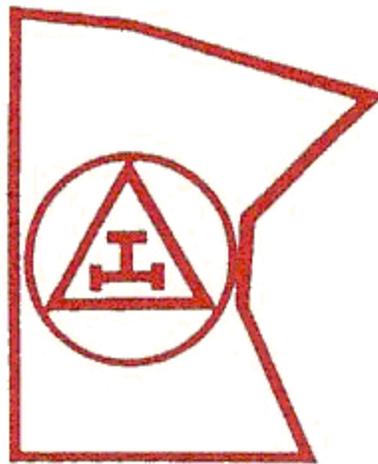


PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
**GRAND CHAPTER
ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF MINNESOTA**



AT THE
One Hundred Fifty Second
Annual Convocation
June 26, 2014

A.D.2014~ A.L.6014

MASONIC CALENDAR

Ancient Craft Masons:

Commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it
Anno Lucis (AL), "in the year of light."

Royal Arch Masons:

Date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel.
Anno Inventionis (AI), "in the year of discovery."

Order of High Priesthood:

Date from the year of blessing of Abram by the High Priest Melchizedek, **Anno Benefacionis (AB)**, "in the year of blessing."

Cryptic Masons/Royal and Select Masters:

Date from the year, in which the temple of Solomon was completed,
Anno Depositionis (ADep), "in the year of deposit."

Knights Templar:

Commence their era with the organization of their Order,
Anno Ordinis (AO), "in the year of the Order."

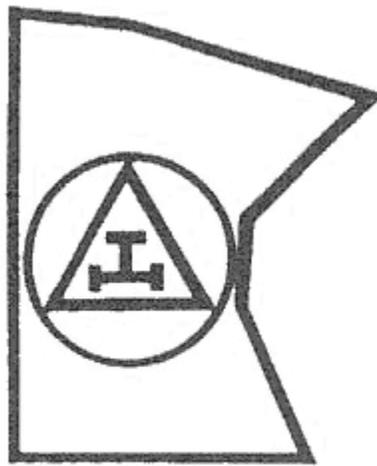
Scottish Rite:

Same as Ancient Craft, except that the Jewish chronology is used,
Anno Mundi (AM), "in the year of the world."

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

Ancient Craft Masons:	Add 4,000 years to the Common Era Thus, 2012 plus 4,000 = 6012
Royal Arch Masons:	Add 530 years to the Common Era Thus, 2012 plus 530 = 2542
Order of High Priesthood:	Add 1,913 years to the Common Era Thus, 2012 plus 1,913 = 2925
Cryptic Masons/Royal and Select Masons	Add 1,000 years to the Common Era Thus, 2012 plus 1,000 = 3012
Knights Templar:	Subtract 1,118 years from the Common Era Thus, 2012 minus 1,118 = 894
Scottish Rite:	Add 3,760 years to the Common Era Thus, 2012 plus 3,760 = 5772

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BLOOMINGTON, MINNESOTA

PRESIDING

James F. Edgar – Grand High Priest

Gary A. Odegard – Grand Secretary

ELECTED

Marvin W. Schendel – Grand High Priest

Gary A. Odegard – Grand Secretary

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Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota
11501 Masonic Home Drive
Bloomington, Minnesota 55437

RULES OF ORDER

1. The M.:E.:G.: H.:P.: shall take the chair, at the hour to which the Grand Chapter shall convene.
2. During the hours of business, the members are required to keep their seats, and observe strict order and decorum, and no member shall leave the hall, or absent himself from the service of the Grand Chapter, unless he have permission, or be sick and unable to attend.
3. When the M.:E.:G.:H.:P.:, or presiding officer, rises, all debate shall cease, and silence shall be observed.
4. When a member is about to speak, he shall rise from his seat, go to the closest microphone, state his name and Chapter Name and Number and respectfully address the M.:E.:G.:H.:P.:
5. The M.:E.:G.:H.:P.: shall decide all questions of order.
6. No member shall speak more than twice upon the same question, unless to explain, without permission of the G.:C.:
7. When a question is put, it shall be the duty of every member present to vote, unless excused by the G.:C.:; but no member shall vote on a question in the result of which he is personally interested.
8. No motion shall be entertained until it is seconded, and no debate had thereon until it is stated by the Chair.
9. Every motion, at the desire of the Chair or Grand Secretary, shall be reduced to writing, with the mover's name endorsed thereon.
10. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to commit, or to amend which several motions shall have precedence in order here mentioned. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.
11. Any member may call for a division of a question, which shall be divided, if it comprehends questions so distinct that one being taken away, the rest may stand entire for the decision of the Grand Chapter; a motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.
12. No report shall be received from any of the committees of the Grand Chapter, unless the same be reduced to writing. – *As amended 1870, page 181*
13. No committee shall sit during the sitting of the Grand Chapter, without special leave.
14. These Rules of Order, or any part thereof, may be altered, or amended at any Grand Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter, by a vote of the majority of the members present.

