

**Freemasonry In Ottawa District One
Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Canada
In The Province of Ontario
Masonic Year 2022-23**



After being forced to suspend our activities on March 20, 2020 due to Covid, we were finally able to resume our Masonic gatherings and events in July 2022.



District One Barbeque - July 29, 2022

M.W. Bro. Paul Tood, Past Grand Master (right)

R.W. Bro. James Bowman DDGM Ottawa District One (left)

“These past two years have been incredibly challenging, some would say a disaster.

But what makes you so sure it was not a blessing?”

Quote from the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom
from his Address to Ontario Masons, July, 2022.

A year in the life of the Fifteen Lodges which comprise Ottawa District One

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District Historian, Ottawa District One

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Acknowledgements

I would like to thank R.W. Bro. James Bowman, District Deputy Grand Master of Ottawa District One, for allowing me to serve as District Historian for this Masonic Year. I would also like to express my appreciation to all the members of the Craft for their participation in the events held during Masonic Year 2022-23.

Thanks and appreciation is also extended to all the Lodge Secretaries who provided me with copies of their summonses, and in some cases, minutes and photos. This enabled me to compile a summary of individual Lodge events throughout the 2022-23 Masonic Year.

Following two years of uncertainty and change caused by the Coronavirus Pandemic, the Masons in District One were finally able to return to more normal circumstances and meet in person in Lodge rooms throughout the District. There were also numerous social events hosted by various Lodges in the District One jurisdiction.

The photo on the cover page was taken at the District One Barbeque hosted by R.W. Bro. James Bowman shortly after his election as District Deputy Grand Master of Ottawa District One. R.W. Bro. Bowman was joined by our Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Paul Todd to cut the cakes commemorating this event. This was the first major event held in Masonic year 2022-23, after the Covid restrictions were relaxed.

In addition to this “kick-off” event there were numerous other events held during the course of the 2022-23 Masonic Year such as:

August 20, 2022: Goodwood Lodge Pig Roast.

September 17, 2022: Hazeldean Lodge Open House.

October 22, 2022: Russell Lodge Pig Roast.

November 19, 2022: Goodwood Lodge Curling Bonspiel.

February 11, 2023: Ottawa District One and Two Valentine Charity Ball.

March 11, 2023: Russell Lodge Curling Bonspiel.

April 29, 2023: Spring Fling, Dinner and Dance.

June 24, 2023: Remembrance Service held at the Masonic Burial Plots at Beechwood Cemetery.

I would also like to mention that this summary represents only “the tip of the iceberg” with respect to the number of events which took place in Ottawa District One this Masonic Year. For additional information I would refer the readers to the Ottawa Freemasons Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/12593948443/>) which has numerous posts by individual Brethren, and individual Lodge's, regarding the activities that were undertaken between July 2022 and June 2023.

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The Grand Master's Address, July 2022

GRAND LODGE

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in the Province of Ontario



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To the Officers and Members of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Brethren,

Welcome to the one hundred and sixty-seventh Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge.

I welcome the Worshipful Masters of our Constituent Lodges who have joined us. Freemasonry exists, has its life and being, in the Lodges over which you preside. You are an integral part of this Communication. I extend a special welcome to all who are here for the first time, and most especially those Master Masons, Fellows and Apprentices who have come out even though they don't get to vote. Bravo brethren.

It is wonderful to welcome the distinguished guests from our sister Grand Jurisdictions. We have worked together at the All Canada and North America Conferences, sharing ideas and advice. Several of you have welcomed Jill and me to your Grand Jurisdictions, and I hope you find this visit worth the trip.

And I welcome also the representatives of our Concordant and Appendant Bodies, leaders in their own right and supporters of Craft Masonry. And to our Past Grand Masters, Board members, Grand Representatives, and all those who year after year, come out to support your Grand Lodge. You are the glue of this organization.

There are several functions that the Grand Master's address should fulfill. First, it is a summary of the Grand Master's activities and the way to meet certain reporting requirements. Secondly, it provides an opportunity to recognize, acknowledge and pay tribute to those who have contributed in exceptional ways. And lastly, it is an opportunity for the Grand Master to inspire the brethren as to the future direction they may wish to take.

But it is only appropriate at the start of this particular address to report on some Extraordinary Correspondence:

In February, on behalf of the Masons of Ontario, I sent a letter of congratulation to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, on the Seventieth Anniversary of Her Majesty's Accession to the Throne. I told Her Majesty that it is usual and customary at our lodge banquets to offer a toast to the Queen and the Craft, and this year we will do so with this milestone in mind. In response, The Queen "sends her best wishes to you all for a most enjoyable Platinum Jubilee year."

God Save The Queen.

Accomplishments during my term:

*Wee, sleeket, cowran, tim'rous beastie,
O, what a panic's in thy breastie!
Thou need na start awa sae hasty,
Wi' bickerin brattle!*

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*I wad be laith to rin an' chase thee
Wi' murd'ring pattle!*

*But Mousie, thou art no thy-lane,
In proving foresight may be vain:
The best laid schemes o' Mice an' Men
Gang aft agley,*

Bro. Robert Burns compared the plans of men to a mouse whose nest was dug up by the plow. And yet, he goes on to say that, despite the tribulation she had suffered, *Still, thou art blest.*

Brethren, we, too, are blessed.

Oh, I had laid some fine plans: visits to every district, twenty centennials and an equal number of 150th anniversaries, presentations, speeches, banquets, maybe even some dances, World Conferences, trips to Cuba and Jamaica, Scotland and England. Instead my job became to relay and explain public health advice, interpret legislative regulations, keep the brethren safe by encouraging virtual contact only, and in spite of all this, keep the spirits of the brethren up.

In the past I had been asked what the most important character trait of a potential Worshipful Master is, and my answer was always "flexibility". Meetings never go exactly as planned. Ritualists fall ill, the air conditioning doesn't work, you find yourself obligating the Master-elect before moving to the second degree. We cope with it and move forward with lessons learned. No sense dwelling on it.

And as a Grand Lodge we were flexible. And we were blessed.

When the COVID-19 pandemic closed down lodge meetings we rapidly pivoted to virtual gatherings. Grand Lodge had set up a GoToMeeting Account so Board Committees could meet without the long drives, especially during the snowy months. We were rapidly able to extend the service to lodges and districts. And they took advantage of it. There were speakers from around the world – so many that we never would have been able to afford to bring them all over for in-person lectures. We also used it to socialize, with not only our shut-in brethren but those who had moved away to other towns, provinces and countries. And the quality of our speakers attracted a following from interested brethren from around the world, whom we got to know as well.

Another blessing was that we had time to reflect and refocus. The Board took the downtime to revamp programs and procedures. We went from "all lodges should do this program; why aren't they all doing it?" to targeted activities like the Lodge Secretary Workshops and Manual. We had time to devote to the Office Technology revamp.

We built bridges with other Grand Lodges and other fraternities.

We embarked on mutual recognition with neighbouring Prince Hall Grand Lodges. Last year the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania responded. This year, the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Minnesota and Its Jurisdiction has requested recognition. And, by chance, the Chairman of the Recognition Committee of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia heard about our endeavours and they have requested it as well.

Aware that other fraternal organizations are having similar financial constraints, and with no intent to ever recognize, merge or inter-visit, we have been opening the door to the mutual benefit of sharing buildings. There are now Order of Women Freemasons lodges who rent space from us. There is an Odd Fellows lodge that uses one of our buildings and a couple of our lodges that use Odd Fellows Halls.

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We have trimmed the length of our annual communication to be more affordable to the average Mason, and we have moved to on-line elections to allow brethren from across this great province to have equal input. Although we didn't intend to change venues quite yet, we were flexible when forced by financial and booking constraints to do so this year. I hope the changes we have instituted, both as a result of the work of our Annual Communication Task Force and of necessity, are well received. Further honing of this event will in the future see us move around the province like we did up until 85 years ago.

We strove to be more universally respectful by tweaking our ritual and by embracing the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.

We sat at home, wishing we could go to lodge. But it was an opportunity to reflect on what it was about lodge that was so appealing. And the break was an opportunity to start afresh.

Many of you will recall the story I told in several of my virtual talks: about the young man whose horse ran away. Everyone tried to offer consolation for the man's ill fortune, but his father said, "What makes you so sure this is not a blessing?" His mare returned accompanied by a beautiful stallion and everyone said "What good fortune!" That is, until he fell while riding the stallion and broke his hip, then everyone commiserated with him. But the wise old man asked "What makes you so sure this is a disaster?" Eventually the town was threatened by invaders but the young man could not go into battle due to his disability. Because of this he survived to live a long life, and father and son could look after each other.

These past two years have been incredibly challenging, some would say a disaster. But what makes you so sure it was not a blessing?

NECROLOGY

As Masons we respect those who have gone before us and left us a shining example. I recognize the many brethren who have passed to the Grand Lodge above during the past year. For the sake of brevity I will mention but a few.

M.W. Bro. Donald Herbert Mumby

Grand Master 2003-2004

A distinguished gentleman, to my mind the epitome of what a Grand Master should be. His counsel was always wise and thought-out. He was a friend, a trusted advisor, and a role model. The personification of the ideal of a Freemason.

R.W. Bro. S. Michael Jenkyns, FCF, PGSW (Hon)

Grand Historian 2009-2021

A prolific author, Michael Jenkyns served as our Grand Historian for many years. His keen interest in the history of not only Craft Masonry, but also that of concordant bodies, has left a great legacy so that the brethren of the future may know and appreciate the past.

R.W. Bro. Thomas W. Jackson PGScy (Hon) 2001. World-wide Freemasonry lost a beacon in the person of Tom Jackson. Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and Past Executive Secretary and Honorary President of the World Conference of Regular Masonic Grand Lodges; a promoter of Observant Masonry and of dialogue between Grand Lodges of differing obediences around the world. Although reserved and humble, when he spoke people listened. Because what he had to say rang true.

W. Bro. Jim Kramer, FCF passed to the Grand Lodge Above at the young age of 49. Despite a physical challenge which necessitated the use of an electric wheelchair and made it hard to understand his speaking, with the assistance of his brethren he served as Worshipful Master of Moffat Lodge No. 399 in London.

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So many others – Frank L. Thompson; Robert Jewell; David Dainard; Paul Skazin; Donald Kaufman; Sonny Clarke... We could be here all day honouring them. We will miss these men, and the many others, who have so enriched our Craft and our lives.

WILLIAM MERCER WILSON MEDAL

The William Mercer Wilson Medals are awarded by the Grand Master to brethren who "fully earned the esteem and the respect of [their] brethren for good work well done."

On the recommendation of the Awards Committee over the past few years, it was my honour this year to present this most prestigious award to:

- **Bro. Reid Delano Brown**, Trafalgar Lodge No. 712
- **Bro. Edward Hugh Carney**, Parthenon Lodge No. 267
- **Bro. Stanley Glide Durward**, King Edward Lodge No. 464
- **Bro. Charles William Lough**, Durham Lodge No. 306
- **Bro. John Allan Swan**, Dufferin Lodge No. 570
- **Bro. Norman Evan Wheeler**, Wexford Lodge No. 683

GRAND MASTER'S AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Established in 1988 by M.W. Bro. William R. Pellow to recognize exceptional services rendered by members of this Grand Lodge, it is the personal award of the Grand Master. This year I am pleased to announce three recipients who have each contributed so much to our members.

R.W. Bro. Gordon Collings Crutcher, Patterson Grey Lodge No. 265. Past Grand Senior Warden. Gord has ensured that a very high level of Protocol and Etiquette is observed and has been indispensable to several Custodians by assisting in running Lodges of Instruction and by writing P & E Essentials.

R.W. Bro. Garnet Elgin Schenk, Muskoka Lodge No. 360. District Deputy Grand Master of Muskoka-Parry Sound District 2006. Garnet has been a prolific contributor to the Ontario Mason Magazine, written several modules for the College of Freemasonry, and promoted a stellar level of education in this Grand Lodge.

R.W. Bro. Earl John Walsh, King Hiram Lodge No. 566, District Deputy Grand Master of Toronto District 1 2000. Earl and his team have for many years been instrumental in making the Annual Communication such a success. They work tirelessly behind the scenes, shipping and setting up the apparatus needed for our ceremonies, changing things over for the banquet and setting it up again for the Installation. And then getting it all safely back to Hamilton.

RECOGNITION OF 100 YEARS OF SERVICE

In accordance with Section 394 of the Book of Constitution, I am pleased to grant permission for the following lodges to wear gold braided regalia, effective the dates indicated:

- Kaministiquia Lodge No. 584, Thunder Bay on June 7, 2021
- Fairbank Lodge No. 592, Toronto on November 30, 2021
- St. Andrew's Lodge No. 593, Hamilton on November 30, 2021
- Martintown Lodge No. 596, Lancaster on January 4, 2022
- Maple Leaf Lodge No. 600, Etobicoke on February 14, 2022
- Ashlar Lodge No. 610, London on June 2, 2022
- Birch Cliff Lodge No. 612, Toronto on August 9, 2022

PAST RANK

Pursuant to Section 73 of the Book of Constitution, I recommend the rank of Past Master be conferred upon the following:

- W. Bro. Michael G. Travis, Coronation Lodge No. 502

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- W. Bro. Chris Henderson, Ashlar Lodge No. 610

APPOINTMENTS

Acting in accordance with and under the authority of Section 131(e) of the Constitution, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of R.W. Bro. Brian W. Gilkinson as an Honorary Member of the Board of General Purposes.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

In the past we used to have reports from other Grand Jurisdictions at the back of The Proceedings. I don't know if anybody else read them, but I always found them an interesting window into Freemasonry around the world. Oddly enough in this digital age they have fallen off since nobody mails out their proceedings anymore; they post them on-line, but usually in the members only areas. As a trial I asked those appointed last year to contact, go to their websites, or otherwise connect with their colleagues and write a report. This year they are found at the back of the Proceedings. I hope in future years, that all the Grand Representatives will make that effort to enlighten our brethren.

I am pleased to accept the following Brethren as our Grand Representatives near other Grand Lodges on the recommendation of their respective Grand Masters:

- W. Bro. James R. Morgan III Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia
- R.W. Bro. Avron Jacobson The Grand Lodge of South Africa
- R.W. Bro. Rodrigo Werlang Isolani Grande Loja Maçônica do Estado do Rio Grande do Sul
- V.W. Bro. John R. E. Beatty The Grand Lodge of Ireland

I recommend to the Grand Masters of these Grand Lodges the following brethren as Grand Representatives of their Grand Lodges near our Grand Lodge:

- R.W. Bro. Eric Joseph Marshall Brazil Grande Oriente do Rio de Janeiro
- R.W. Bro. Elliot Zovighian Brazil Grande Oriente Paulista
- R.W. Bro. Charles Woods Denmark
- R.W. Bro. David John Neave Dominican Republic
- R.W. Bro. Paavo Eric Liukko Finland
- R.W. Bro. Leonard Elliot Feldt Hawaii
- R.W. Bro. Gursharan S. Parmar India
- R.W. Bro. Michael Locke Iowa
- R.W. Bro. Michael Ross Martin Indiana
- M.W. Bro. Gary L. Atkinson Ireland
- V.W. Bro. Stephen Maizels Israel
- R.W. Bro. Edward F. Dunsmore Madagascar
- R.W. Bro. Serge R. J. Landry Morocco
- R.W. Bro. D. James B. Broomhead Nebraska
- R.W. Bro. Mark Wayne Kapitan Louisiana
- R.W. Bro. Robin John Colville Luxembourg
- R.W. Bro. Les Armstrong Oklahoma
- R.W. Bro. Jeffrey Allan Christie Portugal (Legal/Regular)
- R.W. Bro. Adam Thompson Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia
- R.W. Bro. Garry McKinnon Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Minnesota and Its Jurisdiction
- V.W. Bro. Milan Cobanov Serbia
- R.W. Bro. Brainerd Blyden-Taylor Spain
- V.W. Bro. Garry Stuart Perkins Switzerland (Alpina)
- V.W. Bro. Les Bodrogi Symbolic Grand Lodge of Hungary
- Bro. Nicholas Fouad Ajram Victoria, Australia
- R.W. Bro. Paul Graham Isaac Western Australia

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SURRENDER OF WARRANTS

Keewatin Lodge No. 417	Western District	September 15, 2021
Coronation Lodge No. 502	Niagara A District	November 2, 2021
Norwood Lodge No. 223	Peterborough District	February 28, 2022
Luxor Daylight Lodge No. 741	Ottawa 2 District	May 18, 2022

CONSECRATION OF NEW LODGE

On July 9, 2022 Heredom Lodge No. 749 was Constituted and Consecrated in due and ancient form at the Weston Masonic Temple. We welcome this third lodge in our Grand Jurisdiction to declare itself an Observant lodge. I know there are other lodges which are using a similar model to enhance the experience of candidates and members alike and I encourage all Masons to explore the precepts of this concept.

CONFERENCES

The Conference of Grand Masters of Canada (the "All Canada Conference") was held again virtually and even so, is an important opportunity to share with our brethren across the nation. This year we particularly discussed the issues we feel are important to address as we re-open.

DONATIONS

While my emphasis has been on Ritual, Education and Mentoring, it is obvious that if one lives the lessons of our craft, one will be moved to practice charity and benevolence. The Grand Master's discretionary fund was used to help the brethren of British Columbia after the wildfires and floods, and for humanitarian aid in Ukraine. Many individual brethren, as well as lodges and districts, also responded to these and many other worthy causes. And, of course, the Benevolence Committee and the Masonic Foundation of Ontario continued their valuable work.

DECISIONS OF THE GRAND MASTER

I have granted permission under Section 150 (b) of the Constitution for Lodge Niagara No. 360 of The Order of Women Freemasons to use the Niagara Masonic Memorial Temple craft lodge room for their meetings and ceremonies.

Under the same section I have granted permission for the Odd Fellows to use the rooms of North Dundas Lodge No. 320.

DISCIPLINE

Because of COVID protocols limiting gatherings I had to make some difficult rulings but I tried in all cases to minimize the disruption to the Craft. There is a long-standing prohibition against holding a Masonic Memorial Service at the graveside. A complaint was received against two brothers who participated in such a graveside service while knowing that the Grand Master had directed that such a service not occur. Due to the circumstances, I felt that it would not be in the best interests of the Craft for the complaint to proceed to a trial and so dismissed the complaint and reprimanded the brethren. Several other complaints and appeals were dealt with by the Discipline Committee. More details can be found in their Report.

GRAND MASTER'S BANQUET

We were to have had Bro. Robert Cooper as our speaker at the Grand Master's banquet tonight however, he has not been able to get here from Scotland, so you are stuck with me. Luckily I've had two years to come up with ideas for speeches and few chances to present them.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND APPRECIATION

I would like to convey my appreciation to all those who contributed to our operations this past year, especially:

M.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling, The Grand Secretary, for his unfailing support and counsel.

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R.W. Bro. Lou Domjan, the Chief Operating Officer, and the office staff: Mrs. Gail Nickerson, Mrs. Stacey Birks, Mrs. Barb Lee and Mrs. Anne Domjan, for their perseverance holding the office together working from home a great deal of the year.

The COVID-19 Team: Past Grand Masters Mumby and Campbell, the Grand Secretary, the Chief Operating Officer and the Deputy Grand Master. Your wise and measured deliberations have been invaluable.

The Management Committee and the Board for enthusiastically adopting my ideas and running with them.

The retiring members of the Board of General Purposes for all their years of valuable contributions. The District Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Wardens, Grand Registrar, the Grand Director of Ceremonies and all the Grand Lodge officers, for keeping the spirits of the brethren up despite the extreme disappointment of the limits on your activities.

All the brethren appointed as Very Worshipful brothers; I hope you will travel next year with those to be appointed.

And finally, my wife, Jill, and my son, James, for helping me through the barren times and the busy times.

CONCLUSION - The future direction we may wish to take

We have had great disruption, but great disruption brings great opportunity. We can go back to doing things the way we used to do them, or we can do things the way we ought to do them. It is up to us.

I will finish by quoting from R.W. Bro. Thomas Jackson's speech to this Grand Lodge in 2011.

[The] young men that are showing an interest in Freemasonry today are seeking much more than we are providing. They are on a quest searching for something that society is not providing to them. They are searching for a quality organization far above the mediocrity of present-day society. They are searching for knowledge and a system that will provide it for them. They know more about Freemasonry before they petition a Lodge than have any of their predecessors. What they know, however, is what they have learned about the Freemasonry of the past. It is now up to us to provide for them that for which they search. Each one of them and each one of us wishes to be affiliated with a quality organization and that is what Freemasonry must be.

Brethren, I hope I have been able to awaken in your hearts a desire for the great and vast sea of possibilities. Thank you for the blessing of being given the chance to inspire you.

David J. Cameron
Grand Master

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APPENDIX: GRAND MASTER'S ITINERARY

July 28	Masonic Leaders' meeting
Aug 3-6	Regional meetings with DDGMs
Aug 11	Barrie Valley Scottish Rite speaker
Aug 14	AMD Annual Communication
Aug 26	Euclid Lodge No. 158, GL of BC & Yukon speaker
Aug 27	Sovereign Great Priory of Canada
Sept 18	European Academy of Sciences and Arts Symposium
Sept 28	Grey District speaker
Oct 16	Grand Chapter Convocation
Nov 2	Coronation Lodge No. 502 extinguishing of lights
Dec 15	Toronto East District speaker
Jan 15, 2022	Lodge Secretaries Workshop
Jan 24	Ottawa Valley Scottish Rite speaker
Feb 2	Masonic Restoration Foundation Board Meeting
Feb 10	Wellington Square Lodge No. 725 Virtual Long Service Pins
Feb 16	W. J. Dunlop Lodge No. 675 speaker
Mar 3	Harmony Lodge's Virtual Whiskey Tasting
Mar 7	David T. Campbell Lodge No. 706 - 100th Masonic Education and Fellowship
Mar 23	London Districts with M.W. Bro. Art Weiss, PGM GL of California
Mar 26	Vancouver Lodge of Education and Research Grand Masonic Day 2022
Mar 30	GL Audit and Finance Committee Town Hall
Apr 23	Conference of Grand Masters of Canada (the "All Canada Conference")
Apr 26	Masonic Memorial Service for M.W. Bro. Donald Mumby
May 18	Harcourt Lodge No. 581 Centennial
May 25	St. Andrew's Lodge No. 593 Centennial
May 26, 27	Hugh Murray Lodge No. 602 Centennial
May 29	Grand Chaplain's Speaker Series: Welcome to the Temple - speaker
June 1	Parthenon Lodge No. 267 - WMW medal presentation to Bro. Ed Carney
June 9	Trafalgar Lodge No. 712 - WMW medal presentation to Bro. Reid Brown
June 14	Durham Lodge No. 362 - WMW medal presentation to Bro. Charles Lough
June 17	Wexford Lodge No. 683 - WMW medal presentation to Bro. Norman Wheeler
June 18	Ashlar Lodge No. 610 Centennial and London Districts Grand Master's Reception
June 21	King Edward Lodge No. 464 - WMW medal presentation to Bro. Stanley Durward
June 22	Dufferin Lodge No. 570 - WMW medal presentation to Bro. Allan Swan
June 26	Grand Chaplain's Virtual Multi-faith Divine Service
June 26	Removal of Cornerstone, Sharon Temple
July 9	Consecration of Heredom Lodge No. 749

Grand Lodge Officers 2021-22

M.W. Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom, The Grand Master

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.



R.W. Bro. Hogeboom was born and raised in the Napanee area. He is a graduate of Queen's University (Honours Bachelor of Arts in Political Studies and Economics); Dalhousie University (Master of Arts in Political Administration); and St. Lawrence College (Accredited Municipal Clerk-Treasurer).

He is the Manager of Logistics Control for Goodyear Canada Inc. where he has held a variety of management positions over the last thirty years.

A 38-year Mason, he was initiated, passed and raised in his Father's Lodge, Maple Leaf No. 119 in Bath, Ontario, serving as Master in 1994. He chaired the 150th Anniversary Committee of his Lodge in 2009. He is a Past Master of The Heritage Lodge No. 730 and the Charter Master of the Templum Fidelis Lodge No. 746, the first Traditional Observance Lodge in Canada recognized by the Masonic Restoration Foundation.

He served as Frontenac District Deputy Grand Master in 1997 and Secretary-Treasurer of the District Association from 2009-2018.

Tom was appointed to the Board of General Purposes in 1999, elected to the Board in 2001 and Grand Treasurer in 2011. He was a member and chaired several Grand Lodge and Masonic Foundation of Ontario Committees during this period. He is the Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of Alaska and was elected to the Board of Directors of the Masonic Restoration Foundation in 2008. In 2019, he was elected Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

He is a member of the Kingston Lodge of Perfection, Rose of Sharon Chapter, Rose Croix and Moore Sovereign Consistory.

He is a member of Royal Arch Masonic Chapters in Napanee and Picton, serving as Treasurer in both.

He is a member of the Kingston District Shrine Club and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine in Rameses Temple.

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Tom has a long history of community service beginning in university with the United Way, youth organizations, service clubs, his hospital, church, municipal and county government.

Tom is married to his high school sweetheart, Cheryl and they live in Napanee, as does their married daughter, Annette Jane, her husband Scott and two Grandchildren Noah Elliott and Lily Charlotte.

M.W. Bro. Paul Edward Todd, Past Grand Master

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of
Ontario.



M.W. Bro. Paul E. Todd was born in Belleville, Ontario. He grew up in Trenton, Ontario and graduated from Trenton High School.

In Ottawa, he began working as an apprentice Mechanic, obtaining his Class A licence. He also joined the Ontario Provincial Police Auxiliary Unit, retiring with the rank of Corporal.

Paul joined the Township of Nepean Fire Department in 1971, which is now part of the City of Ottawa Fire Services. He was awarded The Federal Fire Service Medal for Exemplary Service, by the Governor-General of Canada. The Ontario Fire Marshall also awarded him the Ontario Fire Marshall Long Service Medal. He retired as a firefighter in 2002 after thirty-one years of service.

Paul also worked part-time for Ontario Ambulance in Carleton Place Ontario leaving this position after 10 years of service.

Paul joined Masonry on April 13, 1983 at St John's Lodge No. 63, Carleton Place, becoming Worshipful Master in 1994-1995. He was elected District Deputy Grand Master 1999-2000, of Ottawa District No. 1. He served as Worshipful Master of Luxor Daylight Lodge No. 741, Ottawa District No. 2 in 2003. He was the President of the Carleton Place Temple Corporation for five years. He also served as District Chairman of Blood Donors and Masonic Education, Ottawa District No. 1.

At Grand Lodge, Paul was appointed to the Board of General Purposes in 2001, 2003 and 2005, and was elected to the Board of General Purposes in 2007 and 2009. In 2008 he was elected to the Management Committee of Grand Lodge and in 2009 he was re-elected for a further three-year term. In 2011, Paul joined the Lodge of Instruction Team, as a presenter and served for two years.

He was a member of the Grand Lodge Masonic Education Committee, where he was the Team Leader responsible for the Masonic Education Newsletter. In addition he was the Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee of Long Range Planning and the Grand Lodge Committee for the Condition of Masonry. Paul was then re-appointed to the Board of General Purposes and to the Management Committee as Liaison, while acting as Chairman

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of Condition of Masonry. He was subsequently elected to the Management Committee for a three-year term.

Paul is the representative of the Grand Lodge of New York. He is also a member of the Provincial Emergency Service Degree Team. He has served in a variety of capacities including the Local Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee for the International Plowing Match in Carleton Place, a Member of the Navan and Crosby IPM Committees and as a Member of the Grand Lodge 150th Anniversary committee. In addition he has served as the Grand Lodge Representative to the Amalgamation Committees in Ottawa, Cornwall, Kingston and Bath, was a founding Director of the Masonic Chip Foundation, Co-Chair of the Local Committee on Arrangements for the Especial Communication of Grand Lodge in Ottawa and has Chaired four Grand Master Receptions Committees for the Ottawa Districts. He was appointed a Director of the Masonic Foundation of Ontario for six years as Chairman responsible for the webpage and for approval of Masonic Foundation District projects.

Paul was elected Deputy Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario in July of 2015 for a two year term. In 2017 was elected the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario. He also became a member of the Royal Order of Scotland in the same year.

Concordant Bodies

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Past Thrice Puissant Grand Master of the Ottawa Lodge of Perfection.

Member of the Murray Chapter of the Rose Croix.

Member of the Ottawa Consistory coroneted a 33 degree Honorary Inspector General in Vancouver.

Member of Tunis Temple, Land O' Lakes Shrine Club.

Tunis Temple Oriental Band, where he is the Hajji and was appointed to the Divan of Tunis Temple in 2012 as Marshall.

V. Ed Companion Royal Arch Masons Ottawa Chapter No. 222.

Royal Order of Scotland, Provincial Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Member, Luxor Daylight Lodge No. 741 Ottawa District 2.

Honorary Member Renfrew Lodge No 122 Ottawa District 2.

Honorary Member Carleton Lodge No. 465 Ottawa District 1.

Honorary Member Goodwood Lodge No. 159 Ottawa District 1.

Honorary Member St. John's Lodge No. 63 Ottawa District 1.

Member of Millennium Lodge U.D. Grand Lodge of Canada Province of Ontario.

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Family Life

Paul was the Rector's Warden of St. James Anglican Church, Carleton Place for two years. He was also a member of the St. James Church Choir for 12 years. In 2021, M.W. Bro. Todd was elected as Deputy Rector's Warden at St. James Anglican Church in Carleton Place.

M.W. Bro. Paul Todd and his wife Gloria live in Carleton Place, Ontario near Ottawa, and they have three children. W. Bro. Shawn Todd and his wife Michele live in Westboro, Shannon Thibault, and her partner Danny Moore, live in McLaren's Landing, and Alanna Renaud and her husband, Budd live in Carleton Place. He also is a proud grandfather to six beautiful grandchildren, Olivia, Alisha, Tristan, Camryn, Rowan and M.J.

R.W. Bro. Jamie R. Ireland, The Deputy Grand Master

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.



R.W. Bro. Jamie Ireland was born, raised and educated in the farming community outside of Strathroy Ontario.

As a young lad, he soon developed a love of the land and moved in with his grandparents to assist them with the many related duties on the family farm.

After attending high school in Strathroy, he enrolled at Ridgetown Agricultural College, (now part of Guelph University), and graduated in 1985 with a diploma in Field Crops and Livestock.

In addition to his own farming career - R.W. Bro. Ireland began working with the Township of Metcalfe (now Adelaide – Metcalfe), as an Equipment Operator.

In 2016 RW Bro. Ireland left his position after 29 years and returned to farming full time.

In 1988, he married his high school sweetheart – Kelly and together they have raised four boys: Matthew, Jesse, Benjamin and Lucas.

R.W. Bro. Ireland was Initiated into Ionic Lodge No. 328 in a small rural community called Napier, in 1996. Upon his initiation, he was able to sit in Lodge with his late grandfather who was also able to be with him in his journey to become a Master Mason.

In 2003, R.W. Bro. Ireland served as Worshipful Master of Ionic Lodge and after serving Sarnia District on several committees over the years, became District Deputy Grand Master in 2010.

One of the greatest feelings ever in his Masonic career was when his oldest son Matthew was initiated into Ionic Lodge, while he was DDGM. Unfortunately, Bro. Matthew passed to the Grand Lodge above in 2012 as a result of a tragic automobile accident.

From 2011 to 2014, R.W. Bro. Ireland has actively served our Grand Lodge on the Seminars and Workshops Committee as well as the Cornerstone Committee.

He was appointed Cornerstone Team Leader in 2014-2016 and served on the DDGM Orientation Committee 2015-2016. In 2016, he was appointed as Team Leader of the DDGM Orientation Committee. In 2015, R.W. Bro. Ireland was elected to serve his Lodge as the Lodge Secretary, a position he continues to hold.

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R.W. Bro. Ireland was Initiated into Mocha Temple and the Strathocha Shrine Club in 2006 and in 2017 he became a member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in 2015, R.W. Bro. Ireland was appointed to the Board of General Purposes and in 2017 R.W. Bro. Ireland was elected to the Board of General Purposes. In 2018, he was elected by the Members of the Board to sit on the Management Committee where he was Chairman of the Community Outreach Pillar. In 2019, he was re-elected to the Board of General Purposes and is now the Chairman of the Craft Stewardship Pillar which was renamed the Masonic Education Pillar in 2021. In 2020 he was elected to the MasoniChip Foundation of Ontario as a Director. And in July of 2022, R.W. Bro. Jamie R. Ireland was elected to the Office of Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

When he isn't involved with his family or Freemasonry, R.W. Bro. Ireland is actively involved in local Plowing competitions. In fact he is well known all across the Province for his plowing skill and is a yearly participant at the International Plowing Match.

**R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman, District Deputy Grand Master, Ottawa
District One**

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of
Ontario.



The Traditions and traditional values of Masonry have shaped the life of R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman and helped create a man who places the highest value on Family, Community and The Craft.

Jim was raised in Kenmore, ON as the eldest son of R. W. Bro. Grant Bowman and Frances. He has a younger brother, W. Bro. John Bowman, and is also the extremely proud father of Deanna and Sam. Being raised in a Masonic family - his father a member of various Masonic Lodges and Concordant Bodies, Frances a strong member of the Eastern Star, Jim became a member of the Order of DeMolay in 1982, with his brother John following 4 years later. Jim received the Degree of Chevalier and the Legion of Honour while in the Order of DeMolay.

Life-long friendships that began as a boy in the DeMolay, as well as a healthy exposure to Masonic activities with Grant Cook's Cowboys group, and later with the Bowman's Rednecks, eventually paved the way for Jim to join Russell Masonic Lodge in April 1998. Jim was Worshipful Master in 2004, 2006, 2018, 19, 20, and 21. In 2016, Jim joined Claudius R. Walker Lodge, No. 1808 in Nassau, Bahamas, and is a proud Member and supporter of Masonic activities throughout The Bahamas.

Jim has personally enjoyed being in The Fraternity. But, in his Life inside The Craft and outside in the community, he has applied Masonic teachings and has taken many pages of inspiration out of R. W. Bro. Ken Sharp's book. Jim has served as the District Chair for Charity several times; devoted many years to helping the elderly; and has supported Youth in many endeavours including a variety of sports. Jim has supported various community events in the Kenmore/Metcalf area and served on local community boards during the past 30 years. He currently sits on the Springhill Cemetery Board and is the Treasurer/Ice Maker for the Kenmore Recreation Association.

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Professionally, Jim joined the Osgoode Township Fire Department in 1986 where he served for 15 years. In 1996, Jim became a member of the Ottawa Fire Service and now holds the Rank of Captain.

Jim takes great satisfaction in helping others in need, and truly enjoys his many genuine friendships in Freemasonry, both here and abroad. Social activities with good friends and family are always appreciated, but none more than time spent playing cards or sight-seeing with his mother – Frances; or hanging out with his two greatest loves, children Deanna and Sam.

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R.W. Bro. Barry Burchill, The Board of General Purposes

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Ontario.



