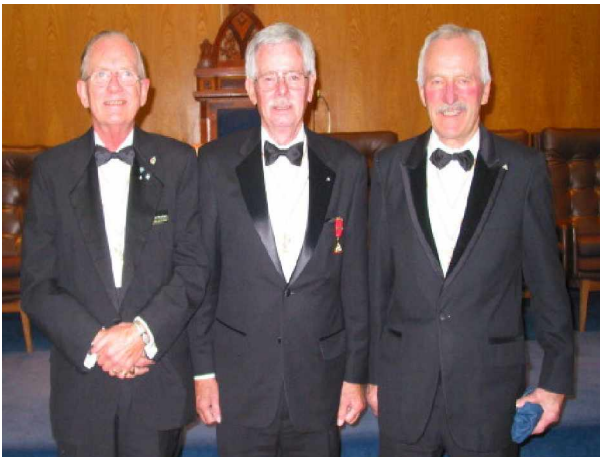
The Sudbury Lodge of Perfection held their fall meeting on Friday October 16th 2009 to elect and install the officers. Ill. Bro. Reijo A. Luoma 32^o was installed as the new T.P.G.M.



Sudbury Lodge of Perfection 14^o Officers Valley of Sudbury



**Ill. Bro. Reijo A. Luoma
T.P.G.M.**



The Valley of Sudbury is pleased to recognize our three new Honorary Inspector General A.A.S.R. (L-R) Ill. Bro. William Strachan – Ill. Bro. James Thomson – Ill. Bro. Gordon Campbell



**The Symbol of the
LODGE OF PERFECTION
The Delta enclosing the Hebrew Letter "Yod"
as it appears on the fourteen-degree ring.**

Lodges of Perfection conferring the 4th to the 14th degrees inclusive. The degrees continue the story of the building of King Solomon's Temple, and amplify and conclude the legend of the Master Mason degree. They are designed to impress more forcefully the teachings of the first three degrees of Craft Masonry.

The 4th, 5th, 7th, 13th, and 14th degrees are obligatory: the others, if not given in full, are "communicated" by obligation and explained.

The Scottish Rite is one of the three branches of Freemasonry in which a Master Mason may proceed after he has completed the three degrees of Craft Lodge Masonry.



The purpose of the Scottish Rite, simply stated, is to seek that which is the most worth in the world; ...to exalt the dignity of every person, the human side of our daily activities, and the maximum service to humanity; ...to aid mankind's search in God's universe for identity, for development and for destiny, and thereby achieve better men in a better world, happier men in a happier world and wiser men in a wiser world.



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TUSCAN CHAPTER NO. 95 R.A.M.

Tuscan Chapter No. 95 received the Grand Superintendent R.Ex. Bro. Kian Jensen for his Official Visit on Thursday, October 15th 2009.



Bro. Grayme Anthony received the Mark Master Mason degree. Bro. Anthony is pictured above with R.Ex. Comp. Kian Jensen Grand Superintendent and his sponsor R.Ex. Comp. John E. Gamble.



(L-R) Ex. Comp. Bryon Millar, District Secretary – Ex. Comp. Robert Gordon, Second Principal – Ex. Comp. Stan Fenton, First Principal – Ex. Comp. David Carscallen Third Principal – R.Ex. Comp. Kian Jensen Grand Superintendent Ont. District No. 14



MASONIC HUMOUR

The teacher asked one of her young students if he knew his numbers.

“Yes,” he said. “My father is Master of his lodge and he taught me.”

“Good. What comes after three?”

“Four,” answers the boy.

“What comes after six?”

“Seven.”

“Very good,” says the teacher. “Your dad did a good job. What comes after ten?”

“A Jack,” says the little boy.

ESPANOLA CHAPTER NO. 257 R.A.M.

The Grand Superintendent also conducted his Official Visit Espanola Chapter No. 257 on Tuesday, October 22nd 2009.



Congratulations to Bro. Richard Allen and Bro. Donald Ross who received the Most Excellent Master degree during the official visit R. Ex Comp Kian Jensen Grand Superintendent and his district secretary Ex Comp Bryon Millar.



