



LODGIStiX

Ten Years in London

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Special points of interest:

- **2006—The HOD Year of Education**
- **The Power of Positive Participation is the focus for the Hebrew Order of David International.**

In honour of the Tenth Anniversary of the establishment of the Hebrew Order of David International a large delegation from Grand Executive and South African Lodges attended the Combined Installation celebrations of the four lodges in London.

Wor Bro Philip Gersun, the Grand President, Wor Bro Stan Klaff the Deputy Grand President and Wor Bro Marc Goldberg the Immediate Past Grand President were accompanied on the trip to London by Wor Bros Bennie Asch and Con Travis (*Lodge Negev*), Johnny Sonnabend (*Dr Herzl Lodge*), Joe Cronson (*Lodge Jerusalem*) and Bro Justin Baskin (*Sir Harry Graumann Lodge*).

The Installation was held on Thursday 30 March 2006 in the Banqueting Hall in Old Church Lane in Stanmore. The Installation was extremely well attended by members of the four London Lodges and the hall was very crowded.

The reports from the outgoing Presidents highlighted in glowing terms the excellent work being done by the London Lodges.

The visiting delegation conducted the Installations and the



Wor Bro Phil Gersun, Grand President with London Lodge Presidents from left to right, Bro. Michael Margolis, Wor Bro. Hilton Lewis, Bro. David Miller and Bro. Antony Levy. Photo by Stan Klaff

incoming Presidents and their committees were duly installed.

The incoming Presidents are Wor Bro. Hilton Lewis, *Lodge London No 1*; Bro. Antony Levy, *Lodge London No 2*; Bro. Michael Margolis, *Lodge London No 3* and Bro. David Miller, *Lodge London No 4*.

The visitors attended the Friday Evening Service at Boreham Wood United Synagogue where Rabbi Alan Plancey paid tribute to the work of the Hebrew Order of David International. The visitors were treated to Friday night dinner at the homes of various Brethren where they were able to mingle with the wives and brethren of the London Lodges.

On the following Sunday evening, 2 April, the London Lodges hosted a party to celebrate ten years since the establishment of Lodge London UK 1. Speakers included United Kingdom Governing Lodge President Bro Joe Cohen, Grand President Wor Bro Phil Gersun and Wor Bro Marc Goldberg Immediate Past Grand President.

The party was held in the brightly decorated Banqueting Hall in Old Church Lane in Stanmore. Guests enjoyed a pleasant meal with their hosts and were entertained by the internationally acclaimed jazz multi-instrumentalist Bheki Mseleku.

Message from the Grand President



Wor Bro Phil Gersun, Grand President at the Installation Dinner in Israel

The Joint Israeli and London Lodges installations have come and gone. The few comments that follow are personal observation that I believe are worthwhile mentioning.

Wor Bros Marc Goldberg, Joe Cronson and myself flew to Israel via Heathrow. Upon arrival in Israel we were met and greeted warmly to Eretz Yisroel. The brethren and their families opened their homes and hearts to our delegation. No effort was spared in recognizing and accommodating us. This was Chaverschaft of the highest order.

All three lodges, i.e. Lodge Mole-det, Lishkat Hasharon and Lishkat

Ir David are committed to our aims and ideals and under difficult circumstances render unbelievable service to the various committees that they serve.

There is a willingness and drive to achieve but as was noted new membership was not happening fast enough. This is something to be focused on for the immediate future. The leadership that exists in all three lodges is progressive and proactive and I have no doubt that this term of office will be successful and productive.

The London Joint Installation was somewhat different and as much as brethren were hosted in homes and the logistics were such that we could not easily get together. Therefore some of the Chaverschaft element was missing, however this was more than made up for by the warmth and hospitality shown by the hosting families.

What was quite a surprise to me was how little the U K Lodges members other than those who originated from South Africa know

about their extended worldwide family of the Hebrew Order of David International members. This we will rectify via Lodgix and I am sure you will agree that it is important to understand the complete structure internationally of our Order.

There is no doubt that the younger and the newer Lodges London No 3 and 4 are going to play a major role in the Hebrew Order of David Internationally going forward and because of this it is crucial that our Order communicates and understands the values and differences that exist.

The recently installed leadership in all four London Lodges is certainly up to the task of managing and leading these Lodges during their term of office.

Yours fraternally

Wor Bro Philip Gersun
Grand President.

Don't be afraid to take a big step if one is indicated. You can't cross a chasm in two small jumps.

- David Lloyd George, 1863 - 1945



Wor Bro Hilton Lewis receives a commemoration set of gavels from Wor Bro Marc Goldberg



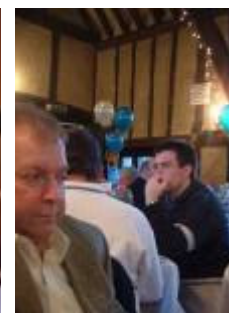
Internationally acclaimed jazz multi-instrumentalist Bheki Mseleku tickles the ivories appreciated by Wor Bro Charles Loeb Past Grand President now residing in London



Guests arrive at the brightly decorated hall



Bro Joe Cohen, UK Governing Lodge President addresses the audience at the party



Wor Bro Wolfie Ginsburg and Bro Justin Baskin

Installation in Israel



Worthy Brother Gaby Haimovitz raised to the Third Degree



The banquet for the 2006 Combined Installation was held at Protea Village, Netanya

Pictures courtesy
Wor Bro Stephen Russel

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Worthy Brother Joe Cronson presenting Worthy Brother Zellick Sendzull the high award, the Order of Merit



Worthy Brother Mori Bank, Brother Cecil Migdal, Worthy Brother Moshe Abramowitz



The Randfontein Connection—Worthy Brother Harold Jankelowitz, Brother Solly Jankelowitz (has been in HOD longer than any other Brother in the world), Worthy Brother Grand President Philip Gersun, and Worthy Brother Moshe Abramowitz

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