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M.W. Bro. Claude Rodney Austin Green — Born, Duncan, British Columbia, June 12th, 1931. Initiated, Manyberries Lodge No. 133, July 29th, 1957. Member of Bow Island No. 57. Affiliated with Lake Saskatoon Lodge No. 106, June 4th, 1978; W.M. 1960-61; D.D.G.M. District No. 2, 1970-71. Elected to Board of General Purposes in 1980. Appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick 1981. Retired after twenty-seven years of service in the R.C.M.P. in 1977. Was a partner in Harline Truck and Tractor Ltd., Grande Prairie, Alberta. Is now employed by the Golden Inn, Grande Prairie, Alberta. Was Scout Master 1964-68. Married Jean Henderson of Lethbridge, Alberta in October of 1955. Elected Grand Junior Warden June 1982.

My Brethren, it is my pleasure to be able to write a few lines to you through the medium of our Grand Lodge Bulletin. It was most heartwarming for me and my father (PGM British Columbia 1957-58) to have witnessed a very large turnout at the Grand Lodge Communication in Edmonton. This I believe to be due to the leadership that has been given to the Craft by my predecessors in the office of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta A.F. & A.M. and their themes.

As many of you are aware my Father M.W. Bro. C.A. Green had the pleasure of taking part in my installation in Edmonton on June 11th, 1984. I have always been on the receiving end in Masonary as far as my father is concerned. However the tables were turned when I attended the Grand Lodge of British Columbia at their Communication in Vancouver, B.C. June 14 & 15th, 1984. I was afforded the opportunity of presenting my father with his Honorary Past Grand Masters Certificate from the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

My theme for this year is "What can you (I) do for masonry. I am asking each one of you to make a personal commitment to himself to take part in masonry to the best of his ability. This commitment can be in many forms, such as taking part in the lodge degree work, giving a short paper on research and education, getting in touch with a brother who has not been to lodge for some time and making that brother feel welcome. The commitment could also be in the form of organizing some social activity which could involve our wives and or families. Keeping our lodge halls in a presentable

condition will show the public that we are proud of the craft and what it stands for.

In closing, I want to quote in part from a short paper that I gave after my installation. "Each one of us is an individual. We are all different in many ways. You are not the same as your father or grandfather. You are different. You are one of a kind. That's the way God intended it to be.

All of us have our good points and our bad points. What we must do is to find what those good points are, and what abilities we have, and build on those abilities and good points. It does not matter what, or how trivial those abilities seem to be. What is important is that you develop them. Use them as a base to grow and improve yourself. Remember God gave you some special ability. Discover it, use it. It can lead you to heights that you will not believe.

Be an individual. Be yourself. Use what God gave you and you will find that all things are possible.

The past is part of each of us. We are what we are because the blood of our ancestors runs in our veins, and the world they shaped has fashioned us. We cannot escape yesterday. One cannot help but be moved by the rich gifts that have come from the past, and avoid the conclusion that he is called to contribute something to the world that is to be. Our destiny lies in our hands. You and I are the hope and the future of our beloved fraternity."

Claude R.A. Green Grand Master

THE 79th COMMUNICATION

Attendance at the Grand Lodge Communication was 768. This was made up of 117 Worshipful Masters, 503 Past Masters, 148 Wardens and 36 Master Masons. The total voting strength was 906.

Out of the 161 Lodges in Alberta there was representation from 134. It means therefore that 27 lodges were without representatives, a serious statistic. Was your lodge one of the missing?

A spirited election took place as two vacancies were to be filled and the successful candidates were R.W. Bro. Norman F. Oslund, Palestine Lodge No. 16, Edmonton as Senior Grand Warden and R.W. Bro. Robert Juthner, Commercial Lodge No. 81, Edmonton as Junior Grand Warden.

R.W. Bro. George Mah was elected as Grand Registrar. Bro. Mah is a member of Eastgate No. 192. V.W. Bro. P.L. Smith from Wapum No. 88 elected as Tyler.

