



# Grand Lodge Bulletin

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## MASONIC SPRING WORKSHOP BANFF CENTRE

	<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

### 1978 THEME - "BUILD A BETTER TOMORROW"

YESTERDAY is where we gained experience, TOMORROW is our hope, TODAY is sharing the experiences of yesterday in order to work together and build that better tomorrow.

Each spring for the past dozen years approximately 600 Masons have travelled from various parts of our country to a special weekend in Banff, Alberta. We join in fellowship, listen to and discuss topics put forward in many excellent theme speeches. We attend various schools of instruction on a wide variety of subjects and in particular we meet and EXCHANGE MASONIC IDEAS with previously unknown brothers from other districts in Alberta.

This year, on April 28, 29 and 30th we hope to expand this idea with only a few slight changes in the arrangement of the program itself.

First - We are fortunate this year to have as our guest speaker a noted Mason, author of several books, and a most sought after brother M. W. Bro. Dwight L. Smith - Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Indiana. M. W. Bro. Smith has consented to deliver BOTH THEME TALKS and I am sure the brethren present will enjoy his comments and that they will spark discussion in your group sessions.

Second - In order that those brethren who have great distances to travel may get away early and not miss the windup of the workshop, the Sunday morning format has been changed to allow full attendance at the devotional service and still achieve an early departure.

Third - Your committee has been able to hold the line on costs and retain the fee of \$45.00 for the weekend. The same fee paid in 1977.

Unfortunately, due to the fact that the Town of Banff has become a year round resort area, plus the fact that less accommodation is available at the Banff School of Fine Arts itself, it has become necessary to

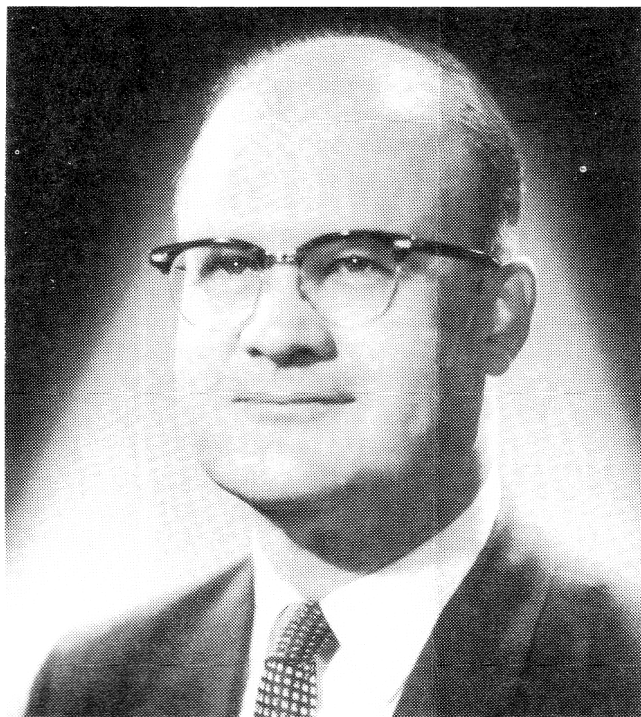
limit or restrict registration to a maximum of 500 Masons. Thus, those who plan to attend must register early to ensure that accommodation is reserved for them. Further in order to achieve one of the original aims of the workshop, that is to have brethren mix more freely and meet and exchange ideas with brothers from the other areas of the jurisdiction, the committee has also agreed not to accept requests for brethren to room with a specific partner but instead registrations are to be sent in individually and room accommodation will be assigned on an as received basis.

The purpose of the workshop is to provide a means, the time and a secluded area, whereby Masons from different areas and backgrounds can get together for a weekend, become totally emerged in Masonic discussions and thinking and thereby better equip themselves to take their part in helping "Build a Better Tomorrow".

Because of the limited accommodation may I suggest that THOSE WHO SEEK to use this as an inexpensive SOCIAL WEEKEND DO SO ELSEWHERE and leave the accommodation available for those who wish to pursue a weekend of TRULY MASONIC DISCUSSION.