Barry was born in Ottawa, in February 1962. He attended Fisher Heights Public School, Sir Winston Churchill Middle School and graduated with honours from Merivale High School where he was active in sports and on the Student's Council. Although he lived in the city, he spent most weekends and summer holidays working on his Uncle's dairy farm in Easton's Corners, Ontario.

Barry went to work for Computing Devices Canada as a Machine Operator in 1980. He moved into the Quality Assurance Department in 1982 where he remains to this day.

He joined Acacia Lodge #561 in September 1989, serving as Worshipful Master in 1996-1997, and again in 2002-2003. In 2006 he was elected District Deputy Grand Master of Ottawa District One. In 2008 he was appointed to the Board of General Purposes. He was re-appointed in 2010 and elected in 2012, 2014 and 2016, appointed again in 2018. In July 2019 he was appointed to a three-year term as a member of the Honorary Board of General Purposes. As a member of the Board, he has chaired Long Range Planning (2009-2010) and Seminars and Workshops (2010-2014). In 2015 he was appointed to a two-year term on the Management Committee. In 2017 he was elected to a one-year term on the Management Committee. He now serves as Chairmen for Youth Initiatives.

Barry is also an affiliated member of Mississippi Lodge No. 147 in Almonte and is a past First Principal of Dochert Chapter #248 Royal Arch Masons. He was appointed Grand Pursuivant of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in 2008, and served a two-year term. Also on the York Rite side he is a member of Colonel By Council, Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada and served as District Deputy Grand Master of District five in 2008-2009. Barry is also a member of St. Justin's Conclave and Adoniram Council #3 order of the High Priesthood. He is also a member of Ottawa Lodge of Perfection, Murray Chapter Rose Croix and Ottawa Consistory 32 Degrees of the A.A.S.R. Valley of Ottawa. He was to be coronated an Honorary Inspectors General 33 degrees in September of 2020, but due to the COVID pandemic the ceremony is to take place in March 2022

Barry is a member of Tunis Shrine. He has served in various appointed Divan and Temple positions from 2004 to present. He also served as the coordinator of the Tunis 3rd Degree team from 2005 to 2011, and still sits as Master of the Degree team for most performances.

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He is an active (and proud member) of the Tunis Oriental Band, service as Secretary/Treasurer and is a member and regularly parades with the Tunis Hillbillies

Barry was recognized for his work with the youth groups in the Ottawa area, being appointed an honorary member of the Legion of Honour, by the Order of DeMolay. He is also a Grand Cross of Colour recipient for his work with the International Order of Rainbow for Girls.

Barry has been active on the Draft Horse show circuit for many years. He has been driver and groom to several Clydesdale hitch teams in the Ottawa Valley, as well as still showing. He has also branched out into announcing Draft Horse shows. Barry also likes to golf and curl. He is married to Sandy and they have two sons, Ken, 32 and Joe 28. Ken is a Past Master of Goodwood Lodge #159, (2016-18), and a Past Grand Sword Bearer (2018-2019). He is married to Brogan with a 7-year-old daughter Taylor, and a 5-year-old son Ashton. Joe was initiated as a member of Goodwood Lodge #159 in October 2017, and is serving as an officer.

**V.W. Bro. Kenneth Fields, Grand Superintendent of the Works, Ottawa
District One**

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of
Ontario.



Ken was born in Ottawa August 11th, 1956. Ken has 2 older sisters and 3 younger sisters.

He attended Grant Public School until grade 7 where he moved on to Pinecrest Public School. He finished his education at Sir John A. MacDonald High School.

Ken then proceeded into masonry construction starting at the bottom and working his way up. Looking for more job stability he moved to the City of Nepean in the carpentry department. In 1990 he left the city to start his own construction company K. W. fields Construction & Services Ltd., which is still operating today.

Ken joined Carleton Lodge #465 in Carp, Ontario in 1999. He became master of the Lodge in 2013-2014.

He was nominated for the George Kidd Award for Meritorious Service Lodge, Masonry and the Community for 2007-2008 and again in 2018-2019. He became a Shriner in the spring of 2015 and joined the Hillbilly Unit. He temporarily took on the position of Raban of the Clan and held this for a period of three years when he stepped back into his previous position, the Keeper of the Cob. Ken is also a member of Capital Shrine Club.

Ken has been married to his wife Donna for the last 40 years. They were blessed with 3 sons, Chad, Alex and Brent. The family has grown to include 3 daughter-in-laws, 3 beautiful granddaughters and 3 grandsons.

In 2022 Ken was appointed Grand Superintendent of the Works by the Grand Master Most Worshipful Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom.

Ken is an avid outdoorsman where he enjoys hunting and fishing. In 2017 at the cottage in Matawatchen he found a new passion. He built a sugar shack and on a small scale started producing "Matawatchen Maple Syrup" from the trees on the property. Maple syrup production has become an educational learning experience for the entire family. As the family ages so too does the knowledge.

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V. W. Bro. Daniel Chartrand, Grand Steward, Ottawa District One

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W. Bro. John J. Barber, District Secretary, Ottawa District One

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.



John's professional and personal life has been devoted to serving his community, locally and provincially.

Born in 1958, his career began in 1975 in Road Construction and worked towards being a Road Superintendent over the Eastern portions of Hwy 401 and some Provincial Roads north of the 401 to Ottawa for the Ministry of Transportation. Later he became a Peace Officer with the Transportation Enforcement Branch for the Ontario Ministry of Transportation as an Enforcement Supervisor for Officers in Eastern Region of Ontario. He worked for the Ministry of Transportation for over 35 years, and although retired from The Ministry, his work in the Transportation and Maintenance sector continues to the present day.

Joining The Craft in 1999, as an EA at Russell Lodge No. 479, John rose through The Chairs, serving as WM in 2007-2008. John joined the ranks of many PMs who have served their Lodge in various Chairs on an as needed basis. Requests to do a particular piece of The Work were always met with a chuckle, a smile and the comment, "I might need to knock the rust off, but I'll be there." John's commitment to Freemasonry also extends to The Shrine, which he joined in 2019.

He also served on numerous Committees ranging from fundraising to building maintenance, his skills and attention to detail drew attention and, he was asked to serve in a more formal way: first as District Administrator Bylaws & Regalia from 2020 -2022 in Ottawa District 1, and is now serving as District Secretary, Ottawa District 1, 2022-2023.

The attention to detail is not surprising given his education and professional training at The University of Guelph Engineering Technology/ Roads and Structures (Ontario Certified Road Superintendent); Brock University Law Courses (Provincial Offences Act, Highway Traffic Act and Regulations, Fuel Tax Act, Transportation of Dangerous Goods, Revenue and Labour); and becoming a Certified Inspector with the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance of North America.

In his community of Metcalfe Ontario, John has worked with young people as a coach in several sports, and served on the Executive for the Metcalfe Minor Hockey Association for a few years.

A committed Member of The Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Metcalfe, John has been involved in the Restoration Committee, Helped with Maintenance over the years, and supported Fund Raising while also extending a helping hand to those in need in the Ottawa,

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Metcalfe-Russell area and other projects, has spent a lot of my time helping people in my community and being involved with his Masonic Lodge and the Shrine.

But most importantly, John is dedicated to his family. He's been married for 44 years to his wife Diane, and has two sons, The late James, and their youngest son Ian.

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District Chairmen, Ottawa District One, Photo Collage



District Chaplain
W. Bro. Dennis Cole



District Event Coordinator
Bro. Joe Burchill



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R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman



District Secretary
W. Bro. John Barber



Shrine Liaison
R.W. Bro. Dennis Salkaley



Grand Lodge Programs
W. Bro. Abe Garcia



Historian
W. Bro. Neil Lillico



District Charity,
Masonic Foundation
W. Bro. Daniel Charron



Webmaster
Bro. Robert Paradis



York Rite Liaison
Bro. Mike Boese



Protocol, Education & Instruction
W. Bro. Eustace(Sam) Roberts
R. W. Bro. Adam Thompson



Senior Warden Mentoring
W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis



Prince Hall Liaison
R. Wor. Bro. Gary Gossling



Regalia
W. Bro. Jace Baart



Scottish Rite Liaison
V. Wor. Bro. John Guinn



District Management
(By-Laws, Planning)
W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis



District Benevolence
W. Bro. Brian Hay
Emeritus V. W. Bro. Jim Keith

Compliments of W. Bro. Ron Taylor
District Photographer

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District Chairmen, Ottawa District One

District Chair/Responsibility Masonic Year 2022-23	Rank	First Name	Last Name
District Benevolence	W. Bro.	Brian	Hay
District Chaplain	W. Bro.	Dennis	Cole
District Charity, Masonic Foundation	W. Bro.	Daniel	Charron
District Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro.	James	Bowman
District Event Coordinator	Bro.	Joe	Burchill
District Grand Lodge Programs	W. Bro.	Abe	Garcia
District Historian	W. Bro.	Neil	Lillico
District Management	W. Bro.	Kosta	Hatzis
District Photography	R.W. Bro.	Al	Wright
	V.W. Bro.	Ron	Taylor
	Bro.	Joe	Radmore
District Protocol, Education & Instruction	R.W. Bro.	Adam	Thompson
	W. Bro.	Sam	Roberts
District Regalia	W. Bro.	Jace	Baart
District Secretary	W. Bro.	John	Barber
District Senior Warden Mentoring	W. Bro.	Kosta	Hatzis
District Webmaster	Bro.	Rob	Paradis
Liaison: Prince Hall	R.W. Bro.	Gary	Gossling
Liaison: Scottish Rite	V.W. Bro.	John	Guinn
Liaison: Shrine	R.W. Bro.	Dennis	Saikaley
Liaison: York Rite	Bro.	Mike	Boese

District Chairmen, Ottawa District One, Photos and Reports

District Benevolence - W. Bro. Brian Hay



No report was provided.

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District Chaplain - W. Bro. Dennis Cole



No report was provided

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District Charity, Masonic Foundation - W. Bro. Daniel Charron



Ottawa District One Charity Report for Masonic Year 2022-23 Project # 2435 - Perley Health Centre Bladder Scanners

April 26, 2023

R.W. Bro. James Bowman
District Deputy Grand Master
Ottawa District One

Brethren I want to begin by thanking R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman for giving me the opportunity to serve as your chairman for this year's charity. It was an honour to promote and work for this great cause.

The Perley Health Centre serves approximately 600 seniors both military and non-military and truly deserves our attention. It is a centre that is second to none in meeting the needs of the frail and elderly patients. Government funding for health services provides only the basic needs and it is up to us to ensure our elders live the remainder of their lives in dignity. We make the difference.

Our aim this year was to raise funds for the purchase of four bladder scanners, instruments and tools that help Personal Support Workers to give great care for the elderly and those suffering from dementia. Bladder scanners help save lives and cost approximately \$7,200.00 each. So far, I'm happy to report that we have accumulated \$15,189.00. Funds from the Valentine's Charity Ball and the proceeds from the Spring Fling and Arctic Char supper are still to come. I am hoping to reach \$30,000.00.

I have my accounting books present and they will be reviewed by R.W. Bro. Bowman and Bro. John Barber, the District Secretary, and anyone else who wishes to see the recording of the funds.

Brethren, I want to take this opportunity to personally thank you for all your time and effort, your generous support, and your personal donations to this year's Charity. Many events were planned, from the Whisky Tasting, Arctic Char and Spring Fling to name but a few. I know there was a great deal of effort in planning and executing these events.

Many hands can move mountains.

Again, thank you,

Daniel Charron, PM Doric Lodge # 58, Ottawa District One Charity, Chairman.

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Donation to the Perley Hospital for bladder scanners in the amount of \$50,560.00.
The donation was made July 5, 2023 by R.W. Bro. James Bowman & W. Bro. Daniel Charron
(Chairman of the Ottawa District One Charity/Masonic Foundation).

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District Deputy Grand Master - R.W. Bro. James Bowman



This Historical Document is R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman's District Report.

District Event Coordinator - Bro. Joe Burchill



Ottawa District One District Event Coordinator Report

April 18, 2023

R.W. Bro. James Bowman
District Deputy Grand Master
Ottawa District One

Dear R.W. Sir:

The position of Event Coordinator is responsible for lending support to the district through on-going communications with the lodges concerning DDGM Official Visits, Installations, and Social Events.

Throughout this masonic year, many lodges have remained communicative concerning the details of their meetings with the rest of the district. This has been widespread practice when it comes to the distribution of summonses, however we have also made an effort to have information on the district calendar leading up to Official Visits. When keeping up to date on Official Visits, each lodge has responded efficiently and positively. Each of the Official Visit's details for when the lodge tyles, festive board takes place, and RSVP contacts were received promptly, and communicated to the webmaster, at the very least, two weeks before. In addition, the District Secretary also communicated these details to the district via e-mail. I expect the same response as the Installation season nears.

Concerning social events, many lodges have reached out to me to help distribute the details of their events. A few lodges even remained in the conversation and contributed further by communicating regular updates to me so that the website did not display any out-of-date information. A practice I hope all lodges put into action.

This year I did not receive any complaints or confusion directly concerning the details of DDGM Official Visits or Social Events

I also helped in providing a schedule for the district's travelling gavel, which this year was disappointing. Firstly, there were three overlaps with Official Visits this year, and two of them were back-to-back nights in February for Temple and St. John's. Placing a burden on

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Temple Lodge as they were expected to bring in four delegations on their Official Visit. There were also several instances of lodges either barely having the Gavel for a few days, or the opposite, a lodge holding it for more than a month. I still believe that lodges that meet at the Ottawa Masonic Centre on Walkley Road should not deliver it to other lodges meeting there, with the same rules applying to the Westboro Masonic Hall. Going forward, the schedule should be drawn up keeping in mind the best interests of the brethren, not to make visitation a chore. I take responsibility for an unsatisfactory schedule because I prioritized rushing to finish the schedule quickly rather than doing it well.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Bro. Joe Burchill
District Event Coordinator

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District Grand Lodge Programs - W. Bro. Abe Garcia



As the District Chairman of Grand Lodge Programs, my role is to oversee Grand Lodge initiatives in the District such as Brother-to-Brother and Friend-to-Friend. In emphasis, I promoted the Cornerstone Project, which is the culmination of the other programs. As announced last year, Grand Lodge has made changes to this initiative. It is now being administered locally by the District Deputy Grand Master or his appointee, and makes the designation easier to obtain.

The masonic season of 2022-2023 is our first year out of the Covid-19 pandemic. We saw at the beginning of this year, restrictions on social events started to lift and in-person meetings started to resume. Of course, some lodges were still wary about the situation, so they opted to continue with on-line meetings and delay physical assemblies.

As a District Chairman, I tried to accompany the DDGM on all his travels. In particular, I attended a number of social events in promotion of the DDGM's charity of choice – the Perley Health Foundation. I was present at 12 of his 15 Official Visits, where I made announcements about the Cornerstone Project and offered my assistance to the lodges who wish to attain the designation.

Currently, there are still just three lodges in the District who are cornerstone designated: Doric Lodge No.58, St. Andrew's Lodge No.560 and Civil Service Lodge No.148. But St. John's Lodge No.63 is on its way to getting the cornerstone designation. And others, such as Carleton Lodge No.465, Lodge of Fidelity No.231, and Temple Lodge No. 665, have expressed interest in starting and completing the initiative.

If the other lodges I have not named wish to attain the cornerstone designation, please don't hesitate to contact me. I am more than willing and happy to help you achieve the cornerstone designation for your Lodge.

I would like to once again thank R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman for appointing me as the District Chairman of Grand Lodge Programs. It has been an honour serving the District as one of his Chairmen.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Bro. Abraham R. Garcia
District Chairman of Grand Lodge Programs
Ottawa District 1

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District Historian - W. Bro. Neil Lillico



GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
Ottawa District One
District Historian's Final Report

April 26, 2023

R.W. Bro. James Bowman, District Deputy Grand Master, Ottawa District One.

Dear R.W. Sir:

I am pleased to provide a report outlining my activities undertaken for the 2022-23 Masonic Year.

- I have obtained relevant Masonic Activity photos from the District Photographers, members of the Craft, or from the individual Lodge postings on Facebook or Lodge websites. Select photos from this group will be included in the Historical Summary to be produced at the end of the 2022-23 Masonic Year.
- I have prepared a monthly summary of activities by Lodge, based primarily upon the summonses, and will continue to update the summaries as the information is received.
- I have requested and obtained photos and biographical profiles of Grand Lodge Officers so the information can be included in the Historical Summary of the 2022-23 Masonic Year.
- I have obtained a photo collage of all the District Chairmen, and all the Worshipful Masters for Masonic year 2022-23 from V. W. Bro. Ron Taylor.
- The District Chairmen have been asked to provide their final reports to the District Secretary to summarize the activities undertaken by each Committee during the current Masonic Year. Once they are all received, I will include this information in the District History for 2022-23.

Using the foregoing information I will prepare a Historical Summary of District One's activities during the Masonic Year 2022-23. I expect the document will be finalized in late July or early August 2023.

Sincerely and Fraternally,



Neil Lillico, PM Acacia Lodge No. 561, District Historian, Ottawa District One

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District Management - W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis



No report provided.

District Photography - R.W. Bro. Al Wright, V.W. Bro. Ron Taylor & Bro. Joe Radmore



Ottawa DISTRICT 1 DISTRICT Photographer REPORT

August 23, 2023

It was our pleasure to serve as members of your District Photography Team - we are happy to make this Final Report on behalf of the 2022-2023 Masonic Year.

The Photography Team for the 2022 – 2023 year consists of the following members:

Bro. Joe Radmore

V. W. Bro. Ron Taylor

R. W. Bro. Al Wright

It was our pleasure to serve the District.

Activities

Throughout this year the team attended as many DDGM Visits, Special Nights and Installations as our schedules would permit. We do have the issue of both Al Wright and Ron Taylor being in the same Lodge that meets on the same nights as Acacia Lodge. With Al being the Secretary of Lodge of Fidelity and Ron Taylor being the Junior Warden it becomes a challenge to miss one of our Regular Meetings. Unfortunately with the stairs at Westboro Temple it precludes Bro. Joe Radmore from attending.

As put forward in our First Report and we hope to follow the same guidelines for next year: An invitation to attend the Lodge on any night should be sent to the Photography Team email to ensure no important nights in the Lodge are overlooked.

When the Team should be invited to a Lodge:

- 1) When the DDGM visits a Lodge on his Official Visit Night.*
- 2) When District Meetings are held.*
- 3) When a Candidate is Initiated, and possibly when they receive their additional degrees.*
- 4) When a Lodge has a specific social event or holds a special recognition night for a Member.*

In Lodge Shot Plan:

- 1 - *everybody - Master and current GL officers in front, Lodge officers with wands and swords behind, then all others
- 2 - DD WM and Lodge Officers - Award Recipients / Candidates
- 3 - DD WM and Award Recipients / Candidates
- 4 - DD WM

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5 - other photos by request

Should there ever be a situation where R. W. Bro Wright and V. W. Bro. Taylor cannot attend, having the shot list above will greatly assist Bro. Radmore as he works, with assistance, to line Brethren up for their photos.

Thank You,

Bro. Joe Radmore, V. W. Bro. Ron Taylor, R.W. Bro. Al Wright

District Photography Team

Ottawa District 1

CC: R. Wor. Bro. Al Wright; Bro. Joe Radmore

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District Protocol, Education and Instruction - R.W. Bro. Adam Thompson and W. Bro. Sam Roberts



No report provided.

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District Regalia - W. Bro. Jace Baart



As District Chair for Regalia, I created a binder to keep stock of the Regalia received and being held. The binder is being updated as needs be. We were given a locker at Walkley Rd. to store all the items. I took possession of a number of lodge aprons, both gold and silver. Grand Lodge aprons and collars, along with a number of cases. We were given some masonic bibles, books of the work and some other documents.

We received a goodly number of concordant body regalia, and I was able to pass this along to the appropriate people or individuals who knew someone able to accept them.

I received two requests for items to be donated out to brethren from this stock. The first request was for a replacement Past Master's Jewel, and we did not have the item available. The second request was for a large flat Grand Lodge Case, which was available and given to the brother.

I will continue to collect Regalia for this Masonic year as it is received and until a successor has been named in my stead.

District Secretary - W. Bro. John Barber



Please see the Minutes of the [District Meetings](#) following the District Secretary's Report.

District Secretary's Report 2022-23

I will start off by thanking DDGM R. W. Bro. James Bowman for letting me serve as his District Secretary. Anyone who has served in this position knows the hard work involved, but also recognizes the sense of accomplishment and satisfaction it provides. And for that, I am extremely grateful.

In addition to the ongoing activities in a large District such as ours, there are a couple of items that deserve special mention here: The District Web Site and the Grand Lodge Compliance and Life Safety Policy.

Today the internet plays an increasingly more significant role in our lives and The District Website needs to be up-to-date, usable, and useful. This year, a hard-working team was assembled to ensure the site met the needs of our Brethren. The District Webmaster, Bro. Rob Paradis and I, spent many Sundays enhancing the site's code and inputting District and Lodge level information on the web site. Our events coordinator, Bro. Joe Burchill, did a wonderful job ensuring the events calendar was not only up to date, but reflected upcoming activities at every Lodge in the District. As of today, Ottawa District 1's website is current, and informs the Brethren about the numerous activities and events going on in the District.

We as a District worked diligently to ensure all our Lodges are 100% compliant with the Grand Lodge Compliance and Life Safety Policy, as directed by our Grand Master M.W. Bro. Thomas Hogeboom. I am proud to inform you that we achieved 100% Compliance by doing what we do best: working as a Team. The ruling Masters in our District, called the Arrows, and the Lodge Secretaries, and Lodge members worked together to complete this task under the direction of our DDGM R. W. James Bowman & myself. This collaborative and cooperative effort paid off: District 1 finished first out of 41 Districts in our Grand Jurisdiction, and achieved 100% Compliance with all Three Steps of the Grand Lodge *Building Compliance and Life Safety Policy* for the 2022-23 Masonic Year. It is important and noteworthy that we also finished first in insurance coverage.

Projects of this scale cannot be completed without the united assistance of some special Brethren that helped us behind the scenes: R.W. Bro Allen Wright, V.W. Bro. Ronald Ashworth, W. Bro. David Brown, and V.W. Bro. John Guinn. The DDGM and I would also thank V.W. Bro. Blake Farmer for taking the lead in a Masonic Funeral earlier this year for a

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Brother from out of our District and for his ongoing support. And, W. Bro. Norm Hotchkiss for his support when called upon.

I would also like to thank all The Chairmen of the many District Committees, who not only did very good work in their respective positions, but also worked to help The DDGM and I cover all the bases in our District.

In conclusion, it has been a very rewarding serving as your District Secretary and would like to thank V.W. Bro. Doug Robar for getting me started in the position and supporting me throughout the year whenever I asked for his assistance.

S&F

W. Bro. John Barber District Secretary Ottawa District 1

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District Senior Warden Mentoring - W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis



Right Worshipful Sir & Brethren,

I am glad to report that most, if not all activities related to the Senior Warden Mentoring program have now come to a close. Over the year, I held 5 sessions over the year and built out a program of information and guest speakers. Unfortunately, I did have to cancel one session as I had a conflict with work. Sessions were held in Carp, Kanata, and Ottawa. On average attendance was 5- 6 people for most sessions.

Hindering the work this year is the high number of returning Masters - possibly some 5-6 lodges will have repeat Masters.

A highlight of the year was having Grand Lodge offer a program for New Incoming Masters. I was quick to trumpet this course with the SW's and even attended myself. My recommendation to next year's Chairman will be to use the GL materials as the cornerstone to this program.

On the front of Management, I made sure I was available to the District Deputy Grand Master for counsel, brainstorming and advice throughout the year. We had many conversations concerning the district but no formal meetings were held. No bylaw changes were proposed so there was not much action required.

This concludes my report for the exception to note that I did attend every single DD night in the district in support of our DDGM RWBro Bowman and it was an honour to be of service to the district.

W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis
Chairman SW Mentoring and Management Ottawa District No.1

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District Webmaster - Bro. Rob Paradis



No report provided.

Liaison: Prince Hall - R.W. Bro. Gary Gossling

April 26, 2023



Right Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I'd like to start off with a bit of history regarding the recognition of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Province of Ontario and Jurisdiction.

Our Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario formally recognized Prince Hall at the annual meeting of Grand Lodge on Wednesday, July 16, 2008. Our own Past Grand Master, the late, Most Worshipful Brother, Donald H. Mumby was very involved in the process of recognition.

After discussions with our Grand Lodge and the Secretary of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge, I was given the name and contact information of the Master here in Ottawa, Brother Randy Borde. It took a while, but eventually we met in Lodge. This went on for a few years, but eventually petered out.

R.W. Bro. Trevor Hemerling resurrected visitation and instituted an exchange of "The Travelling Trowel", which I now have.

After he was elected as District Deputy, in July of last year, R.W. Bro. Bowman, knowing of my past association with the PHA, asked me to be Liaison and tasked me with arranging a visit to deliver "The Travelling Trowel" which R.W. Bro. Hemmerling had passed to him.

In early August I contacted Brother Borde to arrange a visitation. He declined due to work pressures and commitments and commented he had not been in Lodge for years, but said he would arrange a contact for me.

In October, not having gotten a contact, I again reached out to get contact information; it was not forthcoming.

In November a message came out from R.W. Bro. Richard Loomes, with the contact number of the current Master of Solomon Lodge No. 26. I sent a request to him to arrange a visitation from R.W. Bro. Bowman, but did not get a response.

Following that an email came out to "undisclosed recipients" from the Secretary of Solomon Lodge, Brother Andrew Defor expressing a desire to institute lodge visitations. It did not come to the D.D. or me. I got a copy from the Secretary of Doric Lodge, W. Bro. Daniel Charron. That information was forwarded to R.W. Bro. Bowman who met with Brother Defor. R.W. Bro. Bowman brought Brother Defor to a meeting at Walkley Road and introduced him to me. He said he would speak to members of Solomon Lodge about receiving a delegation.

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Not having a response, I reached out to Brother Defor on April 3rd to see if Solomon Lodge had a date in mind. On April 6th I received a message from Brother Defor, wherein he stated "I have tried to get our Lodge organized to receive the DDGM, but most of our members are indisposed and have been unable to attend meetings for quite a while, so we are unable to mobilize a sizable group to receive R.W. Bro. Bowman".

Here endeth my report,

D. Gary Gossling, Liaison for Prince Hall

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Liaison: Scottish Rite - V.W. Bro. John Guinn



Report of the Liaison from District One to the AASR

As liaison for Ottawa 1 to the Scottish Rite it was my duty to visit all lodges and explain and promote the Rite to all masons in the district and solicit prospective new members to join the Rite to further their Masonic knowledge and experience.

We had a very successful number of visits and the reception from the Brethren was encouraging.

If all the members complete applications that were handed out, or left at the Secretary's desks, we shall have completed our mission and welcome new candidates to the Rite in the fall.

Let me take this opportunity to thank all Worshipful Master's for allowing me to speak at their lodges on this subject. Also a thank you to R.W. Bro Jim Bowman for choosing me to travel with him and make these presentations for the good of Masonry in this area.

Respectfully submitted.

V.W. Bro John G W Guinn,
Scottish Rite Liaison

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Liaison: Shrine - R.W. Bro. Dennis Saikaley



Ottawa District #1 2022-2023 Year End Report Tunis Shrine Liaison

Rt. Wor. Sir and The District Secretary,

It is My Duty To Serve,

Thank you for the honour of serving as your District Liaison to the Tunis Shriners. Tunis has emerged from the COVID restrictions.

Unfortunately I am out of the country on Shrine Business the night of your District Meeting. We held our Installation in January where Adam Thompson (PDDGM Ottawa #1) was installed.

Although I have submitted a written report for each of the District Meetings, I would like to highlight what is left between the time of this writing and the end of your term.

June 2nd-June 4th: Tunis Shrine Ceremonial and Visitation (downtown Ottawa)

This is an opportunity for Master Masons to become Shriners. On the Saturday Afternoon, we attend the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Masons are encouraged to attend. Contact me or the Shrine Office for more information.

July 1st-6th: Shrine Imperial Sessions, Charlotte, NC These are the major events left.

I would like to express my thanks for allowing me to serve on your Team. The commitment that you and the District Secretary have shown was incredible. My personal thanks.

This concludes my report.

Respectfully Submitted,

R.W. Bro. Dennis M. Saikaley
Tunis Shrine Liaison

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Liaison: York Rite - Bro. Mike Boese



No report provided.

Ottawa District One Events

District Meetings

Agenda Ottawa District One - Meeting 1 - August 17, 2022 - 7:30 pm

Date Aug 17, 2022 7:30 PM

Location - Walkley Rd. Masonic Center.

District One first meeting of 2022/2023 R.W.Bro. Jim Bowman

R.W.Bro. Jim Bowman Welcome to all.

Invocation: Dist. Chaplain - W. Bro. Dennis Cole

Introduction of District Secretary , and other District Chairs

Dist. Secretary - W. Bro. John Barber

Dist. Chaplain - W. Bro. Dennis Cole

Masonic Foundation/Charity - W. Bro. Daniel Charron

Benevolence - W. Bro. Brian Hay

Benevolence Emeritus - V. W. Bro. Jim Keith

Photography - V. W. Bro. Ron Taylor, Rt. W. Bro. Al Wright, Bro. Joe Radmore

District Management/Planning - W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis

Event Coordinator - Bro. Joe Burchill

Grand Lodge Programs - W. Bro. Abe Garcia

Regalia - W. Bro. Jace Baart

District Historian - W. Bro. Neil Lillico

S.W. Mentoring - W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis

NEW Mason Mentoring- ALL W. Masters

Webmaster - Bro. Rob Paradis

Tunis Shrine Liaison - Rt. W. Bro. Denis Saikaley

Scottish Rite Liaison - Rt. W. Bro. Jeff Chris5e

Prince Hall Liaison - Rt. W. Bro. Gary Gossling

York Rite Liaison - Bro. Mike Boese

motion to accept minutes of the District meeting dated April 27, 2022 at 7:30 pm be accepted

as distributed/ **minutes attached**

Old Business

The DDGM made a notice of motion that at the next meeting of Ottawa District 1, he will move or cause to be moved that the proposed additional amendments to District Bylaws as listed in Appendix "B" be approved.

By Laws and Amendments to Appendix "B" Attached New Business

Budget; Goals for year; District Charity; Regalia; Silver Trowel Exchange; District Trestle Board (soft copy)

Closing remarks DDGM

Date of next meeting

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Minutes Ottawa District One - Meeting 1 - August 17, 2022 - 7:30 pm

Minutes August 17, 2022 Opening meeting for DDGM Jim Bowman's year

Location: Walkley Rd. Masonic Centre

Meeting was opened at 07:30 PM / With a Zoom link also

R. W. Bro. Jim Bowman welcomed all

Invocation Was given by District Chaplain W. Bro. Dennis Cole Via Zoom from Nova Scotia
The DDGM then introduced his District Chairs

District Secretary: W. Bro. John Barber

District Chaplain: W. Bro. Dennis Cole

Chair for District Charity /Masonic Foundation: W. Bro. Daniel Charron

Daniel spoke to the Perley Health Foundation and the purchase of bladder scanners to help so patients don't go with undetected full bladders, which could be fatal. He also stated that individual donations will be able to get a tax receipt.

DDGM Jim Bowman stated that the Perley did the best presentation and justification for the need of the bladder scanners, which he supports.

Benevolence W. Bro. Brian Hay / Benevolence Emeritus V. W. Bro. Jim Keith

Photography Team: Bro. Joe Radmore / V. W. Bro. Ron Taylor / R. W. Bro. Al Wright

District Management/Planning W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis

Kosta thanked the DDGM for the appointment to the position and requested any Administrative Ideas be Sent to W. Bro. Ian Hooker

Event Coordinator: Bro. Joe Burchill is ready to post events on the Calendar and work towards updating the District Website with the Webmaster Bro. Rob Paradis and the District Secretary W. Bro. John Barber.

Protocol, Education & Instruction: W. Bro. Eustace (Sam) Roberts & R. W. Bro. Adam Thompson

Grand Lodge Programs: W. Bro. Abe Gracia

Abe Thanked the DDGM for the appointment & spoke to the importance of visitation, the Brother to Brother and Friend to Friend, and the Cornerstone project, which he oversees in his position. A letter was presented to be filed with the minutes.

Regalia: W. Bro. Jace Baart

Jace has a locker at Walkley Rd. and will Liaison with the Scottish Rite, York Rite and Shriners.

District Historian: W. Bro Neil Lillico sent regrets

S. W. Mentoring: W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis

W. Bro. Ian Hooker will assist Kosta as required

New Mason Mentoring: All Worshipful Masters

Webmaster: Bro. Rob Paradis

Tunis Shrine Liaison: R. W. Bro. Denis Saikaley

Denis opened with thanks to the DDGM and spoke to the Shrine Degree Team and coordinating this year's Valentine Gala. He also talked about the special celebrations taking place for the Shrine for the 100th & 150th Anniversaries. He also said that if any Mason

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would like to join the Shrine to let him know. A letter was presented to be placed on file with the minutes.

Scottish Rite Liaison: Jeff Christie/ Ron Taylor

Prince Hall Liaison: R. W. Bro. Gary Gossling

York Rite Liaison: Bro. Mike Boese -- Regrets

W. Bro Daniel Charron made the motion **to accept minutes from April 27,2022 at 07:30 pm be accepted as distributed.**

Seconded by W. Bro. Abe Gracia

Old business

R. W. Bro. Glen Simpson moved that the proposed additional amendments to District 1 bylaws as listed in Appendix B be approved. Seconded by R. W. Bro. Denis Saikaley
Amended bylaws attached to minutes

New Business

Budget District Secretary W. Bro. John Barber reviewed the proposed budget for 2022-23.

Made a motion to have the Budget accepted. Seconded by R. W. Bro. Barry Burchill (filed with minutes)

Goals for 2022-23: DDGM Jim Bowman stated we work together to get back to normal after Covid.

Regalia V. W. Bro. Daniel Chartrand to receive his regalia on September 7, 2022 as Grand Steward

V. W. Bro. Ken Fields to receive his regalia on October 27, 2022 as Grand Superintendent of The Works

Silver Trowel Exchange: to be arranged by R. W. Bro. Gary Gossling

2022 electronic voting stats: R. W. Bro. Barry Burchill presented stats on voting and supplied a hard copy of stats to be filed with the minutes.

District trestle Board: (Soft copy) presented

Closing remarks DDGM: Thanked all who attended and thanks to all that put the meeting together.

Next meeting: January 24, 2023 07:30 PM at Walkley rd. Masonic centre.

Meeting closed at 08:45 pm

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Agenda Ottawa District One - Meeting 2 - January 24, 2023 - 7:30 pm

Agenda

Opening remarks: DDGM R. W. Bro. James Bowman

Invocation: District Chaplain W. Bro. Denis Cole

Approval of minutes from the August 17, 2022 Ottawa District One Meeting

DDGM to: Name and Appoint the District Financial Examiners

DDGM R. W. Bro. James Bowman will lead the town hall style meeting

Closing Remarks:

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Minutes Ottawa District One - Meeting 2 - January 24, 2023 - 7:30 pm

Invocation: District Chaplain W. Bro. Denis Cole

Opening Remarks DDGM R.W. Bro. James Bowman

The DDGM welcomed everyone and explained that he would have a town hall type meeting.

