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Editor, RW Bro. Norman J. Senn

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Proclamation

The Grand Master, MW Bro. Ray Burton, has proclaimed the month of October as Masonic Higher Education Bursary month. Recent reductions in grants to post secondary institutions have caused an increase in tuition fees for students wishing to continue with their post secondary education. The Grand Master recognizes the need to educate our children, who will, in a very few years, be the leaders of every segment of our society. He urges all members of this Grand Jurisdiction to practice that distinguishing characteristic of a Masonic heart — Charity, and donate generously to this most worthy cause.

Message from the Chairman of the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Committee

Most Worshipful Brother, R.H.M. Burton, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, has proclaimed October 1994, Masonic Higher Bursary Month and requests all Brethren of this Grand Lodge to donate to this important cause.

Each year, at this time, the Masons of this jurisdiction are asked to support the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund with their donations. The last year was not a banner year — the total donations to the fund were \$38,000.00. Had it not been for a large donation from the Solid Symbol Society of Edmonton, the Bursary Fund would have been forced to reduce the number of bursaries presented.

It is noted that only about 18 per cent of the Masons of this Jurisdiction contribute to the fund. It would be wonderful if we could change this to 80 per cent giving. To those who do donate, the Committee thanks you deeply and it is their hope that you will continue to give as much or more.

Brethren, I quote from the reply of the Symbolic Bursary Recipient at the Grand Communication dinner, Miss Caroline O'Driscoll; "Thank you on behalf of all Masonic Higher Education Bursary recipients in Alberta, for your generous financial contribution to our post secondary education. You have made it possible for us to attend college and university despite today's economic realities. To be able to compete in today's advancing world, education is of the utmost importance. Without education, there are no jobs, without jobs there is no future. As education cutbacks become more evident, it is more necessary now than ever before, that we, as recipients, continue the good work of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, by reciprocating the gift which you have given us today by being successful in our studies and by contributing to tomorrow's society. May God bless you and watch over you always."

Brethren, I believe the foregoing expresses why we need to give to the Bursary Fund. To each and every member of

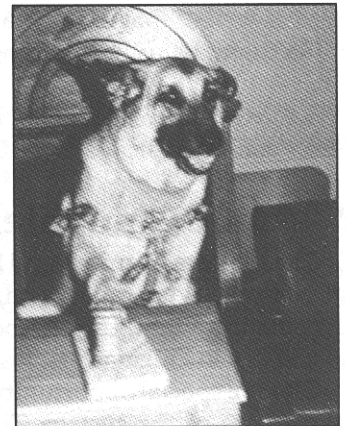
this great Grand Lodge, please send in a taxable donation today and remember a \$50.00 taxable donation in actual fact costs you about \$12.00.

L. Jeater, Chairman
Masonic Higher Education Bursary Committee

Female Mason Honoured At Grand Lodge

A most unusual happening occurred at Grand Lodge when the then Grand Master, MW Bro. Myron Lusk conferred the honorary title of Grand Guide and presented a miniature Masonic apron to "Cara" the guide dog of Bro. Graham Humphrey, Worshipful Master of Mosaic Lodge. Cara was so taken aback that she was unable to respond, but Bro. Humphrey thanked the GM, on her behalf, and assured the members present that Cara would still actively attend Lodges, as often as she could drag her handler out.

To much applause and laughter, the Grand Communication then proceeded with its business.



Left: Cara sharing the operation of Mosaic Lodge with Bro. Humphrey, WM. Right: Cara demanding a miniature Past Master's jewel.

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Grand Master's Itinerary

The Grand Master invites Brethren to accompany him on his fraternal visits.

