

The District Light

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Getting Out and About

You have heard that visiting other lodges is a good idea, and perhaps you have enjoyed that experience.

Then let's expand your horizons by suggesting someplace new.

Past Masters and Officers' Dinner Meeting

On Tuesday, April 17, come to the hall at Van Alstyne Place for a social at 6:00, dinner at 7:00, and a guest speaker following. Besides meeting masons from the whole district, you will hear about Crime Stoppers. All for \$20, tickets available at your lodge.

Divine Services

Each year the District Deputies of Niagara A and B districts host a church service for all the brethren. It is a time to renew the spiritual bond and to gather in public in a positive way. The homily praises masonry, we look good with and to our significant others, and there is a social time afterwards.



The Niagara B service will be held on April 15 at 2:00 at St. John's United Church on Sodom Road in north Stevensville.

Niagara A will hold their service on April 22 at 2:00 at St. Columba Anglican Church on Columba Drive in St. Catharines.

Homecomings

At the end of the Official Visits of the District Deputy Grand Master, he has his last visit at his own lodge. Masons from all the lodges come out to show their support and to greet each other. The team of Resource Chairmen give their last messages and we all enjoy the social following the meeting.

Rt.W.Bro. Larry Williams will be at Dominion Lodge on Thursday, April 12. Join him.

Niagara A's homecoming will take place on April 25 at Seymour Lodge in St. Catharines.



Funeral Services

A masonic funeral service is a fitting way to honour the memory of a departed brother as masons from many lodges gather to pay their respects. Being an open event, the service shows to the public our devotion to our spiritual base.

Coffee, Lunch, or Dinner

Masons meet casually for coffee or meals at several places in the district. Ask within your lodge to find a destination.

Or come to the Chippawa House on Main Street in Chippawa at noon on Thursday, April 19.

The next First Friday Fish Fry will take place on May 4 at 6:30 at a place to be named.



The Sanke Lecture

Brock University in St. Catharines is now the site of the largest masonic book collection in North America. Through the university, Our Grand Lodge is devoted to promoting fraternalism in general and freemasonry in particular.

Then, by way of a lecture series named after R.W.Bro. Charles Sanke, they will stimulate enthusiasm for the craft.

Knowledge is exciting.

For example, did you know that our Grand Lodge was the first in the Empire to declare its independence from the Grand Lodge of England?

Or that Sir John A. MacDonald, the first Prime Minister of Canada was a mason?

Or that he was Canada's representative to the Grand Lodge of England?

Or that 14 premiers of Ontario were masons?

More masonic knowledge will be presented when you go to the lecture in May. For more information and to reserve your free tickets, go to

<http://www.sankelectures.ca/tickets.html>

