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Dear Brother,

**You are hereby summoned to attend the Regular Monthly Meeting of
Lodge Waikato, to be held in the Hamilton East Masonic Centre,
Grey St., Hamilton East , on Thursday 18th June, 2020 at 7.30pm.**

Ceremony: - Lodge - Business meeting, get-together.

1. Confirmation of Minutes
2. Accounts payable
3. Treasurer ' s report
4. Correspondence
5. Almoner ' s report
6. General Business
7. Lodge Notices

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To be Initiated -

To be Passed to the Second Degree - Bro David Panirau

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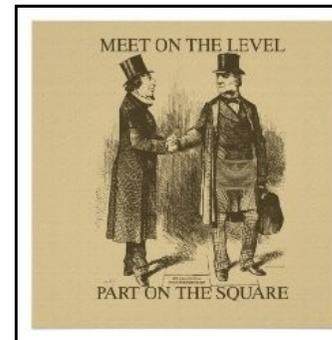
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Lodge Waikato Brethren with Masonic Birthdays in June.

Ted Wilson - 12th June 1962 (58yrs)
Don Seath - 7th June 1971 (49yrs)
Willy Willetts - 3rd June 1974 (46yrs)
John Pilcher - 12th June 1975 (45yrs)
Wally Lee - 7th June 1982 (38yrs)
John Hawkins - 26th June 1989 (31yrs)
Alan Harrop - 7th June 1993 (27yrs)
Tim Heeley - 19th June 2014 (6yrs)
Shatty Philip - 15th June 2017 (3yr)



Special Thanks —

Lodge Waikato 475 would like to thank most heartedly the
following business for their continued support throughout the year

FAIRVIEW MOTORS - JAMES R. HILL

A message from your Master -

How good is it to know level one is just around the corner, I for one have missed the personal contact with each other. We held our first management meeting since lock down last Thursday ,it was great to catch up with a number of you in person again. The zoom meetings have been a good way to keep in contact but you can't beat a real group meeting for getting things done.



As a result from our meeting we have been able to set a plan moving forward over the next few months. We have postponed our Installation until Thursday the 20th of August, this will allow W Bro Schenk to get his team prepared for the Installation. Our first meeting will be a business meeting only Thursday the 18th of June. There will be No Refectory after this meeting as we will still be Observing the Level Two rules so 1m spacing, hand cleaning, recording Names etc.

In July we plan to hold a 3rd degree again this will be my Final Night in the chair so I would love to see as many of you there as possible, however I do still understand some Brethren may still not be comfortable with meeting up yet.

I feel a little Sad that during my time in Office we were hit with this virus as I was looking forward to holding our BBQ ,Whiskey Night, Garage sale and degree work etc, however I ' m sure W Bro Schenk will be up and running with some of these activities as soon as he is able to.

Finally I would like to thank the Brethren (W Brothers Dick Morgan Paul, Sutcliffe, Don Seath, Willy Willets, Graham Hallam, Don Mc Naughton and Andre Schenk.) that have assisted me in helping set up our lodge Waikato phone tree .This has allowed us to have regular contact with all our Members .

Keep in touch, especially with each other.

Fraternally

W.Bro Adrian de Bruin - Master

' Unwanted Spectacles '

Remember, brethren, that the Lodge is still supporting the Fred Hollows Foundation with sending unwanted spectacles to the Islands for those that could do well with them.

We still have a suitable receptacle to receive your glasses at the Lodge rooms, so if you have some or you know of where you can acquire some, they will all be very well received.

Think about it!!
Thank-you.



Months ahead - For your attention -

As communicated via the Master , a business meeting will be held at the Lodge rooms on Grey St. Hamilton East, Thursday 18th June.

He has asked for a meeting just to catch-up with as many as can come and spend an hour or-so just to bring us all up-to-date with happenings, or not happening. Meeting will start at 7.00pm.

July will see the Lodge doing a Third degree, so some of you will need to sharpen up on your workings in that degree.

August sees us doing our Lodge Installation with Andre going into the chair. At time of writing, Andre is still looking for a Treasurer as Alan will be stepping down.

So, if you think you have the skills, contact Andre to offer your services.

We are aware that all Lodges, both in our area and beyond, will all be making plans, just as we are, to start again and become regular in our meetings again.

We will all need to be cautious about our visiting, to be very well aware of how comfortable you may feel about starting that.

' Remember '

Just keep an eye-out for each other, keep in touch.

It might be a month or two before we have anything regular with meetings,

It may be quite some time before we do any visiting.

So, be sensible, use common sense, it 's not over yet.