Approval for the Minute from August 17, 2022 Ottawa District 1

The minutes were electronically distributed. District Secretary moved that the minutes be adopted as distributed seconded by R.W. Bro. Denis Saikaley

DDGM appointed the District Financial Examiners

R. W. Bro. Denis Saikaley and the second will be in place once the DDGM has a discussion with him

DDGM to lead town hall meeting

The DDGM stated we should check with all the Lodges in our District with respect to new applicants to ensure there are no issues known in the district with the individual.

The DDGM Asked that we Try not to Double book meetings on the same night. Partner with another Lodge for social events and degree work (Russell & Civil Service to work together). R.W. Bro. Denis Saikaley is in support of this proposal

We have a Shrine Degree Team if a lodge would like a third degree done. Contact is V. W. Bro. Doug Dockrill. We also have a Second Degree Team, the Cameron Highlanders. Contact is R.W. Bro. Glen Simpson.

The DDGM Stated to make sure to follow the Constitution section 287, which states you need seven members to hold a meeting.

The DDGM Stated we should see some good growth in the Lodges over the next ten years. Ottawa Districts One and Two could see some mergers in the future

V. W. Bro. Blake Farmer stated the Ottawa Masonic Association, (OMA), Website is out of date R. W. Bro. Glen Simpson would like to see one Website for District 1&2. R.W. Bro. Adam Thompson questioned the relevance of the OMA, but let the DDGM run their respective Districts

The DDGM would like to see more mentoring for new members and examination of the same. Bro. Jesus Federico stated we should look to new Canadians for membership.

W. Bro. Daniel Charron, the Chairmen for Charity thanked everyone so far for their support. He encouraged everyone to get out and support the fundraising events. On April 29, 2023 we will have a Spring Fling Dance/M meal with live music as a fundraiser for the District

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Charity. The Chairmen for the Spring Fling is V.W. Bro. George Chaiban. Tickets are \$60.00. More information will follow after the Valentine Charity Ball.

The District Secretary said that we are not just from one Lodge but a brotherhood and should support each other.

The Fire Safety Plans are coming along and if you need help just ask.

The DDGM asked if everyone was happy with this Masonic Year and no one had a negative response.

The DDGM thanked everyone for coming out. The next meeting will be held on April 26, 2023 at 7:30 PM at the Masonic Centre 2140 Walkley Rd Ottawa.

The Meeting was closed at 8:50 PM.

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Agenda Ottawa District One - Meeting 3 - April 26, 2023 - 7:30 pm

Opening remarks: DDGM R. W. Bro. James Bowman

Invocation: District Chaplain W. Bro. Denis Cole

Chairmen : to present their reports

DDGM: any new business

DDGM: any unfinished business

DDGM to: open the floor for nominations for DDGM 2023/2024

DDGM: Closing Remarks:

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Minutes Ottawa District One - Meeting 3 - April 26, 2023 - 7:30 pm

Regrets: R.W. Bro. Dennis Saikaley, R.W. Bro. Allen Wright, R.W. Bro. Brian Adams, V.W. Bro. Blake Farmer, W. Bro. Dennis Cole, W. Master Scott Newman

Opening remarks: DDGM R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman welcomed everyone

Invocation: Given by V. W. Bro. John Guinn

Chairmen reports

District Chaplain: W. Bro. Dennis Cole (out of Country)

Chair for District Charity /Masonic Foundation: W. Bro. Daniel Charron (report given and filed with District Historian)

Benevolence W. Bro. Brian Hay / Benevolence Emeritus V. W. Bro. Jim Keith (Given- no report filed/no issues)

Photography Team: Bro. Joe Radmore / V. W. Bro. Ron Taylor / R. W. Bro. Al Wright (verbal report)

District Management / planning/senior warden mentoring W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis (given and filed)

Event Coordinator: Bro. Joe Burchill (given and filed)

Protocol, Education & Instruction: W. Bro. Eustace (Sam) Roberts & R. W. Bro. Adam Thompson (No report to file)

Grand Lodge Programs: W. Bro. Abe Gracia (Given and filed)

Webmaster: Bro. Rob Paradis (Verbal report)

Historian: W. Bro. Neil Lillico (Given and filed)

Scottish Rite V.W. Bro. John Guinn (Given and filed)

York rite: Bro. Mike Boese (verbal report)

Prince Hall: Gary Gossling (given and filed)

Tunis Shrine: R. W. Bro. Dennis Saikaley (Filed)

Regalia: W. Bro. Jace Baart (given and Filed)

Spring Fling: George Chaiban (verbal report)

District Secretary report: W. Bro. John Barber (Given and filed)

DDGM said he would exceed his travel allowance. RW Bro. Jeff Christie said it is what it is and all voted in support of the travel expenses exceeding the budgeted amount.

New Business: N/A

Unfinished Business: District secretary made a motion to have the Minutes of the District meeting from January 24,2023 to be approved as distributed / Seconded by V. W. Bro. John Guinn

DDGM opened the floor for Nominations for DDGM 2023/24

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R.W. Bro. Norm Allingham nominated W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis (he will let his name stand)

V. W. Bro. Ron Taylor nominated W. Bro. Jim Kent (decline at this time)

W. Bro. Don Learning nominated W. Bro. Sam Roberts (decline at this time)

W. Bro. Dale Barbara nominated V.W. Bro. George Chaiban (decline at this time)

Abe Gracia moved that the meeting adjourn seconded by V. W. Bro. Ron Taylor 8:20 PM.

District Divine Service

The District Divine Church Service was held at St. Mary's Anglican Church, 139 Castor Street, Russell, Ontario on Sunday, October 23, 2022 at 10:30am.

Valentine's Charity Ball

The Valentine's Charity Ball was held on February 11, 2023.

Beechwood Cemetery - Masonic Burial Plot

A History of The Ottawa Masonic Burial Plot in Ottawa, Ontario at Beechwood Cemetery

The Masonic lodge system was first developed to, among other things, help, socially, and in benevolence toward its members and families. In 1855 in Ontario, when our Grand Lodge was formed, there was no public safety net within our communities in which anyone could rely. This was one of the prime motivators for those who joined the fraternity. Charity was, and is, an important concept taught to everyone who is initiated into the Order.

Up until the early 1960s Canadians, for the most part, had no official help from public sources. Taking notice of Saskatchewan's health care reforms, brought about by Tommy Douglas's provincial government, the federal government under John Diefenbaker put together a national health care plan that was finally instituted by the next government leader, Lester Pearson.

Freemasons believe in charity, and the greatest form of charity, one mason toward another, is to aid in the final disposition of a brother's mortal remains when he has gone to the Grand Lodge Above.

In modern times it is hard to imagine the hardship placed on families in those times when tasked with the preparation and transportation of the dead for a journey even to the next town prior to the widespread use of the automobile. The lack of understanding of disease transmission even led to an Ottawa Ordinance to only allow cemeteries to allow burials outside the boundaries of the city. This added even further complexity to the problem. Even a cemetery, previously in Sandy Hill, was moved primarily the bodies ended up at Beechwood Cemetery, which was just outside the municipal boundary at the time. It stood to reason that local masons would step in to help avoid the forced impoverishment and distress of relatives when entrusted with a brother's care.

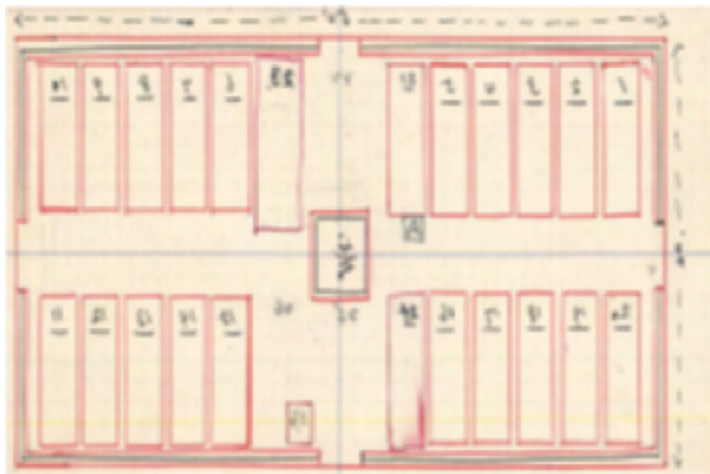
The Ottawa Masonic Board of Relief was constituted with the enactment of its bylaws on December 3, 1875. It helped masons and their families through many concerns, also including taking care of an indigent mason's burial when entrusted to their care. In January 1876 the Board bought the land in the then new Beechwood Cemetery, which had been previously established in 1873, known as the "Masonic Burial Plot", costing \$350. The first burial seems to have happened in grave number 1, two years later. It is likely Beechwood was selected since most local masonic lodges met in down-town Ottawa and the cemetery had its office on Sparks Street, in the heart of the city. Interestingly, while never a mason, Tommy Douglas also rests in another part of Beechwood Cemetery.

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The idea of establishing a District-wide Masonic Burial Plot was not original to Ottawa, however our example pre-dates the pattern of similar likenesses found in Toronto and Sarnia. The initiative seems to have originated in the United States in the latter half of the 19th century. The earliest I have found of this masonic practice was a monument found in New York State unveiled in 1872.

The Masonic Burial plot at Beechwood is in section 37, lot number 83. It is 20 feet (6.1m) East to West and 50 feet (15.2m) North to South. It has been used exclusively for indigent masons since its start. Name markers are not part of the service provided by the Board to protect the privacy of a brother who may have distressingly died in poverty. There have been newspaper reports, probably placed by family members, reporting specific burials and one family has had a marker placed in the grass and in one other case, at the expense of her family, the wife of a departed brother, after pre-deceasing her, had her ashes deposited next to him. These are exceptions to our long-held practice of not publicly identifying those within the gravesite or joining other family members. While the Plot has space for 24 full casket burials, only cremated remains are interred, thereby making room for 750, all placed in an Easterly orientation. There are fewer than 100 in total laid to rest at the plot as of the end of 2022. Most of them prior to the 1940s. There have been a few, however, laid to rest there into the 20-teens.

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On Thursday, May 31, 1888, at the conclusion of a Grand Lodge Communication, held at the Byward Market Building in Ottawa the Deputy Grand Master led a large delegation of masons and their families to Beechwood Cemetery to unveil a monument on the plot land.

The report discovered in the **Ottawa Citizen** of Friday, June 1 states:

"The scheme of a Beechwood burial plot was incepted by the late Right Worshipful Bro. Kerr, who, in conjunction Bro. E. D. Parlow, Chairman of the Burial Plot Committee, and Bro. S. W. H. Baldwin, Secretary Treasurer, were largely instrumental in carrying the scheme to a successful issue, being ably assisted by the following brethren, also members of the committee, viz:

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*H. P. Webb, **Builders Lodge**, A. Walsh, **Prince of Wales**, A. Perriton, **Eddy Lodge**, W. C. Teague, **Fidelity**, And, Thomas Kennedy, **Chaudière Lodge***



Some dozen of the deceased brotherhood have already been buried in the plot. The extra cost of the plot and monument is in the vicinity of \$2000 (almost \$63000 in 2023 dollars). It is one of the most tasteful and imposing structures in the cemetery and is composed of two heavy granite bases surmounted by stonework bearing the words "Masonic Burial Plot" and various emblems of the Order, upon which rests the altar, with a volume of the sacred law open thereon, surrounded by four polished red granite columns, which support the upper part, upon which also are inscribed various emblems. The whole is surmounted by a Polished granite globe symbolic of the university of masonry."

Reports of the unveiling of the 13 feet (4m) tall by 4 feet (1.2m) wide, monument at the Masonic Burial Plot, as well as the consecration of new lodge facilities and an "At Home" held on the same day, can also be found in the **1888 Grand Lodge Proceedings:**

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In addition to the ceremonies of Consecration and Dedication reported herewith, a large number of brethren assembled in the afternoon of the same day and went out to Beechwood Cemetery where the beautiful monument on the Masonic Burial Plot was unveiled, and an excellent address was given to the brethren and the public present by R. W. Bro. Walkem. In the evening of the same day an "At Home" was held in the Masonic Hall, attended by fully a thousand friends of the brethren. The day's proceedings wound up with a banquet in honor of Grand Lodge.

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Probably the most important Masonic event of the year, so far as the Capital is concerned, was the consecration and dedication of the new Masonic Hall, on May 31st. A special communication of Grand Lodge was held, and in the presence of over two hundred city and visiting brethren, R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, D. G. M., performed the solemn duties devolving upon him in a most impressive manner. The new Temple, for such it may well be designated, was built by Bro. E. Wallace, and has been leased from him by the city Lodges for the term of ten years. It contains a large Lodge room, handsomely furnished, with commodious anterooms, refreshment room, lavatories, etc., in fact possesses every convenience, and is certainly a hall of which the Ottawa District have every reason to be proud. Later in the day, R. W. Bro. Walkem, attended by a large number of brethren, proceeded to Beechwood cemetery, and there in the presence of several hundred spectators the acting Grand Master unveiled the beautiful monument recently erected on the Masonic burial plot.

In the evening an "At Home" was held in the new hall, at which about a thousand Masons and their lady friends were present. Subsequently a banquet was tendered by the R. W. the acting Grand Master, at the Grand Union Hotel, (This appears to be the same building found at the corner of Sparks St. and Elgin today.) and at which nearly one hundred and fifty brethren sat down. The affair was a great success and was a fitting termination of a memorable day's work. At the different assemblages R. W. Bro. Walkem delivered earnest practical addresses which will long be remembered by those who heard them. This was Bro. Walkem's first official visit to Ottawa, and by his genial disposition, his knowledge of Craft lore, and the ability with which he fulfilled all the important duties devolved upon him, he entirely won the hearts of all the brethren.

Other details of note include the purchase of perpetual care for the site in 1921. Also, very interestingly, after the unveiling, and at least until the 1930s, where there is a sporadic journalistic record, that every year, on June 24th (St. John Baptiste Day – who is the patron saint of Freemasonry) the local brethren would have a remembrance service at the plot in memory of our past brethren.

June 24th, 2023, dispensation was received and Lodge of Fidelity 231 hosted a 150th anniversary Remembrance Service at the Masonic Plot. The Cemetery has further booked the Sunday closest to June 24th moving forward for this tradition to continue.

Thank you.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the following people who helped collect many of the details in this report:

- *Our Grand Historian, V.W. Bro. Marshall Kern,*
- *The President of the Ottawa Board of Relief, V.W. Bro. Devon Fermoye,*

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- *Ottawa 1 District Historian, W. Bro. Neil Lillico and*
- *Past Master of Acacia Lodge and a staff member at Beechwood Cemetery, W, Bro. Chris Wanna.*
- *I took the photo of the monument.*

*RW Bro Allen B. Wright
PDDGM Ottawa 1, 2014-15*

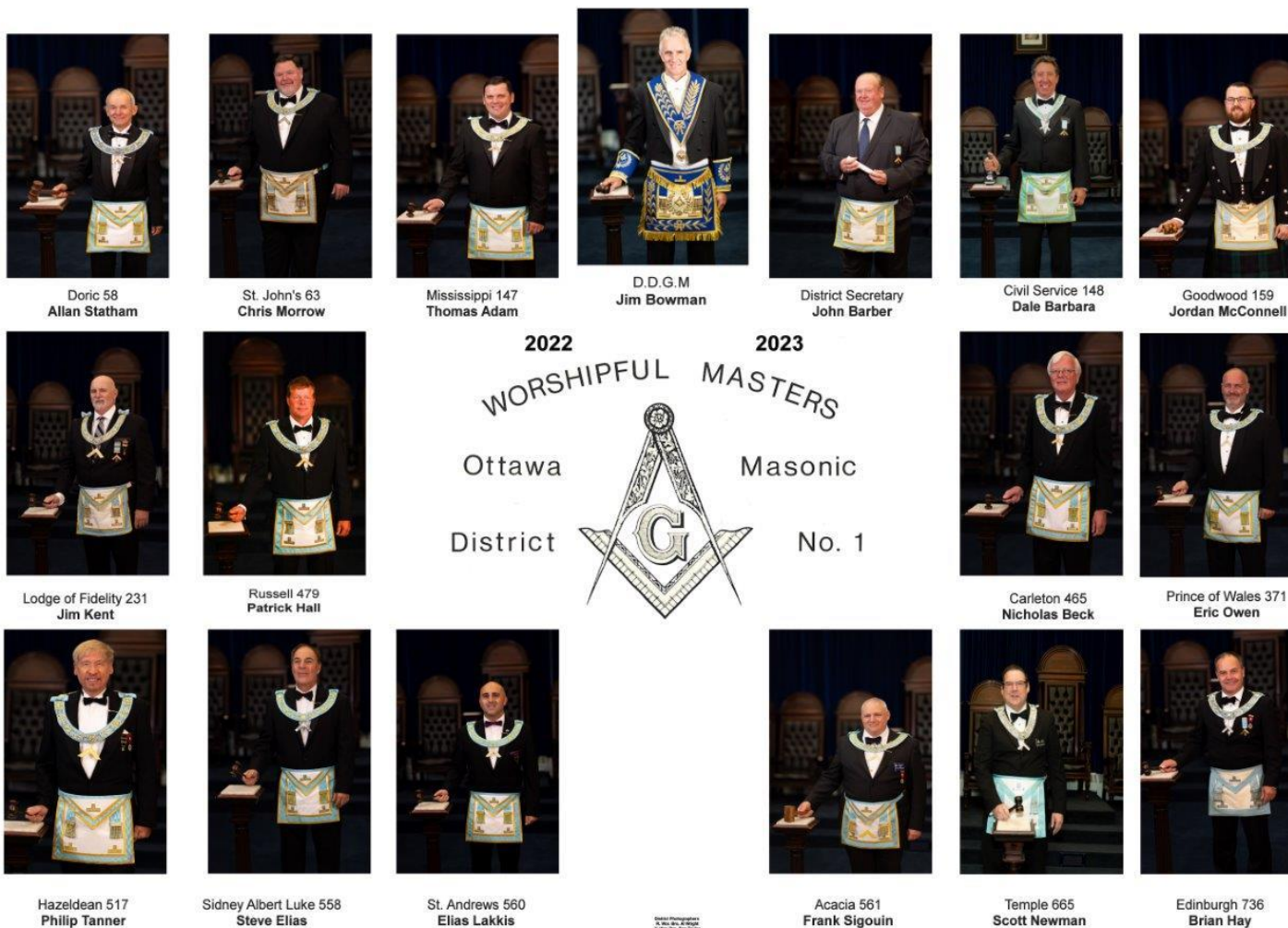


Memorial Service held at the Masonic Burial Plot at Beechwood Cemetery, Ottawa, Ontario
on June 24, 2023.

The Service prepared by R.W. Bro. Allen Wright, PDDGM, Ottawa District One.

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Worshipful Masters, Ottawa District One

Lodge No.	Lodge Name	W.M. First Name	W.M. Last Name
58	Doric Lodge	Alan	Statham
63	St. John's Lodge	Chris	Morrow
147	Mississippi Lodge	Thomas	Adam
148	Civil Service Lodge	Dale	Barbara
159	Goodwood Lodge	Jordan	McConnell
231	Lodge of Fidelity	Jim	Kent
371	Prince of Wales Lodge	Eric	Owen
465	Carleton Lodge	Nicholas	Beck
479	Russell Lodge	Patrick	Hall
517	Hazeldean Lodge	Phillip	Tanner
558	Sidney Albert Luke Lodge	Steve	Elias
560	St. Andrew's Lodge	Elias	Lakkis
561	Acacia Lodge	Frank	Sigouin
665	Temple Lodge	Scott	Newman
736	Edinburgh Lodge	Brian	Hay

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Summary of Lodge Activities by Individual Lodge

Doric Lodge No. 58, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted 1855

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23

Meets the third Thursday of each Month except June, July & August

Doric Lodge No. 58 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 15, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a Regular meeting of Doric Lodge, to be held at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa on September 15, 2022 @ 19:30 hrs. By order of the Worshipful Master.• To welcome the District Deputy on his fraternal visit to Doric Lodge.• To welcome distinguished guests to Doric.• To conduct regular business of the lodge• Further to the Regular Meeting of May 19, 2022, a notice of motion to conduct a ballot to reinstate Bro. John Coffey.• To provide Masonic education.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 20, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a Regular meeting, to be held at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa 20 October 2022 @ 19:30 hrs.• Pending findings of board of inquiry to conduct a ballot on candidate Mr. Stephen Campbell, retired, residing in Ottawa• To present a 50 year pin and Certificate to a worthy brother.• To provide Masonic education.
Emergent	October 2022	s	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	November 3 & 17, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By special dispensation you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular meeting, to be

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>held at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa, 3 November 2022 @ 19:30 hrs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are cordially invited to participate in a fraternal visit to Mississippi Lodge, on the occasion of DDGM's official visit, Thursday 17 November @ 19:30 hrs. To commemorate Remembrance Day at our meeting and festive board. To provide Masonic education.
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	December 15, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held 15 December 2022 @ 19:30 hrs. at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa. To provide Masonic education
Emergent	December 1, 2022 <small>Please Note: The dates are correct, but normally Emergent Meetings are held after the Regular Meeting.</small>	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting, to be held 1 December 2022 @ 19:30 hrs. To initiate Mr. Stephen Campbell, retired, residing in Ottawa.
Regular	January 19, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held 19 January 2023@ 19:00 hrs. at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa. To welcome DDGM James Bowman on his official visit to Doric To welcome distinguished guests to Doric. To provide Masonic education.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	February 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held 16 February 2023@ 19:30 hrs. at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa. To welcome the Shrine Degree Team and guests to Doric To conduct a 3rd degree of a worthy brother To provide Masonic education
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	March 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held 16 March 2023 @ 19:30 hrs. at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To celebrate the 168th birthday of Doric Lodge • A present a notice of motion for affiliation for Bro. Brian Derick, Clarenceville Lodge #91, GLQ , retired, resident of Ottawa. • To ballot for a worthy brother pending a favourable board of inquiry • To provide Masonic education
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	April 20, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held 20 April 2023 @ 19:30 hrs. at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa. • To hold officer elections for the coming Masonic Year. • To provide Masonic education.
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Emergent	May 4, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting, Thursday, 4 May 2023 @ 19:30 hrs. at 21140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa. • To conduct a Step-Up meeting and a practice for upcoming installation of officers.
Regular	May 18, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are summoned to attend a Regular Meeting on 18 May 2023 @ 19:00 hrs. Festive Board to be held @ 18:00 hrs. • To welcome the DDGM on his 2nd fraternal visit. • To install the Worshipful Master and elected officers with their respective responsibilities for the incoming Masonic Year

* "M" – minutes; "S" – summons. Some Lodges were reluctant to share their minutes outside of the Lodge. As a result, the historical summary was prepared from the Lodge Summons. Therefore, in some instances the information may not be entirely accurate as it is based on planned activities rather than the actual events that transpired. While the Summons records what the Lodge planned to do, numerous events can take place which prevents the planned from becoming the achieved – for example, a candidate may not be ready, principal officers are absent due to their public or private avocations, weather related snowstorms may result in the cancellation of a meeting etc., etc.

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Doric Lodge No. 58 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 15, 2022

Brethren,

Welcome to this 2022/23 Masonic Year. As we start our journey this new Masonic year in September, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Brethren for the privilege of assuming the chair of King Solomon in the East. I am humbled and still in awe of May's Installation. Again I want to thank all who participated and attended. It was one of the most significant events of my life and I will carry the memories of that night in my heart for a long time.

On behalf of the newly invested officers and myself, as well as all the Brethren of Doric, a sincere thank you to W. Bro Ehsan Ghias-Begloo for guiding the Lodge through the troubled waters of COVID-19 these past three years. He kept us communicating and engaging with each other, the district and beyond.

COVID was, to say the least, a very, very difficult time for all. It kept us away from our Lodge and its activities. We have planned many interesting activities this year to make up for lost time, and I hope an interesting slate of activities for your enjoyment. We have already started with two fine Doric family BBQ's, thanks to V.W. Bro. Robar and W. Bro. Charron for availing their homes to host these lovely events.

At this month's regular meeting we will be receiving our newly minted DDGM R.W. Bro. James Bowman on his first fraternal visit. Let's show him the hospitality that Doric is known for.

As COVID is still with us, any brethren who feel uncomfortable attending, or wants to take added precautions, the Lodge fully supports and respects your decision, and will make every effort to accommodate you. We will continue to follow the guidelines of the province, city, and Grand Lodge as required.

Brethren, my goal is to make coming to Lodge an enjoyable, enriching and rewarding one, where brotherhood is practiced and felt. This can only be achieved if we all attend and participate, if within our cable tow.

Sincerely and fraternally,

W. Bro. Allan Statham

Regular Meeting Summons, October 20, 2022

Brethren, here we are, autumn already and all too soon we will have a kaleidoscope of colour to enjoy. What better time to curl up with our little Black Book by the fire and read.

I can't express how proud I am of our first meeting after such a long hiatus. The new officers and members of Doric rose to the occasion, and executed their parts really well - a job well done Brethren. Our DDGM, R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman was much impressed beginning with his entry through to the festive board enjoyed with our visiting brethren from St. Andrews. Looking forward we have much to accomplish in a very short time, first degrees, seconds, and thirds. Our minds will certainly get well exercised.

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This is “be kind to Brother Secretary” month, how about paying your dues promptly this month for the coming year so he doesn’t have to constantly remind you of your obligation according to the Book of Constitution, (2021), part 199. Dues are payable as of May 1st for the coming year.

Our dues are required to fulfil our commitments; i.e., pay the rent, Junior Wardens fund, support our widows, charity, and benevolence to name a few.

If a brother is struggling to pay his dues, we can arrange ways to help him meet his obligation in total confidence. You just need to ask either the Worshipful Master or Bro. Secretary.

On a lighter note, Brother Junior Warden is merrily planning our Christmas Dinner. He will have details to share soon.

Let’s continue what we’ve started.

Sincerely and fraternally,

W. Bro. Allan Statham

Regular Meeting Summons, November 3 & 17 , 2022

Brethren.

Time is flying by fast, it’s hard to believe it’s November already, the weather has turned, days grow short and winter is not far away. Several District events have occurred thus far; the Russell Lodge Pig Roast, the District Divine Service, and more to come. Check the DDGM’s Trestle Board or read Bro. Secretary’s updates. These are great activities that take a lot of effort to plan and execute. They need your support to continue.

Our last meeting was an excellent meeting. A special thanks to those brothers that filled the empty chairs and performed duties that they hadn’t done before, you did an excellent job, and I surely appreciate it.

The fifty-year recognition certainly was the high point of the evening, W. Bro. Derek Brewin was overwhelmed by the brotherhood that filled the lodge room. A very special thanks to R. W. Bro. Robert Dupel, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Quebec for assisting in the ceremony.

This month our regular meeting has been changed to November 3, so that we can have a fraternal visit to Mississippi Lodge #147 on the DDGM’s Official Visit. Please let me know by Nov 7 if you will be attending so I can let the WM know so he can prepare accordingly.

This month marks Remembrance Day, we will be commemorating it in our meeting and at the festive board. Remember it is appropriate to wear a poppy from the last Friday in October until November 11, please show your support and respect for those that served, fallen, wounded, or are serving our great Nation.

They give so we can be free and proper.

“The dead soldier’s silence sings our national anthem” - Aaron Kilbourn

S&F,

W. Bro. Allan Statham

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Regular Meeting Summons, December 15, 2022

From The East

Brethren,

December marks the end of the year, a time to reflect back on the year that unfolded and a time of hope for the one to come. This past year has been particularly difficult for Masonry, and Doric is not immune to it. We struggle for attendance and participation, some have become too comfortable with the new norm, that is "staying at home." As winter approaches, and days grow shorter and colder, sitting by the fire seems much more appealing, than dressing up and going out in the cold. But your Lodge and brothers need you to feel that fraternal warmth that can only be found in Lodge. We have had some very good visitations thus far, supporting our brothers in other lodges, and they, in turn, are eager to return the gesture of brotherly love. So put on that suit, find your apron and let's start 2023 off with a bang.

During this festive season, let us not forget those brethren throughout the world, our country and our district; that have gone to the Grand Lodge above far too early; are daily sinking into the sere and yellow leaf of old age, or, are being reduced to the lowest depths of poverty and distress. Pray that the GAOTU provides them all with relief.

I close, on behalf of the officers and myself, sincerely wishing you all the best for this season, may you and your families, have health and prosperity, enjoy the many feasts put before you, and give ample thanks to the GAOTU for all the favours received.

W. Bro. Allan Statham, Worshipful Master.

From the West

As we move from fall to winter we prepare for the cold, snow and of course for the holiday and Christmas season. We look forward to spending time with family and friends and to celebrate the season of giving. It is my wish that everyone take some time to enjoy their families and friends, to contemplate their year and to plan for a better and stronger one in 2023. I always like to take some time at the end of the year to think about my successes, and failures and apply the lessons learned to the New Year. To all my brethren I wish you all a safe and healthy winter season and I look forward to seeing you all, when you can, in Lodge.

S & F,

William Stanfield, Senior Warden.

From the South

We are currently going through global times of uncertainty. No one knows for sure what will happen over the next several months or years in terms of our economy.

But one thing is for sure. If we all keep asking the same questions over and over again and expect different answers, then nothing will ever change, as we will continue to get the same answers as before.

There is a saying that goes like this: "If you want new answers, you've got to ask new questions, and ask them with the certainty that they need to be answered." By: Tony Robbins.

S & F,

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Mike Cadotte, Junior Warden.

Regular Meeting Summons, January 19, 2023

From the East

Brethren,

The days are slowly getting longer now, the dull and dreary fall is being replaced by the bright January days. I trust that the GAOTU watched over you and your families, keeping you safe and healthy, that the holiday season was a time for you to enjoy the company of family and friends and partake in the food and refreshments of the season. With so much going on, in the world and locally we should never lose sight that we have a lot to be grateful for, but remember those less fortunate and help where you can.

Brethren, as we now start 2023, let's look forward to a new and promising year. One of your New Year's resolutions should be to start attending lodge again, to socialize with your brothers and renew those ties that make us the Masons we are. Do not be dissuaded that you might be a little rusty on the ritual, your presence and brotherhood is far more important. Besides, it comes back pretty quick.

This month we will welcome our DDGM, R.W. Bro. James (Jim) Bowman on his official visit, a very special evening for Doric to shine and welcome a dear brother with all the ceremony he rightly has earned and deserves.

I look forward to greeting you all, breaking bread at the festive board and having an enjoyable evening in Lodge.

As I look further down the calendar, I realize how quickly my year is coming to a close, I feel there is much to do, and little time to do it.

Take care, be safe, stay warm, and we will all see each other soon.

W. Bro. Allan Statham, Worshipful Master

From the West

Now that the New Year is upon us, with a very large dumping of snow, we have an opportunity to once again start anew. A chance to complete things that are unfinished and to fix those that are broken. It also gives us a chance to rededicate ourselves to those things that are most important to us. My hope and prayer for the brethren, my family and friends is that we all have a healthy, prosperous, and positive new year and we are able to achieve those goals we have set for ourselves in 2023. As always I look forward to seeing you all.

S & F,

William Stanfield, Senior Warden.

From the South

Examine most carefully the things you desire most.

Far too many people spend more time planning their weekends than their lives. Then they suddenly realize that life has passed them by and they weren't even aware it was

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happening. When you intently study what you most desire in life, you begin to focus your mind and concentrate your energy upon that which you wish to achieve. One of the great advantages of having a definite goal for your life is that it helps you prioritize your activities. When your major purpose is clear in your mind, it is unnecessary to analyze each individual situation. You know automatically whether your actions will move you toward your goal or away from it. You can then use all of your resources — time, money, and energy — to best advantage. From: Napoleon Hill

S & F,

Mike Cadotte, Junior Warden.

Regular Meeting Summons, February 16, 2023

Brethren,

It is already a month since the year turned over, time is flying by us. We had an incredibly successful DDGM Official Visit, it was well attended by Doric brethren and visitors, and we had the special pleasure of seeing W. Bro. Dan Richardson, who flew out from BC just to be with us on this special occasion. A very special and sincere thank you to our JW and SW in organizing the Festive Board. It was a huge hit with great tasty food, way to go guys! After all the nerves were gone, I realized how blessed I am to have such support from the brethren, and what a privilege it is to be the WM.

As we look to the months to come, we only have four Regular meetings left, and a plan for each. February will see Bro. Mark Ingram raised to the MM degree by the Shrine Degree team, led by the V.W. Bro. Ken Burchill. It's going to be an awesome evening, please make every effort to attend.

A summary of a long-range plan will be coming out soon, but the one important announcement from it is we will be holding the dues at the current rates for the next Masonic year, but an increase will be required in the coming year(s) as costs for the building increase and Grand Lodge assessments increase. Remember the 2023-24 dues are due on or before April 30, 2023, in compliance with the Book of Constitution 2021, parts 199 & 200. A brother will be suspended if he is in arrears for one year. Please brethren, be prompt on your payment and if you have difficulties, reach out to either the WM or Secretary, in full confidence, for assistance.

There are many events being planned by the District and Lodges, check the District Trestle Board and make plans to support your brothers in other lodges and the district charity, if it is within your cable tow to do so. These are all excellent events to attend and most include significant others.

I close, with a quote from Aristotle

We have "friends in the good." This friendship occurs when we are united with others in a common undertaking, which lifts us to another level, giving us a desire to strive for something beyond our own lives. This is the highest form of friendship, and we seek it, because we quite simply become better people for having "friends in the good."

W. Bro. Allan Statham, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, March 16, 2023

Happy 168th Birthday ... Doric

A little bit of sunshine while we celebrate our birthday.

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V.W. Bro Ron Ashworth has provided us with a brief history of one of our founding members. His birthday coincides within days of Doric's. Enjoy.

John Bower Lewis, QC (March 18, 1817 – January 24, 1874) Initiated December 5, 1855. He was the second Mayor of Bytown in 1848, the first Mayor of Ottawa from 1855 to 1857. He was elected to the first council for Bytown in 1847 and became Mayor in 1848. After Bytown was renamed to Ottawa in 1854, he became its first Mayor. He was Police Commissioner for the city in 1863. In 1872, he was elected to the House of Commons as a Conservative in the two-member riding of Ottawa City. He died in Ottawa in 1874. He is interred at Beechwood Cemetery.

From the East

Before we meet again, the clocks will already have slipped an hour ahead, a true sign Spring is not far off, which also means a new slate of officers will soon take their chairs, and I will be a “has been”.

In my last message, I informed you of our long-range plan and reminded you of your obligation to pay your dues on time. I don't feel I need to repeat that message.

