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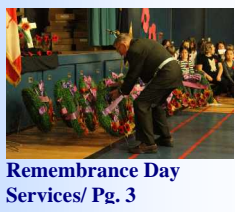
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From the District Deputy



November was a busy month in this district, starting with our District Meeting on the 4th. This meeting was well attended, and opened and closed with the customary prayers from the District Chaplain. After the chairmen of the various committees gave their reports, the District Project of the MASONiChip program was discussed, and each lodge urged to give their support, not only monetarily, but by sponsoring a clinic in a new area of the city.

The auditors presented a favourable report of the previous District Deputy's expenses, and the current District Deputy's budget was approved.

With November being the month of Remembrance Day, masons in the district were seen wearing their regalia at several ceremonies within the city on November 11th. At the ceremonies at the Copper Cliff Public School, fifteen masons were in attendance. The annual District Veteran's Appreciation Night on November 7th, sponsored by Algonquin Lodge, had a large attendance where the veterans, and current military, were honoured with great respect and dignity.

My Official Visit to Gore Bay lodge on November 14th was an exciting evening that I had looked forward to since my investiture. Having been raised in Gore Bay, many of the brethren were my friends before any of us were brothers. Of special note, in attendance were W. Bro. Ted Brown, W. Bro. Norm Hore, and V.W. Bro. Bruce Gordon, of Gore Bay Lodge, Algonquin Lodge and Doric Lodge respectively, who were Worshipful Masters of their lodges the same year that I was Worshipful Master of Friendship Lodge, 1977.

The month of December will be busy with two more Official Visits – National Lodge on the December 3rd and Espanola Lodge on the 4th. I particularly am anticipating my visit to Espanola lodge where my son is the Worshipful Master.

As the Christmas season approaches and our minds go to the reason we celebrate, we must reflect on the eight brethren from this district who have passed to the Grand Lodge Above, and the loneliness that their families will feel at this time of year. Let us lift up their families in prayer, and offer them a hand where we can.

During the busy month of December, may the Great Architect open our eyes to areas where we can be of assistance to the less fortunate, and may He keep us and our families safe.

I, and my wife Sheila, wish the masons of this district, and their families, a joyous Christmas and a New Year rich in God's blessings.

May the Great Architect continue to watch over our Craft.

Fraternally,

R. W. Bro. Clair Bracken, D.D.G.M.

Passed To The Grand Lodge Above



Bro. James McGinn II
Nickel Lodge No. 427

W. Bro. Allan Uildersma
Sudbury Lodge No. 658

**WE CHERISH THEIR
MEMORY IN OUR
HEARTS**

Sick and Visiting

Bro. Bill Groom
Nickel Lodge No. 427

Bro. George Bettencourt
Algonquin Lodge No. 536

Bro. Wes McNeice Jr.
Algonquin Lodge No. 536

Bro. Norm St. Amour
Algonquin Lodge No. 536

V.W. Bro. Allan Farquharson
National Lodge No. 588

Bro. Robert Dixon
Sudbury Lodge No. 658

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



VETERAN'S APPRECIATION NIGHT



Algonquin Lodge No. 536 hosted the Annual Veteran's Appreciation evening on Thursday, November 7th 2013. W. Bro. V.A. (Casey) Stranges welcomed the Veterans, Masons and guests in attendance. The evening began with dinner in the banquet room followed by a ceremony commencing with a Colour Party carrying the Canadian, United States, and Ontario flags.





WE WILL REMEMBER THEM



Petty Officer Kassandra Kennedy, Bro. Nick Kennedy's daughter who was one of the buglers during the ceremony. The other bugler shown is Petty Officer Sonia Lagrandeur.



Masons from Nickel Lodge No 427, Algonquin Lodge No. 536 and Friendship Lodge No. 691 attended Remembrance Day services at the Copper Cliff Public School



Sudbury Shrine Club members attend the Remembrance Day ceremony at the Sudbury Arena



Remembrance Day ceremony at the Sudbury Arena



R.W. Bro. Clair Bracken carries the District wreath to the cenotaph



Bro. Jim Lowney places a wreath during ceremony in Copper Cliff



GORE BAY LODGE OFFICIAL VISIT



R.W. Bro. L. Clair Bracken conducted his Official Visit to Gore Bay Lodge No. 472 on November 14th 2013. Forty-six Masons attended the meeting to witness Mr. Dennis McCann's initiation into our gentle Craft. In the photo above (Front row L-R) R.W. Bro. Peter Gordon, W.M. Gore Bay Lodge – Bro. Dennis McCann – R.W. Bro. L. Clair Bracken, D.D.G.M. (Back row L-R) V.W. Bro. Brian Martin, W.M. Doric Lodge No. 255 – W. Bro. Rejean Daigle, W.M. Sudbury Lodge No. 658, W. Bro. John Robbie, W.M. Friendship Lodge No. 691 – W. Bro. Bradley Bracken, W.M. Espanola Lodge No. 527 and the son of R.W. Bro. Clair Bracken