Look after those others that live in your house.

Ed.

Please note - Lodge meetings -

Next Lodge meeting - Thursday 18th June (next week) 7.00pm (business)

Thursday 16th July, 3rd degree working 7.30pm

Installation meeting - Thursday 20th August - 6.30pm



"You Raise Me Up"

" This song was first heard in 2001 by a European group named Sweet Garden. It 's the type of song that grabs you immediately and stays with you. It 's one of those big sweeping songs that any artist would love to record and most recently Josh Roban is doing very well with it.

The message of the song is all about encouragement and the lyrics beautifully convey that message with its strong imagery, It speaks to all of us with the recent happenings in the world today. "

When I am down and, oh my soul, so weary
When troubles come and my heart burdened be
Then, I am still and wait here in the silence
Until you come and sit awhile with me

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains
You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas
I am strong, when I am on your shoulders
You raise me up... To more than I can be

There is no life - no life without its hunger
Each restless heart beats so imperfectly
But when you come and I am filled with wonder
Sometimes, I think I glimpse eternity.

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains
You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas
I am strong, when I am on your shoulders
You raise me up: To more than I can be.

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Ed

**" With so many things coming back in style,
I can 't wait until morals and intelligence
become a trend again. "**

Liam Neeson

“ This is personal ”

**I ’ m sharing this poem with you all, as it is written by
my granddaughter to her father, who is Nursing in the Coronovirus wards
in the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford, England.**

Dad,

The days are long, the nights are rough,
Who would have thought it could get this tough?
Limits don ’ t exist anymore, we expect the unexpected,
With clapping, walking, singing, spirits can be lifted,
A moment at night to think of those not as privileged,
For those abused, unemployed, homeless, or working night shifts,
Though this virus has exposed stark inequalities,
The love, the fear, the hope, we share equally,
Dad I look at you and all you do,
For your family, for your patients, and for your colleagues too,
I pray I find a man as selfless as you,
Someone who ’ s as caring, as generous, as hardworking as you,
This crisis has taken lives, broken hearts, and separated families,
And at the same time, it has allowed us time to find some peace,
Peace in nature, art, family, friends,
Time we never cherished,
Time that can so quickly end,
And so dad I want to say,
Through the tears that I cry,
You saved so many people, you ’ ve saved their lives,
You think that it ’ s normal, to be that courageous,
You think when push comes to shove, people would do the same thing,
But they won ’ t, they can ’ t, they never will,
It ’ s you that wears those scrubs, the PPE suit,
You ’ re the one they depend on to save their life,
And you do it everyday, and then come home at night,
You wash your face, and you go to bed,
And at 5.30 you get up to do it all again,
This poem can ’ t put into words the highs and the lows,
But I ’ m here to tell the world, that dad, you ’ re my hero.

Olivia.

**Yes, we are all in it together, we know David spends many days and long
hours in the Hospital, and his family cherish the times they can have together.**

Ed.

Freemasons of History

“ ...and to so high an eminence has its credit been advanced that even monarchs have been promoters of the Craft; have not thought it beneath their dignity to exchange the Sceptre for the Trowel; have become members of our Society, and taken part in our assemblies. ”

.....Throughout history some members of the fraternity have made no secret of their involvement, while others have not made their membership public. Following is an abridged list of Freemasons, many of whom for various reasons have become household names.

They come from all walks of life; from carpenters to Kings, mechanics to musicians; they also span the spectrum of the world 's religions Catholics and Protestants, and from Anglicans to Zionists. Whether in the public eye, or without, Freemasons are individuals, yet bound together to make a difference within society, and the vast majority have vowed to attempt to improve the lot of those in distress - wherever and whoever they may be. — enjoy the read.....

Chennault, Clair Lee (1893-1958) - Nicknamed “Old Leather Face”, Clair Chennault was the U.S. General and pioneer aviator who organized the daring ‘Flying Tigers’, an American manned, fighter group for the Chinese Air Force against the Japanese Empire in the Second World War. Chennault was a heroic symbol to the Chinese throughout WWII. Warhawk fighter planes are still to be seen at air shows around the world in Chennault’s distinctive ‘Flying Tigers’ colour schemes.

Chrysler, Walter Percy (1875-1940) – A machinist, railroad mechanic and entrepreneur, Walter Chrysler made his name at Buick (he became one of the highest paid executive officers in the world) before he founded the Chrysler Corporation.

