



Kilwinning 565 News

From The Chair



Spring Gratitude

Greetings from the East, Brethren, advancement.

Spring has finally sprung and the warm weather is approaching.

As I write this note, I am feeling very optimistic. Kilwinning has set and achieved many goals over our fall and winter sessions, and we all can take pride in these successes. I would like first to congratulate Bro. James Low on his excellent work with our mentorship event. It was a great success and well attended. Also to Bro Phil Horrigan for his hard work and drive to get us to qualify for the Cornerstone designation.

Thanks to all who were able to attend the District Divine Service.

I would like to congratulate Bros. Lenno Britos, and Christian de la Rosa on joining our ancient and honorable society; Also, Bros. Jason Moyse and Michael Siu on their

As we know Masonry is built upon good solid foundations and hard work. I would like to thank those who have stepped up to take on committee chairs and everyone who has supported them in their rolls. This is the foundation I am speaking of. *The hand was prompt to execute the design.*

Well done Brethren, we have momentum and its been a lot of fun. Lets keep it going.

Dates to remember:

Friday May 1 - King Hiram installation WTMT (West Toronto Masonic Temple)

Saturday may 2 - Wardens Association—all junior officers and Wardens should be there!

Monday May 4 - Kilwinning Emergent meeting—1st degree WTMT

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Special points of interest:

- *What's been happening*
- *News and reviews*
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- *Recipe*
- *What's coming up?*
- *Opportunity for further light*

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Friday may 15 - Kilwinning 3rd degree and we host Kilwinning 64 as official visitors. Please be there to welcome our visitors.

June 19 - We travel to visit Kilwinning 64 in London On. (See Joseph Ganetakos for carpooling). Remember that this is our Regular Meeting! Let's not disap-

point our Hosts.

Hope to see you all soon.

Sincerely and Fraternally,
W. Bro. Marc Decorte
Worshipful Master

Article

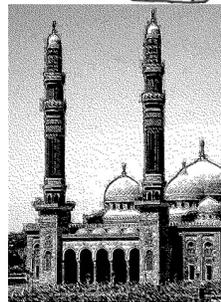
Between The Pillars

By W. Bro. Robert V Lund

As an Entered Apprentice Mason, you were introduced to the left hand pillar which stood at the porch way or entrance to King Solomon's Temple, which was named after Boaz, the great grandfather of David, a Prince and ruler in Israel. Now, any thinking Mason will infer that there must therefore be a right hand pillar at the same entrance to the Temple. Such a conclusion would be correct. The Apprentice Mason will be introduced to the second pillar in the Fellowcraft Degree. However, one will see the two pillars in many pictures and symbols related to Freemasonry, and many Lodges display a tracing board showing the Temple and the pillars at its entrance. Some Lodges have replicas of these twin pillars standing in the Lodge. Much importance is accorded to them in our ritual ceremonies but very little of their import is explained.

In the tracing board lecture in the first degree, the initiate is told of three pillars that support Freemasonry: Wisdom, Strength and Beauty. Later, we will see a correspondence between these three pillars and the pillars of the Temple. As we deal with the symbolism of the two pillars of the Temple, we will discover that there is actually a third pillar between them. This third pillar represents you, and this will be explained as we work through the meaning of them.

Pillars have always been a prominent feature of all great systems of religion, and of initiation into the great mysteries. The entrances of the great cathedrals are normally two great towers which represents two great pillars. You will find a similar feature in all the great mosques.



In ancient Egyptian temples, where initiations into the mysteries took place, initiates had to pass between two pillars, and the Temple of Delphi in Greece was reported to have used two pillars in their initiations.

The pillars are meant to denote the entrance to the path of enlightenment, the path that leads from the physical, material world to the spiritual world, our ultimate purpose on earth of returning to the Creator as perfected beings. The path is a narrow one and, as it states in our ritual, we should "walk uprightly and with humility before God, turning neither to the right hand nor to the left from the strict path of virtue."

In Freemasonry, the pillars are shown to be capped with a terrestrial and celestial globe.

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Originally, they were said to be capped by two bowls: one of water and one of fire. The bowl of water signified the earthly man (the material) and the bowl of fire signified the divine man. In one of the Apocryphal Scriptures (2 Esdras, 7; 7 8), the path to true wisdom and life is spoken of as an entrance between a fire on the right hand and a deep water on the left.

They also represent the active and passive expressions of Divine Energy, and other opposites such as: light and darkness; body and soul; sun and moon; male and female; good and bad; summer and winter solstices; etc. In other words, they represent the duality of the manifested material world, as dictated by Natural Law. This symbolism is reinforced by the mosaic pavement in the Lodge. The lower and physical part of us is earthly and materialistic, while our higher, divine portion is spiritual. These two portions of ourselves are in perpetual conflict, the spiritual and the carnal ever warring against one another, and the enlightened man learns to create a perfect balance between them and to establish himself in strength so that his own inward lodge or temple stands firm against all weakness, temptation, and adversity. As stated in our Masonic ritual, the pillars when conjoined, denote stability.

This duality, as taught in Pythagorean and Egyptian numerology, and in Rosicrucian teachings, will always produce a triad.

