



MONASH GULLY DISTRICT
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MONASH GULLY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2010

DISTRICT MEETING

30TH JUNE 2010

Brethren,

Please be advised that there will be a meeting of all Lodges in the Monash Gully District, to be held at the Oakleigh Centre, 150 Drummond Street, Oakleigh, on Wednesday 30th June 2010, commencing at 7.30pm.

The purpose of this meeting is to launch the Freemasons Victoria and Monash Gully District Strategic Plans. Both these strategic plans will involve all Lodges in the District, and being such an important meeting, a 5th Wednesday has been chosen so that all Lodges will be represented.

The meeting should finish around 9.30pm after which a light supper and refreshments will be available.

Dress: Neat casual.

Please advise W.Bro. Roland Denison of numbers attending before 25th June, 2010.

rolandd@netspace.net.au or 9850-7284.

DISTRICT CHARITY

INTERCHANGE OUTER EAST

The District Panel has recommended that the Monash Gully District support this program for 3 years, at a cost of \$15,000 per year. The first year has already been accomplished, with the assistance of the Grand Lodge Board of Benevolence.

The second \$15,000 is required by the 30th June, 2010, and we are well short of that amount at this time. Lodges, Social Clubs, Master's Groups etc who are contemplating donating are asked to forward their donation as soon as possible.

I am sure that all Lodges in the Monash Gully District will support this very needy charity. Donations are Tax Deductable and cheques should be made out to Monash Gully District and posted to: Roland Denison, 73 Ayr Street, DONCASTER Vic 3108.

Q&A Forum -'Dan Brown & Freemasonry' **Kew East Masonic Centre Monday, July 12.**

Dan Brown's novel, 'The Da Vinci Code', was one of the most widely read novels of all time. Over 80 million copies were sold worldwide.

'The Da Vinci Code' was always a novel, a story, a vivid thriller set against the historical perspectives of time and buildings of ancient grandeur. The Catholic Church and Freemasonry featured prominently in its conspiratorial plots and, in Melbourne, the church took out full page advertisements in the daily press warning of its fallacies.

Dan Brown's recent book, 'The Lost Symbol' deals more explicitly with Freemasonry.

On Monday July 12, Heartbeat Galen Lodge is sponsoring a Question and Answer open forum at the Kew East Masonic Centre, 'Dan Brown and Freemasonry'.

The host for the evening will be John Glover, one of the best 'up-front' men that we have in the Craft and the panel will include the irrepressible Merv Hallam, Grand Superintendent of Education, Wes Turnbull, Grand Superintendent of Communications and Phil McCallum OAM.

Come along, be part of the audience and do bring your friends to enjoy the fun... The evening will be open to the public so we need your participation. The Lodge will not open on its usual night, regalia will not to be worn but the renowned festive board of Heartbeat Galen will follow.

For more information telephone our Secretary, Eric DeBoos 9857 7810 or Don Hall 9725 3303

The welcome is 4.30 pm, Q&A forum at 5.00 pm and Dinner at 6.30 [\$10].

Exemplification Team at Ringwood Centre

Greetings Brethren,

The Exemplification Team are doing a **"Live" first Degree Ceremony** at the Ringwood Centre for the Lodge of Concentration No. 753

ON Thursday 8th. July 2010 commencing at 7:30Pm

This will be an extraordinary Meeting of the Lodge of Concentration
to Initiate Mr. Steve Mc. Wiggan

This will also be an opportunity to observe at first hand the subtle changes that have been introduced with the launch of the new book.

Information on lodge workings
(Copies will be available for sale on the night)

We are expecting a big attendance for this Ceremony, and bookings are advised.

For further information
Please Contact :-

WBro. John Osborne DGIW 97301260 or 0419964368
WBro. Merv Larter PJGD (Secretary) 97292613

FREEMASONS EDUCATION – COMPUTER TRAINING

Brethren,

Attached are the details of the Modules that we will be presenting at the Computer Course Training being held at the Masonic Centre commencing Tuesday 8th June at 7.30pm finishing at 9.15pm (coffee tea at finish)

The dates will be ongoing on the Second Tuesday of each month except Dec and Jan. Depending on participation we may include other dates as the Course roll outs.

The Course will be suitable for Secretaries and is open to all members. With our computer equipment we can handle 12 participants at a session.

We still have vacancies available for JUNE 8TH

If you know of any brother that may be interested please let us know either at education Admin or contact Jim Spreadborough all details below.

We will be communicating all details of this Education program to the Lodges.

Jim Spreadborough

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