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THE GLSA HOSTS A STAR-STUDDED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This year's GLSA AGM took place at the de Goede Hoop Temple in Cape Town on the morning of Saturday, 7 September 2024. The Grand Master, MW Bro Godfrey Place, had circulated his Annual Report ahead of the well-organised and executed meeting.



MW Bro Godfrey Place received a gift symbolizing masonic virtues from MW Bro Matthieu Lawson, Grand Master of Benin

Our international guests included the new Grand Master of Benin, MW Bro Matthieu Lawson and representatives from the UGLE and Mauritius.

This year's awards went to :

- **Secretary of the Year:**
VW Bro Marius Terblanche
- **Best Installation Paper:**
Wor Bro Ike Ezeuduji
- **Most Balanced Lodge:**
Prins Frederik
- **50 Years' Service:**
RW Bro Morris Rozen



The Grand Master also presented 2 OSMs (Order for Service to Masonry). This highest merit GLSA award

were presented to the following most deserving recipients, namely;



RW Bro Alf Brönner whose tireless support of Lodges in Central Division and Namibia makes an enormous difference to all the recipients, and



RW Bro Rex Ingle who has spent countless hours gathering and organising our heritage records and regularly visits Lodges far and wide gathering material.



The Southern Division also hosted a star-studded AGM

Before the GLSA AGM the Southern Division held its AGM at the same date and venue. The Provincial Grand Master, RW Bro Raymond Eyiomen, who was in the chair performed an excellent job in chairing the meeting.

Awards presented were as follows:

- Secretary of the Year: Bro Robert Kakesse
- Best Paper of the Year: Bro Guy Taylor
- Lodge of the Year: Hiram
- Best Ritual Lodge: de Goede Hoop



RW Bro Raymond Eyiomen presents Wor Bro Bradley Bordiss from Lodge de Goede Hoop with Best Ritual Lodge

The 50th Masonic Spring Ball is hosted

For the 50th year in a row, Southern Division completed their AGM weekend with their Spring Ball fund-raiser in aid of the Masonic Homes. As always the event was a great success and much enjoyed by all those fortunate enough to attend. Congratulations to Bro Marco Petronio and his team on arranging a great evening.



Above: The Petronio Ladies, Candice, Logan and Darian with RW Bro Raymond Eyioment. Marco (Convener) and his family played an enormous part in the Spring Ball's success

Right: Willie Luck (c) with Ruhan Delpert (4R) and the Brethren and visitors

AASR Chapter Ronnie Bauser advance 4 BB

On Saturday, 28 September 2024 AASR Chapter Ronnie Bauser in Kimberley advanced 4 BB to the 18th Degree. The meeting was well attended and the work conducted by Ill Bro Francois Dauth assisted by V Ill Bro Marcel De Kock.



Ill Bro Francois Dauth with the new Knights (seated), members and visitors

Acacia Cryptic Council

Ill Comps Willie Luck and Gerhard Nortje were "Received" and "Chosen" into the Select and Super Excellent Master degrees by the Acacia Cryptic Council on Tuesday, 17 September 2024.



Willie Luck (L) and Gerhard Nortje (R) with the Council's senior Brethren

Trichardt initiates Bro Ruhan Delpert

On Thursday, 12 September 2024 at the Mendel Spitz Temple in Kinross, Losie Trichardt welcomed Bro Ruhan Delpert as a new initiate into their Lodge. Under Wor Bro Willie Luck's guidance the Lodge is making great progress and we have little doubt that Bro Ruhan's experience will be a good one.

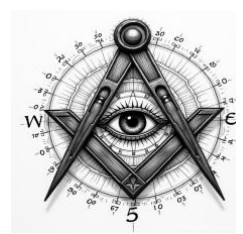


Chapter Koh-I-Noor AASR Installation

On Monday, 16 September 2024 Ven Bro CJ Cornelius was installed as the MWS of Chapter Koh-I-Noor, the ceremony being amended to allow 4th degree Secret Masters to attend. M Ill Bro Simon Nash, the ESGIG for the Northern Region, members of the Supreme Council and other visitors were at the installation.



Chris Cornelius with Simon Nash and the Brethren and visitors



Lodge Marina Installs new Master

On Tuesday, 17 September 2024, Cape Town's Lodge Marina installed Wor Bro Stephane Rogovsky as their new Master. Wor Bro Frank Begot performed the Installation, while VW Bro Louis van der Linde attended to the Board of Installed Masters. The evening was a great success!

AASR Chapter de Goede Hoop perform 4th degree

On Monday 23 September Cape Town's Chapter de Goede Hoop advanced Bro Louis Krige to the 4th degree. At the same time Bro Max Derman, a rejoining member, participated as a "candidate". The Chapter's MWS, Ill Bro Malcolm Gessler, and his team made sure that the evening was most successful.



Louis Krige (2L), Malcolm Gessler (3L) and Max Derman (2R) surrounded by the Brethren.

Lodge Orange welcomes Bro Vusi Pepengweni

On Thursday, 19 September 2024, Rustenberg's Lodge Orange welcomed Bro Vusi Pepengweni as a new initiate. He was warmly received into the Lodge by Wor Bro Charl Palm. We all look forward to watching his progress.