My message this month is on the importance of visitation, and on the growing momentum in our district lodges. I have had the pleasure to attend most of the DDGM's official visits, often with others from our lodge. These visits have all been well attended by a diverse representation from the lodges in the district and beyond, the DD has delivered insightful talks on strengthening the lodges of District 1, and we are. There are many activities planned in the coming months, these not only support our chosen charity, but they are also an opportunity to connect with brethren from all over the district, and forge those all so important friendships of brotherhood. They are fun activities, but require participation to continue. I urge you to go to some of them, you won't be sorry. Check the District 1 web page for details. Ottawa District 1 Masons Trestle Board - revFeb 8-23.pdf

Many lodges have a backlog of candidates for admission, a sign that maybe, just maybe, the craft is starting to rebound. As our numbers are at risk, early in my tenure I gave a talk on “Solicitation”, I would ask that you go and reread Protocol & Etiquette issue # 37 from the Grand Lodge of Canada, on “improper solicitation” and if you have an occasion to meet a man that might make a good Mason, be prepared.

March's meeting will be for “rusty” Masons and a celebration of 168 years of brothers meeting under the banner of Doric Lodge. A proud and well documented history of the Brotherhood, which has survived the formation of a country, two world wars, two global pandemics, two Queens and five Kings, countless governments. I urge each and every brother to reach out to those brothers we have not seen in some time and get them to lodge so we can reconnect and celebrate together.

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Lastly brethren, I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge all the hard effort and generosity to the many brothers for providing two lovely feasts that were enjoyed by all.

Bro. George Washington (President of the USA 1789-1797) once said: "It is better to have a few good men, than many indifferent ones".

W. Bro. Allan Statham, Worshipful Master

From the West

Well we are definitely getting all the last storms of winter in before we see spring and if you are like me constantly digging out and looking forward to the warm sunshine it cannot come soon enough. Starting anew is always exciting, scary and fun and I look forward to my new beginning as my march towards the East continues. I hope that this coming spring time brings everyone new hope, new faith, new excitement for the future, for when we can all start anew in spring. I look forward to the warm sun, the sounds of spring and summer, the cold beverages and the reconnecting with friends over BBQ's and campfires. To all of you I hope you find your motivation to starting anew this spring with either a project, relationship, exercise or profession. Whatever it is you start new, make it great!

From the South

"We meet upon the level and part upon the square." This means that all Masons are equal and should treat each other with respect and kindness, and that they should live their lives with honesty and integrity. By: A 19th-century Masonic writer Carl H. Claudy.

With that being said, let us not forget that this year is Doric's 168th Birthday, and I hope that we are able to continue the ongoing traditions of Doric for many years to come. Remembering that what we do here in the now and the present will be reflected on the other side, as suggested by Hermes Trismegistus, the mythical figure known as the Father of Alchemy when he said "As above, so below".

Regular Meeting Summons, April 20, 2023

Brethren,

The year is quickly slipping by me, this will be my second last Words from the East. All too soon we will once again see green grass, leaves on the trees and lovely flowers and more importantly we will warmly welcome our new slate of officers for the ensuing Masonic year.

I warmly welcome Bro. Brian Derick to our lodge. I know he will feel as much at home in Doric as he was made to feel in his other lodges. Welcome Bro. Derick.

Our 168 year celebration proved to be an excellent evening. Many brethren, including the delegation from St Andrews enjoyed the evening, culminating in the consumption of a birthday cake, and fruit cake, and many other delicious treats from our JW and his better half. Many thanks to our contributors. It will take a while to work off those calories.

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V.W. Bro Ron Ashworth once more presented an excellent talk on our very interesting history. Our books are well preserved for future generations as we have been lucky to have a dedicated historian keeping a living history document as well as having preserved all of our minute books dating back to 1855. As a side note, Doric has had 143 Masters in the 168 years several served in the Chair of King Solomon more than once. If you wish to receive a copy of our history contact Bro. Historian.

Once again, I encourage you all to take part in the many activities that have been planned in the District. They are great opportunities to meet new brethren or reconnect with those we have not seen in a while, and they support this year's charity, The Perley Health Center.

I close with a quote from Albert Einstein

"We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used to create them."

S&F

Allan Statham, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, May 18, 2023

From the East

Brethren, it is with a heavy heart that I realize this is my last Words from the East. As I said in the last meeting, this has been one of the best experiences in my life and would not have been possible without the permission and support of my lodge brethren. I owe an immense amount of gratitude and thanks to everyone in the Lodge, the other Lodges in the District and the DDGM. I would not have been able to do it without you all. A Master is a reflection of his Lodge, and I hope that I made you proud.

I started the year with an ambitious plan, with a lot of work. I quickly realized how short the Masonic year really is, but we managed to get most of it done. We initiated and passed a worthy brother, raised a deserving and very patient brother after a long wait due to COVID, and even slipped in a proving and got a Senior Steward from it.

We kicked off the rust from our ritual after the COVID hiatus and got very good at it. But not all was positive. I was deeply saddened that several brothers have chosen to be absent from us this past year. I hope and trust that they will return to us next year as we get further away from the COVID menace.

A very special note to my officers, your support and help was very much appreciated and Bro JW, we haven't eaten that well in a long time, you almost got voted in for a second term (sometimes being too good at something is a bad thing, lol). Doric was very well represented throughout the District this year, many of us made visitation the priority it should be, believe me it was noticed.

We forged a closer relationship with St Andrew's culminating in a combined second degree. A true and tangible example of how partnering with others is good for the Craft.

As I look to the future and our elected officers, I feel very positive. With the strong team coming in we will continue another year of building a stronger lodge continuing our legacy as being a bastion of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

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So again, thank you for a huge amount of work, a stressful, worry-filled, terrifying and without evasion or equivocation of any kind, one of the absolute best things I have ever had the privilege to do.

I close with a quote from Leonardo da Vinci

“I have been impressed with the urgency of doing. Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Being willing is not enough; we must do.”

S&F

Allan Statham, Worshipful Master

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Official Visit of R.W. Bro. James Bowman to Doric Lodge - January 19, 2023



Official Visit of R.W. Bro. James Bowman to Doric Lodge - January 19, 2023 - Ruling Masters

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St. John's Lodge No. 63, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted 1843

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23

Meets the second Wednesday of each Month except June, July & August

St. John's Lodge No. 63 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 14, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge to be held on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario.• General Lodge Business.• DDGM Fraternal Visit.• Masonic Education
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 12, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge held on Wednesday, October 12th, 2022, 7:30pm at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario.• To Pass Brother Nick Emond and Brother Gordon Marshall to the Second Degree.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	November 9, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge held on Wednesday, November 9th, 2022, 7:30pm at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario.• To Prove Brother Greg Forsyth and Brother James Hamilton in the Third Degree.• Masonic Education
Emergent	November, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	December 14, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge held on Wednesday, December 14th, 2022, 7:30pm at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario. • The work of the evening will be three brethren from a variety of backgrounds and experiences speaking briefly about why they joined Masonry, what it has provided them, and how it impacts their life. • The evening finale will be Grand Lodge of Canada, Province of Ontario, Past Grand Master, MW Bro Paul E. Todd speaking to the lodge on a variety of topics including his experience and journey in his roles at Grand Lodge, some of his ideas on the tenants of a healthy lodge, and strategies on how members new and old can have a powerful impact on their lodge.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	January 11, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge held on Wednesday, January 11th, 2022, 7:30pm at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario. • he work of the evening will be conducting the Initiation of Mr. Aboubaker Jaamac
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	February 8, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge held on Wednesday, February 8th, 2022, 7:30pm at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman, District Deputy Grand Master, Ottawa District 1, on his official visit. To receive the Travelling Gavel from Temple Lodge No. 665. Masonic Education delivered by our Lodge Historian.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	March 8, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge held on Wednesday, March 8th, 2023, 7:30pm at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario. 3rd degree of Bro. Gordon Marshall which will be performed by the Shriners Degree Team,
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Regular	April 12, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge held on Wednesday, April 12th, 2023, 7:30pm at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario. Annual Election of Lodge Officers. Step-Up Night. Presentation of 25 Years a Mason pins to W. Bro. Jim Birtch, V.W. Bro. Phil Pilon and V.W. Bro. Shawn Todd.
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	May 10, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned, and visitors are cordially invited, to attend the next regular meeting of this Lodge held on Wednesday, May 10th, 2023, 7:30pm at the Carleton Place Masonic Temple, 55 Bridge Street Carleton Place, Ontario. Annual Installation of Lodge Officers.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ballot, pending receipt of a favourable report on the application for initiation of Mr. Alan Gschwind.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

* "M" – minutes; "S" – summons. Some Lodges were reluctant to share their minutes outside of the Lodge. As a result, the historical summary was prepared from the Lodge Summons. Therefore, in some instances the information may not be entirely accurate as it is based on planned activities rather than the actual events that transpired. While the Summons records what the Lodge planned to do, numerous events can take place which prevents the planned from becoming the achieved – for example, a candidate may not be ready, principal officers are absent due to their public or private avocations, weather related snowstorms may result in the cancellation of a meeting etc., etc.

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St. John's Lodge No. 63 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 14, 2022

Brethren,

I would like to officially welcome you back. After several false starts, it is our hope that we may finally return to some of the activities that we enjoy. I am happy to report a good attendance at the spring installations. It had the feel of normalcy even though it was far from life before the pandemic. While we will continue to follow safe practices; it is not the situation we faced 12 months ago.

One of the positive aspects has been our ability to meet and conduct Lodge business virtually on video platforms like ZOOM. The district meeting held a week ago was also held virtually and in person. It was quite successful. We will continue this model at St. John's and offer CGP meetings via ZOOM.

Looking to the future, we have Brethren who have waited many months for their degrees. I respect their patience and be assured the Lodge will be making degree work a priority. It is unfortunate you have had to wait these many months, but we look forward to conferring those degrees when we return.

As many of you already know, my wife, Sherry, was diagnosed with blood cancer a year ago. She will be going through treatment in the fall, and as such will have a compromised immune system. This will mean I cannot attend any functions, including hold Lodge during this time. I would like to thank the Past Masters who have volunteered to host Lodge during my absence. I will still be highly involved in Lodge planning and look forward to seeing you when I return.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Chris Morrow

Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

Regular Meeting Summons, October 12, 2022

Brethren,

Last month we began our Masonic year on a high note with the fraternal visit of our District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman. We were presented with two exceptional pieces of masonic education by Bro. Davis and V.W. Bro. Todd. If you were not able to attend in person, I would recommend you take the opportunity to reach out and request a copy of their work.

The following evening, we attended Mississippi Lodge for the "4 Lodges Celebration". A great showing from St. John's with 8 in attendance. I believe despite the spectre of the pandemic which still surrounds us, the will and desire to meet has not waned. Great history from all lodges were shared, with personal stories about our past Brethren woven in.

As the leaves turn from green to red and yellow, let us recall that the pandemic and illness still affects those in our lodges and our families. Reach out to your fellow Brothers whether in our lodge or another with a simple "How are you? Been thinking about you" and offer support.

This month we have an opportunity to perform a second degree, for two Brothers who have waited a very long time to become Craftsmen. Although I cannot be with you, I

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would encourage all who can, to come and support our Brothers as our Brothers have supported us.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Chris Morrow

Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

Regular Meeting Summons, November 9, 2022

Brethren,

Our October meeting had the Brethren returning to degree work after a long absence. It was good to hear the degree went well with V.W. Bro. Echlin presiding over the evening in my stead. My congratulations to Brothers Emond and Marshall who were passed to the second degree after a two-year postponement.

November is when we have an opportunity to pay tribute to the men and women of our armed forces who have paid the ultimate sacrifice for us and their country. To those who continue to serve we say thanks and remember those Brothers who are no longer with us. We also pause to remember Brothers currently fighting around the world for their freedom and sovereignty.

As we do each year, we will be placing a wreath of remembrance, both in Carleton Place, and in Beckwith. I encourage all who participate in person to come join our Brothers in this act of honour and respect.

For those who cannot participate in person, please take a moment on November 11th at 11am to stop, appreciate, and remember the sacrifice of our Brothers, past and present, protecting us and this great country.

"Lest We Forget"

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Chris Morrow

Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

Regular Meeting Summons, December 14, 2022

Brethren,

As the colours of fall give way to the snows and cold of winter, outside activities move to inside, and we throw another log on the fire as the thermometer dips.

December tends to be a busy time for most. Preparing for the holidays and the gathering of friends and family, we rush in anticipation of seeing those we have missed during the past year.

During this time, I would like you to give thought to those less fortunate. The lonely widow. The family who struggles to put food on the table or give a small present to their children. As Masons one of our underlying principles is charity. Remember your first introduction to Masonry. You were asked to give, but you had nothing.

Charity comes in many forms. Perhaps you have time to volunteer at a food bank or soup kitchen. Maybe you prefer to make a financial contribution or food donation. Whichever you choose, please spend some time thinking about how you can incorporate charity into your holiday plans.

It's with sadness I inform you of the passing of Worshipful Brother Fraser Ellis to the Grand Lodge above. The service will be on Saturday, November 26th at 10AM at Barker's Funeral Home in Carleton Place.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

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W. Bro. Chris Morrow Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

Regular Meeting Summons, January 11, 2023

Brethren,

Last month St. John's had a very successful meeting with V.W. Bro. Shawn Todd taking my place in the East. The evening was highlighted by good Masonic education and ended with a talk by M.W. Bro. Paul E. Todd.

Also, our Christmas party was held on December 10th with a good time and some cheer was had by all.

A special thank you to Bro. Forsyth who ran a very successful food drive on behalf of the Lanark County Food Bank in Carleton Place contributing 296 lbs.! Keep in mind If you have not donated Bro. Forsyth will still be accepting donations for January, February, and March.

Another thanks to Bro. Dorland who spearheaded the donation of \$2,520 to the CPDMH Foundation.

With Christmas behind us, and the New Year ahead, I would like to say "Thank You" for your personal support, for myself and my family over the past few months. It has been very appreciated.

We begin the new year with a new candidate for initiation. We would love to see a good turnout for our first, First Degree of 2023.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Chris Morrow Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

Regular Meeting Summons, February 8, 2023

Brethren,

I would begin this month with welcoming our newest member to St. John's, Aboubaker Jaamac. The first degree was held earlier this month and given the long absence from holding this degree, it went extremely well.

We have an exciting February meeting with the hosting of R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman, District Deputy Grand Master, Ottawa District 1 on his Official Visit. It will be an evening of friendship; festive board and some great food so plan to attend. If you are a visitor and plan to stay for our festive board, please contact our secretary. As this is a catered event our Jr. Warden requires a bit more planning. As always, a contribution towards the Jr. Warden's plate would be appreciated.

We are also welcoming W.Bro. Scott Newman and Temple Lodge No. 665 with a presentation of the Travelling Gavel. St. John's will be visiting Acacia Lodge and W. Bro. Frank Sigouin on Feb. 21st. We hope to visit with the perfect number or greater so please plan to attend.

A reminder that Bro. Forsyth is still accepting donations for February, and March on behalf of the Lanark County Food Bank.

We conducted the first meeting of a special committee to address our website and our online presence in general. If you would like to see the results and future plans, please attend the CGP meeting on Feb. 6th. The first meeting of 2023 of Ottawa District 1 was held on January 24th with members of St. John's in attendance. A brief of the meeting will be provided during the February CGP meeting.

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St. John's has been invited by W.M. Tim Brown and the members of Nation Lodge No. 556 to the 2023 "6" Lodges Night in Spencerville on Wednesday, April 19th so please reserve the date.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Chris Morrow, Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

Regular Meeting Summons, March 8, 2023

Brethren,

Last month we were very pleased to welcome the District Deputy Grand Master (DDGM), Ottawa District 1, R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman to St. John's on his official visit. It was a wonderful evening with masonic education concerning the significance and history of the 1st degree tracing board and the Lewis Jewel presented by Bro. Greg Forsyth and written by Bro. Mark Davis. In addition, Bro. Jim Tye, (St. John's historian) gave a talk on the history of St. John's Lodge during the excellent Festive Board.

I would like to thank all our visitors. We were very pleased to host your visit to St. John's, and with nearly 40 in attendance the support of the DDGM was clear.

W. Bro. Scott Newman and Temple Lodge No. 665 delivered the Travelling Gavel in perfect form. A well numbered delegation from St. John's visited Acacia Lodge and W. Bro. Frank Sigouin on Feb. 21st to pass on the Travelling Gavel to our Brothers.

The committee assigned with updating our online presence have moved forward with securing a new website URL. As we have completed our technical discussion, we will now move to the content aspects. All suggestions are welcome so, please attend the CGP meeting on Mar. 6th.

As March blows into Ottawa, so does the district Shrine Degree team to perform a 3rd degree for Bro. Gordon Marshall. If you have not attended a degree this year here is your chance to see some of the most experienced Masons in our district at work.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Chris Morrow, Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

Regular Meeting Summons, April 12, 2023

Brethren,

Congratulations to Bro. Gordon Marshall on being raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. The degree was performed by the district Shrine Degree team and a "Thank You" to them for allowing us to witness some spectacular work.

April is a busy month at St. John's. We have our elections, and we will host our Brethren from Hazeldean Lodge as our guests.

April 19th, we have a six-Lodge visitation in Spencerville.

Please mark the following day in your calendar as Mississippi Lodge will be hosting our Bro. Aboubaker Jaamac, being passed to the 2nd degree on April 20th. Here's a chance to see one of our own in a degree outside of St. John's. Thanks to W. Bro. Thomas Adam and his degree team.

The new website continues to evolve thanks to W. Bro. Valley. Like the points of the compass, it remains partially hidden as it is not ready for "prime time", however you can gain exclusive access at www.stjohns63.ca. Please take a moment to sign up to the members only area and share your comments.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

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W. Bro. Chris Morrow, Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

Regular Meeting Summons, May 10, 2023

Brethren,

Congratulations to our Bro. Aboubaker Jaamac, being passed to the 2nd degree and a "Thank You" to W. Bro Adam and Mississippi Lodge for hosting one of own.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your hard work over the past year. This is not the year I had envisioned but I thoroughly enjoyed the experience of sitting in the east. I very much appreciate the support I have been given both in and out of the lodge.

We have made some good progress this year. We have completed our Cornerstone objectives, started in 2019, and we have a new website to present to the public, which would not be possible without your continued efforts.

Congratulations to our Master Elect. Bro. Mark Davis. I know I leave the lodge in good hands for the ensuing year, and I look forward to seeing you in May.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Chris Morrow, Worshipful Master, St. John's Lodge No. 63

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Official Visit of R.W. Bro. James Bowman to St. John's Lodge - March 8, 2023



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St. John's Lodge Installation - May 10, 2023

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**Mississippi Lodge No. 147, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted
1861**

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23
Meets the third Thursday of each Month except June, July & August

Mississippi Lodge No. 147 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 15, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, G.R.C. being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday Sept. 15, 2022.• Correspondence & Petitions• To Ballot. A favourable report from the committee of enquiry has been heard, and the• application has been cleared from Grand Lodge, on the application for affiliation received, March 15, 2022 from, Fellowcraft Bro. Greg Donaldson. A member in good standing of Corinthian Lodge No. 101, Peterborough.• Passing of accounts• Enquiry - ill or in distress• Investiture of the Secretary for the year 2022 - 23.
Emergent	September, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 20, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other Lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, G.R.C. being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday October 20th, 2022.• Pending a favourable report from the committee of enquiry, and the application having been cleared from Grand Lodge, we will ballot on the application for initiation received, September 15, 2022 from, Dr. Christopher Sibley.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General business - V.W. Bro. Lyle Cavanagh will be sharing his experience as Potentate of Tunis Shrine No. 179
Emergent	October, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	November 17, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, G.R.C. being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday November 17th, 2022. Dispensation granted to open early! To receive R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman, D.D.G.M., Ottawa District 1, on his Official Visit. To initiate Dr. Christopher Sibley into the mysteries and privileges of Ancient Freemasonry.
Emergent	November, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	December 15, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, G.R.C. being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday December 15th, 2022. Regular Lodge business.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	January 19, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, G.R.C. being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday January 19th, 2023. Regular Lodge business.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	February 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, G.R.C. being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday February 16th, 2023. to ballot Pending a favourable report from the committee of enquiry, and the applicant being cleared by Grand Lodge, on the application for affiliation received, January 19, 2023 from, Bro. Ian Charles Frost.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	March 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, G.R.C. being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday March 16th, 2023. To ballot. pending a favourable report from the committee of enquiry, and the applicant being cleared by Grand Lodge, on the application for affiliation received, January 19, 2023 from, Bro. Ian Charles Frost.
Emergent	March, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	April 20, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, G.R.C. being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday April 20th, 2023. W. Bro. Stuart Marshall will move or cause to be moved a motion to repeal the current Mississippi Lodge By-laws in its entirety and replace it with a new by-laws, which will be sent to all members before the meeting. Eligible candidates will be passed to the second degree.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	May 18, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario. Thursday May 18th, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. Election of officers.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	June 8, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned and Brother Masons of other lodges are cordially invited to attend the regular meeting of Mississippi Lodge No. 147, being held in the lodge room, 34A Mill Street, Almonte, Ontario. Thursday June 8th, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. <i>Dispensation having been granted for this anomaly by Grand Lodge.</i> Installation and investiture of officers.
Emergent	June 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

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Mississippi Lodge No. 147 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 15, 2022

Brethren, as our summer is winding down, our masonic year is starting up. I consider it a great honour to be representing Mississippi Lodge as the Worshipful Master. With that honour comes a hopeful year, with our first meeting being a FOUR LODGE Night. We will be hosting the Brethren of St. John's Lodge, Madawaska Lodge and Evergreen Lodge for a night of history and how our Lodges support each other. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our meeting.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Thomas Adam, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, October 20, 2022

Brethren, At our October Meeting, Right Worshipful Brother James Bowman will be making his first fraternal visit to our Lodge.

We will also be receiving the "Travelling Gavel" from Edinburgh Lodge No. 736. I expect a great turn out from our Brethren to show support in numbers and participation.

I look forward to sharing this great evening with you all.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Thomas Adam, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, November 17, 2022

Brethren,

As October has now ended and November is starting, we have a very busy month ahead! Our last practice before our first degree is November 5, 2022 in the Lodge at 10 a.m.

We then take the "Travelling Gavel" to Lodge of Fidelity No. 231 on November 15 at 7:00 p.m. Let's ensure there are at least seven of us who will attend.

Last and most importantly, our November meeting will be the official visit of the District Deputy Grand Master when we will be initiating Dr. Chris Sibley.

I cannot stress the importance of your support in attending these events. Let us be seen in numbers over this next month.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Thomas Adam, Worshipful Master

MASONIC LIGHT

You may have occasionally heard this saying - "Oh I don't go to lodge often, but you don't have to go to lodge to be a Mason". The truth is, being a Mason is not something private. Masonry is expressed when, as Brethren we share in our common interest, the ritual. It is Brethren gathered together in that common interest that we find the sustaining strength that makes brotherly love, relief and truth a reality. Let your light shine, so others may see your good works!

Regular Meeting Summons, December 15, 2022

Brethren,

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I would like to thank you all for the effort you put into making our D.D.G.M. night a great success. It turned out to be a wonderful evening, only because of the time and effort made by you, the brethren of our lodge.

I would like to welcome Bro. Chris Sibley to Mississippi Lodge, your journey has just begun into Freemasonry.

December marks the time of family, memories and the festive season, so with that all in mind, please make an effort to come to lodge and take in the annual Christmas meal we do after lodge. I have already sent out a request to you to bring a plate of food of your choosing.

I look forward to seeing all of you and your spouses for our meal.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Thomas Adam, Worshipful Master

MASONIC LIGHT

How often are we told, “you can’t get something for nothing” or “there is no free lunch” or “you must pay the piper”. These are all cliches with an element of truth.

There is a side of us that would always like to take the easy way out. TV ads promoting the loss of 20 pounds in a week with no dieting or exercise, or the pill that will cure every ailment with no side effects. These all sound wonderful however, there are no shortcuts to living our masonic lives. Hard work, fervent prayer, sacrificial service and abiding love, these are the signposts on the road to our masonic lives.

Let your light shine, so others may see your good works!

Regular Meeting Summons, January 19, 2023

Brethren, I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and a nice New Year’s eve. We have entered a new year with opportunities to become better masons and people of society by moving forward in a positive way and more understanding of years gone by. So, let us with this in mind, bring positive thoughts to lodge and help others in society who need so. I encourage all who can come out to lodge this month and talk about opportunities for Mississippi Lodge, that our D.D.G.M. shared in his email (distributed to all Mississippi members) of ideas and considerations to ponder about.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Thomas Adam, Worshipful Master.

MASONIC LIGHT

Light is one of the universal images which, in one way or another, recurs. Small children being tucked into bed, often ask to have the door left open just a crack. Intuitively, early in life, we sense light’s importance. The inward light for those who’ve consciously and deliberately made light radiate in all sorts of places and circumstances is the light we masons need to transmit to the world.

Let your light shine, so others may see your good works!

Regular Meeting Summons, February 16, 2023

Hello Brethren,

At our January meeting, we had a very productive meeting about creating ideas of partnering and improving each other with support. Let’s take this positivity and move

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it forward in our journeys of Masons. This month, we will be doing a ballot and have Maple Granite Chapter #61 of R.A.M., coming to our lodge to share info of the next step in our journey after you become a Master Mason. We are very lucky to have this chance, so come out and support with numbers.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Thomas Adam, Worshipful Master.

MASONIC LIGHT

As I was walking to the gym the other day, the sky had a golden tinge near the horizon as the sun wasn't quite up. As I got closer to my destination, the light from the rising sun was striking through the branches of the trees, casting them to life, revealing them in three dimensions. I still couldn't see the sun, but I could see its light being reflected off the leaves. This made me think, people don't know we are masons by looking at us. We are more or less like the sun, possibly hidden from view. We can only be seen when our light is reflected by some object or action. Masonry is like light, invisible until reflected in our works. Let your light so shine, so others may see your good works!

Regular Meeting Summons, March 16, 2023

Brethren, As we enter the month of March, the days are longer with the sun and warm weather is getting closer. This month we will be doing education and hopefully a ballot for affiliation.

We are also getting closer to elections again, which gives opportunities to those who wish to contribute and participate in lodge in the following year. I hope to see all who can make it to our next meeting.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Thomas Adam, Worshipful Master

MASONIC LIGHT

I once had a teacher who conducted a class which he called "100 questions". As was the case for most of my high school education, I don't recall the questions, but on the first day of class he would open with the following statement: "There are those who know they know. There are those who know they don't know. There are those who don't know that they don't know. Now, which one of these are you?" I have been in all three of these places. Have you ever fashioned yourself an expert in a field you knew little about? When we truly begin to know something, we realize that there is always more to the subject than meets the eye. As the mind opens up to a new understanding, there comes a deeper awareness not yet explored.

The same applies to our knowledge of Freemasonry. It is only as we seek answers and grow in that knowledge that we come to recognize how little we know of the mystery. Let your light shine so others may see your good works!

Regular Meeting Summons, April 20, 2023

Brethren, when you arrived at the North East Angle of the lodge during your initiation, you were asked to give to charity if you could, which you said you would if within your power to. We have done just that. Our High School bursary and D.D.G.M. charity

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donation will be outstanding this year because of all the brethren of Mississippi Lodge,
THANK YOU!!

We have a busy April meeting ahead at lodge. We will have our D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. James Bowman in attendance to receive our cheque for the District Charity.

A motion to revamp the By-laws, and we will conduct the second degree on an eligible brother from St. John's Lodge No. 63.

PLEASE, I'd like to see big numbers in attendance for such an important night for our lodge.

Let's keep this great momentum going. Fraternally,
W. Bro. Thomas Adam, Worshipful Master.

MASONIC LIGHT

This is a story of a District Deputy Grand Master who had invited several brethren to his home to enjoy some fraternal exchange and socializing.

During the conversation, one of the Masons stated, "you don't have to attend lodge to be a good mason". The D.D. didn't say a word. He slowly went to the fire place, took the tongs and picked up a burning ember from the fire. He then proceeded to lay the ember on the hearth.

We all know what happened to the ember!!

Every brother needs the masonic community to keep his light burning bright. Left alone, the light will be extinguished.

Let your light shine so others will see your good works!

Regular Meeting Summons, May 18, 2023

Brethren, our next meeting is very important to all members of Mississippi #147. It is time for elections for the 2023-2024 term for officers and chairs. This is one of the most important duties of our members to perform and support for any brother who wishes to let their name stand. So, let's come out and vote. Also, W Bro. Tom Levi will be given his 25 year pin for being a Mason. Looking forward to seeing you at Lodge. At this time I would like to mention how proud I have been to represent our lodge over this past year as your master. I am thankful for all the support you all have given me during my term and I'll be ever grateful for your faith in placing me in this high and important office.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Thomas Adam Worshipful Master

MASONIC LIGHT

Heard a story of a young boy in Europe during the Nazi occupation. There had been an ambush in which a Nazi had been killed on his motorcycle. Some time after, the boy found a piece of the side mirror. After removing the sharp edges using a stone, he found he could direct the light from the sun into places where the sun couldn't reach. What we have learned in masonry is the light. We are the mirror, let us use that light and direct it in places where light is not visible. We have the light, we have learned the truth, we have the resources to radiate that light.

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Let your light shine so others will see your good works!

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MASONIC LIGHT

We as masons are marked by some very different qualities. Sincerity and truth are our watch words and the rule by which we are called to live. When others see these as the driving force in our lives, they too will be drawn to the light of masonry.

Let your light shine, so that others may see your good works!

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Installation of R.W. Bro. Barry Burchill as Worshipful Master of Mississippi Lodge
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**Civil Service Lodge No. 148, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted
1861**

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23
Meets the second Tuesday of each Month except June, July & August

Civil Service Lodge No. 148 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 13, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the duties of the Lodge at a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa.• To receive petitions, pay accounts and general business.• To receive a report on the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.• To Confer the Entered Apprentice Degree on• Mr. Steve Chenier.
Emergent	September 27, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You are also hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting on Tuesday, September 27th, 2022 at 7:30pm in Lodge Room No. 2, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre.• To confer a degree on an eligible candidate.
Regular	October 11, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the duties of the Lodge at a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 11th, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa.• To Confer the Master Mason degree on Bro. Todd Hockey by the Tunis Shriners Degree Team.• Subsequent to the information above, an email was dispatched by the Lodge Secretary as follows: Greetings Brethren, attached is our Updated October Summons for close review. Due to the cancellation of our October 11 Regular Meeting, Grand Lodge has given Dispensation to hold a Regular Meeting on Tuesday October 25, 2022. The work of the evening will be

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			Passing Bro Peter Burtch and Bro Ian Gallant onto the Fellowship Degree. Please plan to attend.
Emergent	October 25, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting on Tuesday, October 25th, 2022 at 7:30pm in Lodge Room No. 2, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre. To Pass Bro. Peter Burtch to the Fellowcraft Degree.
Regular	November 8, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 25th, 2022 at 7:30pm in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre. To receive petitions, pay accounts and general business. To Confer the Master Mason degree on Bro. Todd Hockey by the Tunis Shriners Degree Team.
Emergent	November 22, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting on Tuesday, November 22nd, 2022 at 7:30pm in Lodge Room No. 2, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre. To Confer the Master Mason Degree on Bro. Fred O'Toole.
Regular	December 13, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 13th, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa. To observe a Memorial Service and Annual Roll Call of those Brethren called to the Grand Lodge above during the past year. To Confer the Master Mason degree on Bro. Serge Larocque.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	January 10, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 10th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa. • To Receive the Travelling Gavel from Hazeldean Lodge #517 • To conduct a Ballot on Mr. Elias Ibrahim • To Raise Bro. Peter Burtch to the sublime Degree of a Master Mason.
Emergent	January 24, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting on Tuesday, January 24th, 2023 at 7:30pm in Lodge Room No. 2, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre. • To Raise Bro. Vimoj Nair to the sublime Degree of a Master Mason.
Regular	February 14, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 14th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa. • To receive R.W.Bro. James G. Bowman District Deputy Grand Master Ottawa District 1, on his official visit. • W. Bro. will speak about blood donors and the need to contribute. • To confer the Entered Apprentice Degree on Mr. Elias Ibrahim.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	March 14, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 14th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa. • To conduct a Ballot on Applicants pending a favourable Investigation Report. • W. Bro. John Thomas will speak about Blood Donors and the need.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brothers Burtch & Larocque will prove themselves in the Master Masons Degree.
Emergent	March 22, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, you are also hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Fraternal Visitation meeting, on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 accompanying W. Bro. Dale Barbara to Acacia Lodge No. 561 Westboro Masonic Hall, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario. To Observe an Entered Apprentice Degree.
Regular	April 11, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa. To conduct a Ballot on Mr. Jason Barichello. To elect the Worshipful Master, Officers and Representatives for the 2023-2024 Masonic year. Masonic Education.
Emergent	April 25, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa. Pending a favourable report from Grad Lodge and a positive Lodge Investigation, to conduct an Entered Apprentice Degree on Mr. Jason Barichello by a team of Step-up Officers under the direction of W. Bro. Sam Himyary, Senior Warden.
Regular	May 9, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the duties of the Lodge at a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 9h, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Lodge Room No. 1, at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa. Ceremony of Installation of the Worshipful Master Elect W.Bro. Sam Himyary and the

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			Investiture of Officers for the year 2023 – 2024 by a team of Past Masters and Brethren under the direction of V.W. Bro. George Chaiban.
Emergent	May, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

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Civil Service Lodge No. 148 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 13, 2022

Welcome back Brethren!

I hope that you have all experienced a fantastic summer.

With all the challenges that the pandemic has brought us, it feels good to be back in Lodge. The comradery of being with you all is something that I personally missed. I'm excited and rejuvenated to spend the year together and we have plenty to do.

Our lodge is fortunate to have many new members and it's important that we all mentor these individuals. I also think it's important that we get back to basics and do some of those things that are fun, such as planning our Lady's Night, Brother-to-Brother events, and so on. Being in Lodge and doing work is only part of what it is to be a Mason.

I strongly encourage ALL our members to get involved, come out to Lodge and participate as much as possible. With these commitments, our Lodge will flourish.

See you in Lodge!!

W. Bro. Dale Michael Barbara

Regular Meeting Summons, October 11, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

We are certainly off to a great start for Civil Service Lodge!

First of all, I would like to congratulate Bro. Steven Chenier on being initiated into our lodge. We wish him a long journey as a Freemason and trust the Great Architect will guide him accordingly.

I also want to congratulate Bro. Serge Larocque and Bro. Vimoj Nair on being passed to the Second Degree. By all accounts, it was a wonderful evening and the candidates were well prepared.

On that note, I'd like to sincerely thank W. Bro. Sam Himyary for assisting by sitting in the East in my absence and all the officers for putting on such a great degree.

October will once again prove to be a busy month. I'm excited to say that the Shrine Degree team will honour us to conduct a Third Degree on Bro. Todd Hockey. This is always such a treat.

Also, at our emergent meeting this month, we will be passing Bro. Peter Burtch to the Second Degree.

See you in Lodge!!

