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Journey to Masonic Scotland

I have been approached by several Brethren as to the possibility of an organized trip to Scotland during the time that I am Grand Master. As I believe that no enterprise can be entered into without proper planning, I am asking that anyone interested in such a trip contact either myself direct or the Grand Lodge Office to indicate their interest.

The tentative details of such a trip are as follows:

- Early October 1997 for approximately 10 days.
- The tour will be for **Masons only**.
- The tour may include the following, dependent upon individual wishes of Brethren attending and my ability to arrange:
- Visit to the Grand Lodge of Scotland
- Tour of the Burns Country ending with a visit to Mother Kilwinning.
- Visit to several Lodges including my Mother Lodge Lodge St. Clair, Cambusnethan No. 427
- Tour of the Knights Templar graves, etc., in Argyll
- Tour of Rosslyn Chapel (outside Edinburgh)
- Visit to a Masonic Home

It will be a fun-filled busy trip which initial estimates place in the \$2,300 to \$2,500 for air fare, hotel (based on double occupancy and including breakfast) and coach transportation. Each brother will be responsible for all other expenses.

This trip will take only place if sufficient Brethren are travelling.

As many arrangements will have to be made to ensure this trip is a pleasurable one, it is important that a decision is made in a timely fashion. Please let either myself or the Grand Secretary know of your interest **as soon as possible.**

Fraternally,

Hugh Young Deputy Grand Master

Coming Soon

Two rare events, one a cornerstone laying, the other a centennial celebration, will take place in the very near future. Both are worthy of attendance by their Lodges' members and by visitors from near and far. Here are the details in brief:

Cornerstone Laying & Dedication Ceremony Saturday, November 2, 1996 At Drumheller:

12-1:00 — Informal Lunch, contact Doug Wade 823-6033 (Evenings)

1:30 PM — Ceremony of Dedicating a Lodge Hall — the new premises of Symbol Lodge No. 93 and Drumheller Lodge No. 146 at unit 103, 299 Second Street East, Drumheller (Masons only, business attire and regalia), followed at

3:30 PM — Ceremony of Laying a Corner-Stone (same location) open to the public. Regalia will be worn.

Recognition

The photograph shows the presentation by Donna Palmer of Heritage Park, Calgary, to Stan Wheatley of Jubilee Lodge No. 173 of a certificate recognizing the efforts of Calgary Brethren who manned the Masonic Hall at the park. The certificate reads:

Award

Presented to

Masters, Wardens & Deacons Association of Calgary

In recognition of your

Volunteer Contribution

of over 250 hours

to Heritage Park June 10, 1996



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Editorial

What do YOU Think?

If you are called on to take on a job, any job, whether in your vocation or an avocation, wouldn't you want to know what's expected of you? Of course you would, and usually you would be issued rules and regulations galore, just to keep you on the straight and narrow. It is all a matter of rights and privileges as opposed to duties and obligations. So, what else is new? Nothing really, except that a rookie editor of a *Grand Lodge Bulletin* may be shaking in his boots when facing the task of guiding his ship through the narrows of Scylla and Charibdis (look this up in a reputable encyclopædia — Odysseus knew all about it!)

One dictionary defines an Editor as one who corrects and prepares manuscripts for publication, writes editorials and directs editorial policies of a newspaper, magazine, etc. So, what's the problem? It's just because our taciturn Constitution and Regulations, in R1.7.15, don't say much beyond such statements that the editor is appointed by the Grand Master (and presumably dismissed too), that there shall be ten monthly issues of four or six pages in volume and that materials shall be submitted by the Brethren and Grand Lodge (doesn't that mean all of us?), as well as the Grand Master and his Officers. Curiously, the editor and his committee are not mentioned as originators of manuscripts, but maybe that is taken for granted. Despite the absence of a clear-cut mandate in the Regulations, there is one ray of hope and that is that "the materials shall be of general interest to the Craft..." Aye, there's the rub! The catch word is "general interest" and "the Craft" means everyone throughout the jurisdiction, wouldn't you think? So, what does an editor do with material of obviously local, rather than general, interest? Wouldn't it be logical for him to continue as directed by the Grand Master in 1935, setting the tone for the publication of the first Alberta Grand Lodge Bulletin? In the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1935, on page 32, following three items of an administrative nature, (a, b & c), we read what we could consider the first mandate for the Bulletin:

