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# Grand Chaplain's Message

The Roman god Janus, from which we get our name for the month of January, was a two-headed god, one head facing forwards while the other faced backwards. The imagery is simple yet profound. The beginning of a new year was a time of anticipation for our Roman brethren as it is for us in today's world. Yet that anticipation was always to be understood within the context of what had gone before; hence the imagery of Janus, the two-headed god.

But there is one other interesting insight we can gain from this imagery. Virtually all religious or spiritual traditions see this wonderful time of the year as sacred. That sacredness is represented in the significant celebrations that take place: Christmas, the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ; Hanukkah, the Jewish festival of lights; Kwanzaa, the African celebration; while others have similar observances near this time of the year.

The one thing that unites each of these celebrations is that they are considered times of light and hope for a troubled world. They are forwardlooking times, anticipating that what happens in the future will be positive and fruitful for mankind. They are also intended to make us think carefully about the roles we play in our lives. It's as if the celebrations of this season are designed to cast their lights forward illuminating the new year to come. As Masons, there is something important to be learned here.

Masonry, as we understand it in this jurisdiction, requires a man to believe in a divine source, however that source might be understood. We are also encouraged to be accepting of another person's beliefs though those beliefs may differ greatly from our own. But we would be wrong to assume that this is all we are encouraged to believe as Freemasons.

At our initiation, the Worshipful Master, in a symbolic fashion representing the Creator, gives the Divine Imperative, "Let there be Light!" We understand this decree as the absolute statement that as an individual we are to receive the beginnings of Masonic light. There are many places in our ritual where we are taught that the receipt of light, while certainly beneficial to each of us individually, only becomes meaningful when shared with others.

We are also instructed as to how that sharing takes place. As Masons, we share, not by preaching or other such means, but by the way we live and interact in the world around us. As we perfect the spiritual building of our souls so do we impact for good the world around us. There simply is no other way it can be. So, then, at this wonderful time of the year there are two things for each of us, as Masons, to be aware. First, we look back in our lives to see how best we might go forward. That is the lesson of Janus.

Second, we have been given light and understanding that must be shared. Let us be constantly mindful, then, of the role we play in this world.

The simple message of the season is the simple secret of Masonry; as we transform ourselves we also transform the world.

I trust each of you will have a great season with family and friends. Be safe as you travel and have a wonderful New Year.

> VWBro Cyril Abbott Grand Chaplain



# **Seasons Greetings** from the Staff of The Grand Lodge of Alberta

One of the great pleasures of the Holiday Season is the opportunity to exchange cordial greetings and to say thank you to all those who have worked closely with us over the years. We thank you for the time you so willingly give to your Lodge and to the Grand Lodge Office. We also want to extend Seasons Greetings to your families for without their support and understanding we would not have the dedication and commitment of so many of you.

We wish you all a wonderful Christmas and may the happiness and good cheer of the Holiday Season be yours throughout the New Year.

# *Editorial* **On Installations...**

The Grand Chaplain in his message refers to the dual forward and backward-looking nature of this time of year. For many Lodges, December marks a specific milestone with its own particular dualities — the Installation and Investiture of the Officers who will lead the Lodge in the coming year. On this occasion we thank the Immediate Past Master for faithfully performing his duty over the past 12 months: we obligate a new Master to perform the many duties of his office faithfully, zealously and impartially; and we remind the other new Officers of the responsibilities that they are expected to fulfill.

This is a ceremony that has gone on, in one form or another, since the beginning of the Craft. Because we have "been there, seen that" so many times we, as members of the Lodge, may come to regard it as just another meeting a bit longer and more ceremonial than usual, but one whose words we have heard before; one that perhaps we could skip this year. Our presence, however, means more than just "filling the seats." We are there as witnesses to those solemn obligations and promises, and to show our support of the Brethren who will shape the future of our Lodge. More than that, we are there to renew our own commitment to our beloved Craft. Who amongst us has not taken away some new understanding each time he has listened — really listened — to the beautiful words of the General Charge.

The Installation ceremonies are not just for the members of the Lodge. At our Festive Boards we constantly hear the **virtues of visiting** extolled. Some of the most significant visits we can make are to other Lodges on the occasion of their Installations. We are a closeknit fraternity. We know each other as Brethren, friends, colleagues. Lodges and their Officers rely on one another for mutual support. What better way of assuring a sister Lodge and its Officers of our continuing support and encouragement than by joining and welcoming them on this wonderful occasion.

