



Grand Lodge Bulletin

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PROCLAMATION

Know all Masons that I do hereby declare the month of November, 1972, to be Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund Month in the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. and A.M.

F. GLENN FOX,
Grand Master

BURSARIES – WHAT HAPPENS

R.W. Bro. W. E. Robinson (51) Chairman, Higher Education Bursary Fund Committee

Have you ever wondered what happens to the University students who are awarded our Masonic bursaries? If you haven't, you are rather unique, because this is the question most frequently asked by brother masons in Alberta when they talk with members of the Higher Education Bursary Committee.

Some information does come in casually from interviews, interrogations of prospective candidates and from friends of previous bursary recipients, as well as letters from the recipients themselves. May I quote from a letter of May 21, 1971, in which a young man gives his reactions:

"I was the recipient of a Masonic Higher Education Bursary and I am pleased to take this opportunity to advise you that I will receive a Bachelor of Education degree at the University of Alberta's convocation in June.

In retrospect, the four years I have spent at University have been rewarding, stimulating ones.

I would further like to take this opportunity to express my profound gratitude for the tremendous contribution which the bursary has made to my post-secondary education, not only in terms of financial support, but as an incentive to academic excellence as well. The selection committee's expression of confidence through the awarding of the Bursary will never be forgotten.

Would you kindly convey these sentiments to the members of the committee. Thank you."

Just another quote from a letter written on May 11, 1972, by a young lady:

"This year I will graduate from the Faculty of Medicine. I wish to thank you, the members of the Masons, for having helped to make it possible.

It was your bursary in my first year of university and the knowledge of your continuing support, should I have required it in my second year, that often sustained me at the times when it became difficult or appeared fruitless to continue. Thank you — all."

While we must recognize that these expressions of gratitude and the records we have been able to assemble about the results of our bursary funds are not too conclusive, nevertheless they do indicate to us how young people appreciate our efforts on their behalf. Another indication is that more applications for second and third year bursaries are being received.

Because of the lack of employment for high school students your committee has been of the opinion that the main priority should be first year awards. Consequently, continuing bursary applications have been more carefully selected to ensure that only those who are in real need will be helped.

Your committee would welcome help from secretaries of Lodges who have knowledge of matriculating students in their area who may need financial assistance.

"Give us the tools and we will finish the job."

HUMOUR AND OUR LODGE

A Paper for Discussion

The visit of a mason to his Lodge is, or should be, an important part of his masonic life. During this time he can dip into the refreshing philosophy which teaches morality and brotherly love.

We can see the brotherly love clearly expressed at the smiles of greeting, the outstretched hand, and the happy words exchanged. Each one of you knows that the first hint of humour in our lodge stems from the smile of greeting. We are happy people at heart and like to smile and laugh. We enjoy being at Lodge and we enjoy our fraternal friendships.

In the lodge when it is tyled we rarely have a time when long faces are in order. The situations which can arise, the comments our brethren make, and the events recounted may all be amusing and can create anything from a slight smile to ear-splitting laughter and these should be part of our lodge life for they are certainly part of our ordinary life.

There is of course no place in our ceremonies of initiation for misplaced humour. The solemnity with which the basic philosophy and the tenets for a masonic life are given to the candidate should be a time for revitalizing each one present. To treat this with humour would suggest that our philosophy is taken lightly, or almost as bad, the candidate may feel he is the reason for laughter. To impress the candidate with our firm belief in the masonic way of life as expressed in ritual is our major task and humour may detract from our ability to express this.

It is a tragedy for anyone in the name of humour to attempt to frighten a candidate prior to his entrance to lodge when the importance of his listening to every word and endeavouring to understand the allegory and truths we are attempting to give is of critical importance to the foundation he is laying.

When our lodge is closed and we retire to the lower hall for refreshment and a social hour we have to remember the role of the Junior Warden in "seeing that there is no perversion of refreshment to . . . excess". We should interpret this excess as applying to all things, even to types of humour. There are many jokes and stories which can have the brethren "rolling in the aisles" but many organizations allow it to degenerate to crudeness. Our attempts to maintain and improve morality in all we do, should limit us to the minimum of risqué stories and many brethren feel nothing would be lost to have none.

Our modern standards have deteriorated sadly but fortunately most masons feel that because someone else is falling down we do not all have to fall down. Masons will remain standing, maintaining good sound humour with true wit to please our minds, shake us with laughter, uplift us and make us able to face the problems of everyday life with an inner strength tempered with humour.

