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Bro John Burke

Grand Primo 2006 Appeal **Children's Liver Disease Foundation**



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**To be done following the December meeting of the West Herts PGL, on
Tuesday 12th December 2006 at the Tudor Arms, Bushey Mill Lane,
Watford.**

**I have had some form of facial hair for 39 years now, and very few, if
any, have ever seen me clean-shaven. Now is your opportunity. I have
been coerced into shaving it off for this very well worthwhile cause—
The Children's Liver Disease Foundation.**

**Please sponsor me for this once in a lifetime chance of seeing me clean-
shaven**

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Bro James Nassif 2nd Degree
23rd October*

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Flower Boxes

Dear Editor

Here is a picture of the flower boxes I make.

The money I make from the flower boxes is for DEBRA and the Grand Primo's appeal I split the money 50/50 and have £40-00 for that appeal so far--- --- They cost £7-00 and £13-00 after I take out the cost its 50/50-- I first made them for myself to brighten up the side of my shed. People who saw them said they would like some so I thought it would be a way off making a few bob for our appeals. the materials are a bit costly hence the price.

So if any brother would like any please get in touch and I will let you know when they are ready

Fraternally yours

Bro Dick Ward ROH

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Letters to the editor

Please feel free to send in any items of buffalo interest and I will add what I can !

Please note : Any views expressed in this journal are not necessary that of the RAOB or PGL they are personal views of those that have sent in information .

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Editorial

Well here we are in October, The days are getting shorter so it must be that time of year for the Leslie Haydn Walker/Eagle gardening competition. Its parsnips this year, I know I've got a fat one but I don't know how long it is till I dig it up. The date for the showing is Thursday 26th October at the Leslie Haydn Walker lodge, so if your not doing nothing that night come along and see the Long parsnips.

Myself, Bro Mick Swinton ROH and Bro Ray Whittenbury ROH decided to have a buffing/fishing weekend last week so it was up at 4.30am for a 5am pick up, got to Dover, picked up bait and breakfast then spent the day on Dover pier fishing.

I caught 2, Ray 3 and greedy Mick 6. not enough to open a fish stall at Watford market but it was fun.

Then it was off to Bro Mick Jones KOM guest house, had shower then fish & chips on the way to the Shorncliffe Unity lodge 5033 of the South East Kent Province.

What a smashing lot of brothers (not just the WP breaking his chair) it was fun and charges all night (not sure if they are quite ready for Ray yet though) and we did go home with lighter pockets. Then rounded off in the morning by a good large breakfast.

We enjoyed it so much we have decided to do it all again on the 20th October as Bro Mick Jones is being raised to the 4th and the lodge secretary Bro Pat Maguire CP to the 3rd.

I would like to wish Bro James Nassif good luck on his raising o the 2nd degree on Wednesday 1st November, don't

Forget the venue for this is the Rugby club in Hemel as the Eagle lodge premises is not large enough.

I also learnt last night that Bro Alan Towerzey ROH has taken a turn for the worse and myself and Helen would like to wish you well Alan. I have also been in contact with Bro Dave Long and Bro Al Taylor of Canada who are thinking of you and send their fondest greetings.

STB

See you all soon

Den

Letters

Eagle Lodge



Dear All.

Here we are again. Christmas is only just around the Corner.

Firstly Congrats to Bro. Den Whittenbury for a fantastic newsletter last month. Well done Den.

Now the good news! Bro. Phil Boyland was raised to the 2nd Degree, and a very good ceremony was performed by Bro. Graham Broom, and all Officers of the West Herts. PGL. Thanks to all who attended. Now for Bro. James Nassif's raising. Looking for-

ward to that one too.

As you all know, the Eagle Lodge has now moved into our new home, "The Top Of The World Pub" at the top of Warner's End. The Dedication Ceremony was carried out by Bro. Dave Guest PGP, and we had about 25 members in attendance on that evening. Everyone had a great time, and a nice christening for our new home.

The Eagle Lodge Quiz Night held on 15th September went really well. Bro. Dave Levy made a few mistakes, and was greeted warmly with some choice comments, but overall a really good evening was had by all.

It was a shame that the "Hardy Boys" weren't there to defend their crown, but maybe next time.

The total raised was £215, and this is, as said before is to be split between the Children's Liver Disease Foundation and Debra. But we are not just going to give them that, we have the RACE NIGHT on 24th November 2006, and hopefully the old stalwarts will attend, and help us raise even more for these two worthy causes. We are also hoping to hand over a cheque on that night to the Grand Primo towards his Appeal.

