



# **KENELM LODGE NO. 8255 NEWSLETTER APRIL 2011 ISSUE 23**

## **GREETINGS BRETHREN**

### **INSTALLATION OF BRO JAY**



Our picture shows W.Bro. Jay Shah, after his installation with the Installing Master, W.Bro. Hari Patel. At the Festive Board W.Bro. Jay stated that his charities during his year will be the Grand Charity and the RNIB.

The Grand Charity, perhaps the leading Masonic Charity have their next meeting on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Cambridge Masonic Hall. On their agenda is a grant of £600,000 for hospice services in 2011, £500,000 for allocation to adult hospices and £100,000 to children's hospices. Another item is a further £192,000 to the £750,000 already donated to support the operational Air Ambulance and similar rescue services in England, Wales and the Crown Dependencies.

In the minutes of the previous meeting there was notification of a grant of £100,000 to the Northwick Park Institute for Medical Research to fund a training and research project at the Wolfson Unit for Endoscopy in St. Marks Hospital, a specialist colorectal postgraduate teaching hospital. The grant will fund the development of a colonoscopy simulator which will be introduced to other hospital and training centres across the UK and it is estimated that 200 clinicians will attend courses each year.

The Royal National Institute of Blind People is the UK's leading charity offering information, support and advice to almost two million

people with sight loss. Their pioneering work helps anyone with a sight problem – not just with Braille and talking books, but with imaginative and practical solutions to everyday challenges. They provide information on eye conditions and provide support and advice for people living with sight loss. People are still losing their sight unnecessarily and the RNIB campaigns to eliminate avoidable sight loss and support research into sight loss and eye health conditions. Having an eye test at least once every two years should be part of everyone's health care routine. Many causes of sight loss are preventable if they caught early by visiting an optician.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to W.Bro Joe Dawson on his promotion to Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden and congratulations to W.Bro. Ramesh Parmar on his promotion to Provincial Grand Assistant Director of Ceremonies.

W.Bro. Joe is kept busy with his work as Visiting Officer in the Royal Arch whereas W.Bro. Ramesh, an active Grand Assistant Director of Ceremonies will be on call to support members of the Provincial Executive when they visit lodges. They both will be invested at the Provincial AGM at Freemasons Hall on May 10<sup>th</sup>. There is a coach going from the Harrow Centre which will save Brethren to worry of driving, congestion charge and parking. It returns to the Harrow Centre after the ceremony for dining.

Congratulations must also go to W.Bro. David White, Kenelm's visiting officer, who on April 27<sup>th</sup> will be invested at Freemasons Hall as a Grand Officer. This will be an excellent reward for the amount of work that not only has he carried out with the Kenelm Lodge but the other Lodges which he visits.

## **KENELM GOLF DAY**



The Kenelm Golf Tournament will be held at the Sudbury Golf Course on Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>. Entry forms are now available from Secretary Ken Sinclair, W.Bro. Ramesh Parmar, and W.Bro. Ralph Miller.

## **CONDOLENCES**



WE are sorry to hear that W.Bro. Mike Mold has passed to the Grand Lodge above. His funeral, at the Amersham Crematorium was attended by four of the Lodge Brethren, led by W.Bro. Jay Shah, Worshipful Master.

Mike, a contract surveyor, joined Kenelm from Arts and Crafts Lodge, a London Lodge, was proposed by W.Bro. Bill Firman, and seconded by W.Bro. Les Howard.

He regularly attended meetings and committee meetings and only the week before he died was contacted by the Lodge Almoner when he came out of hospital after investigations.

## **PASSING OF BRO. RAJ PATEL**

Congratulations to Bro Raj Patel on his Passing to the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree. The ceremony was done by Herga Lodge on 19<sup>th</sup> March supported by 10 brethren from Kenelm Lodge.

## **PROVINCIAL FETE**

W.Bro. Hari Patel, together with W.Bro. Veni Vaghela, with Mrs. Kiran Vagela will again organise the Kenelm Curry Stall at the Middlesex Provincial Fete to be held at the Royal Masonic Girls School at Rickmansworth on Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **TAXI OUTING**

Secretary W.Bro Ken Sinclair will again be organising his Taxi Children's outing to Chessington on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **CENTRE'S LUNCHEES**

The Harrow District Masonic Centre is opening for non-masonic activities. Monday to Friday they are open for lunch with a very extensive menu, together with a daily special at £4.99.

Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> there will be a Mothers' Day Carvery when you can bring your wife or mother for lunch. On April 17<sup>th</sup> there will be a Wedding Fayre when brides-to-be can visit stands with all the requirement of their great day.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

May 10<sup>th</sup> Provincial AGM

May 25<sup>th</sup> Kenelm Golf

June 22<sup>nd</sup> LOI Festival

July 17<sup>th</sup> Provincial Fete

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> Lodge of Instruction (New Year)

Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> Kenelm Lodge Meeting.

"We all have to start with ourselves. It is time to walk the talk. Take the journey of making very difficult decisions. Start removing things from your life that are not filling your cup and adding things that bring joy in to your life."