



NOTICE to CAMP 13 Participants for Ritual of the Calling of an Engineer on March 27, 2020

The Wardens of Camp 13 continue to monitor the rapidly evolving situation of COVID-19 in our community. Our top priorities are the health and safety of the Candidates and organizers in our Kipling Ceremony and ensuring that we responsibly protect our local community. Based on the announcement today by McMaster University that all events that are not core to the university's academic mission and operations will be cancelled until at least the end of April (<https://dailynews.mcmaster.ca/articles/changes-to-university-travel-and-events/>), we are postponing the Kipling Ceremony that was scheduled for March 27. The Camp will ensure that all participants are informed of alternative plans as soon as possible through email and at the Camp 13 website address: <https://www.eng.mcmaster.ca/connect/alumni#Iron-Ring>. Camp 13 is committed to ensuring that Candidates have an opportunity to have their Iron Ring presented in a meaningful way that captures the spirit of the Kipling Ceremony. Given that the COVID-19 situation is evolving rapidly and the duration of the outbreak is uncertain, plans will be tentative and hopefully flexible enough to accommodate everyone.

The Ritual of the Calling of an Engineer is a unique and meaningful experience for all new engineers and we share your disappointment in this situation. That said, our priority is to protect the health and safety of all participants and the local community. Your understanding is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lynn McNeil, Chief Warden, Camp 13
The Corporation of the Seven Wardens