(L-R) R.Ex. Comp. Henry Handsley – Ex. Comp. Roy Eaton “H” – Bro. Richard Allen – Bro. Donald Ross – Ex. Comp. Robert Prout “Z” – R.Ex. Comp. Kian Jensen Grand Superintendent





York Rite News & Views MAVAR PRECEPTORY NO. 65 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR



The Knights Templar of Mavar Preceptory No. 65 were very pleased to receive the newest Knight of the Order of the Temple Sr. Kt. Rob Lipic into their ranks on Thursday, October 22nd 2009.

Once again the Order of the Temple was conducted to perfection by R. Em. Kt. John E. Gamble and his cast of officer.

Congratulations Sr. Kt. Lipic on your quest for Masonic enlightenment.



(L-R) Em. Kt. Reijo Luoma, Preceptor – Sr. Kt. Rob Lipic – Rt. Em. Kt. John E. Gamble – R. Em. Kt. Allan P. Sweetman Provincial Grand Prior



Mavar Preceptory No. 65 – Past Priors

(L-R) Em. Kt. G.V.G. McEwen – Rt. Em. Kt. B.S. Cunningham – Em. Kt. C.D. Stephenson – Em. Kt. R.A. Luoma, Preceptor – Rt. Em. Kt. J.E. Gamble – Rt. Em. Kt. P.E. Liukko – R. Em. Kt. A.P. Sweetman P.G.P. – V. Em. Kt. J. Weir – V.Em. Kt. E.T. Moore

NOVEMBER 2009

By V.W. Bro. John E. Gamble

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1.	2. District Meeting followed with Masters & Wardens meeting starting @ 7:00 p.m. Belrock Masonic Centre	3. National Lodge Memorial Service & Ladies Night NOTE: This is the first meeting at Belrock	4. Nickel Lodge 1 st Degree Espanola Lodge 1 st Degree	5. Sudbury Shrine Club Meeting  Branch 76 Legion Hall	6. DISTRICT VETERANS' APPRECIATION NIGHT Hosted by Bethel Lodge No. 699 Dinner @ 6:00 pm Guest Speaker M.W. Bro. D Mumby 	7.
8.	9.	10. Doric Lodge (Open Lodge) Veterans' Appreciation Night Chilli Dinner @ 6:00 p.m. 	11. REMEMBRANCE DAY  <i>Lest We Forget</i> Friendship Lodge 1 st Degree	12. Gore Bay Lodge D.D.G.M. Official Visit 3 rd Degree Algoma Chapter O.E.S.	13. Bethel Lodge Step Up Night 3 rd Degree	14. ESPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF GRAND LODGE  9:00 A.M. BELROCK MASONIC CENTRE
15.	16. Sudbury Lodge 1 st Degree	17. Algonquin Lodge Past Masters Night 1 st Degree	18. Nickel Lodge Emergent Meeting Past Masters Night 2 nd Degree	19. Tuscan Chapter R.A.M.  M.E.M. Degree	20.	21.  Excalibur York Rite College 10am Alpha Council R&SM 1:00 pm  Algoma Chapter O.E.S Christmas Tea Older Adult Centre
22.	23.	24. Algonquin Lodge Emergent Meeting 1 st Degree	25.	26. Mavar Preceptory Knights Templar  ELECTIONS	27.	28.
29. Sudbury Shrine Club Annual Children's Christmas Party Noon – 3:00pm Holiday Inn	30. Sudbury Shrine Club Clown Unit Annual Christmas Party	JAVA GUILD AT BELROCK EVERY TUESDAY COME FOR COFFEE STAY FOR LUNCH				

Sudbury Shrine Club News



Sudbury Shrine Club Clown Unit is recruiting new members



Dear Fellow Masons:

Are you considering the Shriners or joining the Sudbury Shrine Club? The Clown Unit can use you.