In addition to being replicas of the pillars in King Solomon's Temple, the two pillars are derived also from the Qabbalistic Sephiroth, or Tree of Life, which is a symbol used in the Qabbala, a system of mysticism. Qabbala is a set of esoteric teachings meant to explain the relationship between an unchanging, eternal, and mysterious infinity, which we might call the Great Architect Of The Universe, and the mortal and finite

universe. It defines paths to understanding and perfection.

To simplify some of the concepts, the ten Sephiroth are divided in to three vertical columns. The right hand column is called the pillar of Mercy, which has its basis in Wisdom. The left hand column is called the pillar of Severity, also called Judgement, which is founded on Understanding, and also Strength. The middle column is called the pillar of Equilibrium, incorporating Grace and Beauty, and keeps the other two in balance, which perfectly defines the purpose of our two Masonic Temple pillars. It is also the Crown, in which all the powers of the superior worlds are manifested. You will recognize, from this description, the derivation of the pillars of Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty "about His throne".

The Qabbala is a complex teaching, and will not be dealt with here.

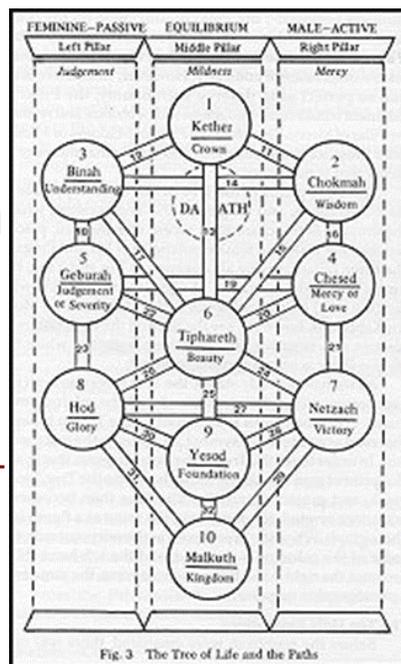
However, it should be understood that further study is required if a fuller understanding of the symbolism behind the pillars is to be obtained.

As you take your place between the two pillars, representing the pairs of opposites, and the start of the narrow path, you are to find balance and

equilibrium to be successful in your spiritual journey.

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District Walkathon

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT CHARITY

SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2015 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

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Ancient Wisdom

Natural Law—Part 7 (conclusion)

This article concludes an introduction to Natural Law - the Cosmic Law - the Law of the Universe.

The general Principles of NATURAL LAW have come to us from ancient Egyptian times, and can be distilled into seven principles (also known as the Hermetic Principles):

1. The Principle of Mentalism
2. The Principle of Correspondence
3. The Principle of Vibration
4. The Principle of Polarity
5. The Principle of Rhythm
6. The Principle of Cause and Effect
7. The Principle of Gender

The previous edition covered the Principle of Gender.

Final Thoughts

The great work of influencing one's environment is accomplished by Mental Power. The Universe is wholly mental, so it follows that it may be ruled only by Mentality. If the Universe is Mental in its substantial nature, then it follows that Mental Transmutation must change the conditions and phenomena of the Universe. If the Universe is Mental, then Mind must be the highest power affecting its phenomena. If this is understood then all the so-called “miracles” and “wonder-

workings” are seen plainly for what they are.

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“The possession of Knowledge, unless accompanied by a manifestation and expression in Action, is like the hoarding of precious metals—a vain and foolish thing. Knowledge, like Wealth, is intended for Use. The Law of Use is Universal, and he who violates it suffers by reason of his conflict with natural forces. “

“Those who know and adhere to these principles possess the key through which the wisdom of the universe is unveiled.”

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I truly hope that you will use this knowledge to some benefit to yourself and to your fellow creatures.

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Links

- **Lodge Website:** kilwinning565.com

This site has back issues of the newsletter, and many articles.

- **District Website:** www.torontowestdistrict.com

- Educational articles can also be found on the District web site.
- **Grand Lodge:** www.grandlodge.on.ca

Reflections

The Newsletter of the Committee on Masonic Education is published quarterly. Its goal is to make available articles and presentations written for Masons of Ontario.

The cost of a yearly subscription is only \$ 18.00 for the 2014 Masonic Year and can be ordered by writing to "Masonic Education Newsletter", c/o the Subscription Manager for the Reflections Newsletter: R.W. Bro. Lindsay Reiach, 41 Dunrobin Drive, Caledonia, Ontario, N3W 2N. Lreiachz@shaw.ca. 905 765 8341. Your cheque should be made out to "Masonic Education Newsletter". Please indicate your Lodge's name and number, your District's name, your name and the mailing address where you would like to receive this publication.

Reflections is always seeking articles about Freemasonry written by Freemasons. Please submit them to its Editor, Bro. Andrew Douris, F.C.F., e-mail: deon-fortuna@hotmail.com. Articles are often approximately 1,200 words in length. Articles of special merit might be printed in sections over several issues while short articles provide an excellent resource for a brief Masonic Education moment in Open Lodge. Please adhere to the following deadlines for submissions: Fall issue = August 1, Winter issue = November 1, Spring issue = February 1, Summer issue = May 1.

