



Provincial Grand Lodge Irish Digest

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations must go to Ulster Lodge for attracting two joining members being Wor. Bro. Dr. Glenn Packer and Bro. Louwrens.

Mac Mac Lodge for balloting for Adv. Beilings from Mpumalanga.

PGL NOTICES

- ⚡ Quarterly Balance sheets which are again due. Brethren please liaise with the Provincial Grand Lodge Secretary if in doubt.
- ⚡ Irish Digest. The Irish Digest should be read in full at all regular meetings. This is our only communication of the Board of General purposes to all the Brethren in the Province.
- ⚡ Open Nights. Should any Lodge wish to have an Open Night, the Lodge Secretary is reminded that they are to give PGL notice in writing, at least 2 months in advance. The notice should include the Topic, the Speaker. The Lodge Chain Representative should also be notified and invited. The preferred notice should read "Lodge of Awareness".
- ⚡ BOGP. Nomination forms will be sent to Lodge secretaries during the weekend. Please return ASAP.
- ⚡ PGL Nominations. Nomination forms will be sent to Lodge secretaries during the weekend. Please return ASAP.
- ⚡ Valedictory Reports. Valedictory reports to be submitted to the Provincial Grand Master 14 days before the Installation.
- ⚡ Mission statements. Mission statements to be submitted to the Provincial Grand Master 14 days before the Installation.
- ⚡ PGL Luncheon. The PGL Luncheon is scheduled for 1st Nov. 2015. Details to follow.
- ⚡ Mac Mac Lodge will meet on Saturday 20th June 2015 at 13h00.
- ⚡ 8 June 2015 – Belfast Lodge. The venue is Parklane. This is a full installation.
- ⚡ Ulster Lodge has moved back to Brakpan. The Installation ceremony will however take place on Friday the 19th June 2015 in Fourth Street Boksburg North opposite the swimming pool. A Past Master to again occupy the Masters chair.
- ⚡ 19th June 2015. Ulster Lodge. Venue being Fourth Street Boksburg North.

- ⚡ Bi Annual meeting. Please diarise the Bi Annual Meeting scheduled for Saturday 12th September 2015 at CERT Jubilee Road Boksburg South. All Masters Masons are cordially invited to attend.
- ⚡ PGL Office. Contact telephone number. 076-890-2898.
- ⚡ Losie Petit does not meet during January, June and July.
- ⚡ Achill Lodge meets on the even months of the year.
- ⚡ Achill Lodge will host the Ulster Lodge Installation in Fourth Street Boksburg North.
- ⚡ Capricorn Lodge: Installation ceremony on Friday 3 July 2015 in Polokwane. This is a full Installation Ceremony.
- ⚡ Capricorn Lodge: Accommodation on Friday 3 July 2015. Contact the PGL Office at 076-890-2898.
- ⚡ Tzaneen Lodge: Installation ceremony on Saturday 4 July 2015 in Tzaneen. This is a full Installation Ceremony.
- ⚡ Tzaneen Lodge: Accommodation on Saturday 4 July 2015. Contact the PGL Office at 076-890-2898.
- ⚡ Edward H Croghan Lodge: Installation Ceremony on Monday 27 July 2015 in Brakpan.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE



According to Grand Lodge Law no. 174 "The Provincial Grand Master, or in his absence the Provincial Deputy Grand Master, or a Provincial Assistant Grand Master, may visit and preside in every Lodge within his Province."

CLASS OF INSTRUCTION



Any topic and even a suitable venue for the next Class of Instruction to be forwarded to the Provincial Grand lodge Secretary in writing.

The Class of Instruction is scheduled for Thursday the 30th July 2015. Details to follow.

MASONIC SERVICES COMMITTEE



The normal monthly plea for, books, magazines, spectacles, clothing, stamps and electronic equipment. It is also suggested that the Lodge Secretary include this item on the Lodge agenda.

The next project is the winter project – normally blankets for the less fortunate. MSC meets at 17h30 at Parklane on the Third Wednesday of every month. 17th June 2015.

WHAT IS THE ROYAL ARCH?