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SYNOPSIS

SYNOPSIS OF PROCEEDINGS 152nd ANNUAL CONVOCATION

The 152nd Annual Convocation of the **GRAND CHAPTER, ROYAL ARCH MASONS of Minnesota** was held at the Double Tree Hotel in Rochester, Minnesota, Thursday, June 26, 2014. The Convocation was held in conjunction with the annual meetings of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota and the Grand Commandery of Minnesota, Most Excellent Companion James F. Edgar, Grand High Priest, presiding. The officers of Keystone Chapter No. 20 opened the Grand Chapter convocation in ample ritualistic form.

MWB James A. Christensen, Grand Master of Masons in Minnesota, was present throughout the entire session. Representing the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International were the General Grand Scribe, REC James H. Hodge and the General Grand Ambassador to Minnesota, REC James E. Turner, Jr. Grand High Priests in attendance from other jurisdictions were: MECs Ross E. Pollock of Wisconsin and Steven I. Smith, I of Nebraska. Past Grand High Priests in attendance were; David D. Mahoney of Wisconsin, Ronald D. Grass of Nebraska, George E. Bauder and Richard A. McBride of South Dakota and Robert B. Lumbert of Maryland. Hugh B. Edmund, M.B.E., Past Grand Superintendent of the Provincial Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Stirling and Clackmannan of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland was also in attendance. Visitors from Foreign Jurisdictions included REC Raymond E. Mielke, Grand King of Wisconsin, REC John M. Laughlin, Grand King of South Dakota, REC Stephen M. Butterfield, Grand Scribe of South Dakota, REC Robert J. Seiler, Grand Secretary of Iowa and EC Kurt M. Hoffmann, Grand Royal Arch Captain of Iowa.

Twenty-one (21) Chapters, in addition to King Solomon No. 133 U.D., answered the roll call with Washington No. 17, Living Arch No. 28, Albert Lea No. 30, Mt Nebo No. 39, Pierson No. 41, Brainerd No. 42, Fairmont No. 50, Marshall No. 65, Bemidji No. 70, Northern No. 82 and Rush City No. 87 being absent. There were seven (7) High Priests, twenty-nine (29) PHPs, and sixteen (16) PGHPs registered. Total companions registered for the convocation numbered fifty-seven (57), which included dual memberships; an additional twenty (20) companions from other jurisdictions and guests were present for a grand total of seventy-seven (77).

Minnesota membership, as of December 31, 2013 was 2,119, a net loss of 132 over the previous year. Forty eight (48) companions were exalted last year with one hundred and one (101) deaths reported. Four chapters had a positive gain in membership recorded in 2013; Fergus Falls No. 27, Corinthian No. 33, Overseers No. 103 and Anoka-Shekinah No. 104.

The following Minnesota Grand Officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: Grand High Priest – Marvin W. Schendel (60); Grand King – L. Greg Schultz (15); Grand Scribe – Cliff H. Isley (22); Grand Captain of the Host – Joseph J. Anderson (9/104); Grand Treasurer/Secretary – MEC Gary A Odegard, PGHP (53); Grand Trustee (2017) – Ronald A. Miles, PGHP (9).

Appointed officers are: Grand Chaplain – James O. Burlingame, Jr. (60); Grand Principal Sojourner – W. David Emery (60/104); Grand Royal Arch Captain – David W. Dahlgren (20); Grand Masters of the Veils: 3rd Veil – R. James Luchsinger, II (60); 2nd Veil – Carl F. Lidstrom (53/33); 1st Veil – Michael A. Hilgert (9); Grand Sentinel – R. Sean Gardiner (1/103); Grand

Organist - William T. Hubbard (8); and Grand Lecturer - Mark A. Anderson (9/33). PGHP Terrence J. Becker (20) was Installing Officer.

