

The Freemasons of York donate £39,000 to charity

The Lord Mayor of York, Councillor Susan Galloway and the Lady Mayoress were guests of honour at The Freemasons of York 'Charity Presentation Evening' held at the Masonic Hall in St. Saviourgate, York on the 6th November.

Nine Lodges presented their donations to sixteen charities with the Lord Mayor being invited to present a donation to 'Our Celebration' which is one of the Lord Mayors chosen charities for her year in office.

The other charities/organisations receiving donations on the evening were:

ABF the soldiers Charity
SSAFA
Diabetes UK
York Railway Institute Band
York Against Cancer
Martin House Hospice
Our Celebration
York Joint Scout Trust
Candle lighters
St. Leonards Hospice
St. Monica's Hospital
The Wilberforce Trust
Snappy
York Group Riding for the Disabled association
Multiple Sclerosis Soc
British Legion.

A further fifteen charities, not present at the function, received their donations throughout the year.

On the Programme for the evening the following words were written:

'Freemasons are taught to practice charity and to care, not only for their own but also for the community as a whole, both by charitable giving and by voluntary efforts and works as individuals'