Finally - As we all are well aware, to achieve any worthwhile and enduring end it requires a great deal of effort from a large number of people. To all those who are on committees, who head up committees, to the area chairmen, discussion group and schools of instruction chairmen and all those who in any way have or will assist, may I express my deep appreciation for your efforts to make this workshop a success and one which will help us all "Build a Better Tomorrow".

R.H. (Bob) Jones  
General Chairman



M.W. Bro. Dwight L. Smith P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Indiana will be the Theme Speaker at the Masonic Spring Workshop. This is an historic event because M.W. Bro. Smith was present when the Workshop had its beginnings with M.W. Bro. Dr. W.J. Collett as Grand Master and M.W. Bro. Smith came to Grand Lodge in 1965 as Guest Speaker. The night before the Grand Lodge Communication opened there was a special meeting at Mount Royal College for discussion and inspiration and M.W. Bro. Smith was present. In fact his books "Whither are we Travelling" and "Why this Confusion in the Temple" were the basis for discussion that night. Later that year M.W. Bro. C. Pinnell was appointed the first General Chairman of the Masonic Spring Workshop. M.W. Bro. Pinnell drew heavily on the experience of M.W. Bro. Smith for that first Workshop in Banff and later in 1969 when M.W. Bro. Pinnell was Grand Master he invited M.W. Bro. Smith to make a return visit as speaker at the Communication. It was a memorable occasion. Undoubtedly as Theme Speaker this year, M.W. Bro. Smith will bring inspiration and stimulation to the Workshop.

He is a newspaperman and worked at that business for twelve years after graduating in Journalism from Indiana University. Since 1947 he has been Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Indiana and was Grand Master of Indiana in 1945-46. He is best known in Alberta as editor of the Indiana Freemason and serves now as its Editorial Director. In addition to the books mentioned above he has published a history of Freemasonry in Indiana called "Goodly Heritage", a guide for Senior Wardens and several Masonic plays of an historical nature.

His Masonic record is lengthy. In 1935 he was made a Mason, served as Worshipful Master of his Lodge in 1937 and as secretary for several years.

He has been the Secretary-Treasurer of the Conference of Grand Secretaries in North America and is vice-president of the Masonic Heritage Commission. He was elected a Fellow of the Philalethes Society. In 1974 he was awarded the James Royal Case Medal of Excellence by the Masonic Lodge of Research of Connecticut. Decorations have come to him from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Maine, New Jersey and Indiana.

Space will not permit the listing of his contributions to the Concordant Bodies and to his community. The Masonic Spring Workshop Committee is delighted to announce that M.W. Bro. Dwight L. Smith will be at Banff.

**Friday, April 28th, 1978**

- 9:00 p.m. Theme Address -  
Eric Harvie Theatre  
(M.W. Bro. Dwight L. Smith)
- 9:30 - 10:00 p.m. Discussion Groups  
(Get Acquainted)
- 10:15 p.m. Bookstore -  
Administration Building  
Auditorium  
Discussion Group Leaders  
and Chairman Meet.  
Schools of Instruction Leaders  
and Chairman Meet.

COFFEE WILL BE SERVED

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29th, 1978**

- 7:00 a.m. Breakfast (Cafeteria Style)
- 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. Discussion Groups
- 10:30 - 11:45 a.m. Schools of Instruction
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 2:00 - 3:45 p.m. Schools of Instruction
- 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. Second Theme Address -  
Eric Harvie Theatre  
(M.W. Bro. Dwight L. Smith)
- 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Supper
- 7:15 - 8:00 p.m. History of Craft Masonry in  
Alberta - Eric Harvie Theatre  
(M.W. Bro. W.J. Collett)
- 8:15 - 9:30 p.m. Discussion Groups
- 9:45 p.m. Onwards Bookstore - Auditorium,  
Administration Building and  
Sing Song.

COFFEE WILL BE SERVED

**SUNDAY, APRIL 30th, 1978**

- 7:45 a.m. Coffee in Eric Harvie Theatre
- 8:15 a.m. Chairman's remarks
- 8:30 a.m. Devotional Service  
(Rev. Brown Milne)
- 9:30 a.m. Breakfast

### SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

You have already received a bundle of registration cards for the 1978 Masonic Spring Workshop and you know the dates, the cost and the location. Now we can give you the highlights of the program which our Chairman, W. Bro. R.H. (Bob) Jones has titled "Build a Better Tomorrow".