October

- 1 Banff Conference, Banff
- 4 Norwood Lodge, Edmonton Freemasons' Hall
- 6 Buffalo Park Lodge, Wainwright
- 11 Mount Lebanon Lodge, Calgary Freemasons' Hall
- 12 Provost Lodge, Provost
- 13 Coronation Lodge, Coronation, Amalgamation of Coronation Lodge and Beaver Monitor Lodge
- 15 Britannia Lodge, Ponoka, 90th Anniversary
- 17 Brooks Lodge, Brooks
- 20 Wetaskiwin Lodge, Wetaskiwin
- 22 Calgary-Highwood District Meeting, Bowmont Hall
- 25 Eureka Lodge, Lacombe
- 28 King George Lodge, King George Hall, Railroad Night
- 29 Central District Meeting

November

- 1 Vulcan Lodge, Vulcan, Annual Game Supper
- 2 Glenbow Lodge, King George Hall
- 3 Foothills Lodge, Bowmont
- 4 Battle River District Meeting, Castor
- 5 Beaver Hills District Meeting, Acacia
- 8 Victoria Lodge, Fort Saskatchewan
- 9 Tawatinaw Lodge, Athabasca
- 10 Carstairs Lodge, Crossfield
- 12 A. & A.S.R., Calgary
- 14 St. Mark's Lodge, Calgary
- 15 Irricana Lodge, Irricana
- 17 Cornerstone Lodge, High River
- 19 Lakeland District Meeting, Acacia
- 23 Kelvingrove Lodge, Bowmont, Installation
- 28 Hussar Lodge, Hussar
- 29 York Lodge, Lethbridge

December

- 1 Diamond City Lodge, Coalhurst
- 3 Fort McMurray Lodge, Fort McMurray
- 5 Strathmore Lodge, Strathmore, Annual Game Supper
- 6 Corinthian Lodge, Okotoks
- 7 Redwood Lodge, Highland
- 9 Sentinel Lodge and Rocky Summit Lodge, Frank
- 10 Commercial Lodge, Edmonton Freemasons' Hall
- 13 Red Deer Lodge, Red Deer
- 14 Dominion Lodge, Edmonton Freemasons' Hall

Special Event

On March 9th, Meridian Lodge, Stoney Plain, in the presence of MW Bro. Myron Lusk, GM and a large assembly of brethren and visitors, raised Bros. Heron, Nixey and Stollings. Of special interest was the fact that Bro. Robert Mervyn Heron is a third generation Heron to be member of Meridian Lodge. He was presented with the 1938 apron of his grandfather, the late W Bro. Mervyn Heron. His father made the presentation and in attendance were his maternal grandfather, his uncle, his cousin and his godfather. This was certainly an evening of family Masonry.

Letter To The Editor

There have been volumes written and much rhetoric spoken concerning the lack of attendance and the declining membership in our Fraternity, but nothing concrete ever comes forth.

I have watched with interest at each Grand Lodge Communication and have noticed always the same people run for the same committees year after year. Some have been on the same committee for a number of years. It is commendable for a person to run, but I wondered why very few of the other brothers in our Fraternity did not run.

I asked one or two why they didn't submit their names. The answer was always the same, "What's the use, the same people get elected every year."

Well, that may not be necessarily so but it does point out one glaring aspect concerning committees and that is that we allow the same people to serve too long.

I feel that, to enhance our Fraternity with new ideas and new blood, no person elected to a Committee should be allowed to serve for more than two years. Further, they should be prohibited from running for another Committee for a period of one year. This way, the newer, younger, Brethren would have an opportunity to become involved and renew their interest and thus enhance their Masonic lives as well of that of the Fraternity.

Brethren, let us not keep "resoling the old shoes!"
RW Bro. Clyde H. Elford.

Editor's note: your reaction to this letter is most welcome. Please mail or fax replies to the Grand Lodge Office.

Masonic Computer Network Night

The Masters, Wardens and Deacons of Edmonton invite all Masons, who can attend, to a Magna Borealis Lux Information Night. This will be held on November 28, 1994 at 7:30 PM in Freemasons' Hall, Edmonton.

This is a special opportunity for all interested Masons to learn more of the system. They will be able to join the Masonic International Information Network and "visit" across North America.

