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THE EXAMINATION OF A VISITOR

1988 could bring a larger number of visitors than usual and they may require examination.

The purpose of such examinations is to let true Masons into the Lodge while keeping out these who are not Masons. It is important that the first purpose be remembered and no difficulties presented to those who give proper evidence of membership.

First, check any printed documentation carefully against the "List of Lodges", remembering that other fraternal organizations have numbers and names that sound authentic. Do not accept the visitor's statements without checking.

Check your own jurisdiction's entry in the "List of Lodges" to ensure that Alberta recognises the other Jurisdiction even if it is in the "List of Lodges". The written documentation is not enough on its own. Question the visitor critically about what he knows and what he has seen in a Lodge and have him confirm the reality of his claim through the Tyler's oath. Remember that ritual and patterns of progression differ in many countries.

The examiners should then feel free to leave the applicant to discuss their findings. If one disagrees with the opinion of the others, he should be sure to raise the issue. None should be pressured into a bad joint decision on the grounds that it is unmasonic to disagree. Examine well, but fairly, and remember that experienced Masons together with younger Masons make the best team as this perpetuates the skill of the Lodge in its examinations. It may be well to have a special team established before February and ensure it clearly knows what is expected of it.

NOTES ON THE MARGIN

Until man learns to accept his fellow man with all his faults as well as his virtues, there can be no peace, no joy, no real understanding.

Henry Miller... "ECCE HOME", 1967

Either men will learn to live like brothers, or they will die like beasts.

Max Lerner..."Actions & Passions, 1949.

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EDITOR'S COMMENT

At a recent visit to an Lodge which had only a moderate attendance, I noticed one thing that made this a particularly rewarding experience. On entering the area where the brethren were beginning to assemble I was greeted by every brother present. All said a few (or more) words and would then introduce me to others. The feeling as a visitor, to have this type of welcome, is very emotional. It brings into reality the feeling of brotherhood and that one is amongst friends "to whom one has not yet been introduced."

Another lodge I visited gave me a "buddy". The Master, on finding I was a visitor immediately assigned a brother to stay with me for the entire evening. I found out that it was the responsibility of the "buddy" to introduce me to everyone, to ensure I was involved with groups for discussion and, had I been from another jurisdiction, to explain any differences. Again, the feeling of the visitor is one of extreme pleasure not only for that evening but for days to come.

The last lodge I visited had the Master call all visitors to the altar. After introductions he came down to them, shook each by the hand and required that they sit next to one of the members of that lodge and not on their own. This gave me the feeling that the visitor was truly welcome.

These three practices may be widespread but if they are not, how good it would be if they became routine.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Who is qualified to be the recipient of a bursary through the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund?

ANSWER TO QUESTION OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER

The question related to the possibility of open operation of Grand Lodges in Communist countries.

Cuba is the only Communist country in the world with an openly operating Grand Lodge and this is a unique situation not fully understood by observers.

According to the "List of Lodges", for 1987 there are 19,892 Masons in 318 Lodges (50% more members than Alberta). The Lodges operate in the Scottish (Craft) Rite in the Spanish language. There are no longer any English speaking Cuban Lodges, however, there is an American Lodge under the

Grand Lodge of California at the U.S. Military Base in Cuba. While there is no support of Masonry by the Government of Fidel Castro there is toleration of the Craft's operation. Since the time that the Communist state came into existence, membership has halved but it is still a regular Grand Lodge which is recognised by the majority of Jurisdictions.

Interesting additional information on this Grand Lodge and others in the world can be found in the "Masonic World Guide" by Henderson, available at the Grand Lodge Office at a cost of \$18.00.

CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION 1988

The changes in the Constitution relating to the date of election and installation and investiture will have a major advantage of spreading the Installation Ceremony throughout the year and avoiding the great number of ceremonies held almost continually for the months of June and December.

It is presumed that Districts or even regions will get together to plan any moves so some new 'busy' period is not created.

