



# Beacon #190 A.F. & A.M. G.R.A

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REGULAR LODGE MEETING  
\*4th MONDAY, at 7:30 PM\*

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From ancient times no Master or Fellow could be absent from his Lodge,  
especially when warned to appear, without incurring censure,  
unless it appeared that pure necessity hindered him.....

## Dear Sir and Brother:

I am directed by the Worshipful Master to request your attendance at the next Regular Communication of this Lodge, to be held at the Freemason Hall in Red Deer on;

**May 28, 2007**

**Lodge Tyles at 7:30 pm**

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**Balloting:** none

**Conferring Degrees:** none

### Unfinished Business:

- *Overdraft in JW Fund Bank Account*
- *Election of Officers*
- *Election of Tyler*
- *Election of Auditors (2)*

### New Business: (As may come before the Lodge)

- *Report from May 12th meeting of the "Operations Committee"*
- *Report on the Masonic Spring Workshop*
- *Discussion of Resolutions being brought up before Grand Lodge Communication*

**Presentations:** none

### Installation of Officers for 2007 / 08:

*Installing Master*  
*VW Bro. Johns Alexander*

#### *Fraternal Assistance*

A reminder Brethren, as decreed by the WM, the box of Fraternal Assistance will be passed at each Lodge meeting.

## Coming Events

### June

**9th & 10th - Grand Lodge Communication**  
**Refer to Alberta FreeMason for Details**

**25th - Regular Meeting**

- **Step-up night for new Officers**
- **WM Dinner**

**July 22nd - Zoo Cruise**

## Birthdays

### May

Grant Dixon	May	1
Lloyd Dickson	May	9
Derek Davidson	May	20
Allan Palmer	May	20
Mark Honert	May	26

### June

Bruce Keen	June	1
Vern Osbaldeston	June	1
Gordon Gimbel	June	4
Tom Kean	June	13
Walter Foster	June	15
Ruben Stromquist	June	18
Barry Dempsey	June	24
Darrell Hughes	June	25
Cyril Hughes	June	25
Luc Hollebeke	June	27
Kevin Younghusband	June	27
Ryan Keith	June	29

**BIRTHDAYS ARE GOOD FOR YOU, THE MORE YOU  
HAVE THE LONGER YOU LIVE.**

A Quote from the Internet:

"Freemasonry works, not because it has any answers  
(which you have already noticed it does not have), but because it keeps a man engaged with the question."

### *Last Month:*

Lodge was opened in the usual manner with a General welcome to all by the WM following which the D of C escorted our DDGM, Tom Clark, and visiting DDGM Alan Boyco to the E.

Our SW then introduced our other visitors of whom there were 13. All were welcomed in the usual Masonic manner. Our WM then invited visiting Bro Edward Amos WM of Hillcrest Lodge #93 New Germany, NS & father of Bro Chris Amos; Bro Les Leitch WM of Edmonton Lodge #7, Leduc; WB Jim Davidson, PM of Oyen Lodge #82, and father of Bro Derek Davidson; and RW Bro Terry Spearin PDDGM and member of Oyen Lodge #82 to all sit in the E.

Bros Amos, Davidson, Hood and Sinclair once again very capably proved themselves proficient in the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree was then conferred on these four brethren. Personally, I was most impressed with the manner in which all Brethren of Beacon performed their roles. The raising of their sons by Bro Edward Amos and Bro Jim Davidson, the Obligation by Bro Jim Davidson and the Charge by the visiting DDGM RW Bro Alan Boyco added much to the ceremony. Congratulations to all.

W Bro Innes, for the benefit of our newly raised Brethren, gave an explanation of that portion of the Book of Ecclesiastes which formed a part of the degree. It was very well received.

Bro Honert advised RW Bro Dueck is still in hospital.

Bro Honert reminded all of the Red Deer River clean-up June 3 @ noon

W Bro Johnston indicated to our newly raised Brethren and everyone else that the last mentor meeting will occur on Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>.

RW Bro Clark congratulated the newly raised MM's and the degree team. He also singled out the Dist Secretary (Bob Cantwell), the District Masonic Education Co-ordinator (Clark Johnston) and the District Masonic Foundation Co-ordinator (Russ Fisher). All three were invited to the altar and were then recipient of Grand Honors for their contribution to his term as our DDGM.

Due to the lateness of the hour Lodge was closed in short form by the DDGM at 11:00PM and was followed by a pleasant festive board. Election of Officers was deferred to the May meeting.