Brian DiMatteo (104) was presented with the Knight of the Royal Arch award. R. James Luchsinger (60) and Verl Raap (60) were presented with the Triple Tau award and Marvin Schendel was presented with another star device for his Triple Tau award. The recipient of the BRONZE MEDAL for distinguished service from the General Grand Chapter was MEC Terrence J. Becker (20). The award was presented at the Friday night Grand Banquet. A Memorial service for our departed Companions and Sir Knights was held on Thursday evening after the welcome and Youth Awards.

The Grand Chapter will hold its 153rd Annual Grand Convocation as part of the Minnesota Grand York Rite Sessions on June 25, 26 and 27, 2015, at the Double Tree Hotel, Rochester, Minnesota.

Gary A. Odegard, PGHP
Grand Treasurer/Secretary

Marvin W. Schendel
Grand High Priest



JAMES F. EDGAR, SR.
GRAND HIGH PRIEST
2013 - 2014

JAMES F. EDGAR, SR.

WORK EXPERIENCE

1999-present Retired from Blandin Paper Co Grand Rapids, MN

1990-1999 Blandin Paper Company Grand Rapids, MN
Millwright

- *Responsible for overhead cranes and hoists*
- *Mechanical repair and maintenance on papermaking equipment*

1972-1990 Construction

- *Millwright*
- *Millwright Apprentice Instructor*
- *Supervisor*
- *Superintendent on various projects*

1967-1970 Construction

- *Sheetmetal Worker*
- *Carpenter-Millwright*

EDUCATION

1970-1972 US Army

1981-1984 University of MN Duluth Duluth, MN
Bachelor of Applied Science & MIS (Master's Industrial Safety)

- *Vocational and Technical Education*
- *Industrial Safety and Hygiene*

MASONIC ACTIVITIES

Membership in The Philalethes Society

Member of York Rite College No. 168 Duluth, MN

Governor York Rite College No. 168 (2007)

Member of the Scottish Rite Research Society

Member of Allied Masonic Degrees, Northstar Council No. 271

Sovereign Master Duluth Northstar AMD Council No. 271 (2008)

Past Member of Northstar Cycle Patrol (1990-1995)

Past President Northstar Shrine Club (1996)

Life Member of AAD Temple, Duluth

Member of AAD Provost

Life Member 32-Degree Mason Valley of Duluth Scottish Rite

Illustrious Master Duluth Council No. 6 (1997) (Cryptic Mason's)

Life Member Duluth Council No. 6

Commander Duluth Commandery No. 18 Duluth (1996-1997)

Life Member Duluth Commandery No. 18 Duluth

Member of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23

*Worthy Patron Jephthah Chapter 176 OES (1995-1996) (1996-1997)
(1997-1998)(2002-2003)(2003-2004)*

Life Member Keystone Chapter RAM Duluth

High Priest Keystone Chapter Duluth (2003)

Past High Priest Pokegama Chapter 102 (1996)

Life Member Pokegama Chapter No. 102, RAM

Junior Deacon Itasca Lodge 208 (1993)

Senior Deacon Itasca Lodge 208 (1994)

Junior Warden Itasca Lodge 208 (1995)

Senior Warden Itasca Lodge 208 (1996)

Life Member of Trinity Lodge 282, Duluth MN

Initiated March 26, 1984

Passed April 23, 1984

Raised May 21, 1984

Life Member of Chippewa Lodge 275, Deer River MN

Minnesota Council # 34 Knight Masons

*Member of Cuyuna Range Lodge 276, Crosby MN
Master of Cuyuna Range Lodge 276 (2003) (2009)
Life Member of Aitkin lodge*

Knights Of The York Cross Of Honor (2005 to present) (KYCH)

Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Louisiana (2005-present)

Grand High Priest Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota (2013-2014)

Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests (2003)

Grand Commander Grand Commandery of Minnesota (2007-2008)

*Grand Representative to the Grand Commandery of Colorado near
The Grand Commandery of Minnesota (2003 to present)*

