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From the East

WM Bro John Kicenko

It was good to see everyone in Lodge Ethos last month, unfortunately we were unable to pass Bro Rowland, due to ill health but I am sure he will be ready to go in April. This month I hope you will join us for the annual visit from "The Duke", They will be conducting the Lecture on "The Apron".

We will be visiting Lodge Caledonia's Installation this month, and I will be looking for a strong roll up for the Fraternal. Thanks to all the Brethren who joined W Bro McVie who represented me at Lodge Woden Valley's Installation last week.

We will be stewarding for Lodge Capitol this month, It will be there 1,000 meeting with the MW Grand Master in attendance, and we will be required to entertain the Ladies in the South, Before assisting Brethren to find their way to the 'Q' Centre for the Festive Board. WM

From the West

W Bro Phil Higgs

I thank all the Brethren for assisting to set up the Lodge Room last month we certainly are getting it down to a fine art! With "The Duke" conducting the work this month, I would like to remind Brethren that we will be conducting 2nd and 3rd Degrees over the next few months and as usual Lodge Ethos high standards will be on the line again, so please, particularly for the Master Masons in office, contact your Mentor so you are ready for your role in the ceremony. If anyone is not available to take their station, let me know as soon as possible so I can arrange a replacement. SW

From the South

W Bro Tom Farthing

It was a fantastic roll up last month, with a good number of visitors who were well catered for at the festive board. I know we will have another great attendance with Lodge Duke of Edinburgh's visit.

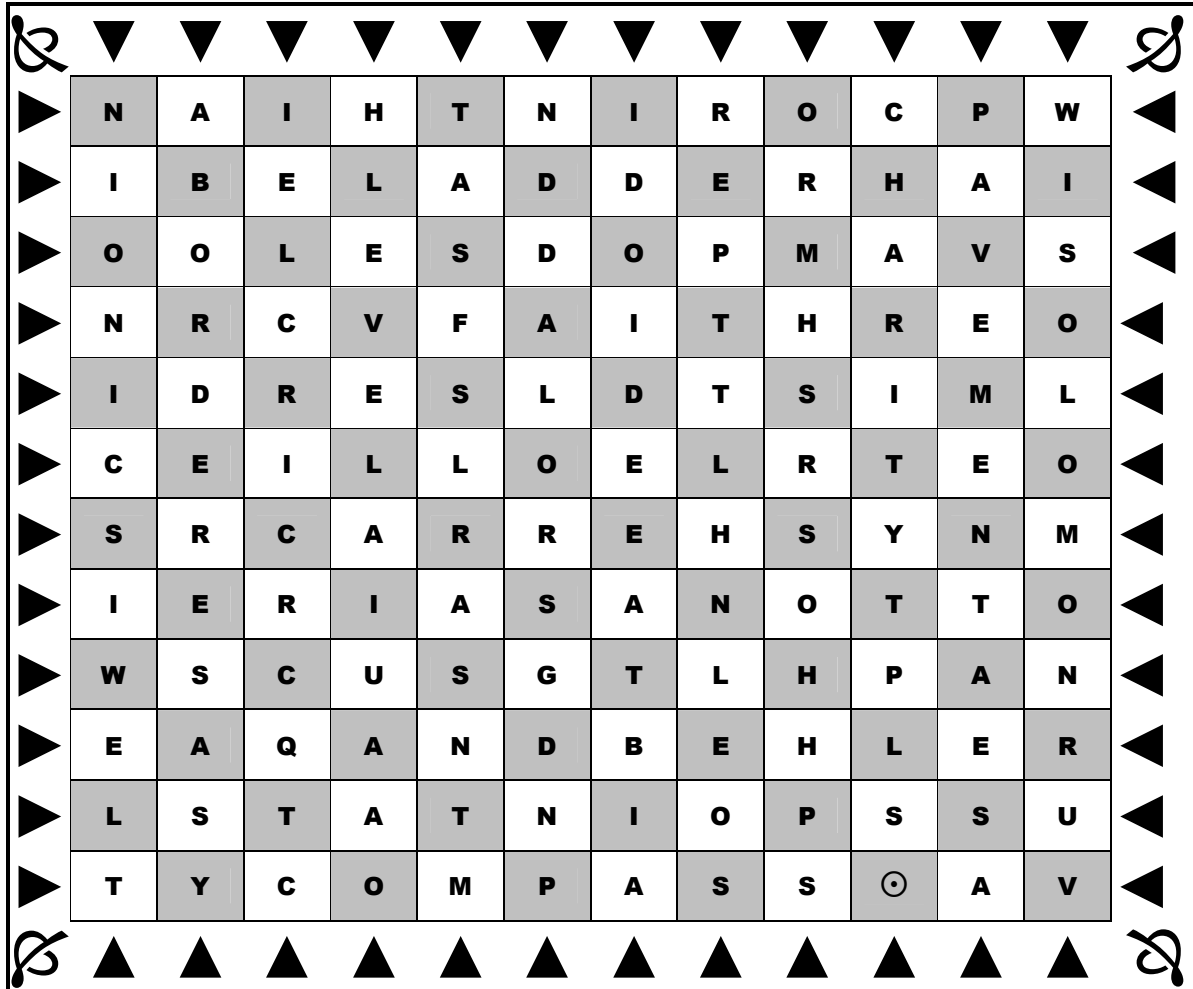
Please bring your sandwiches on a disposable plate, so that we can clean up quickly. I will be bringing the nibbles and liquid refreshments.

