



Grand Lodge Bulletin

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TWELFTH ANNUAL MASONIC SPRING WORKSHOP

BANFF

SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS

1977

APRIL 29th, 30th — MAY 1st

THEME

"WALKING TALL"

THEME SPEAKERS

BRO. KENNETH P. WINDOLFF

Bro. Kenneth P. Windolff was born in St. Paul, Minnesota in 1938. Educated in St. Paul and attended the University of Minnesota, received a B.A. of Mortuary Science Degree. He served as a Fighter Pilot with the U.S. Air Force, has been engaged in funeral service for the last 16 years and since coming to Calgary in 1968 has been continuously employed with Jacques Funeral Home.

Bro. Windolff was raised in Montgomery Lodge No. 258 St. Paul, Minnesota in 1960 and in 1969 affiliated with Perfection Lodge No. 9 in Calgary. He is a member of Scottish Rite and Al Azhar Temple Sabre Patrol as well as serving on the Church Council of Ascension Lutheran Church.

This will be Bro. Windolff's first year at the Spring Workshop.

BRO. PHILIP WILLIAM MAYFIELD, V.W. GRAND CHAPLAIN

Bro. P. W. Mayfield is a native Westerner, born at Williams Lake, B.C., November 7th, 1937. Along with three Brothers Phil was raised on a cattle ranch in the colourful Caribou. Bro. Mayfield graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of B.C. and was ordained a Minister of the United Church in 1965. After Post-Graduate training at Un-dover Newton College in Boston, Mass. he was appointed Minister at Kitimat Indian Village, B.C.

In 1968 he came to Calgary as Minister of St. Paul's United Church and in 1973 became Chaplain at Hospital District No. 93 which includes Holy Cross and Rockyview Hospitals.

Bro. Mayfield was made a Master Mason in November 1973 and is a member of Perfection Lodge No. 9 where he now fills the office of Senior Deacon. In 1975 he acted as Chaplain of the Masonic Spring Workshop and in June 1976 he was installed as Grand Chaplain of G.R.A. Bro. Mayfield has been invited to speak to Masonic gatherings on many occasions and is in himself a fine example of this years Theme "Walking Tall".

REGISTRATION CARDS WERE INCLUDED
WITH CURRENT LODGE NOTICES. PLEASE
REGISTER EARLY.

RESPONSIBILITY

By R.W. Bro. Roy Martins P.D.D.G.M.
West Edmonton Lodge No. 101

The Grand Master of Masons in Alberta has chosen "Responsibility" (sometimes defined as duty, or obligation) as his theme for this Masonic Year. This is a very broad term, and encompasses many facets of the way of life which we adopted when we became members of the Order. It would be impossible in this limited space to enlarge upon all the responsibilities with which we have charged ourselves, and many will vary with the individual, but it should suffice to mention some of them and hope that the reader will consider each of them, and pause and contemplate the whole matter of responsibility within our Organization.

There is no doubt that our greatest responsibility is that of benevolence and Charity ("the greatest of these . . .") which has been the subject of many thought-provoking papers in which the true meaning of the word has been expounded and brought home to us in many ways.

The proclamation in connection with Bursary Month says in part. "Let us all accept **responsibility** for the benevolent activities of Grand Lodge and act accordingly." We are all members of that Grand Lodge which several years ago set up this Bursary by a large majority vote, and it is our responsibility to see that it gets the support it so justly warrants. It must be remembered, however, that the Charity towards which we have a responsibility is not only that which is circumscribed by the narrow limits of feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and soothing the afflicted, but is that which is more noble and extensive, and which regards all men as Brothers.

Responsibility — of Grand Lodge to the Craft in general, and that of the Craft in general to Grand Lodge; to work together with that harmony which will produce a smooth-working, efficient and enriching concept of a better life for mankind.

Responsibility — of a Mason, to the Craft in general, and to his own lodge in particular. "There is no right, without a parallel duty." A member should know the basic structure and functions of the lodge to which he belongs, its local problems, its various projects and activities, and should realize the importance of regular attendance and willingness to participate in lodge work, both within and without the walls of the Temple.

Responsibility — of a sponsor to his candidate. He is introducing his friend to a beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols, and this friend should not be left to fend for himself until it is very evident that he has grasped the fundamental principles and tenets of Freemasonry, that he has discovered the warm richness of our brotherhood, that he understands the real meaning of Charity, and that the Temple which he is about to build rests upon a firm foundation.

Responsibility — of an investigating committee to the Order and to its own lodge. This committee is charged with the responsibility of determining whether or not the petitioner comes "under the tongue of good report" or not. The committee, along with the sponsors, are the Tylers of the West Gate, and the Lodge is depending upon them for a thorough investigation, which does not consist merely of a short visit with the petitioner, and which among other things recognizes the fact that the absence of anything bad is not necessarily equivalent to the presence of something good. The committee should be completely satisfied that the petitioner does not come with mercenary motives, that he comes of his own free will, and that he is prompted by a favorable opinion of the Order and members of his acquaintance.

