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New Year's Message

The year 1995 has come and gone and many events have occurred and are now history. Let us then look forward to the future with an attempt to correct old errors and irregularities. Let us rejoice and be happy, so that those depending on us may have happiness as well.

We, as Masons, have a moral duty to keep ourselves to the highest possible standards within our communities and to project the values and virtues of our Masonic learning. By attempting this, the world will know that, when one is said to be a Mason, we profess perfection and good morals within our surroundings.

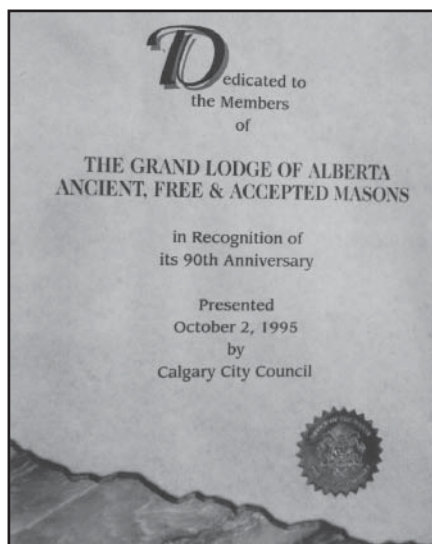
To all Brethren, who are holding an office within your respective Lodges, I wish you well for your upcoming calendar year. May the decisions you make strengthen both your Lodge and yourself as a Mason. To your family and friends, may the Great Architect of the Universe bring happiness and prosperity.

Let us work towards Brotherly Love and work together, in all levels of the Craft, to achieve harmony, peace and solemnity. Perhaps then, the Masonic dream will become a reality and this world will be a better place. May you all have a most rewarding and successful year.

RW Bro. Basile Costouros, Deputy Grand Master

Presentation To Alberta Masons

An attractive and meaningful plaque was presented to the Grand Master on October 2nd, 1995, by the Mayor of Calgary, His Honour Al Duerr. The plaque and the presentation speech recognised the contributions that Masons have made to the City and the province over their 90 years of operation as a Grand Lodge.



New Year's Levee

The Annual New Year's Levee, to honour the Grand Master and his Officers, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Edmonton, on January 1st, 1996, at 12 noon. Saskatchewan Lodge, Edmonton, which sponsors this event, invites all Masons to attend.

Message To The Brethren

On many occasions the Grand Master has spoken on the issue of the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund. He has some deep concerns with respect to the funds as very few Brethren contribute. The fund received \$60,641.00 this year — that is just \$6.38 per member. We all appreciate the hard economic times and that every dollar counts, but students face the same hardships and therefore rely even more heavily on any available scholarships or bursaries.

Masonry is a proud and well established organization, which has met with much external criticism, but we remain unshaken. Masonic Renewal is our new focus, whereby we will have greater exposure to the community, re-affirming our well established credibility.

Can this well established, credible institution survive, if we allow the many valuable projects, like the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund slowly to dwindle away? This is one project that gives us maximum exposure to the non-Masonic community and shows the type of ambassadors we really are.

Many years ago, an article was printed in the *Grand Lodge Bulletin* about contributions to the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund. It was suggested that each Brother should set aside 5 cents per day for 365 days for the Masonic Higher Education Bursary fund. The total contribution would be \$18.25 per Brother.

Now let's assume there are 9500 Masons in this jurisdiction, (actually there are over 10,000, but this figure includes dual members) and each Mason contributes \$18.25 (which is income tax deductible). The MHEB Fund would have an annual accumulated contribution of 9500 X \$18.25 which equals \$173,375.00. Brethren, we can easily find this amount by each having one less cup of coffee per week and redirecting this saving to the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund. Please support this most worthwhile project. Contributions are accepted at any time of the year, not just October. So, if you have not yet contributed, start off the New Year with a cheque to the MHEB Fund.

Submitted by VW Bro. Jerry Kopp, Gleichen Lodge.

[Editor's Note - Just imagine if every Mason contributed 10 cents a day]

Important Reminder — Grand Lodge 1996

91st Annual Communication

June 14–15, 1996

It is not too early to set aside the weekend of June 14 and 15, 1996 for the 91st Annual Communication, to be held in Edmonton, Alberta. It is to be noted that the three Principal Officers of each Lodge should be in attendance. As you are aware, the Worshipful Master obligated himself to attend during his installation.

We look forward to a supportive attendance from our Lodges.