Churchill, Lord Randolph Henry Spencer (1849-1895) – Born at Blenheim Palace, Oxfordshire, Randolph Churchill was educated for a time at Eton. He entered politics and became Leader of the House of Commons, and later Chancellor of the Exchequer, but his political career courted controversy. Nevertheless, Randolph sired possibly the most recognisable politician in the world, Sir Winston Churchill.

Churchill, Sir Winston Leonard Spencer- (1874-1965) – Without doubt, THE most famous British politician and statesman, in history, Winston Churchill was Prime Minister of Great Britain twice, 1940-1945 and 1951-1955. He was also a soldier, historian, writer and artist. His early political career was chequered, especially during World War I, when the ill fated Gallipoli Campaign of 1915 cost the lives of many New Zealand and Australian soldiers, and forced his resignation. Finally however, “cometh the hour, cometh the man” and, during the Second World War, as an orator without peer Churchill’s inspiration (and political manoeuvring) without doubt drove the British Empire and its Allies on to survive the onslaught of Nazi tyranny and Japanese aggression. For his exceptional contribution to the Allied victory, he was made an honorary citizen of the U.S.A. He was a member of lodges Studholme Alliance No.1591 and Rosemary Lodge No.2851, but The Churchill Society claim that he resigned from his lodges in 1912.

Citroën, André-Gustave (1878-1935) – Citroën was a French-Jewish engineer and automobile manufacturer, his legacy continues to this day as, in the skilled hands of drivers like Sébastien Loeb, Citroën cars dominate the World Rally Championships. Andre-Gustave Citroen was a member of Lodge La Philosophie in Paris.

Clark, Mark Wayne (1896-1984) – The U.S. Army General who commanded the American 5th Army when it made its initial landings on the Italian mainland, Mark Clark later commanded the 15th Army Group consisting of the British 8th and American 5th Armies as it effected the conquest of Italy. The Mystic Tie Lodge No.398 in Indianapolis was Clark’s Lodge.

Clark, William (1770-1838) – A pioneer explorer and frontier politician, William Clark was joined by another Freemason, Meriwether Lewis, on the Lewis & Clark Expedition (1804-6), the first overland exploration of the American West and Pacific Northwest; Clark being responsible for careful mapmaking. He later served as native American agent and governor of the Missouri Territory (1813-1821). Brother Clark belonged to Saint Louis Lodge No.111.

Clemens, Samuel Langhorne (Pen name: Mark Twain) (1835-1910) – Writing as 'Mark Twain' this American novelist and humorist's masterful works include the world famous characters of 'Tom Sawyer' and 'Huckleberry Finn'. Samuel Clemens was a member of Polar Star Lodge No.79, A.F.& A.M., St. Louis, Missouri. (He was once suspended for non-payment of dues but later, on 24 April 1867, was reinstated.) Clemens was demitted October 1867, but is recorded as having visited Carson City Lodge U.D. in February and March 1868.

Cody, William Frederick 'Buffalo Bill' (1846-1917) – Buffalo Bill Cody was the legendary soldier, bison hunter, scout and showman, who founded 'The Wild West Show' that toured American and Europe. Despite his wild background, Cody was an advocate of rights for American Indians and, way before his time, for women. He was also an early conservationist. Cody was raised in Platte Valley Lodge No.15, Nebraska.

Cole, Nat 'King' (Given name: Nathaniel Adams Cole) (1919-1965) – An outstanding pianist and ballad singer with a resonant, mellifluous voice, Nat King Cole was one of the first black American entertainers to host a TV show and his world wide popularity endures even today. Cole had mammoth hits with timeless songs like 'Mona Lisa' (1950); 'Unforgettable' (1951) and 'When I Fall in Love' (1952/1956).

Colt, Samuel (1814-1862) – Colt was a firearms inventor and manufacturer who designed the first practical revolving chambered percussion pistol, the 'Paterson' in 1836. He realised early that to keep costs down all of the weapon's parts ought to be machine made and interchangeable, leading to the 'assembly line', long before Henry Ford (see below) utilized the method. His first big order came through Texas Ranger, Captain Samuel Walker in 1847, who requested 1,000 'revolvers'. By the time of his death, Colt's estate was valued at US\$15,000,000 – and that was in 1862 – a vast sum even today. Colt's pistols became so widely available that the phrase was coined: "God didn't make all men equal – Samuel Colt did!"

Compton, Denis Charles Scott (1918-1997) – The brother of footballer Leslie Compton (see below), Denis Compton was an English cricketer who played in 78 Test matches, spending the whole of his cricket career with Middlesex. Like his brother he was also a gifted footballer and played for Arsenal Football Club. His Test debut was against New Zealand in 1937, and his first century came in only his second Test against Don Bradman's Australian touring side in 1938. Compton's dashing approach to batting, and the sheer enjoyment he exuded, endeared him to a generation of cricket lovers. In 1947 he thrilled a war-weary English public by breaking record after record, in getting 3,816 runs; he scored 18 centuries. In 2009 Denis Compton was inducted into the I.C.C. Cricket Hall of Fame.