*Knight Commander of the Temple of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the
United States of America (KCT) (2005)*

*York Rite Sovereign College
Order of the Purple Cross (OPC) (2006)*

*Masonic Societas Rosicruciana Foederatis
North Star College
Duluth, Minnesota April 19, 2008*

FAMILY

*Daughter's Debra, Rebecca, Holly, Cherice and Rhonda
Son-in-Law Jason Bass (Rebecca)*

Son's James Jr. and Patrick

5 Grand Daughters 1 Grandson

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

2013-2014

ELECTED

GRAND HIGH PRIEST	▲	James F. Edgar, Sr. (102)
GRAND KING	▲	Marvin W. Schendel (60) [Marilyn]
GRAND SCRIBE	▲	L. Greg Schultz (15) [Shirley]
GRAND CAPTAIN OF THE HOST	▲	Cliff H. Isley (22) [Brenda]
GRAND TREASURER/SECRETARY		Gary A. Odegard (53) [Karen]
GRAND TRUSTEE [2014]		Loren R. Schroeder (93) [Kathy]
GRAND TRUSTEE [2015]		Gary H. Johnson (101) [Julie]
GRAND TRUSTEE [2016]		John R. Wentworth (22)

APPOINTED

GRAND PRINCIPAL SOJOURNER	▲	Richard S. Gilchrist (1) [Sabrina]
GRAND ROYAL ARCH CAPTAIN	▲	Joseph J. Anderson (9/104) [Anne]
GRAND MASTER OF THE 3RD VEIL	▲	W. David Emery (60/104) [Denise]
GRAND MASTER OF THE 2ND VEIL	▲	Raymond W. Hayward, Jr. (1)
GRAND MASTER OF THE 1ST VEIL	▲	Roger D. Johnson (20)
GRAND SENTINEL	▲	David W. Dahlgren (20)
GRAND CHAPLAIN		Forrest A. Miller (14)
GRAND ORGANIST		William T. Hubbard (8)
GRAND LECTURER		Mark A. Anderson (9/33) [Jeanette]

▲ = advancing line

STANDING COMMITTEES

2013 – 2014 STANDING COMMITTEES

APPEALS & GRIEVANCES [5]

Edimand C. Gilbertson PGHP*
Kevin V. Jones PGHP
Charles R. Marston PGHP
Allan F. Kauppi PGHP

Vernon Schwalbe PHP

CHAPTERS [5]

Terrance J. Becker PGHP*
Mark A. Anderson GLec
Clifford H. Isley GCOH
Joseph J. Anderson GRAC
W. David Emery GM3V

CREDENTIALS [2]

Gary A. Odegard PGHP, GTres/Sec*
David W. Dahlgren GS
George A. James, JR. PHP

FINANCE [5]

Gary H. Johnson PGHP Trustee*
Kevin V. Jones PGHP
Ronald A. Miles PGHP
John R. Wentworth PHP, Trustee
Gary A. Odegard PGHP, GTres/Sec

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE [1]

Greg Schultz GSc

JURISPRUDENCE [5]

Gary H. Johnson PGHP Trustee*
Loren R. Schroeder PGHP Trustee
John R. Wentworth PHP Trustee
William R. Newell PGHP
Kevin V. Jones PGHP

FINANCIAL REVIEW

William R. Newell PGHP*
Hugh C. Swift, Jr. PGHP
Ronald L. Jensen PHP

STATE OF THE RITE [3]

James E. Turner PGHP*
L. Greg Schultz GSc
Nicholas R. Johnson PHP

CAPITULAR EDUCATION & PROMOTION [3]

Ronald A. Miles PGHP*
Marvin W. Schendel GK
Mark A. Anderson GLec

YORK RITE COOPERATION [3]

Douglas A. Nygard PGHP *
David W. Dahlgren PHP
John B. Studell PHP

ANNUAL GRAND CONVOCATION [5]

Marvin W. Schendel GK*
L. Greg Schultz GSc
Clifford H. Isley GCOH
Joseph J. Anderson GRAC
Carl F. Lidstrom PHP

CHARITY [3]

Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr. PGHP*
William R. Newell PGHP
Marvin W. Schendel GK

NOMINATIONS [3]