For many years the Clown unit has been a vital and active part of the Sudbury Shrine Club. We have played a large role in Club operations and have participated in many fraternal endeavours throughout the years. Many of you may remember the wild game dinner. This originated with the clowns, but was so successful that we had to include the complete nobility and their ladies. What fun we had with all the preparations! In more recent times, we introduced the Charity Bingo volunteerism. This continues to be successful and has generated a lot of shekels, with which we buy medicinal "botox" for our children. Because our unit is so small, we handed the project over to the club, as it would have been overwhelming otherwise. It amazes me that 2 nobles working for 2 hours once a week generate about \$800 for the club.



We have gone from being a very active unit to a very inactive one. We are all getting older and physically unable to participate in parades, and unfortunately visits from the Black camel have further decimated our ranks. Therefore, at a meeting we have attempted to determine our direction. We are determined not to disband, but to reinvent ourselves instead, shifting our focus to "burns" publicity, or institutional visits, and so forth. **Most of our meetings are social in nature: we have dinner meetings which include the ladies, with a very brief business meeting, because we really enjoy the fellowship, and the ladies do not have to cook.**

If you are interested in joining the Clown Unit please get in touch with us. We would be delighted to have your company. You do not have to wear a costume or put on make-up to belong. Our next social event will be our annual Christmas dinner, which will be held on Monday November 30th. You are welcome to attend, even if it is just for fellowship.

Phil "Filbert" Finkle
Director, Clown Unit





Shriners..Having Fun & Helping Kids

All We Need is You!

Frequently Asked Questions

Who are the Shriners?



A brotherhood of men...dedicated to fun and fellowship...but with a serious purpose.

Shriners are distinguished by an enjoyment of life and a commitment to philanthropy. They enjoy parades, trips, dances, dinners, sporting events and other social occasions. They support what has been called the "World's Greatest Philanthropy," Shriners Hospitals for Children, a network of 22 pediatric specialty hospitals, operated and maintained by the Shriners. All children, up to 18 years old, may be eligible for treatment at Shriners Hospitals for Children if they, in the opinion of the hospital's chief of staff, could benefit from the specialized care available at Shriners Hospitals for Children. Eligibility is not based on financial need or relationship to a Shriner.

What is Masonry and what is the connection to the Shrine?

In order to become a Shriner, a man must first be a Mason. The fraternity of Freemasonry is the oldest, largest and most widely known fraternity in the world. It dates back hundreds of years to the time when stonemasons and other craftsmen gathered in shelter houses or lodges. Over the years, formal Masonic lodges emerged, with members bound together not by trade, but by their own desire to be fraternal brothers.

The basic unit of Masonry is the Blue Lodge, where members earn the first three Masonic Degrees known as the Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason. There is no higher degree than that of Master Mason (the Third Degree).

After he becomes a Master Mason, he can belong to many other organizations which have their roots in Masonry and which have Blue Lodge Masonry as a prerequisite. Only when a man has achieved the status of Master Mason can he petition to become a Noble of Shriners International.

Other affiliated Masonic organizations include the Ancient and Accepted Rite of Freemasonry ([Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.](#), [Northern Jurisdiction, U.S.A](#) and [Canada](#)) and the [York Rite](#).

What is the relationship between Shriners and Shriners Hospitals?

In a unique interdependent relationship, the Shriners and Shriners Hospitals for Children are separate but inseparable.

Shriners International supports the hospital system in many ways: Shrine Temples and clubs often help arrange and pay for transportation for children and parents to the hospitals, and thousands of Shriners spend many hours of their own time driving families to the hospitals and entertaining the patients.

In addition, Shriners helps support the hospitals financially, with each Shriner paying an annual \$5 hospital assessment. Temples and clubs also hold many fundraisers, some of which benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children.

What are the benefits of becoming a Shriner?

- Membership in a well-known fraternal organization recognized for its social and philanthropic activities.
- Opportunity to develop lasting friendships with others from all walks of life
- A variety of social activities available for the entire family and many special-interest groups to meet individual interests
- The privilege of being part of the "Worlds Greatest Philanthropy," offering Shriners many opportunities to find personal fulfillment and satisfaction through supporting Shriners Hospitals for Children.