- d) It contain any message or instruction desired by the Grand Master to be conveyed to the Lodges.
- e) It be devoid of "local" news items.
- f) The main portion be devoted to quotation of interesting and instructive articles or papers of more or less general Masonic interest, to be obtained from Masonic periodi-

4:30 PM — Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening of Keystone Towers

6:00 PM — Banquet (For tickets phone Jack Brown 823-5871 or Doug Wade 823-6033 (Evenings)).

A Tour of the Royal Tyrrell Museum is planned for spouses and non-members from $1:15-3:00\ PM$

100th Anniversary of Acacia Lodge No. 11 Thursday, January 23, 1997 at Edmonton

7:00 PM — Reconsecration Ceremony, 100th Anniversary of Acacia Lodge No. 11, at Acacia Hall, 10433 – 83 Avenue, Edmonton (Masons only; regalia). This will be followed by a number of other centennial events throughout 1997. For further information contact Fred Bowker, Chairperson, at 462-0488 or Ken MacDonald Secretary, at 985-3283.

Masonry In Newfoundland

The Dominion of Newfoundland became a Canadian province only in 1949. Before that, it was a self-governing British Dominion with the same constitutional status as Canada or Australia.

Masonic Lodges here were warranted from the Mother Country and, as a result, we now have some 26 or 27 Lodges under the United Grand Lodge of England, with their District Grand Lodge and District Grand Master, and 17 under the Grand Lodge of Scotland with their own DGL and DGM. The warmest fraternal feelings exist between the two Constitutions. Delegations from both attend all Installations, they cooperate in a Masonic charities foundation and an educational fund and many Brethren belong to Lodges in both Constitutions.

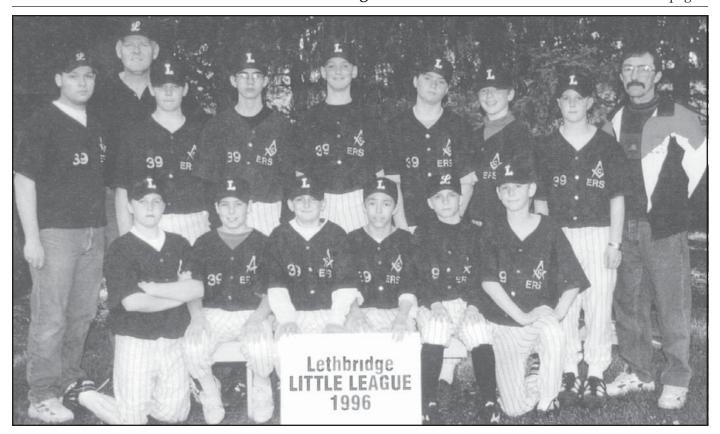
As the GLS has peculiarities,... in some of its customs, this

- cals published throughout the world, so far as reprint of such may be permitted by the publishers.
- g) There be an editorial committee of three or four who could, possibly, divide the duties in some manner so that each would be responsible for two or three issues.

This may explain why most submissions of presentations of long-service awards or obituary notices do not appear in print. The former are honoured once a year by listing all recipients in one *Bulletin* issue, while the latter are paid tribute on the floor of Grand Lodge and, in print, in the Proceedings. Therefore, this editor, in an effort to carry on from his predecessors to create a readable, informative and enjoyable publication, can only ask the forgiveness and understanding of his "unpublished" Brethren and plead for future contributions to our education, knowledge and enjoyment.

