



# Grand Lodge Bulletin

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## SUPER VISITATION!

You've heard of the Super Bowl – now hear of a Super Visitation.

Masonic Visitation has been regarded as one of the greatest of all privileges in Freemasonry, and until recently I have always enjoyed this privilege to its fullest extent, even though of necessity it had to be more or less on a local basis only. With the exception of two visits in Manitoba, my visiting had been confined within the boundaries of Alberta and in particular Southern Alberta.

It was on a recent vacation in Ontario that I chose to attend a lodge in Toronto in the company of a new mason, a service man recently transferred from Alberta and this was to be his very first outside visit. By virtue of our belonging to the same lodge, I was commissioned by our Worshipful Master to present him with his Master Mason's certificate while in Toronto, if this could be arranged. Our planned visit seemed to be the ideal occasion for such a presentation.

After contacting several temples in Toronto and after much deliberation as to which lodge of many we might attend, we chose to take the subway and prove our way into a temple in the heart of Toronto. Many masons were gathered in the lower hall, as there were two lodges meeting that night, and after a hasty enquiry or so we made our decision to see a first degree put on by Palestine Lodge No. 559. An examining board was hastily assembled and we were asked the customary questions, and having provided them with adequate answers, we were ushered into the lodge and received Grand honors as visitors from Alberta.

There were other visitors in waiting and when the alarm was sounded to admit them approximately one hundred entered and were received with Grand honors and seated. To our surprise a second alarm was given and another group of approximately one hundred were ushered into the lodge and formally received. This great show of visitors represented a wide surrounding area including many cities in New York State and a large delegation from Cleveland, Ohio, as well as from the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Prior to the presentation of the degree, Most Worshipful Bro. W. Bailey, PGM Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, presented me to the packed hall, which by this time comprised about 350 in number. After a suitable response I was given permission to present the Master Mason's certificate to my companion, Bro. Robert R. Burns. I'm sure it will remain for him a pleasant memory for years to come.

The Entered Apprentice Degree team for the evening included three generations, consisting of R.W. Bro. Lou Copeland acting as Worshipful Master, and his father acting as Senior Deacon. The candidate, Bro. Vernon Copeland was escorted through the degree by his grandfather, while his father directed the proceedings from the Chair of King Solomon. The work was done flawlessly and expediently and in what seemed a very short time the degree was completed and we returned to the lower hall for a most entertaining and informative hour of refreshment.

The guest speaker presented a superb talk on Masonry, and the toasts that followed were tastefully done. The thrilling impressions left from this meeting will last a lifetime, and the friendships that began that night will continue to flourish. To say the least, the new mason whom I had the pleasure of launching on his first visitation experience was supercharged and enjoyed the evening thoroughly.

So, Brethren, whenever possible, visit, whether it be in your own locality or around the world, and I assure you, you will realize some of the most wonderful experiences of your life.

Robert L. Costigan  
Grand Treasurer  
Grand Lodge of Alberta  
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**PLEASE NOTE:** The Editorial Committee is certain that other brethren have had pleasant experiences visiting Lodges in countries outside of Canada. Will you please take a few minutes to tell us about them? Send your story to the Editorial Committee, The Grand Lodge Bulletin, 330 - 12th Avenue, S.W., Calgary, Alberta.

### THE MASONIC SPRING WORKSHOP

The Spring Workshop is now only one month away and it is important that your registration be in as soon as possible. Your secretary has spare cards should you have mislaid your own.

The Workshop Planning Committee have now completed all arrangements necessary to ensure that the 1974 Spring Workshop will be both stimulating and worthwhile. It is now up to you to do your part in encouraging as many of your friends as possible to attend with you. Please remember that this workshop is of considerable interest to

Master Masons in both the formal sessions and the informal discussions.

It is important to note that there is a \$5.00 registration fee in addition to the cost of accommodation and food at the hotel, which is required from all Brethren attending the workshop. There have been a few who inadvertently have included only one registration fee with two hotel bookings. Where this is the case it will be very much appreciated if the additional registration fee could be sent in with a covering note so that the committee is not required to make a special collection of this fee at Banff.

