



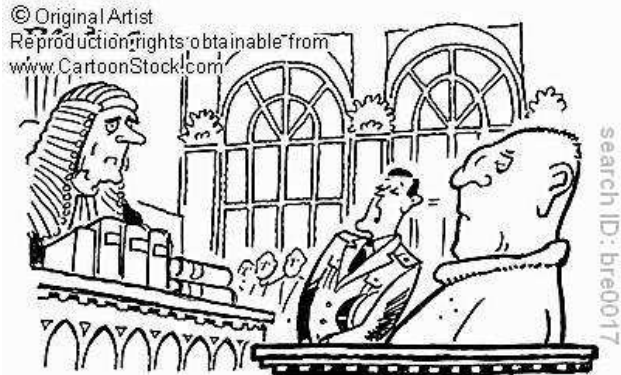
Ethos EDITORIAL

Freemasonry, too good to lose!

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FROM THE EAST

This month William Ross #76 will be paying us a fraternal visit. This will be the first meeting since amalgamating with 'The Duke' and I am sure that all the Ethos Brethren will want to welcome W Bro Edwin Powers and the Brethren to continue our great fraternal tradition.



"He gripped me by the throat sir, and I then realised that this was not a masonic grip."

FROM THE DC

I won't be at the rehearsal for the March meeting, but I will be at the regular meeting.

At our last two rehearsals we have worked on the correct procedures for the admission of visitors, as well as the exit of the DGIW. The ballot arrangements are quite reasonable and will more than likely be used again in the next two months.

While there were some great charges delivered, the disappointing aspect of the February meeting was the cavalier manner in which some of the work was done. The Final Charge in the Second Degree mentions the.. "solemnity of our ceremonies requires a serious deportment".

Brethren, it is easy to practise the wrong way of doing things. Let's try to lift our game so that our candidates and our visitors are left with the impression that we care about what we say - we care about the way we deliver Charges - that we care about the image Ethos is creating in the Region.

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Conducting the ballot is now up-to-speed, and, with some new members of the Lodge on the way, the Deacons will get some more practice, and show our visitors how it should be done.

In the world of the theatre, there are full dress rehearsals prior to the first performance - they don't have full dress practices, i.e., they know their lines, their movements etc prior to their last rehearsal. While Masonry is not the theatre, there is some theatre about it. Surely we can learn from them.

Our Worshipful Master is under some degree of pressure from ASIO (?) and will need as much support as we can give him for the remainder of his term.

FROM THE SOUTH

Thanks to all the Brethren who helped out W Bro Kicenko at 'Feeding the Needy'.

Last Month saw 2 very enjoyable social events Croquet at the Canberra Croquet Club and a Valentines Ladies Night at the Hellenic Club which were enjoyed immensely by the brethren and their family and friends who attended. Keep an eye out for some more Social events in the months ahead.

I would also like to thank everyone who was at the last regular meeting for their great charity, Last Month the Ethos 'Honest' Raffle raised \$150.

This month we will be Stewarding for Lodge Capitol at their installation, if you could let me know if you are available to help out.

With William Ross visiting us this month we are expecting a large roll up of brethren, so please remember to bring a plate of sandwiches on a disposable plate.



Social Events this month: Nil

An Ethos at the Movies Event – April



THE MASK OF ZORRO

SAT 24 APR 4.30PM

AMERICAN MOVIE TREASURES REDISCOVERED DOWN UNDER
National Film and Sound Archive

Dir: Rouben Mamoulian, USA, 1940, 94 mins, 35mm, (G)

Rouben Mamoulian's sound remake of Douglas Fairbanks' classic, honours the Swashbuckler movie in a fabulously foppish manner. But even Mamoulian's visual panache and Alfred Newman's thumping score, are outclassed by the tongue-in-cheek performances. Tyrone Power is the breezy Don Diego, with a wonderfully bug-eyed Basil Rathbone as the perfect straight-man for the sand-dry wit of John Taintor Foote's script. Restored in part from a print found at the NFSA, *The Mark of Zorro* has just been announced as a new member of USA's National Film Registry. Courtesy the UCLA Film and Television Archive. Presented with the support of the Embassy of the United States.

Birthday's this month:

Peter Robert Baird 7/03/1939, Gordon Tunks 11/03/1931,
Robert Bennett 17/03/1945, Raymond Pfister 18/03/1944,
Leonard Bradley 20/03/1927, Michael John McCracken 21/03/1951,
Scott Robert MacKenzie Bennett 21/03/1966,
Arthur Riley 27/03/1930

Initiated this Month:

Vladimir Orsag 11/03/1964
Raymond Pfister 22/03/1967

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While visiting a newly initiated brother at home one day, the new brother's wife took me to one side and said her husband had started behaving very strange since joining.

I asked in what way?

She said that he locks himself in the toilet for hours on end mumbling to himself with his little blue book.

Later that evening I turned the talk to lodge, and asked him how he was getting on.

Oh fine was his reply.

I asked him about his behavior and if there was anything wrong.

No, was his reply.

So why read the book there?

Well he said "It's the only **TYLED** room in the house"....