D.D.G.M. NEXT OFFICIAL VISIT

TUESDAY NIGHT, December 3rd 2013
NATIONAL LODGE NO. 588

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 4TH 2013
ESPANOLA LODGE NO. 527



CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES

Nickel Lodge No. 427

Congratulations to Bro. Glenn Mersereau for being Passed to the Fellowcraft degree on Wednesday, November 6th 2013

Espanola Lodge No. 527

Congratulations to Bro. Rick Bourget for being Initiated into Freemasonry on Wednesday, November 6th 2013

Gore Bay Lodge No. 472

Congratulations to Bro. Dennis McCann for being Initiated into Freemasonry on November 14th 2013 during the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master.

Algonquin Lodge No. 536

Congratulations to Bro. Robert (Bob) Conlin on being Initiated into Freemasonry on Tuesday, November 19th 2013 during the annual Past Master's night under the direction of R.W. Bro. Allan Burns. R.W. Bro. L. Clair Bracken welcomed our newest Mason into the craft and presented him with a Grand Lodge pin.



(L-R) W. Bro. Casey Stranges – R.W. Bro. Brian Koivu, sponsor – Bro. Bob Conlin – R.W. Bro. Allan Burns, sponsor

Bob grew up on Manitoulin Island spending most of his childhood in the Gore Bay area. An avid hunter he returns to Manitoulin every year for the deer hunt.

Sudbury Lodge No. 658

Congratulations to Bro. Alain Aube on being Passed to the Fellowcraft degree on Monday, November 18th 2013.



(Front L-R) V.W. Bro. J. Ross Dixon – Bro Alain Aube – W. Bro. Rejean Daigle – W. Bro. Barry Tooley (Back L-R) Bro. John McCowan – W. Bro. Rod Junkila – Bro. Adam Toews – Bro. Stan Waltenbury – Bro. David Spencer – W. Bro. Jeff Cartman – W. Bro. Alan Lloyd

Algonquin Lodge Past Masters and Candidate



(Front Row L-R) V.W. Bro. John E. Gamble – W. Bro. Mel Hodgins – W. Bro. Casey Stranges – Bro. Bob Conlin – R.W. Bro. Allan Burns – R.W. Bro. L. Clair Bracken D.D.G.M. (Middle Row) R.W. Bro. Robert T. Runciman – R.W. Bro. J. David Bell – W. Bro. Tom Newburn – R.W. Bro. Paul Ashley – W. Bro. Don McKibbin – W. Bro. Ed Patton (Back Row) W. Bro. Dick McIvor – V.W. Bro. Wayne Quinn – W. Bro. Jeff Fuller – W. Bro. Darren Foy – W. Bro. Harvey Wickenden



YORK RITE NEWS

ELAM COUNCIL NO. 5 – ORDER OF THE HIGH PRIESTHOOD



At the Convention held on Sat. Oct. 19/13 the Following candidates were Anointed, Consecrated and Set Apart: Ex. Comp. Robert Boudreau, Ex. Comp. K. Edward Bradley, Ex. Comp. Richard Pihlaja

Excalibur York Rite College No. 101 held a Luncheon to honour Bro. Robert Bryson with a Gold Honour Award for Meritorious work in the York Rite. The presentation was made by our Grand Governor, R. Em. Dist. Bro. Kenneth B. Mielkie.



(L-R) R. Em. Bro. Kenneth B. Mielkie – Bro. Robert Bryson- Pre. Em. Com. Kt. Reijo A. Luoma, Governor Excalibur College

EXCALIBUR YORK RITE COLLEGE No. 101



Official Visit of the Grand Governor of Ontario R. Em. Dist. Bro. Kenneth B. Mielkie. New Comp. Kt. Was Gary Michael Sargant.



CRYPTIC RITE

Official Visit of the G.I.G. – R, Ill. Comp. Richard McCutcheon. The Royal Master Degree was conferred on Bro. K. Edward Bradley.





DECEMBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1.	2.	3. NATIONAL LODGE  D.D.G.M Official Visit	4. ESPANOLA LODGE  D.D.G.M Official Visit NICKEL LODGE 2 nd Degree	5.  SHRINE CLUB Regular Meeting Elections	6.	7. Espanola R.A.M. Installation Hillbilly Christmas Party at the Shrine Club
8.	9. SUDBURY LODGE Memorial Service	10. Java Guild Christmas Lunch DORIC LODGE 1 st Degree	11. FRIENDSHIP LODGE Step-up Night 1 st Degree	12. GORE BAY LODGE Masonic Ed. Algoma Chapter O.E.S.	13. BETHEL LODGE Elections Penny Farthing Christmas Party at the Shrine Club	14. SUDBURY LODGE Ladies Night
15.	16.	17. ALGONQUIN LODGE No December meeting	18.	19. Tuscan Chapter  Elections Spanish River Chapter O.E.S.	20.	21.  First Day of Winter
22.	23.	24.	25. Merry Christmas 	26. Boxing Day	27.	28.
29.	30.	31.  New Years Eve				



Brethren:

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Brethren and Lodges who supported the D D G M 's Project last year. Your contribution for the cause of good goes a long way to Help to Feed the Hungry.

The Presentation was made last week and I forward to you the picture and article prepared by the Sudbury Food Bank and forwarded to the two local newspapers...

\$8,000.00 was raised and it was divided up as follows...

- Sudbury Food Bank \$ 6,000.00
- Espanola Food Bank \$ 1,000.00
- Manitoulin Food Bank \$ 1,000.00

Please see the following article...

I would be remiss if I did not thank W. Bro. Roger Kitching for untiring efforts in this endeavour.

Thank YOU Brethren!

Sincerely and fraternally

R.W. Bro. Keith I. Jordan



Sudbury Manitoulin Mason's Help Feed the Hungry

The Sudbury Manitoulin District Mason's Representative Keith Jordan; Past District Grand Master, on behalf of the Mason's presented BDSFB's Dan Xilon a donation for \$8,000.00 raised over the past year through their feed the hungry initiative. A portion of the donation was earmarked to assist the Manitoulin and Espanola Food Banks also. Dan Xilon on behalf of the BDSFB Board thanked all Mason Members for their support in our efforts to feed the hungry in the north.



Since 1921, the Sudbury Shrine Club has played an important role ensuring that a child suffering from severe burns or orthopaedic disabilities receive the opportunity for world-class treatment in their hometown or at the Shriners Hospitals for Children.


Over the past 10 years, Shriners have given Health Sciences North Children's Treatment Centre over \$360,000 to support Botox® treatment for children with Cerebral Palsy. Botox relaxes the muscles in a child's spine permitting much needed physiotherapy treatment. Shriners also fund a quarterly outreach clinic at the Sudbury Children's Treatment Centre that brings an Orthopaedic Specialist and Nurse from the Montreal hospital to assess children in our district. Currently, the Sudbury Shrine Club is sponsoring several children who must travel to the Montreal Shriners Orthopaedic Hospital for their treatment. The Shriners pay all the expenses for the child and one adult escort to make this trip along with any expenses resulting from treatment.

The Sudbury Shrine Club's most important fundraising event takes place annually with the sale of our Shrine Christmas Cakes and Cookies in the local stores. Many Masons and their wives have worked with the Shriners and Shrine Ladies to help sell our delicious cakes and cookies in locations throughout the Sudbury-Manitoulin district.

Can you spare a few hours of your time to help?

Shriners and their Ladies, Masons and their wives, friends of Shriners who would like to help us sell our cakes are invited to contact the following sales captains.

 **New Sudbury Shopping Centre:** Noble Merv Lees 705-566-3669

 **Real Canadian Superstore:** Noble Harley Allman 705-524-2145
Noble Gary Cayen 705-566-8302

 **Southridge Mall:** Noble Chuck Searle 705-522-9639

 **South End Walmart:** Noble John McCowan
705-585-1461

 **Espanola Mall:** Noble Jim Ramsey 705-869-3416

 **Little Current:** Noble Bruce Gordon 705-368-2167

 **Mindemoya:** Noble Peter Thureson 705-377-4897

 **Gore Bay:** Noble Willis Campbell 705-282-2046



Shriners International

Shriners International is a fraternity based on fun, fellowship and the Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief and truth. There are approximately 340,000 members from 199 temples (chapters) in the North America, Europe, the Philippines, and Australia.

