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Message from MWBro. Don Reynolds Grand Master

Dear Brethren
Community Focus Survey

As we enter the new year, we have been thinking about how as an organisation we could better join our efforts behind common signature community focus.

To this end we seek your thoughts on options for an overall Victorian community effort which could be matched with your local Lodge community efforts. What sorts of issues would you like us to get behind? Please complete the simple survey [here](#).

State Wide Lodge Meeting 15 February 2017

We are rolling out forums to explain the draft Strategic Plan. Further to feedback received, we invite you to a State wide streamed meeting on 15 February 2018 at 7.30pm to review our 2017-2025 Strategic Plan.

We are very pleased that district meetings are being well attended, but I would like all Lodges to meet on this date so that I can talk with you together about my thoughts and vision for our future. Please join me in your Lodge, Masonic centre, or at home and connect via the livestream as we do for Quarterlies for a State wide meeting as we plan our future together. Registration details to follow.

Think Pink

You are aware Brethren, we have as an organisation been supporting [Think Pink](#) for many years now. One part of our commitment in partnership with Mirvac is towards their rental



costs for the Living Centre in St Kilda Road where those affected by breast cancer can find support and those from regional Victoria can find accommodation.

As Grand Master, I ask that every Lodge consider supporting Think Pink as the recipient for your next fundraising raffle. Your help would be appreciated with forwarding any available proceeds to Freemasons Victoria, PO Box 553, East Melbourne 8002 in order to directly support Think Pink.

75 Years Kokoda

Join us for a special morning noting the 75th Anniversary of Kokoda - Memories of A Young Soldier, 10am Saturday 11 February 2017, Freemasons Victoria. See details [here](#).



Message from RWBro. Richard L. Elkington President of the Board of General Purposes

My Esteemed Brethren
Member Committees

I have an important message for all members with regard to the Portfolios or Committees established as part of the recent Structural and Organisational Effectiveness review. Please click [here](#).

Strategic Plan

Wonderful to see so many members joining us for the Strategic Planning Outreach forums, please see Monash District in action [here](#).

Continuing our request for your feedback on the Draft Strategic Plan we focus this week on our critical need 'To Attract New Members'. Unless we focus our recruitment on men aged between 21 and 39, we risk becoming irrelevant. Please refer to page 9 of the [Strategic Plan](#).

We would appreciate your feedback and ideas on how we might improve the plan. Please submit your ideas to Jane Sydenham-Clarke [here](#) and as feedback comes in it will be anonymously published for your review [here](#).

Message from Jane Sydenham-Clarke Chief Executive Officer

Grand Installation 10 March 2017 Geelong

On Friday 10 March 2017, the Grand Installation of Most Worshipful Brother Donald Gordon Reynolds for his second term as Grand Master of Freemasons Victoria, and the investiture of his Grand Officers, will take place at The Pier in Geelong. The event will be followed by a Grand Banquet. The time is approaching, make sure you book your tickets [now!](#)

Member Involvement Register

As we move forward with the reinvigoration of Freemasonry in Victoria, we are seeking expressions of interest from those interested in volunteering their skills and time to help further the Craft.

The [Member Involvement Register](#) allows us to collect your important information and best assign opportunities.

IT Service Provision

Freemasons Victoria is seeking expressions of interest from contractors to supply and maintain administration information technology systems. The



successful applicant must be proficient in all areas of IT and customer service and be proactive in assisting our current growth and expansion. Please see the brief [here](#).

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