Compton, Leslie Harry (1912-1984) – Leslie Compton was an English footballer and cricketer who played for Arsenal and Middlesex respectively. His brother, Denis Compton, was also a footballer and cricketer for Arsenal and Middlesex, though Leslie was more successful in football and Denis in cricket. Together with his brother, he won the 1947 County Championship title with Middlesex, making them the only brothers ever to have won the national title both in football and cricket.

Compton, Spencer Douglas David - The Most Honourable, 7th Marquess of Northampton (1946-) - 'Spenny' Compton is said to be Britain's wealthiest Buddhist and, in 2006 with an estimated £70 million, was ranked 701st in 'The Sunday Times Rich List'. In November 1993, the State Supreme Court in New York confirmed Compton's claim to the ownership of the Sevso Treasure, a hoard of late Roman Empire silver. Compton served as the Provincial Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England from 2001 until March 2009.

Corbett, Harry H. (Born: Harold Corbett) (1925-1982) – The son of a British Army officer, Harold Corbett was born in Rangoon, Burma but his mother died when he was three and he was sent to Manchester, England, where he was brought up. He served in the Royal Marines in World War II and, after the war, turned to acting. Corbett began his career as a serious actor and, in the early 1950s added the 'H' (which meant nothing) to his stage name, thus becoming Harry H. Corbett. Extremely skilful in character, he was dubbed "the English Brando" by some sections of the British press. Corbett is most famous, however, for his comedic role as the long-suffering 'Harold Steptoe' (starring alongside Wilfred Bramble as 'Albert Steptoe') in the British TV comedy series 'Steptoe and Son', which ran, with breaks, from 1962 until 1974. The character of 'Harold Steptoe' though became a curse from which Corbett found escape almost impossible, - to the detriment of his later career. Harry Corbett was awarded an OBE in 1976. Bro. Corbett was a member of Chevin Lodge No. 6848, England.

Coward, Charles Joseph (1905-1976) – This member of Camberwell Old Comrades Lodge No.4077, UGLE, was named 'The Count of Auschwitz' for saving the lives of an unknown number of Jewish inmates of the infamous concentration camp. Charles Coward was awarded the Israeli Peace medal; one of only two British citizens to be so honoured - the other recipient being Sir Winston Churchill, also a Freemason.

Crockett, David 'Davy' (1786-1836) – A 19th Century American folk hero, Davy Crockett was a frontiersman, soldier and politician and a U.S. Representative from Tennessee, who joined the Texas revolutionaries fighting for independence from Mexico. Along with other Masonic brethren, he died fighting against overwhelming odds (2,400 Mexican soldiers against 164 defending 'Texians') at the siege of 'The Alamo' on 6 March 1836.

Darwin, Erasmus (1731-1802) – Born in Nottinghamshire, England, Erasmus Darwin was a physician, philosopher and poet. A man of exceptional intelligence and foresight (he designed a hydrogen / oxygen fuelled rocket back in 1779!), he was the grandfather of Charles Darwin. Darwin was a member of Canongate Kilwinning Lodge No.2, Scotland.

Davidson, Cameron James 'Jim' (1953-) – Jim Davidson is a well known British comedian, actor and TV presenter. He was the former Master of Chelsea Lodge in London but resigned that role to become the founding Master of British Forces Foundation (Lodge) No. 9725. In 2001, he was awarded an OBE for "services to the entertainment industry", especially entertaining British troops on active service abroad, a capacity he retains even today.

Dean, William Ralph 'Dixie' (1907-1980) – Dixie Dean is a revered Everton and England footballer who was active from 1925 through to 1937. While playing for Everton, Dean scored 60 goals in the 1927-28 season – a record which remains unbroken. Indeed, overall he scored 383 goals in 433 appearances, which is a phenomenally high strike rate. Dean received 16 international Caps and scored 18 times for England too! A long-time Freemason, Dean was initiated in Randle Holme Lodge, No.3261, Birkenhead near Liverpool on 18 February 1931.