On May 7th 11 Brethren of Beacon journeyed to Mountain View #16 in Olds to present the "Liars Night" educational program as our part in the District Challenge. It was well received and a good time had by all. A special Thank-you to all the Brethren who took part.

*Need some new ideas for next years Challenge???*

### Master's Theme: "Carpe Diem"

Brethren:

It's hard to believe that the Masonic year is almost over and I will soon be relieved of my duties in the East, My successor has proved himself very worthy to occupy the Throne of King Solomon; by his dedication to Freemasonry in general, Central District and Beacon Lodge in particular- I would exhort you to please extend your support and commitment to Bro. Bob Cantwell and his officers.

Beacon Lodge is the proud possessor of 4 newly minted Master Masons- These brethren have shown a great amount of enthusiasm during their journey through the degrees and they are to be congratulated. Our Lodge is being supported with 4 new pillars of great strength, several of the Brethren visited Mountain View Lodge in Olds on Monday, May 7 for the purpose of fellowship and to present "Liar's Night." As was the case at Beacon Lodge, the presentation created a lot of discussion and was a great learning experience for all who participated. This is just one example of how we can enjoy vibrant learning events. Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. Fellowship, Charity and Education. We are charged with the task of "making good men better men." The symbols, rituals and literature of Freemasonry are ripe with knowledge and morals; however, the only way that we can take advantage of this is by scrutinizing and studying, reflecting, and debating with our Brethren. We must continue to delve into this great pool of knowledge, by ourselves at home and with our Brethren in Lodge. I would like to thank W Bro. Clark Johnston for his diligence in providing and facilitating the many educational presentations that we have enjoyed in Beacon Lodge.

We need to begin the process of documenting the stories of our more senior Brethren, especially those who were part of the large cohort who joined the Craft during the years between the end of World War 11 and the mid-1960s. What prompted these Brethren to become Freemasons and what induced them to remain active up to the present? Each of these Brethren also has stories of events that they have experienced over the years that we need to know about. I would like to challenge these members of Beacon Lodge to write down their Masonic stories so that our more recently arrived Brethren may profit from this great body of wisdom.

Thank you for your support over the past year and may God bless each and every one of you

W. Bro Grant Dixon

**Old Tyler Tales - Masonry in Business**

HOW many brethren in this lodge are worth a hundred thousand dollars?" inquired the New Brother of the Old Tyler in the anteroom.

"I don't know. Jones and Brown and Robinson and Hitchcock, certainly, and perhaps Wilson and Moore. You want to make a touch?" The Old Tyler looked curiously at his questioner.

"A friend of mine is interested in forming a company," answered the New Brother, "and I intend to invest with him. As I want to see it succeed, I'll go to see all the wealthy men and ask for subscriptions. We are going to manufacture a patent elevator device, that. . ."

"Why confine your list to those in this lodge? There are more men with money outside the lodge than in it."

"But I have no right to ask them to invest money in a company just because I am interested in it!" The New Brother looked very virtuous.

"Have you a right to ask brethren to spend money on your behalf because you belong to the lodge?" The Old Tyler looked shocked.

"Why, of course. We are brethren, are we not? Brethren help each other, don't they?"

"I see no reason why any brother should spend money exploiting an invention, just because you are interested," answered the Old Tyler.

"Masonry is not intended to influence a man's business. If these brethren think well of the invention they will invest. If they don't think well of it, they won't. But Masonry does not enter into the matter."

"But it would mean much to me and to my friend, if this company should succeed and make a lot of money!" explained the New Mason.

"Suppose it doesn't succeed, and loses a lot of money?" suggested the Old Tyler. The New Brother began to write in his notebook.

"That won't happen," he answered as he scribbled. "This is bound to succeed. But any business man takes a risk in any company in which he invests."

"Now we get to the root of the matter!" exclaimed the Old Tyler.

"They are to help you, because of their Masonry, which is mutual with you both; but if they lose, that's because they took a business risk!"

"If the company was to develop a Masonic property or build a temple, I could see that your common Masonry might make an appeal. But I see no reason for anyone to buy stock in your company except a business reason."

"A mutual lodge membership may serve as an introduction between any two men to discuss anything of interest to one, in which he hopes to interest the other. Your mutual lodge membership is a guarantee that you will receive a welcome. It ought to guarantee the other man that you will not abuse his time and confidence by taking up the one to exploit the other. He has the same right to expect consideration from you that you have to expect consideration from him. But you have no right to expect him to suspend his business judgment just because you are both Masons."