Bro Vusi Pepengweni surrounded by his new Brethren

De Goede Verwachting 1st degree

Wor Bro Duwayne Brown is new in the chair at his Lodge but is already making a positive impact. On Thursday, 19 September 2024 they initiated Bro Chris Jones – and there's plenty more work to come! The Lodge is really enjoying itself and the Master is setting a great example.



Above: Chris Jones, Duwayne Brown, members and visitors

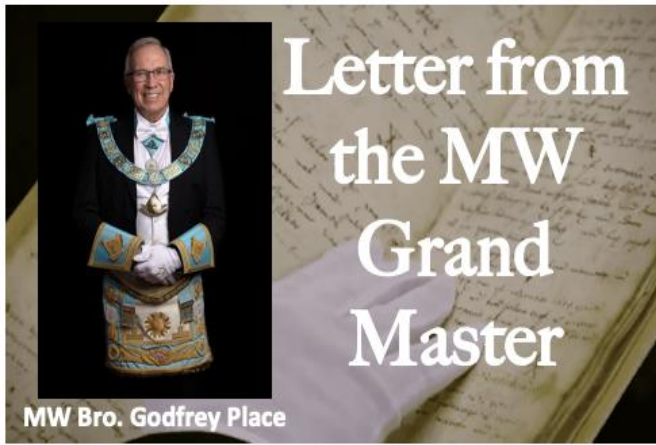
Senekal reinstalls RW Bro Alf Brönner OSM

On Saturday, 21 September 2024, Losie Senekal had a well-supported Installation ceremony. The outgoing Master, RW Bro Alf Brönner OSM was installed for a further term. RW Bro Johan Britz MSA led Grand Lodge, RW Bro Marcel de Kock led PGL and Wor Bro Francois Dauth and the PGL Central team performed the ceremony.



Left: Alf Brönner OSM (5L) surrounded by GL, PGL, Lodge members and visitors.





LIVING AS A FREEMASON

What does this statement mean?

It implies that when we were initiated into the Order, our whole life changed. To some extent that is correct, as our initiation ceremony, which is a right-of-passage, is a life-changing experience. Our senses are challenged, we are taken on a spiritual and physical journey with very clear directives being given to us as we experienced our transformative journey.

Simple, but edifying, truths were spoken to us, which give us pointers as how the principals of Freemasonry can help us on our life-journey. We need to constantly remind ourselves of these basic instructions and live in accordance thereof.

Being a Freemason carries numerous responsibilities. In our obligation we accept the task of bettering ourselves, offering support to our fellow man and most importantly to our Brethren. By so doing we promise to help those around us, to help and succour them to the best of our ability because our creator made man a dependent being.

We need to be a constant example of the good which is within man, visibly showing those around us of a life well lived. What an honour it is, to live respected and to die regretted!

We are full-time ambassadors of our Order, so that the public can see and experience that our deeds and actions are truly emblematical of those of a Freemason.

By so doing we dispel the negative myths which surround our Order, proving that we are men who are honourable, ethical and true.

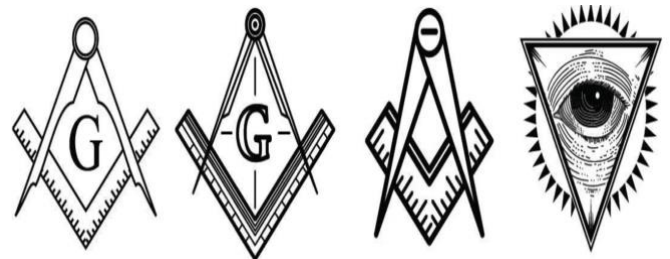
Remember that the public judges our Order based on the behaviour of its members. Our actions as individuals will

determine how the public perceives our Order. We are the foundation on which the superstructure of the Order is judged. Weak foundations lead to weak collapsing structures. Our foundation needs to be so strong as to withstand not only the scrutiny of the public, but also of our fellow Brethren and of course our GAOTU.

If we live our lives in accordance with our obligation, we will show the world that no matter what challenges confront us, we can overcome them, and united in our belief that as Freemasons, we have the capacity to heal our fractured world.

As mentioned above, when we were obligated into the Order, we underwent a life changing experience. We are now Freemasons forever, which means 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. We are not Freemasons only when we don our suits and regalia and attend few Lodge meetings. We can make a difference in the day of every person with whom we come into contact, from the cashier in the supermarket, the car guard in the parking lot, our staff, the police at roadblocks, our friends and our families.

There is no "time-off" from Freemasonry, but it does not mean we forego the other aspects of our lives. It means we adapt our lives to demonstrate that we live as Freemasons according to our obligation, living in balance, being the best person.



These are our Almoners

If anything is known about a Brother in distress, please share it with your Divisional Almoner.

Southern Wor Bro Llew Lloyd-Jones	072 9653572
Northern Wor Bro Herman Roos	082 3184238
Central Wor Bro Barend Esterhuizen	072 4727236
Eastern Wor Bro Rudi Swart	072 5868135
E Cape Wor Bro Ian Hetherington	082 9545297

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