De Burgh Adams, Rt.W.Bro. Major Henry (1830-1869) – Provincial Grand Master of New Zealand (Irish Constitution) – Henry De Burgh Adams was Principal Purveyor to the Army when stationed in New Zealand and carried the rank of Major. (In modern times he would probably be a Quartermaster-General.) He took part in the Crimean War (1853-1856) and was at the Siege of Sevastopol. Born in Canada in 1830, his family moved to Ireland and he became a member of the Victoria Lodge No. IV, Dublin, where he was registered a Master Mason in 1852. On coming to New Zealand in 1857, he affiliated with Ara Lodge No. 348 in the Irish Constitution. He was four years in New Zealand before taking office in Ara Lodge, no doubt due to being in different parts of the country on military duties. Eventually, he became Secretary of Ara for two and a half years, Master in 1861 and Treasurer in 1864-65. On the formation of Provincial Grand Lodge of New Zealand, De Burgh Adams was appointed Deputy Provincial Grand Master and, on the resignation of Brother Cormack Patrick O'Rafferty, C.E., he took over the ruling of Provincial Grand Lodge. (In reality Bro. O'Rafferty never took up his Office as he had moved to Melbourne prior to his appointment and the Province was run by Bro. De Burgh Adams from its inception.) As Deputy Provincial Grand Master, De Burgh Adams issued a Dispensation for the creation of Lodge Onehunga No 420 (with himself as Master) in 1863, followed by United Service Lodge No 421 in 1864. He is also credited with forming Alpha Cambridge Lodge No. 449. The Irish Lodge in New Plymouth, "De Burgh Adams Lodge", was formed in his honour in 1865, but the records show that he never actually visited it, although he assisted it financially both whilst in New Zealand and after leaving for London. When the regiment was recalled to England in 1868, De Burgh Adams went with it, but sadly he died in London the following year from complications caused by a ruptured stomach ulcer at the age of only 39 years, leaving a widow and six children. He was also the only Freemason to have a Lodge named after him in his lifetime. De Burgh Adams Lodge No 446 I.C. still labours in New Plymouth, New Zealand thus his invaluable contribution to Irish Freemasonry in New Zealand is ever remembered.

De Courcey, Roger (1944-) – Roger De Courcey is a British ventriloquist and comedian best known for performing with his puppet 'Nookie Bear'. It was a slow road to stardom for London-born De Courcey but, in 1976, he won the 'New Faces' televised talent competition grand final and his career took off. He has performed on the West End stage, in productions of musicals like 'Sweet Charity', 'Two Cities' and 'Company', and at the London Palladium, including the 1976 Royal Variety Performance in the presence of Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother. Brother DeCourcey is a member of Chelsea Lodge No.3098, London.

DeMille, Cecil Blount (1881-1959) – A blockbuster film director of the 1920 's and through to the 50 's, in 1914 Cecil B. DeMille directed the first Hollywood film, 'The Squaw Man'. He became the creative genius behind Paramount Pictures and was integral to Hollywood 's development as the film capitol of the world. He was renowned for the flamboyance and showmanship of his films, two of his greatest successes being the epics 'The Ten Commandments' (1923, which DeMille remade totally differently in 1956) and 'The Greatest Show on Earth', that won the Oscar® for Best Picture in 1952. DeMille was a Mason in the Prince of Orange Lodge No.16, New York City.

Dempsey, William Harrison 'Jack' (1895-1983) – In 1912 Jack Dempsey became a professional boxer and fought in more than 100 semi-pro and professional bouts before winning the heavyweight championship in 1919. He successfully defended his title five times before losing to Gene Tunney in an upset in 1926. In the rematch in 1927, Dempsey knocked Tunney down in the 7th Round but delayed going to a neutral corner, so the referee gave the controversial "long count" (estimated from 14 to 21 seconds) and Tunney went on to win on points. In the twilight of his career, Dempsey became a New York restaurant owner. Dempsey 's first lodge was Kenwood Lodge No.800 in Chicago.

Desaguliers, John Theophilus (1683-1744) – John Desaguliers (Pronounced: day-zagüly- ay) was a French Freemason and natural philosopher. On 29 July 1714, he was elected a member of The Royal Society of London, and progressed to be presented with the Royal Society 's highest honour, the Copley Medal, in 1734, 1736 and 1741, with the 1741 award being for his discovery of the properties of electricity. He studied at Oxford, became experimental assistant to Freemason Sir Isaac Newton (see below) and later popularized Newtonian theories and their practical applications.