College of Freemasonry

The Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education offers interesting Correspondence Courses on Masonic Education throughout this Jurisdiction which is comprised of nineteen different modules. Any Master Mason may take any module individually for \$10.00 each or they may wish to complete a course of study for a set fee. If a Brother takes an individual module today, and decides to complete a course of study later in time, he will be accredited with the module he has completed prior. In other words, he does not have to pay for or rewrite what he has already completed in the past. There are three courses of study offered by the College of Freemasonry:

1. "The Masonic Arts and Sciences" course (eighteen modules).

2. The "Past Master's course" (eleven modules)
3. The "Worshipful Master course" (eight modules). Any Brother looking to run for the DDGM of their District or Grand Registrar, the course required by the Book of Constitution, Section 50(b), is the "Past Master's Course". This course is also great for those looking to be a District Secretary.

For those who wish to pay by cheque, please send it to W. Bro. George Warner, 4010 Chadburn Crescent, Mississauga, ON, L5L 3X2. For those who wish to pay via credit card, just fill in the application form and send it to masonic.college@gmail.com, and the Brother will be emailed payment instructions through Paypal (an account is not necessary). If any Brother has any questions, they may email R.W. Bro. Rick Cadotte, FCF, Principal, College of Freemasonry, masonic.college@gmail.com.

You may also get information by going to the Grand Lodge Website, sign in, click "Membership", then "College of Freemasonry". There are many electronic books and other resources there.

Heritage Lodge

Heritage Lodge No. 730 G.R.C. was formed to provide an intellectual environment for the pursuit of Masonic knowledge and also to provide a means for receiving and recording historical artefacts to ensure the preservation of our Masonic Heritage without encroaching on the normal functions of Constituent Lodges.

Heritage Lodge accepts, by affiliation in the usual manner, all Masons of like-mind, desirous of working together to fulfil the aims and objectives established by the membership.

The Lodge Secretary is R.W. Bro. Kenneth E. Campbell, e-mail: heritagelod730@xplornet.com. The fee for Affiliation is \$ 55.00 and the annual dues are also \$ 55.00. R.W. Bro. Robert C. McBride is the Heritage Lodge Regional Liaison Chairman for the Ontario, Peterborough and Victoria Districts. He can be reached by sending an e-mail to ddgm2007@nexicom.net.

South African Style Green Beans

Recipe from W. Bro. Rob Lund

This is how we do Green beans where I come from. It's a traditional recipe.

Ingredients:

- 14 ounces green beans
- 1 potato, medium, peeled and sliced
- 1 onion, medium, peeled and sliced
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 1/3 teaspoon white pepper (to taste)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt (to taste)
- butter, to taste

Method:

1. Wash and tail beans. Please note that you could use more; the quantity doesn't matter. If you're

cooking for more than 4 people, use more beans and maybe 2 potatoes.

2. Slice the beans into roughly 1" long pieces.
3. Put in a pot, and slice the peeled potato and onion over the beans.
4. Add about 1/3 cup water, sugar, white pepper and salt. (Yes, white pepper is the best here, but black pepper is fine). Don't mix: just put lid on and bring to boil, then lower heat and let simmer.
5. Bring to the boil, lower heat, put lid on, and let the whole lot simmer until everything is very soft.
6. Mash the beans, potato and onion, but don't try to beat it to a pulp -- there should be texture left (see photo).
7. Usually there is a bit too much liquid left. Drain this off -- I use a sieve -- or you can boil it away over high heat, but be careful not to burn the veggies.
8. Add a good knob of real butter, fork through, and serve.



9. This simple dish can easily be made ahead and warmed up -- the flavour improves.

Serve as a vegetable side dish.

As a variation add a little nutmeg.

We also do carrots this way. Try the recipe with carrots instead of beans.

If there is anyone who would like to share a recipe they love, please do so by sending it to Phil at philandsteph@rogers.com

Upcoming Events



IONIC LODGE No.229 A, F. & AM., G.R.C.

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May 2015

Friday, May 1 7:30pm
Installation at King Hiram Lodge 566

Saturday, May 2 8:00am
Ionic Lodge 229 - Pancake Breakfast
Warden's Association Meeting

Friday, May 8 7:30pm
Installation at Joseph A Hearn Lodge 685

Tuesday, May 12 7:30pm
Installation at Ionic Lodge 229

Thursday, May 14 7:30pm
Installation at Flower City Lodge 689

Tuesday, May 19 7:30pm
Installation at Peel Lodge 468

Thursday, May 28 7:30pm
Installation at University Lodge 496

June 2015

Tuesday, June 2 7:30pm
Installation at South Gate Lodge 674

Thursday, June 4 7:30pm
Installation at Unity Lodge 710

Tuesday, June 9 7:30pm
Installation at River Park Lodge 356

Wednesday, June 10 7:30pm
Installation at West Gate Lodge 734

Friday, June 26 7:30pm
Installation at Ibrox Lodge 740

**Check the District Web Site for more upcoming events,
and for updates, and pictures from past events:**

<http://www.torontowestdistrict.com/calendar.html>