This is question many Master Masons ponder and even ask loud. The short answer: It is the completion of the symbolic story of Craft Masonry. Every serious Master Mason aspires to attain the summit of Ancient Craft Masonry. To be in possession of the ultimate information it is necessary to join the Royal Arch degree.

Membership and further details are available from V.Wor. Bro. Don Cresswell at cell 083-327-9183 or 13rodos@gmail.com.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

Brethren not yet members are urged to consider the Royal Arch.

Membership forms are available from V.Wor. Bro. Andre de Roubaix at cell 082-851-1595.



THE CHIVALRIC ORDER OF KNIGHT MASON



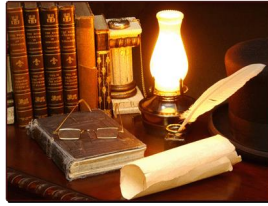
1. The Chivalric Order of Knight Masons continue the story of the Temple in Jerusalem. Further details are available from V.Wor. Bro. Justin Dawe at 083-353-7790.
2. The Irish Masonic Study Group has taken off. The group meets on a regular basis and discussions are not only limited to the Knight Masons, Knight Templars and Royal Arch. Details are available from V.Wor. Bro. Andre de Roubaix at 082-851-1595. Send your e-Mail address to V.Wor. Bro. Andre de Roubaix at belgamax@netactive.co.za and you will receive a personalized invitation.
3. The next Irish Masonic Study Group Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 24th June 2015 at 19h00. Venue. Inisys Africa Pty Ltd at Hanover Square 8th Ave Hendrik Potgieter street Edenvale. Please to notify V. Wor. Andre de Roubaix of your intention to attend for logistical purposes.

LODGE FUNCTIONS



- ⚡ Day Time Lodge: Well done to Belfast Lodge who meet on the 2nd Monday of March, May, July, September and November at 11h00 at Parklane in Johannesburg. Details from Wor. Bro. Graham Patrick on 082-907-4188.
- ⚡ Erin Go Bragh Golf day. Please pencil in Friday 24th July 2015. Details to follow. Watch this space.
- ⚡ Losie Petit and Ulster Lodge is assisting Brakpan Lodge with their Bring n Braai on Sunday the 14th June 2015 at the Brakpan Masonic Hall Brakpan. All welcome. Details John Harmse 082 452 8459.
- ⚡ Hobo Party / Dance. Tirmochree Royal Arch Chapter is hosting a Hobo Party / Dance on 11th July 2015 at CERT Boksburg. R150.00 per person. Details Brian Trotter at 072-801-1282.

IRISH DIGEST CONTRIBUTION



All contributions to be forwarded in writing to the Provincial Grand Lodge Secretary, and the Irish Digest Editor Rt.Wor.Bro. John Harmse.

ALMONERS PAGE



Almoners Report:

Lodge Secretaries are reminded to submit a written report on a monthly basis to the Provincial Grand Lodge Secretary and the Irish Digest Editor, Rt. Wor. Bro. John Harmse.

The Almoners that have been designated to the following areas are:

W Bro Nigel Hulse – West Rand. 011-674-3204 cell 082-296-6713

V. Wor. Bro. Joachim Prinsloo – Limpopo. 082-565-6978.

V. Wor. Bro. Dave McLean – Free State. 082-494-5046.

Rt. Wor. Bro. Thinus Kriel – Gauteng – 083-457-3973.

Brethren are requested to notify the Lodge Almoner of all cases of distress and illness.

Health Report:

- ⚠ V. Wor. Bro Barrie Sergay receiving chemo.
- ⚠ V. Wor. Bro. Eddie Botha's in trauma after his car was thrashed.
- ⚠ Wor. Bro. Chris Anderson with a knee operation.
- ⚠ Carol Turkington who had a plate inserted in her left shoulder.
- ⚠ Rt. Wor. Bro. Dirk Lourens who was hospitalised.
- ⚠ Rt. Wor. Bro. Thinus Kriel who suffered a heart attack.
- ⚠ V. Wor. Bro. Norman Smithies who was hospitalised.
- ⚠ V.Wor. Bro. John Dick who has been ill.
- ⚠ V. Wor. Bro. Tom v Blommenstein who has been ill.

Rt Wor Bro John Harmse P A G M