Hugh C. Swift, Jr. PGHP*
Douglas A. Nygard PGHP
Marvin W. Schendel GK

SOUVENIR PROGRAM BOOKLET [1]

Joseph J. Anderson GRAC

GRAND CHAPTER ANNUAL CONVOCATION [152nd]

June 26, 2014

OPENING

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota was ritualistically opened in full form by Keystone Chapter No. 20 of Duluth, Most Excellent Companion Terrence J. Becker – High Priest presiding. He was assisted by the following officers:

King	Don Demars
Scribe	Kevin Jones
Captain of the Host	Al Mackenzie
Principal Sojourner	Roger Johnson
Royal Arch Captain	Allen Adams
Master of the 3 rd Veil	Dave Dahlgren
Master of the 2 nd Veil	Mark Anderson
Master of the 1 st Veil	Roger Morris
Sentinel	Carl Lidstrom

There was an alarm at the door. The Sentinel declared that Grand High Priest James F. Edgar and his Grand Officers seek admission. He was admitted, welcomed and escorted to the East. There he was introduced and given Grand High Honors. The hat and gavel were passed after which the Grand Officers were introduced and replaced the Minnesota No. 1 Officers in their stations and places. GHP Kauppi introduced the Keystone Chapter officers and others who had participated in the opening ceremonies. The assembly gave a round of applause of appreciation for a job well done by the participants.

Grand Chaplain, Forrest Miller, offered an opening prayer which was followed by a Flag Tribute by MEC Hugh Swift. The Companions then pledged their Allegiance to the Flag of the United States after which the National Anthem was sung

Grand High Priest Edgar welcomed everyone to the 152nd Grand Convocation. GHP Edgar thanked all the represented Chapters and those from other jurisdictions for attending.

INITIAL CREDENTIALS REPORT

Initial report of the Credentials Committee was requested. A Roll Call of Chapters indicated that twenty-two (22) Chapters were represented of the thirty-three (33) Minnesota Chapters. The following Chapters did not answer the Roll Call:

Washington No. 17, Living Arch No. 28, Albert Lea No. 30, Mt. Nebo No. 39, Pierson No. 41, Brainerd No. 42, Fairmont No. 50, Marshall No. 65, Bemidji No. 70, Northern No. 82 and Rush City 87.

GHP Edgar declared that a constitutional quorum was present and that the 152nd Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Minnesota was open for the transaction of business.

A Roll Call of Past Grand High Priests was called with the following answering the call:

Gary Johnson – 1978
Jerry Korstad - 1988
William Newell - 1989
Kevin Jones – 1990
Leonard Pikal - 1993
Peter Kloskowski - 1995
Barnes Sharitt – 1996
Hugh Swift - 1998
Loren Schroeder - 2002
Ron Miles – 2005
Charles Marston - 2007
James Turner - 2008
Douglas Nygard – 2009
Terrence Becker - 2010
Gary Odegard – 2011
Allan Kauppi - 2012

A Roll Call of Grand Officers was called and they assembled in the East for introduction.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The Distinguished Guests and Visitors were assembled outside of the Chapter room and then presented by Cliff Isley, Captain of the Host, to the convocation. They were:

MEC Ross E. Pollock, Grand High Priest of Wisconsin
MEC David D. Mahoney, PGHP of Wisconsin
REC Robert J. Seiler, Grand Secretary of Iowa
MEC Steven C. Smith I, Grand High Priest of Nebraska
REC Raymond E. Mielke, Grand King of Nebraska
MEC Ronald D. Grass, PGHP of Nebraska
REC John M. Laughlin, Grand King of South Dakota
REC Stephen M. Butterfield, Grand Scribe of South Dakota
MEC George E. Bauder, PGHP and Grand Secretary of South Dakota
MEC Richard A. McBride, PGHP of South Dakota
EC Michael Mudrey, Grand Chaplain of Wisconsin
MEC Robert B. Lumbert, PGHP of Maryland
MEC Hugh B. Edmond, Past Grand Superintendent of Sterling and Clackmannan,
Scotland
MEC James E. Turner, Jr., General Grand Ambassador of the General Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons, International, to Minnesota
REC James H. Hodge, General Grand Scribe, General Grand Chapter Royal
Arch Masons, International, Past Grand High Priest of Indiana

Grand Honors were given; REC Hodge was invited to take a seat in the East and the other visitors were dismissed.

