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## **Grand Z's Message:**

As we begin into the autumn months of 2023, I want to wish all the companions of our Grand Chapter a Happy Thanksgiving and hope it is spent with family and friends. I also hope all our companions in the farming industry have had a safe and bountiful harvest.

It has been great to get out and see the companions around the jurisdiction this past month in Regina, Prince Albert, and Saskatoon. The hospitality was wonderful and the conversations enlightening. One stood out during the visit to Saskatoon. Comp. James Boswell gave an educational piece on "Dementia and music", a very thoughtful and interesting topic. Truly magical is the gift of music to the mind and soul.

The planning for the 2024 Grand Convocation is underway with more information to be sent out at the beginning of the new year after our Grand Executive meeting in December.

I am looking forward to the upcoming visits to North Battleford and Swift Current later this month.

### **Visitations:**

**Upcoming visits for October:** 

Unity Chapter No. 10 in Swift Current- Saturday Oct 14<sup>th</sup> They are putting on M.E.M. Degree.

Battleford No. 9 in North Battleford- Tuesday Oct 17<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming Visits for November/ December: King George Chapter No. 14 - Wed, Nov 15<sup>th</sup> Wilkie Chapter No. 29 - Tue, Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

## TBD:

Eagle Lake Chapter No. 20- currently working on a date with the chapter.



Prince of Wales No. 27 Official Visit



Prince Albert No. 2 Official Visit



Saskatoon No. 4 Official Visit

# **Chapter Focus**;

#### Saskatoon No. 4

Constituted February 23, 1910 as Saskatoon Chapter No. 165 on the Grand Registry of the Grand Chapter of Canada and on June 15, 1923 became Saskatoon Chapter No. 4 on Grand Registry of the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan. Harlesden Chapter No. 33 appended its Charter to the Charter of Saskatoon Chapter No. 4 on December 31, 2011.

To my knowledge Saskatoon No. 4 boasts the highest number of members to serve as Grand  $1^{\rm st}$  Principal from a single chapter, with 24 companions serving this jurisdiction. Including our founding Grand  $1^{\rm st}$  Principal M. Ex. Comp. Chas R. Crandon.



List of Past Grand 1st Principals from Saskatoon No. 4

1923-1924 M. Ex. Comp. Chas R. Crandon, 1932-1933 M. Ex. Comp. A.R. Orme
1939-1940 M. Ex. Comp. S.J. Jackson, 1952-1953 M. Ex. Comp. William Garvie
1956-1957 M. Ex. Comp. Vernon Dallin, 1960-1961 M. Ex. Comp. J. Heddle Sinclair
1964- 1965 M. Ex. Comp. Harold Gleave, 1967- 1968 M. Ex. Comp. H.C. Ireland
1971- 1972 M. Ex. Comp. Roger H. Strumm, 1974-1975 M. Ex. Comp. Gordon A. Phillips
1976-1977 M. Ex. Comp. Armand C. Jacques, 1980- 1981 M. Ex. Comp. Peter J. Cameron
1984-1985 M. Ex. Comp. Robert J. Matthewson, 1986-1987 M. Ex. Comp. Harold R. Horn
1996- 1997 M. Ex. Comp. Donald A. Orr, 2000-2001 M. Ex. Comp. Donald McDonald
2006- 2007 M. Ex. Comp. Dave Wilson, 2008- 2009 M. Ex. Comp. Mike Petty
2011-2012, M. Ex. Comp. William Fitzsimmons, 2012- 2013 M. Ex. Comp. Willmer "Bill" Pizzey
2015- 2016 M. Ex. Comp. Lenard Cole, 2017- 2018 M. Ex. Comp. Doug Byers
2018-2019 M. Ex. Comp. Joseph Angel, 2019- 2021 M. Ex. Comp. Patrick Davis





# William Ruddick Shanklin

William Ruddick Shanklin, son of Samuel J. And Elisa J. Shanklin, was born at Shanklin N. B., where, about 1820, his grandfather had settled.

He attended high school at St. Martins, the provincial normal school at Fredericton, and the University of Mt. Allison at Sackville, N. B. A year's post graduate work in mathematics earned for him the degree of Master of Arts. This was followed by further postgraduate study in education and psychology at the Teacher's College of Columbia University, and at the University of Alberta.

As a teacher, he has had a rather wide experience. Coming West in 1910, he spent a year as principal of the Victoria School, Saskatoon. Returning East, he served as a public school principal in Montreal, and

in as instructor in mathematics and science in the Commissioners' High School, Quebec City.

In 1921, he again came West and spent two years as science master in the collegiate institute at Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. From 1923 to the present time, he has been a member of the high school staff in Moose Jaw. To the younger generation in Saskatchewan, Ccompanion Shanklin is probably best known as joint author of the present textbook in Grade Nine Mathematics.

Companion Shanklin's Masonic history shows that he was initiated in 1918 in St. Martin's lodge No. 30, G.R.N.B., and is a life member of that lodge. In 1924, he affiliated with Moose Jaw No. 3, and served as Master in 1933. In 1923, he was exalted in Keystone Chapter, Portage la Prairie, and in 1925, affiliated with Moose Jaw Chapter, in which he served as First Principal in 1932 and as Scribe E 1939-40.

Notes gathered from time to time by A.A.W( Taken directly from the proceedings.)

## **Tidbits and Trivia:**

# List of 1943 Major News Events in History

- 1. Allied forces take back North Africa
- 2. Italy Surrenders to Allied Forces
- 3. Dambuster Raids on German dams
- 4. Warsaw Jewish Ghetto Uprising
- 5. Due to shortages America sees it's first rationing
- 6. The Glenn Miller Orchestra provided the most popular music of the time.
- 7. The Pentagon, considered to be the world's largest office building is completed
- 8. Allied forces invade mainland Italy Italy Surrenders

Great Depression ends in the United States: With unemployment figures falling fast due to World War II-related employment

The Quebec Conference was held during August . This was the first of two secretive meetings held between the leaders of the United Kingdom and United States and their military advisors, held in Quebec, Canada. During the meeting, code named "Quadrant," Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin D. Roosevelt met in Quebec to discuss and coordinate plans for the invasions of France and Italy.



The Honourable Archibald Peter McNab 6th Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan In office September 10, 1936 – February 27, 1945

The Honourable William John Patterson 6th Premier of Saskatchewan In office November 1, 1935 – July 10, 1944



Celebrities born 1943

John Major, Mick Jagger. Robert De Niro, Newt Gingrich, Joni Mitchell, Randy Bachman Keith Richards, Janis Joplin, Roger Waters, John Denver, Jim Morrison, Ben Kingsley

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.