Many lodges will no doubt maintain the same dates as they have in the past as a "custom" of their lodge.

Those making a change will have to be aware of a special responsibility which will fall upon them. At the present time Grand Lodge sends out the blank "Certificate of Election" form (45) which must be returned within 15 days of the election to avoid the penalty of \$5.00 per day. These arrive with the blank semi-annual returns. Now, the Lodge must keep these forms on hand to send in 15 days after whatever date they hold their election. The Worshipful Master is responsible for ensuring his Secretary meets this deadline to avoid the penalty.

The requirement of this form is to ensure that correspondence continues to flow to the correct people after a change of officers and that G.L. records are maintained.

If election dates are widely separated from installations and subsequently a special dispensation for "election out of time" is obtained, when an elected member relocates or otherwise becomes unavailable for installation or investiture - a "certificate of election" must be completed for this individual within the 15 day deadline.

Lodges wishing to make changes in their dates must make appropriate Bylaw amendments and submit them for the approval of the Grand Master.

QUOTATION OF THE MONTH

Until you have became in actual fact a brother of everyone, brotherhood will not come to pass. Only by brotherhood will liberty be saved.

Feodor Dostoevski (1821-1881)

YE OLDE CRAFT LODGE NO. 196

On March 11th, 1987 Ye Olde Craft Lodge was Constituted and Consecrated at a well attended ceremony held in the Central Masonic Temple, Edmonton. M.W.Bro. Robert E. Juthner, Grand Master presided and the officers were installed and invested in due form after the Consecration.

Two hundred and twenty six brethren, representing 59 lodges were present with the Grand Master who was accompanied by 37 past and present Grand Lodge Officers.

The ceremony was enhanced by solo's sung by Bro. Dwayne Barr at the opening and closing of the Lodge. A noteworthy event was the visit of W.Bro. G.C. Marson, P.M., L.G.R., of Bishopsway Lodge No. 6061, G.R.E. to see his son Bro. L. Marson installed as Inner Guard.

A commemorative plate was made available for the members of the Lodge.

Alberta Masons welcome this new, enthusiastic daylight lodge which meets on the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

MORDS USED INCORRECTLY IN MASONRY

The following words are frequently said or spelled incorrectly. The sense changes quite a bit and may not mean anything at all.

BRETH<u>REN</u>: frequently written as Brethern or Bretheren. These latter forms are incorrect.

MASONRY: we frequently hear an "a" put between the $\overline{\ \ ''n''}$ and $\overline{\ \ \ ''r''}$ - this is not correct as there is no such word.

 $\underline{\text{PER}}\text{AMBULATION:}$ is to walk around. We frequently hear of a $\underline{\text{pre}}\text{ambulation}$ which would be some form of introductory statement, but there is no such word.

 ${\tt COL} \underline{{\tt UMN}}:$ frequently the "umn" is pronounced as the "ume" in the word "flume". The correct pronunciation is as the "um" in "mum".

TEMPORAL: the "or" is sounded as the "er" in the word "temper", not as in "core".

HEINOUS: the "hei" portion is pronounced "hay"
and not "hee".

If you hear or see other incorrect words or phrases please send them to the Bulletin for publication.

FIAT LUX LODGE OF RESEARCH

Will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday November 28th at Acacia Hall, Edmonton. All brethren are most welcome to attend. Please inform the Secretary at 282-8170 (Calgary), if you wish to dine after the meeting at approximately 5:00 p.m.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT AND DISCUSSION IN THE LODGE MASONIC WIDOWS

What does a Lodge do when a member is called to the Grand Lodge Above? Yes, we stand in Silent Tribute; yes, letters of sympathy are sent to the widow from the Lodge and by individual Brethren; yes, there is an impressive attendance of Brethren at the funeral service.