The Grand Master of Masons in Minnesota, MWB James A. Christensen, was escorted in, introduced and given the Grand Honors. The Grand Master made the following remarks: "Thank you brothers, it's great to be here. Good Morning. It's such a joy to be here and I'd like to thank you for honoring me this morning and thank you for inviting me here. As you know my travels take me quite a distance. Since installation I've traveled to the East Coast, Vancouver, B.C. and to several Grand Lodges. I'm on the planning committee of the North American Conference of Grand Masters. There are five Grand Masters that are on that committee and it's a very important committee to be on for a Grand Master. I just figured it out. I've averaged 130 miles a day since installation. And I have flown to numerous locations as well so it is very important that I also attend to all of the appended bodies. I'm not a member of all of the appended bodies. I just don't have time to participate in all of them. It's not that I don't want to be but at some point I certainly will be and it's great to be here this morning. I will speak at more length at the banquet and I do intend to be here throughout the entire time. I sincerely want to let you know it is really an honor for me to be in attendance here. Thank you brethren, I hope that everything is very successful. Thank you very much."

A Roll Call of the Grand Representatives was called. They were asked to assemble in the East facing west as their name was called. The GHP and GK greeted and thanked all for serving our Grand Chapter.

MEC Edgar asked all Minnesota Chapter High Priests to stand and give their names and the Chapter that they represent. A warm round of applause was given. Similar thank yous were given for Chapter Kings, Scribes and Secretaries.

READING OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE 151st CONVOCATION

MEC Edgar asked the Grand Secretary for a reading of the minutes of the last Grand Convocation. Grand Secretary Odegard responded that inasmuch as the Proceedings of the 151st Grand Convocation had been published and distributed, he moved that the named publication be accepted as the minutes of the 151st Grand Convocation without a reading thereof. There was a second by MEC Hugh Swift and the motion passed.

PRELIMINARY CREDENTIALS REPORT

The preliminary credentials report was requested. Companion Michael Powles brought in the report. Fifty seven (57) ballots had been issued.

FIRST READING OF A RESOLUTION TO AMEND

MEC Gary Johnson gave the first reading of a resolution to increase the Per Capita from \$9.00 to \$12.00

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee report was given by Past Grand High Priests, Hugh C. Swift (33), Gary H. Johnson (101) and Douglas A. Nygard (22). The committee placed the following names in nomination for the offices of:

Secretary/Treasurer – Gary A Odegard (33), and for
Trustee [2017] – Ronald A. Miles

Grand High Priest Edgar appointed the following Tellers:
PGHP Terrence Becker – Chair
PGHP James E. Turner, Jr.
PHP David W. Dahlgren

The Grand Secretary instructed the companions on the use of ballots. The Ballot was declared open and the companions informed that ballot would remain open until after the break

CHAPTERS COMMITTEE REPORT

MEC Becker reported that Virginia Chapter No. 77 and Pokegama Chapter No. 102 had surrendered their Charters and the Companions were merged into Keystone Chapter No. 20.

GRAND HIGH PRIEST REPORT

M.:E.: Companion James F. Edgar

It is my privilege, and pleasure to welcome the officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota to the One Hundred and Fifty Second Annual Grand Convocation.

I would like to welcome the representatives of the Constituent Chapters of Minnesota, the distinguished guests from other jurisdictions, MIGM James E. Turner Jr, RECG Richard C. Kachman and the leaders of all other Masonic organizations in Minnesota.

When I joined the Grand Line I knew many of the officers and people involved within the Masonic circle. Since then I have met many new friends and have renewed acquaintances with many old ones. The journey which may have seemed long was in fact too short. From the General Grand Chapter International in Raleigh North Carolina to Buffalo New York which I will attend this fall, I have had the best experience anyone could ever ask for.