W. Bro. Dale Michael Barbara

Regular Meeting Summons, November 8, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

I would like to congratulate Bro. Ian Gallant and Bro. Peter Burtch on being passed to the second degree at our regular meeting in October. It was an excellent evening of fellowship for our members and visitors that attended that evening.

For our regular meeting in November, we are very excited to welcome the Shrine degree team. It's been a long time since we have had them visit due to Covid and I'm happy to receive them. I would encourage ALL members, if possible, to come out that evening and enjoy the evening!

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So far this year, I've personally made an attempt to visit other lodges. This is something that many of us, including myself, have missed. Speaking from personal experience, I have missed that aspect of Masonry.

I want to thank you all for your support so far this year. I made a commitment to make this year a fun and engaging experience and truly feel efforts are being made to help me achieve that goal.

See you in Lodge!!

W. Bro. Dale Michael Barbara

Regular Meeting Summons, December 13, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

This is often a busy time of year, both personally and in our activities as Masons. However, it's also been a difficult one in the passing of our most senior member, W. Bro. Phil Conquer. May he rest in peace as we treasure his memory in our hearts forever,

I also want to take this opportunity to sincerely congratulate our two new master masons, Bro. Todd Hockey and Bro. Fred O'Toole. Both degrees were a wonderful night of true enjoyment and after waiting all this time to finally be raised due to the pandemic, I think there was a general sense of happiness towards these fine Brethren.

The December regular meeting is always a night that we look forward to, with our annual "Wild Game Night" This is a tradition in CSL that goes back many years and I hope the attendance for the evening will be high. V.W. Bro. Sandy Stewart and his team never fail to impress us all and I am looking forward to it. We will be raising Bro. Serge Larocque as well that evening, so please note the time we will be tying.

On behalf of myself and my family, I want to wish all of you and your families the very best of the holiday season. Please, take the time to spend it with those you love and cherish. Those memories are irreplaceable brethren. Let us never lose sight of what is truly important in this world.

See you in Lodge!!

W. Bro. Dale Michael Barbara

Regular Meeting Summons, January 11, 2023

Greetings Brethren,

Happy New Year to everyone! I trust everyone had an enjoyable holiday season.

Congratulations to our newest Master Mason, Bro. Serge Larocque who was raised at our regular meeting in December. Bro. Larocque's preparedness and zeal for the craft is certainly a great addition to our lodge.

Our new calendar year brings us many activities in Lodge. At our regular meeting this month, we will be receiving the travelling gavel. This is an event in the district that we've always enjoyed, welcoming fellowship from visitors in attendance. So please, make every attempt to attend lodge this month, weather permitting of course.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Brethren for all their support in conducting all the degrees we have had this Masonic year so far. Everyone has been so helpful inside the lodge and preparing candidates for their work.

See you in Lodge!!

W. Bro. Dale Michael Barbara

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Regular Meeting Summons, February 14, 2023

Greetings Brethren

We are certainly active after coming off the holiday season! I would like to congratulate Bro. Peter Burtch and Bro. Vimoj Nair on being raised to the Third Degree. Both degrees were very well prepared and attended.

There have been many visits and special events in the district, both past, such as the Robbie Burns Night some of us attended and up and coming, such as our District Valentine's Ball on February 11th that are most enjoyable events. I highly encourage all members to make the effort and attend these evenings. You will find yourself happy you did.

At our regular meeting in February, we will of course be greeting our DDGM, R.W. Bro Jim Bowman to Civil Service Lodge on his official visit. This is always a memorable night in our calendar year and as always, the middle eastern brothers in the lodge are putting on the ever popular "Feast from the East" spearheaded by our very own Bro. Robbie David.

Brethren, I want to sincerely thank you for all the support you have shown me this year. I feel that we have some real momentum going in our lodge so let's keep it going. See you in Lodge!!

W. Bro. Dale Michael Barbara

Regular Meeting Summons, March 14, 2023

Brethren,

February was certainly and traditionally a busy month in our lodge. At our regular meeting, we welcomed our DDGM in his official visit to Civil Service Lodge. It was a fantastic evening of fellowship and was well attended by our brethren in the district.

I would like to welcome our newest entered apprentice, Bro. Elias Ibrahim to our lodge. As he has been a fixture in our lodge for many years, helping out, raising money and so on, I'm proud to now call him Brother.

I also want to take this opportunity to once again, thank Bro. Robbie David in organizing our traditional "Feast from the East" for that evening. It was nothing short of fantastic and enjoyed by all the brethren in attendance.

Brethren, I have observed some real momentum in our Lodge this year. Our Brother-to-Brother events, organized by Bro. Adoni Farah, have been well attended. I have also noticed visitation in the district is very active as well. This is such a positive thing in keeping our lodge, our members engaged. Let's Keep at it.

See you in Lodge!!

W. Bro. Dale Michael Barbara

Regular Meeting Summons, April 11, 2023

Brethren,

I'm always in awe of how fast a Masonic year flies by. Coming into April, we are at that point where we elect our brethren to lead us next year. The progression and participation of our officers and members are something to be taken seriously.

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Therefore, I would encourage all our members to come out and vote by showing your support.

Last month, instead of an emergent meeting, we attended a first degree visitation to Acacia Lodge, which was an enjoyable evening of brotherhood. It's nice when you can attend a lodge "from the sidelines" and see how other lodges are doing work.

I'd also like to announce that V. W. Bro George Chaiban has agreed to let his name stand and represent Civil Service Lodge as our next DDGM. Our lodge has not had a representative in quite some time and in a few years, we will be starting this process. This, as some of you have experienced, is a huge undertaking and it will require a massive amount of support in many aspects from all our members. It is not a small undertaking and we as a lodge must put forth every effort to support our brother.

See you in Lodge!

W. Bro. Dale M. Barbara

Regular Meeting Summons, May 9, 2023

Brethren,

And just like that, another Masonic year has come and gone. This year has certainly been a busy one with so many new members going through the degrees. It's been a year that I am truly proud of and have thoroughly enjoyed.

I am confident that our incoming Master, W. Bro. Sam Himyary, along with a strong line of officers, will have an amazing year ahead. Our lodge is fortunate as it has recovered quite well in what can only be described as a challenging time in Masonry. It is critically important that our members remain and continue to be engaged in participating in lodge events. The momentum we achieved together this past year is what will propel us forward and strengthen us in the future.

I want to thank you all for your amazing support this year. The support you all showed is reflective of who you are as a Mason and how we got to where we are today. As mentioned at the beginning of the year, we needed to come together and do the utmost to strengthen our lodge and start having fun again – WE did it! I am humbled and indebted to you all.

See you in Lodge!

W. Bro. Dale M. Barbara

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Shrine 3rd Degree Team - November 8, 2022
Third Degree conferred on Brother Todd Hockey



Official Visit of R.W. Bro. James Bowman to Civil Service Lodge - February 14, 2023

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Official Visit of R.W. Bro. James Bowman to Civil Service Lodge - February 14, 2023



Initiation of Bro. James Barishello to Civil Service Lodge - April 25, 2023

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Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23

Meets the first Tuesday of each Month except July & August

Goodwood Lodge No. 159 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 6, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to the following meeting, or meetings, of Goodwood Lodge No. 159.• To conduct the business of the Lodge.• To prove any Brother willing to do so.• Masonic Education.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 4, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to the following meeting, or meetings, of Goodwood Lodge No.159: Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 4th at 7:30P.M.• Work of the evening:• To conduct the business of the Lodge.• To Initiate any eligible Brother.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	November 1, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to a Regular meeting of Goodwood Lodge No159, on Tuesday, November 1st at 7:30 P.M.• To perform the Empty Chair Ceremony.
Emergent	November 26, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to an Emergent meeting of Goodwood Lodge No159, on Saturday, November 26th at 9:00 am.• To Pass any eligible candidate.• To Prove any eligible candidate.
Regular	December 6, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to a Regular meeting, of Goodwood Lodge No159 on Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30 P.M.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To conduct the business of the Lodge
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	January 3, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to a Regular meeting of Goodwood Lodge No. 159 on January 3, 2023. To confer the 1st degree on those eligible to receive the degree.
Emergent	January 25, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to an Emergent Meeting, or meetings, of Goodwood Lodge No. 159 on January 25, 2023. To confer the 1st degree on those eligible to receive the degree.
Regular	February 7, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to a Regular meeting of Goodwood Lodge No. 159 on February 7, 2023. Travel to Temple Lodge's DD night for our Fraternal visit.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	March 7, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to a Regular meeting of Goodwood Lodge No. 159 on March 7, 2023. To receive our District Deputy Grandmaster R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman. To prove any eligible Brother. Masonic education.
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	April 4, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to a Regular meeting of Goodwood Lodge No. 159 on April 4, 2023. To raise any eligible Brethren
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	May 2, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to a Regular Meeting of Goodwood Lodge No159 on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 7:30 P.M. • To hold the elections of Goodwood Lodge. • Masonic education.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	June 7, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, hereby summons you to a following meeting, or meetings, of Goodwood Lodge No159 on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. • To install the officers for the 2023- 2024 masonic year.
Emergent	June, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.

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Goodwood Lodge No. 159 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 6, 2022

Brethren,

The last two years have been very difficult ones for all of us, but finally we are back to some semblance of normalcy. Over the course of our summer recess, many things were accomplished by the Brethren and Officers of Goodwood. Here are a few of the high lights.

- We were able to clean, repaint, and organize our Lodge room, and Lodge building.
- We had the largest showing of all Lodges in Ottawa District 1 at Grand Lodge.
- -We had the most successful Pig Roast that I have ever seen being a member of our Lodge.

Goodwood Lodge did not take a summer recess, our members have been involved in some form or another throughout the break; and I am so grateful that you have put your faith and confidence in me to steer our ship. Let's have a fantastic year, and maintain this level of revitalization.

W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, October 4, 2022

As we are about to have our second meeting; I am quickly coming to realize how fast this year is moving along.

Unbeknownst to many of us, we toasted Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II for the final time at our last regular meeting. Though we bid a difficult, but heartfelt farewell to our longest reigning Sovereign, we look to the future with the accession of His Majesty King Charles III.

This month we have the pleasure of welcoming R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman on his first fraternal visit to Goodwood Lodge; and to initiate Mr. Sean O'Grady, our first candidate in over two years.

We began our Masonic year with a busy, and fantastic first meeting; and I am very hopeful that this will set the tone for the rest of the year.

In conclusion; I would like to leave you all with a small quote from Sir Wilfred Thomason Grenfell KCMG to contemplate.

"Real joy comes not from ease or riches or from the praise of men, but from doing something worthwhile."

W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, November 1, 2022

Dear Brethren:

I would like to commend everybody for their hard work and dedication on our fantastic portrayal of the first degree; We received fantastic commendations from Brethren throughout the district. As we move into the late fall, we are admonished to remember all of those who served our Sovereign, and Country in times of War; especially those who gave the supreme sacrifice upon the fields of battle. As our act of

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remembrance, we will be performing the Empty Chair Ceremony; in recognition of all of our brethren who have served throughout time immemorial.

Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw the Torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die, We shall not sleep, though poppies grow in Flanders Fields.

-Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae (May 3, 1915)

Fraternally Yours,

V. W. Bro. Ken F. Burchill, Secretary,

On behalf of W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, December 6, 2022

Brethren,

As the Christmas month is upon us; I would like to express my thanks to everybody for all of their hard work so far this Masonic year, as I know it has been a busy one thus far with the degree work, pig roast, curling bonspiel, etc. I would also like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas, and a safe and Happy New Year. Enjoy this much deserved break, and I am looking forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Fraternally Yours,

V. W. Bro. Ken F. Burchill, Secretary,

On behalf of W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, January 3, 2023

Brethren,

As we all are returning from our Christmas, and New Years holidays; I hope that everyone was able to take a few moments to relax, and recharge. Moving forward into the new year, we are looking at a busy slate of events. This ranges from initiations, passings, and raisings, to fraternal, and DDGM visits. Either way you look at it, I would like to say that Goodwood is thriving in these turbulent and uncertain times. Let's maintain this forward momentum throughout the upcoming year. I would like to leave you with a small quote to contemplate.

"As Masons, we are first and foremost builders. Where we once built great pieces of architecture with our hands and stone, today we build similar structures that connect us with others. It is vital that we continue to build these connections not only with each other, but our families, communities, and our humble fraternity as a whole. We must not rest on our laurels for what we have already built, and done; but continue to toil away in building these structures that connect us together."

Fraternally Yours,

V. W. Bro. Ken F. Burchill, Secretary,

On behalf of W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, February 7, 2023

Brethren

This year has been moving along so quickly, and I cannot believe that we are already arriving at our fraternal visit to Temple Lodge. We have been so fortunate to initiate

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three new brothers into our gentle, and humble craft this year. Let's keep our foot on the gas and continue to maintain our high level of involvement with not only our Lodge, but the District as a whole. In closing, I would like to thank all those brethren who have put countless hours into not only perfecting our degree work, but to those who travel throughout the District, and practise that ever so important cornerstone of our institution.

W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, March 7, 2023

Brethren

Though he has already made several trips to visit our Lodge this year, this month we have the official pleasure of welcoming our DDGM, R.W. Bro. James G. Bowman. Throughout this year, at R.W. Bro. Bowman's official visits to our sister Lodges, he has talked about reinvigorating the memberships passion for the craft, as well as the retention of not only new members, but of older members as well. These new members, as well as our more seasoned veterans have all stepped up, and committed/recommitted themselves to the Craft. Whether that be through degree work, governing and running of the Lodge, or travelling throughout the districts to support our sister Lodges of Ottawa District One and Two.

In my opinion, this engagement of our brethren is a clear sign that we are doing something right at Goodwood, which is spurring the reinvigoration of Freemasonry in Richmond. This reinvigoration I hope has made Freemasonry more exciting for our membership and has started to generate a culture that new candidates are excited to join. I would like to thank every single Brother for their efforts for making Goodwood a Lodge that people are excited to take part in, and visit.

W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, April 4, 2023

Brethren,

I am a firm believer that our fraternity is one of, if not the best institutions on this planet to be a part of. Nowhere else are you able to take men from all different walks of life, put them together, and form these brotherly bonds that I am so grateful to share with all of you. These bonds that we have forged have led to the revitalization of Masonry at Goodwood; this is very clearly demonstrated by the extremely kind words offered up by R.W. Bro. Bowman on our L forms. Let us stay the course Brothers — let us ensure that Goodwood's foundations stay strong and our Lodge will continue to thrive as we have coming out of COVID.

W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, May 2, 2023

Brethren,

As we approach the end of the year, there is not much to say aside from thank you for making this year one of the best of my life. We have brought interest in masonry back to Goodwood, and increased Goodwood's Involvement throughout the district, and world. Thank you for all your efforts and participation; it makes me proud to say that I have served as Master of Goodwood Lodge 159, alongside each and every one of you.

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W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

Regular Meeting Summons, June 6, 2023

Brethren,

Here we are, the end of another Masonic year. I appreciate all of your efforts and support this year to not only the lodge; but the district as well. This year we have focused on regrowing our roots, and I think we have accomplished that tasking. Moving forward, let's look to strengthen them to secure our future. Thank you, Brethren, for a fantastic year, and let's maintain our momentum and carry it through until next year.

W. Bro. Jordan McConnell, WM.

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Goodwood Lodge No. 159 - Select Photos



Goodwood Lodge Initiation of Bro. Sean O'Grady - October 4, 2022

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Goodwood Lodge Bro. Sean O'Grady Passed to the Second Degree - November 26, 2022



Goodwood Christmas Dinner - December 2022

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Goodwood Lodge Initiation of Bro. John Adebiyi - January 3, 2023



Goodwood Lodge Initiation of Bro. Kelson Panteluk - January 28, 2023

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Goodwood Lodge, Official Visit of the DDGM, R.W. Bro. James Bowman - March 7, 2023



Goodwood Lodge, Election of the Lodge Officers for 2023-24 Masonic Year - May 2, 2023

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Goodwood Lodge, Installation of Lodge Officers for Masonic Year 2023-24 - June 6, 2023

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**Lodge of Fidelity No. 231, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted
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Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23
Meets the third Tuesday of each Month except June, July & August

Lodge of Fidelity No. 231 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 20, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a Regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity No. 231, at 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 @ 17:30 pm.
Emergent	September, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No meeting was held.
Regular	October 18, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity 231 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa on Tuesday, October 18 @ 7:30pm.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No meeting was held.
Regular	November 15, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity 231 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa on Tuesday, November 15 @ 7:00 pm.We expect to receive the travelling Gavel.The DDGM will be making his Official Visit.A Remembrance Service will be held.We will be conducting a First Degree for Mr. Robbin Gaudet.
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No meeting was held.
Regular	December 20, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity 231 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa on Tuesday, December 20 @ 5:30 pm.We will have a brief meeting to approve previous minutes, committee reports and vote on a notice of motion for \$1000 to defray the

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>expenses of the evening and other expenses, proper to be paid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family and friends can start to meet @ 5pm for fellowship prior to entertainment @ 6pm, and meal before 7, along with further Christmas festivities and Santa.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	January 17, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity 231 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa on January 17, 2023. The planned work for the evening was to be the conferring of the third degree for Brother Elias Houkayem by the Shrine Degree Team. However, this needed to be rescheduled and is now planned for March 2023.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	February 21, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity 231 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa on Tuesday, February 21 @ 7:30pm. There will be a motion to allow the Benevolence Committee to use \$1800 to help a deserving brother
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	March 21, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity 231 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa. No specific work was mentioned.
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	April 18, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity 231, 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa on Tuesday, April 18 @ 7:30pm. The annual election of Officers is scheduled.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	May 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother: By command of the Worshipful Master, there will be a regular meeting of Lodge of Fidelity 231, 2140 Walkley Rd. Ottawa. The annual Investiture of the W.M. and Installation of Lodge Officers is scheduled for our May meeting.
Emergent	June 6, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have 2 emergent back-to-back meetings in June. Tuesday, June 6 @ 7:30pm will be an initiation for Mr. Niloy Debnath.
Emergent	June 7, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have 2 emergent back-to-back meetings in June. Wednesday, June 7 @ 5:30pm will only be Lodge accounts, and correspondence followed by a year end Lodge BBQ.

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Lodge of Fidelity No. 231 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

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No Masters Message.

Regular Meeting Summons, October 18, 2022

"Masonic labour is purely a labour of love. He who seeks to draw Masonic wages in gold and silver will be disappointed. The wages of a Mason are in the dealings with one another; sympathy begets sympathy, kindness begets kindness, helpfulness begets helpfulness, and these are the wages of a Mason." These were the words of our esteemed brother Benjamin Franklin, who was able to capture the essence of the Craft in these short sentences. I invite you to ponder upon the deep meaning of these wise words and to find how they apply to your life, in and out of the Lodge.

"Helpfulness begets helpfulness" and we have the privilege to support W. Bro Steve Elias on his installation as the Worshipful Master of Sidney, Albert, Luke Lodge, October 12th, 2022. Steve has always been a keen supporter of our Lodge, happily supporting us as needed. Let us show our gratitude by supporting Steve on his Installation.

The night of our Official visit is November 15th "Masonic labour is purely a labour of love" and our November meeting will be a night full of work; with the Official Visit of R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman District Deputy Grand Master, the Travelling Gavel and the Initiation of Mr Robin Gaudet. We will require the support of all our brethren for this meeting to be a success. Make every effort to be there.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Jim Kent, Worshipful Master.

Regular Meeting Summons, November 15, 2022

Remembrance Day is commemorated on November 11th each year and marks the end of World War I in 1918. It may also be commonly known as Armistice Day.

On Remembrance Day, Canadians pause to honour the men and women who have served and continue to serve Canada during times of war, conflict, and peace. More than 2,300,000 Canadians have served and more than 118,000 made the ultimate sacrifice. The intention of the day is to remember the fallen on both sides in the Great War (first world war).

The reason that the poppy is worn for Remembrance Day is due to a Canadian physician and poet who noticed how quickly poppies had grown over the graves of soldiers who had died during the Battle of Ypres. This symbolism of the blood-red flowers was beautifully captured by Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae in his 1915 poem "In Flanders Fields." The poem was apparently discarded by McCrae but was found by soldiers who sent it to a London-based magazine named Punch.

In 1921, people began wearing the poppy three years after the war ended. The poppy is the symbol of Remembrance Day.

November 11th marks the signing of the armistice (peace agreement) between the Allies and Germany at Compiègne, France. The armistice took effect at eleven o'clock in the morning - the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month."

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Brethren, Let Remembrance Day be a time to pause and reflect on the hardships and the ultimate sacrifices made on our behalf by so many which have provided us with the freedoms we enjoy today.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Jim Kent, Worshipful Master.

Regular Meeting Summons, December 20, 2022

What does Christmas mean to the Freemason? Certainly Freemasonry is not a religion, Christian or otherwise. It leaves the determination on spiritual matters to each individual Mason, so long as he believes in the Almighty Creator. But there are certain messages from the story of Christmas that are applicable to all Masons, not just those who celebrate a certain birth on December 25th.

Many Christians feel God gave his greatest gift to mankind, and that Christ's birth is marked on Christmas Day. And the spirit of giving is also outlined in our Masonic ceremonies. The new Entered Apprentice is reminded of charity, and to practice it whenever possible. There is the monetary portion. But, there is another kind referred to in another Charge in the same degree which admonishes a Mason to relieve his brother's necessities, soothe his afflictions, and do to him as you would that he, under similar circumstances, should do unto you. In other words, the Golden Rule.

Christmas is a time of faith for our Christian brethren. But all Masons are reminded in the different degrees of the principle of faith. In the explanation of the First Degree Tracing Board, we hear how ready and willing ought we to be to adore the Almighty Creator. Therefore, let this time of year serve as a reminder to all Masons to practice their faith, whatever it may be.

Faith and Charity are names of principal staves or rounds on the Ladder you see every meeting on that Tracing Board. But, there is another round, and that is Hope in Salvation. While Salvation has a particular connotation to those who believe in the story of the Christian faith, the concept of some kind of reward for following Masonic principles during our lives, winds its way through the various degrees, as those of you familiar with the working tools explanations of the Second and Third Degrees well know.

So let this season of the year remind all Masons, no matter what their religious beliefs, to follow those universal tenets of the Craft "faith, hope and charity". Doing so should bring satisfaction to you at this time

Happy Christmas Everyone,
W. Bro. J. Kent

Regular Meeting Summons, January 17, 2023

Brethren:

We enter the New Year with the understanding that we are making a fresh start. We must begin by discarding thoughts, attitudes, and habits that are not compatible with an excellent life. Next, we let go of whatever caused past discouragement, disappointment, or disagreement. We know that negative outcomes are desires or goals that are yet self-fulfilled. We are receptive to the latest ideas, activities, and relationships.

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Each day, we dutifully follow a plan of fulfillment. We proceed on divine ideas that we get in moments of prayer, and inspiration. These ideas flow through wholesome, positive, thoughts. As we use creative thinking to build upon divine ideas, our abilities are enhanced.

Therefore, collectively, we enter this new year with optimism, joy, and enthusiasm especially for the work the Lodge will be performing, degrees, visiting and our social events. It will be a busy time for us Brethren and it is expected that we all pull together, share the work, and lighten the individual load, thereby making it a pleasurable experience for all.

I wish everyone a happy and prosperous new year.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Jim Kent

Regular Meeting Summons, February 21, 2023

Brethren,

We are fast approaching the end of our Masonic year. We have plenty of work ahead of us and this will require all hands on deck.

Brethren, we are obliged to "answer and obey all lawful signs and summonses". To attend the Lodge. Attending is not the end of our duties. We must participate in meetings and ritual work to remain relevant. Even the smallest contribution helps the Lodge to operate with efficiency while lightening the burden on your brethren. It makes for a more enjoyable lodge experience for everybody just through your contributions. Remembering to attend the General Purpose meeting is a chance for all members to participate in the running of the lodge. All Brethren can offer ideas and solutions beneficial to the future Lodge programs and planning of Lodge events including Degrees and social occasions or even something of your own design. Have a say in the operation and the success of Lodge of Fidelity.

Motivation is the key to our continued success. It means the difference in getting up and doing something rather than just sitting there and doing nothing or letting someone else do it for us, that is apathy and indifference.

Motivation is "causing or having the power to cause motion, an impulse from within." What is your impulse? Find your motivation and cause a positive motion (action) in our Lodge.

This month our J.W. has put out a call to ALL members to create their version of the perfect chili to compete in a Lodge of Fidelity chili cook-off. It's fun and not to be taken too seriously. Through your participation, you will demonstrate a strong indicator of the health of our Lodge by its individual member's contribution toward our small Lodge community. We should always bear in mind that the lesson learned through this small project will translate to your life outside the Lodge. Can you imagine how better, collectively, our public lives would be when everyone steps forward when you incentivize others to join you?

Will you participate, or will you let others carry your weight? Regardless of your experience or rank, from our newest member to the crustiest of our Past Masters, COME OUT, PARTICIPATE, be a vital player and contribute to the continued success of our Lodge.

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If you were on trial for being a Mason, would there be enough evidence to convict you?
Fraternally,
W. Bro. Jim Kent.

Regular Meeting Summons, March 21, 2023

Brethren,

As we near the end of this Masonic year we are slowly recovering from the lockdowns and in person meetings having been held since November 2021. The effort must be made to attend the general purpose and regular meetings.

We have become accustomed to holding remote meetings and not physically getting out but now is the time to return to and participate in the running of YOUR lodge.

You, the brethren, voiced your desire to prevent the lodge going dark but only a few are working to keep the lodge vibrant and sustainable.

It is time to stop talking and act.

I challenge you to support your lodge by taking an active part in the running of the lodge, supporting our social events, attending meetings, taking part in the ritual work of the lodge, visiting other lodges and just by visiting we support those lodges.

It has not gone unnoticed that the visiting this year has had a positive impact in the district with numbers of about sixty Masons at meetings from many different lodges attending. You build on established friendships and create new ones.

Lodges appreciate the support given by visitors and will also be more inclined to visit and support us.

You really must VISIT to understand the camaraderie, fellowship and the lasting friendships visiting creates.

Lodges are full at meetings and the candidates as well as the Worshipful Masters and District Deputy Grand Master all appreciate the SUPPORT.

The last Official Visit of the DDGM will be at his mother lodge in Russell on April 17th, 2023.

I expect a good number of Brethren to accompany me.

Start going to lodge and visiting now. Make it a habit.

GO TOWARDS THE LIGHT AND NOT DARKNESS

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Jim Kent.

Regular Meeting Summons, April 18, 2023

Brethren,

We have had a good year: with a proving, a second degree, a candidate to initiate and another potential candidate, with whom we are awaiting the report from the investigating committee, all of which I will try to schedule to be completed soon. We may even hold degrees over the summer months depending on the availability of the candidates, the degree team and the wishes of the new WM.

The Elections will be held April 18, 2023, the Installation on May 16, 2023, the end of year BBQ June 8 and the proposed visit to the Masonic Plot at Beechwood Cemetery on June 24.

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The Canterbury H.S. Bursary headed by R.W. Bro. Al. Wright and V.W. Bro Larry. Harvey and supported by the brethren have been thankfully received by the school Vice Principal Ms. Jones on behalf of the Principal Mr. Unsworth. This represents a \$15000 investment by the Lodge over the next 10 years as a way of honouring the legacy of our past members and supporting Freemasonry by promoting the arts in our community. There is still much work to be done as we continue to rebuild our Lodge and to be successful, I encourage everyone to become involved and support our lodge.

I sincerely wish to thank everyone for all your support during the past couple of years. It has been greatly appreciated and I am sure that you will continue your support for the incoming Worshipful Master, his Officers, and the Lodge in the ensuing Masonic year.

Fraternally,
W. Bro. Jim Kent.

Regular Meeting Summons, May 16, 2023

From The East

Brethren,

Congratulations to W. Bro. David Peate as Master Elect, Lodge of Fidelity, for the ensuing Masonic year.

Dave has outlined an interesting and busy year and I know that he will receive the full support of the Lodge in his year as our Master.

We have several new young and energetic members, some which have been and or will be welcomed to our Lodge and Freemasonry this year including our newest Master Mason, Bro. Elias Houkayem, the affiliation of Bro. Hamdi Al- Farouki, our newest Mason Bro. Robin Gaudet and last, but not least, Messrs. Chadi Dib and Niloy Debnath waiting to be initiated into the Craft. I thank all the Officers and Brethren of the Lodge for their assistance with the operation of the Lodge over the last few years.

The commitment and support you showed will strengthen and sustain our Lodge, while providing a stable platform for continued future growth.

Your support is much appreciated.

I look forward to soon to be relaxing in the IPM's Chair.

W. Bro. Jim Kent
Worshipful Master

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From The West

Brethren,

As Master Elect, I thank you for entrusting me with the care of the Lodge for the next term. I am excited to start the year with a couple of new members from the last year, a couple of initiations and plenty of opportunity for degree work and growth. I pledge to do my utmost to make you proud to be a member of this lodge and happy to participate in the education and growth that is the foundation of this institution. We will be sensitive to any concerns or feedback and suggestions you may present. This is our Lodge; let's make it excel in every way, together!

I will start my year, and W. Bro. Kent will end his with an initiation on June 6, 2023. Please come out and give the warmest welcome to Mr. Niloy Debnath.

The very next day we celebrate with our annual June BBQ. We have an initiation pencilled in for September and degree work for October and November. You will not want to blink; you'll miss it. Newly installed/invested officers - you'll want to start studying your ritual roles right away!

To those Master Masons taking a chair for the first time, you have our trust and faith and the assistance of every past master in the lodge to call upon as you need it – You will do the Lodge proud.

W. Bro. D. Peate Master Elect

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Lodge of Fidelity No. 231 - Select Photos



Presentation of Bursary Cheque to Canterbury High School, Ottawa Ontario - March 27,
2023

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**Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371, GRC In The Province Of Ontario -
Instituted 1879**

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23

Meets the fourth Friday of each Month except June, July & August and December

Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 23, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To receive petitions, communications, and accounts.• To confer degrees on eligible candidates.• To conduct all other business that may be presented.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 28, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You are hereby summoned to attend an in-person meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday October 28, 2022 at 7:30 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.• To receive petitions, communications, and accounts.• To confer degrees on eligible candidates and to conduct all other business that may be presented.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	November 25, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday November 25, 2022 at 7:30 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.• To receive petitions, communications, and accounts.• To confer degrees on eligible candidates.• To conduct all other business that may be presented.
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	December 9, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday December 9, 2022 at 7:30 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive petitions, communications, and accounts. To confer degrees on eligible candidates and to conduct all other business that may be presented. A Memorial Service will immediately follow the meeting. Family and friends are welcome to attend. Afterwards, we will be holding a potluck holiday party and trivia night
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	January 27, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a Regular meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday January 27, 2023 at 7:30 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. To confer degrees on eligible candidates.
Emergent	January 13, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday January 13, 2023 at 7:30 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. A training session will be held for Entered Apprentices.
Regular	February 24, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday, February 24, 2023 at 7:00 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. To welcome R. W. Bro Jim Bowman on the occasion of his Official Visit to Prince of Wales Lodge #371.
Emergent	February 17, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Emergent Meeting will be a practice.
Regular	March 24, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday March 24, 2023 at 7:30 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. To receive petitions, communications, and accounts. To confer degrees on eligible candidates. To recognize long service.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Emergent	March 10, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Emergent Meeting will be a practice.
Regular	April 27, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday April 28, 2023 at 7:30 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. To elect officers for the coming Masonic year. To receive petitions, communications, and accounts. To confer degrees on eligible candidates. To recognize long service and conduct all other business that may be presented.
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	May 26, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday May 26, 2023 at 7:00 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. To install the Worshipful Master and officers of Prince of Wales Lodge #371.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	June 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Emergent	June 23, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 to be held on Friday June 23, 2023 at 7:30 pm at 2140 Walkley Rd, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. To confer degrees on eligible candidates. To recognize long service awards.

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Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 24, 2022

Brethren,

Well, it is September and the start of another Masonic year! We ended off last year on a strong note doing a Second Degree, enjoyed the summer of BBQs and great Masonic comradery.

As we look forward to the coming months, we will be looking to our members to assist with the work of the Lodge. To put on degrees, help our new brothers learn and practice their work so they may complete their journey to the degree of a Master Mason.

This month we will also be able to enjoy the company of our DDGM R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman with his fraternal visit to our Lodge.

I am looking forward to a fun and fulfilling Masonic year full of learning, good meals, and late-night laughter.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Eric Owen, WM,

Prince of Wales Lodge #371

Regular Meeting Summons, October 28, 2022

Brethren,

As the beautiful colours of fall are upon us we continue our journey through this Masonic year.

We as a lodge and the greater Masonic community came together in September for a successful meeting of hosting our DDGM on his fraternal visit and successfully passed Brother Gorr to the Second Degree.

Looking forward to October, Prince of Wales will be hosting the Shrine Third degree team to raise Brother Northwood to the third degree.

With the Masonic year in full swing there are many great events taking place. I would strongly encourage you to have a look at the district trestle board for a list of events and lodge meetings you may want to attend.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Eric Owen Worshipful Master,

Prince of Wales Lodge #371

Regular Meeting Summons, November 25, 2022

Brethren,

With a chill in the air, and the current masonic year well on the go we can start to feel the Masonic momentum building. October was a great meeting with a wonderful visit from the Tunis Shriners Degree Team, raising a very well-prepared candidate Brandon Northwood to the sublime degree of a Master.

For November we are planning to have a nice and simple meeting. The Lodge has done three degrees in a row so it is time to switch it up a bit and the work of the evening will be to receive a delegation from Carleton Lodge with the travelling gavel and some enlightening Masonic education.

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2022-23**

On December 14th a delegation of Prince of Wales Masons will be bringing the gavel to Sidney Albert Luke Lodge.

I look forward to seeing as many brothers as possible attending this month, to enjoy a simple meeting, and some well-earned fellowship at our festive board.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Eric Owen Worshipful Master,
Prince of Wales Lodge #371

Regular Meeting Summons, December 9, 2023

Brethren,

As we enter the season of holiday festivities, let us take this time to remember those who have passed. As is customary in December for Prince of Wales, we will be holding our memorial night to honour brothers we have lost since the suspension of in person meeting due to Covid.

As with past years, we will have a brief meeting then we will open the lodge, to friends and family to join us in this memorial service, and after to ask questions of us about our lodge and answer as best we can.

Then, as is also customary, we will be having a wonderful pot luck festive board and a joyful time with a new tradition of trivia hosted by our very own W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis. Brothers, please also remember to pay your dues before the end of the year and save some money. This can be done by E transfer, cheque, or cash. Look at your emails and you'll see your invoice from brother secretary.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Eric Owen Worshipful Master
Prince of Wales Lodge #371

Regular Meeting Summons, January 28, 2023

Brethren,

As the new calendar year starts, we are at the midpoint of our Masonic journey this year.

With much to look forward to in the coming months with degree work, and DDGM official visit; we have lots to do, and lots of Masonic growth to enjoy.

I'm looking forward to all our members helping out with the upcoming degree work. POW has many friends who are happy to help us but I would like to see us do as much work in these degrees as possible.