But what after that? In these days of wise insurance choice and government support, the widow fortunately, is not usually in need of money, but money is not everything. There is also the comfort and consolation that comes from being remembered not only at the time of the bereavement but also in the years that follow. Too often, a Lodge can forget the widow or at least do nothing to show that she is not forgotten, and who can complain if she and probably the family feel hurt that her late husband's Lodge apparently takes no further interest in her?

"I agree with that", you may say, "but what practical ways are there for a Lodge to show that she is not forgotten?"

The answer is: Involve her in all the social and other events in which your ladies are involved. For instance, invite the widows to be guests of the Lodge at your Ladies' Night and Christmas party or summer barbeque and if necessary, lay on transport for them. Be sure to see to it that when they arrive there are Brethren who will look after them and include them in their parties and generally make them feel welcome. If your Lodge holds an annual Church service see that the widows are invited and again arrange transport, if required. Some of them may not accept but they will deeply appreciate having been invited.

At Christmas, if the Worshipful Master sends greeting cards to all the Brethren, he should include the widows on his list, while a small gift from the Lodge to each of the widows is again very much appreciated.

Lodges adopting these and similar means of showing the widows that the Brethren still care are surely paying a real, meaningful and continuing tribute to the memory of their departed Brethren. The New Ashlar A Journal for Norfolk Masons - 1976

FROM AFAR

Faith in the Great Architect of the Universe is the first essential of all Masons. Literally, we live by faith every day of our lives. We cross a bridge by virtue of the faith we have in its builders; we take a train because we have faith in our engineers; we make a friend because we have faith in the man we have met. Faith seems so commonplace, so sub-conscious, that we hardly appreciate what it means, and yet there are so few men today who have faith in ultimate good and in the divine power which steers our barge through the trials and triumphs in this mortal existence.

W.H. Moran, Indiana Freemason

FREEMASONRY AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

Authorized Statement in reference to the Aims and Objects of Freemasonry to be supplied by Lodges to every Person applying for Admission to the Craft.

This statement is authorized and issued by the Grand Lodge of Alberta for the guidance of members and for the information of prospective candidates.

No One Invited to Join Freemasonry

Freemasonry has in all ages insisted that men should come to its doors entirely of their own free will and not as a result of solicitation or from feelings of curiosity, but simply from a favourable opinion of the institution and a desire to be ranked among its members. This is to ensure that only men with the highest ideals of service to God and their fellow men are admitted into Freemasonry and to ensure that they will not in later life regret they have been persuaded to join something they would not have done of their own free will. This, however, should not prevent any Freemason from giving appropriate encouragement to a worthy man who, of his own free will, evinces an interest in joining the Craft.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta is comprised of separate Lodges located in all the larger communities. It is recommended that in general the candidate should join the Lodge nearest his home as he is there most likely to find the greatest community of interest with his fellow members.

Aims Of Freemasonry

The main aims of Freemasonry are:

- to promote the brotherhood of man under the Fatherhood of God;
- to render practical aid and assistance to the less fortunate members of the community; and
- 3. by such behaviour in daily life to demonstrate to others that the teachings of the Craft have a profound and beneficial effect on all who sincerely embrace its precepts.

Antiquity Of Freemasonry

The origins of Freemasonry date back several centuries, and it has been a fully integrated society for more than 250 years. Today it comprises about 100 Grand Lodges - each an independent sovereign body managing its own affairs - and numbers over six million members. In ancient and modern times many are men of rank and influence, but, irrespective of rank, status, wealth, colour or creed all have met as equals in the Lodgeroom and have united in the grand design of serving their fellow men, and of promoting human welfare and happiness.

Freemasonry Not A Religion

Freemasonry is not a religious order, though its ceremonies have a considerable religious character and atmosphere, and contain elements common to all recognized world religions. It requires in every member a firm belief in a Supreme Being, however designated, and the appropriate volume of sacred writings, known to Freemasons as the Volume of the Sacred Law, lies open in the Lodge during every Lodge ceremony.

