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EUCLID MASONIC LODGE #158—PORT ALBERNI, B.C.

# EUCLID CHRONICLE

## Euclid Social December 4, 2009

Want to be social for a couple of hours on Friday, December 4?

Do you have a friend who has expressed an interest in Masonry?

Do you know some ladies who would like to know what a Masonic Lodge is?

Would you like the opportunity to bid in a loonie auction? (What you do is buy a ticket and put it in the bag of the item you would like to win somewhere between 7pm and 9pm and at 9pm the draws will take place).

There will be appetizers, there will be fun and there will be time to socialize and relax.

So the invitation is out to you our brothers in District 5 and your significant others. If you would like to bring out a couple who have perhaps expressed interest in just what Masonry is.

If you would like the opportunity to bid on some early Christmas gifts?

Maybe you would just like the opportunity to have a little bubbly and socialize with friends and enjoy some delicious appetizers?

Come out and join us on Dec. 4. We are starting at 7pm and draws will take place at 9pm.

If you can attend please let me Willy Smith at 250 720 6576 or shergold@shaw.ca or Andy Murray at 250 390 1463.

We are not charging for admission but if you have something you would like to donate be it an item too good for a garage sale, something to re gift, books that have been read (or not).

Perhaps you have a special appetizer you would like to share? Please let Andy or me know.

We look forward to sharing this Euclid Social with you.

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR TODAY**

Brethren the passing of VWB Bill Logan of Nanaimo 110 was a great loss to all of us. Our deepest sympathy to Margaret and her family.

As of this morning WB Bruce Terry is still in West Coast General Hospital in Room 2817. We wish you a speedy recovery Bruce

WB Roy Buchanan flew to Regina at noon today to pick up the Terry's motor home. A huge thank you Roy—Be safe .

DDGM RWB Andy Murray showed up at WM Neil Westmacott's, Nanaimo 110, last meeting in his kilt and red serge. For health reasons he entered after everyone had gone in and had to leave early but Neil told me it was beyond his wild expectations that the late guest would be his friend and brother Andy.

Our Social on Dec. 4 is shaping up to be a fun night and a chance to meet new friends. All Brethren of Euclid Lodge can expect a phone call with details of what will happen that night and me looking for volunteers for the few jobs we are going to share. The jobs are things like decorating, selling bar tickets, selling loonie tickets, welcoming and handing out name tags..

If you have had a friend express interest in the craft this night will be a great time to bring them out and introduce them to a fun, social side of Masonry.

## THE STRUCTURE OF THE LODGE

### WORSHIPFUL MASTER

Leaps tall buildings in a single bound. Is more powerful than an Intercity Express. Is faster than a speeding bullet. Walks on water. Gives policy to God.

### SENIOR WARDEN

Leaps short buildings with a single bound. Is more powerful than a goods train. Is just as fast as a speeding bullet. Walks on water if the sea is calm. Talks with God.

### JUNIOR WARDEN

Leaps short buildings with a running start and a favourable wind. Is almost as powerful as a goods train. Is faster than a speeding airgun pellet. Walks on the water of a swimming pool. Talks with God if special dispensation is given.

### THE SENIOR DEACON

Barely clears a garden hat. Loses a tag-of-war with a train. Can fire a speeding bullet. Swims well. Is occasionally addressed by God.

### THE JUNIOR DEACON

Makes high marks on the wall when trying to leap buildings. Is run over by trains. Can sometimes handle a gun without inflicting self-injury. Doggie paddles. Talks with the animals.

### THE INNER GUARD

Runs into buildings. Recognizes trains two out of three times. Is not issued ammunition. Can stay afloat with a life vest. Talks to walls.

### THE STEWARD

Falls over doorsteps when trying to enter buildings. Says 'Look at the choo choo's'. Wets himself with a water pistol. Plays in mud puddles. Mumbles to himself.

### THE SECRETARY

Lifts buildings and walks under them. Kicks trains off the tracks. Catches speeding bullets in his mouth and eats them. Freezes water with a single glance. He is God.