Submitted by W Bro. Cameron MacKay

Grand Lodge Officers 1994-95 — Elected And Appointed

Grand Master

MW Bro. Raymond H.M. Burton (187/197)

Deputy Grand Master

RW Bro. Gordon V. Macaulay (174/197/1980)

District Deputy Grand Masters

DDGM	District
RW Bro. Harold Glanzer (174/197)	Alpha
RW Bro. Abe Dyck (55)	Palliser
RW Bro. Irwin D. Earle (51)	Yellowhead
RW Bro. Russel G. Phillips (16)	Central
RW Bro. James G. Coverdale (56)	Battle River
RW Bro. Gordon Kelso (180)	Calgary-Highwood
RW Bro. W.M.(Mac) Gillis (39)	Chinookarch
RW Bro. Fred S. Radford (30)	Three Rivers
RW Bro. R.(Rod) B. Ponech (11)	Lakeland
RW Bro. John D. Robertson (101)	Northern Lights
RW Bro. Pinday Syan (105)	Mighty Peace
RW Bro. Philip Wallis (60)	Dinosaur
RW Bro. Thomas G. Hargreaves (124/1980)	Phoenix
RW Bro. Wes Dutnall (195)	Athabasca
RW Bro. Donald N. Corness (170)	Beaverhills

Elected Officers

RW Bro. Basil Costouros (14/196)	Senior Grand Warden
RW Bro. Hugh Young (124)	Junior Grand Warden
RW Bro. G. Rex Dawson (114)	Grand Treasurer

Appointed Officers

RW Bro. Gerald T. Webber (48/197)	Grand Secretary
VW Bro. Kenneth E. Wigmore (10)	Grand Registrar
Bro. E.J. (Ted) Wigglesworth (76)	Grand Chaplain
VW Bro. Jerry W. Kopp (36)	Senior Grand Deacon
VW Bro. John G. MacLean (65)	Junior Grand Deacon
VW Bro. Stanley G.B. Pearson (20/6)	Grand Director of Ceremonies
RW Bro. Neil S.B. Lonsbury (192/194)	Grand Organist
VW Bro. Lewis J. Heyler (73)	Grand Pursuivant
VW Bro. Peter Slemko (13)	Grand Steward
VW Bro. Gordon G. Sears (125/6)	Grand Steward
VW Bro. Benjamin C. Niven (118)	Grand Steward
VW Bro. Robert J. Bell (138)	Grand Steward
VW Bro. Donald F. Hart (117)	Grand Steward
VW Bro. Don Pagnucco (26)	Grand Steward
RW Bro. Elmer F. Bly (90)	Grand Historian
VW Bro. Walter L. Woodward (187)	Grand Tyler
Bro. John Hongisto (19/173)	Grand Piper-South
RW Bro. J.C. (Jack) McQuaig (167)	Grand Piper-North

Boards And Committees

(Only new members are listed)

Board Of General Purposes

The Grand Master, the DGM, all DDGMs, the Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, Grand Registrar and Grand Secretary by virtue of office.

Elected Members Of The Board

Member	Term	Expires
RW Bro. W.A. (Bill) Brown (118)	1	1996
RW Bro. D. Buck (23)	2	1996
RW Bro. Angus Gordon (2)	1	1996
W Bro. Neil I. Morrison (2)	1	1996
RW Bro. J.C. Pelletier (176)	1	1996
RW Bro. Vic Ramsbottom (20)	1	1996
RW Bro. Norm J. Senn (176)	1	1996
VW Bro. R.L. (Bob) Taylor (2)	1	1996

Appointed Members Of The Board

RW Bro. Herb Keith (96)
 VW Bro. Jack Lewis (15)
 RW Bro. K.A. Roberts (119)
 RW Bro. C.W. Scott (83)

Executive Committee

The Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the President and Vice President of the Board of General Purposes, the Grand Treasurer, the Immediate Past Grand Master, the Chairman of the Finance Committee by virtue of office.

Appointed Members Of The Executive Committee

RW Bro. B. Costouros (14/196)
 RW Bro. H. Young (124)
 RW Bro. G.T. Webber (48/197)

Board Of Benevolence

MW Bro. W.C. Graves (2) Term expires 1995

Appointed Members of the Board

RW Bro. J.E. Forsdick [90]
 RW Bro. Angus Gordon [2]

Grand Master's Appointments

W Bro. Gary Shantz (118)
 RW Bro. Donald Turvey (188/14)

The Finance Committee

RW Bro. D. Buck (23)	Term expires 1996
RW Bro. G.R. Dawson GTreas (114)	Term expires 1995
RW Bro. J.C. Pelletier (176), Chair	Term expires 1996

1994 Masonic Spring Workshop Videos

Those who would like a copy of the tape of the theme speaker and other sessions of the most recent Workshop should contact:

RW Bro. Vic Ramsbottom, 8 Gladstone Gardens SW, Calgary, T3A 7E4. The cost is \$18.00 per tape.

Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund Committee

RW Bro. L.D. Jeater (1) Chairman

Appointed Members

W Bro. H. Kent (46)

RW Bro. F.L. Taylor (2)

Charters and New Lodges

RW Bro. Hugh Young JGW (124), Chairman

Jurisprudence Committee

MW Bro. P. Kendal (69)

Term expires 1997

MW Bro. W.A. Milligan (92)

Term expires 1997

W Bro. Harry Noble (18)

Term expires 1997

MW Bro. J.S. Woods (83)

Term expires 1997

What Masons Do

Involvement With Young People

On May 31, a pancake breakfast attended by 640 students, 150 parent volunteers, 15 Calgary Police Service Officers, 20 Freemasons, a western band and singer, a superbly talented Junior High School female singer and the Belvedere Parkway School Staff, was held at Belvedere Parkway Elementary School. This event involved upwards of 900 individuals who were involved in many ways in making all the activities most successful. The brethren who acted as the chefs cooked upwards of 2,000 pancakes and the students raved about the quality of the food. The breakfast was a tremendous success, but is only one example of Freemasons interacting with the youth in a most positive manner.

Belvedere Parkway School has an extremely active School Patrol Program supervised by Bro. L.A. King. Several luncheons were held to honour outstanding school patrollers and the Freemasons were well represented on 100 per cent of these occasions. Notable Brethren, such as Hugh Young and John Barnes, who currently who hold the rank of Inspector with the Calgary Police Service, freely gave of their time to attend these events. These interactions with young people are contrary to the trend for people to distance themselves from opportunities to interact with young people.

The sharing of one's time and talents with the young can be significant in assisting youngsters to make proper life choices. In many schools, over 75 per cent of the student population is from single parent families and often these students have no positive male role models in their formative years.

In April 1994, the Potentate of the Al Ahzar Temple and Bro. McKay had a meeting to discuss the upcoming Pancake Breakfast. It was agreed that a few Freemasons appear to suffer from a 'Turtle Shell Syndrome' — it is safer to support youth financially than to interact with them. Fortunately many more Freemasons have successfully and

Masonic Education Committee

RW Bro. V.C. Ramsbottom (20), Chair Term expires 1996

Condition Of Masonry

RW Bro. G.V. Macaulay, DGM (174/197/1980), Chair

Calgary '95 Committee

VW Bro. K.E. Wigmore (10), Chairman

Grand Prosecutors

W Bro. B.C. Larsen (118), Calgary

Credentials & Scrutineers Committees

RW Bro. E.H. Hickmore (18), Chairman Scrutineers

VW Bro. K.E. Wigmore (10), Chairman Credentials

freely given their time to young people.

In order for the membership to successfully interrelate with youngsters, certain steps must be taken. Some factors to consider when preparing for youth oriented events are:

- 1) **Interactive Patterns** — what are the appropriate interactive patterns to apply to the youngsters;
- 2) **Communication Patterns and Terminology** — how does one talk meaningfully to youngsters;
- 3) **Background Knowledge** — what do the youngsters like and want to do,
- 4) **Purpose** — why are you holding the event and what do you hope to accomplish,
- 5) **Working with Your Brethren** — practice sharing your expertise openly with your fellow planners, establish a trusting relationship; and
- 6) **Listen** — to the children and the adults involved in the upcoming event (great ideas come from many different sources).

Events like this pancake breakfast don't just happen, but are successful because Masons have given freely and generously of themselves. Remember that the YOUTH OF TODAY ARE OUR FUTURE!

Submitted by VW Bro. McKay
(Loyalty & Zetland Lodges)

From The Notices

Kind words do not cost much. They do not blister the tongue or the lips. Mental trouble was never known to arise from such quarters. Though they do not cost much, yet they do accomplish much. They make other people good-natured. They also produce their own image on men's souls, and a beautiful image it is.

Bro. Doug Clarkson, WM, Grande Prairie Lodge.