M.W. Bro. Thompson in his address gave a very good accounting of a very successful year and stated that his chosen theme of "Masonry in Action" has been seen in the positive movements occurring throughout the Craft in the Jurisdiction and that it was assisting many masons to realize a greater responsibility to their obligations and to make Freemasonry an active part of their lives and their communities.

The incoming Grand Master after having been placed in his High Office by his Father, M.W. Bro. C.A. Green, PGM of GRBC (an historical event) indicated his wishes in his theme "What Can You & (I) Do For Masonry".

MOTIONS

- Bow River No. 1: To amend part five of the constitution by adding section 703 new sub section No. 6, that any lodges attaining their 100th year may have their aprons bound with one half inch of Silver Metalic braid — this will apply to Officers, Past Master and Master Mason aprons. Amended to Gold Metalic braid — Carried.
- Acacia Lodge No. 11: That sections 84, 85 and 519 be ammended to reflect the following due dates: Semi Annual returns February 1st and August 1st, Financial March 15th, Statement of Work March 15th — Carried.
- Lethbridge No. 39: A motion to deal with the appeal after a Masonic Trial was tabled until 1985 Communication.
- Zetland No. 83: A motion to confer the rank of Past Grand Master upon R.W. Bro. M.P. Dunford, Past Grand Secretary

 Amended to confer Past Grand Warden upon R.W. Bro. Dunford — defeated.
- 5. Bowmont No. 181: A motion to add 2 new paragraphs to section 583 1st part of motion re non-payment of dues to allow a second ballot for reinstatement after 1 year carried. 2nd part of Motion withdrawn (see details in 1984 Grand Lodge Proceedings).

On Behalf of the Grand Master and his Officers and the Craft in Alberta we wish to express our sincere thanks for the many years of faithful service rendered to the craft by R.W. Bro. M.P. Dunford in the capacity of Grand Secretary. We wish him and his family much health to enjoy his many years of retirement.

To our new Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Allen Aylesworth — Welcome — we look forward to working with you, and we know that you will find the position an onerous one, and the shoes you have to fill a bit difficult at times. We look forward to your guidance and direction in the many items in Grand Lodge that may be presented from time to time.

ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICERS NEW THIS YEAR M W Bro C R A Green Grand Master

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS AND MEETING DATES

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1.	R.W. Bro. E. Hunter (28) Monday, October 29th			
2.	R.W. Bro. H.C. Drever (57) Friday, November 23rd			
3.	R.W. Bro. C.A. Bars (182) Saturday, September 29th			
4.	R.W. Bro. R.D. English (10) Saturday, November 17th			
	R.W. Bro. F.K. Graham (80) Friday, November 9th			
	R.W. Bro. J. Ross (17 & 19) Saturday, October 20th			
	R.W. Bro. T.W.S. Band (39) Friday, November 2nd			
	R.W. Bro. L.A. Johnson (33) Monday, November 5th			
	R.W. Bro. J.A. Chinnery (72) Saturday, November 10th			
	R.W. Bro. K.G. Lawrence (90) Saturday, December 8th			
	R.W. Bro. A.F.F. Smith (4) Saturday, November 3rd			
	R.W. Bro. W.W. Towers (92) Saturday, October 27th			
	R.W. Bro. G.B. Halldorson (88) Monday, July 9th			
14.	R.W. Bro. K.E. Mick (104) Saturday, November 24th			
	R.W. Bro. G.L. Park (113) Friday, October 26th			
	R.W. Bro. P.R. Chappell (165) Friday, October 19th			
	R.W. Bro. J.H. Roddick (69) Monday, October 15th			
18.	R.W. Bro. N.J. Senn (176 & 1980) Friday, November 16th			
	R.W. Bro. W.G.R.			
	Johnstone (77) Saturday, October 13th			
20.	R.W. Bro. T.M. Gates (63) Friday, October 12th			
R.W. Bro. H.F. Oslund (46 & 170) Senior Grand Warden				
R.W. Bro. R.E. Juthner (81 & 1980) Junior Grand Warden				
R.W. Bro. W.E. Bright (134) Grand Treasurer				
R.W. Bro. G. Mah (192) Grand Registrar				
R.W. Bro. A.F. Aylesworth (23) Grand Secretary				
V.W. Bro. J.M. Lynas (21) Grand Chaplain				
VV	V.W. Bro. R.J. Fulks (106) Senior Grand Deacon			
V.V. DIO, K.S. Tulks (100) belief Gland Deacon				