Shriners International supports Shriners Hospitals for Children®, a health care system of 22 hospitals dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing paediatric specialty care, innovative research, and outstanding teaching programs for medical professionals. Children up to age 18 with orthopaedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate are eligible for care and receive all services in a family-centered environment, regardless of the patients' ability to pay.




Sudbury Shrine Club News

Friendship Lodge No. 691 Acknowledgement

Sudbury Shrine Club President, Noble Stan Fenton and several Shriners were on hand to present Friendship Lodge with a Million Dollar Club Certificate for their generous gift to our Shriners Canadian Hospital. The proceeds of the annual Harold Waller memorial golf tournament was donated to the hospital.



W. Bro. John Robbie accepts the certificate on behalf of the brethren of the lodge.

Shriners Lottery 2014

We still have the 2014 Shriners Lottery tickets available. If you would like to purchase a ticket contact Wah Chung 705-674-6169 who will be happy to deliver one to you. Shriners proudly supports the World's Greatest Philanthropy and 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children. Shriners hospitals provide the highest quality medical care to children regardless of the patient's or family's ability to pay. The Sudbury Shrine Club has sponsored over 500 children from the Sudbury area to the Montreal Shriners Hospital for treatment of Paediatric and Orthopaedic problems and rehabilitation. This year, we have over 70 children on our service list.

The Shriners Hospitals for Children are really remarkable hospitals. Our Montreal Hospital does a miraculous job in treating children from all over the world. Our health care professionals are totally devoted to their work in helping their patients improve and get the most out of their lives. However, these health care professionals cannot perform their magic without your generous financial help.

With only 3700 SHRINERS LOTTERY tickets sold, your odds of winning are great. In addition to your chance of winning

a brand-new Cadillac or \$40,000, you have 573 chances during the year to win draws for 11 prizes of one-\$1,000, one-\$500, four-\$250, and five-\$100 additional prizes. The cost is \$104 per ticket. Cheques should be made payable to Shriners Lottery 2014. *Proceeds from this lottery will go to the Shriners Hospitals for Children, Patient's Transportation Fund.* Tickets are available from Wah Chung 705-674-6159, the Sudbury Shrine Club Office 705-524-0335. The last day for purchasing tickets will be December 15th 2013.

Masons and Shriners are our fraternal family, Faith, Hope and Charity are our principles. Charity especially denominates a Mason's heart. Your compassion and generous support, past and present, for Shriners Hospitals gives hope to thousands of children to live full and enjoyable lives in the future.

Please purchase the Shriners Lottery 2014 tickets now before they are gone. Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and healthy and Happy New Year.

Noble Wah Chung



“Experience the Northern Dream in 2014”

