



**KENELM LODGE
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Greetings Brethren



When you go into the Harrow Centre the front door is more than likely to be open and welcoming and you turn into the bar which is open from 11am to 11pm and all that is down to our new Centre General Manager, Ms. Carole Constant and her Assistant Mr. John Kasprzyk who took up their positions on the second week in October.

Carole and John have been working in Spain for the last six years running a restaurant.

When they went to Spain the basement of the restaurant was not used. They turned it into a Masonic temple and had four lodges using the facilities.

Originally from Uxbridge working in Middlesex is like coming home. However, before they started at Harrow they worked for a month at Cole Court, Twickenham.

The Harrow Centre also has a brighter look which goes with their starting. This is to encourage non-masonic activities. They want to be able to have meetings, weddings, and other events. If you have a potential event coming up have a word with them to see if they can help you.

You have seen the new bright Centre at Harrow this is greatly down to W.Bro. John Briggs who you know as the force behind the Provincial Fete. He has been the brains behind the painting and the movement of the pictures upstairs. He has moved the direction sign for Lodge and LOI rooms so that the Non-masonic activities will feel more at home and not feel that they are interfering with the Masonic activities.

The finance for this work has come from the Fabric Fund. The glass case in the foyer with the list of the Lodge Grand Patrons and Senior Grand Patrons are the names of those Lodge and Chapter members who have contributed to this fund. One of the members religiously going to every member of his Lodge after each meeting and collects any loose change he might have in his pocket, or gives change for a small donation to any member who only has paper money. At the end of the year he gives Les McIntosh a cheque for the Fabric Fund and a list of the contributors he presents certificates. One of our members might like to copy this example.

GOLF DATES

While you are making up your diary for 2011 put these golf dates.

May 18th will be the Kenelm Golf Day.

June 9th will be the Middlesex Open Day

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION FESTIVAL DATE.

While you have your diary open make a note of the LOI Festival which will be on Wednesday, June 22nd. The members will rehearse a Passing Ceremony and dine afterwards.

INITIATION OF 4 NEW CANDIDATES



This is a historic picture. The first time Kenelm has initiated four next members at the same time. Our picture shows front row left to right, W.Bro. John Cook, Bro. Suresh Kansagra, Bro. Raj Patel, Worshipful Master, W.Bro. Hari Patel, Bro. Hasu Patel, Bro. Jesel Kansagra, and W.Bro. Joe Dawson. Back Row, Left to Right Bro. NC Patel, Bro. Jay Shah, W.Bro. Bharat Mistri, Bro. Raj Mistri, Bro. Neel Parmar, and Bro. Frank Dobkin.

PASSING OF BRO MANU RAM



Bro. Manu Ram was passed to the Second Degree in a meeting of the Windmill Hill Lodge. Our picture shows left to right, W.Bro. Ramesh Parmar, W.Bro. John Cook who gave an excellent explanation of the 2nd Degree Tracing Board, Bro. Satish Umeria, who carried out the working of the Junior Deacon, Bro Manu Ram, Worshipful Master of Windmill Hill Lodge, W.Bro. Adolfus George, W.Bro. Ken Sinclair, W.Bro. Ralph Miller, Bro Neel Parmar, who carried out the work of the Senior Deacon, and Bro. Frank Dobkin.

PASSING OF BRO SURESH AND BROTHER JESEL



The Passing of father and son Bro. Suresh Kansagra and Bro. Jesel Kansagra was carried out in a ceremony at the Harrow Lodge. Our picture show front row, left to right, Bro Suresh Kansagra, W.Bro. Hari Patel, our Worshipful Master, W.Bro. Peter Mulvey, Worshipful Master of Harrow Lodge, W.Bro. David Pearson, Secretary of Harrow Lodge and Bro. Jesel Kansagra. The rear row, left to W.Bro. John Cook, Bro. NC Patel, Bro Jay Shah. W.Bro. Ralph Miller, W.Bro. Ken Sinclair, Bro. Frank Dobkin, and three Brethren from Harrow Lodge.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS

Have you talked to W.Bro. Joe Dawson about joining Chapter. He tells me that Royal Arch Chapters are usually smaller than craft lodges and tend to generate a very friendly atmosphere .Any one who is interested, he can give guidance and a suitable Chapter to join.

He also runs a small group which visits with him some of the very small Chapters, so if you are already in the Royal Arch and would like to join the group get in touch with him. His telephone number is in the Summons.

By the Way, Grand Lodge announced that the new Royal Arch Tie can be worn in Craft Lodges.

HOSPICES

The Grand Charity donated £500,000 to hospices in year to November 2009. Over £8000 was donated to Hospices in Middlesex . £2,479 was donated to St. Luke's Kenton Grange Hospice, £1000 was donated to the Harlington Hospice Association.

Grand Charity also donated £100,000 to Northwick Park Institute for Medical Research to fund a training and research project at the Wolfson Unit for Endoscopy in St. Mark's Hospital, which is a specialist colorectal postgraduate teaching hospital

MASONIC SAMARITAN FUND.

The MSF (Masonic Samaritan Fund) was established in 1990 to take on the role of funding the provision of medical care and support.

The MSF helps those who have an identified Medical, Dental or Respite care need or are waiting for, or are unable to get treatment from the NHS or their Local Authority and are unable to afford the own private treatment.

This support is available to Freemasons, their wives, partners, widows and dependants. There are no age limits – the fund has help applicants from 6 months to 104 years.

Advice and application forms may be obtained via the Lodge Almoner or direct from the Fund's Offices. Applicants do not need to be destitute in order to qualify for support, but confirmation of both medical and financial need is required. If you or your dependants have a medical problem and need assistance have a word with W.Bro. Ralph Miller, the Lodge Almoners and we can look into what can be done.

Dental care is one of the special treatment supports which can be provided by the Masonic Samaritan Fund. The high level of demand has already seen double the number of grants made in the first 9 months of the current financial year compared with the previous 12 months.

Support is available to eligible applicants who are unable to get dental treatment on the NHS and cannot afford the cost of private treatment or unable to afford NHS dental charges.

Applicants must have been seen by a Dental Surgeon ideally on the NHS who will provide a Treatment Plan detailing the required treatment. The MSF provides financial help in support of dental treatment that is clinically necessary in the most cost effective and efficient manner. Bro Fraser Turner of the Lodge Probity No. 61, writes to the Fund to say that he was particularly impressed with the speed by which the decision was made.

Mrs Dora Bolton who is connected to Vigilantia Lodge No. 8021 writes to the Funds to thank them for helping her to obtain cancer drugs which she could not obtain through the NHS.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Wed. Dec. 1st LOI Officers Night

Wed. Dec. 8th LOI Officers Night

Wed. Dec. 15th KENELM LODGE MEETING

Wed. Jan. 7th LOI

Mon Jan 10th Raising of Bro. Manu Ram In Elizabethan Lodge at HDMC

Wed. Feb. 2nd LOI Officers Night

Wed Feb 9th LOI Officers Night

Tues. Feb. 15th Installation Night of Bro. Jay Shah.

"The starting point of all achievement is desire. Keep this constantly in mind. Weak desires bring weak results, just as a small fire makes a small amount of heat."