



Kilwinning 565 News

From The Chair



Brethren,

On October 2nd, Kilwinning hosted a Friend-to-Friend open house that was hugely successful.

This success was due to the efforts of Brother Michael Simpson who not only conceptualized the event, but organized every single detail. In addition, Brother James Low made it extra amazing by cooking a fantastic meal.

I would especially like to thank the Kilwinning members present that sat and engaged our visitors, providing them with information and answering their questions. I would also like to thank the speakers who provided talks designed to inform and entertain the visitors.

We had over 30 guests come to visit us and 14 people expressed interest in keeping in touch with us or joining Kilwinning. See pictures in this

newsletter.

To date I am happy to report we have more than twenty men seeking to join our Lodge at this time.

Our fraternal visit to Pontiac Lodge No. 21 in Michigan, USA, is only days away, I am personally so excited to see our brothers from our sister Lodge, and enjoy their always wonderful hospitality.

I suggest to those who are planning to come to leave early on the Friday (October 20th) so that we can be at their lodge

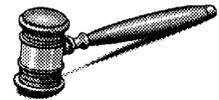
by 5:30 - 6pm for dinner. Lodge opens at 7pm where we will be enjoying their 1st degree.

The rest of our agenda has been already circulated.

Just a reminder that our next meeting is November 6th.

Sincerely & Fraternally yours,

W. Bro Philip K. Horrigan
Worshipful Master



Open House

On Monday, October 2, the Lodge hosted a Friend-to-Friend Open House, for friends who are interested in Freemasonry, or becoming members. This event was the brainchild of Bro. Michael Simpson and without his drive and enthusiasm, this evening would not have been the tremendously successful event that it was. There were around fifteen visitors who were informed about various aspects of Masonry through eight short talks given by various Brethren. A tasty dinner followed, with toasts.

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Mystic Masonry: In Ritual, Symbol, and Allegory (part 21)

By W. Bro. Rob Lund

Symbols of the Third Degree (Contd)

Knocks

The different knocks used in the three degrees during the opening and closing of the Lodge are used to identify in which degree the Lodge is currently open. However, the structure or content of these knocks is also symbolic. They represent how the three main aspects of a Mason (body, mind, and spirit) are related in each of the degrees.

In the first degree, body, mind, and spirit are not working together in any significant way. They are shown as three separate entities by three separate knocks (. . .).

In the second degree, which places an emphasis on the moral and intellectual aspects of a mason, there is now a closer affinity between body and mind, while spirit has not yet been addressed. The Mason has learned to use his mind to master his base material nature. This is shown as a single knock (representing spirit) followed by two knocks (mind and body together . . .).

In the third degree, which now adds a spiritual aspect to a Mason's existence, the material body is considered being of lesser importance. The mind is now more concerned with the spirit, and developing a spiritual nature. This is shown in the Lodge opening by two knocks (spirit and mind) followed by one (body . . .).

The Brethren, on hearing these knocks in the various degrees, should place themselves in the appropriate frame of mind and state of reverence for that degree.

It should be noted that the same concept of the combinations of body,

mind, and spirit, are repeated, to some degree, in the positions of the square and compasses in each of the degrees.

These are treated earlier in this series, but I will summarize them again:



in the first degree, the square (body) covers both points of the compasses; in the second degree, one is disclosed (mind is prominent); in the third degree, both points of the compasses are visible, covering the square (mind and spirit are dominant).

Symbols in general

“What we call a symbol is a term, a name, or even a picture that may be familiar in daily life, yet that possesses specific connotations in addition to

its conventional and obvious meaning. It implies something vague, unknown, or hidden from us. Thus a word or an image is symbolic when it implies something more than its obvious and immediate meaning. It has a wider “unconscious” aspect that is never precisely defined or fully explained. Nor can one hope to define or explain it. As the mind explores the symbol it is led to ideas that lie beyond the grasp of reason.”

Carl G. Jung

There are reasons why every symbol and every allegory in Freemasonry should be deemed important to a Mason. As I have shown numerous times, the Craft is based upon spiritual teachings handed down over millennia and it should continue to unveil, to the seeker of truth and light, secrets that are far deeper than those written in any of our ceremonies. Knowledge can be preserved in symbols and, often, those that preserve them can be ignorant of what they preserve. This can be both a good thing and a bad thing. It is good that knowledge can be preserved without comprehending it. It can be bad in that certain things may be ignored, or changed, because of this lack of understanding, thereby losing valuable knowledge.