No Religious Or Political Discussion Permitted

No religious or political discussion is permitted in a Freemason's Lodge. Members are entitled to hold their own opinions but may not obtrude them on their fellow members in any way that might lead to dissension. Freemasonry as such expresses no opinion on any topic other than what is strictly masonic.

Freemasonry Is Not A Secret Society

Freemasonry has sometimes been designated a Secret Society. It is nothing of the kind. The so-called are details of the various ceremonies which concern Freemasons only and which enable them to recognize another Freemason and his stage of advancement in the Craft. These ceremonies are religious in character but in no way denominational. They are solemn and impressive and not lightly to be paraded to the outside world. Appropriate dignity without undue formality is of the very essence of all masonic proceedings.

Freemasonry Is Not A Benefit Society

That Freemasonry is not a Benefit Society is a fact that cannot be stressed too strongly. No man should join the ranks of Freemasonry expecting to derive some financial benefit. Contributions by Lodges and by individual members are used to alleviate distress and suffering in those who have met with misfortune. For them help is always forthcoming and no deserving appeal is ever made in vain.

A major thrust of Masons in Alberta is in the area of educational assistance for worthy young people. The Grand Lodge Higher Education Bursary Fund is dedicated to this end and it should be noted that the funds dispersed for students are available for all Albertans whether they are related or not to Masons.

Our work of benevolence is not restricted to Freemasons and their relatives but is extended to members of the community who are in need.

Loyalty To One's Country Essential

In Freemasonry loyalty to one's country is an essential qualification, and the only men acceptable are those who cheerfully render obedience to every lawful authority, strictly obey the laws of the country and who make every endeavour to promote the interest and welfare of the nation.

Investigation Of Candidates

Prospective candidates should know that the suitability of every applicant for admission to a Freemason's Lodge is investigated by a special committee of the Lodge. If the committee approves, the nomination is then submitted to a ballot by members of the Lodge.

Financial Obligations

An initiation fee is payable by every candidate thereafter an annual subscription. In addition, members may be called upon from time to time for contributions towards the various charities connected with the Craft. The amounts expected will depend entirely on the means of each member, and are never burdensome. Any married man contemplating joining a Freemasons' Lodge should discuss with his wife the obligations entailed, before making a decision.

Regular Attendance Expected

Lodge meetings are usually held once or twice a month and regular attendance is expected. It must be stressed, however, that a Freemason's duty is first to his wife and family and then to his means of livelihood. After that Freemasonry deserves the best attention its brethren can give it.

Freemasonry - A Way Of Life

Freemasonry has been described as a way of life, for to be effective, its teachings must be put into practice. Freemasonry strives to teach a man his duty to God, to his neighbour and himself. It inculcates the practice of virtue and makes an extensive use of symbols in its teachings. It has ever attracted to its membership men of goodwill and charity. Its doors are open to men of every race, colour or creed who are willing to subscribe to its principles and tenets, who seek no personal advantage through their membership, and who feel impelled to extend Brotherly love and goodwill to all men everywhere. Freemasonry contains nothing that is in any way inconsistent with one's civil. moral or religious duties, its principles are as true today as they were 250 years ago.

Should you decide to apply for membership, after considering the facts placed before you, you will after admission be assured of a warm welcome in every Masonic Lodge under the Jurisdiction of any recognized Grand Lodge throughout the world.

Copies of the above in pamphlet form are available from the Grand Lodge office through your Lodge secretary.

NOTES ON THE MARGIN

If we are not our brother's keeper, let us at least not be his executioner. Marlon Brando

From the proceedings, Fiat Lux Lodge of Research 1980

ITINERARY* OF THE GRAND MASTER FOR 1987/88. M.W.Bro. Robert E. Juthner /*SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS NECESSADY)

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5th - Foothills Lodge No. 174, Calgary 6th - District 14 Meeting, Hanna

- Board of General Purposes. 7th 9:00 A.M., Red Deer

- District 9 Meeting, Castor 7th

9th - St. Mark's Lodge No. 118, Calgary 10th - Cyprus Lodge No. 113, Three Hills 11th - Griesbach Lodge No. 191, Edm.

