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Grand Master's Monthly Bulletin

Grand Master's Message



Greetings brethren, as we are now in the twilight of 2025. Let us look forward to the year ahead with enthusiasm. Many lodges around the jurisdiction have been busy planning degrees and admitting new brethren into the craft. As we start to look forward to 2026 and the 120th anniversary of our Grand Lodge, let us keep the momentum going with a bright future in our Jurisdiction.

It has been a busy month with the visitations and WCC in Banff as well as Hands Across the Border in Brandon which went very well. The N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11 degree team did a wonderful job as always and did the jurisdiction proud. It was quite a moment for the newly raised brother of Fenwick Lodge No. 158 of Manitoba to be raised by his father who was attending the degree from Ontario.

We have a busy couple of weeks ahead with the visits listed below as well as Remembrance Day. November is going to be quite exciting with the following visitations planned and confirmed. If you are wanting an official visit, please contact the Grand Lodge office to make arrangements.

Brandon, MB Hands Across the Border October 31st, 2025 - November 2nd, 2025

Saskatoon-Central No. 217 November 3rd, 2025 Memorial No. 172 November 4th, 2025

Briercrest-Drinkwater No. 88 November 5th, 2025 Biggar No. 100 November 11th, 2025

Twin City No. 89 November 18th, 2025



Yorkton No. 12, Yorkton, Saskatchewan

October 1st, 2025

Official party: RW. Bro. Russ Tataryn DDGM East Central District. A wonderful visit and chance to catch up with our brethren in the East, thank you again for the hospitality.



Elfros No. 145 Elfros, Saskatchewan.

October 2nd, 2025

Official Party: RW. Bro's Mike Keogan DGM, Gord Davey GSW, VW. Bro. Robert Huisman Grand Superintendent of the Works, senior member VW. Bro. Steve George and junior member Bro. Leopoldo Razo. A wonderful visit, thank you again for the hospitality.



Assiniboia No. 49 Regina, Saskatchewan.

October 3rd, 2025

Official party: MW. Bro. Richard Brown PGM (also most senior brother of Assiniboia Lodge), RW. Bro.'s Mike Keogan DGM, Gord Davey GSW, Judicael Moukouri GJW, George Frederick DDGM West Central District, RW. Bro. James McGregor WM of Elstow No. 147, RW. Bro. Wayne Flaten

Past Grand Organist, and most junior member of the lodge Bro. Peter Ginnakakos. A wonderful visit and thank you again for the hospitality.



Saskatchewan No. 16 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

October 7th, 2025

Official party: RW. Bro.'s Gord Davey GSW, Judicael Moukoumi GJW, DDGM George Frederick West Central District, VW. Bro. Patrick Haryett Grand Steward, most senior member VW. Bro Doug Coley and most junior member of the lodge Bro. Keith Folkersen. A

wonderful visit and I enjoyed the degree work for the newly passed brother, congratulations again on this step in your Masonic Journey. Thank you again for the hospitality.



St. John's No. 106 Assiniboia, Saskatchewan.

October 11th, 2025

Official party: RW. Bro. Bob Nichols DDGM South West District, RW. Bro. Stuart Dougherty, most senior brother W Bro. Larry Coghlin, and junior member Bro. Mitchell Clairmont. Thank you for the hospitality and warm welcome.



Elstow No. 147 & Goose Lake No. 99 Joint Meeting Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

October 14th, 2025

Official party: RW. Bro.'s Mike Keogan DGM, Judicael Moukoumi GJW, DDGM's George

Frederick and Ron Crush West Central and North West Districts respectively, RW. Bro. Darren McDonald WM Victory, RW. Bro. Adam Green WM Rosthern-Duck Lake, (VW.) Bro. Daniel Stokalko Grand Organist, Bro. Ricardo Maturana Grand Lodge of Chile, most senior brothers RW Bro. Harvey Pippin Goose Lake, W. Bro Marlo Raflos Elstow and junior members Bro. Colten Peters Goose Lake, Bro.'s Jasan Orense, Jun Gonzales and Ed De Guzman Elstow. Thank you for the hospitality and warm welcome. I enjoyed the degree work for our newly raised brethren and congratulations again on this step in your Masonic Journey.



Nipawin No. 183 & Tisdale No. 76 Joint Meeting Nipawin, Saskatchewan.

Nipawin No. 183's 100th Anniversary Celebration
October 18th, 2025

Had the pleasure to present a 60-year certificate to RW. Bro. Barry Reid of Tisdale No. 76. Official party: RW. Bro. Len Lorenz BOGP MAL, VW. Bro. Robert Huisman Grand Superintendent of the Works,

RW. Bro.'s Frank Snorro and Barry Reid, most senior brothers of Nipawin and Tisdale respectively, and junior members W. Bro. Lindan Longback and Trevor Norum of Nipawin and Tisdale respectively. Thank you for the hospitality and warm welcome. It was wonderful to be part of your 100th anniversary celebrations.



Rosetown No. 85 Rosetown, Saskatchewan.

October 21st, 2025

Official party: RW. Bro.'s Mike Keogan DGM, Gord Davey GSW, Judicael Moukoumi GJW, DDGM George Frederick West Central, (VW.) Bro. Scott Cheston Grand Tyler, most senior brother RW Bro. Glen Burt, and junior member Bro. Kyle Balsden. Thank you for the hospitality and warm welcome.



N.W.M.P. No. 11 Police Night Meeting Regina, Saskatchewan.

October 28th, 2025

Official party: MW. Bro's Dave Abel, Don Ford PGMs, RW. Bro.'s Mike Keogan DGM, Gord Davey GSW, Judicael Moukoumi GJW, DDGM Russ Tataryn East Central District,

Greg Lowe Grand Treasurer, Ken Martin Grand D.O.C., Wayne Flaten Past Grand Organist, VW. Bro. Troy Gabel Grand Steward East Central District, W. Bro. Graham Lynds WM of Doric St. George No. 71, most senior brother Bro. Ron Stankov, and junior member Bro. Allan Castro. Thank you for the hospitality and warm welcome. An excellent job by the N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11 Degree team.

An excerpt from a Masonic Minute from Ontario.

A poem by Sir John Stanhope Arkwright (1872–1954), published in *The Supreme Sacrifice, and other Poems in Time of War* (1919), embodies the essence of Remembrance – honour and self-sacrifice. It was set to music by the Rev. Dr. Charles Harris, Vicar of Colwall, Herefordshire (1909-1929) and is frequently sung at cenotaph services.

O valiant hearts who to your glory came
Through dust of conflict and through battle flame;
Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,
Your memory hallowed in the land you loved.
Proudly you gathered, rank on rank, to war
As who had heard God's message from afar;
All you had hoped for, all you had, you gave,
To save mankind—yourselves you scorned to save.
Splendid you passed, the great surrender made;
Into the light that nevermore shall fade;
Deep your contentment in that blest abode,
Who wait the last clear trumpet call of God.

Hanging in many lodge rooms throughout this jurisdiction are engraved plaques and Honour Rolls list the names of those young Masons who served King and Country and paid the Supreme Sacrifice. These are men that preserved the many freedoms we enjoy. During this Month of Remembrance, let us pause in grateful tribute and read aloud those names forever enshrined in the annals of Masonry.

A few weeks after the outbreak of World War I, Laurence Binyon (1869-1943) wrote these lines in *For The Fallen*, which were published in *The Times* of London, 21 September 1914.

Solemn the drums thrill: Death august and royal
Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres.
There is music in the midst of desolation
And a glory that shines upon our tears.
They went with songs to the battle, they were young,
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted,
They fell with their faces to the foe.
They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.