Whether you are a disbeliever, a rationalist, or a mystic, it cannot be denied that Freemasonry contains teachings that are unquestionably linked to the most esoteric of human knowledge. For those who continue to search for the deeper meaning behind Masonic symbols, consider yourself more enlightened than those who do not seem to understand the words “veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols.”

(to be continued)

Words of Wisdom

"The Rosicrucian realizes that at any moment, at any time of day, we can turn our thoughts inward and immediately contact the mind and consciousness of God. We realize that we do not have to be in a church to pray. We realize that we can talk with God on a hilltop, under a tree, in a canoe, in an automobile, in the cellar of our house, in the garret, or in the corner of our bedroom. God is not reached by turning our thoughts outward to some point in the heavens but by turning our thoughts inward to the temple within where the consciousness of God is always ready to respond and give help."

Dr. H. Spencer Lewis

"The overwhelming misfortune of humanity is not that we are ignorant of the existence of truth, but that we misconstrue its nature. What errors and what sufferings would have been spared us if, far from seeking truth in the phenomena of material nature, we had resolved to descend into ourselves and had sought to explain material things by our own being, and not our being by material things - if, fortified by courage and patience, we had preserved in the calm of our imagination the discovery of this light which we desire all of us with so much ardor."

Louis-Claude de Saint-Martin

If you are interested in gaining further light through the following:

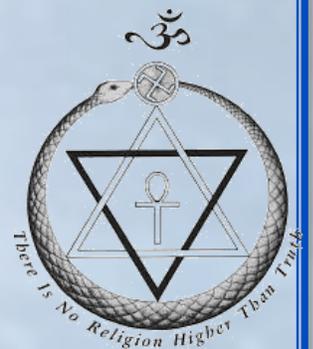
- The study of comparative Religion, Philosophy and Science
- Investigating the unexplained laws of Nature, and the powers latent in man

Consider joining the Theosophical Society to understand the secrets of nature and Science and the true nature of the universe

Our motto is: "There is no religion higher than Truth"

For further information, contact:

Rob Lund, President, York Lodge of the Theosophical Society at roblund@gmail.com



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



Spaghetti Squash with Cheese and Veggies

Ingredients:

- 2 small spaghetti squash
- 2 Tbsp unsalted butter
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 carrot, finely chopped
- 1 cup finely chopped red bell pepper (about ½ large bell pepper)
- ½ cup grated zucchini (about ½ small zucchini), drained
- 4 Tbsp all purpose flour
- 2 cups skim milk
- 1 tsp chopped fresh thyme (or ½ tsp dried thyme leaves)
- 2 cups shredded old Cheddar cheese (white and/or yellow)
- 1 tsp Dijon mustard
- ¼ tsp freshly ground black pepper
- 1 tsp kosher salt plus more to taste
- 1 Tbsp chopped fresh parsley
- 2 Tbsp freshly grated Parmesan cheese



Method:

- Preheat oven to 375F.

- Cut the spaghetti squash in half crosswise. Sprinkle with some olive oil, salt and pepper. Place the squash cut side down on a baking dish and roast for 30 to 45 minutes. Remove from the oven and set aside to cool down a little.
- Meanwhile, heat the butter over medium heat in a large sauce pan. Add the onion and garlic and saute them for 1 minute, until they become fragrant. Add the carrot, red bell pepper and zucchini and cook, stirring, for about 5 minutes, until the vegetables have softened up. After that, add the flour and stir thoroughly until it's well incorporated. Pour in the milk, constantly stirring. Add the thyme and cook for about 5 minutes or until the mixture begins to boil. At this point, stir in the shredded cheese and mustard. Add one 1 teaspoon of salt and ¼ tsp of black pepper. Stir and taste for salt. Add more if needed. Remove from heat and stir until the cheese has fully melted.
 - Insert the squash halves cut side up into 4-inch ramekins. Ladle the cheese sauce into spaghetti squash halves, garnish with chopped parsley and Parmesan cheese and serve.
- Alternatively, using a large spoon, scoop out spaghetti squash flesh into a bowl. Add the cheese sauce, mix, then spoon back into shells. Top with chopped parsley, grated Parmesan cheese and serve.

Architecture Corner

by W. Bro. Rob Lund

In the previous issue, we covered the Prairie School Architecture.

Architectural features and Glossary

Abacus—A flat slab forming the uppermost member or division of the capital of a column.

