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# GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA A.F. and A.M.

### **EIGHTIETH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION**

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, JUNE 14 and 15, 1985

WESTIN HOTEL, CALGARY Let Every Lodge Be Represented

### FROM THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER

Brethren, once again I welcome the privilege of being able to convey a message to you as your Grand Master, through our Grand Lodge Bulletin.

It has been, indeed my privilege to meet a great number of you during my term of office. It is my feeling a great number of the brethren have taken my theme to heart. "What can you (I) do for Freemasonry" and, I feel this is most gratifying.

Today, as well as in the past, we as Freemasons have a mission. To fulfill this mission, of which we are all a part, is to not entirely depend on its leadership, but rather on the day to day, week to week, month to month or year to year participation, devotion, loyalty and labours of the average member. It is the average member that gives Masonry its vitality, strength and form to that way of life which we love and call Freemasonry. We must make use of our God given talents, our knowledge of Ancient Craft Freemasonry and devote ourselves to building of morality and charity within our fellow man.

Brethren, Freemasonry is the greatest fraternal organization in the world. Serve your Craft well and be so ever proud to be called a brother.

Remember, my brethren, Freemasonry serves its purpose if one can say, "I recognize you as a Mason by your square conduct, your uprightness and your love of your fellow man."

The Eightieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M. will be held at the Westin Hotel, Calgary, commencing Friday, June 14th, 1985 at 8:00 p.m. I welcome all Masons and hope for a good representation from all Lodges.

In closing, I would like to quote from Bro. Sir Winston Churchill, "Let us not have a quarrel with the past, lest we loose sight of the future."

GRAND TREASURER:

ONE TO BE ELECTED

R.W. Bro. Walter Elmer Bright (134), Calgary; W. Bro. David Ingoe (127), Calgary.

GRAND REGISTRAR:

ONE TO BE ELECTED

W. Bro. William Albert Brown (118), Calgary; W. Bro. Alexander Roy Munroe (134), Calgary.

BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE:

THREE TO BE ELECTED

M.W. Bro. Fredrick Glen Fox (9), Calgary; V.W. Bro. Alexander Fredrick McIntosh (124), Calgary; W. Bro. Floyd Lindsay Taylor (2), Medicine Hat; R.W. Bro. Thomas Stratton Walker (134), Calgary.

MASONIC HIGHER EDUCATION BURSARY COMMITTEE:

TWO TO BE ELECTED

W. Bro. Gary Bedford Bennett (63), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Albert Gerald Gibbs (164), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Leslie Donald Jeater (1), Calgary; W. Bro. Hugh John Robinson (16), Olds; R.W. Bro. John Leonard Sanders (90), Edmonton.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES:

EIGHT TO BE ELECTED

W. Bro. Kenneth E. Bailey (63), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Joseph Raymond Burke (175), Edmonton; V.W. Bro. Charles Thomas Cork (90), Edmonton; W. Bro. Robert Geoffrey Davidson (63), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Lloyd Erwin Dickson (166), Edmonton; W. Bro. Reginald Jay Dockstader (90), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Donald Bryce Dougan (53), Strathmore; R.W. Bro. William James Fairhurst (23), Calgary; W. Bro. John Edward Forsdick (90), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Richard Delway Gage (2), Medicine Hat; R.W. Bro. Albert Gerald Gibbs (164), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Cecil Douglas Holmes (12), Red Deer; W. Bro. Derek Henry Holt (181), Calgary; W. Bro. Lyndon Owen James (87), Calgary; R.W. Bro. Kenneth Gordon Lawrence (90), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. George Mah (192), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Robert Benson McIntosh (42), Calgary; R.W. Bro. James Douglas Murdock (76), Mirror; R.W. Bro. Charles Edwin Tuckey (1), Calgary; W. Bro. Ernest Tyler (46), Edmonton; W. Bro. Charles Henry White (9), Calgary; R.W. Bro. Hugh Young (124), Calgary.

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

St. Marks Lodge No. 118

"That an application will enable the 1985 Grand Lodge Communication to include a list of the Masters, Officers and Brethren, in name and standing, of each and every Lodge for the year 1985 only.

Glenbow Lodge No. 184

"Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Grand Lodge of Alberta establish a Foundation, or other like Charitable organization, with the object of relief of poverty, advancement of education, and the advancement of other purposes beneficial to the community at large. And further, that a working committee be established by the M.W. the Grand Master with a view to causing the said foundation to be established, and the general objectives defined, in sufficient time to be presented to this Grand Communication in 1986.

