

# THE TRIPLE TAU

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## Grand Z's Message:

This is always a busy part of the year for everyone but please take time on November 11<sup>th</sup> to Remember those who served this great country and paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy each and everyday. Thank you to all our companions who have served or are currently serving in our armed forces. Lest we forget those who have gone to the Grand Chapter above.

I am happy to finally be able to report that the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary jewels are in and are being presented to the chapters.

Planning is now fully underway for the 2024 Grand Convocation in May. Hard to believe we are already halfway through the year.

It was wonderful to visit Unity and Battleford Chapters in October, thank you again to the members of each chapter for the warm hospitality. I had the honour and privilege to present two members of Unity during my visit their 50-year certificates and pins as well as participating in the MEM degree for Bro. César Cudrado Ayllon.

I look forward to upcoming visitations and our executive meeting in December.

## Visitations:



Presentations of 50-year certificates to Rt. Ex. Comp's Ron Heeg and Les Potter at the official visit to Unity Chapter.



**Official Visit to Unity Chapter No. 10,  
presentation of 50-year pins to Rt. Ex. Comp's  
Ron Heeg and Les Potter**



**Official Visit to Battleford Chapter No. 9**



**Presentation of the Centennial jewel to sitting 1<sup>st</sup> Principal,  
Ex. Comp. Robert Florence**

**Upcoming visits: King George Chapter No. 14 Yorkton- Nov  
15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Wilkie Chapter No. 29- Dec 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Chapter Focus;**

**Estevan Chapter No. 8**

Estevan Chapter No. 8 was originally chartered under the Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario in 1912 and numbered 184 on their roles. Originally meeting in Estevan but moved when Estevan No. 25 sold their lodge building, now they meet in Oxbow, SK at the lodge room of ABBA No. 15. There has been three Grand 1<sup>st</sup> Principal's from Estevan No. 8,

M. Ex. Comp. Edmund Wylie 1935-1936, M. Ex. Comp. William Carroll Cantlon 1987- 1988,

M. Ex. Comp Troy LeBlanc 2023- 2024

## Our 30<sup>th</sup> Grand Principal 1953-1954 – M. Ex. Comp. Adna Clifton Woods



Born May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1900 at Minto, North Dakota, son of Agnes Ann Matilda and Richard Samuel Woods. The parents were of British stock, coming from Ontario to North Dakota, returning in 1905 to Palmerston, Ontario, where they remained until 1910. Moving west in August of that year, the Family settled in Moose Jaw.

Received his early education in the public schools of Palmerston and Moose Jaw and the Central Collegiate of Moose Jaw, he graduated from the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy May 1921.

Served his apprenticeship in the drugstore with RW Bro. Harry Brodie of Moose Jaw and Mr. Robert Martin of Regina. After graduating, worked in Regina for a short time, then going to Chicago, where he worked for a short time in a north end drug store. Returning to Canada late, 1921 took a position with right R.S. Young Ltd., druggist of Moose Jaw. In 1924 he left the employ of Mr. Young and for the following year did relief work in a number of drug stores in the province. In 1927 he returned to Moose Jaw and took a position with his old boss, Mr. Harry Brodie, where he remained until 1945.

On the death of Mr. Brodie he became manager of the Moose Jaw Drug and Staty. Co. Ltd. and retained this position from January 1st of 1938, to the end of December 1945.

On January 30<sup>th</sup>, 1946 he opened his own drug store in Moose Jaw which he still operates.

He was married on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1929, to Miss Florence Alice Brown of Moose Jaw, daughter of Alice and Roy Brown of Viking, Alberta. From this Union, two children were born, Robert Gordon at present attending the College of Pharmacy at the University of Saskatchewan and Alice Elizabeth who is still at home attending the Moose Jaw Technical High School.

He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Moose Jaw and has acted on the finance Board of the church for a number of years.

Served as Vice-President of the retail druggists of Saskatchewan for three years and President this year.

He has taken an active interest in all branches of masonry since joining in 1928.

### A. C. Woods Masonic history record

Initiated at St. George lodge No. 136, GRS May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1928 passed September 21<sup>st</sup>, 1928, and raised November 16<sup>th</sup>, 1928.

Royal Arch Mason. Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, 1929 First Principal of Moose Jaw Chapter No. 3 1940

A member of the Scottish Rite since 1942.

Member of Knights, Templar 1944. Sitting Preceptor 1948-49, Grand Superintendent 1949-50. Also, a member of Cryptic Rite 1953

Joined Wawa Temple 1950. As well as a member of the Mizpah chapter No. 1 order of the Eastern Star 1953.

**As per his Biography in the proceedings.**

## Tidbits and Trivia:

To acknowledge a member of our York Rite bodies and a historical moment for Saskatchewan, PGZ Lorne Johnson served as the 1<sup>st</sup> person from Saskatchewan to be Sovereign Grand Master of Sovereign Grand Priory of Canada. His portrait hangs in the entry to the red room in the Regina Temple.

Lorne Johnson G.C.T. Saskatchewan 1957-1959

### Canadian Events

January 1 – The National Library of Canada is founded.

January 9 – Marguerite Pitre becomes the thirteenth, and last, woman hanged in Canada when she is executed in Montréal.

January 27 – The Canadian Dental Association approves the use of fluoride in drinking water.

May 25 – Alex Matheson becomes premier of Prince Edward Island, replacing J. Walter Jones

June 2 – Elizabeth II is crowned Queen of Canada. In Korea the Canadian Army celebrates the coronation by firing red, white, and blue smoke shells at the enemy.

July 13 – The Stratford Festival of Canada opens

July 27 – The Korean War ends. In total 314 Canadians were killed and 1211 wounded.

August 10 – Federal election: Louis Saint Laurent's Liberals win a fifth consecutive majority.

October 12 – Wilfrid Laurier Memorial unveiled

October 15 – The Trans Mountain Oil Pipeline is completed

October 25 – Canada's first privately owned television station, CKSO, broadcasts in Sudbury.

The federal Immigration Act is amended to prohibit homosexuals entry into Canada. This amendment was repealed in 1977.

### World Events:

- An expedition led by Sir Edmund Hillary is the first to reach the summit of Mount Everest
  - James Watson and Francis Crick determine the structure of DNA
  - First clear evidence linking lung cancer to cigarette smoking
- TV Guide debuts; on the cover of the first issue are Lucille Ball and her newborn son, Desi Arnaz IV
  - The first colour television sets appears selling for \$1,175
    - Transistor radios start to appear for sale
    - Books: *Casino Royale*, Ian Fleming



The Honourable  
William John Patterson  
10th Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan  
In office June 25, 1951 – February 3, 1958



The Reverend and Honourable  
Tommy Douglas  
PC CC SOM  
7th Premier of Saskatchewan  
In office 10 July 1944 – 7 November 1961

Celebrities born 1953

Jan 19 - Desi Arnaz Jr

February 16 – Lanny McDonald, ice hockey player

February 18 – Robbie Bachman, drummer

Mar 24- Louie Anderson

April 18 – Rick Moranis, comedian, actor and musician

May 16 - Pierce Brosnan

June 22 -- Cyndi Lauper

July 29 – Geddy Lee, singer, bassist and keyboardist Rush

Aug 11- Hulk Hogan

Dec 9- John Malkovich

In closing if any chapter has any thing, they would like to submit for the information of the membership please email articles or pictures to Grand Scribe E and I will try to add them to the next issue.