Accolade—A sculptural embellishment of an arch.

Apron—raised panel below a window or wall monument or tablet.

Apse—Vaulted semicircular or polygonal end of a chancel or chapel. That portion of a church, usually Christian, beyond the "crossing" and opposite the nave. In some churches the choir is seated in this space.

Arcade—Passage or walkway covered over by a succession of arches or vaults supported by columns. **Blind arcade** or arcading: the same applied to the wall surface.

Architrave—Formalized lintel, the lowest member of the classical entablature. Also the molded frame of a door or window.

Arris—Sharp edge where two surfaces meet at an angle such as the corner of a square column or shaft.

Atrium—(plural: atria) Inner court of a Roman house; in a multi-story building, a toplit covered court rising through all stories.

Next issue: Architectural features continued

Further Light

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.

There is no longer any cost for this magazine as it is included in the Ontario Mason publication, which is emailed to you, and can also be found on the Grand Lodge website. Back issues can also be found there.

Reflections is always seeking articles about Freemasonry written by Freemasons. Please submit them to its Editor, Bro. Andrew Douris, F.C.F., e-mail: deo-non-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 re-write 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 heir 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

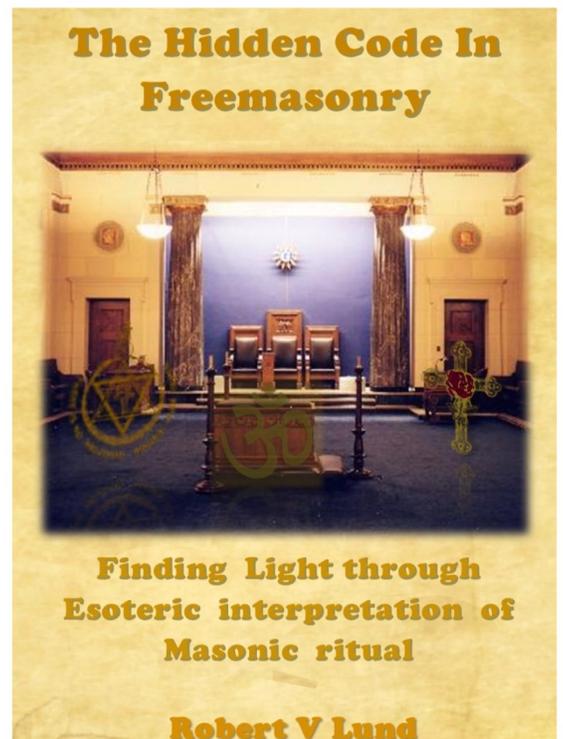
electronic books and other resources there.