### “ROLE OF MASONRY IN THE PROVINCE”

by R.W. Bro. G. R. Sterling  
excerpt from an address at the  
1973 Area Meetings

As Masons we are concerned in being good citizens. As such we stand for physical freedom, intellectual freedom, spiritual freedom, and political freedom. George E. Sokolsky was not talking about Masonry when he made this observation but he expressed the same idea. He said: “The word, freedom, can refer to only one human being, standing alone as an individual, who enjoys inalienable rights that are his, not by consent but because he is a human being.” As Masons we are concerned with the basic freedoms of the individual, and consequently concerned to see that these are preserved. Masons must first be citizens before they can be MASONS.

### “INTERNATIONAL MASONRY”

M. W. Bro. F. Glenn Fox  
excerpt from an address at the  
1973 Area Meetings

Communication between Grand Lodges is an old and firmly established Masonic custom. In order that Grand Lodge may be always aware of the activities of their constituent lodges, and so be able to guard against irregularity, communication between jurisdictions must be at the Grand Lodge level only, or by consent of the Grand Lodges. A lodge in Alberta, for example, may not communicate directly with a lodge in another jurisdiction without the prior consent of the Grand Masters of both jurisdictions.

We have something akin to a Masonic Diplomatic Service. Most Grand Lodges have Grand Representatives in jurisdictions that they recognize, and in turn have among them the Grand Representatives of those other jurisdictions.

### YELLOWKNIFE LODGE No. 162

W. Bro. Bob Borden of Yellowknife Lodge 162, sends a monthly newsletter with the Lodge Notice. In a recent letter he comments on the Grand Master's visit to that Lodge.

Total all ranks who came north in the charter from Calgary and Edmonton was 40 Brethren; but in addition a Cesna 185 and an Aztec were chartered by eight or nine of Ft. McMurray Lodge, and we were most appreciative of their sacrifice to attend our meeting. Among them by way of ex-Yellowknifers were Walter Hill and Alex Haxton.

From discussions since the GM's visit I gather that I was not alone in promoting the idea that these visits should be stretched to at least two days — having in mind the high cost of the charter, the speed of air travel these days, and the probability that a counter-group from Yellowknife could be organized, which would cut the per capita air fare in half. (Many have a long weekend around November 11th; maybe Grey Cup time would be okay; but also maybe a trip in the summer would be still better — there is so much we could do with a full 48 hours to work over.) Certainly some of the visitors were persuaded that two days would be much better than one.

### THOUGHTS FROM LODGE NOTICES

EUREKA LODGE No. 10 —  
W. Master — W. Bro. Roy Hunter

#### SECRET ORDERS

There are over seven hundred secret orders in the world. Masonry is the largest and the oldest and is the ONLY one which does not solicit members. From its inception, Masonry has forbidden solicitation as a means of building membership. There is something in Masonry which attracts men and it is for them to decide whether or not they wish to participate in its benefits and privileges.

INNISFAIL LODGE No. 8 —  
W. Master — W. Bro. Art Marshall

It is my joy in life to find  
At every turning of the road  
The strong arms of the brother kind  
To help me onward with my load;  
And since I have no gold to give,  
And love alone must make amends,  
My only prayer is, while I live —  
God make me worthy of my friends.

EVERGREEN LODGE No. 166 —  
W. Master — W. Bro. Ken Hosking

Happiness is just giving our life to others. When we give our life away, we possess more of it. The more we give, the more we receive. This is the meaning of the clasped hands. One of the most divine of our symbols. The life in me clasps hands with the life in you. My life joins forces with your life.

### RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

At the monthly meetings of the Grand Lodge Masonic Research and Education Committee meetings there are ever more frequent reports of inter Lodge visitations in all parts of the jurisdiction. One of the prime activities at these meetings would seem to be the giving of papers on a great variety of topics. The Bulletin committee would welcome copies of any papers given so that excerpts may be placed in the Bulletin with due acknowledgement to the author so that the entire jurisdiction may benefit.

Should you be the author of a paper or know of a paper which you feel we should print please arrange to have it sent to the Chairman of Bulletin Committee at the Grand Lodge offices. Your support in contributing to the content of your publication is strongly urged.