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# Rare Masonic Funeral Parade Held in High River



On 29 September 2006, High River was the scene of true honour and respect for a deceased Brother, as WBro Paul Fraser was laid to rest with full Masonic honours. It was decided that the Brethren would move in procession from his Lodge, Cornerstone Lodge No. 19, down the one kilometer distance to the site of the memorial service. We all knew that Paul wanted a Masonic service, demonstrating his deep commitment to the Craft. We also knew that his wife, Karen, wanted to honour Paul's request and was very moved when we suggested our proposal to her.

Almost 80 Masons in full regalia were present for the procession, led by our Lodge Brother and piper, VWBro David Hongisto, and supported by the Grand Master of Alberta, MWBro Malcolm Berry and many other Grand Lodge officers. As near as we can tell it was the first time that Masons had

MWBro J.R. Malcolm Berry

RWBro Robert A. Drury

RWBro Brian Shimmons

RWBro John D. Hart

RWBro Jerry W.Kopp

honored one of their own with a procession of this sort in High River.

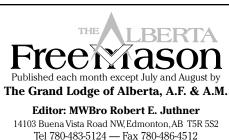
There were many people who stood and watched what for them would be a unique experience. As the piper played, all Masons felt a sense of brotherhood in a new and moving way, experiencing something that will last forever in the memory of those present. Many Brethren expressed their opinion as to how important it was to ensure that their families were aware of their desire to have a Masonic funeral.

WBro Paul Fraser was a Mason through and through, and would have been both honored and humbled by this outpouring of love and respect. His humour and good nature will be missed by all of us.

> VWBro Cyril Abbott Cornerstone Lodge No. 19

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## A Visit to Australia

Most members know that their Lodge Secretary has a book entitled *List of Lodges Masonic* tucked away in his briefcase. How many members consult it when planning a holiday or business trip?

This summer that thin volume came in very handy. My wife Gloria and I had the opportunity to attend a scientific meeting in Brisbane, Australia. Besides attending the meeting, we could also visit an old friend of mine who lives in Adelaide, had visited us 20 years ago, and was hoping that someday we could visit him and his wife. Consulting the *List of Lodges* provided us with the name of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Lodges' addresses in the four Australian states we were visiting.

Our first stop was Brisbane, capital of Queensland. The city is about the size of Calgary, or slightly bigger, but with a semitropical climate. We left Edmonton close to our summer solstice and arrived in Brisbane on their winter solstice. Their winter weather was about as warm as, or warmer than, Alberta's summer.

Thefirst Masonic Lodge in Queensland was formed in 1859, and the first Grand Lodge building was built in 1886. The United Grand Lodge of Queensland was founded on 27 April 1921 and it was decided that a new building was needed. On Anzac Day 25 April 1928 the Foundation Stone was laid and the building, at 311 Ann Street, was completed in 1930. While none of the Grand Lodge officers were in, the ladies assisting the Grand Secretary quickly found a man who helped care for the building to give us a tour of their classic structure. We had an opportunity to tour the two large and two small Lodge rooms, which were all finished in local woods. Many of these woods are no longer available. The museum and library were very interesting to look through. The impressive Urn of Remembrance honouring those who fought in WWI is situated in a central spot in the main foyer. Our visit was very interesting and pleasant.

Our second stop was Adelaide, South Australia. We knew the address was "North Terrace" but had no idea exactly where along that long street the Grand Lodge might be. Imagine my surprise when we came out of our apartment and saw a sign, about the size of the usual street signs, saying "Freemasons" and an arrow pointing to the right. I was also impressed with the sandwich board sign on the sidewalk in front of the building informing anyone walking by as to when tours were available. The Grand Secretary, Bro Atkinson, was our guide. The first point he made was that the Grand Lodge of South Australia is the oldest Grand Lodge in Australia (1884). The building was completed in 1927

and extensively renovated in 1984. The Hall of Fame on the main floor has an impressive colonnade, marble floor and staircase. The Hall is enhanced by being carried through two storeys, the upper portion having a balcony all around. The treatment in the Hall, as well as throughout the whole building, is based on the three traditional orders of Greek architecture. At the rear of the Hall is the Great Concert Hall. The Lodge rooms are very similar to those one would see in Alberta. The building was impressive and our host very genial.