SUDBURY SHRINE CLUB



Annual Installation Ceremony

Friday, January 17, 2014

Installation of

Noble Allan (Al) Burns

AS PRESIDENT

AND

THE 2014 EXECUTIVE

RADISSON HOTEL PALLADIUM ROOM

85 St. Anne Road, Sudbury Ontario

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FEATURING THE KOIVU COMBO

COCKTAILS 6:00PM

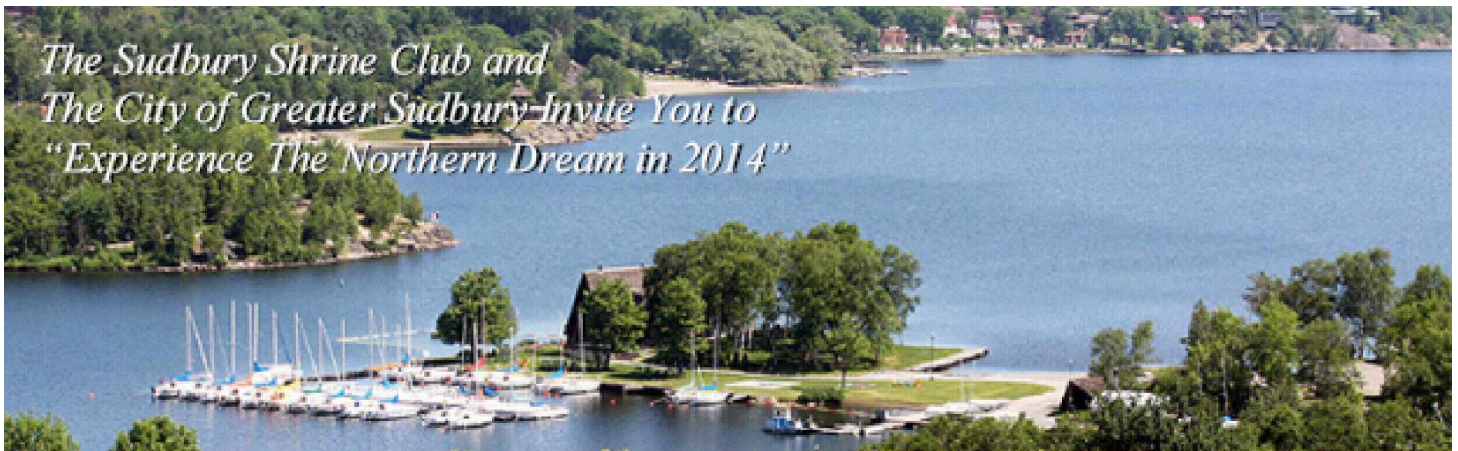
DINNER 7:00PM

TICKETS \$55.00 EACH ON SALE AT THE SHRINE CLUB





*The Sudbury Shrine Club and
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"Experience The Northern Dream in 2014"*



2014 RAMESES SPRING CEREMONIAL June 12th – 15th 2014

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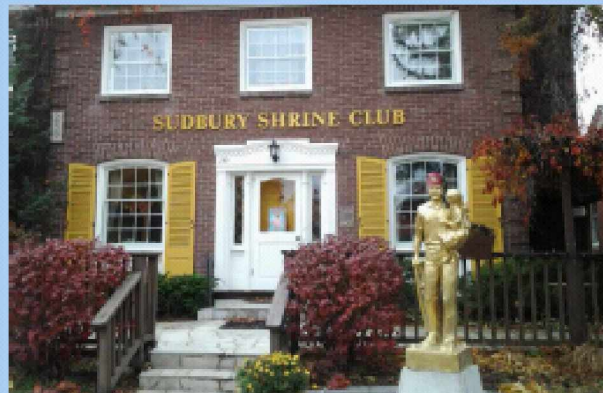
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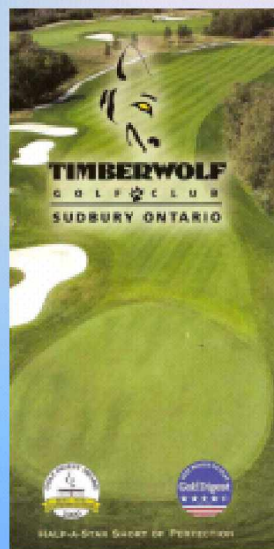
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Nov. 28, 29, 30 and Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday
in December Including New Year's Eve.

Call 705-675-NOSE

8 p.m to 3 a.m.

Please Don't Drink and Drive.

We'll get you and your vehicle home FREE.
Donations gratefully accepted!







What Is Operation Red Nose?

Operation Red Nose is a national program dedicated to the fight against drinking and driving. It is a free, confidential, volunteer-driver service offered to any individual who has been drinking or who simply does not feel fit to drive his/her vehicle home

A Short History of Operation Red Nose

This "if you drink don't drive" campaign originated in Quebec City. Dr. Jean-Marie De Koninck, faculty member and swim coach at Laval University, offered the first rides in 1984. He started that year with the help of his swim team, the Quebec City Police Service and CHRC Radio Station. The first campaign gave 463 rides and involved 200 volunteers. Operation Red Nose has spread across the country since then. In 1998, 52,000 volunteers drove 101,668 motorists and their passengers safely home.

The Operation Red Nose program is a combination of raising public awareness against drinking and driving and providing financial support to local community organizations. In 1999, Sudbury became the 99th community in Canada to host Operation Red Nose.

How Operation Red Nose Works

You've gone to a house party or your office Christmas party or just out to the bar for a drink and it's time to go home, but you do not feel comfortable driving.

Call our Headquarters and a team of 3 will come and drive you home safely in your own car. Two people will get in your car with you and the 3rd person will follow behind.

Your car will be parked in your driveway and you will be escorted to your door. We'll even drive your babysitter home (as long as one parent comes with us).

This is a FREE* confidential service provided by hundreds of volunteers whose main concern is the safety of our roads. *Those receiving rides may make a voluntary donation to Operation Red Nose.

Prevention

Make readily available a free, volunteer driver service to those who have been drinking or who do not feel fit to drive their own vehicle.

Information

Use the opportunity provided by the Operation Red Nose campaign to inform the public of relevant information and statistics related to impaired driving.

Education

Make the public more conscious of its responsibilities toward motorists who drive while impaired.

Awareness

Make the public aware of the dangers and consequences of impaired driving.

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