**CREATING HIS OWN  
IMAGE OF MASONRY**

The interpretation of Masonry by Masons in one locality seems to differ so very much from the interpretations placed upon the Craft by members in another section of our great country.

This can be found as an apparent fact but there seems to be no single, definite explanation for it. How can there be such a wide variance between Masons and Masonry just so long as they are all Masons?

**Much Expressed**

The answers you always get to this question are most inclusive and very speculative, but of all the opinions expressed, some non-Masons express so very much when they ask the simple question, "You mean that guy is a Mason?"

It has been pointed out that even God, in His infinite wisdom, withholds His judgment of man until death and we should do no less. However, too many among us ignore this principle so it should behoove every member of the Order to be constantly alert to the judgments and opinions we create as Masons, and as men.

—Relief Association Bulletin

**VISITING BROTHERS  
ARE MASONIC LINKS  
BETWEEN ALL LODGES**

Visiting Brothers are the links which unite the thousands of lodges of the world into one harmonious chain. They afford us the best means of testing our own Masonic charity and knowledge, and the integrity of the order in other jurisdictions. They give us objects for examination, objects for hospitality and objects for relief. The lodge which has the most visitors, other things being equal, is the best informed. It gives the most — the recipients being worthy objects — and is most ready to give again.

In the olden time this was the law of visiting brothers: "If you discover him to be a true and genuine brother, you are to respect him accordingly. If he is in want you are to relieve him if you can, or else direct him how he may be relieved. You must employ him some days, else recommend him to be employed."

Nowhere is the visiting brother so welcome; nowhere is he so well entertained; nowhere is his visit so productive of joy to all concerned as in a lodge which understands the principles of an examination and the courtesies to him who presents proper vouchers.

—Freemason's Magazine

**LODGE DIRECTORY**

With this issue of the Bulletin comes the last of a four part series which should now give you a small booklet showing the number, name, location, and meeting night of all Lodges in Alberta. The pages can either be xeroxed, or just cut from the Bulletin, and assembled in the sequence in which they came. You will notice that pages 3 and 14 have had the numbers exchanged. Also Commercial Lodge No. 81 is meeting by Dispensation on 4th Wednesday until June 1974.

It may be convenient for the protection of the booklet to place a stout paper cover over the entire set because it is hoped that this will be carried in the pocket of many Brethren.

It must be remembered that a number of lodges have emergent meetings, but it is impossible to show these in a booklet of this nature where these are of a infrequent nature.

Should there be any errors apart from those noted in the January issue of the Bulletin, the Bulletin Committee will appreciate correspondence so that this may be corrected in a future Bulletin.

Your comments on items such as this, or any other material that you feel has been or would be of value to all Brethren in Alberta are most welcome to the Bulletin Committee, and give guidance for future content of your Grand Lodge Bulletin.

**DISTRICT No. 13**

88	Wahpun	High Prairie	2nd Thursday
89	Peace River	Peace River	3rd Monday
105	Grande Prairie	Grande Prairie	2nd Thursday
106	Lake Saskatoon	Wembley	1st Thursday
116	Spirit River	Spirit River	3rd Tuesday
147	Northland	Fairview	2nd Tuesday
156	Hythe	Hythe	Last Thursday
160	Sexsmith	Sexsmith	1st Tuesday

**DISTRICT No. 14**

78	Hanna	Hanna	1st Thursday
82	Acadia - Crocus	Chinook	Last Tuesday
98	Hand Hill	Delia	3rd Wednesday
* 104	Oyen	Oyen	1st Tuesday
132	Craigmyle	Craigmyle	2nd Tuesday
158	Berry Creek	Pollockville	4th Wednesday
161	Empress	Empress	Last Thursday

**DISTRICT No. 15**

60	Acme	Acme	3rd Thursday
66	St. Andrew's	Trochu	2nd Thursday
* 93	Symbol	Drumheller	2nd Thursday
107	Carbon	Carbon	4th Tuesday
113	Cyprus	Three Hills	3rd Wednesday
125	Cavell	Delburne	3rd Monday
137	Irricana	Irricana	3rd Tuesday
146	Drumheller	Drumheller	3rd Tuesday