One could go on in this vein, but it is not the intent of this editorial to make an authoritative statement to the reader on what he is to expect from this publication in future issues. Quite the contrary, it is meant to challenge him to let the editor know his thoughts on what he expects from it and his ideas on how the contents of the *Bulletin* could be improved. Also, when it comes to the "mandate" an editor and his committee may or may not have, let that be expressed too and should such require an amendment to Section R1.7.15, then, by all means, let's have it proposed through the proper channels and by the proper procedure. Nothing, even in Freemasonry, is carved in stone!

SO, WHAT DO YOU THINK?



The 39ers

There are various ways of letting the public know who and what we are — by living an exemplary life, of course but, also, by such actions as the granting of our yearly Masonic Higher Education Bursary Awards, monetary grants by the Masonic Foundation of Alberta, Meals on Wheels in some locations, our newly inaugurated Masonic Float appearing in parades, even the occasional church parade or funeral rites with Masonic honours, when regalia are worn, and open house of a Lodge to inform the community and other unobtrusive, yet effective, ways of coming out of our proverbial shells.

A seemingly new approach, not limited to showing who

we are but doing something useful for our youth, was recently taken by LETHBRIDGE LODGE NO. 39 — sponsoring a Little League Baseball Team, aptly called the "39ers". The Lodge purchased a set of uniforms, with the numeral "39" on the right breast and "ERS" on the left, surmounted by the square and compasses (see photograph).

The team did very well during the year, even though they did not win in the play-offs. Several members of the Lodge made a point of attending their games and expressed their approval of the quality of the uniforms.

Here we have a fine example of one of many ways of doing good and, at the same time, of identifying ourselves. Three cheers for Thirty-Nine!

makes it interesting when members of one Constitution try to master the traditions of the other. For example, all "Scottish" Brethren, from the Grand Master Mason down, are addressed merely as "Brother" - titles are attached to offices. The Master of a Lodge is a RIGHT Worshipful Master and his wardens are WORSHIPFUL Senior and Junior Wardens.

A Scottish Lodge picks the colour with which its aprons are to be edged, when it is chartered. My Mother Lodge has aprons edged in royal blue and gold lace. Wine is another popular colour and at least three Lodges have aprons edged in tartan. We wear our aprons inside our coats (which are then left unbuttoned) and always stand on the sign of fidelity when on our feet in Lodge.

Lodges under the UGLE have aprons edged in light blue and follow customs more similar to those you are familiar with. It certainly makes for colourful and interesting Lodge meetings, when Brethren of both constitutions are present.

Recently, committees have been struck to look into the formation of a "Grand Lodge of Newfoundland", so some of the above may (or may not) change over the next few years.

By Bro Paul Miller, WJW Lodge Conception No. 1679 SC, Conception Bay, NF

Picked up from the Internet by Beacon Lodge No. 190, June 1996 Lodge summons.

An Appropriate Gift

Many of our Lodges are in the habit of presenting newly raised Master Masons with an inscribed copy of the Volume of the Sacred Law, be it the Holy Bible or the Holy Koran — a most appropriate gift of spiritual value. There is, however, one more gift, one of intellectual and Masonically educating value, which is unique to Alberta, a book which can make all the difference between becoming a devoted, knowledgeable and enthusiastic Brother or just one who remains on the sidelines and then, for lack of Masonic education, rides off into the sunset. That book is entitled