The Theme Speaker will be M.W. Bro. Dwight L. Smith, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Indiana. Everyone will enjoy and benefit from his wisdom.

The Schools of Instruction are designed to provide something of value for every Mason in attendance. Your membership will be interested in a short summary of each of these schools.

1. Directors of Ceremonies: Does it really matter who goes first or last? Where do you stand and how do you direct the brethren to move about the Lodge in our various ceremonies. (Reserved for D. of C. only.)
2. Lodge Officers and Master Masons: An update on how to do your job well and enjoy it at the same time. Find out why Master Masons should always pay attention.
3. Secretaries, Masters and Wardens: Who is really in charge? One session for Secretaries only to update their skills and one joint session with the 3 principal officers. Learn how to plan ahead and avoid last minute panics.
4. Past Masters: We need them? Four of the best will debate this sometimes controversial question.
5. Preparation for Grand Lodge Office: Every Master Mason will enjoy this session, you never know what might show up down the road.
6. History of the Craft in Alberta: This session is bound to be a highlight and every Lodge could prepare a paper from the material presented.

John K. Church,  
Promotion Committee.

### BROTHERS IN LAW

W. Bro. Pete Ediger is the Worshipful Master of Rockyford Lodge No. 123. His brother-in-law Sylvan Stinn is the Grand Knight of the Rockyford Knights of Columbus. This was a perfect set up for a joint celebration by the two organizations. So in mid-December they had a Brotherhood and Ladies Night. Rockyford Community Hall was the scene of a Turkey Dinner with Keith Ashton of Radio Station C.F.C.N. as the guest speaker. This was followed by a dance. In all the evening was very enjoyable.

### SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Foremost Lodge No. 103 celebrated its Sixtieth Anniversary in October with a banquet and a time of fellowship. The guest speaker was M.W. Bro. A.O. Aspeslet P.G.M. W. Bro. H.A. Madill presented an excellent history of Foremost Lodge which was constituted on October 18, 1917. More recently Manyberries Lodge No. 133 and Foremost Lodge amalgamated under the name of Foremost Lodge.

### A LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

R.W. Bro. R.E. Junther, D.D.G.M. District No. 20, has called an especial meeting of that District for Saturday, March 4 at 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of holding a Lodge of Instruction in the Central Masonic Temple, Edmonton. Avon Glen Lodge No. 170 will demonstrate work in the Canadian Rite and Eastgate Lodge No. 192 will work in the Ancient York Rite. Topics to be discussed are Signs, grips, penalties, perambulations, other floor work, balloting, Reception of candidates, reception of Grand Lodge Officers and many other items. The chairman and members of the Committee on the Work will be present. While it is a meeting of District No. 20 all Master Masons in good standing are invited. Questions are invited from Lodges and should be in the hands of R.W. Bro. R.E. Junther, 141 Buena Vista Rd., Edmonton T5R 5S2 (Telephone 483-5124) no later than February 11th. Those attending are invited to remain for the meeting of Commercial Lodge No. 81 at 7:30 p.m.

### FIFTY YEAR JEWELS

Calgary Lodge No. 23 - to Bro. Sheldon Buckles together with a Life Membership.  
York Lodge No. 119 - Bro. W. Dunlop, V.W. Bro. H.E. Routledge, V.W. Bro. R.C. Niven, W. Bro. A.W. Shackelford and Bro. F. Wardman.

### THE VALUE OF A SMILE

- It costs nothing, but creates much.
- It enriches those who receive, without impoverishing those who give.
- It happens in a flash and the memory of it sometimes lasts forever.
- None are so rich that they can get along without it and none are so poor but are richer for its benefits.
- It creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in a business and is the countersign of friends.
- It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad and nature's best antidote for trouble.
- Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen for it is something that is no earthly good to anybody until it is given away.
- And if it ever happens that some of our brethren should be too tired to give you a smile may we ask you to leave one of yours?
- For nobody needs a smile so much as those who have none left to give.

### CORRECTION:

For those readers who keep a file of the Grand Lodge Bulletins please note that the November issue reads October rather than November and should be Vol. 43 No. 2.