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Grand Master's Itinerary

January 1996

- 1 New Year's Levee, Edmonton
- 2 Perfection Lodge, Calgary Freemasons' Hall
- 4 Centennial Lodge, Rimby
- 11 Bassano Lodge
- 12 Strathcona Lodge, Acacia Hall, Edmonton
- 13 Ye Olde Craft Lodge, Acacia Hall, Edmonton
- 15 Brooks Lodge
- 18 Wetaskiwin Lodge
- 22 Beacon Lodge, Red Deer Freemasons' Hall

February

- 1 Whitecourt Lodge
 - 5 St. John's Lodge, Vegreville
 - 8 Carstairs Lodge, Crossfield
 - 13 Chief Mountain Lodge, Cardston
 - 15 Board of General Purposes, Red Deer
- 16-22 Grand Master's Conference — Washington

Leadership Workshops

The first Leadership Workshop, which was held in Calgary on two Saturdays, one in October and the other in November, is now behind us. It proved to be highly successful, according to the comments of the participants. The two days were filled from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM with presentations, group activities and much discussion. The length of time seemed the least that would allow for adequate coverage of the subject areas covered. The number attending was not high on this first occasion but it is hoped that word of mouth will spread the news of the value of such workshops.

The next workshop will be held in Edmonton for the benefit of Masons in the northern part of the province. Again, it will be on two Saturdays, the first part on February 24th and the second on March 9th. DDGMs will be getting information from the Grand Master and will be organizing these sessions, if enough interest is shown.

The Workshop is aimed at officers or aspiring officers up to SW. The reason for this is that the workshop emphasizes and guides the planning that must go into the development of a Master's year in office.

Should you be interested in the Edmonton Workshop, please see your DDGM about registration.

Bursary Presentations In Medicine Hat



Three Bursaries went to young people in the Medicine Hat area. The recipients, from left to right, are Crystal Tokamp of the Hat, who received a Citizenship Award while she was in Junior High; Shannon Reynold of Bow Island; and Danielle Kuipers, also of Bow Island.

Crystal wants to be a Nurse and, to that end, is going to Lethbridge College to pursue her dream. Shannon is an active outdoors person, having belonged to Brownies, 4H, and Guides. She has taken life-saving courses and is a certified lifeguard. Her interest is in the Business Programs and she wishes to take a degree in Management, so that she may, one day, own her own business. Danielle is very active in sports and 4H and is an active basketball and volleyball player in Senior High School. She is entering the 2nd year of the B.Ed. program, with a special education major. This ties in with her summer job, which is being a care-giver for handicapped young people.

Also in the photograph (back row l-r) is Bro. Bob Taylor, Member of the Bursary Committee, Bro. Bill Webster and Bro. Bill Buchanan.

Nominations

Get those nominations in NOW for GL Officers, Committee and Board members, and nominees for recognition. Don't wait — they must be in the Grand Lodge office by noon of the last working day of February.

Motions To Amend The Constitution

Lodges wishing to submit motions for this year's communication should send them to the Grand Secretary at the earliest possible date, so that the Jurisprudence Committee can review them and "iron out" any problems before they reach the floor of Grand Lodge. Nothing is more disappointing to a Lodge than to have its Motions rejected because of problems that could have easily been modified if they had been submitted earlier. Don't leave them to the last moment — DO IT NOW.

Think On These

Apologizing for a nasty remark is like trying to unscramble an egg!

Time may be a great healer but it's an awful beautician!

If you're ever robbed of virtue, you'll find it was an inside job!

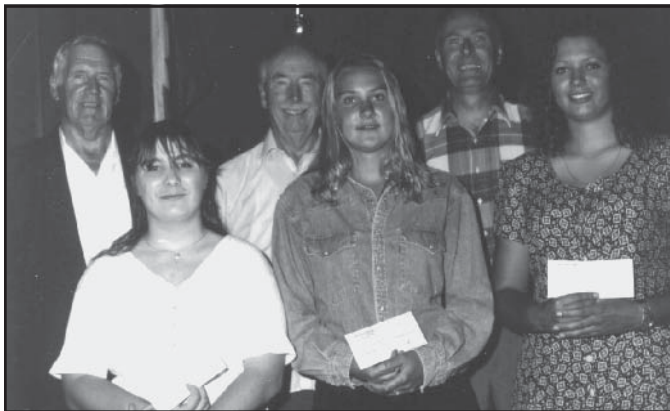
You can't control the weather but you can control the moral climate that surrounds you!