Alberta Workshop! 25 Years Masonic Spring Workshop

Bursary Recipients 1996-97

Amoozegar, Farnaz	Calgary	Doucette, Kelly A.	Fort McMurray	Maikhail, Mary S.	Calgary
Amundson, Marcia E.	Amisk	Dumont, Michelle E.M.	I. Edmonton	Newby, Violet M.	Viking
Anderson, Ardis M.	Monarch	Eager, Bradley A.	Calgary	Nguyen, Trang	Calgary
Basnett, Lance D.	Worsley	Fournier, Robert	Grand Centre	Park, Yong Sun	Calgary
Benedict, Jill M.	Hanna	Garries, Barbara J.	Bentley	Patterson, Lorinda E.	Fairview
Bethune, Cathy Anne	Edmonton	Geary Erika L.	Calgary	Pelletier, Christopher J	A. Canmore
Blake, Christie M.	Nanton	Hamer, Kenneth J.	Calgary	Pierson, Treena Y. F	Hillcrest Mines
Brooks, Sandra J.	Brooks	Harris, Murray A.	Calgary	Renwall, Reija M.	Calgary
Buffalo, Ramona L.	Ponoka	Isley, Michelle C.	Bonnyville	Riley, Timothy E.	Calgary
Bulldog, Terri-Lynn	High Level	Jean-Jacques, Natacha	Calgary	Rolff, Marylou	Drumheller
Bunton, Natalie R.	High Level	Jennings, Tara J.	Barrhead	Rust, Jaime L.	Airdrie
Camponi, Eljay M.	Oyen	Jutt, Salma A.	Edmonton	Singh, Kuljeet	Edmonton
Chopra, Pardip	Calgary	Krohn, Sean E.	Calgary	Ugoalah, Patricia	Calgary
Chostner, Virginia L.	Craigmyle	Lang, Donna T.	Edmonton	Wong, Katherine K.M.	Calgary
Croy, Carri-Ann	Fairview	Lange, Jody Ann	Amisk	Young, Darren A.	Calgary
Dempsey, Shane P.	Irma	Lohman, Lana M.	Innisfail	Zandbelt, Melanie	Scandia
Donovan, Jasmin J.	Spruce Grove	h	nelned me to nav a v	very large portion of my fall	l competer 1996

Dear Members:

Thank you for selecting myself as a recipient of your Masonic Higher Education Bursary. It is hard to find the appropriate words to convey my appreciation and how this bursary has greatly relieved some of the financial stress.

I am grateful for the opportunity to be able to firstly apply for such a bursary, of having my application selected, and finally actually having been awarded.

Sincerely, Cathy A. Bethune

Dear Sir:

I am very sorry for this late response to express my personal appreciation towards your kindness, helpful attitude and care shown to the Canadian Society and myself.

The award you provided me with on August 1, 1996 has

and contains 350 pages of theme addresses given in Banff during the years of 1966 and 1990. It comprised of the thoughts of forty-one noted Brethren and one "outsider", who dealt with challenging and thought-provoking topics. Many of these lend themselves very well to discussion in Lodge, if they are read out in full or by excerpts. Here is a wealth of information to draw from for Lodge programming, as well as for home study.

A limited supply of this book is still available and can be ordered from the office of:

The Grand Lodge of Alberta, AF & AM 330 – 12 Avenue SW, Calgary, AB T2R 0H2 at the following prices:

1 copy \$12.00 1-5 copies @ \$10.00 each 6 or more copies @ \$ 8.00 each

A Masonic Sign

In 1930 an English ship on the way to Cuba was captured by a pirate vessel. The pirates looted the ship and were ready to burn it. In his distress, the English captain made the sign of E.A. to which one of the pirates answered with the sign of a F.C. and interceded with his captain, who not only released the ship, but when he encountered it again, left it unmolested. On his return to England, the mate rushed to the nearest Masonic Lodge and applied for the degrees. *The New Age*

helped me to pay a very large portion of my fall semester 1996. My commitment to hard work and strong moral principles will be maintained and refined at all times.

Thank you again for the 1996 Bursary Award, your generosity, care and fine characteristics.

Although my contribution is very small in comparison with the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M. award presented to me, I am motivated to help others as you have helped me. I am confident that my contribution will encourage the continuation of your generous help.

Sincerely, Mary S. Maikhail Mary has made a contribution of \$150.00 to the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Fund!



