

THE TRIPLE TAU

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M. Ex. Comp. Lorne A. Kingston

Grand 1st Principal 1992-1993

Called to higher service November 22, 2023

Grand Z's Message:

Happy New Year Companions. I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends.

Firstly, I want to acknowledge the passing of MEC Lorne Kingston who served as Grand 1st Principal in 1992-1993 and at the time of his passing was the Most Senior Past Grand "Z".

As we are now past installation season. I want to wish all the new officers well in 2024 and congratulate the officers of 2023 for their service to the royal craft.

It has been an Honour to have the opportunity to serve this Jurisdiction this year. As well as it is hard to believe it has already been a year since my accident, I have been able to attend all the Chapters in the jurisdiction at least once except for Eagle Lake which we are working on.

In closing this month, I am greatly appreciative to all the members of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan who have made this year better simply by being yourselves, always with warm welcomes, hardy jokes and kind hearts.

I especially want to thank those companions who were able to assist me and act as drivers to all of the visitations and different meetings this year, MEC's Ken Martin, Patrick Davis, REC Dean Elliott, (V)EC's Jeff Young, Nathan Reeves , and Comp's Mike Keogan, Tom O'Sullivan.

Thank you one and all.

Visitations:

Wilkie Chapter No. 29



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Official Visit

December 5th



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Eagle Lake Chapter No. 20- TBD

Chapter Focus; Unity Chapter No. 10, Swift Current

Unity Chapter No. 10, Swift Current originally No. 186 of the Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario. Founded in 1912. The companions celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2012. When the Grand Chapter was founded it in 1923 Unity belonged to District No. 3—Composed of Assiniboia, Shaunavon, and Swift Current Chapters. With the first Grand Superintendent being REC W.W. Smith of Unity Chapter.

Unity and area has had nine members serve the Grand Chapter as Grand 1st Principal.

1933	M. Ex. Comp. W.J. Smith	Shaunavon	Shaunavon No. 17
1958	M. Ex. Comp. Dr. James P. Whyte	Swift Current	Unity No. 10
1978	M. Ex. Comp. John C. Clark	Swift Current	Unity No. 10
1985	M. Ex. Comp. James A. Hall	Assiniboia	Assiniboia No. 15
1992	M. Ex. Comp. Lorne A. Kingston	Swift Current	Assiniboia No. 15
1993	M. Ex. Comp. J. Robert Porter	Maple Creek	Cyprus No. 26
1995	M. Ex. Comp. Robert Little	Swift Current	Unity No. 10
2002	M. Ex. Comp. Doug Haroldson	Maple Creek	Cyprus No. 26
2009	M. Ex. Comp. Alun John Leyshon	Swift Current	Unity No. 10

Our 50th Grand Principal

M. Ex. Comp. Erdmund Fisher

1972-1973



Born at Kerrobert, Sask., moved to Major, Sask., at an early age where he received his Public and High school Education.

Entered the business field in Saskatoon as a bookkeeper with National Fruit Ltd. for 6 years. Moved to St. Catharines, Ont., where he worked for General Motors of Canada. Canada as a Personnel Officer. After 4 years in the East, it was time to return West, settling in Calgary where he entered into partnership in the Wholesale Paper business and remained for 11 years. In 1957 he and his family moved to Lloydminster where he joined his father and brother in Fisher's Dept. Stores Ltd.

Married in 1943 to Beatrice E. Hall of Regina, they have 2 sons, both graduates of the U. of A. and now making their way in the business world.

Bea and Erd have always been participants in Community activities, having served for a number of years in the United Church, School Board, City Council, Association for Mentally Retarded, Handicapped workshop and other community activities.

In fact Bea was honored in 1973 by being chosen Citizen of the Year for Lloydminster.

Masonic

CRAFT LODGE- Raised in Temple Lodge No. 296, St. Catharines in 1945. Affiliated Britannia Lodge No. 23, Lloydminster in 1958. Worshipful Master 1969/70.

CAPITULAR- Exalted Lloydminster Chapter No. 31 in 1958. First Principal 1967/68. Grand First Principal 1972/73.

R.& S.M.- Greeted Zohar Council No. 4, Edmonton in 1961. Affiliated Zophiel Council No. 13, Saskatoon in 1971 .

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR- Consecrated Battlefords Preceptory No. 75 in 1959. Presiding Preceptor 1963/64. Provincial Grand Prior 1966/67.

RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE- Installed a Knight companion in 1972.

A.A.O.N.M.S. created Al Azhar Temple in 1959.

Always interested in the moral philosophy of Masonry, he subscribes to many Masonic Research publications and he firmly believes that for each of us to receive the full benefit of Masonic teaching. We must read and study.

Taken directly from the 1973 Proceedings.

Tidbits and Trivia:

January 25 - The Irish Stardust runs aground north of Vancouver Island, causing a large oil spill.

February 1 - Gerald Bouey succeeds Louis Rasminsky as Governor of the Bank of Canada.

February 5 - Work begins on the construction of the CN Tower

February 14- Yukon Native Brotherhood tabled "Together today for our Children Tomorrow" marking the start of the Yukon Land Claims process

February 13 - The Gendron Report is issued; it recommends making French Quebec's only official language

February 15 - The Lester B. Pearson United World College of the Pacific is established in Victoria, British Columbia

April 2 - Montreal announces Canada's first lottery to help pay for the 1976 Summer Olympics

April 20 - Anik A2 is launched.

May 10 - The Montreal Canadiens win the Stanley Cup 4 games to 2 over the Chicago Blackhawks, Yvan Cournoyer is voted MVP.

May 23 – The Royal Canadian Mounted Police celebrate their 100th anniversary.

July 7 - The Libertarian Party of Canada is founded.

August 20 - The 1973 Artistic Woodwork strike begins. It ends on December 5, 1973.

October 17 - OPEC dramatically raises the price of oil. This is a boon to Alberta but hurts central Canada.

November 1 - Waterloo Lutheran University is renamed Wilfrid Laurier University

November 13 - A jury refuses to convict Henry Morgentaler for performing abortions

November 29 - The Canadian Intergovernmental Conference Secretariat is established.

December 7 - Canada sells its first CANDU Reactor to South Korea

First Air is founded

Comedy Group: The Royal Canadian Air Farce is formed on Radio

The Honourable

Stephen Worobetz

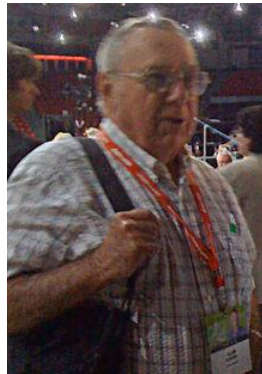
OC MC SOM FRCSC

13th Lieutenant Governor of

Saskatchewan

In office

February 2, 1970 – February 29, 1976



The Honourable

Allan Blakeney

PC OC SOM QC FRSC

10th Premier of Saskatchewan

In office

June 30, 1971 – May 8, 1982

Births and Deaths

Jim Parsons, Seth MacFarlane, Neil Patrick Harris, Kate Beckinsale, Neve Campbell, Dave Chappelle, Eddie Davis

July 25 - Louis St. Laurent, politician and 12th Prime Minister of Canada (b.1882)

Next issue will have a correction for the List of Grand 1st Principal's presented so far due to a clerical error.