"If you have what you believe is a good proposition, and, therefore give your Masonic friends an opportunity to make some money, your motive in listing the wealthy members of this lodge is commendable. But you have no such idea. You hope they will win, and so, help you to win. But if they lose, that's their lookout. That is not Masonic."

"Masonry does not butt into a man's business. Only insofar as it guarantees that a brother is honest is it a help in business. As it promises mutual esteem and helpfulness it smoothes the business path. But when you use Masonry to make the other fellow do something financial, which he otherwise wouldn't do, it is not a proper use of Masonry. Ask your friends to help you-that's what friends are for. But don't ask strangers, merely because they are fellow lodge members, to risk their money unless you are willing to begin by not using Masonry as a means to private gain! Your friends will help you-brethren not close friends expect you to treat them in a brotherly way. It's not brotherly to go to wealthy strangers and say, 'I want some money from you, because we are both Masons!' " The Old Tyler stopped, short of breath.

The New Brother looked up from his busy writing, "I could hardly, keep up with you!" he exclaimed. "You talked so fast. But I'm sure I got most of it. This will make a dandy speech!"

"Speech?"

"Certainly. I have no intentions of getting any subscriptions from anyone. I was after material for a talk I have been asked to give on Masonry in Business!"

**Past Masters of Beacon #190**

- 1964-65 R.W. Bro. H. Parsons \*
- 1965-66 R.W. Bro. H. Parsons \*
- 1966-67 W. Bro. M. Thorsell \*
- 1967-68 W. Bro. D.G. Selkirk \*
- 1968-69 W. Bro. J. Dragushan \*\*
- 1969-70 W. Bro. D.G. Selkirk \*
- 1970-71 W. Bro. L.F. Forgay \*
- 1971-72 R.W. Bro. R.M. Fisher
- 1972-73 V.W. Bro. A. Hendrickson\*
- 1973-74 V.W. Bro. M.D. Friesen
- 1974-75 W. Bro. H.A. Wright
- 1975-76 W. Bro. F.D. Young \*
- 1976-77 W. Bro. A.M. Hough
- 1977-78 W. Bro. A.A. Noren \*
- 1978-79 W. Bro. G.G. Gimbel \*
- 1979-80 R.W. Bro. H.J. Dueck
- 1980-81 W. Bro. B.J. Purnell \*
- 1981-82 W. Bro. G.A. Klepper \*
- 1982-83 W. Bro. H.N. Clarke \*
- 1983-84 W. Bro. W. Kamps
- 1984-85 W. Bro. G.N. Orr \*
- 1985-86 W. Bro. M.E. Bowden \*\*
- 1986-87 W. Bro. J.D. Taylor \*
- 1987-88 W. Bro. D. Grindlay
- 1988-89 W. Bro. G. Young
- 1989-90 W. Bro. W. Douglas
- 1990-91 W. Bro. R.A. Crisp
- 1991-92 R. W. Bro. R.M. Fisher
- 1992-93 V.W. Bro. A. Hendrickson\*
- 1993-94 W. Bro. G. Young
- 1994-95 W. Bro. R. Young
- 1995-96 V.W. Bro. J. Alexander
- 1996-97 V.W. Bro. R. Congdon
- 1997-98 V.W. Bro. R. Congdon
- 1998-99 W. B. H. Brink
- 1999-00 W. Bro. J. Stalter
- 2000-01 W. Bro. J. Stalter
- 2001-02 W. Bro. T. Balgobin
- 2002-03 W. Bro. J. Innes
- 2003-04 W. Bro. L. Lonsberry
- 2005-06 W. Bro. T Balgobin
- 2006-07 W. Bro. Grant Dixon

\* Deceased  
 \*\* Demitted/  
 Suspended

**AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS**

- W. Bro. V. Osbaldeston Northland #47
- R.W. Bro. L.E. Dickson King George #59
- V. W. Bro. R.E. Congden Cairo #32
- W. Bro. L. Knudson\* Cavele #125
- R.W. Bro. J. Smith Cavele #125
- W. Bro. C. Johnston Cairo #32
- W. Bro. J. Alexander Britannia #18
- W. Bro. C. Hughs Cyprus #113
- W. Bro. D. Huges Cyprus #113
- W. Bro. A Stankievech Cyprus #113
- R. W. Bro. J. Johnson Cyprus #113
- W. Bro. R Tessier\*\* Confederation #116