One of the Challenges that faced Royal Arch Masonry in Minnesota is falling membership and lack of participation at local levels. Pokegama Chapter 102 and Virginia Chapter 77 merged with Keystone Chapter 20, in Duluth. It was difficult to see the closure of two chapters but this merging will make York Rite Masonry in North Eastern Minnesota much stronger and viable. With the advancing age of many of our members, the ability to perform the ritual work is fading into the memory of some of our Chapters. We now have had some influx of younger members who are eager to experience the degrees. Not all Chapters are able to perform all of the ritual work, but we have opportunities that present themselves as a result. The Festival has been around for more than 50 years and is a place to learn how to organize, manage, and see how degree work can be performed at a high level.

Masonic traditions and customs are things that we treasure. When we look to the past there is a well-trodden path to look upon and see our accomplishments and failures. Remember that

change has to happen to proceed forward. Welcome change and progress while honoring our history. Don't fear failure for without it there no lessons learned.

Financial challenges have been present at all levels. From the cost of owning or renting, heat, electricity, taxes, postage, phones, computers, and many misc. items; The dues we pay do not cover the bill. What is the cost of membership to you? In some cases dues are only 5.00 more than per capita. We need to value our membership at a higher level

One of the highlights of the year was attending a festival in which we had 11 Exaltations. Dedication and hard work made this possible.

The Chapters which can perform all the ritual work are available to assist any other Chapter with any aspect of ritual, or assisting where there is a need for additional manpower. What can't be taught is the commitment which the local Chapters must achieve on their own.

I had many goals which I put upon myself; some achieved, some to mature in the future. With the continued work and cooperation of everyone, all is possible.

I do apologize for not making an appearance to all of the Chapters and events. Health is something that we are thankful for, but it is not always as we would like it to be.

I would like to thank Past Grand High Priest Kevin V. Jones and His lady Betty for their companionship and help for the past years. We have traveled thousands of miles in friendship, and they have been my Masonic Parents.

The Official Ritual is nearing completion, with all but the Royal Arch being proofread. The work that has been put forth has been a major undertaking and very tedious. I look forward to newly printed copies soon. Thank you everyone for all the hard work and late nights that you put in.

Thank you all Grand Officers, members, workers, and especially to the committee that worked so hard on making this 152nd Annual Grand Convocation a success.

I cannot thank the members in masonry enough for the friendship and support they have given through the years and look forward to assisting any and all of them whenever I can.

Grand King Schendel called for a Motion to approve the report. There was a motion, a second, and the report was approved. The Companions gave MEC Edgar a warm round of applause.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

The Grand Treasurer, Gary Odegard, reported that the Grand Chapter finances were in sound condition. The Profit and Loss Statement for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2014, is attached. You will notice that we needed \$6,000.00 from the Investment Fund to maintain operations this year. Last year we received \$8,000.00 from the Investment Fund. That is why the Grand Chapter Officers unanimously agreed to submit a resolution raising the per capita from \$9.00 to \$12.00. We have approximately 2000 members. With a \$3.00 increase, that would net us around \$6,000.00 per year. We would still need to get a minor amount from investments. Since that resolution was submitted, we have recently found out that the General Grand Chapter has proposed to raise the General Grand per capita from \$1.00 to \$3.00 over the next two years. That would eat up \$2.00 of our \$3.00 increase.

The Trustees allocated a Life Membership distribution of \$16,746.89 for 2013. This is up considerably from the previous year. See the Trustees report and the Finance Committee Report for the proposed budget.

The books were audited on June 18, 2014, and found to be in good order.

He thanked the Companions for the trust they have bestowed on him. He plans to continue streamlining the office and will look at ways to reduce costs while still providing a service to the Chapters.

There was a motion by Odegard to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Terry Becker and passed.