**VW ART BERRY**

VW Brother Art Berry.

Your love and support of me has made my year flow smoothly. You have stood behind me and I have been able to observe you catching a speeding bullet and freeze water with a single glance.

Your love and support of Euclid Lodge is immeasurable.

Your love and support of Masonry is an inspiration. Thank you for being you!

Willy



# LEST WE FORGET

NOV. 11, 2009

## HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED AT CHRISTMAS?

If you want to help the needy at Christmas Time you may want to consider providing them with essentials that are sometimes taken for granted. Soap, tooth brush, comb, toothpaste, deodorant, disposable razors, nail files, clippers toilet paper and sanitary products. When folks are barely making ends meet the above items are often not affordable.

In the food department cheese and fruit are staples that most can not afford.

## SOME DISTRICT 5 EVENTS

Nov 14—Installation Nanaimo 110

Nov 21 - Port Alberni Masonic

Family Dinner, Barclay Lodge Hall

Dec. 4 - Euclid Lodge Social

Dec. 19 - Ashlar Installation

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

BLIGHTY— So just what is this BLIGHTY? I knew it was English and thought perhaps it was in honour of sausage— as haggis is to Robbie Burns—however I checked on line . Originally BLIGHTY came from the first world war when wounded soldiers were sent home to Britain it was said they were sent home to BLIGHTY. Recently Prince Harry was sent home to BLIGHTY from Afghanistan after American reporters wrote an article saying he was fighting on the front lines.

So for those of us who have not attended BLIGHTY Night lets get out and join our brothers for a good old English celebration.

Do you think they are going to serve Bubble and Squeak?

### BLIGHTY NIGHT

From W. Bro Neil Westmacott,  
Region 8 Representative to GL  
BGP

I had a conversation with W. Bro. Glenn Melling of Comox Lodge this morning regarding their upcoming BLIGHTY Night. This has been their traditional theme night for a number of years which the Grand Master regularly attends. This year is no exception. It is set for Tuesday, November 24 and will be held at the Cumberland Lodge Hall with a traditional dinner preceding an EA Degree. To this point interest has been weak and we as brethren within District 5 need to collectively support our good friends and brethren of Comox Lodge and District 22.

Our energy, enthusiasm and commitment to Freemasonry within the 2 Districts is well recognized in Grand Lodge and by our Grand Master, and our support of this event will serve to reinforce that opinion.

I would ask that you convey this message to your membership and actively solicit your members to attend to support Comox Lodge, District 22, and our Grand Master MW Bro. Brian Tuckey

The time has arrived once again for brethren of District 5 to flood the Cumberland Lodge Hall with 70 plus members and set a new record for visitation. It will be a great evening of Freemasonry and you can count on having the time of your Masonic life.

All I can do is echo W.Bro. Westmacott's comments. Thank you Neil for getting this out.

Let's get out there and support our Brethren from Comox Lodge and District #22. Carpools will be leaving from Nanaimo Chapter's (North) as usual - probably about 5pm ..... Unfortunately I am still taking treatments so I will not be able to attend.

V.W. Bro. Alan Whitaker would you please contact R.W. Bro. Watson (the DDGM without email) and let him know and have this info circulated around Dist. #27 as well. Thank you.

Fraternally,

Andy Murray

I echo as well.....re-echo?  
Please join me on this very nice evening..  
Alan Cross  
DGM

## LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE

Have you heard of the Lodge that was holding its meetings in the ball room of the local hotel while its building was undergoing renovations?

One night a travelling salesman asked the desk clerk who all those men going into the room were?

The desk clerk replied; "oh those are the Masons".`

The salesman said:" Oh, I `ve always wanted to join that lodge, Do you think they would let me in?

"Oh, no," said the clerk. "They're awful exclusive. Why you see that poor guy standing outside the door with a sword? He's been knocking for six months and they still won't let him in!!!!"