**DISTRICT No. 4**

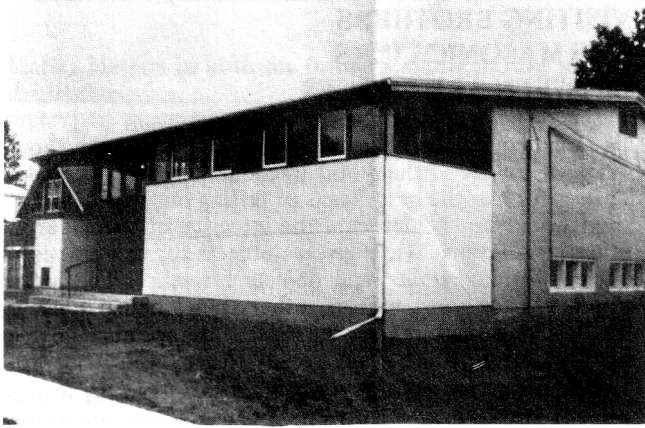
* 8	Innisfail	Innisfail	3rd Thursday
* 10	Eureka	Lacombe	4th Tuesday
* 12	Red Deer	Red Deer	2nd Tuesday
* 16	Mountain View	Olds	1st Monday
* 18	Britannia	Ponoka	1st Wednesday
29	Kenilworth	Red Deer	1st Tuesday
* 42	Bowden	Bowden	3rd Tuesday
* 95	Kitchener	Rimbey	2nd Tuesday
* 151	Lochearn	Rocky Mt. House	2nd Thursday
190	Beacon	Red Deer	4th Monday

**DISTRICT No. 5**

* 37	Camrose	Camrose	2nd Thursday
* 43	Tuscan	Killam	1st Wednesday
* 50	Comet - Efficiency	Hardisty	2nd Thursday
* 62	Melrose	Bawlf	3rd Thursday
* 75	Harmony	Sedgewick	2nd Tuesday
* 79	Morning Star	Loughheed	3rd Thursday
* 80	Excelsior	Daysland	1st Thursday
* 128	Forestburg	Forestburg	4th Wednesday
* 135	Alliance	Alliance	3rd Tuesday

**DISTRICT No. 6**

* 17	Nanton	Nanton	2nd Thursday
* 19	Cornerstone	High River	3rd Thursday
22	Corinthian	Okotoks	1st Tuesday
* 23	Calgary	Calgary	1st Friday
* 54	Mount Lebanon	Calgary	2nd Tuesday
83	Zetland	Calgary	1st Thursday
* 127	Granite	Blackie	1st Wednesday
180	Elbow River	Calgary	1st Monday
184	Glenbow	Calgary	1st Wednesday
* 187	Kelvingrove	Calgary	2nd Wednesday



**RED DEER MASONIC TEMPLE**

Red Deer Masonic Temple is located on 52nd Street in Red Deer and is a very well appointed building. It is the site of many masonic gatherings since that city is centrally located between Calgary and Edmonton. The Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge meets there regularly twice during the year. The Temple is the home of the three Red Deer Lodges. Red Deer Lodge No. 12 meets on the second Tuesday of each month, Kenilworth Lodge No. 29 meets on the First Tuesday and Beacon Lodge No. 190 meets on the fourth Monday. Red Deer practices the Ancient York Rite, Kenilworth and Beacon practice the Canadian Rite.

A recent notice of Red Deer Lodge contains a message from the W. Master, W. Bro. G. J. Gerson which says, "Let us pause a moment and think back to our entrance into the Order, the initial joy of receiving Light at last. What better way to spend our time than to continue the search for more Light? How better to do this than through participation at meetings?"

Both the Red Deer Lodges make visitors very welcome and place a commendable emphasis on Masonic Education.