14th to - 250th Anniversary Tour of

December 7th, Austria & Germany

- Edmonton Lodge No. 7, Edmonton

Installation

- Temple Lodge No. 167, Install 11th 12th - Commercial Lodge No. 81, Edmonton

Installation

14th - Lochearn Lodge No. 151,

60th Anniv., Rocky Mtn. House - North Star No. 2, RAM, Edm., 17th

Installation

- Grand Master's Levee, Edm. January 1st

Hosted by Saskatchewan No. 92 - Corinthian Lodge No. 22, Okotoks 5th

6th - Bowmont Lodge No. 181, Calgary - King Solomon 41, Cochrane, Inst. 7th

8th - Jubilee Lodge No. 173, Calgary

9th - Rockyford Lodge No. 123

- Renfrew Lodge No. 134, Calgary 11th 12th - King Hiram Lodge No. 21, Didsbury

14th - Coronation Lodge No. 72

- Master Masons' Regional Meeting, 16th

King George Temple, Calgary

19th - Brooks Lodge No. 73

- Bow River Lodge No. 1, Calgary 20th 21st

- Innisfail Lodge No. 8

23rd - Officers' Meeting, Edmonton - District 20 Meeting, Edmonton 23rd

- Vesper Service, Trinity United 24th

Edm. - Commercial No. 81 hosting 25th - Jasper Lodge No. 14, Edmonton

26th - Kitscoty Lodge No. 131 - District 16 Meeting, Hussar

February 1st - Al Shamal Masonic Appreciation

Night, Edmonton - Oyen Lodge No. 104 2nd

- Beaver-Monitor Lodge No. 56, 3rd

- Excelsior Lodge No. 80, Daysland 4th

6th - Master Masons' Regional Meeting,

Lethbridge

8th - Lucerne Doric Lodge No. 31, Vauxhall

9th - Fidelity Lodge No. 76, Bashaw 11th St. Andrew's Lodge No. 66, Trochu

12th and 13th - Edmonton Lodge of Perfection, A.& A.S.R., Edmonton

21st to 24th - Conference of Grand Masters of North America, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

- Board of General Purposes, 27th 10:00 A.M., Red Deer

March 1st - York Lodge No. 119, Lethbridge 2nd - Granite Lodge No. 127, Blackie

3rd - Diamond City Lodge No. 65,

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24th	- Carbon Lodge No. 107
27th to 29th	 Cascade Lodge No. 5, Banff 100th Anniversary Celebrations
June 4th	- Jasper Park Lodge No. 143, Laying
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	the Lodge Room 2:00 P.M.
9th	- Grand Masters Banquet (by invite)
10th and 11th	- 83rd Annual Communication of

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Calgary

The Grand Lodge of Alberta,

RECOGNITION

Bro. Sid Hughes was 100 years old on August 14th, 1987. He is seen here receiving greetings from the Grand Master, M.W.Bro. Robert E. Juthner. Bro. Hughes was initiated into King George Lodge No. 59 on Feb. 18, 1921 and was made an Honorary Life Member on May 1, 1981. He received his 50 year jewel in 1971 and his 60 Year Bar in 1981. A number of his brethren turned out to wish him well on this significant day.



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On May 5th, M.W.Bro. Norman Oslund and several Masonic brethren paid a visit to W.Bro. William Gladstone Scott at the Veteran's Auxillary Hospital in Edmonton to present him with his 60 Year Bar.

W.Bro. Scott was born in Cincinnatti, U.S.A. in 1898. He was initiated into Saskatchewan Lodge No. 92 on December 23, 1926, served two terms as Worshipful Master in 1936 and 1937 and was granted Life Membership in 1963.

W.Bro. Scott is a delightful person and many Masons are proud he is their Brother. He has a long and distinguished career in Masonry and is still an ardent supporter of his Lodge.