Dear Brother Secretary: At the installation of officers of Doric Lodge on Saturday, October 24, 2009, a ring was found on the floor of the cloakroom. If this ring belongs to any of your members, please advise me and we can see that it is returned. Thanks, Stan Dalzell, secretary

## GREETINGS FROM YOUR DISTRICT DEPUTY ANDREW MURRAY

My year as your District Deputy has not started off exactly the way I had planned but it's not over. I will be back to visit you early in 2010. I did make a surprise visit to Nanaimo Lodge #110 on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, as it was my friend and yours, W.Bro. Neil Westmacott's last meeting as Worshipful Master. W.B. Westmacott has worked very hard supporting all the Lodges in our District and has also taken on the added responsibility of being our Region #8 Rep on the Grand Lodge Board of GP. Unfortunately that will be my last visit until my treatments are finished. No more on that as I know my progress is being shared.

Brethren visiting is a pillar in Freemasonry and we must get out and support one another. You learn and they learn. If you want visitors in your Lodge you must visit yourself. Support your Lodge and your Worshipful Master go with him and visit and don't forget to take along our newest member, Bro. Steven Hands. We need to help him grow and understand Freemasonry. Remember it is easier to pull the rope than to try and push it as it only bends.

The Installation of Doric Lodge has just passed but there are several important events coming up – i.e. Grand Master's visit to District #22 on Nov 7<sup>th</sup> at Discovery Lodge in Campbell River; Installation of Nanaimo Lodge in Nov and Ashlar in Dec and Lodge's conferring degree's in between so read your Lodge notice and get out and support Freemasonry. You must pick and choose but do try and get together a car-pool and visit the other Lodges in or out of the District.

This has been a busy fall for Euclid Lodge. Congratulations on a very successful garage sale and my congratulations to our Worshipful Master and his committee for a very fine event. I must add the ladies valuable assistance has not gone unnoticed. And the significant events keep coming. Soon Bro. Steven Hands will be progressing forward and will receive his Fellowcraft Degree. I know the Brethren have prepared well and I'm sorry I'll miss it but my spirit will be urging you on.

THEN ON Dec 4<sup>th</sup> the fun begins with a Loonie night. Appetizers and refreshments will be served and the Worshipful Master has a great night of fellowship planned. Bring our, your friends and family, masons or non-mason, it doesn't matter. The idea is fellowship! Belly laughs are good for the soul. The Loonies will get you draw tickets to gain those valuable treasurers you have always wanted or the gift you have always wanted to give away to a 'special' person (this should create a few laughs). The appetizers will get you off that crazy diet you think you have been working on. Don't you know calories are good for you... Again come our and support your Lodge and your Worshipful Master, he is working hard for you and me.

I also want to take a minute to speak about the Leadership Conference that will be taking place at Tigh-Na-Mara Resort from April 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010. This will be a great way for you to gain valuable knowledge on a wide range of topics from leadership, roles and responsibilities, best practices and event planning. Most of all you will have some great fellowship. You will make friends that could last a life time. I know the Lodge is working hard to finance at least one member to attend and wouldn't it be nice if we could fund raise to send two of our Brethren. A questionnaire was included in the last Newsletter so fill it out and send it in. Congratulations to our Worshipful Master on developing the Euclid Chronicle. I think its magnificent and keeping our Brethren informed is paramount. Great Job!

As this may be my last opportunity, I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and most of all good health in the years to come. Many of our Brethren are dealing with challenges and I can tell you first hand it is the support and love that your share with them and their family that encourages them along. We have also seen some of our wonderful Brother's leave us for the Grand Lodge above and we have a duty to remember them and to remember their families. Pick up the phone and call them. Remember your obligations and the principles and virtues of Freemasonry and you will never go wrong.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAVE A GREAT 2010 and TRAVEL SAFE.

REMEMBER I'LL BE BACK!!

R.W. Bro. Andrew Murray  
District Deputy GM, Dist #5