Amazingly, Desaguliers has been credited as the inventor of the planetarium, on the basis of some plans he published. He was the first to apply scientific principles to the use of cannon and gunnery and was Chief Firemaster at the Arsenal, London. An ardent Freemason, Desaguliers was elected the third Grand Master in 1719, and was Deputy Grand Master in 1723 and 1725 of the newly formed Premier Grand Lodge of England (see also Anthony Sayer below). In which capacity he oversaw the publication of the first Masonic Book of Constitutions in the world. It was said of Desaguliers, "Of all those who were engaged in the revival of Freemasonry in the beginning of the Eighteenth Century, none performed a more important part than he to whom may be well applied the epithet of 'The Father of Modern speculative Freemasonry', and to whom, perhaps, more than any other person, is the present Grand Lodge of England indebted for its existence."

Dole, Robert Joseph 'Bob' (1923-) – A decorated (and wounded) veteran of World War Two, Bob Dole was a U.S. Congressman and Senator from Kansas (1961 – 96).

Dole has been the Majority and Minority Leader, a U.S. Senator and, in 1996, a nominee for President of the U.S.A. Brother Dole has never deviated from his basic track; constantly a humanitarian, philanthropist and stalwart Freemason – a member of Russell Lodge No.177, Kansas. Doolittle, General James (1896-1993) – A pioneer aviator in the 1930 's, Jimmy Doolittle was the first to test several instruments now universally found in aircraft, such as the 'artificial horizon' and the 'directional gyroscope'. A natural and gifted pilot, this Freemason led the daring 'Doolittle Raid' on Tokyo in 1942. This particular bombing raid undoubtedly helped shorten the war in the Pacific as it caused the Empire of Japan to hold many fighting men in reserve to defend their previously "untouchable" homeland.

He won the Medal of Honor for his leadership in this action. By January 1944, he had risen to command the U.S. Eighth Air Force in Europe and in this role Doolittle did much to hasten the demise of the German Luftwaffe in the last 16 months of the Second World War, even assisting with the devising of strategy to combat the new-to-warfare German jet propelled fighters, like the fast and deadly Messerschmitt ME 262.

Doyle, Sir Arthur Ignatius Conan (1859-1930) – Born in Edinburgh and educated at Stonyhurst College, Lancashire, Doyle was a physician and the author responsible for creating the world's most famous detective, 'Sherlock Holmes'.

Dunant, Jean Henri (1828-1910) – Dunant was a Swiss businessman and social activist and, although his Masonic membership is often written about, it proves difficult to attest, however this likely Freemason was the philanthropist who, in 1863, having seen first hand the horrors of the wounded soldiers at the Battle of Solferino in Italy (1859), was inspired to found the 'Red Cross'. In 1901, Dunant was the recipient of the first ever Nobel Peace Prize.

Dunlop, William Joseph 'Joey' (1952-2000) – Born in Ballymoney, Northern Ireland and known to his fans worldwide simply as 'Joey', this World Champion motorcycle racer is best known for his domination at the dangerous Isle of Man TT Circuit at which he won 26 times. In 2005 he was posthumously voted the fifth greatest motorcycling icon ever by the UK's Motorcycle News (MCN) magazine. Awarded the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his humanitarian work for children in Romanian orphanages (to whom he would bring clothing and toys), Joey was a dedicated Mason and visited Lodges throughout the world when he was on his travels, be it races or his charity work. Always a fierce competitor and having won the 750cc and 600cc races that day, Brother Dunlop was killed instantly racing in the 125 event when he hit trees at the circuit at Tallinn, Estonia on 2 July 2000.

Ebdon, Peter (1970-) – Born in London, Peter Ebdon is a professional snooker player and former world champion (2002), renowned for his remarkably focused, determined and accurate style of play.

King Edward VII – Albert Edward Wittin (1841-1910) – The son of Queen Victoria, formerly the Prince of Wales and subsequently King of the United Kingdom and the Colonies (1901-1910), during his reign he helped to modernise the Royal Navy and improve the medical facilities of the British Army. King Edward was the first and only monarch of the House of Saxe-Coburg. (His son, King George V, prudently renamed this prior to war with Germany in World War I to become the House of Windsor!)

An active Freemason throughout his life, when Edward, as the Prince of Wales, was installed as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England (UGLE) (see Lodges and Links) in 1874, he gave great impetus to the fraternity. The Prince was a great supporter of and publicist for Freemasonry. As Grand Master, he regularly appeared in public, both at home and on his tours abroad, laying the foundation stones of public buildings, bridges, dockyards and churches with all due Masonic ceremonial. His presence ensured publicity, and reports of Masonic meetings (at all levels) appeared regularly in the national and local press. Under his patronage Freemasonry was constantly in the public eye and Freemasons became known in their local communities. From 637 in 1814, the Grand Lodge had grown to 2,850 lodges when the Prince resigned the Grand Mastership on becoming King in 1901. Edward VII was a vigorous contributor to the world's largest fraternity.