Our next stop was the second largest city in Australia: Melbourne, the capital of Victoria. We found the city to have a distinct European flavour. Unlike the other cities we visited, Melbourne uses trams and trains rather than buses. The Grand Lodge is located at 300 Albert Street, which is just north of Fitzroy Gardens and Captain Cook's cottage. The Grand Secretary, Bro Reaper, provided Gloria and me with a tour. The main auditorium is regularly rented out, which helps maintain the building. Our visit was interesting and our guide very congenial. The building is quite modern, and while it is very functional it lacks some of the architectural interest that many older Masonic buildings have.

Our final stop was Sydney, the largest city in Australia and capital of New South Wales. We had noticed in our travels around Australia that it was not difficult to find the Grand Lodge buildings. Besides the names prominently on the buildings, the street signs pointing out the direction to the buildings, and the signs placed on the sidewalk alerting visitors to tour times, in Sydney (the Grand Lodge Building is on 279 CastlereaghStreet)they use very prominent signs to both identify the building and notify visitors that the museum is open to the public every day. The Sydney Masons are very entrepreneurial. The Grand Secretary, Bro McGlinn, informed



*The United Grand Lodge of Queensland, in Brisbane,*.

us that the pub on the ground level was owned by the Grand Lodge. In addition, they own and operate a hotel (The Castlereagh Boutique Hotel, 169-171 Castlereagh Street) which is lovely and is also close to the main shopping district. Members of the Craft receive a 10 per cent discount on the cost of

a room (at least that is what the clerk at the desk informed me). The Grand Lodge building is very modern; the museum is well done and very interesting. They, too, rent out meeting/seminar rooms in the building for \$2000 to \$5000 per day, depending upon the size of the room required. I managed to attend a meeting of Lodge Kellerman No. 1027. It is considered a "young man's Lodge" because of a dispensation on dress and an earlier start than most Lodges (7:00 PM). The members come straight from work to the meeting. Tuxedos or mess jackets are not required dress the members wear business suits. The meetings start with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and suitable beverages at about 6:15. The Entered Apprentice Degree was bestowed on a new member. and the evening ended with a full dinner after the Degree (the cost for the dinner was \$30 Canadian). The degree would be very familiar to anyone following the Canadian Rite, but is shortened by not including the Junior Warden's lecture. The lecture is given prior to the Fellowcraft Degree, but to keep the evening short is given at another meeting. There are several of these Lodges around New South Wales. All of them are experiencing rapid growth in membership. Needless to say, I was greeted warmly, enjoyed the fellowship, and the degree was very well done.

By using the *List of Lodges*, we arrived in the various cities with the addresses of the Grand Lodges I wanted to visit. We did not have to try and find their addresses in the telephone directory or find a computer (all the state libraries have them for free use) to try searching the Web for them. Gloria and I were able to tour all four buildings easily and enjoyed the hospitality without getting frustrated in trying to locate them. We would like to thank all of our Australian hosts for their hospitality!

Loren W. Kline

### **Author Chris Hodapp in Edmonton**

The forty or so Masons attending the Annual "Guest Speaker" Night held by Highlands-Unity Lodge No. 168 on 10 October 2006 had a special treat — Chris Hodapp, the author of *Freemasons for Dummies*.

After a very brief meeting (business took about 20 minutes), the Brethren repaired to the Haweli Restaurant downtown for an East Indian buffet.

Chris started his remarks with a brief explanation of the book's title, which is grammatically incorrect. It turns out the "for Dummies" group had done their homework. On the internet, when people want information on us, they type in "Freemasons" and not "Freemasonry." Hence the title. He spent almost a half hour autographing copies of his book.

Chris also tells an interesting story about his own discovery of the Craft. He got interested because men who did not know his father (a Mason) supported



Bro Bruce Zawalsky (1), First Vice Chairman of the Masonic Spring Workshop, is one of many Brethren who had his book autographed by WBro Chris Hodapp.

a Brother's family in need. He had just moved to another state when he passed to the Grand Lodge Above. The family knew no one there and asked a Lodge Secretary for help with the funeral the next day. The Secretary made some calls and ten Brethren showed up to support the family. Chris was so impressed that he petitioned for membership when he returned to Indiana.