Let us as Masons make our Lodges places of joy, without excesses and where no Mason may ever wish he had not visited.

By the way have you heard about the wife who raged to her husband, "You're lazy, you're worthless,

you're bad tempered, you're shiftless and you're a liar." His gentle reply was, "Well dear, nobody is perfect."

Those who complain about the way the ball bounces are often the ones who dropped it.

— The Scottish Knight

OUT OF THE PAST

From Grand Lodge Bulletin Vol. 3, No. 4, December, 1937.

OLD MASONIC BENEDICTION

May no strife disturb thy days, nor sorrow disturb thy nights, and the pillow of peace kiss thy cheek, and the pleasures of imagination attend thy dreams; and when length of years hath made thee tired of earthly joys, and the curtains of death gently close round the scene of thy existence, may the angels of God attend thy bed and take care that the expiring lamp of life shall not receive one rude blast to hasten its extinction; and, finally, may the blessing of God wash thee free from all impurities and prepare thee to enter into the land of everlasting felicity.

— "The Cable Tow", Philippine Islands

THE MASON'S APRON

Excerpt from paper given by the late Bro. E. C. Henderson, of Zetland No. 83 during 1972.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Bro. Ernest C. Henderson, Zetland No. 83, passed to the Grand Lodge above on May 27, 1972. He was one of the young men from whom Masonry could expect much. Several months before he died, Bro. Henderson delivered an excellent paper to Zetland Lodge and we present here an excerpt from it.

Probably the earliest moment at which a candidate for freemasonry recognizes that he is really and truly a brother of the craft is when the S.W. approaches him and in the name of G.A.O.T.U. and by command of the W.M. invests him with the distinguished badge of a freemason. Whatever other information as to the fraternity he may have gleaned from the outer world, he has certainly learned that freemasons clothe themselves with aprons, and now when one of these articles of attire is girt about his waist he must realize that he is really within the brotherhood. The charge that follows the investiture — whether it be the simple dignified little address that sounds like a passage from the holy writ, or the more elaborate appeal which draws its color from the honors of masonry, it cannot fail to impress him with the fact that the fraternity looks upon the apron as a badge neither to be lightly conferred nor to be worn with indifference. As the apron is common to all the degrees so it may be said with perfect truth that it is the most comprehensive symbol in our craft as well as the clearest evidence of our long history. In a very natural way the apron links us to those operative masons with whom we claim the closest kinship, and to whom we look as our immediate ancestors, when the apron is also invested with the attributes of innocence and purity it connects us all in a community of thought and aspiration with the followers of every religion and the expounders of every moral system that has sought to elevate mankind.

THE GRAND MASTER'S COLUMN

My Brethren, I call upon all of you to devote your attention, during the month of November, especially to the needs of our Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund. No Masonic enterprise makes a more important contribution to this province, or better reflects our desire to contribute to the well being of its people, than our bursary program.

Only a few weeks ago your Higher Education Bursary committee awarded Bursaries to 36 young men and women, who are now enrolled in our Universities, Colleges and Technical Institutes. They come from all parts of our jurisdiction, and are engaged in a wide variety of academic pursuits. All of them are aware, as are their parents and friends, that they are being assisted by the Masons of this province, who ask of them only that they make the most they can of their opportunity.

Early in our ceremonies we tell our newly entered Brethren that a Mason is expected to be as generous as his circumstances will permit to those in need. A little further along the Masonic road we remind him again of that duty, and we urge him to regard all his fellow beings as recipients of his benevolence when necessary. We want him to look outward upon the world as well as inward upon the Craft.

When this fund was established the Craft set itself a modest objective, a sum amounting to one dollar per member per year. We have not yet achieved that objective. The fund is now depleted, and must be built up again to meet the inevitable need of the next year.

I urge every Mason in this jurisdiction to give as generously as he can to the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund. By so doing he will assist some deserving young person, and he will help to enhance the reputation of our Craft in the community.

F. Glenn Fox,
Grand Master



St. Andrews Lodge No. 66 of Trochu presented to one of their Charter members his seventy year jewel. The presentation shown above was made by the Senior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. George Sterling.

Bro. Daniel Williams was initiated in Alathe Lodge No. 19 at Alathe, Kansas, May 15, 1902. Passed June 26, 1902 and raised August 7, 1902 and has been a loyal member ever since.