The January Bulletin should be Vol. 43 No. 5 rather than Vol. 44 No. 1.

**"IT RAINS"**

It was the custom among English Freemasons of the middle 19th century when conversing together on the subject of Masonry to announce the appearance of a "profane" by the warning expression — "It Rains".

The phrase used to indicate that a cowan is present and the proceedings must be suspended, is derived from the ancient punishment of an eavesdropper, which was to place him under the eaves of a house in rainy weather and to keep him there until the dripping water ran in at the collar and out at the shoes.

Fraternally yours, A. SCHINDELER, W.M.

**TEMPLE LODGE #167**

The regular meeting of Temple Lodge No. 167 on November 11th, 1977 turned out to be a very special occasion. Billed as a 25th Birthday celebration, it was honored by an official visit from the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Kenneth Lord Crockett accompanied by R.W. Bro. W.N. Love, S.G.W. and R.W. Bro. R.L. Costigan D.G.M., and many present and past District Deputy Grand Masters.

The Canadian flag and the flag of Alberta were brought into the Lodge by Brother Stan Sluzzar, S.W., representing our Mother Lodge, Edmonton Lodge No. 7, and Worshipful Brother Bill Greenhagh, W.M., Centennial Lodge No. 194, our daughter lodge, and proudly placed in the East.

The brethren of Temple Lodge then conducted a Memorial Service in memory of those brethren of the lodge who had passed to the Grand Lodge Above since its inception in 1952 - 25 years ago.

At the conclusion of the regular business of the evening, R.W. Bro. Costigan and R.W. Bro. Love each spoke briefly. M.W. Bro. Crockett presented R.W. Bro. Millar with his certificate from the Grand Lodge of Nevada as its representative to the Grand Lodge of Alberta. M.W. Bro. Crockett, in his usual inimitable and direct manner then addressed the brethren. He read from a Masonic paper an article entitled "I am Sick", which implied that although I am sick of all the vices and superfluities of life, yet nevertheless, I do not despair or give up, but unsparingly devote myself to serving God and helping my fellowmen.

The evening concluded with fellowship and refreshment in the Club room downstairs.

**THE HUMAN TOUCH**

Tis the human touch in this world that counts,  
The touch of your hand and mine,  
Which means far more to the fainting heart  
Than shelter and bread and wine;  
For shelter is gone when the day is o'er  
And bread lasts only a day,  
But the touch of the hand and the sound of the voice  
Sing on in the soul away.

Spencer Michael Free

**REDWOOD LODGE NO. 193**

**SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY**

The Seventy-fifth Anniversary Year  
will be  
From  
the Grand Lodge Communication June 1980  
to  
the Grand Lodge Communication June 1981  
with a special observance of the  
First Grand Lodge Communication  
on October 12, 1980

**START PLANNING NOW!**

**BROTHER:** The term which Freemasons apply to each other. Freemasons are Brethren, not only by common participation of the human nature, but as professing the same Faith, as being jointly engaged in the same Labours, and as being united by a mutual covenant or Tie, whence they are also emphatically called:

**"BRETHREN OF THE MYSTIC TIE."**

"Life affords no higher pleasure than that of surmounting difficulties, passing from one step of success to another, forming new wishes and seeing them gratified.

He that labours in any great or laudable undertaking has his fatigues, first supported by hope and afterwards rewarded by joy. To strive with difficulties and to conquer them is the highest human felicity."

(SAMUEL JOHNSON)

**NEOPHYTE NIGHT**

W. Bro. J. Robertson of Ivanhoe Lodge No. 142 has, for many years, been coaching candidates. He recently gathered together a group of these brethren and put on the Fellowcraft Degree for the Lodge. Those taking part were all Bro. Robertson's proteges and they called it Neophyte Night. According to reports the work was excellent.

**"AGE TO AGE"**

You are as young as your faith,  
As old as your doubt,  
As young as your courage,  
As old as your fear,  
As young as your dreams,  
As old as your despair..

**CARSTAIRS LODGE NO. 20**

**MASTER'S Thought:**

You can't make speeches? Star in films  
A Poet you're simply not?  
If many things you cannot do,  
I wouldn't grieve a lot  
Maybe you're born to ease the load  
Of some other person down the road?