He was initiated into Broad Ripple Lodge No. 643 in November 1998. Chris didn't know it, but the Lodge he had joined was failing and couldn't find enough Brethren to put on his Fellowcraft and Master Mason degrees. So he was taken to a one-day class to complete the process. In November 1999, he was invested as Senior Warden and was Installed as Master in 2000. The first thing on the agenda in his year was whether to return the Charter. He got the Brethren to give him a year and set about to rebuild it by instituting interesting programs, reducing the boredom of

meetings and expanding the refreshment after meetings, sometimes including wives, sweethearts and friends. In four and a half years, his Lodge went from not having enough out to fill the chairs to having initiated 40 new members and having all Lodge officers under 50.

Chris is also a Charter member and current Master of Lodge Vitruvian No. 767

in Indianapolis (www.vitru-

vian.org), the European style Lodge referred to in MWBro Malcolm Berry's address to Grand Lodge last June. The Lodge is dedicated to excellence, dignity, high standards, gentlemanliness and fellowship. Success, says Hodapp, "is not rocket science." It is a matter of providing our members with that which they desire.

Hodapp has a good idea what he is talking about. After all, he's done the research (much of it for his book), he's had the experiences, and he's had the successes. He told his Edmonton audience a number of things:

• Don't think that a few good men can't make a difference in a Lodge — they can and often do.

• Thanks to the internet, by the time young men join today, they often know as much about Freemasonry as many in the Craft. They are the unattached generation looking for the philosophical, for spirituality and for connection to something greater than themselves.

• Young men are coming to us for the very traditions that some in the Craft want to change or eliminate.

Many who took a one-day class feel

cheated and are determined to return to the "old-fashioned way."

• Young Masons must have the same opportunity to adapt the Lodge to their needs as every other generation has done before it.

• Fifty years of stagnation is hard to overcome. Fear of change can turn into downright terror. We must trust that Freemasonry will evolve the way it always has.

WBro Garth Cochran



The Brethren met at Highlands-Unity No. 168 for a brief meeting meeting and were introduced to WBro Chris Hodapp (r). With him are WBro George Ward, WM (ctr) and Bro Roland Mansell, JW (1).

### Grand Master's Itinerary December

- 4 Strathmore No. 53, Wild Game Dinner; Masonic Hall, Strathmore; 19 30 h
- 6 Granite No. 127, Fraternal Visit; Blackie Masonic Hall; 19 30 h
- 9 Ye Olde Craft N o. 196, Master's Christmas Charity Luncheon; Acacia Masonic Hall, Edmonton; 09 00 h
- 11 St. Marks No. 118, Installation; St. Mark's Masonic Hall, Calgary; 19 30 h

#### **District Meetings** December

 2 Alpha District; Bowmont Masonic Hall, Bowness, Calgary; Reg 11 00 h; Lun Noon; Mtg 13 30 h; JGW

### Happy 45<sup>th</sup>, Bethel 19

Bethel 19, IOJD, celebrated its 45<sup>th</sup> birthday on 26 November at King George Masonic Hall in Calgary. As part of the celebration, they are collecting photographs, anecdotes, stories, and interesting artifacts that emphasize their history to develop a historical booklet. If you have something, know of any past member, or by chance the contact information for someone please drop us a line to Lillian Sellers at 403-280-4890, lillian\_sellers@yahoo.com or Honoured Queen Katelyn Greenizan at 403-948-5206, sour\_skittle4@hotmail. com.

RWBro Kim Greenizan (2001)

# Your DDGMs — 2006–2007

We are pleased to introduce to our readers the District Deputy Grand Masters serving the Craft in Alberta during the 2006–2007 term. This will be continued in the next issue of The Alberta Freemason.

### **Phoenix District**

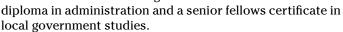
**RWBro Martin G. Bumstead** was born in England on 20 May 1945. A teacher and private contractor specializing in wood, he received an Institute of Education Teaching Certificate from the University of London in 1966, and a Bachelor of EducationDegree from the University of Calgary in 1975. He lives in Calgary with his wife Darlene, and they have two children, Stephanie and Eric.

RWBro Bumstead was Initiated,

Passed and Raised in King George Lodge No. 59 in 1977, was its Worshipful Master in 1986, and has been its Secretary since 2001. He was appointed Senior Grand Deacon of The Grand Lodge of Alberta for 2004–2005, and has also been a member of the Masonic Higher Education and Bursary Committee since 2004. He has taken an active role in Job's Daughters International, serving in several local and provincial offices.