**MASONIC HIGHER EDUCATION
BURSARY AWARDS 1972****UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA, Edmonton****Undergraduates**

CHEUNG, Susan Wing Har—Edmonton—Sec. Ed. (2)

KWAN, Jackson—Edmonton—Eng. (2)

MANZER, Elaine Donna—Peace River—Ed. (2)

MAUNDER, John Darol—Kingman—Sc. (2)

Matriculants

AUDY, Michel Francois—Nampa—Comm.

DONELON, James Frederick—Edmonton—Hon. Geol.

GANSER, Vivian Mary—Provost—Ed.

HIHN, Reginald Francis—Heisler—Phar.

MACIBORSKI, David Walter—Edmonton—Sc.

PETERS, Patricia Marie—Mayerthorpe—Ed.

SMITH, Ricks Sloan—Raymond—Sc.

THOMSON, Lyn Fraser—Edmonton—H. Econ.

WEDRO, Benjamin Charles—Edmonton—Sc.

WEMP, Deborah Joan—Viking—Phar.

WHITSON, Sheila Margaret—Mayerthorpe—Ed.

ZWIERZCHOWSKI, Mary Teresa—Calgary—Med. Lab. Sc.

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY**Undergraduates**

HANSEN, Martin—Calgary—Physics (2)

PENNOCK, Virginia Lee—Elnora—Ed. (3)

QUON, Winnie Chui-Lin—Calgary—Arts & Sc. (2)

Matriculants

DUNLOP, Elizabeth Anne—Calgary—H. Econ.

GRIEBEL, Elizabeth Ann—Castor—Arts & Sc.

HANSON, Kathy Lynne—New Bridgen—Ed.

KIMURA, Vincent Masaji—Raymond—Bus.

LINES, Donald Eugene—Calgary—Arts & Sc.

POLLOCK, Mary Julianne—Calgary—Ag.

RACZ, Elizabeth Margaret—Calgary—Arts & Sc.

ZIEGLER, James Theodore—Calgary—Arts & Sc.

UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE**Matriculant**

SCHANDOR, Patricia Anne—Lethbridge—Phys. Ed.

MEDICINE HAT COLLEGE**Matriculant**

OLIPHANT, David George—Medicine Hat—Eng.

CAMROSE LUTHERAN COLLEGE**Undergraduate**

VAN DYKE, Murray Hendrik—Camrose—Ed. (2)

Matriculant

HEFFEL, Morris Stewart—Calgary—Ag.

MOUNT ROYAL COLLEGE, Calgary**Matriculant**

FONTAINE, Joan Angela—Yellowknife, N.W.T.—Soc. Work

**NORTHERN ALBERTA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY,
Edmonton****Matriculant**

AMES, Doreen May—Bashaw—Lab Sc.

KOSSOWAN, Shelley Laurine—Evansburg—Comp. Tech.

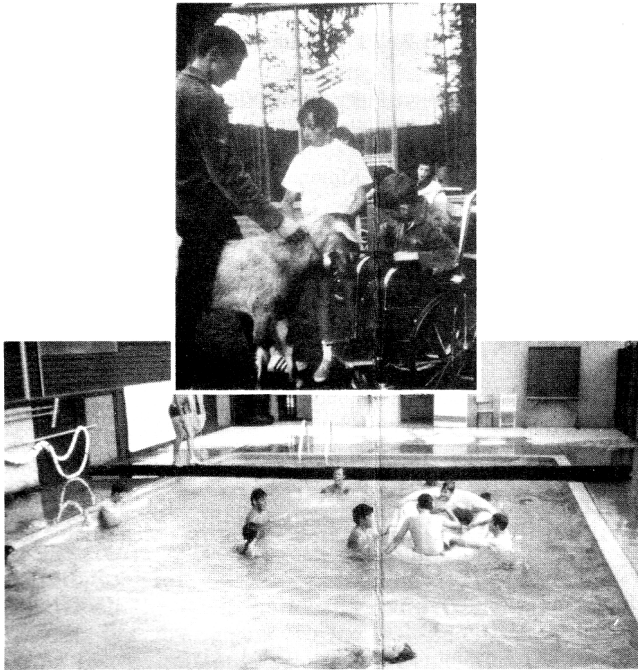
COLLEGE UNIVERSITAIRE SAINT JEAN, Edmonton**Matriculant**

ROUX, Charmaine Antonia Cecilia—Edmonton—Ed.