Finally thanks to all the Brethren who took part in the Ethos honest raffle we were able to raise \$85 for the Ethos Charities Account.

JW

Lodge Ethos First Degree Tracing Board

Word Search — By Bro K Rowland



Instructions

Twenty one well known words, mentioned often when discussing the First Degree Tracing Board, are hidden on the tessellated pavement above. Words can be formed by using the letters horizontally, vertically or diagonally - either backwards or forwards. Circle each word as you locate them and the remaining 20 or so individual letters together create a short sentence. The first person to come up to Brother Rowland, in the South, on Wednesday March 18th and conveys the sentence will receive a bottle of red. (If you have trouble: The words you need to find are listed on the back page of the newsletter) Good Luck

– The solution in next month’s newsletter.

HOW I BECAME A MASON: W. BRO. PHIL HIGGS

AS A YOUNG MAN, I HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF MASONRY WHATSOEVER AS THERE WERE NO MASONS IN EITHER OF MY PARENT'S FAMILIES. AT THE AGE OF 30 YEARS, I STARTED MY OWN BUSINESS IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING IN KITWE, NORTHERN RHODESIA (NOW ZAMBIA). I RENTED PREMISES FROM ANOTHER ENGINEERING COMPANY WHOSE MANAGING DIRECTOR WAS THEN SENIOR WARDEN AT LODGE JUBILEE, AND HE HAD TWO FELLOW MASONS WORKING FOR HIM, AND HEARING THEM TALK ABOUT MASONRY GOT ME INTERESTED, AND BEFORE LONG, MY APPLICATION WAS SUBMITTED TO THE LODGE.

THE RECEPTION I RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS OF LODGE JUBILEE IS SOMETHING THAT HAS REMAINED WITH ME FOR THE 42 YEARS I HAVE BEEN A MASON. THE W/MASTER, THE I.P.M., AND ONE OTHER PAST MASTER VISITED MY FAMILY AT HOME TO DISCUSS MY ENTRY INTO MASONRY – UNBEKNOWN TO ME AT THE TIME. THE PAST MASTER MENTIONED HERE, WAS TO BECOME MY MENTOR AND HE GUIDED ME THROUGH MY 3 DEGREES AND THROUGH THE VARIOUS OFFICES I OCCUPIED UNTIL MY FAMILY AND I IMMIGRATED TO RHODESIA. EVERY NEW CANDIDATE INITIATED INTO THE LODGE HAD A PAST MASTER AS MENTOR FOR AS LONG AS IT TOOK TO REACH THE CHAIR.

MASONRY IN RHODESIA WAS VERY DIFFICULT DURING THE YEARS OF U.D.I. AND THE SUBSEQUENT TERRORIST WAR. EVERY MAN AGED 17 TO 36 WAS CONSCRIPTED INTO THE ARMY AND DID STINTS IN THE BUSH ON A 6 WEEKS IN – 6 WEEKS OUT ROTATION. 37 TO 58 YEAR OLDS WERE CONSCRIPTED INTO THE POLICE RESERVE AND HAD TO DO 4 STINTS PER ANNUM OF 3 WEEKS AT A TIME, AND HAD TO DO FOOT PATROLS OR ROAD BLOCKS IN TOWNS AND CITIES WHEN NOT ON “CALL UP”. THE LODGE WAS RUN BY THOSE WHO DID NOT QUALIFY FOR “CALL UPS”, BEING MAINLY PAST MASTERS HAVING TO TAKE UP THE VARIOUS OFFICES. SOMEHOW, DURING THIS PERIOD, THEY STILL MANAGED TO INITIATE 3 – 4 NEW MEMBERS EACH YEAR. WE SHOULD PERHAPS GIVE MORE TIME TO NEW MEMBERS IN THE LODGE, ENCOURAGING THEM TO COMPLETE THEIR JOURNEY IN MASONRY.

Ethos Calendar

Date	Event	Birthday
Thu- 5-Mar	CDMA Meeting Pearce Homes - 6pm	Peter Baird
Wed- 11-Mar	Management Meeting 6 pm Rehearsal 7pm	Gordon Tunks
Tue- 17-Mar		Bob Bennett
Wed- 18-Mar	Regular Meeting Set Up 6 pm Tyle 7 pm	Ray Pfister
Fri- 20-Mar		Gordon Bradley
Sat- 21-Mar	Lodge Capitol Installation Fraternal - Stewards 4:30pm	Scott Bennett & Michael McCracken
Fri- 27-Mar		Arthur Riley
Sat- 28-Mar	Lodge Caledonia Installation Fraternal Tyle 5pm	
Sun- 29-Mar	Feeding the Needy Griffin Centre, Civic 4pm	

Please note the Regular Meetings of Lodge Ethos will be held in the amenities room at the Holt Homes.

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Word Search words:

Ashlar	Compass	Hope	Lewis	Solomon	VSL
Border	Corinthian	Ionic	Pavement	Square	
Charity	Doric	Ladder	Pillars	Star	
Circle	Faith	Level	Point	Tassels	

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All articles are printed as received by the Editor.

Apologies: To the Brethren for the error on last months Birthday List, I will be vetting the list more closely in the future and to Bro Paul Addison (LWV) for the incorrect caption.