# NOTICES OF MOTION TO AMEND THE CONSITUTION

Bow River Lodge No. 1

"Will move or cause to be moved that Section 706A be amended as a matter of 'house keeping' to read:

Section 706A. 100 Year Lodges - Any Lodge having been continuously chartered for 100 years may have the Lodge aprons authorized by Sections 703, 704, 705 and 706 bound with half inch gold metalic braid and all metalic parts of the aprons finished in gold."

Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2

"Will move or cause to be moved that under Part 1, Paragraph 6, Officers of Grand Lodge, Very Worshipful Grand Stewards, six in number be amended to read The Very Worshipful Grand Stewards, twelve in number."

Calgary Lodge No. 23

"It will be moved and seconded that Section 3 be re-numbered Section 3(1) and that a new Section 3(2) be added reading:

The office of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M. shall be located in the City of Calgary."

The purpose of this Amendment to the Constitution is to establish the

location of the Office of the Grand Lodge as a Constitutional item.

Lethbridge Lodge No. 39

(Tabled at 1984 Annual Communication)

"That the following amendments be made to eliminate the requirement of an automatic appeal after a Masonic Trial and provide the option of an appeal process at the instigation of either the accused or prosecution." Section 833 be amended to read: "If a Brother shall have been convicted, the Grand Secretary shall notify him in writing of the conviction and sentence by the Trial Commission; and that he may register an appeal within (60) sixty days from the date of the trial to the Grand Master, through the Grand Secretary, and that he may appear and make representation upon hearing of such appeal."

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Section 834(2) be amended to read: "The sentence of EXPULSION imposed by the Trial Commission shall be carried out by order of the Grand Master, unless appealed to an Appeal Board and the sentence

not confirmed."

Section 836 be amended to read: "If an appeal is made, a Mason convicted by the Trial Commission and sentenced to SUSPENSION, shall stand SUSPENDED pending the hearing by the Board of Appeal." Section 838 be amended to read: "Within (60) sixty days from the date of Trial, an appeal to the Grand Master may be registered through the Grand Secretary, by the Accused or Prosecution. The Grand Master, on being advised, shall thereupon appoint a Board of Appeal consisting of three members who shall be "Master Masons", and shall name one of their number as Chairman."

Palestine Lodge No. 46

"Will move or cause to be moved, the concordant bodies are regarded as being in amity with Grand Lodge and are therefore organizations in which Grand Lodge may grant to Master Masons the right to hold membership under this Constitution (adding new Section Number 903.)

Granite Lodge No. 127

"Be it moved that Article No. 465 section one, and Article No. 465 section five, be amended so that all references to "Research and Education Committee" be altered to read "Masonic Education Committee".

Waskatenaw Lodge No. 154

"Wishes to amend Section 529-1 to read that the business may be done in the E.A. degree, except the conferring of degrees and installations."

Avon Glen Lodge No. 170

"Will move or cause to be moved that the Office of Grand Historian be amended to the Constitution as follows:

Section 6: by adding "The Very Worshipful Grand Historian" immediately following "The Very Worshipful Grand Stewards" and preceding "The Very Worshipful Grand Tyler"

By adding a new Section to be numbered 78A. Stating: 78A. The Grand Historian shall maintain the archives of Grand Lodge and shall from time to time compile and preserve a record of all matters connected with the history of the Grand Lodge.

By adding a new Sub-section to be numbered 724(16) stating: 724(16) Grand Historian — the Scroll surmounted by a Torch."

Mosaic Lodge No. 176

"Will move or cause to be moved that the meeting requirements and the membership structure of the Board of General Purposes be changed by amending the Constitution as follows:

1) By deleting from Section 300 the words "resident in the Jurisdiction", and by adding the words "Past Grand Secretaries" immediately following the words "Grand Secretary". Also by changing the method of election of the Elected Members of the Board. The new section 300 would now read:

Section 300. There shall be a Board of General Purposes which shall consist of the Grand Master, the Past Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the District Deputy Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden, the Junior Grand Warden, the Grand Registrar, the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary, the Past Grand Secretaries, and twenty elected members; one to be elected by each District every two years, and who shall hold office for two years from the date of the next Annual Communication following the date of their election.