**DISTRICT No. 7**

31	Doric	Taber	2nd Tuesday
39	Lethbridge	Lethbridge	3rd Thursday
58	Chief Mountain	Cardston	3rd Tuesday
* 65	Diamond City	Coalhurst	1st Thursday
67	Charity	Lethbridge	3rd Monday
100	Century	Milk River	3rd Tuesday
* 157	Sharon	Picture Butte	1st Tuesday
159	Lucerne	Vauxhall	1st Tuesday

<b>DISTRICT No. 8</b>			
3	Alberta	Fort Macleod	3rd Wednesday
6	Spitzie	Pincher Creek	1st Tuesday
* 26	Sentinel	Frank	2nd Thursday
* 30	Rocky - Summit	Frank	2nd Tuesday
32	Cairo	Claresholm	3rd Tuesday
* 33	Stavely	Stavely	1st Monday
47	Chinook	Cowley	3rd Monday

**DISTRICT No. 9**

* 27	Apollo	Stettler	3rd Thursday
* 45	Ionic - Landmark	Alix	1st Thursday
* 56	Beaver	Castor	1st Wednesday
72	Coronation	Coronation	2nd Thursday
76	Fidelity	Bashaw	2nd Tuesday
* 120	Monitor	Consort	2nd Monday

**NEWS NOTES -**

Camrose Lodge No. 37 in recent months has published in its notice a time schedule for its meetings. Lodge opens promptly at 8:00 p.m. and is timed to close at a definite time. We presume the Lodge sticks to the schedule and this fact must make the meetings efficient and interesting.

Melrose Lodge No. 62 commenced in January meeting in the Lodge Hall at Camrose. Previously it had met on the third Thursday of each month in the town of Bawlf.

The Bulletin Committee reminds its readers that news items, pictures and papers on Masonic Subjects are most welcome. The Committee appreciates the opportunity to keep a file of materials on hand so that the policy of printing items from this Jurisdiction may be continued.

The Grand Secretary reports that contributions to the Higher Education Bursary Fund have been arriving at the Grand Lodge Office in very satisfactory amounts and that contributions are slightly ahead of those of last year. The Fund may be helped until the books close at the end of April for 1974.

There is still time to register for the Masonic Spring Workshop which will be held this year on April 26, 27 and 28 in the Banff Springs Hotel. The Workshop Committee's objective is to fill the hotel completely with Masons. Please send in your registration card without delay.

Our Senior Lodge, Bow River Lodge No. 1, celebrated its NINTIETH BIRTHDAY on February 6th with M.W. Bro. Glenn Fox, P.G.M. giving the address in the Lodge meeting. Following the Lodge meeting the members and visitors were joined by their wives in the Banquet Hall for a social evening.

A reader has asked the question "Why is the first step in Freemasonry taken with the Left Foot". If you have an answer please send it to the Grand Lodge Bulletin, 330 - 12th Avenue S.W., Calgary. Please be as concise as possible.

**DISTRICT No. 10**

11	Acacia	Edmonton	2nd Thursday
24	Vermilion	Vermilion	1st Tuesday
* 25	St. John's	Vegreville	1st Monday
38	Hope	Mannville	2nd Monday
90	Norwood	Edmonton	1st Tuesday
131	Kitscoty	Kitscoty	4th Tuesday
* 169	St. George's	Elk Point	3rd Tuesday
* 179	Astra	Cold Lake	3rd Monday

**DISTRICT No. 11**

* 4	North Star	Lethbridge	2nd Friday
49	Robert Burns	Carmangay	2nd Monday
* 74	Vulcan	Vulcan	1st Tuesday
* 84	Champion	Champion	2nd Thursday
* 111	Nobleford	Nobleford	2nd Tuesday
* 119	York	Lethbridge	1st Tuesday
136	Cresset	Barons	1st Monday
* 172	Milo	Milo	1st Thursday

**DISTRICT No. 12**

14	Jasper	Edmonton	2nd Monday
91	Patricia	Edmonton	3rd Friday
92	Saskatchewan	Edmonton	2nd Thursday
101	West Edmonton	Edmonton	1st Wednesday
126	Pembina	Sanguo	1st Monday
138	Onoway	Onoway	1st Wednesday
142	Ivanhoe	Edmonton	1st Thursday
148	Mayerthorpe	Mayerthorpe	2nd Tuesday
153	Whitecourt	Whitecourt	1st Thursday
166	Evergreen	Edmonton	1st Monday
188	Mystic Tie	Edmonton	1st Tuesday