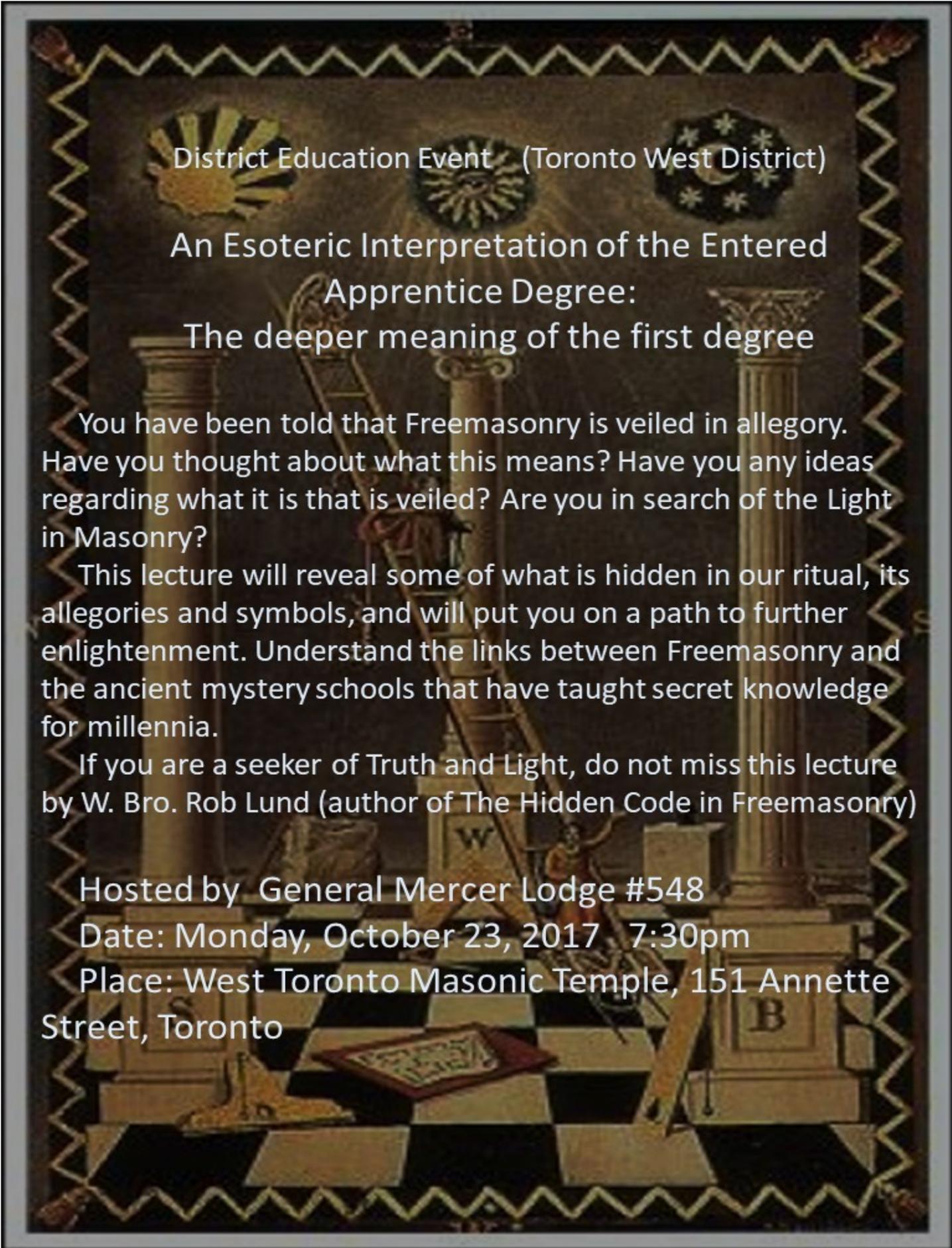
Heritage Lodge

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 V.W. Bro. Arnold (Mac) McCausland, e-mail: secretary@heritagelodge730.ca. The fee for Affiliation is \$ 55.00 and the annual dues are also \$ 55.00.



The background of the entire page is a detailed illustration of a Masonic lodge floor. It features a checkered floor with a central square and compasses. Two large columns stand on either side, with the letters 'W' and 'B' on their bases. A ladder is leaning against the columns, and various Masonic symbols like a sun, moon, and stars are visible in the upper part of the scene. The entire scene is framed by a decorative zigzag border.

District Education Event (Toronto West District)

An Esoteric Interpretation of the Entered
Apprentice Degree:
The deeper meaning of the first degree

You have been told that Freemasonry is veiled in allegory. Have you thought about what this means? Have you any ideas regarding what it is that is veiled? Are you in search of the Light in Masonry?

This lecture will reveal some of what is hidden in our ritual, its allegories and symbols, and will put you on a path to further enlightenment. Understand the links between Freemasonry and the ancient mystery schools that have taught secret knowledge for millennia.

If you are a seeker of Truth and Light, do not miss this lecture by W. Bro. Rob Lund (author of *The Hidden Code in Freemasonry*)

Hosted by General Mercer Lodge #548

Date: Monday, October 23, 2017 7:30pm

Place: West Toronto Masonic Temple, 151 Annette Street, Toronto

Upcoming Events



WARDEN'S ASSOCIATION Of TORONTO WEST

Education Programme

2017 - 2018

OCTOBER

Monday, October 2 7:30pm

DDGM OFFICIAL VISIT: Lakeshore Lodge No. 645

Thursday, October 12 6:30pm

DDGM OFFICIAL VISIT: Mississauga Lodge No.524

Friday, October 13

7:30pm DDGM OFFICIAL VISIT: General Mercer Lodge No. 548

7:30pm Reception: V.W. Bro. Mark Watson, Grand Steward

Saturday, October 14

8:00am Warden Association

6:30pm Ladies Night - Support of the Mississauga Temple Corporation

Tuesday, October 17 7:30pm

DDGM OFFICIAL VISIT: Peel Lodge No. 468

Friday, October 20 7:30pm

INSTALLATION: Anthony Sayer Lodge No.640

Monday, October 23 7:30pm

District Education: An Esoteric Interpretation of the Entered Apprentice Degree

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

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

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