The Lodge at Kananaskis 18, 19 & 20 April 1997

To attend, you must have at least received your EA Degree. The registration fee of \$230 is based on double occupancy, and it includes two nights accommodation and five meals starting with supper on Friday evening and ending with breakfast on Sunday. Single accommodation is available at a fee of \$325. This fee must accompany your registration. Post-dated cheques will not be accepted. Please make cheque payable to the MSWPC. Your cancelled cheque or charge card billing is your receipt.

Absolutely no refund after 10 April 1997.

To register, fill out a registration form (on the other side) and send it with the required fee directly to the MSWPC.



The Lodge at Kananaskis 18, 19 & 20 April, 1997

We have a learning process in Freemasonry that begins even before we are made Masons. The men drawn to the Order are those with inquiring minds, people who want to expand their horizons and make the world a better place in which to live. They ask questions, read about Freemasonry, attend information seminars and "bug" their Masonic friends, and this is how it should be — a learning process.

It continues with good natured humour, as we prepare to become Entered Apprentices. Suddenly, we are Apprentices and the learning becomes more concentrated, but add a little comic relief, don't be afraid to laugh at and with yourself.

There are not mistakes, only lessons. Growth is a process of trial, error and experimentation. The failures are as much a part of learning as is success - laugh at them and get on with your life.

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Name as it should be on yo	our Name Tag	
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From the day we first thought of becoming a Mason until we prepare for our final degree we learn, sometimes by "osmosis", but we acquire knowledge and if, we can produce a little humour along the way, we can make Freemasonry fun and the world a better place to be.

Having fun and enjoying oneself, while doing the work, does not need to take away from the solemnity of the ritual work, but can give the participants a feeling of accomplishment in the work they believe in and are part of. In turn, a message is conveyed that this is good work to do, work worth paying attention to, because those participating believe in and are enjoying what they are doing.

This is what the Masonic Spring Workshop is all about: LEARNING, DOING AND ENJOYING FREEMASONRY. See you there!

Bob Ross, General Chairman, 1997

Grand Master's Itinerary

November

- 2 Drumheller and Symbol Lodges, Laying of Cornerstone, **Especial Communication**
- Evergreen Lodge, Edmonton
- Norwood Lodge, Edmonton, including 5 Lodges of Edmonton Area
- Balmoral Lodge, St. Albert
- Westlock Lodge
- Temple Lodge, Edmonton
- Yellowhead District Meeting, Meridian Lodge Hall, Stony Plain

10-12 Grand Lodge of Nevada

- 14 Al Azhar Shrine, Calgary
- 15 Phoenix District Meeting, King George Lodge, Calgary
- 18 Empire Lodge, Edmonton
- 20 Redwood Lodge, Edmonton
- 21 Board of General Purposes, Red Deer
- 25 Jasper Lodge, Edmonton
- 27 Onoway Lodge

December

- 2 Strathmore Lodge, Strathmore
- 3 Star of the West Lodge, Leduc
- 4 Bow River Lodge, Calgary
- 5 Foothills Lodge, Calgary
- 6 A&ASR, Edmonton
- 9 Sherwood Lodge, Edmonton
- 10 Victoria Lodge, Fort Saskatchewan
- 11 Tawatinaw Lodge, Athabasca
- 12 Camrose Lodge, Camrose
- 13 Strathcona Lodge, Edmonton
- 14 Commercial Lodge, Edmonton
- 15 Edmonton Preceptory
- Griesbach Lodge, Edmonton
- Wetaskiwin Lodge, Wetaskiwin
- * The Grand Master will also pay surprise visits to Lodges.