2) By deleting Section 301

3) By rewriting Section 305 to read as follows:

305. The Board shall hold two Regular meetings each year in the months of November and May, the date and time to be set by the President in consultation with the Grand Master. Additional meetings may be called by the President and/or the Grand Master on fourteen

#### GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

### PROGRAM OF THE **EIGHTIETH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION**

### **WESTIN HOTEL** CALGARY, ALBERTA

HOURS OF BALLOTING -3:00 p.m. Friday, June 14th to 10:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. Saturday, June 15th to 11:00

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 14th, 1985

3:00 p.m.

Registration and balloting under the direction of R.W. Bro. W.J. Fairhurst (23).

5:00 p.m.

ANNUAL BANQUET - Speaker M.W. Bro. Ronald E. Groshaw, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, A.F. & A.M. in the Province of Ontario.

8:00 p.m.

Grand Lodge will be opened in AMPLE FORM. Distinguished Visitors will be received and introduced. BRETHREN, YOU ARE ASKED TO BE IN YOUR SEATS NO LATER THAN 7:45 P.M.

PRESENTATION OF COLOURS.

SERVICE OF COMMEMORATION AND

THANKSGIVING:

V.W. Bro. J.M. Lynas (21), Grand Chaplain V.W. Bro. Harry Farmer (81), Grand Organist

MOTION OF LOYALTY M.W. Bro. Gordon Armstrong

INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND MASTERS (By Deputy Grand Master)

RECOGNITION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

(By M.W. Bro. Jack Collett)

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 1984 ANNUAL COMMUNICATION AND CORRESPONDENCE. REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 15th, 1985

8:00 a.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT. BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE.

COMMITTEE OF GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

CONDITION OF MASONRY. COMMITTEE ON THE WORK. NOTICES OF MOTION.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

Grand Secretary

Auditor Librarian

Research and Education

Grand Treasurer

Masonic Higher Education Bursary

Charters and New Lodges ELECTION OF TYLER. CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE. SCRUTINEER'S REPORT.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

1:30 p.m. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

> RETIRE THE COLOURS. CLOSE IN AMPLE FORM.

Notice calling Grand Lodge will be read out at Lodge, for specific details given in this abstract.

#### NOMINEES FOR GRAND LODGE OFFICES

GRAND MASTER:

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

R.W. Bro. William (Bill) Charles Graves (2), Medicine Hat.

DEPUTY GRAND WARDEN:

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

R.W. Bro. Norman Frederick Oslund (46), Edmonton.

SENIOR GRAND WARDEN:

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

R.W. Bro. Robert Eugene Juthner (81), Edmonton.

JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN:

ONE TO BE ELECTED



R.W. Bro. David Alexander Bruce: - Born, Calgary, Alberta on December 2nd, 1937. Initiated -Crescent Lodge No. 87 on April 28th, 1959. W.M. 1970. Grand Pursuivant, 1980-81. D.D.G.M. District No. 18, 1981-82. Member of Board of General Purposes, 1982-83. Organist for Crescent Lodge No. 87 from 1972 until present. Theme Speaker Masonic Spring Workshop 1983. Past Principal Crescent Chapter No. 24, Royal Arch Masons, and a Member of the Red Cross of Constantine. Affiliated with the United Church of Canada. Married to Doreen with one son and one daughter. R.W. Bro. Bruce is School Principal. Employed by the Calgary Board of Education.



R.W. Bro. Stanley Kennedy Sproul: Born - Martintown, Ontario on January 11th, 1922. Initiated - York Lodge No. 119 on February 15th, 1972. W.M. 1975-76. D.D.G.M. District No. 11, 1979-80. W.M. Fiat Lux Lodge of Research No. 1980, 1983-84. Thrice Puissant Grand Master - Lodge of Perfection - Lethbridge 1981, Grand Captain of the Guard Southern Alberta Consistory, 1985, Associate Patron Maple Leaf chapter O.E.S., 1985. Employed by Canbra Foods as a refinery Supervisor. Married to Beth and has two daughters and three grand daughters.



R.W. Bro. Benjamin William Arthur Summerton: Born - Verdun, Quebec on May 8th, 1924. Initiated -Bowmont Lodge No. 181 on February 1st, 1961. Presently Secretary-Treasurer. W.M. 1973, 1974. D.D.G.M. District No. 1, 1979. Involved with the following Concordant Bodies, Alberta Chapter No. 1 R.A.M. Cyprus Perceptory 33 K.T., Zodok Council Cryptic Rite Masons, Scottish Rite 32, Member of Shrine Al Azhar Temple, Acacia Chapter 56 O.E.S., Bohaden Chapter, Royal Select Masters. Veteran of World War II, R.C.N.V.R. Served in Canadian Armed Forces with the Lord Strathcona's Horse Royal Canadians and Fort Garry Horse. Saw duty with U.N. forces in Egypt, Cyprus, and served with the International Control Commission in Vietnam. Holds the Canadian Forces Decoration with bar. Educated in Montreal. Supervisor, Royal Band (Central Processing Centre). Married to Catherine with three children.

days notice to the members."