Quotes

People fail to recognize opportunity for two major reasons. First, opportunity doesn't sail in on a ship. It comes from within. Second, opportunity rarely looks like an opportunity. Often it is disguised as misfortune, defeat, and rejection.

Denis Waitley.

The Station

Tucked away in our subconscious is an idyllic vision. We see ourselves on a long trip that spans the continent. We are travelling by train. Out of the windows we drink in the passing scenes of cars on nearby highways, of children waving at a crossing, of cattle grazing on a distant hill side, of smoke pouring out from a power plant, of row upon row of corn and wheat, of flatlands and valleys, of mountains and rolling hillsides, of the city skylines and village halls.

But uppermost in our minds is the final destination. On a certain day at a certain time we will pull into the "station." Bands will be playing and flags waving. Once we get there, so many wonderful dreams will come true and the pieces of our lives will finally fit together like a completed jigsaw puzzle. How restlessly we pace the aisles, damning the minutes for loitering... waiting, waiting, waiting for the "station."

"When we reach the 'station' that will be it!" we cry. "When I'm 18." "When I have paid off the mortgage!" "When I get a promotion!" "When I retire, when, when, when, ... I'll finally be happy."

Sooner or later we must realize there is no "station," no one place to arrive at, once and for all. The true joy of life is the trip. The "station" is only a dream. It constantly out-distances us.

"Relish the moment" is a good motto, especially when coupled with Psalm 118:24; "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it." It isn't the burdens of today that drive people mad. It is the regrets over yesterday and the fear of tomorrow which do. Regret and fear are the twin thieves who rob of us of today.

So, stop pacing the aisles and counting the miles. Instead, climb more mountains, eat more ice cream, go barefoot more often, swim more rivers, watch more sunsets, be more charitable and forgiving, laugh more, cry less — LIVE. Life must be lived as we go along. The "station" will come soon enough!

Robert J. Cummings — Submitted by John Hopkins
Secretary Fort McMurray Lodge.

90th Anniversary Celebration

The Worshipful Master, officers and Brethren of Britannia Lodge No. 18, Ponoka, invite Masons and their wives to a 90th Anniversary celebration. The festivities will be held on Saturday, October 15, 1994 in the Ponoka Kinsman Community & Recreation Centre.

The Lodge meeting will tyle at 3:00 PM — there will be entertainment for the ladies at the recreation Centre during this time.

Cocktails 5:30 PM • Banquet 7:00 PM • Dance follows
Cost: \$75 per couple — \$40 single.

Dress: Formal preferred;

For tickets, contact W Bro. Ken McLean, 5414 - 59 Street, Ponoka, T4J 1L5, Ph: 783-3575.

Join the members of Britannia Lodge and the Grand Master for this special event.

Masonic Education Bursary Fund Benefits From Meeting



On July 4, the Mighty Peace District Meeting was held. The meeting was directed by the DDGM, RW Bro. Pinday Syan. Present beside a goodly number of members from the District were MW Bro. Ray Burton, grand Master, RW Bro. G. Webber, Grand Secretary, MW Bro. Bob Costigan, PGM and VW Bro. Sears, Grand Steward. A special guest at the meeting was W Bro. Ranjeet Syan of Meridian Lodge No. 8442, (English Constitution, Nairobi, Kenya). Following the meeting when the Masonic Education Bursary Fund was mentioned, our guest from Nairobi contributed almost half of a scholarship to the Fund. The Recording Secretary of the Fund, VW Bro. Don McKay, who was present, was deeply moved by this most generous gift from someone outside our Jurisdiction. The brother obviously was well aware that the future of mankind lies in the hands of the young people of today. This was truly an example of universal brotherhood and charity.

Submitted at the request of the Grand Master
by VW Bro. Don McKay, Recording Secretary
MHEB Committee.

Georgia Flooding

An extract from a letter received by your Grand Lodge.

As you are well aware, the State of Georgia has suffered severe flooding in the early summer. There has been extensive damage, however, we are very pleased to be able to tell you that the damage has been less than was originally feared. There will be a lot of clean-up work to be done and the Freemasons of Georgia are very hard at work helping in this effort.

The Masonic Service Association is putting out an appeal to Grand Lodges so that if they would like to help in the recovery effort, you may send funds directly to the Masonic Service Association marked for "Georgia Relief."