What The Masonic Family Does!

The Greatest Of These Is Charity

Job's Daughters is an organization for girls and young women, between the ages of 11 and 20, who have a Masonic relationship. It strives to promote the ideals of Masonry within their ranks by recalling, at each meeting, "The Master Masons who give us heritage". This heritage, which we all profess, includes many fine attributes and virtues — charity being among the foremost. As Masons designate charity as a distinguishing characteristic, it is gratifying to know it is also being practiced to an eminent degree by the Job's Daughters of Alberta. Some time ago, the International Order of Job's Daughters started a charity fund which the Daughters could work for and it was the Hearing Impaired Kids Fund, Canada, known as the HIKE Fund. A fine example of this work was a presentation made by the Daughters of Bethel No. 15 of Calgary at their Installation of Officers last year. They presented a cheque, on behalf of HIKE Canada, to assist the Lennoe family (which has two young girls who are hearing impaired), in the purchase of a Sonic Alert Fire Alarm and a Sonic Alert Phone System. These devices have a high pitched sound and flashing strobe light. Thank you Bethel No. 15.

Brethren, please consider a visit to a Bethel near to you and/or make a contribution to their HIKE Fund; these young ladies of the Masonic Family will thankfully receive it and faithfully apply it.



(l to r) Honoured Queen Kathryn Sutherland, Rylyn Lennoe, Mrs. Lennoe, Sadie Lennoe and Past HQ Ann Marie Moore. Submitted by Bro. Pete Proudlock

Help Yourself

A friend's grandfather arrived from Europe many years ago and, shortly after his arrival, went into a cafeteria to get something to eat. He sat down at an empty table and waited for someone to come and take his order. Of course, nobody came. After a time, a man with a full tray came and sat down opposite him and explained how things worked.

"Start at the end", he said, "and just go along and pick up what you want. At the other end they will tell you how much you have to pay for it."

"I soon learned that is how everything works in the New World." Grandpa told our friend. "Life is a cafeteria here. You can get anything you want so long as you are willing to pay the price. You can even get success but you will never get it if you wait for someone to bring it to you. You have to get up and get it for yourself."

from *The Tracing Board*, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan

Revised Publications Of Grand Lodge

There is a revised *Declaration of Principles of Masonry* and also a revised information sheet for people interested in Masonry. In addition, there are the new *Certificates for Affiliates to Lodges*. The Higher Education Bursary Fund has new information pamphlets and a modified version of the *Installed Masters' Degree* is available to all who have reached that rank. Many Lodges are now using the new Installation ceremony booklets and there are two versions, one for the situation where the WM is being installed for the first time, and an alternative booklet for installing a previously installed Worshipful Master, with omission of the IMs' degree. The completely revised edition of the *Constitution and Regulations*, with all amendments to date, will be available in December. It will have an indicator of changes created by amendments, so that these areas can be readily identified. It will also contain a comprehensive index to resolve many of the problems of locating material that Alberta Masons have experienced in the past.

Please ensure that your Lodge is using the latest version of books and forms.

Corinthian Lodge Shows Further Light



Corinthian Lodge Freemasons' Hall, Okotoks, sports a beautiful new sign, sculpted in deep relief in thick wood. The brightly painted sign, measuring about 4 x 6 feet, was crafted by WM Lee Herndon and is now proudly displayed in the front of their hall, which is currently undergoing renovations. More Alberta Lodges need to have clear advertising such as this, showing who we are, when we meet and how to contact us, in big, bold letters. Congratulations Corinthian Lodge.

What Masons Do!

A recent letter was received at Grand Lodge from the grade three students and teachers of Colonel Sanders Elementary School, Calgary, thanking the Masons of Alberta, Concordant Bodies and St. John Ambulance for jointly providing the "We Can Help" Basic First Aid Program. It is a pleasure to know that the contribution of Alberta Masonry is so valuable to our young people.

From The Notices

When the winds of
change are blowing, build a
windmill not a shelter!

Bassano Lodge

Seeke out ye goode
In everie man,
And speke of alle
The beste ye can,
Then wil alle men
Speke wel of thee,
And say how kynde
Of harte ye bee.

Chaucer
Medicine Hat Lodge

Getting To Know Our DDGMs

This month you will meet the final five DDGMs. When you see them on their visits, please talk to them and welcome them to your Lodge.