It's good for POW and good for our personal Masonic growth.

I'm looking forward to the coming year with work, brotherhood, and laughter!!

W. Bro. Eric Owen Worshipful Master
Prince of Wales Lodge #371

Regular Meeting Summons, February 24, 2023

Brethren,

I would like to start off by thanking Brother Cassimiro for the high quality of work he performed at our January meeting on proving in the First Degree and being passed to the Second. I also thank the brothers of the lodge for the hard work that evening, and stepping up to help us complete the degree.

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As we are now in the heart of the Masonic season, we get to perform our greatest task of the year, and that will be welcoming our District Deputy Grandmaster, Jim Bowman to our lodge this month.

It will be a wonderful night filled with guests, some Masonic work, some Masonic education, and recognizing some members for their long service to masonry.

I look forward to seeing as many of the brothers of Prince of Wales in the lodge as possible.

Moving forward for the rest of the year we as a lodge should focus on our Masonic education, learning our roles and being able to help our new Brothers achieve the degree of Master Mason.

Regards,

W. Bro. Eric Owen, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, March 25, 2023

Brethren,

I will start by thanking the brothers of POW for their hard work in making our District Deputy Grand Master's official visit to Prince of Wales a tremendous success.

We received compliments on the evening from many members of the District and the DDGM himself.

I am also extremely proud that we were able to raise \$1000.00 for the district charity, from a combination of funds received from the festive board and of donations made that evening.

This month unfortunately, I will be absent from the lodge, but IPM Ian Hooker will be acting master, and will be conducting us through the third degree for brother Wonham.

I look forward to seeing you all in April for our elections.

Regards,

W. Bro. Eric Owen, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, April 28, 2023

Brethren,

As we move through this Masonic year we have come to a pivotal point.

This month we will hold elections for the officers in the lodge.

I will be reaching out to see who would like to take on the empty roles we have right now.

The April meeting will be a great night for us as a lodge. We will be:

- initiating a candidate,
- holding elections,
- considering an application for affiliation, and
- proving a Mason in the third degree.

This night will show how healthy Prince of Wales is!!

Regards,

W. Bro. Eric Owen, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, May 26, 2023

Brethren,

**District History, Ottawa District One
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As we come to the end of one Masonic Year, and the start of another, it is time to reflect on all the year's accomplishments.

The Lodge has been able to move many of our Members to the Third Degree, we have a new Mason amongst us and Affiliates looking to join.

One of our own, W. Bro. Kosta Hatzis is poised to become the next DDGM of Ottawa District One with W. Bro. Ian Hooker as our District Secretary. This is a very good time for Prince of Wales Lodge.

We are a small, mighty and healthy Lodge. We have Masons who want to be in the Lodge with us. Men who want to join our Lodge and we have Brethren who want to join us on our Masonic journey.

I am honoured to be able to sit as your Worshipful Master for a second year and look forward to the responsibility. I look forward to our continued growth both personally and as a Lodge, and all the happiness it will bring us.

Regards,

W. Bro. Eric Owen, Worshipful Master,
Prince of Wales Lodge # 371.

Emergent Meeting Summons, June 23, 2023

Brethren,

It is my honour to serve as your Worshipful Master for a second year, and I am pleased with the trust you have placed in me.

As we prepare for the summer break, we have one last "emergent" meeting on June 23. This will be to raise two brothers to the sublime degree of a master mason. This will be a good night followed by a wonderful feast of bacon!!

I look forward to seeing as many of you in the lodge as possible this month.

Regards,

W. Bro. Eric Owen, Worshipful Master,
Prince of Wales Lodge # 371.

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Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371 - Select Photos

No photos were provided.

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2022-23**

Carleton Lodge No. 465, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted 1904

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23

Meets the fourth Thursday of each Month except July & August

Carleton Lodge No. 465 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 22, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, Ontario.• To conduct the regular business of the Lodge.• To receive applications and petitions,• To announce and vote on various motions.• To recognize several Brethren.• To ballot on the application for affiliation as received from Bro. Donald Sadler of Mississippi Lodge.• To receive Masonic Education.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 27, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited, to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, Ontario on October 27, 2022.• To welcome R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman on his official visit to Carleton Lodge.• To invest V.W. Bro. Ken Fields with the regalia of Grand Superintendent of Works.• To announce and vote on various motions.• To ballot on the application for affiliation as received from Bro. Donald Sadler of Mississippi Lodge.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	November 24, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>3704 Carp Road, Carp, Ontario on Thursday, November 24, 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To Welcome the brethren from; Lodge of Fidelity 231 as they present the District 1 Travelling Gavel and Madawaska Lodge on their fraternal visit to Carleton Lodge. • To present Service Awards to deserving Brethren. • To ballot on the applications for affiliation as received from V.W. Bro. Joseph P. Bampton of Temple Lodge 665 and Bro. Donald Sadler of Mississippi Lodge 147
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	December 8, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, on Thursday December 8, 2022. • There will be a brief business meeting and a Family and Friends Christmas Potluck Dinner in the Lodge Hall.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	January 26, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, on Thursday, January 26, 2023. • Masonic Instruction - "Masonic Plot Talk" as presented by R.W. Bro. Al Wright
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	February 23, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, on Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 7:30PM.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masonic Education to be presented by V.W. Bro. Doug Dockrill.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	March 23, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, Ontario on Thursday March 23rd, 2023 at 7:30PM. • To ballot on a notice of motion as follows: I so move that at the next regular meeting of Carleton Lodge No. 465, in accordance with GL Constitution Sec 305B and C that Section 32C of the bylaws of this lodge be amended to increase the amount of the annual dues payable to \$190 and that the discounted amount for early payment, as prescribed within the bylaws, be Increased to \$180. • To ballot, pending receipt of a favourable report, on the application for initiation of Mr. Jeramy Ratelle.
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	April 27, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, Ontario on Thursday, April 27th, 2023 at 7:30PM. • To announce and vote on various motions. • To initiate Mr. Jeramy Ratelle.
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	May 25, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend, a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, Ontario on Thursday, May 25th, 2023 at 7:30PM. • To announce and vote on part 1 of the annual en-block motion.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To elect lodge officers for the ensuing year. To enjoy part 2 of a historical sketch of Carleton Lodge presented by Bro. Historian.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	June 22, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By Command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby Summoned, Visitors are cordially invited to attend, a Regular Meeting of this Lodge to be held at the Masonic Temple at 3704 Carp Road, Carp, Ontario on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 7:00PM. To announce and vote on part 2 of the annual en-block motion. To Install and Invest Lodge officers for the ensuing year.
Emergent	June 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

* "M" – minutes; "S" – summons. Some Lodges were reluctant to share their minutes outside of the Lodge. As a result, the historical summary was prepared from the Lodge Summons. Therefore, in some instances the information may not be entirely accurate as it is based on planned activities rather than the actual events that transpired. While the Summons records what the Lodge planned to do, numerous events can take place which prevents the planned from becoming the achieved – for example, a candidate may not be ready, principal officers are absent due to their public or private avocations, weather related snowstorms may result in the cancellation of a meeting etc., etc.

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Carleton Lodge No. 465 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 22, 2022

Brethren:

Greetings from the East!

I trust you all had a good summer and I welcome you back to Carleton Lodge. Once again, I would like to thank all who participated in and contributed to my Installation in May, especially my Installing Master, W. Bro. Dan Gray. I look forward to my first meeting sitting in the Chair of King Solomon and to working with all the newly elected and appointed officers of Carleton Lodge. As King Solomon said, "as iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend". Let us build on that.

We have an interesting line-up for our September meeting, including the recognition of several Brothers' long time Masonic membership and achievements, along with an intriguing talk on Cleopatra's needle and its relationship to Masonry, presented by Brother Joe Burchill.

There will be a number of important issues discussed at our upcoming September Committee of General Purposes, including whether to move our Installation to May from June, and having the June meeting as a more informal event, as we did this year. All Brethren should let their opinions be known, so come to the meeting.

I hope to see you all in Lodge in September and throughout the year.

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Nick Beck, WM, Carleton Lodge.

Regular Meeting Summons, October 27, 2022

Brethren: Greetings from the East!

Welcome to autumn! I trust you and your families had a wonderful Thanksgiving and celebrated all our bountiful favours received. With the leaves turning, winter is on its way, but not here yet.

I look forward to seeing you all in Lodge as we have a special meeting set for October, with the Official Visit of our DDGM R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman, his first Official Visit of his tenure as DDGM.

We also have the great honour of investing V.W. Bro. Kenneth Fields as Grand Superintendent of Works. This will be followed by a Festive Board to be held in the Carp Agricultural Hall.

Thanks to V.W. Bro. Wib Paul, the Coffee Club is once again underway Monday mornings, a great time to meet and discuss momentous issues.

We should also remember all our brethren of Carleton Lodge and the rest of our fraternity, and ensure that any special needs are addressed.

I will leave you with the words of King Solomon, "Your own soul is nourished when you are kind; it is destroyed when you are cruel."

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Nick Beck W.M.

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Regular Meeting Summons, November 24, 2022

Brethren: Greetings from the East!

We had a very good meeting in October, with the Official Visit of our D.D.G.M. R.W. Brother Jim Bowman and the investiture of V.W. Brother Ken Fields as Grand Superintendent of Works. This was followed by a bountiful Festive Board at the Carp Ag-Hall. Well done to all participants, especially our JW Matt Pulleyblank.

Our November meeting will also have a full agenda, starting with our world famous Wild Game Dinner. We will also entertain our brethren from Madawaska Lodge on their fraternal visit and welcome the travelling gavel from Lodge of Fidelity.

In addition, we will, with the assistance of the DDGM, present long service awards to several brethren; including Sixty, Fifty and Twenty Five Year Service Awards and we will hold a Ballot for Affiliation for V.W. Brother Joe Bampton and Brother Don Sadler.

November is also the month we pay our respects to members of our armed forces who made the supreme sacrifice and gave their lives for us and for their country. Once again we will remember their service with our own commemoration at the Carp cenotaph on November 11, where we will lay a wreath in their honour. All Carleton Lodge brethren are encouraged to attend.

We will be taking the travelling gavel to Prince of Wales Lodge on November 25, the day after our November meeting. Please plan to attend, we need to have at least a perfect number and a good showing by Carleton Lodge would be in the fine tradition of Masonry.

I will leave you with the words of King Solomon: "As the water reflects the face, so the heart reflects the person".

Sincerely & Fraternally,

Nick Beck W.M.

Regular Meeting Summons, December 8, 2022

Brethren: Greetings from the East!

I hope everyone has recovered from our sumptuous Wild Game Dinner. Well done Brother J.W. Pulleyblank and all the brethren who contributed their special roadkill dishes to the occasion.

In November, R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman, D.D.G.M. Ottawa District No.1 and I had the distinct honour of presenting a number of long term Masonic service and Past Master awards to deserving brethren. We also welcomed a new affiliate member to the Lodge; V.W. Bro. Joe Bampton; glad to have you on-board Bro. Bampton!

Also in November, we received the Travelling Gavel from Lodge of Fidelity No. 231 and on the following evening we delivered it to Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371. I'm very happy to report Carleton Lodge was well represented that evening with 14 brethren attending; twice the perfect number! Well done to all those who came out that evening. It certainly showed Carleton Lodge in the best traditions of Masonry.

This month we have our annual Christmas potluck dinner, followed by a very short Lodge meeting. All family and friends are encouraged to participate in good food and general conviviality.

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Being the Christmas season, we are all reminded of our responsibility to those less fortunate. All brethren are encouraged to contribute where they can, not only at this time, but also throughout the year. Masonry and Charity.

Merry Christmas!

Sincerely and fraternally,

Nick Beck, W.M.

Regular Meeting Summons, January 26, 2023

Brethren: Greetings from the East!

I trust everyone had a very Merry Christmas and enjoyed the time with family and friends. Carleton Lodge's Christmas potluck dinner was a great success owing to the efforts of our JW, Brother Matt Pulleyblank, and everyone who contributed. Well done Carleton Lodge!

It is time for a new year of Masonic activities and I encourage all brethren to attend our regular meetings. Even if rusty in ritual, your presence is more important. I, unfortunately, will be unable to attend our January meeting as I will be out of the country but I look forward to meeting all brethren again next month. R.W. Bro. Brian Adams has graciously agreed to act as Worshipful Master in my absence.

Happy New Year!

Sincerely and fraternally,

Nick Beck, W.M.

Regular Meeting Summons, February 23, 2023

Brethren: Greetings from New Zealand!

I am sorry to have missed our January meeting but I am sure R.W. Bro. Brian Adams did a fine job in the Chair of King Solomon.

I look forward to our February meeting. V.W. Bro. Dockrill will present an interesting address on Masonic education.

We have two potential candidates interested in Carleton Lodge so I hope we can move forward with them.

Planning is well underway for our Arctic Char Dinner in May. Line up your ticket sales now and reserve the date.

See you soon!

Sincerely and fraternally,

Nick Beck, W.M.

Regular Meeting Summons, March 23, 2023

Brethren:

Thank you to IPM W.Bro. Sean Downey for sitting in the Chair of King Solomon in my stead in February. I have returned!

We have the good fortune to have a presentation on Carleton Lodge history this month by our Historian, R.W. Bro. Brian Adams. All of us know some of the Lodge history but there is plenty more to learn and our Historian will delve into this. I look forward to a very interesting and informative presentation.

Tickets for our Arctic Char Dinner on May 4 are available from JW Brother Matt Pulleyblank. Please get yours soon and distribute them to friends, family and the

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community. Also; don't forget the District Spring Fling on April 29 at the Ottawa Masonic Centre on Walkley Road.

We have two prospective candidates for membership in Carleton Lodge. We hope to move forward with both these candidates in the coming months. Get your ritual ready! Let's keep up with our visits to other lodges and continue to welcome our visitors with warmth and generosity.

I will close with the words of King Solomon: "Above all else, guard your heart, as everything you do flows from it."

See you in Lodge!

Nick Beck, W.M.

Regular Meeting Summons, April 27, 2023

Brethren: Spring is here!

We have a busy last three months of the Masonic Year ahead of us. In April we will initiate a candidate for Masonry. In May we will hold elections for our next Masonic Year, and in June we will have our installation of Worshipful Master.

Most of you will already be aware that our Senior Warden has chosen not to proceed to the Chair of King Solomon. I have agreed to let my name stand to continue in the Chair for one more year.

Planning is well underway for our 33rd annual Arctic Char Dinner to be held May 4 in the Carp Agricultural Hall. Please contact our Junior Warden, Matt Pulleyblank, for tickets.

Our DDGM, R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman, will make his last Official Visit of the year at his home lodge, Russell Lodge, on April 17. He has been very supportive of Carleton Lodge throughout his tenure and I hope to be joined at that meeting by a strong contingent of brethren from Carleton Lodge.

Brother Secretary and I visited Merrickville Lodge and were joined by V.W. Bro.'s Fields and Dockrill for a visit to St. Francis Lodge, both lodges are in St. Lawrence District. I encourage all Carleton Lodge brethren to visit other lodges. This is a privilege of Masonry and an important aspect of our craft.

I will leave you with the words of Confucius: "Everything has its beauty but not everyone sees it."

See you in Lodge!

Nick Beck, W.M.

Regular Meeting Summons, May 25, 2023

Brethren: Greetings from the East!

At our April meeting we initiated a new member of Carleton Lodge, Brother Jeramy Ratelle. Welcome Brother Ratelle! Kudos to our Degree Team, especially to W. Bro. Baart for organizing the ritual. We look forward to integrating Brother Ratelle into lodge activities and advancing him in Masonry over the coming months. If you have not already done so, please introduce yourself and see if you can help in his advancement. We had a very successful Arctic Char Dinner in May thanks to the untiring efforts of JW Bro. Pulleyblank and his team. Well done Carleton Lodge for the 33rd Annual Arctic Char Dinner! Our last such dinner was in 2019 and it is good to get back in the swing.

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At our regular May meeting we will hold elections for our next Masonic Year. All members of Carleton Lodge are encouraged to attend in order to have their input into the management of the lodge. At this meeting there will also be a presentation by our Historian, R.W. Bro. Brian Adams. He will present Part 2 of the Carleton Lodge history. Not to be missed!

We had a very good turnout of 10 members from Carleton Lodge for the last Official Visit of the year of our DDGM, RW Brother Jim Bowman, at his home lodge, Russell Lodge, on April 17. There were 91 attendees by last count. Very impressive and a mark of respect for our outgoing DDGM who had a successful and productive year.

Let me leave you with some biblical thoughts: For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more. Luke 12:48

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Nick Beck, W.M.

Regular Meeting Summons, June 22, 2023

Brethren: Greetings from the East!

Our June meeting is our last of the Masonic Year. It was my privilege to sit in the Chair of King Solomon and I am honoured to have been re-elected to this post for another year. Thank you all for your support. It was a year of recovering from COVID- imposed restrictions and I believe we made some progress in getting back on track.

The new Officers who were elected in May will be invested at our June meeting, along with those appointed. Let's all give them our support.

As mentioned previously, we are looking at having Carleton Lodge become a Cornerstone Lodge. This will require participation by all brethren of the lodge throughout the year.

We are planning for a Carleton Lodge BBQ in mid-July at the lodge. W. Bro. Baart is leading the planning and I encourage everyone to participate.

Let me leave you with the words of King Solomon: "A merry heart doeth good like medicine."

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Nick Beck, W.M.

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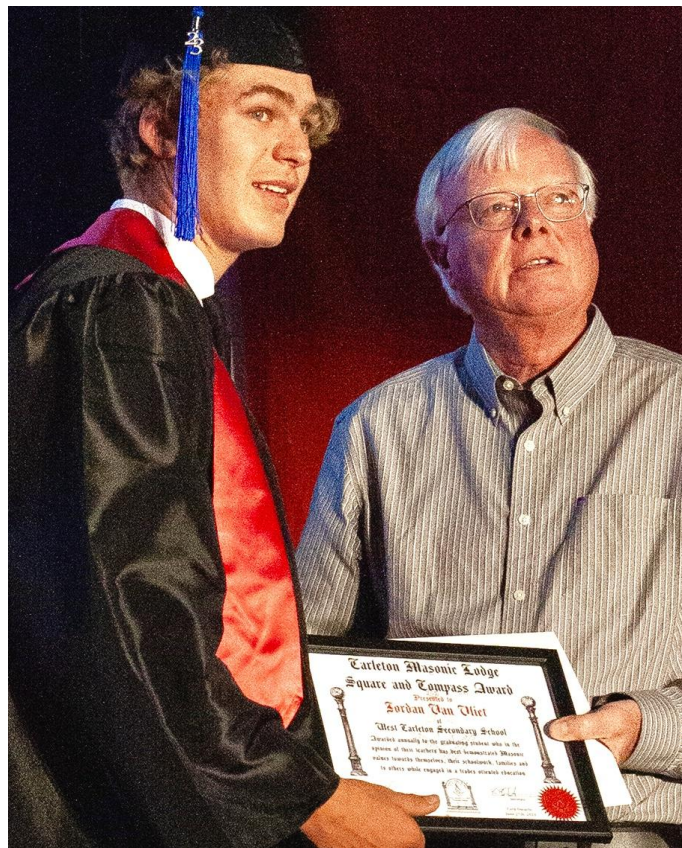


Carleton Lodge, V.W. Bro. Ken Fields upon receiving his V.W. Regalia as Grand Superintendent of the Works - October 27, 2022

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Carleton Lodge DDGM Official Visit - October 27, 2023



Presentation of Square and Compasses Award by Nicholas Beck, W.M. Carleton Lodge, Carp to Jordan Van Vliet of West Carleton High School on June 27, 2023. The award is presented annually to a graduating trades student, judged by their teachers to best demonstrate Masonic values of kindness, honesty, charity, courtesy towards others, industrious dependability in their school work, compassion for the less fortunate and a good citizen of the world.

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Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23

Meets the third Monday of each Month except July & August

Russell Lodge No. 479 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 19, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on: September 19, 2022 at 7h30pm• To welcome distinguished guests to Russell Lodge• To conduct regular business.• To provide Masonic education.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 17, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on: October 17, 2022 at 7h30 pm• To welcome the Ottawa District 1 DDGM R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman on his first visit to Russell Lodge.• Under the condition of favourable reports, to conduct a ballot on the application for initiation received from M. Bruce Wallace Hall.• As per the notice of motion presented at the September 2022 regular meeting, there will be a motion followed by an open vote for the restoration of membership of W. Bro. Douglas Woods.• Masonic Education.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	November 21, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on: November 21st, 2022 at 7h30 pm.• To raise Bro. Wayne Thomas to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason.
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	December 19, 2022		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on December 19, 2022 at 7h30 pm. • To vote on the following motion introduced at the November regular meeting. W. Bro. John Bowman proposed “that Article 2 of the Bylaws of Russell lodge be amended regarding the regular meeting nights. The proposal is that the meeting nights of October through to May be changed from the third Monday night to the first Monday night. The September and June meetings will remain the same.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	January 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on January 16, 2023 at 7h30 pm. • Under the condition of favourable reports, to conduct a ballot on the application for initiation received from M. Paul James Feakins. • Under the condition of favourable reports, to conduct a ballot on the application for initiation received from M. Christopher Allen. • To pass Brother Jimmi Massey to the 2nd degree.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	February 20, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on February 20, 2023 at 7h30 pm. • Under the condition of favourable reports, to conduct a ballot on the application for initiation received from Mr. Paul James Feakins. • Under the condition of favourable reports, to conduct a ballot on the application for

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>initiation received from Mr. Christopher Allen.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To conduct a 1st degree for Mr. Bruce Hall.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	March 20, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on March 20, 2023 at 7h30 pm. Receive the travelling gavel from Acacia Lodge. Under the condition of favourable reports, to conduct a ballot on the application for initiation received from M. Basil Slaney. To conduct a 1st degree for Mr. Chris Allen.
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	April 17, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on April 17, 2023 at 7h00 pm. To receive R.W.Bro. James Bowman, DDGM Ottawa District #1, on his Official Visit to Russell Lodge. Masonic education.
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	May 15, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on May 15, 2023 at 7:30 pm. Election of WM and officers for the next masonic year. To pass Bro. Bruce Hall through the ceremony of the 2nd degree.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	June 19, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of Russell Lodge to be held on June 19, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Installation of the Worshipful Master and Investiture of Officers.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Emergent	June 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.

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Russell Lodge No. 479 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 19, 2022

Hello Brethren,

Hopefully you and your loved ones were able to enjoy the summer with the loosening of Covid restrictions and lives returning to near normal. With any luck we will be able to continue throughout this Masonic year with no more lockdowns and restrictions.

The year is shaping up to be a busy one for Russell Lodge. We will be getting going right out of the gate with a Trivia night on the 24th of September, followed by a return of our annual pig roast in October, the Christmas parade in December and our curling bonspiel in the Spring.

We will also have to dust off books and brush up on our ritual work under the watchful eye of our Director of Ceremonies as we have our first visit from our very own DDGM in October. Also it looks as if we have a full plate ahead of us with regard to Degree work as we clear the backlog caused by the last few years.

I am excited about the upcoming year and hope to see as many of you as possible in Lodge as we have much to do and hope to have fun doing it.

W. Bro. Pat Hall, Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge No. 479

Regular Meeting Summons, October 17, 2022

Good Day Brethren,

I hope everyone is enjoying the fall colours and the brisk mornings. I would like to begin by thanking all brethren who donated and helped out with the Russell Lodge Trivia night last month. It was a great success raising a substantial amount of money that will go a long way towards our charities this year. This was much needed as it has been a tough few years on our coffers.

This month will also be a busy one for the brethren of Russell Lodge as we will be receiving our very own DDGM on his first visit. The District Divine Service will also be held in Russell this year on the 23rd at St. Mary's Anglican Church and last, but not least, our annual pig roast is on the 22nd which I am sure Bro. Junior Warden will be reaching out for help providing side dishes and Lodge set up.

I look forward to seeing you on the 17th.

W. Bro. Pat Hall, Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge #479

Regular Meeting Summons, November 21, 2022

Good Day Brethren,

I would like to thank all of you who helped make the annual Pig Roast a success again this year.

This month we will be conducting a 3rd degree meeting for Bro. Wayne Thomas who has been hard at studying his work.

Upon completion of this we will be creeping into the Christmas Season beginning with our usual beaver tail and hot chocolate stand during the Russell Christmas parade. We will again be collecting donations for Naomi House as we have in the past. A very worthwhile charity especially this time of year.

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I would like to remind you all that one of the best ways to experience and enjoy masonry is through visitation to other lodges, we are fortunate to have one of our members as the DDGM this year and I encourage you all to check out the District Trestle Board and try to attend a few of his official visits as long as your cable tow allows.

Thanks again for all your hard work this past month and I look forward to seeing you all in lodge to bring Bro. Thomas a step further on his Masonic journey.

W. Bro. Pat Hall, Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge #479

Regular Meeting Summons, December 19, 2022

Seasons Greetings to all of you.

I would like to start by thanking all of the brethren who helped out at the Christmas parade in Russell. The weather was fantastic and once again W. Bro Bowman's Beaver Tails were a hit. Between the donation box and the generosity of the members of Russell Lodge we managed to raise a considerable sum to be given to the unfortunate families at Naomi house this season.

This meeting will be our annual potluck dinner so we will be somewhat dressed down i.e. a Christmas sweater with a collared shirt. We will have a little business to catch up on and a vote on a proposed motion to change our regular meeting dates. We will get this done as soon as possible in order to join our spouses for the potluck. The plan this year is to collect donations in lieu of sharing gifts. The money will be used to help someone within our community that is in need.

Thank You

W. Bro. Pat Hall, Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge #479

Regular Meeting Summons, January 16, 2023

Good day Brethren,

I hope that the holiday season was good for everyone. I would like to note that the funds raised during our Christmas Potluck dinner were delivered and very well received by a family in need and I'm sure made a few kids Christmas a little bit better.

As we move into the New Year the tempo is not slowing down, starting with a 2nd degree for Bro. Mike Morris this month followed by at least one first degree in February.

We are planning on holding a ladies night closer to the spring in partnership with Civil Service Lodge. This way hopefully we can pool our resources and hold an enjoyable and yet affordable night for the ladies who put up with us all year.

Again, I would like to thank all of the brethren and Lodge Officers for all their hard work so far this year. I know it has been busy. Let's keep pushing and make our Lodge stronger and stronger in the years to come.

Thank You

W. Bro. Pat Hall, Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge #479

Regular Meeting Summons, February 20, 2023

Brethren,

We are now well on our way through this Masonic year and I would like to thank all of the brethren that have gone above and beyond to make this year a success. I would like

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to congratulate Bro. Mike Morris on an excellent job proving in the first and passing to the second degree.

This month we will be initiating Mr. Bruce Hall and with that completing our initial first degree of the year. Dependent on successful ballots and applications we may have three more on the way. I know we have been busy this year with the degree work and want again to personally thank all the brethren who have often played musical chairs throughout the year so far. Degree work aside, our next challenge will be preparing for our annual curling bonspiel on March 11th. There will be more work asked of you to aid in the set up and I am sure Bro. Junior Warden will be reaching out for assistance in providing food for the event.

Let's pull together and make this the success it has been in the past.

W. Bro Pat Hall, Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge #479

Regular Meeting Summons, March 20, 2023

Brethren,

I would like to start by thanking everyone who chipped in this year with our annual curling bonspiel, making it a success once again. I would also like to thank everyone for their time and effort in delivering a memorable first degree for Bro Hall last month.

This regular meeting, we will be receiving the travelling gavel from Acacia lodge, upon a favourable report balloting for Mr. Basil Slaney from Russell and conducting a first degree for Mr. Chris Allen also from Russell.

I would like to see as many of the brethren from Russell Lodge out to host Acacia and to show support for Mr. Allen on his first step in Masonry.

W. Bro Pat Hall, Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge #479

Regular Meeting Summons, April 17, 2023

Brethren,

I would like to welcome our newest members to Russell lodge. Brothers Feakens and Slaney who were initiated Saturday the 25th of March during our emergent meeting. I know that we have been very busy up to this point however I would ask the senior brethren, especially the sponsors of our newest brethren to reach out to them to mentor and guide them through the work they have ahead of them. Let's not let this slip through the cracks.

We have a busy month ahead as we will be welcoming our DDGM on his official visit as well as delivering the travelling gavel to Doric Lodge a few days later on April 20th. I hope that as many of you as possible will be out to both events.

W. Bro Pat Hall, Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge #479

Regular Meeting Summons, May 15, 2023

Brethren,

I hope everyone is managing to stay warm and dry as we slowly climb our way toward summer. I would like to thank the brethren who attended Doric lodge as we delivered the travelling gavel, we had an exceptional turnout that showcased the strength of our lodge.

I would also like to thank the brethren who attended the District's Spring Fling. It was an excellent event with entertainment provided by our very own Bro Chris Rodgers'

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band and I know that considerable funds were raised for our district charity. This regular meeting, we will be holding elections for the next masonic year and conducting a second degree for Bro Bruce Hall. I encourage as many of you to attend if within the length of your cable tows.

Fraternally,

W. Bro Patrick Hall

Worshipful Master, Russell Lodge #479

Regular Meeting Summons, June 19, 2023

Brethren,

The end of this masonic year is upon us and as we prepare for the next I would like to reflect on the work you have done in the past 12 months.

At the beginning of the year as we were just getting out of Covid we inherited a substantial list of awaiting degrees and new candidates. I would like to thank and congratulate you all on the work we completed. In total you conducted 8 degrees in all three levels. I know many of you put a lot of time and effort into making these degrees memorable for the candidates and Russell lodge is stronger thanks to your efforts. The coming year we will have to keep pushing forward and continue the masonic journey of our newest brethren.

Thank you for the support and thank you for allowing me to lead the lodge this past year.

Fraternally,

W. Bro Patrick Hall

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R.W. Bro. James Bowman on his first visit to his Mother Lodge, Russell Lodge
October 17, 2022



Russell Lodge Curling Bonspiel - March 11, 2023

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**Hazeldean Lodge No. 517, GRC In The Province Of Ontario Instituted
1914**

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23
Meets the third Wednesday of each Month except June, July & August

Hazeldean Lodge No. 517 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 21, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother: By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, September 21st, 2022 at 7:30pm.• General Business.• Investiture of remaining Officers.• Proving in the Third Degree.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 19, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother: By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, October 19th, 2022 at 7:00pm.• Recognition Ceremony: 50 years a Mason, 50 years a Past Master, 60 years a Mason.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	November 16, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother: By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, November 16th, 2022, at 7:30pm• A 2nd Degree is Planned
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	December 21, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother: By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, December 21st, 2022, at 7:30pm• Receive the Travelling Gavel
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	January 18, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dear Sir and Brother: By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, January 18th, 2023, at 7:30pm. • A First Degree is planned.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Emergent	February 4, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dear Sir and Brother: By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, February 4th, 2023, at 10:30am. • A triple Third Degree is planned.
Regular	February 15, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, February 15th, 2023, at 7:30pm • To receive R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman, DDGM Ottawa District One on his official visit to Hazeldean Lodge. • Initiation of a worthy candidate
Regular	March 15, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, March 15th, 2023, at 7:30pm • To Initiate a worthy candidate.
Emergent	April 1, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A triple Third Degree.
Regular	April 19, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, April 9th, 2023, at 7:30pm. • To Initiate a worthy candidate.
Regular	May 17, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By order of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of Hazeldean Lodge, May 17th, 2023, at 7:00pm. • Installation of the Master Elect and the Officers for the ensuing masonic year.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.

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Hazeldean Lodge No. 517 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 21, 2022

Brethren:

I welcome all members back to Hazeldean in September for what I hope, after 2 years, will be an exciting year of renewed fraternal activities.

We start the year with an open doors event for potential applicants, followed by our regular meeting. Nearly 20 people have expressed interest in joining our Lodge and craft, which is encouraging.

At our regular meeting, I will emphasize our Lodge fiscal crisis and the need to 'save our Lodge', from a growing deficit and a very real threat to our staying afloat.

As we rebuild from the darkness of the pandemic, I call on everyone to mobilize your participation, practice charity towards our Lodge, engage in events and participate in our festive activities planned.

I also call on members of Hazeldean to take an active role in the Temple Corporation, by offering to take a position at their next meeting or supporting financially.

Happy to meet again!

W. Bro. Phillip A. Tanner,

Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, October 19, 2022

Brethren,

We are off to a great start to the year. I would like to congratulate all of the officers for an excellent first meeting:

Conducted a ballot,

Passed several motions,

Proved Bro. Cormac McCarthy's proficiency in the Third degree (in which he distinguished himself),

Heard an historical presentation on our Lodge and Lodge accounts and,

Invested our remaining officers.

The evening was overseen by our District Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. James Bowman, on his fraternal visit. Certainly, a busy evening!

At October's meeting, we recognize 50 and 60-year markers for some esteemed brethren, celebrated with their families.

We kicked off the year with a clear message regarding how perilously low Lodge finances are and a central message to find ways to "Save Your Lodge." As a starter, please remember to always bring something for the Junior Warden's basket (even if you don't stay) and help promote a regular fraternal social time for all. Our September festive board was a BBQ and was well attended! Thank you to Bros. Blake, Francisco and Rowe for a great meal.

Brethren, please sign up now for our Christmas Festive Board, which will be held the 21st of December. And as always, please consider how you can contribute to "Saving Your Lodge!"

W. Bro. Philip A Tanner,

Worshipful Master

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Regular Meeting Summons, November 16, 2022

Dear Brethren:

In September we had the honour of recognizing several of our brethren for passing significant milestones in Masonry. V.W. Bros Graham Turnbull and David Wilson were in attendance to receive their 60 years a Mason pin and 50 year Past Master's Pin, respectively. It was a warm, fraternal, and informal atmosphere as we reflected on their contributions to the lodge over more than half a Century.

W. Bro. Robert Copeland could not attend for his 50 years a Mason recognition, but we will be visiting him to present this at his home.

In November, we also remember our Brethren who fought/fight to protect our freedoms. "We will remember them!"

Bro SW will be restarting the Hazeldean Breakfast Club on the Tuesday before our regular meeting. Hope to see more brethren turn out.

Please contribute to the JW plate as we bring more festive board delights following our meetings.

Save Our Lodge continues as our cry, as we seek ways to restore our building and build our legacy at Hazeldean Lodge.

In November we have a ballot and a second degree.

I look forward to seeing you at Lodge!

W. Bro. Philip A Tanner,
Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, December 21, 2022

No Masters message for December.

Regular Meeting Summons, January 18, 2023

Dear Brethren,

I hope you all had a blessed Christmas and I want to wish you and your families a very Happy New Year.

2022 was a difficult year for many, with the Kanata Food Cupboard seeing a significant rise in demand. In December, Hazeldean Lodge responded with a last minute appeal for contributions realizing 12 grocery bags full of non-perishable items. We would like to continue this good effort in 2023, every meeting, and so I encourage you to continue bringing items. You can find the priority items required on their website.

