

Companions,

I greet you, from my desk as I contemplate the new reality we face.

It is essential that we always put the well-being of ourselves, our families, and of course our Companions first.

Last Thursday I gave authorization for Demits to any Chapter Principals wishing to cancel their meetings. (see below).

I have also cleared my schedule through to Easter and will soon determine if I will attend any of the April Events.

I know everyone wants to know about Grand Chapter and if it will be postponed.

At this point we are only in preliminary discussions.

Things are changing rapidly and we cannot yet see what May will bring.

Schedule through to Grand Chapter

February and March - Travel and Visits halted

Mon. Feb 24	Norwood #18	MEETING CANCELLED	Fraternal Visit	Acacia Hall Edm.
Wed. Mar. 11	Shekinah #4	DONE - Great Time	Fraternal Visit	Lethbridge
Wed. Mar. 18	Stoney #41	MEETING CANCELLED	Fraternal Visit	Stony Plain
Thur. Mar. 26	Capital City #13	MEETING CANCELLED	Fraternal Visit	Highlands Edm.
Sat. Mar. 28	Lebanon #38	VISIT CANCELLED	Fraternal Visit	Lacombe

April and May - Still Scheduled will be updated soon

Sun. Apr. 12 Easter Message AASR Sunrise Breakfast FMH Edm.

Thur. Apr. 16 North Star #2 Fraternal Visit Highlands Edm.

Th-Su Apr 23-26 Grand Chapter RAM of Manitoba in Winnipeg

Th-Su May 7-10 Grand Chapter RAM Albert in Red Deer

REMINDER: It is our intention to *leave some light behind in Red Deer* when we end our Sessions in Red Deer.

I have asked the Companions to bring a new pair of socks or even a package of socks to be given to the Mustard Seed in Red Deer for distribution to the homeless.

If you know of any Companions not able to attend, and who might wish to contribute, please assist them.

Marilyn has asked our ladies to donate a "stuffy", a new stuffed animal, to be given to the Red Deer Child Intervention Centre to be given to abused and abandoned children when they need something to hug and call their own.

BE SAFE AND TAKE CARE OF ONE ANOTHER

Rod

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