As per usual Bros. Levy, Nassif, Ward and Green have been out and about to lodges inside and outside the Province. And Bro. Dave keeps getting himself into all sorts of trouble. Nothing new, I hear you all saying, but that is Bro. Dave for you.

Well, that's all folks for this month, and Happy Buffing.

"The Eagle Lodge Scribe".



Letters

Greenhill Lodge

On Thursday 17th August, the Greenhill Lodge had the pleasant and unusual duty of hosting a double fourth degree raising of two very worthy Brothers, Bro. Barry Collins and Bro. David Stone. This was the first ceremony to be held at the Lodge's new venue, the Home Guard Club, North Harrow.

The Lodge was fortunate to be able to welcome the Grand Primo, Bro. Mick Walker, ROH.

The Exaltation was conducted by Bro. John Stewart, ROH, with the usual dignity and style that we have come to expect from him. He was supported by the PGP, Bro. David Guest ROH, and numerous Past PGP's

An evening enjoyed by all and finished with a presentation to the Grand Primo of a cheque for the sum of £640.00 for his Appeal from funds raised at an earlier charity event. Starting with the phrase 'It's not often that I'm lost for words', we enjoyed a lengthy response.



Bro John Wray K.O.M. P.G. Waiter Presenting Cheque to the Grand Primo Bro Mick Walker R.O.H.



Brothers John Stewart R.O.H, Barry Collins R.O.H, David Stone R.O.H and Mick Walker R.O.H

Dear Bro Editor, Could I use some space in the BuGLE to place an advert for my son's company ?

Bro Mick Swinton ROH

Edd Note: It's a pleasure as it is for any brother in the province to advertise.

A new and unique online service has been launched, in the form of Babylon Direct (www.babylondirect.com).

Babylon Direct offer a web site where users can purchase greeting cards for all occasions coupled with a simple, free reminder service – so there's no excuses for forgetting that all-important anniversary or birthday - but with Babylon Direct, there's a healthy twist in the tale...

Kevin Swinton, the Director of Babylon Direct, explains, "A lot of us have friends and family who live abroad these days, but it is generally impossible to buy the right type of greeting card for them. For example, if you want to buy your German Aunt a German Christmas card, you'd have to go to Germany to get one. With Babylon Direct we are using the internet to offer an online shop that lets you order - and have delivered to your door - greeting cards of different languages". Currently Babylon offers English, French and German cards with an Italian range of cards online soon.

To experience Babylon Direct, visit www.babylondirect.com.

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Why not write an article

The Gatter Winner

Back in July I sent a challenge out to see how many Buffs read this journal and to send an email with gatter in the subject line and the 20th one I received I would personally buy a pint of gatter. well I didn't get one reply, so in august I lowered the stakes to the tenth one. Sadly I only got 5 replies, so in all fairness I will buy them all one.



The Winners are

- 1 David Long Canada*
- 2 Mark Hardy West Herts*
- 3 Dave Levy West Herts*
- 4 Mick Swinton West Herts*
- 5 Tony Goodman Canterbury*

Any one know what my chances are of claiming expenses ? After all I'll buy the beer I will try and do another one next month

Crusty's column.

Some while ago, while on holiday, I visited a lodge – not in this Province, I hasten to add. Having arrived at the venue in time to get a drink before presenting myself, I remarked to the bar-man that I was a visiting Buff. His reaction was to point out a group of seven or eight people propping up the other end of the bar and to say, “Oh, you mean that lot over there”. I went and introduced myself, was made welcome and invited to “Come up and join us, we are just going up to open”. Just how it should be I hear you cry, except that the lodge opening time, as advertised, was more than half an hour ago and, when the brothers did eventually bestir themselves, they were not even going to set out the

lodge furniture, (not worth it now, its nearly time to close!).

This is not the end of the story. Two nights later I arranged to visit another lodge. Having contacted the lodge secretary who offered to take me – it was some distance from where I was staying – I was amazed to be accosted by him and to receive, in a public place, a demand to produce my credentials and to give the password. I jibbed at this saying that I would give the password at the lodge tile and not before. After some dissention, this was accepted. I was then made to wait outside the lodge room while they opened and only then was I permitted to present my parchment, go through the procedure of being ‘tested’ and, finally, enter the

lodge. The consternation on their faces when it was seen that I was a past PGP, etc, was most amusing.

The point of all this is to impress upon all and sundry that the lodge should *always* open on time, the lodge furniture and regalia should *always* be used and that there is a time and a place to prove the authenticity of those seeking to enter the lodge (the street corner is not one of them)! Remember, it could be the Grand Primo himself making a casual visit because he happens to be in the area.