This month, we look forward to conducting a 1st degree, which will be followed by a Pizza Night festive board. On February 4 we will for the first time conduct a triple 3rd degree emergent meeting. This will be preceded by breakfast at The Burbs, at 8:30am and supported by visiting brethren from District 1. I hope you will join us for what should be a very exciting morning.

I look forward to a productive and positive year ahead as we all work together in building our lodge.

W. Bro. Philip A Tanner,
Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, February 15, 2023

Dear Brethren,

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We hit a significant milestone in January, as we initiated our newest member into Hazeldean, Bro. Franzgrote. It has been three and a half years since we have welcomed a new brother into masonry at our lodge, due to the pandemic. We will continue this trend with 3 more candidates over the next 3 months. We know the importance of “three” in the craft!

In February, we will be hosting our official visit and will look forward to welcoming RW Bro. Jim Bowman, DDGM of District 1, and his travelling companions to our lodge. A good turnout is expected, followed by an excellent festive board. It is our annual ***Great Lodge Soup Cook Off , so bring your soup, salad and sandwiches for this potluck!***

In March, I will be out of the country on business and W. Bro Anthony Kopf-Johnson has agreed to sit in the East and will deliver some exciting masonic education, along with R.W. Bro. Dario Mancuso. Don't forget the Chili Cook Off at our March Festive Board!

See you all in February.

W. Bro. Phil Tanner

Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, March 15, 2023

Dear Brethren,

We had an excellent meeting in February for our second initiation and official visit. I received a lot of positive feedback from many visitors regarding the officers' work and music. Eight current masters attended and we were privileged to host RW James Bowman, DDGM, for the third time this year.

In March, I asked W. Bro. Anthony Kopf-Johnson to sit in the East while I am travelling abroad. He will conduct a First Degree, on my behalf, for Emmanuel Domingo. March is also our annual Chili Cook-Off.

In February, I adjudicated at Fidelity lodge's Chili contest. It's good fun and great food. Contact Bro. Rob Blake or Cormac McCarthy if you wish to participate in the Cook-Off. Entries will be closed at midnight on March 13.

A triple 3rd degree emergent meeting is planned for 1 April at 9:30. Please try to be there.

Also note that Hazeldean is seeking our next Secretary and I would be pleased to hear of anyone's interest in that position for next year. Elections are in April!

W. Bro. Phil Tanner,

Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, April 19, 2023

Brethren,

The year is almost over! Spring is making a valiant attempt to defeat the doldrums of Winter!

At our 1st of April emergent meeting, we had a good turn-out for two 3rd degree candidates (Anthony Francisco and Brent Rowe). They performed very well. We had an excellent degree team and my thanks again to our guest officers for strong contributions. Our emergent work signals Hazeldean conducting every degree this masonic year, meeting one of the standards of the CornerStone program. I encourage

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our incoming master for next year to continue working towards this honourable goal of being approved under this program.

David Gilbert will be initiated at our April regular meeting, following our elections. Our Grand Master spoke about the men who are showing interest in Freemasonry today, challenging our craft to provide more than we have ever been called to do thus far. To achieve this, change is inevitable and highly encouraged if we are to flourish and meet their expectations and needs in today's society. Our RW DDGM also called on us to look into our hearts and seek a balance in effecting that change: show support to one another, avoid disharmony and be deliberate in making change that will help our craft grow. Visitation is also an important part of growth, and a privilege of our craft. Brethren, you are encouraged to attend and support other lodges as much as possible. I have been blessed to have visited all the lodges in our district this year, to participate in many of their work, to conduct masonic education and to make tremendous friendships. In turn, we have been blessed by their support to our lodge. This should continue, as we seek to build capacity throughout the district.

Lastly, let us remember our fallen brother, John Brummel. John was a good man, a strong and committed mason and one who did not shy away from change, while honouring our traditions. He was my sponsor into masonry and had been a strong supporter to me over the years, especially in my year as Master. We will be honouring him at a memorial on 13 April. I hope to see as many brethren as possible at that event to say farewell. Brethren, I look forward to seeing you all at our second to last regular meeting, 19 April.

Philip A. Tanner WM, Hazeldean
Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, May 17, 2023

Brethren,

This is my final message and summons of the masonic year, and I take the opportunity of thanking the members of Hazeldean for installing me as your Worshipful Master. On reflection, I learned more in this year about our craft than I did in the preceding 15 years that I've been a mason. The position compels you to understand many things that we take for granted in our usual rituals. In my travels through the district and beyond, I also learned a great deal about lodge traditions and practises and came to appreciate that it takes all of a lodge's officers and its members to run a lodge and not just the master. This was an important lesson for me this year.

I offer a special thanks to all of the masters of Ottawa district one for their continued support and friendship throughout the year. This was another highlight for me. I especially thank the DDGM, RW Bro. Jim Bowman for his trust and support, and continued assistance whenever I needed it. It has been a privilege to be one of "Bowman's Arrows." My hope is only that I was able to make a positive difference, even if in a very small way. For those I was able to help or support, I offer a humble thanks for the opportunity. For those I may have unintentionally hindered or offended, I offer a hand of friendship and brotherly love.

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At our upcoming meeting, join me as we install a new master in Solomon's chair at Hazeldean. It will be followed by the new Master's banquet. Lastly, I wish you all a fun summer break and continued association with your brothers in masonry.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
W. Bro. Philip Tanner, WM
Hazeldean Lodge 517

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Hazeldean Lodge No. 517 - Select Photos



Hazeldean Lodge Official Visit of R.W. Bro. James Bowman, DDGM - February 15, 2023



Hazeldean Lodge Installation Night - May 17, 2023

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**Sidney Albert Luke No. 558, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted
1919**

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23
Meets the second Wednesday of each Month except June, July & August

Sidney Albert Luke Lodge No. 558 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 14, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday September 14th, 2022. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:30 PM sharp.Sidney Albert Luke Lodge will be conducting its annual Elections of Officers at this meeting.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No meeting was held.
Regular	October 12, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dear Sir and Brother: You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday October 12th, 2022. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:00 PM sharp.Installation of Worshipful Master-elect W. Bro. Steve Elias, and the investiture of officers of the Lodge.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No meeting was held.
Regular	November 9, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday November 9th, 2022. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:00 PM sharp.DDGM Official Visit.Presentations.
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No meeting was held.
Regular	December 14, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday December 14th, 2022. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:30 PM sharp.Work of the Evening is a Second Degree.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAL is hosting the Christie Lake Kids Christmas Party at Walkley Road. In support of the Christmas Party SAL is collecting presents (donations) for the Kids and money for the Pizza (food) for the party. SAL hopes to raise \$450.00 for the Pizza.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	January 11, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday January 11, 2023. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:00 PM sharp. To prove Bro Al-Sharif in the third degree To vote on admitting Mr. Ouamar Ait Ouazzou to Freemasonry.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	February 8, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday, February 8th, 2023. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:30 PM sharp. The Initiation of Mr. Ouamar Ait Ouazzou to Freemasonry.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	March 8, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday, March 8th, 2023. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:00 PM sharp. Ballot to be conducted for Mr. Anas Mohammad Alhmsban M.M. Degree to be conferred on Bro. Leigh-Mossley.
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	April 12, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday, April 12th, 2023. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:00 PM sharp.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To Initiate Mr. Anas Mohammad Alhmsban. Election for Officers 2024.
Emergent	April 27, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend the Emergent Meeting of this lodge on Thursday, April 27th, 2023. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:00 PM sharp. To Raise Bro. Joshua Leigh-Mossley.
Regular	May 10, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are hereby summoned to attend the regular Meeting of this lodge on Wednesday May 10th, 2023. We will meet at 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa Ontario starting at 7:00 PM sharp Installation of the Officers 2023-24
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

* "M" – minutes; "S" – summons. Some Lodges were reluctant to share their minutes outside of the Lodge. As a result, the historical summary was prepared from the Lodge Summons. Therefore, in some instances the information may not be entirely accurate as it is based on planned activities rather than the actual events that transpired. While the Summons records what the Lodge planned to do, numerous events can take place which prevents the planned from becoming the achieved – for example, a candidate may not be ready, principal officers are absent due to their public or private avocations, weather related snowstorms may result in the cancellation of a meeting etc., etc.

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Sidney Albert Luke Lodge No. 558 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 14, 2022

Brethren!

After two long years, we've reached the light. Everything has opened up, many Lodges have started their in-person meetings and the beautiful weather is with us.

Let's celebrate our last meeting of the year together at the Walkley Lodge.

Can't wait to see you all.

S&F,

W. Bro. Napoleon Voulgaridis, WM, Sidney Albert Luke Lodge.

Regular Meeting Summons, October 12, 2022

Brethren!

As they say, all good things come to an end, but with every ending, it leaves room for new beginnings.

My time as Worshipful master was definitely a special one as we turned 100 years old and we powered through COVID, together.

All I can say with all of that is, Thank you.

Thank you all for being the Brethren I needed to help me through my 3 years as Master.

A big thank you to my Immediate Past Master, V.W. Bro. Alan Christie for guiding me through a lot of the red tape that is Masonic protocols.

As the torch is passed on to our Master Elect, W. Bro. Steve Elias, all I see in the future are sunny skies.

I'm sure we can all agree that W. Bro. Elias will do an amazing job and I can't wait to sit next to him in Lodge and try to guide him if there is ever a chance that he makes some little mistake.

Thank you all!

S&F

W. Bro. Napoleon Voulgaridis

Regular Meeting Summons, November 9, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

Thank you to all who came out to our last meeting where we received our DDGM, Right Worshipful Brother James Bowman on his fraternal visit and also installed our new Worshipful Master. It was great to see so many brothers out – including visitors I think the count was somewhere around 40. A huge thank you for all your work – it was very evident and very much appreciated. The meeting was followed by a truly wonderful festive board and much social enjoyment. A shining example of what Freemasonry can be. Special thanks to W Bro Napoleon Voulgaridis for his enthusiastic and solid leadership of our lodge over the past three+ years and for installing me as his successor.

At our November meeting we will be receiving RW Bro Bowman on his official visit to our lodge. Our work of the evening should be interesting as we will be conducting the Investiture of a Grand Pursuivant and a Grand Steward.

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December will be a busy month for Sidney Albert Luke Lodge. We will be hosting the Christmas party for Christie Lake Kids once again this year and this is truly a heart-warming adventure we look forward to. At our regular Masonic meeting, we will be receiving the Travelling Gavel from Prince of Wales Lodge. Bro Leigh-Mosely has been patiently waiting for almost 4 years and I believe that night would be perfect to entertain our visitors by passing him to the 2nd degree. Our work for the month is done yet as we take the Travelling Gavel to Hazeldean Lodge on Wednesday December 21. This gives everyone lots of notice to keep that evening available so that we can visit with at least a perfect number (7).

One more reminder: We have our General Purpose Meeting on the Thursday before our regular meeting. I encourage everyone to attend.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge and serving as your WM.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Steve Elias,

Worshipful Master, Sidney Albert Luke Lodge #558

Regular Meeting Summons, December 14, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

Thank you to all who came out to our last meeting where we received our DDGM, Right Worshipful Brother James Bowman on his official visit. The evening was unusual as we were able to celebrate the investiture of two brothers, V.W. Bro Alan Christie and V.W. Bro Andrew Hale with their respective Grand Lodge regalia. We also presented W. Bro Voulgaridis with his Past Master's jewel and R.W. Jeff Christie with the official vote cast to elect him as DDGM. We had a pretty good turnout and I believe everyone had a good time. Thank you to our JW for his organizing of our festive board which was enjoyed by all the guests.

At our December meeting we will be receiving the Travelling Gavel from Prince of Wales Lodge. Our work of the evening should be interesting as we will be passing Bro Josh Leigh-Mosely to the Fellowcraft degree (our first degree work in almost three years).

On Sunday December 11, we will be hosting the Christmas party for Christie Lake Kids. This promises to be a lot of fun again this year. Our work for the month continues later than normal as we take the Travelling Gavel to Hazeldean Lodge on Wednesday December 21. This gives everyone lots of notice to keep that evening available so that we can visit with at least a perfect number (7).

As the new calendar year begins, we continue to be busy as we initiate Mr. Ait Ouazzou into our fraternity at our January meeting.

We will also be voting on accepting Bro Steve Liddell into our lodge when we hear back from Grand Lodge (hopefully sooner rather than later).

One more reminder: We have our General Purpose Meeting on the Thursday before our regular meeting. I encourage everyone to attend.

I wish you all a wonderful December and an even better new year.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Steve Elias

Worshipful Master,

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Regular Meeting Summons, January 11, 2023

Greetings Brethren,

I hope everyone had a wonderful end of 2022 and a great beginning to 2023. Certainly our Christmas Party for Christie Lake Kids was a huge success and we look forward to continuing with the great fellowship and charity work in the upcoming year. We ended 2022 by receiving the Travelling Gavel from Prince of Wales Lodge and then presenting it to Hazeldean Lodge. Thank you to all the brethren who helped make both evenings a success. Speaking of successes, brother Leigh-Mossley did a great job proving in the first and a big congratulations to him for being passed to the second degree. If all goes according to plan, he will be raised before our next Installation.

Our January regular meeting will continue our theme of advancing our newer members – in this case we will proving Bro Al-Sharif in the third and voting on initiating Mr. Ait Ouazzou. I also plan on a very brief piece of Masonic education while in the third – I hope you will find it as interesting as I do. The current plan for February is to initiate Mr. Ait Ouazzou (assuming he passes the vote). For those who have volunteered for parts, I trust you have been working on them. We will have a dress rehearsal on our emergent night in January.

With winter fully upon us, please use extra caution while driving and remember to keep those who may need our assistance in mind.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge soon.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Steve Elias

Worshipful Master,

Sidney Albert Luke Lodge #558

Regular Meeting Summons, February 8, 2023

Greetings Brethren,

Well, we have certainly had our fair share of snow so far this year but that hasn't stopped us from enjoying our fraternity both inside and out of the lodge.

At our January meeting we saw Bro Al-Sharif prove himself as a Master Mason and subsequently be invested as Junior Deacon of our lodge. We also voted to admit Mr. Ait Ouazzou to the mysteries and privileges of Ancient Freemasonry and he will be initiated as a member of Sidney Albert Luke No. 558 at our regular meeting in February.

R.W. Bro. Christie and V.W. Bro. Guinn rejuvenated our regular monthly social gathering (which had become a victim of Covid). Many of us were able to help celebrate the Chinese New Year with a great meal at the Yangtze restaurant - organized by the Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star Martine Chu with help from her husband (our own W Bro J. F. Plamondon). Our next informal social will be a brunch/lunch on Sunday Feb. 5 (details will be sent out).

In March we plan to raise Bro. Josh Leigh-Mossley to the sublime degree of a Master Mason.

Once again I will ask everyone to please use extra caution while driving and remember to keep those who may need our assistance in mind.

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I look forward to seeing you in Lodge soon.
Sincerely and Fraternally,
Steve Elias
Worshipful Master,
Sidney Albert Luke #558

Regular Meeting Summons, March 8, 2023

Greetings Brethren,
A huge welcome to our newest member, Brother Ouamar Ait Ouazzou who was initiated at our regular meeting in February. And thank you to the brethren for all your work in putting on a memorable first degree.
Our monthly informal social came close to being cancelled but was saved by the efforts of W. Bro. Voulgaridis and of course everyone who ended up coming out on Sunday Feb. 5 – some of the best nachos I’ve had. Thank you Napoleon for making the calls and getting everyone out.
In March we will ballot on a new applicant and then raise Bro Josh Leigh-Mossley to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. I know everyone is looking forward to this and will work hard to give Bro Leigh-Mossley the experience he has earned.
Our April meeting will feature elections and hopefully, (depending on the ballot in March), the Initiation of a new member. We are also looking at the strong possibility of a second degree at an emergent meeting in April – so be prepared.
Though we are hopeful that the worst of winter is past and we are moving towards warmer weather, the danger of icy roads is not over so please use extra caution while driving and remember to keep those who may need our assistance in mind.
I look forward to seeing you in Lodge soon.
Sincerely and Fraternally,
Steve Elias,
Worshipful Master,
Sidney Albert Luke #558

Regular Meeting Summons, April 12, 2023

Greetings Brethren,
The warmer weather finally appears to be arriving and hopefully that will mean the end of most of the ailments our members have fallen victim to over the past few months.
In March we balloted on Mr. Anas Al-Hasban and his acceptance means we will initiate him at our regular April meeting. Unfortunately, due to illness, we were unable to perform the third degree for brother Leigh-Mossley in March but we will raise him to the sublime degree of a Master Mason at our emergent meeting in April. I know everyone is looking forward to this and will work hard to give Bro Leigh-Mossley the experience he has earned.
Our regular April meeting will also feature elections and of course our May meeting will be the Installation of our new Worshipful Master and officers.
Like many lodges, we have lost some members since the start of Covid but I am very happy to see several new, enthusiastic members being active members and participating in our events. I urge all members, especially our newer ones to visit other

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lodges. This will improve your experience in Masonry and expand your enjoyment of the craft.

I look forward to seeing you in Lodge soon.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Steve Elias,

Worshipful Master,

Sidney Albert Luke #558

Regular Meeting Summons, May 11, 2023

Greetings Brethren,

The end of our Masonic year is upon us and as we reflect on the past year, we are encouraged by our progress and excited by our opportunities to improve on our deficiencies.

This past year has seen us return to regular in- person meetings after covid. Though some members are still unable to attend on a regular basis, we have had a pretty good turnout on most nights.

In April we initiated Mr. Anas Al-Hasban into our fraternity. This makes two new enthusiastic brothers in our lodge in the past three months and I highly encourage all members to attend our next meeting and get to know these fine men. Also you will see the Installation of the new officers – shortened version leaving more time for socializing.

On April 19, we had the wonderful experience of participating in the Six Lodges night. We had breakfast for dinner (including local maple syrup), great socializing with brothers we don't usually get to visit with and an enjoyable evening at lodge discussing what our different lodges had been up to.

As we look to the future, we will have several degrees to perform, brothers to install in new positions as they progress in their Masonic journey and our continued improvement as individuals.

Thank you for letting me lead the lodge this past year and for electing me to do so again next year (is it because you liked what I did – or are you giving me a second chance to get it right?).

Thank you for the support, especially those who filled in with little notice and of course to our secretary W. Bro. Booth for his tireless work in all the minutiae of keeping the lodge running smoothly.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Steve Elias

Worshipful Master,

Sidney Albert Luke #558

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Sidney Albert Luke Lodge No. 558 - Select Photos

No photos provided.

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**St. Andrew's Lodge No. 560, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted
1920**

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23
Meets the first Thursday of each Month except July & August

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 560 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 1, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend the following meetings of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 560, GRC in Ontario, to be held at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa, Ontario: a Regular Meeting on Thursday, September 1, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. (Lodge Room #1)• To Confer the 1st Degree Initiation Ceremony for Mr. Cameron Andrews
Emergent	September 15, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend the following meetings of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 560, GRC in Ontario, to be held at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa, Ontario: an Emergent Meeting on Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 7:30pm.• Members are encouraged to join the WM in visiting Doric Lodge for their initial meeting of the year.
Regular	October 6, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited, to attend Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2022, at 7:30 p.m., Lodge Room #1.• To Welcome guests as we honour Right Worshipful Brother John Moor in receiving the Grand Master's Meritorious Service Award.
Emergent	October 20, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend an Emergent Meeting on

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>Thursday October 20, 2022 at 7:30 p.m, Lodge room 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conferring the Fellowcraft Degree on Brother Richard Hash.
Regular	November 3, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend a Regular Meeting on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. to be held at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa, Ontario, (Lodge Room #1). • Present Milestone Certificates and Pins to W. Bro Don Godding • To conduct the Empty Chair Ceremony
Emergent	November 17, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lodge of Discussion – the Future of St. Andrew’s Lodge.
Regular	December 1, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited, to attend a Regular Meeting on Thursday, December 1, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Lodge Room #1. • The Official Visit of the DDGM of Ottawa District One, R.W. Bro. James Bowman. • To conduct the essential business of the Lodge including Conferring the Fellowcraft Degree on Bro. Delatour.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	January 5, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend a Regular Meeting on Thursday, January 5, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. to be held at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa, Ontario, (Lodge Room #1). • Vote on Motion Raised by RW Bro. Campbell at the December 2022 regular meeting that ARTICLE VIII Fees and Dues of the By-laws of St. Andrew’s Lodge 560, be amended to read Section 5 – The annual Dues for each resident member be two hundred and sixty dollars

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>(\$260) and Section 6 – The Annual Dues of each non-resident member be two hundred and ten dollars (\$210) with the change to take effect May 1, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To ballot on two applications for membership by initiation from <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. James Bernard Smith sponsored by R.W. Bro. Gillis and Bro. Riendeau; and ○ Mr. Max Deleme LaFleur sponsored by Bros. Federico and Young.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No meeting was held.
Regular	February 2, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend a Regular Meeting on Thursday, February 2, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. to be held at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa, Ontario, (Lodge Room #1). ● Open the Lodge Room to spouses, family and friends to join with M.W. Bro. Todd, to honour ● our Lodge's 60 year Masons: R.W. Bro. Campbell and Bro. Gary Shaver.
Emergent	February 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Officers practice for upcoming 1st Degrees
Regular	March 2, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend a Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 2, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. to be held at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa, Ontario, (Lodge Room #1). ● A Moment of Memory for R.W. Bro. Dudley Fraser. ● To Confer the Entered Apprentice Degree onto Messrs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ James Smith; and ▪ Max Deleme LaFleur ● A light festive board follows the meeting. Members of St. Andrew's are asked to contribute \$10.00 each to offset costs.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Emergent	March 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To Confer the Master Mason Degree onto Brother Richard Hash.
Regular	April 6, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend a Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. to be held at the Ottawa Masonic Centre, 2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa, Ontario, (Lodge Room #1). To Welcome visitors including members of Doric Lodge. To conduct a double Second degree for Brothers Cameron Andrews and Stephen Campbell with the assistance of members of Doric Lodge.
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	May 4, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend a Regular Meeting on Thursday, May 4, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. (Lodge Room #1) To Ballot on the applications for Affiliation from R.W. Bro. John Allen Patrick Richer, of Penewobiking Lodge #487, and R.W. Bro. Roger Wehbe, of Eddy Lodge #41, To Ballot on the applications for Initiation from Mister Prescott Derry James, and Mister Omar Ibraheem Yussif Al-Janabi. Conduct Election of Officers Masonic Education should there be time
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	June 1, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master, members are summoned and visitors are invited to attend a Regular Meeting on Thursday, June 1, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. (Lodge Room #1) To Conduct the essential business of the Lodge including the Installation and Investiture of Lodge Officers for 2023-24 under the direction of the Installing Master, W. Bro. Elias Lakkis with his inclusive team of

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>Past Masters from our Lodge and other Lodges, as well as members of the Lodge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To PRESENT Certificates to RW Bro. Simpson and Bro. Bramall.
Emergent	June 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No meeting was held.

* "M" – minutes; "S" – summons. Some Lodges were reluctant to share their minutes outside of the Lodge. As a result, the historical summary was prepared from the Lodge Summons. Therefore, in some instances the information may not be entirely accurate as it is based on planned activities rather than the actual events that transpired. While the Summons records what the Lodge planned to do, numerous events can take place which prevents the planned from becoming the achieved – for example, a candidate may not be ready, principal officers are absent due to their public or private avocations, weather related snowstorms may result in the cancellation of a meeting etc., etc.

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St. Andrew's Lodge No. 560 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 1, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

I hope you and your loved ones had a good summer break and enjoyed the normalcy of life again with almost no Covid restrictions. I am looking forward to this Masonic year, as it will feel different from the last two. I am glad to be back in Lodge and to see my Brethren. We have a full year ahead with a mixed bag of ritual work, education and social activities.

We are kicking off the September regular meeting with a much-deserved initiation for Mr. Cameron Andrews who has been patiently waiting for two and a half years as Lodges closed due to Covid. Mr. Andrews still showed patience and dedication and was actively involved in activities during the shut down, as did other potential candidates and Brethren. In addition, at our September emergent meeting, we will have a fraternal visit to Doric Lodge. I hope to see you there.

This year is going to be fun-filled and I hope to see all of you in Lodge. I continue to give my full support to those who choose not to attend due to their comfort level with Covid still around.

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S & F

W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2023

Regular Meeting Summons, October 6, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

We kicked off the new Masonic year with the initiation of Bro. Cameron Andrews. I would like to congratulate him on joining our beautiful craft and a great job done by the officers conducting the degree. I would also like to thank the brethren who joined me for a fraternal visit to Doric lodge in September. The brethren represented St. Andrew's very well.

At the regular meeting, we will be holding a ceremony to honour our very own R.W.Bro. John Moor with a well-deserved Meritorious Service Award for all his contributions and sacrifices to St. Andrew's Lodge and the craft. Immediate Past Grand Master, M.W.Bro. David J. Cameron, will attend to present the Meritorious Service Award Medal. This is a great honour and I call on as many of you to attend in a show of support.

In addition, on Tuesday October 4, 2022, it will be our duty to fulfil the tradition of circulating the Travelling Gavel, to Goodwood Lodge in Richmond. This tradition is important and encourages fraternal visitation. At the emergent meeting, we will be holding a second degree for Bro. Richard Hash who has been eagerly waiting to continue his masonic journey. I ask anyone able to join me to attend all of the events this month.

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W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2023

Regular Meeting Summons, November 3, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

November is a time that we remember and thank our current and past military, police and other personnel who put their lives on the line for the well-being of others. It is even more special to St. Andrew's as our lodge was founded by military officers who were looking to continue that brotherly fraternity when they returned from the First World War. At our regular meeting, we will thank and remember our current and past officers. I strongly encourage you all, with your family and friends, to attend our annual ceremony of the Empty Chair.

We will also be presenting a very special 25 year Past Master pin as well as a 50 years a Mason pin to a pillar of our lodge. Please show your support and attend.

Brethren, we are at a crossroad and we must seriously contemplate our future as a lodge. Life is getting harder, lodge dues are going up and numbers of Masons are declining. I call on every Brother to attend the November Emergent Meeting as we will be conducting a Lodge of Discussion. It is imperative that you attend as this will be your chance to make your opinions and views heard in order to plan out how to move forward together.

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S&F

W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2022

Regular Meeting Summons, December 1, 2022

Greetings Brethren,

Christmas is fast approaching, let's take the time to reflect on family, friends and loved ones. I continue to urge you to make a difference in someone's life this season and help those who are less fortunate. At our regular meeting on December 1, 2022, we will be hosting the District Deputy Grand Master's official visit. I call on you to make the effort to attend and show your support. We will also be conducting a Second Degree for Bro. Delatour. I highly encourage your attendance and your continued support.

As we don't normally have an emergent meeting in December, I would like to continue the tradition of getting together for St. Andrew's Christmas dinner, where we and our significant others gather for the holidays. More information will be sent in the near future.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

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Sincerely and Fraternally,

W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2022

Regular Meeting Summons, January 5, 2023

APPEAL TO RESIDENT LODGE MEMBERS

Further to Bro. Young's Report discussed in November and V.W. Bro. Fermoy's email of December 23, 2022, the Officers of the Lodge are appealing to the 29 resident

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members of the Lodge, who have been regularly absent to please reconsider this choice and become active again. We already are at risk of not being able to open in January. We need brethren who can assist in the effort to: establish back ups for officers; plug gaps in the line; potential applicant screening; and take on other roles while the Lodge rebuilds. Without this participation the Lodge will be on its way to going dark.

Happy New Year Brethren,

I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday with your loved ones and are doing well. I want to wish you all a healthy and prosperous 2023.

Our January regular meeting will be a quiet yet important one. We will be conducting a double ballot for Mr. Smith and Mr. Lafleur, who have shown great patience and desire to join our lodge and have come out to as many festive boards as they can. Balloting is a very important duty to all masons and I encourage you all to attend. Also, due to the number of brethren/officers who will not be able to attend for various reasons, we will not be having an emergent meeting in January.

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Sincerely and Fraternally,

W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2022

Regular Meeting Summons, February 2, 2023

Greetings Brethren,

Our February regular meeting will be an important one as we will be celebrating a great milestone for two worthy brethren, who are “Pillars” of St. Andrew’s Lodge. At that meeting we will be honouring our very own R.W. Bro. Ron Campbell and Bro. Gary Shaver, each of whom have dedicated sixty years to our beloved Craft. I hope to see as many of you in show of support. This celebration is open to Masons, their significant others and any family and friends that wish to attend.

In lieu of an emergent meeting, the officers will hold a first degree practice for a double first degree in March.

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Sincerely and Fraternally,

W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2022

Regular Meeting Summons, March 2, 2023

Greetings Brethren,

At our regular meeting on March 2, 2023, we will be conducting a double initiation for Mr. James Smith and Mr. Max Deleme LaFleur.

Congratulations to both gentlemen and please assist me in wishing them all the best in beginning their masonic journey. I highly encourage you all to be in attendance in show of support for our new candidates.

At our emergent meeting, on March 16, 2023, we will be conducting a third degree.

More information will follow in the upcoming days.

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With only a few months left in the Masonic Year, we do have a full schedule of events and rituals. Your involvement and attendance is much needed, and appreciated.
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Sincerely and Fraternally,
W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2023

Regular Meeting Summons, April 6, 2023

Greetings Brethren,
Our April regular meeting will be a special one as we will be conducting a combined double second degree and work together with Doric Lodge.
The two Lodges have spoken and decided to come together in conducting the degree work. It will be a first as far as I can remember and I highly encourage all of you to show your support and attend.

In lieu of an emergent meeting, we will be continuing our show of support of other lodges and will have fraternal visitations. More information will be sent out to you prior to the visits.

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Sincerely and Fraternally,
W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2023

Regular Meeting Summons, May 4, 2023

Greetings Brethren,
Our May regular meeting will be an important one as we will start our new Masonic Year by holding Elections of Officers. It is your right and duty to participate and have a say in your Lodge. I hope to see many of you in attendance. In lieu of an emergent meeting on May 18, 2023, we will visit Doric Lodge as it will be their installation night. I ask you to continue to show your support to our brethren of Doric.

I would like to take a moment and sincerely thank all of you for your amazing show of support to me and my family after my father's passing. Your kind words and actions are helping me cope with this devastating loss. I am very thankful for you, my brethren.

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Sincerely and Fraternally,
W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2023

Regular Meeting Summons, June 1, 2023

Greetings Brethren,
The time has come for me to relinquish my gavel and pass it onto the next Master-Elect. As I reflect upon the last few years, I can't help but feel a mixed bag of emotions. We have been through so much as a Lodge. COVID certainly was unexpected and caused a severe disruption in our daily lives. Freemasonry had to keep moving forward and it did. The group of brethren from the Lodge that tirelessly gave all they had to ensure that we continued our ancient traditions, made the bond between the brethren that much stronger, and we never lost the high standard to which we hold

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ourselves and our Lodge. Through all the emotions, I leave the Chair in the East with a sense of happiness and accomplishment. During my time in the Chair, we accomplished a great deal including initiating the Candidates' Series and more recently laid foundations for future partnerships by co-hosting degrees with Doric. Seeing the dedication of newly initiated Masons and so many interested and potential candidates, I can't help but feel joy and my outlook is very positive regarding the future of the Lodge.

I would like to thank all of you for your support and I hope that support will continue for the years ahead. We have our work cut out for us but I am certain that with the dedication and love for our beloved Craft, we will persevere in the adversity we are facing. Our new Master-Elect is very capable, and has great ideas that will help the Lodge flourish, as well as build on the foundations we have laid for the future. I look forward to sitting in the Past Master's Chair, to provide guidance and support where I'm needed and to continue my amazing journey in Freemasonry which I hold so dearly in my heart.

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Sincerely and Fraternally,

W.M. Elias Lakkis 2019-2023

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St. Andrew's Lodge Installation of Lodge Officers for 2023-34 - June 1, 2023



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Acacia Lodge No. 561, GRC In The Province of Ontario - Instituted 1920

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23

Meets the third Tuesday of each Month except June, July & August

Acacia Lodge No. 561 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 20, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday September 20th at 7:30 PM.• Regular Business and an in Memoriam Service for R.W. Bro. Michael Jenkyns and Bro. Harold Morrison.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	October 18, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: a Regular meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday October 18th at 7:30 PM.• To raise Bro. David Perkins to the Third Degree, and an in Memoriam service for W. Bro. Ronald Siwicky.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	November 15, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: a Regular meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday November 15th at 7:30 PM.• Empty Chair Ceremony• To Ballot on Mr. Mathew Van Setters
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.
Regular	December 20, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: a Regular meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday December 20th at 7:30 PM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular Business and a Memoriam for W. Bro. Donald Williams: Initiated, April 12, 1987; Passed, October 20, 1987; Raised, February 16, 1988. Worshipful Master 1995/96. Passed to the Grand Lodge Above 14 November 2022.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	January 17, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: a Regular meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday January 17th at 7:00 PM. Regular Business, DDGM Official Visit, Balloting for two candidates, Roll Call, and Masonic Education. Ballots for Initiation for: Mr. Jan Schulz and Mr. Iain Reid 2305. Dependent upon favourable reports.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	February 21, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: a Regular meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday, February 21st at 7:30 PM. Receive the Travelling Gavel from St. John's Lodge. Initiate Mr. Van Seters.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	March 21, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: a Regular Meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday, March 21st at 7:30 PM To Initiate Mr. Iain Reid.

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: an Emergent Meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday, March 28th at 7:30 PM. To initiate Mr. Jan Schulz
Regular	April 18, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: a Regular Meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday, April 18th at 7:30 PM. Memoriam for Bro. Rev. Cannon Hobbs. Elections of Officers for 2023-34 Masonic Year.
Emergent	April 25, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: an Emergent Meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday, April 25th at 7:30 PM. Step-up night for newly elected Officers.
Regular	May 16, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend a Regular meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the Lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday May 16th at 7:00 P.M. Regular Business. Investiture and Installation of Officers for 2023 – 2024.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Emergent	July 4, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By command of the Worshipful Master you are hereby summoned to attend: an emergent meeting of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 561 to be held in the lodge room, 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa on Tuesday, July 4th, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. Voting on a motion regarding the meeting place of Acacia Lodge.

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Acacia Lodge No. 561 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 20, 2022

Brothers of Acacia,

The summer has come and gone. We didn't have a chance to meet this summer, but there is always our breakfast outing coming up in the fall.

This is a full new Masonic year after the Pandemic. Let's make it a great year. We will have our 100th Anniversary party that was taken from us by the Covid Pandemic. It will be an Acacia party with our own Lodge and families.

We will be having the Shriners Degree Team doing our Third Degree for Bro. David Perkins this year. We will also be doing a First degree this coming year.

In closing, I hope to see you at our September meeting where we will be remembering R.W. Bro. Mike Jenkyns and Bro. Harold Morrison, both of whom we lost during the summer recess. We also lost our Honourary Member, M.W. Bro. Don Mumby, Past Grand Master (2003-2005).

I'll look forward to your attendance at our Committee of General Purposes Meeting on September 13, 2022.

