Allan John Petrisor D.D.S.

Grand Master (2007-08 and 2008-09) of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario



Mr. Allan John Petrisor was born in Hamilton on February 7, 1944 and was a raised on a farm in the agricultural village of Orkney (west of Hamilton). He attended Dundas District High School and graduated from University of Toronto in 1967 with a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree. He served one year in Sioux Lookout with the Red Cross Youth Dental Coach, then in 1968 opened his dental practice in Woodstock.

He is active in many areas outside the craft. He maintains membership in Local, Provincial and National Dental Associations and has served as President of the Oxford County Dental Society. He is a member of the Lions Club of Woodstock, served as President for 1975 and is the recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellow award from Lions Club International Foundation for Humanitarian Service. He received the Wes McGill award for meritorious service from the United Way, Oxford County, and served for 12 years a director of the Woodstock Hospital Foundation Board. For thirty years he has been a member of the Woodstock Choralaires, a mixed choral singing group, and has participated in several of their overseas singing tours.

He is married to Mary and they live outside Woodstock. They have five adult children and six grandchildren. Both he and his wife are members of the Chalmers United Church, Woodstock, where he enjoys participating in the choir.

Masonic Career

M.W.Bro. Petrisor was initiated into Mercer Wilson 678, Woodstock (November 25, 1970) and served as WM (1979). He is a Life Member of the Lodge. He is a member of Millennium Lodge and The Heritage Lodge. He also holds several honorary Lodge memberships. He was elected as DDGM of Wilson North District (1995-96). He was elected to the Board of general Purposes in 1999, 2001 and 2003 and as Deputy Grand Master in July 2005 (2005-06 and 2006-07). He was elected and installed as Grand Master in July 2007 (2007-08 and 2008-09). He has served on several committees of the Board: Management, Masonic Holdings, Membership and Public Relations. He is Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Japan until 2009 when he was appointed as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. He is a Charter Member of University 34, Grand Lodge of Newfoundland and Labrador.

He was a member of Oxford Chapter 18, Woodstock and served as First Principal (1990). He is now a member of the amalgamated Oxford-Harris Chapter 18, Ingersoll. He is a member of St. Elmo Preceptory, Stratford.

He is a member of the Woodstock Valley Lodge of Perfection, Centennial Chapter of Rose Croix and Moore Sovereign Consistory. He served as Most Wise Sovereign in 1990. He was coroneted as an Honorary Inspector General, 33°, in September 2000 in Winnipeg.

He is a Life Member of Mocha Temple Shrine Club, London and a member of the Woodstock Shrine Club. M. W. Bro. Petrisor was inducted into the Royal order of Scotland in October 2005.

[Sources: (1) Annual Proceedings of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario. (2) Whence Come We? Volume II, 2011, Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada.]