4) By adding the following new Sections:

223(1) In every second year, commencing in 1985 with the even numbered Districts and following 1986 with the odd numbered Districts, the District Deputy Grand Master will ensure that there is at least one nominee for the position of Representative to the Board of General Purposes.

223(2) Those eligible to stand for election as Representative to the Board of General Purposes must be either Worshipful Masters or Past Masters, members of a Constituent Lodge of that District and resident in that District.

223(3) Those eligible to vote to elect a Representative to the Board of General Purposes shall be all members of the constituent Lodges in the Districts.

224 The names of those nominated to serve as Representative to the Board of General Purposes shall be listed in the Notice calling that Annual District Meeting.

225 If there is more than one nominee for the position of Representative to the Board of General Purposes then the District Deputy Grand Master will cause there to be an election at that District Meeting. The election will take the form of a secret written ballot with the successful candidate being the one that receives the majority of the ballots cast. In the event of a tie vote, the candidate receiving the least number of votes will be dropped and a new ballot held until one candidate receives a majority of the ballots cast.

226 The successful candidate will assume his position as a member of the Board of General Purposes at the Annual communication following his election and shall hold that position for a two year term. Section 302 shall apply.

227 Should a Representative to the Board of General Purposes die, become incapacitated or permanently leave his Jurisdiction, the Grand Master shall, in consultation with the current District Deputy Grand Master of that District, appoint a Past Master of that District who is resident in and a member of a Lodge in that District to act as Representative to the Board of General Purposes for the unexpired portion of the term.

# ROOM RESERVATIONS FOR GRAND LODGE

A block of rooms has been set aside in the Westin Hotel for those attending Grand Lodge. Reservations are to be made directly to the Westin Hotel, Calgary. The cost is \$55.00 or \$66.00 and should be made by May 13, 1985.



From back row left to right: W. Bro. N. Lonsbury, Organist (Centennial Lodge No. 194); Bro. R. Wong; Bro. D. Au Yong; W. Bro. W. Keeley (Commercial Lodge No. 81); Bro. L. Chow; W. Bro. A. Wong; Bro. R. Yuk; Bro. E. Wong; Bro. J. Kwan; Bro. L. Chan.

From front row left to right: Bro. B. Prill (candidate); R.W. Bro. G. Mah; Bro. R. Yipp (candidate).

On March 5, 1985 more Masonic history was recorded when the East-gate Lodge No. 192 Oriental Degree Team under the direction of M.W. Bro. M.N. MacIver, R.W. Bro. C.D.C. Jones and R.W. Bro. G. Mah conferred the Fellowcraft Degree on candidates Bros. B. Prill and R. Yipp.

Eastgate Lodge was honoured with the presence of M.W. Bro. C.R.A. Green, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, R.W. Bro. A. Aylesworth, Grand Secretary together with a large number of present and past Grand Lodge Officers. 214 Brethren signed the register representing 24 Edmonton Lodges and 24 Lodges from outside the city. The large lodge room of the Central Masonic Temple was filled to capacity, proving once again that Freemasonry remains strong in this jurisdiction.

At the refreshment table M.W. Bro. Green addressed the brethren and R.W. Bro. N. Senn, Calgary, a former member of Eastgate Lodge, District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 18, brought greetings from all the visiting lodges. Eastgate Lodge 20th Anniversary Wine Glasses were presented by R.W. Bro. G. Mah to M.W. Bro. C.R.A. Green, R.W. Bro. A. Aylesworth, R.W. Bro. N. Senn and W. Bro. W. Keeley to mark this memorable occasion.



This 60 year bar was presented to Brother Joe Gilchrist of Century Lodge No. 100, Milk River on March 19, 1985.

From left to right are: V.W. Bro. Charles Johnston, W.M.; Brother Joe Gilchrist; W. Bro. T.P. Gilchrist, Son; R.W. Bro. T.W.S, Band, D.D.G.M. District No. 7.

Brother Joe Gilchrist was initiated in the Lodge at Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, Maple Leaf No. 9, in September, 1922.