Hope to see you all at CGP and at our Regular Meeting on September 20, 2022 at 7:30pm.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master, Acacia Lodge No. 561

Regular Meeting Summons, October 18, 2022

Brothers of Acacia,

Before I begin my message, I would like to pass along the Lodge's condolences and prayers to Bro. Chris Zuger, whose father passed away just before our September meeting.

For those that missed our September meeting it was a shame. We held a Memorial Tribute for R.W. Bro. Michael Jenkyns, and Bro. Harold Morrison who recently Passed to the Grand Lodge Above. Our historian, W. Bro. Neil Lillico presented biographies of these two deceased Brothers which contained many interesting stories of their lives and contributions in life. We also invested V. W. Bro. Bill Gordon as the Tyler. In addition, we were pleased to welcome R.W. Bro. Charles Singh, Past DDGM, who attended Acacia specifically because of the Memorial Tributes that were part of the evening's events.

This month, we are pleased to welcome the Shrine Degree Team who will be raising Brother David Perkins to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Bro. Perkins has been patiently waiting for this since Covid interrupted our normal schedule of events. Ottawa District One DDGM, R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman will be in attendance to see the Degree Team. We will also be investing Bro. Chris Zuger as our Inner Guard.

As some of you may have heard, W. Bro. Sam Roberts would like to proffer his name as a candidate for DDGM in 2025. If anyone has any feedback they would like to share, in confidence, please let me know.

October is Thanksgiving month and I hope everyone is able to spend time with family and friends so as to fully appreciate our good fortune as Masons and Canadians.

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Hope to see you all at next month's CGP and at our Regular Meeting on October 18th, 2022 at 7:30pm.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master, Acacia Lodge No. 561

Regular Meeting Summons, November 15, 2022

Brothers of Acacia,

First, I would like to congratulate our newest Master Mason, Bro. David Perkins. Special thanks are extended to the Shriners Degree team who did an exemplary job of Raising Bro. Perkins to the Third Degree.

We were also pleased to welcome our District Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. Jim Bowman who attended this Regular Meeting on October 18, 2022.

Bro. Chris Zuger, was ably invested as our Inner Guard by W. Bro. Don Learning.

October has come and gone. November is the time to remember our past and present veterans. We will be conducting our Empty Chair Ceremony at our Regular Meeting on November 15, 2022. We will also be voting on a Candidate for Initiation, Mr. Mathew Vansetters.

As most of you are aware, W. Bro. Sam Roberts has indicated he will be putting his name forward as a candidate for DDGM for Masonic Year 2024-25. I fully support this announcement and would welcome comments from any of the members of Acacia Lodge with respect to W. Bro. Roberts intentions.

In closing I hope you had a happy Halloween and enjoyed the spooky costumes that visited your door.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, December 20, 2022

Brothers of Acacia:

It is that time of year where we celebrate good festivities with loved ones. As our last meeting of 2022, we are having our traditional potluck dinner. After three years it's time to reacquaint ourselves with family and friends.

This meeting will be a short one. We will have a memorial to W. Bro. Donald Williams, Past Master of Acacia Lodge 1995-1996.

Hope to see you all at CGP on December 5th and at our Regular Meeting on December 20th 2022 at 7:30pm.

Merry Christmas and to all a Happy New Year.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, January 17, 2023

Brothers of Acacia:

I hope everyone is well rested and healthy. As we finish 2022, I was very pleased with the great turn out we had at our Christmas Potluck Festive Board. Thanks to our Senior Warden, Bro. Derek Brook, for all his hard work in organizing the potluck and for those helping out. Brothers of Acacia, I appreciated your participation at our December

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meeting and for helping to bring back our traditional potluck after it was cancelled for two years due to the Pandemic.

As we enter the New Year, with half our Masonic year still left, we have our DDGM night, the travelling Gavel and some upcoming First Degrees in the next few months. It's going to be a busy time for Acacia. Please make every effort to attend our January meeting when the DDGM makes his Official Visit to Acacia.

Hope to see you all at CGP on January 9, 2023 at 7:30pm and at our Regular Meeting on January 17th at 7:00 pm.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, February 21, 2023

Brothers of Acacia

With a good turn out at our Official visit last month, I like to say Great Work everyone. Thank you to those who reached out to our seldom seen Brothers and reported back on their situation during our yearly Roll Call. A big thank you also to the Brothers who came early to clean and set up the Lodge.

This month we are receiving the Travelling Gavel and we are initiating a candidate to our family at Acacia. The DDGM may be in attendance.

Hope to see you all at CGP 6th February at 7:30 pm and at our Regular Meeting on February 21st at 7:30 pm.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, March 21, 2023

Brothers of Acacia

Well it is already March and we only have a few months left in this Masonic Year. We extend a warm welcome to our new Brother, Mathew Van Seters. Great job everyone on Mathew's First Degree.

As we head into this month, we have two more candidates to Initiate. We will have some visitors helping this month as we have a few members out of town, or unavailable.

We are bringing the Travelling Gavel to Russell on Monday March 20th. Let's have a good turn out as this is the DDGM's home lodge.

Hope to see you all at CGP March 6th at 7:30 pm and at our Regular Meeting on March 21st at 7:30 pm.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, April 18, 2023

Brothers of Acacia

As I missed the March Regular and Emergent meetings, I would like to thank W. Bro. Don Learning for assuming the Master's Chair and Initiating two new Brothers. Welcome Bro. Iain Reid and Bro. Jan Schulz to Acacia. Thanks also to the Brothers from Edinburgh for their support at both meetings.

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Next meeting is our annual election of Lodge Officers for the 2023-24 Masonic Year. We will also conduct a memorial for Bro. Rev. Canon Ebert Hobbs who passed away on March 20, 2023.

Hope to see you all at CGP on April 3rd and at our Regular Meeting on April 18th. Both meetings will be held at 7:30 pm.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, May 16, 2023

Brothers of Acacia

We'll look at that, it's the end of another Masonic year. I am excited for the future of Acacia lodge and for the Officers that have chosen to move forward.

As this is my last message of my year in the chair of King Solomon. I thank all the Brethren for the support and friendship from Acacia for helping make this year go by quickly and with ease. We now embark on a very big discussion in the next couple of meetings about Acacia and the potential venue change. Let us remember that as Freemasons we support each other and help each other in this decision. Let us all remember what it means to be a Freemason; Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

Hope to see you all at CGP on May 1st and at our Regular Meeting on May 16th. The CGP meeting will start at 7:30pm and the Regular meeting starts at 7:00pm for our installation.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
Frank Sigouin, Worshipful Master

Emergent Meeting Summons, July 4, 2023

Brethren of Acacia,

It is unfortunate that my first summons to you all is of an emergent nature, however, the future of Acacia needs to be decided by all of us.

As you are aware there have been discussions and research as to the future viability of Acacia 561 remaining in Westboro Temple. A special CGP was conducted this past Monday, June 12th, where options for our future were tabled, voted upon, and passed.

This emergent meeting will finalize the vote and officially vote on our future meeting residence. It was recommended and near-unanimously approved, that Goodwood Lodge, 3494 McBean St., Richmond, Ontario would be our new home. Many factors were considered and discussed before voting and it is with great sadness that the decision to vacate Westboro Temple, our home for nearly 100 years, has had to be made.

Your attendance at this emergent meeting is especially necessary and your attendance would be greatly appreciated if within the length of your cable tow to do so.

S & F,
Derek Brook, Worshipful Master.

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Acacia Lodge - David Perkins 3rd Degree performed by the Shrine Degree Team
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Acacia Lodge Official Visit of the DDGM, R.W. Bro. James Bowman - January 17, 2023

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Acacia Lodge Initiation of Bro. Mathew Van Seters - February 21, 2023

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Acacia Lodge Initiation of Bro. Ian Reid - March 21, 2023



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Temple Lodge No. 665, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted 1950

Summary of Events – Masonic Year 2022-23

Meets the first Tuesday of each Month except June, July & August

Temple Lodge No. 665 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 6, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa.• The work of the evening will be the Initiation of two candidates who have been regularly balloted on and accepted.
Emergent	September 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held. A practice was called instead.
Regular	October 4, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, October 4th, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa.• The Festive Board will be at 6:30 p.m.• The work of the evening will be to open to the Master Mason's Degree and prove qualified Brethren.
Emergent	October 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held. A practice was called instead.
Regular	November 1, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, November 1st, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa.• The Festive Board will be at 6:30 p.m.• The work of the evening will be our Annual Remembrance Day Observance and Memorial Service.
Emergent	November 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An Emergent Meeting, will be held on Saturday, November 19th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

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			<p>in the Lodge Room as well. We will retire for lunch offsite afterwards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This will be a SUPER SATURDAY with conferring the Fellowcraft Degree on eligible candidates. Let's have a good showing.
Regular	December 6, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, December 6th, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa. • The Festive Board will be at 6:30 p.m. • Masonic Education.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	January 3, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa. • Masonic Education.
Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend an Emergent Meeting of the Lodge on Saturday, January 28th, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa. • Conferring the Fellowcraft Degree.
Regular	February 7, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, February 7th at 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa. • Receive the DDGM, R.W. Bro. James Bowman on his Official Visit to Temple Lodge. • Receive the Travelling Gavel from Civil Service Lodge. • Receive Goodwood Lodge on their regular annual Fraternal Visit.
Emergent	February 27, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be an Emergent Meeting on Monday, February 27, 2023. • Confer the Fellowcraft Degree on eligible candidates.

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Regular	March 7, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, March 7th at 6:30 p.m. (special dispensation) in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa. The work of the evening will be the business of the Lodge, then to travel to Goodwood Lodge on our annual Fraternal Visit. It is the Official Visit of the DDGM, R.W. Bro. James Bowman to Goodwood Lodge.
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	April 4, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, April 4th at 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa. The Annual Election of Officers Conduct a Ballot on any eligible Candidates pending a favourable report of the Investigating Committee(s) and proper clearance from Grand Lodge: Mr. Kamal Shaath, Mr. Winston Campeau and Mr. David Parker. A Master Mason's Degree is to be conducted by the Tunis Shriners Degree Team.
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Emergent Meeting of the Lodge on Saturday, April 15th at 10:00 a.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa. To conduct the Fellowcraft Degree on properly prepared candidates.
Regular	May 2, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Officers and Members of Temple Lodge No. 665 are summoned to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Lodge on Tuesday, May 2nd at 7:30 p.m. in the Lodge Room at 430 Churchill Avenue, Ottawa. The annual Installation of Officers.

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Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No meeting was held.

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Temple Lodge No. 665 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 6, 2022

After the whole COVID pandemic, life is slowly returning to normal. We have weathered it. What better way to celebrate our ability to meet again than coming to Lodge and being part of the labour, refreshment and travels we can happily enjoy once more.

As the weather cools, I look forward to the warmth of fraternal fellowship from my Brethren. I look forward to the enlightenment of Masonic Education. I look forward to seeing EA's progress through the degrees.

In our travels, I look forward to meeting friends whom I have not yet met. I look forward to building. That last one needs a strong foundation. I need you brethren to help me continue the building of a solid foundation. With your dedication to that end, there is nothing we cannot accomplish as a Lodge.

See you in the Lodge room my brothers. I can't wait.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Scott Newman

Regular Meeting Summons, October 4, 2022

As fall comes and we get into the Masonic year there is much to do: Festive Boards to be prepared, education pieces to be selected, Degree Work to be assigned and performed. This to me "was" Freemasonry for many years. Only recently have I started to truly appreciate and enjoy another great Masonic tradition, the visitation of other lodges. The joy of meeting brethren from other lodges and affirming that we all have a common bond: our brotherhood. I plan on travelling extensively this year and strongly encourage and challenge my brethren to do the same.

One of the great honours and joys of being a Master Mason is that anywhere on the globe you will be welcomed with open arms be it domestically or in the far reaches of our globe. Very few organizations or orders have that universal and global openness with each other. The diffusion of knowledge among men through socialization strengthens our organization.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Wor. Bro. Scott Newman

Regular Meeting Summons, November 1, 2022

Brethren.

The message this month is a very short and simple one: honour those who gave their lives so we can live in freedom and so Freemasonry can flourish. Honour those who protect us and our freedom every day. As November 11th approaches, remember and cherish the memories of those who have come before us and served. This November 11th, attend a local Cenotaph Ceremony. If we remember those who have served, their lives were not given in vain.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Scott Newman

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Regular Meeting Summons, December 6, 2022

Brethren,

I will keep this message short and on point. Another calendar year is drawing to a close.

Snow is starting to fall. Although this holiday season may mean different things to each of us, I think we can all agree that it is a great excuse to spend time with family, friends and brethren. It is an optimal time to reconnect, rejuvenate and recharge. I, for one, am looking forward to 2023 and all of the opportunities it will afford us all. I wish you all a wonderful Christmas, holiday season and a happy new year. I look forward to building a better lodge and a better future with you in 2023.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Wor. Bro. Scott Newman

Regular Meeting Summons, January 3, 2023

Brethren I am writing this on the heels of an amazing Temple Masonic Family Christmas dinner. We had many members old and new come out. Bros. Josh Bizjak and Daniel Duff did an amazing job holding down the kitchen duties and many others chipped in. You are all to be commended. This is your lodge and you all owned it. The message in the New Year is simple brethren. Let's build.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Wor. Bro. Scott Newman

Regular Meeting Summons, February 7, 2023

Brethren:

I want to use my message to congratulate you all for the tremendous Masonic Year Temple Lodge is having so far. I am hearing a positive buzz in the Lodge that is amazing. I am seeing a Lodge that is pulling together toward a common goal. This is going to be a bit of a rocket ride over the next few months getting caught up on Degrees and work in Lodge. This is your Lodge, please help me to steer it and keep up the good work. Together we will succeed. Thank you Brethren for the success we are already starting to see. Without you, I am but one man, with you all alongside me, we are a formidable team and a Lodge getting stronger by the day.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Wor. Bro. Scott Newman

Regular Meeting Summons, March 7, 2023

Brethren,

As March is a month that will see us travel to Goodwood for a Fraternal Visit, it is a good time to talk of travelling to visit other Lodges. One of the unique traditions of Freemasonry is visiting other Lodges and hosting visitors. Several of you have been travelling with me this year and I would strongly encourage you to join us, if you haven't already, and if you have, to please continue.

When I was an EA, many years ago, a wise Mason, who has long since passed to the Grand Lodge above, told me: "Freemasonry will pay dividends tenfold on your investment". He was very astute, and correct, in that observation.

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Brethren, let us strengthen our Lodge and the Craft by honouring those before us by continuing that great tradition of visitation.

Please join me!

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Wor. Bro. Scott Newman

Regular Meeting Summons, April 4, 2023

Brethren,

I was honestly trying to think of something to write. This year has been a rocket ride for me. I have made new friends in the Craft and strengthened the bonds of old ones. You have collectively inspired more of me than I thought I was capable of. I may not always make the right call, or have the answer one wants, but I will give you the very best effort of which I am capable. My word is my bond.

In closing I thank you all for the chance to be the Worshipful Master of this Lodge. I am deeply humbled by your faith in me and in our Lodge. I would be honoured if you would once again put your faith in me and let me keep being your humble servant for another year.

Brethren, in any case, going forward Let's Keep Building.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Scott Newman

Regular Meeting Summons, May 2, 2023

Brethren,

The Masonic Year has gone by so quickly. So many triumphs, goals met and efforts made. I thank you all for making this an amazing year. I'm looking very forward to the next Masonic Year and all the great times.

I would like to thank our senior members for their insight and experience that they have contributed this year. I would like to thank our junior members for the jubilant enthusiasm they have shown this year. Most of all I would like to thank all of our Brethren for working together for the greater good. I'm humbled by what I have seen and been part of this year. Thank you.

Let's eclipse 2023 and drive the Lodge to new heights in 2024. Brethren, we have a winning team.

Let's build.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

W. Bro. Scott Newman

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Temple Lodge No. 665 - Select Photos



Temple Lodge Initiation of two new members
David Alan O'Connor
Daniel Joseph Duff
September 6, 2022



Temple Lodge Official Visit of the DDGM, R.W. Bro. James Bowman - February 7, 2023

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**Edinburgh Lodge No. 736, GRC In The Province Of Ontario - Instituted
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Meets the first Wednesday of each Month except June, July & August

Edinburgh Lodge No. 736 - Summary of Events

Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
Regular	September 7, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned, (visitors are cordially invited), to attend the following meetings, ... a Regular Meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 07 September, 2022 at 1930 hrs and an Emergent Meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 21 September, 2022 at 1930 hrs by invitation of W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master• To invest W.Bro. Daniel Chartrand to the office of Grand Steward.• To Conduct a “Rusty Mason’s Night” concerning the First Degree.
Emergent	September 21, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned, (visitors are cordially invited), to attend the following meetings, ... a Regular Meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 07 September, 2022 at 1930 hrs and an Emergent Meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 21 September, 2022 at 1930 hrs by invitation of W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master• To Conduct a “Rusty Mason’s Night” concerning the Second and Third Degree.
Regular	October 5, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend a Regular meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 05 October, 2022 at 1930 hrs, by invitation of W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master.• To receive the “Travelling Gavel” from Goodwood Lodge.• Confer the Fellow Craft degree on a worthy candidate.
Emergent	October 19, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dear Sir and Brother, You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to

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Meeting	Date of Meeting	*	Summary of Planned Events
			<p>attend an Emergent meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 19 October, 2022 at 1930 hrs, by invitation of W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confer the Fellow Craft degree on a worthy candidate.
Regular	November 2, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend a Regular Meeting of this Lodge on Wednesday 02 November, 2022 at 1930 hrs by invitation of W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master. • To conduct our annual Remembrance Day service.
Emergent	November 16, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend an Emergent Meeting of this Lodge on Wednesday 16 November, 2022 at 1930 hrs, by invitation of W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master. • To conduct a Lodge of Sorrow. The Lodge of Sorrow will be open to all Masons, non-Masons and family members alike.
Regular	December 7, 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend a Regular meeting of this Lodge on Wednesday 07 December, 2022 at 1930 hrs by invitation of W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master. • To receive any distinguished brethren and visitors to Edinburgh Lodge. • To conduct the MM degree for a worthy candidate.
Emergent	December 2022	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meeting was held.
Regular	January 4, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend a regular meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 18 January, 2023 at 1930 hrs • Pending a favourable report from the Committee of Investigation a ballot will be held for the initiation of Mr. Guiseppe Pio. B. Conde.

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Emergent	January 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	February 1, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother; You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend a Regular meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 01 February, 2023 at 1930 hrs To confer the Master Mason degree on a worthy candidate.
Emergent	February 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In place of an emergent meeting the Brethren are encouraged to travel to a lodge in the district and represent Edinburgh Lodge in the bonds of fraternal relations.
Regular	March 1, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother; You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend a Regular meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 01 March, 2023 at 1930 hrs To receive R.W. Bro. James Bowman, DDGM, on his official visit to Edinburgh Lodge. To ballot on Bro. David Wilson, a member in good standing of Defenders Lodge No. 590, for affiliation with Edinburgh Lodge. To confer the Entered Apprentice degree on Mr. Guiseppe P. Conde.
Emergent	March 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In place of an emergent meeting the Brethren are encouraged to travel to a lodge in the district and represent Edinburgh Lodge in the bonds of fraternal relations.
Regular	April 19, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother; You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend a Regular meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 19 April, 2023 at 1930 hrs. (The Regular Meeting Scheduled for April 5, 2023 was cancelled.) To elect the officers of Edinburgh Lodge for the 2023/2024 Masonic year. To vote on the notice of motion by R.W. Bro. Glenn Simpson: <i>"In accordance with Article 159 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge; I will move that Edinburgh Lodge adopt a resolution that</i>

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			<i>amalgamation proceedings be initiated with Defenders Lodge No. 590"</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To conduct the MM degree for Bro. Tim Campbell.
Emergent	April 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.
Regular	May 3, 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dear Sir and Brother; You are hereby summoned (visitors are cordially invited) to attend a Regular meeting of this Lodge; Wednesday 03 May, 2023 at 1930 hrs. To Install the Worshipful Master-Elect and invest those officers of Edinburgh Lodge for the ensuing Masonic year 2023-24...(vel quod Deus vult). To Ballot on the applications for affiliation from, Bro. Dan Piche and Bro. Alexander Marshall.
Emergent	May 2023	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting was held.

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Edinburgh Lodge No. 736 - Messages from the Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, September 7, 2022

Brethren,

It's fun to travel. It's fun to get away, to see new sights and engage in new adventures. This is especially true for Masons. We know that no matter what country we are in, what major city we explore, or even many of the towns we visit, there is a Lodge waiting to be seen. If we happen to meet a Brother, we know they will greet us with warmth and friendship. And, if we time it right, we may even be able to sit in on a meeting.

I bring this up because we are coming out of time where we couldn't travel; whether it was because of lock-down, quarantine (self-imposed or other) or out of an abundance of caution, we stayed close to home. The longer we had to wait, the more anxious we became to find a way to get out and about.

Covid has not gone away; it is still very much a part of our lives and likely will be for the foreseeable future.

That said, as a society we have, in general, decided to start to travel again; to get out, explore, and get back to those activities we used to do before the pandemic. This includes Lodge.

My goal is to help facilitate that travel. We have several new members, (and even some seasoned ones), who have not had the opportunity to see some of the other Lodges in the District. With a bit of help and co-ordination from my Travelling Companions, Bowman Arrows, I hope to be able to have a list of degrees being put on from the different Lodges, and then go visit. Perhaps in doing so will bring the Craft back together after spending so much time apart.

Let's have a great year!

W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, October 5, 2022

Brethren,

This month we are planning on passing two worthy Brothers to the degree of a Fellowcraft. They have worked hard, been very patient during the COVID pandemic, and are now both ready to take this next step in their Masonic journey. But what does that mean? What does it mean to become a Fellowcraft?

For the Mediaeval stonemasons, this degree marked a craftsman's progression from an apprentice to a journeyman. In Freemasonry, the second degree represents the symbolic growth from youth to manhood as a Brother accepts more responsibility within the fraternity and commits to studying its teachings. As he grows in knowledge, he becomes a "fellow of the craft."

Many Freemasons consider the second degree among the most moving ceremonies in the craft. At this stage, a Brother is expected to use the wisdom he's gained through life's many experiences to face any challenge that may come.

During this degree, he delves deeper into the philosophies and symbolism of the craft including additional working tools of a Mason to further build his moral character, the value of learning and education, and a Mason's wages in how, symbolically, they teach

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how a Mason is entitled to rewards for honest labour as a responsible man. This ceremony deepens the candidate's connection to himself and, above all, teaches the Fellow Craft to be just with all mankind.

I trust our Fellowcraft initiates will enjoy the degree and that it will help deepen their Masonic knowledge. I invite those of higher degrees to reflect upon the lessons it contains. But above all, I look forward to two very enjoyable evenings as we get back into fellowship together.

Fraternally,

W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, November 2, 2022

Brethren,

November is a month of Remembrance. As a "First class military style Lodge with Scottish traditions" we are all very familiar with the importance and significance of this month. Yes, we recognize our military on November 11th, but the reality is we remember throughout the year as all of us, in some way, have a military connection.

With this in mind, we dedicate both of our November meetings to honouring our heroes; both those who are with us, and those who have passed to the Grand Lodge above. At our regular meeting we will be holding our Armistice service. This tradition has been observed at every regular meeting in November since our Lodge was started and was conducted by VW Bro. Cliff Churchill and VW Bro. Jim Keith. At the Festive Board we continue the military tradition by holding a Table Lodge, complete with all the fun and ribbing that comes with it.

Our emergent meeting will see the observance of a Lodge of Sorrow. This tradition was started in 2018 and is becoming known in the District. What sets this apart from other observances is that friends and family are welcome to attend. We go from labour to refreshment and then invite our guests into the Lodge so they can participate in the ceremony with us. It's a rare opportunity for those close to us to join us on a Lodge night, and more importantly, to experience the Festive Board afterwards. Please extend the invitation and let's see if we can fill the Lodge.

To our current and retired members of the military, we thank you for your service. To those who have passed on, we remember and honour your sacrifice.

See you in Lodge.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Brian Hay, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, December 7, 2022

Brethren,

We find ourselves at the last meeting of 2022, and what a busy year it's been. In May we had an initiation, October brought us two Fellowcraft degrees and we end our year with a Master Mason Degree in December. The pandemic may have put the Craft on pause for two years, but we certainly haven't wasted any time in getting back "to work". If October was a month of Thanksgiving and November was a month of Remembrance, then December is a month of giving. As we shift our focus to this last month of the calendar year, I hope we all take a moment to reflect on the blessing of friends, family and Brethren with which we have all been so enriched. We are all guilty of getting so

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caught up in the hustle and bustle of the “Holiday Season,” we can forget what this time of year is all about. I encourage you all to take that moment or pause in your busy schedule to reflect on this and how fortunate we are. If you are in the position to give, I hope that you do.

Where we don’t know what the New Year will bring in our personal lives, Masonically it will continue to be busy. We likely have another initiation (or two!), along with several Brethren who can be passed or raised. The year will start off with our Robbie Burns Night in January, and plans to visit other Lodges.

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy Holidays. May the Great Architect keep you all happy and safe throughout this Holiday Season.

See you in Lodge.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Brian Hay, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, January 4, 2023

Brethren,

Happy New Year. I hope everyone has had a relaxing break and was able to spend some time with family and friends over the Holiday Season. It's what this time of year is all about.

Now the work begins as we are in for a very busy second half of the year. If all goes as planned, we should be initiating at least one candidate and raising two brothers before installation in May. We have a few Lodges on the list for visitation, our Robbie Burns Night, our Famous Scottish Fare for DD Night, a Table Lodge on Election Night, Installation, and then we finish the year off with our Founders Dinner on the first Wednesday in June. No rest for the weary!

But through all of this, I feel we are getting back into the swing of Masonry. Our two-year pause on the Craft is almost a year behind us; hard to believe! Masonry has endured. It is a Fraternity and institution that is bigger than any one year, any one pandemic, or any other world event. Masonry exists because we continue to keep it alive. The relationships and bonds that we form within our Lodge, our District, and around the world are bigger than any one thing. It always has been, and it always will be.

May we always enjoy the bonds of Friendship, Brotherly Love, and Truth.

W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, February 1, 2023

Brethren,

We say goodbye to a snowy January and a very well attended Robbie Burns Night. A very big thank you to all who attended the poet’s 264th birthday celebration. It was great to be able to meet in person again after two years of virtual Burns’ Night over Zoom. Nothing compares to the sound of the pipes, the smell of the haggis, and energy in the air that comes from us gathering in the banquet hall.

Looking ahead to the regular meeting in February, we have a Third Degree planned for Brother Ken Bradley. He has been putting in a lot of practice and it will prove to be an exciting night. There is nothing planned for our emergent meeting, so I would

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encourage everyone to find a lodge to visit. Some good options would be Defenders which meets at Walkley Road, Hazeldean which meets in Kanata, and Glengarry Highland located in Maxville. So whether you are in the west, east or central part of the city, there is an option for you. I will send out an email so we can arrange to travel together.

The other item I would like to address are dues. There was a detailed email sent out which summarized the finances of the Lodge and the current costs we are facing. Edinburgh Lodge is financially sound; there is no concern there and we will continue to be secure well into the future. However, our current dues structure does not cover our current costs. A combination of increases from Grand Lodge and the building, along with fewer members to share those costs, has put all Lodges in the position of having to raise dues. We don't like it, but that is our reality. I would ask you to refer to the email as to your options for 2023 dues, and thank you in advance for paying them.

Stay warm Brethren.

W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, March 1, 2023

Brethren,

It's hard to believe that we only have another two months left in this Masonic year, and then Installation will be here. Where has the year gone?

We have another busy month ahead of us. At our Regular Meeting we will be welcoming Right Worshipful Brother James G. Bowman on his official visit. That night we will be Initiating Mr. Guiseppe Pio B. Conde into the Craft, complete with a Chamber of Reflection before we tyle. It is a very impactful experience for the candidate, and educational for those who are experienced in the Craft. The Festive Board will feature Edinburgh Lodge's FAMOUS Scottish Fare (please RSVP if you are visiting) and overall will prove to be an exciting evening.

Proceeding onward into the month, and still guided by our love of the Craft, on March 11 we will test our curling skills against the rest of the District at the Curling Bonspiel, hosted by Russell Lodge. It is always a great day of fellowship with the other Lodges, with all the razing, slips and falls that come with it. I optimistically look forward to Edinburgh Lodge hoisting the trophy at the end of the day (yes, the gauntlet, or curling broom in this case, has now been thrown down...).

There will be no meeting on March 15, so I would encourage everyone to get out and travel again. Last month we paid a Fraternal Visit to both Hazeldean and Defenders Lodges. This month we have a contingent going to Glengarry Highland Lodge in Maxville, weather permitting. If you can't make the trip east, Hazeldean or Defenders would be very welcoming.

I would also like to note the passing of V.W. Bro. Cliff Parfett to the Grand Lodge above. He affiliated with us last year and always had a smile while in Lodge. His love of the Craft was evident, and he will be missed.

Safe travels everyone!

W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master.

Regular Meeting Summons, April 19, 2023

Brethren, welcome to April!

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I would like to start off by thanking everyone who went out and travelled, on both our February and March "Emergent" nights. Visits included Hazeldean, Defenders and Glengarry Highland Lodges, and were very enjoyable nights. I heard from several members at the different lodges on how they appreciated our visit, and I shared how we appreciated their hospitality. Visiting is one of those great privileges we have as Masons, and I encourage you to visit any chance you get.

We again we have a busy and an exciting month ahead of us, starting with Elections at our Regular Meeting (19 April). It is very important that all members come out and cast their ballot for who they want to represent the Lodge in 2023-2024. While I have thoroughly enjoyed my time in the East, the time has come to pass the gavel on to the next worthy Brother. Look well to your ballots.

We will put the newly elected officers to the test as they demonstrate their proficiency in raising a Brother to the Third Degree. Historically, the newly elected officers have performed a Second Degree, but this year we have decided to challenge them. I know they are up for the task!

We are coming down the home stretch! I'm looking forward to these last few meetings of our 2022-2023 Masonic year. See you in Lodge.

Sincerely & fraternally,

W. Bro. Brian Hay Worshipful Master

Regular Meeting Summons, May 3, 2023

Brethren,

Here we are again...Installation. It always amazes me how quickly a Masonic year goes. We gather in September for that "first meeting" of the year, feeling like we have a long road ahead of us, and that May is an eternity away. Then "snap," just like that we find ourselves there. My first time in the East, I was told "Your year will go by quickly," and it did; the second time in the East I told myself, "Your year will go by quickly," and it did. Perhaps this is a good thing, as it goes to how active we are, and the great fellowship we share.

In that blur, I feel we accomplished a lot. We initiated, passed and raised worthy Brothers; we presented a Chamber of Reflection (twice), a Lodge of Sorrow, a Table Lodge, and hosted a Robbie Burns Night. We visited other Lodges, and were visited by many others, including as far away a member from Brazil. We had a full schedule, and I would like to thank all the Officers and members for your hard work to accomplish all of this. I believe it's all the above which continues to illustrate what makes Edinburgh Lodge No. 736 unique.

Thank you for helping make my year as Master a memorable one. I hope in the year and years ahead that I can pass on some of that wisdom and guidance which has been so generously given to me along the way. In reflecting on my past journey, and then on the new one which lies ahead in D of C chair, I'm reminded of the words of Jerry Garcia who once said: "Sometimes the lights were all shining on me, other times I could barely see. Lately it occurs to me, what a long strange trip it's been." Too bad he was never a Mason.

Sincerely & fraternally,

W. Bro. Brian Hay, Worshipful Master

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Edinburgh Lodge No. 736 - Select Photos



Edinburgh Lodge Invest V.W. Bro. Daniel Chartrand with his V.W. Bro. Regalia
September 7, 2023



Edinburgh Lodge Official Visit of the DDGM, R.W. Bro. James Bowman - March 1, 2023

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Edinburgh Lodge Election of Lodge Officers for the 2023-34 Masonic Year - April 19, 2023

Appendix A - Grand Lodge Communications

Royal Letter to the Lodges - Issued September 12, 2022



Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada
in the Province of Ontario
Grand Master

Royal Letter to the Lodges 2022

It is with profound sadness and a heavy heart that Masons throughout our jurisdiction and beyond mourn the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Her passing raises a number of questions as it relates to Masonry, which I will address herein.

Our Head of State

His Majesty King Charles III is the head of state in Canada which is a member of the British Commonwealth. His Majesty King Charles III was officially proclaimed Canada's monarch on Saturday in a ceremony in Ottawa.

British National Anthem

It is no longer appropriate to sing God save the Queen.

The Lodge may sing the British National Anthem in the accepted lyrics, which are:

God save our gracious King!
Long live our noble King!
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.

Government restrictions on singing have been removed. Singing is therefore at the discretion of the Lodge. Grand Lodge recommends caution be observed when singing, especially in tight quarters or where large numbers are in attendance.

Toasting the King

His Majesty King Charles III is the King of Canada. On formal occasions, particularly formal dinners, it is customary to toast His Majesty at a suitable point in the proceedings.

The following is the usual procedure:

After the meal entre has been cleared and before dessert has been served, the host or the toastmaster rises and asks for the attention of those present so that they may rise and join in a toast. Once all have risen, the toastmaster raises his glass and says:

'The King and the Craft' without any other words and without music. Those present respond:

'The King and the Craft', drink the toast and sit. It is not appropriate to click glasses.

For non-formal dinners, it is acceptable to make the toast prior to the meal.

Generally, any non-alcoholic beverage may be used. However, it is preferred to drink the toast with water.

The toast to 'The King and the Craft' is always the first toast to be proposed. No other toasts should be proposed until the toast to 'The King and the Craft' has been made.

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Draping the Warrant

It is not appropriate to drape the Warrant in our jurisdiction for the passing of a head of state.

The only time it is appropriate to drape any Warrant in our jurisdiction is in strict compliance with a formal written notification from Grand Lodge (e.g. on the passing of a Past Grand Master).

Moment of silence for Queen

It is acceptable to include Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in a moment of silence as part of a Masonic program.

Grand Lodge recommends including departed brethren in the moment of silence.

Pictures of Queen

Pictures of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II may remain hanging in the Craft Lodge room at the discretion of the Lodge and any Masonic entity having the management or control over the Craft Lodge room.

Draping a picture of Queen

Lodges are permitted to drape pictures of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in a Craft Lodge room during the official mourning period in Canada.

Pictures of King

Pictures of His Majesty King Charles III may be hung in Craft Lodge rooms if permitted by the Lodge and any Masonic entity having the management or control over the Craft Lodge room.

Flags in Craft Lodge room

It is not appropriate to fly any flag in the Craft Lodge room at the half-mast position. Flags shall, at all times, be displayed appropriately in the Craft Lodge room and shall not be partially lowered and/or draped in any manner.

If you have questions, please email office@grandlodge.on.ca.

Please join me in affirming our loyalty to Canada's new King, His Majesty King Charles III, and offer him our full support. A letter of condolence has been sent to the King on behalf of all Masons in the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario on the passing of his Mother the Queen.

God save the King!

Fraternal regards,

M.W. Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom
Grand Master

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