FOOTHILLS HOSPITAL, Calgary**Undergraduate**

WHYTE, Frances Vivian—Calgary—Nursing

A MASONIC PROJECT



About fifty miles west of Edmonton there is a Camp operated by the Associated Canadian Travellers for handicapped children and adults of all denominations, color and creed. The financing of this Camp is by donations of interested organizations in Northern Alberta and each year have had tremendous response to their cause. For a ten day stay at the Camp the cost per person is \$100.00 but if their parents are unable to fulfill this obligation, the child is not turned away, the remaining portion will be sponsored by some organization.

We have had the pleasure of assisting in sponsoring three handicapped children from one family in 1971 and this year sponsored a handicapped youngster from August 14th to 25th. The camp has the best of equipment, together with an excellent group of young counsellors. The accommodations are the best to make everyone's stay most enjoyable with one exception, no provision has been made for a Chapel and when we inquired regarding this building, their immediate response was it would make the Camp perfect.

We thereupon elected Wor. Bro. T. Hunter as chairman of this project to determine if it would be possible to build a Chapel of a size compatible to their requirements. His report was that with the assistance of all brethren a more worthy project could not be promoted. Within a short time plans were on the drawing boards.

The Chapel is to be thirty-two feet by fifty-two, solid cement floor with under floor heating, red brick wall and the roof to conform as close as possible to the rest of the Camp buildings. The building will seat one hundred people with areas on either side for twenty wheel chairs and attendants.

On Saturday, June 10th, 1972, the first sod was officially turned by Most Wor. Bro. Dr. E. J. Thompson attended by a number of brethren from Edmonton.

To date we have had donated, all the bricks for the structure, glass for windows, electrical fixtures and

material for the entire building. The response from individual donations has been outstanding.

Most Wor. Bro. Dr. E. J. Thompson who officially turned the first sod stated in the Grand Lodge Bulletin of January 1970 — "Masonry, with its concern for the brotherhood of man, can play an important role both in delineating the goal and in inspiring man to work for that goal. Nor are we alone as we set our hearts and minds and hands to these tasks. The Creator of the Universe works in us and with us to create and bring in a new day. Our Lodges must be places where high ideals and clear goals are set before us and where men are renewed in spirit and inspired again to strive for the highest goals. Never forget we are builders".

In keeping with the words of our closing charge — "that the general principle of charity and brotherly love, are to be extended further, for every human being has a claim upon your kind offices".

Donations may be forwarded to Mr. C. H. Schroder, Secretary Masters, Wardens and Deacons Association, 10836 - 135th Street, Edmonton.

QUATOR CORONATI LODGE No. 2076

Quator Coronati Lodge No. 2076 is a lodge for Masonic Research and is located at 27 Great Queen Street, London, England. Our Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Philip J. Kendal, 7646 - 119 Street, Edmonton, is the local secretary of Quator Coronati Lodge for Alberta. Applications for membership in this Lodge of research may be obtained from him.

ACACIA LODGE

Acacia Lodge No. 11, Edmonton, celebrated its 75th anniversary on April 22, 1972. The lodge was opened by the W.M., W. Bro. J. W. Styles at 4:00 p.m. with 75 members and 49 visitors from 21 Lodges in attendance. M.W. Bro. J. S. Woods, G.M., accompanied by R.W. Bro. G. J. Armstrong, S.G.W., were piped into the Lodge by members of the Pipes and Drums of Al Azhar. A short Memorial Service in memory of departed brethren was conducted by our Chaplain, Bro. Walter Polley and M.W. Bro. E. J. Thompson, P.G.M., followed by a Service of Thanksgiving and Rededication. W. Bro. Jim Lawrence read a short resume of the Lodge history and R.W. Bro. Dan MacAllister presented the Lodge with an album containing the photographs of almost all the Past Masters.

A 50-year jewel was presented to Bro. Ralph Simpson by M.W. Bro. Woods. Honorary Life Memberships in Acacia Lodge were conferred on M.W. Bro. Dr. S. H. Hardin, M.W. Bro. Dr. P. J. Kendal and M.W. Bro. Dr. E. J. Thompson.

The rolls of Life Members and Past Masters were read and those present were given a rousing round of applause.

The Grand Master, in his address, made reference to the part Acacia Lodge has played in the City of Edmonton over the past 75 years.

After the Lodge was closed a most enjoyable banquet was held in the lower hall. The guest speaker was our ever popular Lieutenant-Governor, The Honorable Dr. J. W. Grant MacEwan.