Responsibility — of the Master of the Lodge and his officers. There is an obligation here to see that the conduct of the lodge is dignified, efficient and interesting in its social and educational pursuits; and that participation and support towards the activities and objectives of the District and of Grand Lodge are maintained to a high degree.

As mentioned earlier, there are many other responsibilities with which Masons of every level are charged, and it is incumbent upon us all to make ourselves aware of them, and see that they are properly discharged. This, then, would be a giant step towards realizing our ideal, an institution founded on the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man!

TWELFTH ANNUAL MASONIC SPRING WORKSHOP

- ANOTHER OFFER YOU CAN'T REFUSE — Registration fee of \$45.00 includes two nights accommodation and six meals starting with supper Friday and including lunch on Sunday.
- Registrations are acceptable at any time — the sooner the better. They give you first choice on rooms and are COMPLETELY REFUNDABLE up to APRIL 15th, 1977.
- They are completely transferable by yourself up to the days of the Workshop. Receipts to complete the transfer will be required.
- If you and a friend wish to room together — it is imperative that the registration forms be received together. The name of your roommate must be indicated thereon.
- Meal arrangements will follow the format of last year.
- Advance Registration eliminates delay and paperwork upon arrival; you simply pick up your key and walk in.

DON'T WAIT FOR SPRING — DO IT NOW.

**TWELFTH ALBERTA MASONIC
SPRING WORKSHOP**

Theme: WALKING TALL

Over the past eleven years the Masons of Alberta and visitors from sister jurisdictions have had the opportunity to meet together in harmony at the Spring Workshop. Each year there has been a "Theme" and capable speakers have presented papers on the theme which has been followed by discussions, pro and con, relative to the subject matter. Hopefully these discussions have broadened the horizons of all those attending.

This year the theme will be "Walking Tall". There will be two theme speakers and we know that upon the conclusion of the Workshop those attending will return home with a deeper realization of their duty "to God, their Country, their Neighbor and Themselves".

Our Grand Master, during the year, while attending the twenty District Meetings, has reminded the brethren present that the Workshop will be held, as in the past, in Banff (School of Fine Arts) on Friday, April 29th, Saturday, April 30th and Sunday, May 1st, 1977. District Deputies have also been requested to carry the message while on their visits and hopefully the Worshipful Master of each Lodge will keep the matter before their brethren.

The cost this year will be slightly increased but in the opinion of your committee it is a great bargain. Registration cards have been mailed and your committee cannot stress too strongly the importance of sending in your reservation card and fee as soon as possible. Remember, registration is on a first come first served basis.

Workshops do not take place without dedicated Masons contributing of their time and talents. To the Committee members I wish to extend my sincere thanks for their help and assistance. Give them your support and join us at the Workshop. We will look forward to seeing you there.

M. NORMAN MacIVER,
General Chairman

**12th MASONIC
SPRING WORKSHOP — 1977**

THE AGENDA FOR THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY, APRIL 29th, 1977

3:00 p.m. Onwards	Registration, locate Discussion Rooms and Book Stalls in the Auditorium of the Administration Building.
6:30 p.m. -	Supper (Cafeteria Style)
8:45 p.m. -	Announcements - Eric Harvey Theatre
9:00 p.m. -	Theme Address - Eric Harvey Theatre
9:30 - 10 p.m.	Discussion Groups (Get Acquainted)
10:15 p.m. -	Bookstore - Administration Building Auditorium.
	COFFEE WILL BE SERVED

SATURDAY, APRIL 30th, 1977

7:00 a.m. -	Breakfast (Cafeteria Style)
9:00 - 10:15 a.m.	Discussion Groups
10:30 - 11:45 a.m.	Schools of Instruction
12:00 Noon -	Lunch
2:00 - 3:15 p.m.	Schools of Instruction
3:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Attitude Readjustment Time
5:30 p.m. -	Supper
7:30 p.m. -	Theme Address
8:45 p.m. -	Discussion Groups
10:00 p.m. -	Bookstore - Auditorium, Administration Building.
	COFFEE WILL BE SERVED

SUNDAY, MAY 1st, 1977

8:00 a.m. -	Breakfast
9:45 a.m. -	Final Announcements
10:00 a.m. -	Devotional Service
11:00 a.m. -	Lunch

FROM THE GRAND MASTER

In this month's Bulletin, full coverage is given to the Annual Masonic Spring Workshop held at Banff. It has been brought to my attention that there are some attending the workshop in previous years, who have expressed a desire to have a portrayal of selected parts of the Ritual.

I should like, at this time, to clarify the position with regard to this subject. Section 5 of the terms of reference for the Masonic Spring Workshop Planning Committee states:

"The duties of the Planning Committee are to organize and conduct a suitable workshop to instruct Master Masons in the Masonic Way of Life and related subjects, and to stimulate thought on these subjects."

There is no mention made of ritualistic work.