King Edward VIII - Edward Albert Christian George Andrew Patrick David; later The Duke of Windsor (1894-1972) – The controversial King of Great Britain and Ireland who, in 1936, famously abdicated the throne, less than one-year after becoming monarch, in order to marry the woman he loved, American Mrs Wallis Simpson, a divorcee. After his abdication, he was created Duke of Windsor and, in 1937, toured Nazi Germany where he and Mrs Simpson met Adolph Hitler. During the Second World War, he was at first stationed with the British Military Mission to France but, after accusations that he held pro-Nazi sympathies, was moved to the Bahamas as Governor. After the war, he was never given another official appointment and spent the remainder of his life in retirement. King Edward VIII was a member of Household Brigade Lodge, No. 2614.

Prince Edward - Edward George Nicholas Paul Patrick - Field Marshall, HRH The Duke of Kent (1935-) – Prince Edward, the Duke of Kent, is the current Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England (UGLE). The Duke of Kent carries out royal duties on behalf of his first cousin, Queen Elizabeth II. He is perhaps best known as President of the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, presenting the trophies to the winner and runner-up at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships. He was also the United Kingdom 's Special Representative for International Trade and Investment, retiring in 2001.

Eiffel, Gustave (1832-1923) – Designer and architect of the famous tower that bears his name, the ' Eiffel Tower ' has become both a global icon of France and one of the most recognizable structures in the world. Built as the entrance to the World 's Fair of 1889, the tower has recently undergone refurbishment, and its huge lightshow, to help save energy (and the planet), is now partly powered by hundreds of solar panels. Eiffel was also responsible for designing the internal steel work that supports The Statue of Liberty in New York City.

Eisele, Donn Fulton (1930 – 1987) Donn Eisele was born in Columbus, Ohio. Having joined the USAF in 1952, he graduated from the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio in 1960 with an MSc in Aeronautics, and became a project engineer and test pilot at the Air Force Special Weapons Center in New Mexico. Selected in October 1963 to begin training with NASA's third group of astronauts, by 1968 Eisele found himself in the Command Module Pilot's seat for the manned test flight of the Apollo 7 spacecraft, with Walter Cunningham as Lunar Module Pilot, and Wally Schirra as the mission commander. This crew spent 11 days in space and tested transposition, manoeuvring, docking and lunar orbit rendezvous techniques with their Saturn 1B launch vehicle in advance of the intended moon landing. Eisele was effectively the navigator and, on 22nd October 1968 after travelling 7,250,000km, the Apollo 7 space capsule splashed down in the Atlantic Ocean just 480 metres from its predicted target! Colonel Eisele was a member of Luther B. Turner Lodge No. 732 in Columbus, Ohio, USA.

Ellington, Edward Kennedy ' Duke ' (1899-1974) – As a jazz composer, orchestrator, bandleader, and jazz pianist, Duke Ellington is widely considered to be the greatest composer in the history of jazz music and one of the greatest musicians of the 20th Century. He performed with many "greats" including Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong and between 1959 and 1999, won 12 Grammy® Awards, three posthumously. At his funeral Ella Fitzgerald said, "It 's a very sad day. A genius has passed." Ellington was a member of Social Lodge No.1, Washington, DC. King of the Isle of Man TT circuit, Joey Dunlop was a racing legend, dedicated Freemason and carer for the less fortunate.

Ellison-Macartney, Sir William Grey (1852-1924) Ellison-Macartney was born as William Grey Ellison in Dublin, Ireland, the son of John William Ellison, the Conservative MP for Tyrone in the British House of Commons. His father changed the family surname to Ellison-Macartney in 1859, as a condition of an inheritance from a maternal uncle. Educated at Eton and Exeter College, Oxford, he took an early interest in law and politics, and was called to the Bar in 1878. He was an ardent supporter of Irish Unionism, and became grand secretary of the Orange Institution in Ireland. In 1897 he married Ettie Myers Scott, who was the sister of Freemason, Captain Robert Falcon Scott (see below), the Antarctic explorer. In December 1912 he was knighted, and posted to serve as the Governor of Tasmania (1913-1917) and later as Governor of Western Australia (1917-1920). Ellison-Macartney was an experienced and very active Freemason and served as Grand Master of both the Hobart and the Perth Masonic lodges during his respective terms.

Ellsworth, Oliver (1745-1807) – Relatively unknown outside America, Oliver Ellsworth was the Freemason responsible for the term “United States” appearing in the Constitution. He was the third Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court and U.S. Envoy Extraordinary to the Court of France (1799-1800).

