
LODGE AND DISTRICT WEBSITES

I have created websites for northshorefreemasons.com and kingdavidlodge.ca

The idea was to allow our Craft lodges to be more visible to the public and to inspire communication and participation from our brethren. Originally, W Bro. Bruce Sanderson created the domain for the North Shore Freemasons. However, it was not kept current, so I took it on to start with a landing page that introduces the lodges in the district in the form as links to their own websites as well as the links to concordant bodies of the Craft. A few years later, I proposed to create the domain for King David Lodge. The cost for which is approximately \$80/year.

Over the years both web domains have evolved to include a Google Calendar replicating the events listed in the Trestleboard for our specific district, for the convenience of our local brethren to keep a tab on local events. As well there are educational presentations that (for the most part) are offered by brethren within the district, with the hope that it may inspire others to submit studies or papers of their own. More recently, the collection of educational papers by Bro. Bill Overy has been posted and kept up to date, as he produces them.

Within the King David web domain there exists a forum, for which members can register, log in and contribute to threads of discussion. Therein, it is possible to tyle and double tyle conversations, lodge event planning, etc. This forum has been in existence for well over five years now.

Given some of the directives and objectives of Grand Lodge, I feel that some of the tools available in these domains can possibly be very useful. Generally, there seems to be very light web traffic and very little participation from our brethren, likely due to unawareness of the existence or versatility of the tools available.

I hope this may help contribute to further improving the communications between the lodges of our jurisdiction, as well as promote educational presentations in the form of PowerPoint, or papers.

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