

NEWSLETTER—FEBRUARY 2020

BEHIND THE SCENES

I'm sure we all know that for Downshire Lodge to operate we need people behind the scenes beavering away.

If you were to start a list of those people it would in fact be quite long. There you would expect to find The Secretary and Treasurer who away from the Lodge are tireless in the routine but heavy administration of our Lodge.

Beyond them are the Carers for the Lodge The Almoner and Charity Representatives, who despite their own domestic situations travel amongst the Widows of the Lodge and Absent and former Members tending to their needs wherever they may be needed. However I've discovered a NEW one. He's always been there under cover but Beavering away for Downshire Lodge and it members.

He collaborates with the Secretary and Treasurer and each year to compile a

list of people and their work within and for the Lodge. He then completes a myriad of complicated forms for submission each year to Province. The important bit is that he has to have a smooth tongue to be able to say nice things to have any chance of success in his task. "Smoothy" this year has done particularly well. Our Treasurer has been promoted on the Provincial Ladder and our Assistant Secretary has also been promoted for the first time.

If it were not for the hard work "Behind the Scenes" and the important input of "Smoothy" none of this would have happened. So

WBro. Secretary,

WBro. Treasurer,

and of course

WBro. Preceptor Terry (Smoothy) Longworth,

Thank You !!



Still time to Invest in the Children of the Future. All potential Freemasons.

Contact

W.Bro. Bill Allen

ASAP

Charity Rep for Downshire

Another of the

"Behind the Scenes"

Guys

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Provincial Grand Lodge Meeting, 1st April, Winter Gardens, Blackpool**
- **Eddie Bromheads 50th Celebration in Childwall Lodge November 2020,**
- **Installation Temple Lodge. Wed. 8th April (see Overleaf)**
- **Wavertree Gateacre Queensway Lodge No.2294 Ladies Evening**



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QUESTION "WHY DIDN'T NOAH SWAT THOSE TWO MOSQUITOES?" ?

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THE KEYSTONE CONNECTION

A presentation by:

RW Bro Keith Alan Beardmore,

PrGM for the Provincial Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of West Lancashire

&

EComp Paul Andrew Renton,

Deputy Grand Superintendent of the Royal Arch Province of West Lancashire

6.00 pm on the 11th March 2020 @Woolton Golf Club

Non-Mark or non-Royal Arch Masons are particularly welcome to attend

The presentation will take place at a meeting of:

Adeste Fidelis Lodge, No. 7425

A three course meal consisting of: Starter - Pate with Melba Toast, Main - Roast Lamb with seasonal vegetables and potatoes, Dessert – Gateaux , at a cost of £19 per head will be served following the meeting.

To attend please post cheques made payable to the 'Woolton Group' to W.Bro. David Dutton 37 Robert



Bob and Bill were brother masons and great friends for most of their lives.

Each had agreed that when one of them passed on to that Grand Lodge above, he would attempt to make contact with the other and tell him all about what heaven was like.

As so happened, Bill went to heaven, first.

One night Bob was just drifting off to sleep when he heard Bill's voice calling to him.

"Is that you, Bill?"

"Yes, Bob. I am honouring our agreement."

"Oh, MY,... what's it like?" Bob asked with some anticipation.

"It's like nothing you could ever imagine. The lodge here is fantastic,... better than any lodge we ever saw on Earth.

The meetings are always well attended, the ritual is letter perfect, the friendship nights always have tons of new people just itching to join, and the spirit of fellowship blankets the entire place."

Bob's eyes teared up.

"Oh, my, it's just like we'd hoped. I'm so happy for you. But I have to ask,... that sounds really great, but you didn't really seem all that excited. What's wrong?"

"Well, I have some good news and some bad. The good news is that we're raising a fellow to the third degree next Wednesday."

"That's fantastic. What's the bad news?"

"Your name is on the list to be the Senior Deacon."

Temple Lodge No. 1094

Will be holding their Installation Ceremony on Wednesday 8th April 2020

On this special occasion the PGM (RWBro JA Harrison) will be attending with a FULL Team of Officers. If you've not seen such an extravaganza before ITS NOT TO BE MISSED !

Its particularly good for all our newer members to gain an insight of Masonic Ceremonies. Details to follow.