Once again, food for thought. Digest it and do not make your own rules as you go.

Leslie Haydn Walker Lodge

Along with 4 brothers of Leslie Haydn Walker/Clarendon lodges, (Bro Dave Hardy ROH, Bro Keith Bland ROH, Bro Roy Matthews ROH and Bro Den Whittenbury KOM) who couldn't meet last Thursday. we decided to visit the Stewkley lodge 8084, unknown to us we were joined by 5 visiting brothers from Luton and district province, so with us 10 visitors,

we were entertained by the stalwarts of north bucks to a very convivial evening, hope fully to their lodges gain. rounded off by the visiting fish parlour, to those not accustomed to this type of grazing, be warned, that be the hottest fish/chip supper for miles around. many thanks to the brothers of

stewkley for a most enjoyable evening. stb.

bro Mick Swinton ROH. PPGP. PPEC. West Herts

Lodges in West Hertfordshire Province



Eagle 9299

The Eagle Lodge has now found a new home !
 The top of the World Public House
 Long Chaulden
 Hemel Hempstead

No	Lodge	Address	Meeting	Secretary
	P.G.L	Tudor Arms PH, Bushey Mill Lane, Watford Herts	2 nd Tue 8pm.	Bro Dave Hardy ROH 01923 250296 E-mail: dhardy@btinternet.com
188	ROH.ASS	Tudor Arms PH, Bushey Mill Lane, Watford Herts	3 rd Tues. Mar, June, Sept, Dec	Bro Terry Baron ROH E-mail: terrybaron@bulldoghome.com
181	KTS.CHAP	Tudor Arms PH, Bushey Mill Lane, Watford Herts	4 th Tues. 8pm	
3993	CLARENDON	Tudor Arms PH, Bushey Mill Lane, Watford Herts	Thu 8pm Fort-nightly	Bro Keith Bland ROH
5148	MIDLAND	The Rugby club, Pennine Way, Hemel Hempstead, Herts	Wed 8pm	Bro Alan king 01442 263328
7797	HYDE	Edgware Constitutional club, Manor Park Crescent, Edgware, Middx	Mon. 8pm Fort-nightly	
8263	HEART OF THE GOLDEN PHOENIX	Edgware Constitutional club, Manor Park Crescent, Edgware, Middx	Wed 8pm Fort-nightly	
8296	LESLIE HAYDN WALKER	Tudor Arms PH, Bushey Mill Lane, Watford Herts	Thu 8pm Fort-nightly	Bro Mark Hardy KOM 01923 250296
9107	PRIDE OF HERTS	Kings Langley Services Club, Hempstead Rd, Kings Langley, Herts	Sun 9.45 am	Bro Jim Baker KOM 01442 389191 jimbaker22@hotmail.com
9262	GREENHILL	The Home Guard Club North Harrow Middx	Thu 8pm	
9299	EAGLE	The top of the World Public House Long Chaulden Hemel Hempstead	Mon 8pm	Bro Tom Kimber ROH 01442 397020
9454	ST.JOHNS	Hemel Ski Club, St Albans Hill, Hemel Hempstead Herts	Sun 7.30pm	
10581	WEST HENDON	Ex-Servicemen's Club 239 The Broadway, West Hendon	Wed 8pm Fort-nightly	



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October Events

3 rd	Tuesday	20:00	Tudor Arms	PGL Executive Committee Meeting
10 th	Tuesday	20:00	Tudor Arms	West Hertfordshire PGL Meeting
11 th	Wednesday	20:00	West Hendon Lodge	PGP & Officers Visit
17 th	Tuesday	20:00	Tudor Arms	West Hertfordshire Examining Council Meeting Subject to Candidate
22 nd	Sunday	19:45	St. Johns Lodge	PGP & Officers Visit
23 rd	Monday	20:00	Eagle Lodge Venue to be advised	1 x 2 nd Degree Raising of Bro. James Nassif
24 th	Tuesday	20:00	Tudor Arms	Knights Chapter No.181 Meeting
29 th	Sunday	09:45	Pride of Herts Lodge	PGP & Officers Visit

Eagle Lodge 9299

Invitation to the second degree

Of

Bro James Nassif

1st November 2006

The Rugby Club Pennine way Hemel Hempstead

@ 8pm

Why not post your events
Here !

Advance Notices: PGL Dinner & Dance 4th November, at the Manor House, Abbots Langley

Pip_pippard@btinternet.co.uk

Eagle Lodge Charity Race Night – 24th November 2006

St. Johns Lodge Dinner – 24th February 2007 at The Green Acres Tavern, Hemel Hempstead

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