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

V.W. Bro. A.S. Berg (169) Junior Grand Deacon

V.W. Bro. C.R. Sharp (124) . . Grand Director of Ceremonies

V.W. Bro. H. Farmer (81) Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. A.H. Warren (83) Grand Pursuivant

BUARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES			
	Term Expires 1986	Appointed for one year	
	R.W. Bro. J.G. Forbes (192)	R.W. Bro. H. Young	
	W. Bro. A. Dunbar (51)	R.W. Bro. D.A. Bruce	
	R.W. Bro. G.H. Pelsma (166)	V.W. Bro. J.T. Wild	
	R.W. Bro. M. Lusk (166 & 1980)	W. Bro. D.L. Wood	
	V.W. Bro. D.C. Maskell (142)		
	V.W. Bro. S.E. McVittie (192 & 193 & 1980)		
	W. Bro. W.D. Hughes (15)		
	R.W. Bro. D.G. Simmonds (22 & 19	(3)	

BOARD OF BENEVOLANCE

Term Expires 1986 Appointed for one year
R.W. Bro. C.E. Tuckey (1 & 1980) M.W. Bro. F.G. Fox (9 & 1980)
W. Bro. J.W. Hunter (51) V.W. Bro. D.C. Maskell (142)
W. Bro. D.G. MacWilliam (9 & 1980)

MASONIC HIGHER EDUCATION BURSARY

Term expires 1987
W. Bro. I. Melec (51)
M.W. Bro. W.J. Collett
(83 & 180 & 1980)

Appointed for one year
R.W. Bro. W.A. Kujath
W. Bro. R.R. Powell

MASONIC RESEARCH & EDUCATION

Term expires 1987 W. Bro. A. Wong (192)

W. Bro. D.E.T. Ingoe (23 & 127 & 1980)

FROM THE EDITOR

Members of the craft who were not in attendance at our 79 Annual Communication may not be aware that Most Worshipful Brother Jack Collett has retired as Editor after 17 years of faithful service to this Grand Lodge Bulletin. We wish him well in his retirement and that he be blessed with much health and happiness. I have agreed to become its editor and would now solicit your help by having any articles and photos of outstanding events sent to the Grand Lodge Office, that I may use them in subsequent editions.

Lodge Anniversaries and long service awards are of great value and should be forwarded as soon as possible after they have taken place. Due to the lead time required to produce each bulletin it will be noted that it may be up to 2 months before the articles will appear. So please send your news and information in as soon as possible so as to make them current.

Most Wor. Bro. Thompson expressed in his address in June that we must ensure that our youth of today have our understanding, help, encouragement and moral support. That by giving freely of our time and talents to such organization as the Order of Demolay and Jobs daughters, the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides and other similar groups that we may encourage them to appreciate the invisible things in life; love of god, love of home, love and respect of parents and of our country. Things that are most needed in our present mixed up world.

ROBERT L. COSTIGAN

BANFF MASONIC SPRING WORKSHOP — ADDENDUM

During the past several months Most Worshipful Bro. N.M. MacIver, PGM, has received numerous requests for certain portions of his theme address given at the workshop. This segment was purposely omitted from the copies that were distributed following the address with the hope that it would be included in a future Grand Lodge Bulletin. The two part story of Freemasonry — What it is and What it is not was gleaned from Committee on Masonic Education and Research, grand Lodge of Montana.

WHAT MASONRY IS

It is a voluntary association of men.

It is a system of moral conduct.

It is a way of life.

It is a fraternal society.

It is religious in its character.

It teaches the Golden Rule.

It seeks to make good men better men.

It teaches morality through symbolism.

It uses secret rites and ceremonies to instruct its members.

It is based on a firm belief in the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man and the Immortality of the Soul.

