



# Provincial Grand Lodge of Antrim **NEWSLETTER**

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## **OLDERFLEET LODGE No 501 SUPPORTS LOCAL SCHOOLS**



**Olderfleet Masonic Lodge 501 Larne recently presented cheques to two local schools, each for the value of £250, to assist with the purchase of reading materials. Each book purchased by the schools will have printed on the fly sheet - *Donated by Olderfleet Masonic Lodge 501 Larne.***

***The photographs show members of the Lodge with representatives from the two schools, Moyle Primary School (left) and Larne & Inver Primary School (right).***

## **GRAND LODGE OF IRELAND**

The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Mason of Ireland held a Stated Communication in the Provincial Masonic Hall, Rosemary Street, on Saturday 01 October at 2.30pm. In the absence of the Grand Master and his Deputy, the Assistant Grand Master RW Bro Leslie Nixon presided. Before the meeting, a meal was served in the dining room of PMH and this provided an opportunity for Brethren to renew friendships and catch up on matters of mutual interest. RW Bro Robert Bashford was in attendance (with his camera!!) and a selection of photographs is included in this Newsletter.

The Annual Installation Communication of Grand Lodge will be held in Dublin on Tuesday 27 December at 12 noon and this will be followed by lunch in Freemasons' Hall.

# 50-YEAR JEWELS AT TEMPLEPATRICK



At the June Communication of St Paul's Masonic Lodge No 160, two members received their 50-year Jewels and Certificates from RW Bro Ken Porter (Provincial Assistant Grand Master) who is also a member of the Lodge. W Bro Tom Boyce and Bro John Armstrong, accompanied by the Deacons, are pictured above seated on either side of the PAGM, with some of the Officers and Guests in attendance joining the group. In addition to the presentation of the jewels, RW Bro Tom Bill (second from right in the back row) received a 60-year bar on behalf of his brother, W Bro Ingram Bill, who was unable to attend because of illness.

After the meeting, the Brethren repaired to the Templeton Hotel where they were joined by wives and friends for an enjoyable festive board.

## *Some photographs from the Grand Lodge Communication.....*





# TEDDIES FOR LOVING CARE

Teddy No 100,000 has been donated to the Ulster Hospital at Dundonald



TLC & Widows' Sons Masonic Bikers Association with staff from the Ulster Hospital Emergency Department and below, Sandra McCullough, Sylvia Ritchie, Judith Lowe, Jenny Walker, Lynda O'Lone and Jenny Cherry. For more information and photographs visit [www.irishfreemasonry.com](http://www.irishfreemasonry.com)





## *More images from the Grand Lodge Communication.....*



*Photographs by courtesy of RW Bro Robert Bashford. For more information visit [www.irishfreemasonry.com](http://www.irishfreemasonry.com)*

**Teddies for Loving Care** is an island wide Charity promoted and supported by the Freemasons of Ireland. The Brethren of the Province of Antrim have played their part in raising funds for this worthwhile enterprise which helps children in hospital (and their parents) cope with the trauma of their situations.