



# The Acaciana

the newsletter of Acacia Lodge #561  
A.F. & A.M. (G.R.C.)

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## My Brethren:

I would like to welcome back to Lodge those members, like Bros. Steve Statham and Gordon Maryan, who are now in a position to attend regularly. Bro. Statham worked hard through the Chairs to Senior Deacon before failing eyesight forced him to retire from active duty, and Bro. Maryan has now returned to fill the important Chair of Organist.

But the laws of physics demand a balance, even in Lodge membership. I regret to announce the loss of Bro. Marty Larabie, our Junior Warden, who has accepted employment in Brampton and will have left at the time of publication of this edition. On behalf of the officers and members of Acacia Lodge I would like to extend to Marty, Cheryl and their two children, our regrets at their departure and wish them every success in their new venture.

Congratulations to R.W.Bro. Gerald Macdonald who received the rank of 33° in the Scottish Rite.

The Westboro Temple Corporation's Annual General Meeting, will be held on Monday, February 21, at 432 Churchill Avenue. It is in our interests to support the Corporation which manages our "masonic home". One item of major importance is the soon to be released 5 year plan for upgrading and improving our facilities. Please attend.

Masonic benevolence is a cornerstone of Freemasonry. Please support our various endeavours in this area. Two of importance for us all are (1) the blood donor clinic to be held at the Masonic Temple, 2140 Walkley Road on Saturday, March 25, from 9 until 3; and (2) donations to the Help-to-Hear program can be made through the Lodge or directly to the Masonic Foundation of Ontario. Contributions through the Lodge should be made out to the Masonic Foundation of Ontario Help-to-Hear Program and we will forward them on, or you can send cheques directly to the Foundation at 361 King St. West, Hamilton, ON L8P 1B4 (envelopes available from the Lodge Secretary). Please print the Lodge name and number on your cheque.

Sincerely and Fraternaly . . . . . S. M. (Mike) Jenkyns, W.M. 1999-2000

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## Events in the District:      Please mark the following on your calendars

- Feb. 1 Tues. DDGM at Temple Lodge (Westboro)
- Feb. 2 Wed. Edinburgh Lodge RCMP 3°
- Feb. 8 Tues. DDGM at Civil Service Lodge (Walkley)
- Feb. 12 Sat. Sidney Albert Luke Ladies Night
- Feb. 25 Fri. DDGM at Prince of Wales Lodge (Walkley)
- Feb. 26 Sat. Doric Lodge Ladies Night

Mar. 1 Wed. DDGM at Edinburgh Lodge  
Mar. 4 Sat. Temple Lodge Ladies Night  
Mar. 7 Tues. DDGM at Goodwood Lodge, Richmond  
Mar. 8 Wed. Ionic Lodge 50 year pins presented  
Mar. 15 Wed. DDGM at Hazeldean Lodge, Kanata  
March 18 (Sat) Brother-to-Brother Program, Walkley Rd.,  
Mar. 23 Thurs. DDGM at Carleton Lodge, Carp

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Our program for the Y2K Masonic Year is shaping up very nicely. I would ask you all to mark the following on your calendars and make every effort to attend your Lodge. Please confirm your attendance with the WM or SW by phone or email as follows: Mike Jenkyns, 828-6433, email [jenkyns@magma.ca](mailto:jenkyns@magma.ca) or John Skynner, 565-8467.

February 15	Masonic Education
March 21	Past Masters night, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree planned
April 18	Elections of new officers
May 16	Installation

Anyone who needs a drive to and from the Lodge or other activities should contact the W.M., Secretary or Chaplain so that suitable arrangements can be made.

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#### Masonic Birthdays

<b>December</b>	R.W. Bro. Reginald A. Coombes V.W. Bros. William D. Archambault and Douglas J. Grimsdale Bros. Roy A. Mason; Allan A. O'Neal; Russell G. McLean and Chesley S. Mosher;
<b>January</b>	W. Bros. Stuart J. Daws-Knowles; Douglas M. Campbell and Terry W. Briggs; Bros. Homere A. Larche; Henry N. Mains; Nelson D. Bentley; Walter E. McLaughlin; Howard Orr; George A. Maryan; Ernest E. Lessard; James A. Statham; Hector C. Jewers; Charles T. A. MacNab; Stephen A. Statham; Donald H. Perkins; H. John Skynner; Arthur M. Saper; Richard C. Morrison; C. Murray Riach; Paul D. Finnegan and James O. Coyle
<b>February</b>	R.W. Bro. Gerald E. MacDonald W. Bros. Alan J. Seabright; Ronald Siwicki and S. Michael Jenkyns Bros. Graham S. Smith; Edward Saikaley; James H. Johnston; R. Edward Frost; Gerald E. MacDonald; David M. Mulvagh; John C. Smith

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#### Notes of Interest

1. North American Conference of Daylight Lodges meeting in Toronto, May 26 to 29, 2000  
For more information on the "web" <<http://www.members.home.net/nacdl>>
2. Albert's Internet Lodge of Research will be Instituted March 4, 2000 at 1:00 pm at Bowmont Lodge Hall, Calgary. For more information try <<http://www.linshaw.com/ilodge/>>