PHOENIX DISTRICT

RW Bro. Pai Lin Li was initiated in King George Lodge, Calgary, in 1975 and became its WM in 1986. He has been the Organist of the Lodge since his term as WM. He is an Honorary Life Member of Bow River Lodge, Calgary, and has been their organist since 1992. He is also an active member of the AASR. He is married to Anita and has one daughter, Alison and a son, Bernard.



CHINOOKARCH DISTRICT

RW Bro. Garry Hamilton was initiated in Ionic-Landmark Lodge, Alix, in 1971 and became its WM in 1976. Due to relocation he then affiliated with Drayton Valley Lodge in 1978. Following another move, he affiliated with Vulcan Lodge in 1985, where he served as WM in 1991. He is a Past Patron and current Patron of Fardale Chapter, OES and a member of the Royal Arch. Bro. Hamilton is married to Mavis and has two sons, Steven and Darcy.

No photo received.

Seen In Passing

The Editor was visiting Freemasons' Hall, Edmonton, recently and saw the memorial page of MW Bro. Waldo Ford Empey, who was Grand Master in 1951. On that page was something from his address to the Brethren that is worth thinking about.

It is my joy in life to find
At every turn in the road,
The strong arm of a comrade kind
To help me onward with my load.
And since I have no gold to give
And love alone can make amends
My only prayer is while I live,
God make me worthy of my friends.

Greek Experience

This exciting tour for Masons, their wives and friends, with MW Bro. Basile Costouros, after his term as Grand Master, from October 6 to October 23, is still adding exciting additional features. The Grand Lodge of Greece will host some activities and there will many Masonic functions available in Israel, as the Grand Lodge of Israel is sharing in the celebrations of the 3000th Anniversary of Jerusalem. The Grand Lodge of Turkey will ensure a welcome to all Masons. This trip is being enriched as the plans progress — don't wait too long, if you seek a truly exceptional Masonic Experience, with lots for the non-Mason as well. The cost is from \$3,865.00 per person. Contact your Lodge Secretary or the Grand Lodge office for additional information.

Rose Bowl Parade

The theme of the 1966 Parade float is Humpty Dumpty — the connection is with young people and the theme is "Kids — Laughter and Dreams" and the name of the entry is "We Support Youth". MW Bro. Stanley Shannon, Past Grand Master of California and Chairman of the Float Committee, says that the theme is most appropriate. The fraternity contributes millions of dollars a year to the welfare of children and youth. Incidentally, hundreds of Masonic young people will be decorating the float and working in shifts before New Year's Day. The Float will also honour the 75th Anniversary of High Twelve International and displays its emblem.

Should you wish to join the many who contribute to the cost of the Family of Freemasonry float, you may do so by sending donations to Robt. F. Coe, Treasurer, PO Box 661587, Arcade, CA 90166-1567.

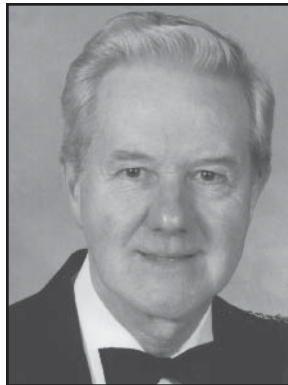
YELLOWHEAD DISTRICT

RW Bro. Mel Lazarenko was initiated in Edson Lodge in 1986 and was its WM in 1991. He has been Chairman of the Lodge Finance Committee for the years 1992-95 inclusive. He is a member of the Royal Arch, Edson Shrine Club and Al Shaman Shrine Temple.



BEAVERHILLS DISTRICT

RW Bro. Germy Tetzloff was initiated in Edson Lodge in 1963 and affiliated to Redwood Lodge, Edmonton, in 1968 and became the WM of Redwood Lodge in 1973. He was installed as DDGM of the then District 20 in 1985. He has served two terms (1986-88 and 1988-90) on the Board of General Purposes and is Grand Representative of Indiana. Bro. Tetzloff is also a member of RAM. Bro. Tetzloff has, sadly, just lost his wife, in May of last year. He has two sons, Kevin and Laury.



LAKELAND DISTRICT

RW Bro. Hank Gerow was initiated in Dynamic Lodge, Holden, in 1981 and served as its WM in 1984. He is a Charter member of Ye Olde Craft Lodge, Edmonton. He married Barbara just 25 years ago and has three children, Pat, Brad and Samantha.