**Officers 2006 / 2007**

**Elected:**

Worshipful Master W Bro. Grant Dixon  
403-887-4407

Sr. Warden Bro. Bob Cantwell  
403-314-4850

Jr. Warden Bro. Curtis Bouteiller  
403-302-3400

Secretary/Treasurer W. Bro. Jim Innes  
403-343-3086

Tyler W. Bro Linden Lonsberry

**Appointed:**

Sr. Deacon Bro. Mark Hornet

Jr. Deacon RW Bro. Lloyd Dickson

Sr. Steward RW Bro. Ray Congdon

Jr. Steward Bro. Derek Davidson

Chaplain Bro. David Yakimetz

Organist MW Bro. Jim Roberts

Registrar RW Bro. Russ Fisher

D of Ceremonies VW Bro. John Alexander

Inner Guard W Bro. Clark Johnston

I.P.M. W. Bro. Terry Balgobin

**Committees:**

Finance WM, SW (chair), JW, Sec/Treas.

BGP WM, SW (chair), JW, Sec/Treas  
+ 2 PM - open to all

Auditor RW Bro. Ray Congdon  
Bro. Mark Hornet

Building Rep. Bro. Bob Cantwell

Research & Ed. W Bro. Clark Johnston

Nominating Comm. ?

Summons/Web Page W Bro. Clark Johnston

Social Bro. Curtis Bouteiller

Sick & Visiting **Bro. Mark Honert**  
(403) 343-3557

**RW Bro. Russ Fisher**  
(403) 346-4964

*Suggestions / Ideas / Recommendations  
Volunteers ???*

**HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS**

MW Bro. W.E. Foster RW Bro. H.J. Dueck

MW Bro. J. Roberts W Bro.V. Osbaldeston

VW Bro. D.M. Friesen RW Bro. Russ Fisher

**Link of the Month:**

*Interested in Joining a Masonic Email List*  
<http://www.gbp.net/valleylodge/maillist.html>

**Grand Lodge Officers**

**Grand Master** M.W. Bro. Malcolm Berry

**Deputy Grand Master** R.W. Bro. Robert Drury

**Senior Grand Warden** R.W. Bro. John Hart

**Junior Grand Warden** R.W. Bro. Brian Shimmons

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**Central District Lodge Meetings**

<b>Innisfail #8</b>	<b>Innisfail</b>	<b>3rd Thursday</b>
<b>Eureka #10</b>	<b>Lacombe</b>	<b>4th Tuesday</b>
<b>Red Deer # 12</b>	<b>Red Deer</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday</b>
<b>Mountain View #16</b>	<b>Olds</b>	<b>1st Monday</b>
<b>Britannia #18</b>	<b>Ponoka</b>	<b>1st Wednesday</b>
<b>Applo #27</b>	<b>Stettler</b>	<b>3rd Thursday</b>
<b>Kenilworth #29</b>	<b>Red Deer</b>	<b>1st Tuesday</b>
<b>Kitchener #95</b>	<b>Rimbey</b>	<b>2nd Tuesday</b>
<b>Lochearn #151</b>	<b>Rocky MH</b>	<b>2nd Thursday</b>

**Correspondence/Dues to the Secretary**

- **Dues:** \$100.00 payable **January 1st**
- **Arrears:** Dues paid **after July 1st** subject to a \$50.00 penalty, suspension automatic after two years.
- **Initiation Fee:** \$150.00 + cost of Apron.
- **Affiliation Fee:** \$75.00

Brethren, The time has come to move on. After the last seven years of putting out the Beacon Summons (Plus two prior years, I am passing the torch to Bro. Eldon Richards. I want to thank everyone for their thoughts and contributions over the years and for putting up with my idiosyncrasies. I have attempted, over the years, to expand the Summons;

1. To serve as a promotional tool to encourage attendance at our meetings
2. Including information for those who cannot attend
3. And to stimulate Masonic Research & Education .

I plan to continue working with the CDMEL and Lodge web sites. So if you are on-line, visit the DDGM web page and find links to web pages for all the Lodges in the District. Some of the pages are new and still under construction - with temporary addresses, but all the Lodges are on-line.

[www.mastermason.com/Beacon190/ddgm.htm](http://www.mastermason.com/Beacon190/ddgm.htm)

Its been fun ,  
Bro. Clark Johnston