District Meetings

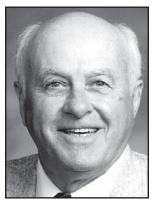
November

- Battle River District, Irma Legion Hall
- Palliser District, Medicine Hat Hall
- Yellowhead District, Meridian Lodge Hall
- 15 Phoenix District, King George Hall
- Lakeland District, Astra Lodge

Our DDGMs

What was begun last year, as a brief introduction of the District Deputy Grand Masters in office, will be continued this year, spread over three issues of the *Grand Lodge Bulletin*. Here are the first five, randomly selected:

Athabasca District



RWBro Robert A. Drury was born in Toronto, ON, September 28, 1929 and has been married to Fay Marie for 44 years. He is a transportation analyst and a broker, and was initiated, passed and raised in Exemplar Lodge No. 175 in 1978. He served that Lodge as WM in 1985. His other Masonic affiliations include membership in Norwood Chapter RAM, Edmonton Preceptory No. 46 KT, Founding Member of

Al Shamal Temple AAONMS, where he had served as President of the Oriental Band in 1985 and as Chief of the Pipes and Drums in 1988. In 1994 he was the Chaplain of that Shrine Temple.

Calgary-Highwood District



RWBro Edward F. Balleine was born in Jersey, Channel Islands, UK, in November, 1931. He emigrated to Canada in April, 1952. Following twenty-five years of service with the Engineering Department of the Holy Cross Hospital, he retired in February, 1993. He received the three degrees of Masonry in Glenbow Lodge No. 184 in 1978 and served as WM of that Lodge in 1983-84.

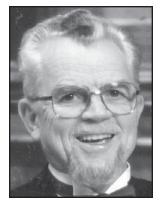
Central District



RWBro Roy Bartel was born in Berlin, Germany, on December 30, 1928. He is married to Betty and has one daughter, Diana, and a son, Roy. He was initiated in Ashlar Lodge No. 28, Calgary, in 1971 and in 1988 he affiliated with Bowden Lodge No. 42, where he served as WM from 1992 to 1994. Since 1974, he has also held membership in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

Lakeland District

RWBro David D. Thomson, a native of Dunfermline, Scotland, came to Alberta in 1956. He married Iris Snowdon in 1954 and has two daughters and one grandson. He retired after 37 years of teaching (mainly High School English). He



was initiated, passed and raised in Astra Lodge No. 179, Cold Lake, in 1976 and served as their WM twice, in 1984/85 and in 1992/93. He is a Past First Principal of Cold Lake Chapter No. 39 RAM, Past Grand District Superintendent of District No. 5 RAM, Past Grand Director of Ceremonies, Grand Chapter of Alberta, RAM, and a member of Zohar Council R&SM, Edmonton Preceptory No. 46 KT, Taylor

Conclave No. 4 RCC, Alberta Rose York Rite College No. 52, as well as a Past Patron of Primrose Chapter No. 127, OES.

Northern Lights District



RWBro Reginald John Godwin was born in Stettler, AB, on March 8, 1915. He had served with the RCAF, as an instructor and educational officer, from 1942 to 1946, while his community services include presidency of the regional, as well as the local Recreational Boards, presidency of the Chamber of Commerce of Sangudo and the presidency of a political association. He had also served as the VP of

the Canadian Legion twice and is a 55 year member of the BPOE (Elks). He received the degrees of Masonry in 1972 and served as WM of Pembina Lodge No. 126 in 1974/75 and again in 1978/79/80. He has been a member of the A&ASR since 1980 and of the AAONMS since 1994. He served four terms as Worthy Patron of his OES Chapter.

How To Get Along With People

- Keep skid chains on your tongue; always say less than you think; cultivate a low, persuasive voice.
- Make promises sparingly and keep them faithfully, no matter what it costs you.
- Praise good work done, regardless of who did it. If criticism is merited, criticize helpfully, never spitefully.
- Preserve an open mind on all debatable questions. Discuss but don't argue. It is a mark of superior minds to disagree and yet be friendly.

From The Philalethes

The Masonic Way

To go about your work with pleasure, to greet others with a word of encouragement, to be happy in the present and confident in the future; this is to have achieved some measure of success in living.

Edwin Osgood Grover

Rustoleum

Masonry, whether it be structural or speculative, needs most to have action. Machines — human, mechanical or fraternal — will rust out in far less time than they will wear out.

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