How can I become a Shriner?

Visit the link below for an application

<http://www.rameses-shriners.ca/Forms/RAMESSES%20MEMBERSHIP%20APP2.pdf>

JOIN US IN OUR CAUSE
FOR THE GOOD OF CHILDREN





Algoma Chapter No. 139
O.E.S.



"In The Spirit of Friendship"
CHRISTMAS TEA



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Be
our
guest for
a Christmas
Tea. Enjoy
delicious holiday
refreshments with your
family and friends. Share
your favourite holiday traditions
or gift ideas. In the Spirit of Friendship.
Bringing Joy
to
CHRISTMAS

"In the Spirit of Friendship Christmas Tea"

Saturday afternoon November 21, 2009 from 1:30 - 3:30pm

At the Parkside Older Adult Centre - 140 Durham Street, Sudbury (YMCA)

Tickets are \$4.00 per person and include your beverage, sandwiches, and dessert

Visit our opportunity tables: crafts, bake table, toonie table, door prize



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BAN ON HAND-HELD DEVICES WHILE DRIVING TAKES EFFECT IN OCTOBER

Distracted drivers are a safety risk to themselves and others. Studies show that a driver using a cell phone is four times more likely to be in a crash than a driver focused on the road. Other studies show that dialing and texting carries the highest degree of risk of all cell phone related activities.

The Countering Distracted Driving and Promoting Green Transportation Act, 2009 prohibiting the use of hand-held devices while driving, will take effect on October 26, 2009.

For the first three months, up until February 1st, 2010, the focus will be on educating drivers. During this educational period, officers will use their discretion as to whether a charge is warranted which would be by way of a summons.

The new law will make it illegal for drivers to use:

- hand-held wireless communications devices such as cell phones, smartphones (“BlackBerries”)
- hand-held electronic entertainment devices, such as iPods, MP3 players or portable games
- texting and e-mailing
- viewing display screens on devices not required for driving, such as a laptop or DVD players.

What is allowed while driving:

- hands-free wireless communications devices with an earpiece or Bluetooth device
- global positioning system (GPS) device mounted on the dashboard,
- portable audio player that has been plugged into the vehicle’s sound system.
- Pressing the button of a hand-held wireless device to activate hands-free mode for incoming or outbound calls
- commercially used logistical transportation tracking systems
- viewing display screen used for collision avoidance systems
- viewing display screen used for an instrument, gauge or system that provides information regarding the status of systems in the motor vehicle

Emergency services personnel such as police, fire and ambulance will be permitted to use hand-held wireless communications devices in the normal performance of their duties.

Drivers may place 9-1-1 calls in an emergency situation, but if possible, drivers should pull off the road before making the call.

The legislation doesn’t ban the use of these electronic devices in vehicles but rather prohibits their use in a way that may cause driver distraction while driving. Drivers will be permitted to utilize their cell phones without a hands-free system if:

- the vehicle is off the roadway or is lawfully parked
- the vehicle must not be in motion
- the vehicle is not impeding traffic

Therefore, drivers cannot use their cell phone, in a hands-free manner, if stopped in traffic or at a red traffic light.

The fines that will be applied to a driver who will be issued an offence notice as of February 1st, 2010 has yet to be set by the Ministry of Transportation. However, the legislation allows for fines up to \$500. In addition to this legislation, drivers who place others at risk as a result of using a hands-free device can be charged with Careless Driving and face fines of up to \$1,000, six demerit points, a driver’s licence suspension and possible jail time. If convicted of Dangerous Driving, drivers could face a penalty of up to \$2000 and five years in jail.

Drivers who use cell phones are four times more likely to be in a crash than drivers who are focused on the road. By driving wisely, we can improve the safety of all Ontario roadway users. Officers would like to remind drivers, who don’t have a hands-free device, to use your cell phone only when parked, have a passenger make or answer the call or let the caller go to voice mail.

For more information on this legislation go to [Ban On Hand-Held Devices Starts In October](#).