### **Mighty Peace District**

**RWBro David van Tamelen** was born in Peace River, Alberta on 29 June 1948. He completed his basic education there, graduating from Peace River High School in 1966. He attended the University of Alberta, initially obtaining undergraduate degrees in Arts and Education and later in his career completing a masters degree in Educational Administration and a doctorate in Educational Policy Studies. He also holds a graduate



Following his BEd and BA degrees he commenced employment with the Peace River School Division in 1971, initially as a high school teacher and then school administrator. In 1976 he joined the school division's executive staff as Secretary-Treasurer (Business Manager) and in 1991 he was appointed as its Superintendent of Schools (CEO), from which position he retired at the end of 2004. During his career he served in a variety of roles with education organizations, including as president of the Association of School Business Officials of Alberta. Since retirement he has maintained a part-time practice in educational consulting.

David is married to Joyce, a registered nurse, and they have three married children and three grandchildren. His main hobby is flying; he obtained his initial license in 1979 and completed a commercial license (for proficiency, not employment) at Peace Air Ltd. in 1983. He has owned and operated C-FTQS, a Piper Cherokee 180D since 1979 and is a long time member of the Canadian Owners & Pilots Association. Other activities include canoeing, playing at golf and photography (mostly of nature subjects but more recently also of grandchildren). Community involvement at Peace River over the years has included the Peace Players theater group, community band, swim club and minor hockey association, United Church board, Civil Air Search and Rescue Association, Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club.

RWBro van Tamelen was Initiated, Passed and Raised in Peace River Lodge No. 89 in 1976. He served his Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1981 and as Secretary-Treasurer in 1991.

### **Lakeland District**

**RWBro Dennis Lemp**, born in 1946, was raised on a farm at Dewberry, Alberta. He completed high school at Dewberry in 1964 and graduated Vermilion Agricultural College with honours in 1966. He is a businessman, presently owning a pawn ship, and has four children and two grandchildren.



In the 1970s he traveled extensively, visiting 68 countries: hitchhiking through Mexico, Central and South

America for nine months; on a Jawa (Czech) motorcycle in Europe for five months, until a bad fall in southern Spain ended the trip; seven months through the countries of the Pacific Rim of Asia. He took advantage of his travels to study the history, culture, and economics of these countries. He was also active as a Scoutmaster for 12 years, and with Job's Daughters.

Our Brother was initiated, passed and raised in Kitscoty Lodge No. 131 in 1970 and was its Worshipful Master in 1997. He was appointed Grand Steward of The Grand Lodge of Alberta for 2002–2003. He is also a member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

### **Palliser District**

**RWBro Al Boyko** was born on 26 April 1945 in the northern Saskatchewan town of Preeceville. He grew up in Norquay, Saskatchewan with two older brothers and one younger sister. After graduation he went to work for the Hudson Bay Company at Fort McPherson in the Northwest Territories, then for Northern Canada Power Company, and in 1965 for a refrigeration company in Yorkton, Saskatchewan. He attended Saska-



toon Technical Institute and graduated with a Journeyman Certificate. In 1966 he was employed by the Department of National Defence at CFB Alsask, Saskatchewan as a Refrigeration Technician, and transferred to CFB Suffield in 1977. In 1978 he trained at the CFB Borden fire school and joined the Fire Department at CFB Suffield, where he worked until his retirement in 2002. He lives in Redcliffe.

On 8 September 1968 he married Linda McGrath of Eatonia,

Saskatchewan, whose father John H. McGrath was a Past Master. They have two children: a son Kris, a golf pro who also works at Prism Valve Co. in Edmonton, and a daughter Kelly, who has her own business "Sunshine Nails" in Medicine Hat. Kelly has a son, Randyn.

RWBro Smith's interests range from golf, hunting, carpentry, gardening and curling to managing the Lodge. He was initiated, passed, and raised at Victoria lodge No. 82, Alsask in 1976. He affiliated with Mizpah Lodge No. 35 in 1978 and was its Worshipful Master in 1983.