The committee on the Work has ruled many times that ritualistic Work is the responsibility of the W.M. of each Lodge, and any questions he may have, should be directed to the Committee on the Work, in writing, through the Grand Secretary's Office. This Committee is the only one who can make interpretations with regards to the Work. It is absolutely essential that the questions be in writing as many of them require much study and research before an interpretation can be given. The Committee feels, and rightly so, that the Workshop is a gathering of individual Masons not meeting under the jurisdiction of a Lodge or District, and so cannot properly engage in ritualistic work.

It is for the above reasons that ritualistic work will not be portrayed at the Masonic Spring Workshop.

A. O. ASPESLET
Grand Master

IRRICANA LODGE NO. 137

At the regular meeting of Irricana Lodge No. 137 in November W. Bro. Fred Reasbeck received his Fifty Year Jewel. He was initiated into Irricana Lodge in 1926 and has been a member of that Lodge ever since serving at Worshipful Master in 1937. At that meeting R.W. Bro. A. J. Burrell D.D.G.M., District No. 15, paid an official visit.

CHINOOK LODGE NO. 47

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. A. O. Aspeslet paid an official visit to Chinook Lodge, Cowley, at its November meeting. At the meeting two candidates were passed to the Fellowcraft Degree.

AMALGAMATION

On December 17th, the M.W. the Grand Master, accompanied by a number of Grand Lodge Officers, was present at Camrose Lodge No. 37, to preside over the amalgamation of Camrose Lodge No. 37 and Melrose Lodge No. 62. The new officers were installed and invested. Melrose Lodge has, for some time, been meeting in the Camrose Lodge Room. Melrose Lodge was originally located in Bawlf, Alberta.

KING HIRAM LODGE NO. 21

King Hiram Lodge No. 21 celebrated its Seventieth Anniversary in December. It was instituted on April 6th, 1906. The Grand Master was represented by R.W. Bro. R. L. Cositgan the Senior Grand Warden who addressed the meeting.

ELBOW RIVER LODGE NO. 180

Elbow River Lodge, at its December meeting, honoured all of its Past Masters. Out of fifteen living Past Masters eleven were present and messages were received from three others. The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. G. H. Timmins, welcomed the visiting party and accorded them Grand Honours. Each Past Master was seated in the East with a short history of his year in office presented. An affiliated Past Master and a charter member of Elbow River Lodge, M.W. Bro. W. J. Collett P.G.M., gave a talk on some aspects of the history of Freemasonry in Alberta. An hour of refreshment and fellowship concluded a most profitable evening.

JUBILEE LODGE NO. 173

Jubilee Lodge No. 173 held a Past Master's Night in November and raised Bro. Wilfred Vernon Rinn to the Sublime Degree. Distinguished visitors included the Senior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. R. L. Costigan, who assisted in the Work, and also responded to the toast to Grand Lodge during the refreshment period; R.W. Bro. R. O. McKinnon the District Deputy Grand Master and R.W. Bro. Henry Tasche, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. The Worshipful Master of Elbow River Lodge, W. Bro. G. H. Simmons and a good representation from that Lodge were visitors for the evening.

VULCAN LODGE NO. 74

Vulcan Lodge held its widely known Wild Game Supper in November. The guest speaker was the M.W. the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. A. O. Aspeslet. The dinner was preceded by the regular Lodge meeting held at 4:00 p.m. A large number of visitors attended this annual event.

NORTH STAR LODGE NO. 4

M.W. Bro. A. O. Aspeslet, Grand Master made an official visit to North Star Lodge at its November meeting. He was received in proper form and an Honorary Life Membership was presented to him. North Star thus demonstrated its pride in having one of its own members as head of the craft in Alberta.

ACACIA LODGE NO. 11

The members of Acacia Lodge No. 11 attended Divine Worship at St. Paul's United Church Edmonton in December. A good attendance of the membership is reported. Rev. Ian MacMillan is the minister of that church.

CARSTAIRS LODGE NO. 20

The November meeting of Carstairs Lodge No. 20 was marked by the celebration of that Lodge's Seventieth Anniversary. The Grand Master was present to share in the event. The Lodge meeting was preceded by a banquet. An Honourary Life Membership was conferred on Bro. Herman Roedler.

CONCORD LODGE NO. 124

As has been their custom for a number of years Concord Lodge again held its Services Night in October. This was the twentieth time such a meeting has been held. The Master Mason's Degree was conferred by a team representing many branches of the Armed Forces. A memorial service followed the conferring of the degree. The meeting was colourful with the variety of uniforms and medals. The Worshipful Master for the evening was W. Bro. Lt. Col. C. R. Sharp C.D.

ST. MARKS LODGE NO. 118

A number of brethren from St. Mark's Lodge travelled to Lethbridge for the September meeting of Lethbridge Lodge No. 39. The reason was that the Grand Master was to present a Fifty Year Jewel to Bro. Henry Jones, a member of St. Mark's Lodge. The evening was one of good Masonic Fellowship and many brethren benefited from it.

LODGE RENFREW NO. 134

At its October meeting Lodge Renfrew conferred the M.M. Degree on three candidates. A Calgary City Police Team occupied the chairs and conducted the ceremony. Some nine city lodges were represented on the team. Two members were from Zetland Lodge No. 12, Montreal.