

## Army Benevolent Fund Benefits

At the Regular Lodge Meeting of York Lodge No.236 on Monday 13 December 2010, the Lodge was called- off and Colonel and Mrs Mike Ingham, representing the Army Benevolent Fund were invited into the lodge room to receive a cheque for £2500.

When presenting the cheque, Robin Rochfort-Hyde, Worshipful Master of the Lodge, explained that

this brought the total raised by the Lodge from various lodge functions to £5860 including £2000.00 already presented to Maj General Chris Callow at the Annual Charity Presentation Evening for all the York Lodges .

Mrs Ingham is the Assistant Director of Fund Raising for the North East Region of A.B.F. which is the Soldiers Charity, caring for all soldiers from the second world war to the present conflicts.

Mrs Ingham explained the financial needs of the ABF due to the present conflicts saying last year they had dispersed £7M and it is estimated that by 2012 the needs will rise to £12M,

She thanked the Lodge for the “fabulous total donation” which was far beyond her expectations.



Robin Rochfort-Hyde with Colonel & Mrs Ingham