Ervin Jr. Samuel James ‘Sam’ (1896-1985) – Sam Ervin was a U.S. Senator from North Carolina; he became a liberal hero for his support of civil liberties. During the ‘Watergate Scandal’, he led the Watergate Committee (1972-1974) at the end of the Nixon administration, and was widely praised for his fair-handed behaviour.

Faber, John Eberhard (1822-1879) – Few persons in the world have NOT at one time held in their hand a product from the famous Faber Pencil Company of which Eberhard Faber was the head. Faber was a member of Chancellor Walworth Lodge No.271, New York.

Fairbanks Senior, Douglas (Real name: Douglas Elton Thomas Ullman) (1883-1939) – Actor, screenwriter, director and producer, early American silent film actor, Douglas Fairbanks wowed the ladies with his athletic prowess in swashbuckling adventures such as ‘The Mark of Zorro’ (1920), ‘Robin Hood’ (1922) and ‘The Thief of Bagdad’ (1924). A consummate businessman, Fairbanks founded the United Artists motion picture studio with Charlie Chaplin in 1919 and The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (Oscars®), hosting the first Oscar® ceremony in 1929. Douglas Fairbanks Sr. was a Freemason in Beverley Hills Lodge No.528.

Fields, William Claude ‘W.C.’ (Real name: William Claude Dukenfield) (1880-1946) – W.C. Fields was an iconic American comedian and actor known for his raspy voice, bulbous nose, and sardonic disposition. His films include ‘My Little Chickadee’ (1940) and ‘Never Give a Sucker an Even Break’ (1941). Fields belonged to E. Coppee Mitchell Lodge No.605, Philadelphia.

Fisher, Archbishop Geoffrey (1887-1972) – An English churchman and the 99th Archbishop of Canterbury, Fisher became Bishop of London in 1939, and Archbishop of Canterbury in 1945, prior to which he had been an active Freemason. Fisher was a distinguished pastor and administrator, helping to reorganize the work of the Church of England after World War II. As President of the World Council of Churches (1946-54), he was a vigorous proponent of ecumenism.

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THE GREAT SECRET OF FREEMASONRY

Recently I called at the home of a friend and found his wife reading a Masonic Paper. Since she and her people had long been a bitter anti-Masonic family, I asked her the reason for her change in reading material. She replied she had discovered the grand secret of Masonry; and related to me (*the original writer*) as follows:

“ Soon after you were here last, I learned to my mortification, my husband had become a Mason. I felt it was because of you and I need not say how I felt toward either of you. I at once decided that my domestic happiness had come to an end. Some time later a circumstance occurred that for the first time gave me reason to doubt his integrity. Late on one of the coldest nights last winter my husband came in and asked, “Margaret, can you do without your blanket shawl?” I answered yes and he asked me to get it, also a bed comforter. I handed them to him and he left the house to join a friend who was waiting for him with a very large basket. My husband returned shortly with no explanation, either then or later for his actions. I decided to watch for my shawl, for if I once caught sight of it I could unravel this whole mystery. Soon afterward a female whisked past me on the street wearing my shawl.

“ The good for nothing huzzy,” I thought; and excitedly started in pursuit. I followed closely from street to street and into the fourth story of a bindery. As she sat down to work I immediately set about locating her residence to get a clue to my husband ’s perfidy. On arriving at her home I saw that I was not mistaken for I found my comforter there.

“ The who secret flashed on my mind at once, as clearly as if it had been written with a sunbeam from heaven. There I found a widowed mother in the last stages of consumption, and three children dependent upon the scanty pittance earned by the elder sister, whom I had followed. I learned from the dying woman a lesson, that in all my philosophy I had never dreamed of—such a tale of sorrow as I had never before listened to—and when she had related the deed of charity that had been the cause of all my unhappiness, I felt there was not room in my bosom to appreciate the disinterested benevolence of my husband. She said, “I do not know how we should have lived, but for the kindness of two persons who came here late one night, and left a basket filled with provisions, some bedclothes, a shawl and five dollars. They just opened the door and set in the basket, saying, “Accept this and ask no questions ”; and left before I had time to inquire their names. I do not know who they were, and I have some doubts from where these things came. But I never forget in earnest prayers to Him, Who opened His hand and filleth the poor with bread, to ask, if these were men, He will keep them and theirs from the sorrows and afflictions with which I am visited. I left the house a better woman than when I entered it.”

“ But the grand secret of Masonry,” said I, “I thought you were to tell me what it is.” She replied, “**It is this—to do good and not tell of it.**”