... any lodges or Brothers can send funds to us directly or through the Grand Lodge and of course 100 per cent of all monies received will go to the Grand Lodge of Georgia. We know that the Brothers in Georgia will be very grateful for any help that you may be able to give them.

Donations to:

Richard E. Fletcher, PGM, Executive Secretary
Masonic Service Association
8120 Fenton Street
Silver Spring, Maryland, USA 20910-4785.

Recognition

RW Bro. George Darichuk, PDDGM, a member of Fidelity Lodge, Bashaw, was recently honoured by receiving the prestigious **Whitehall-Robins Bowl of Hygea Award**. The presentation was made at the Alberta Pharmaceutical Association meeting in May 1994. The award is presented annually to the pharmacist who, in addition to demonstrating a high quality of professional practice, has made an outstanding contribution to the community. Bro. Darichuk owned and operated Bashaw Pharmacy for 25 years and retired in 1992.

He has had an active Masonic career since 1969 and served his Lodge as Master in 1975. He was DDGM in 1980 and has been Secretary from 1981 to the present. He is a member of a number of concordant bodies and received his Honorary 33rd Degree from the A. & A.S.R.. His involvement in the community has been outstanding and we join with his fellow pharmacists in congratulating Bro. Darichuk on his well earned recognition.

On January 5th of this year, **Bro. Pat Patterson** of Eastgate Lodge, Edmonton, was presented with his 50-Year Jewel at special ceremony. The photo shows those making the presentation:



l-r: MW Bro. Norman MacIver; Bro. Pat Patterson; W Bro. Wm. Sykes, WM; and RW Bro. Bev Facey, the first WM of Eastgate Lodge.

In January of this year, **Bro. Bill McChesney** of Northmount Lodge, Calgary was presented with his 50-year Jewel. The presentation was made by W. Bro. Wolfgang Broeske, assisted by RW Bro. Bill Margach, PDDGM.

Quotes

One of the most important trips a man can make is that involved in meeting the other fellow halfway.

Bruce Van Horn

Be patient with everyone, but above all with yourself.

St. Francis de Sales

Everyone has an invisible sign hanging from his neck saying, "Make me feel important!" Never forget this message when working with people.

Mary Kay Ash, From The Northern Light

The Brotherhood Builder Pin

Eureka Lodge, Lacombe, held an Open House on April 26, 1994 to unveil the "Brotherhood Builder Pin." The first pin was presented to RW Bro. Gerry Webber, Grand Secretary, with pins two and three being presented to RW Bro. Macaulay, SGW and RW Bro. Earl Berry, DDGM of Central District. The pins were presented by Bro. Art Wigmore who invented and designed the pin.

The pin was designed to recognize, in a visible and meaningful way, those who attend the regular meetings of the Lodge. It is awarded to those who have attended 70 per cent of the meetings over a five year consecutive term.

The pin shows two pillars over which is a bricked arch. Between the pillars are the square and compasses, suspended from which is a trowel with "5F" on the blade. The "F" denotes fidelity.



l-r: RW Bro. Gerald Webber, G. Sec; Bro. Art Wigmore; RW Bro. Gordon Macaulay, SGW; and RW Bro. Earl Berry, DDGM, Central District.

We Were Listening

Mason's should not take the easy path and lower their standards to meet those of others — we should encourage others to rise to our higher standards of which we are so proud. Think about it, Brethren.

MW Bro. Ray Burton, GM

District Meetings

October

- 1 Yellowhead District, Acacia Hall, Edmonton
- 15 Athabasca District, Cornerstone Hall, St. Albert
- 15 Chinookarch District, Lethbridge
- 22 Calgary-Highwood District, Bowmont
- 22 Three Rivers District, Frank
- 28 Dinosaur District, Community Hall, Acme
- 29 Phoenix District, Freemasons' Hall, Calgary
- 29 Palliser District, Bassano
- 29 Central District, Masonic Hall, Olds

November

- 4 Battle River District, Castor
- 5 Beaverhills District, St. Albert, Cornerstone Hall
- 5 Alpha District, Bowmont, Calgary
- 19 Northern Lights District, Whitecourt
- 19 Lakeland District, Acacia