Its purpose is to improve humanity as a whole, each Mason being charged to walk uprightly before God and man, and by his rectitude of conduct encouraging others to conduct themselves in like manner.

Its tenents are ethical principles such as are acceptable to all men. It teaches toleration toward the beliefs of others, and charity toward all mankind. Masons are proud to proclaim that their fraternity consists of men bound together by bonds of brotherly love and affection, universally applicable throughout the world.

WHAT MASONRY IS NOT

It is not an insurance or benefit society.

It does not solicit members.

It is neither a religion nor a creed.

It is not a charity organization.

It is not organized for profit.

It dictates to no man as to his beliefs, either religious or secular.

It seeks no advantages for its members through business or politics.

It is not a forum for discussion of partisan affairs.

It is not a secret society, as it does not conceal its existence, membership or purposes.

Masonry teaches love and kindness in the home, honesty and fairness in business or occupation, courtesy in social contacts, help for the weak and unfortunate, resistance to wickedness, trust and confidence in good men, forgiveness toward the penitent, love toward one another and, above all, reverence for the Supreme Being.

One of the outstanding features of Freemasonry, and a quality almost unique among societies, is a rule of immemorial standing that no man may be asked, invited or solicited to enter the fraternity.

LODGE RENFREW NO. 134 60th ANNIVERSARY

June 11, 1984 was the date chosen by the officers and members of Lodge Renfrew 134 to celebrate their 60th Anniversary. These celebrations commenced with a banquet and excellent talk by the guest speaker Wor. Bro. Roy Monroe (a member of Lodge Renfew).

Following is a Dedication service given by the principle officers.

Gary Lyons — While this is a celebrated occasion, let us never forget the labors and sacrifices our dearly departed brethren as well as other present brethren contribution to the success of the lodge which enabled us to achieve the status and security which we enjoy today.

These sacrifices, made in an era of less affluence makes their contributions even more meaningful. These brethren displayed the true meaning of charity.

C. Henders — We the present officers of this lodge have combined to re-dedicate ourselves to what our brethren in the past have contributed and accomplished. We have undertaken to insure the masonic ritual and teachings are adhered to, with dignity and solemnity, and shall endeavor to pass on to the officers following in our sted this same dedication.

Ken Schaalje — Let us my brethren consider where masonry has come from, where we are today and just, if, not more importantly, where masonry is going, and what lies ahead.

Masonry in these times of self centredness, apathy and selfishness requires a complete re-dedication of our values to ensure the principals and tenents are maintained, for the generations which will follow.

The failing numbers in free masonry reveals a serious concern and we all should make strides to turn this situation.

Let us all this evening renew our dedication to free masonry and return it to the days of where the teachings had real meaning in every day life.

The words and theme of our Grand Master, are entirely applicable in this regard and I wish to re-emphasis them: Ask not what masonry can do for you — But rather, what can you do for Masonry.

FIAT LUX LODGE OF RESEARCH - INSTALLATION

Fiat Lux Lodge of Research No. 1980 will be holding its Ceremony of Installation on Saturday, September 22, 1984 at Acacia Masonic Temple, Edmonton. On this occasion the newly installed Worshipful Master R.W. Bro. G. Gibbs will deliver his inaugral paper. All are welcome but those wishing to stay for the banquet should contact R.W. Bro. N. Senn at Box 102, Stn. G, Calgary T3A 2G1.



M.W. Bro. Thompson, congratulations to PDDGM's.



M.W. Bro. Green being congratulated by Representative from Minnesota, Idaho and Montana.



M.W. Bro. Green, Jr., installed by M.W. Bro. C. Green, Sr., PGM, GR. B.C. M.W. Bro. S. Harbin, Installing GM.



M.W. Bro. Green Senior and Junior.



M.W. Bro. Green installed.



M.W. Bro. M. Merner, Guest Speaker at Banquet.



Banquet Head Table.



Picture of 50 year Jewell, Bow River #1. W. Bro. A.Z. Weber (92 years old) received his 50 Year Jewell on behalf of Bow River #1, as presented by R. Wor. Bro. C.E. Tuckey and W. Bro. H.L. May.