### **Northern Lights District**

**RWBro Charles Allen Smith** was born in Melfort, Saskatchewan and emigrated to Alberta in 1947. He graduated high school in Drayton Valley and certified as a professional radio operator at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology in 1962. His early years were spent working for Alberta Forestry and pipelining in the Whitecourt and Drayton Valley area, doing everything from heavy equipment operating to driving truck. After



training at SAIT and in Ottawa he spent 12 years working in the Arctic at various airports. He became an Airport Planner in 1974 and has planned all the Arctic community airports in the Western Region. He retired from Transport Canada in 1995 as an Aviation Systems Planner and was also the Safety and Security Officer. He and his wife live in Edmonton.

He has been married to Edna, his childhood sweetheart, for 40 years. They have two children: Christian, who is married to Selena (they are planning to make Al and Edna Grandparents this fall), and Heather, who also lives in Edmonton. Christian is the Immediate Past Master of Mystic Tie Lodge No. 188 in Edmonton.

RWBro Smith spent 21 years as a Scouting leader and has been awarded the Medal of Merit and the Bar to the Medal of Merit for his work with the youth in that organization. He loves golfing, curling and is a certified advanced scuba diver.

Our Brother was initiated, passed and raised in Mystic Tie Lodge No. 188 in 1993 and was its Worshipful Master in 2000. He was awarded Honorary Life Membership in Jasper Lodge No. 14 in 2003 and is a charter member of Far North Lodge No. 199. He is also the Vice President of the Masonic Foundation of Alberta. In the concordant bodies, he is a member of the A&ASR, Valley of Edmonton. He has been Worthy Patron of Areme Chapter No. 11 of the OES three times and is presently Grand Warder of the Grand Chapter of Alberta OES.

# 2007 Spring Workshop Welcomes Storyteller Nelson King

The committee that puts the Masonic Spring Workshop together for you every year would like to wish you all a

#### Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We look forward to seeing all of you at Kananaskis this coming April and as our special gift to you, we are able to maintain the same registration fees this coming year as we had last year.

Storytelling is the theme for the 2007 weekend in the mountains, with guest speaker Nelson King as the main storyteller. Storytelling is an important function in shaping who we are. Many of us have warm memories from when we were young, sitting at the knee of a grandparent or parent as they told us stories — from fairy tales that taught moral lessons to stories about our families and communities that taught us who we were and where we came from. Such stories exist in almost every walk of life and are part of the culture that continually shapes us.

Traditionally, Masons have passed on our story by word of mouth. That's the way we deliver our Ritual and the lessons contained therein. But that's not the only story Masons have to tell.

There are myths and legends that are part of our lore, and the truths they contain, though veiled, are profound. But do we truly tell these stories anymore?



### 20–22 April 2007 Delta Lodge at Kananaskis

Each Lodge also has its own story, its culture, its way of doing things. Do we let our new Brethren in on these little secrets? Or do we trust that they will just pick them up somehow? In this modern age with instant entertainment and the internet, are we losing the skills of the storyteller to pass on what is magical and important?

We are currently working with other Brethren in and around the province to complete the weekend for your benefit. Please save a couple of your Christmas dollars and come join us for an incredible weekend in the mountains.

The Masonic Spring Workshop is absolutely the best place to be for Masonic fellowship. That's what happens in the informal sessions held by the Brethren in their rooms Friday and Saturday nights. Here is where the ideas introduced in the sessions are explored and clarified — where information becomes knowledge. Here is also where men make new, life-long friends.

The 2007 Workshop will continue that tradition from 20 to 22 April at the Delta Lodge at Kananaskis, one of Alberta's best mountain resorts. Registration fees this year are \$325 for double ot triple occupancy (two or three Brethren sharing a room), \$440 for single occupancy, and \$150 for day attendance only (includes Saturday Lunch and Banquet).

Many Brethren now bring a sweetheart so she can enjoy the delights of the resort. Although we do not provide a ladies program, there is plenty for her to do. To bring her, register as a single Mason and we'll guarantee not to put another Brother in the room with you. Tell us your spouse is coming and we'll let the Resort know. The single registration fee includes your meals, but she is responsible for buying her own, leaving her many options for her satisfaction.

Mark your calendar now. Check our website often for the latest information — www.masonicspringworkshop.ab.ca — for registration information, for useful articles and the latest in news about the weekend.

Come on out, and you will have some good stories to tell your Brethren.

Stuart LeVoguer 2007 MSW Chairman