1:00 PM
 06/02/14
 Accrual Basis

MNRAM [SEC/TREAS.]
Profit & Loss
 June 2013 through May 2014

	Jun '13 - May 14
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
INVESTMENT INCOME	
CHARITY FUND	1,272.60
INVESTMENT FUND	6,000.00
LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND	16,746.89
Total INVESTMENT INCOME	24,019.49
OPERATIONS INCOME	
ANNUAL PER CAPITA	17,177.75
CHAPTER DUES [133]	210.00
CHAPTER FEES	305.00
EXALTATIONS	735.00
INDIGENT CREDITS	-243.00
INVENTORY SALES	
CHAPTER SUPPLIES	233.80
RITUAL SALES	50.00
Total INVENTORY SALES	283.80
LM ENROLLMENTS	400.00
Total OPERATIONS INCOME	18,868.55
OTHER INCOME	
OTHER INCOME	5.44
Total OTHER INCOME	5.44
Total Income	42,893.48
Gross Profit	42,893.48
Expense	
GRAND CHAPTER	
AWARDS	50.00
GENERAL GRAND PER CAPITA	2,204.00
GRAND SESSION	
COMPS	966.41
PGHP APRON/JEWEL	364.50
SESSION OTHER	286.02
Total GRAND SESSION	1,616.93
INSURANCE/BONDING	1,381.04
LIFE MEMBERSHIPS	
LIFE MEMBERSHIP DISTRIBUTI...	15,433.80
LIFE MEMBERSHIP ENROLLME...	400.00
Total LIFE MEMBERSHIPS	15,833.80
Total GRAND CHAPTER	21,085.77
OFFICE OPERATIONS	
GENERAL PRINTING	374.94
INTERNET	59.99
OCCUPANCY	2,609.50
POSTAGE/SHIPPING	218.08
SOFTWARE	135.29
SUPPLIES	253.07
TELEPHONE	16.90
WEB SITES	200.00
Total OFFICE OPERATIONS	3,867.77
OFFICER'S EXPENSES	
GRAND HIGH PRIEST	3,000.00
GRAND KING	800.00
GRAND SCRIBE	500.00
GRAND SECRETARY	6,000.00
GRAND TREASURER	1,200.00
MISC EXPENSE-OFFICER'S	229.32

1:00 PM
06/02/14
Accrual Basis

MNRAM [SEC/TREAS.]
Profit & Loss
June 2013 through May 2014

	<u>Jun '13 - May 14</u>
Total OFFICER'S EXPENSES	11,729.32
OTHER EXPENSES	
BANK FEES	20.00
MISC EXPENSE	35.00
PUBLICATIONS	
PROCEEDINGS	279.16
RAM MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION	5,954.38
Total PUBLICATIONS	<u>6,233.54</u>
Total OTHER EXPENSES	<u>6,288.54</u>
Total Expense	<u>42,971.40</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-77.92</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-77.92</u></u>

Grand High Priest Edgar reminded the companions that the ballot box was still open and directed the Grand Principal Sojourner to attend at the altar. He then declared a fifteen minute recess.

RECESS

Grand High Priest Edgar rapped the gavel for order and directed the Grand Principal Sojourner to attend at the altar. He then declared the 152nd Convocation at labor. He inquired if all, who were entitled to, had voted. He declared the ballot box closed and directed the tellers to take charge of the ballot box.

GRAND TRUSTEES REPORT

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Members of the
Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota

The Report of Finance and Budget for the Ensuing Year:

BUDGET	6/1/14 -	5/31/15
INCOME		
INVESTMENTS		
Life Members	*	20000
Charity	*	1500
General	**	10000
		31500
 OPERATIONS		
Per Capita		20232
Dues (KS 133)		210
Chapter Fees		320
Exaltations		750
Indigent Credits		-243
Sales		250
		21519
		53019
 EXPENSES		
GRAND CHAPTER		
Awards		100
Charities	*	1500
GGC Per Capita		2200
Grand Session		1600

Insurance/Bonding		1400
LM Distribution	*	<u>20000</u>
		26800
OFFICE OPERATIONS		
Equipment		500
Printing		400
Internet		100
Rent		2538
Postage		500
Supplies		1000
Telephone		0
Web sites		<u>200</u>
		5238
Officer Expenses		
GHP		3000
GK		800
GSc		500
GS/T		7200
Others		600
Triennial	***	<u>900</u>
		13000
OTHER		
Bank fees		0
Memberships		0
Subscriptions		5955
Publications		<u>300</u>
		6255
		51293
Accrued Triennial Expense	****	<u>2700</u>
		53993
		GAIN/(LOSS)
		1726

This is not a balanced budget. It is necessary to either increase per capita or draw more from the general investment fund. After this next year, we will have increased costs from General Grand Chapter.

**** Triennial funds were not set aside in previous budgets. Therefore, the last three years' funds are due and payable this year.

*** This is the amount voted in past for Triennial expense that is to be set aside each year. This money is being placed in a separate savings account. It can only be used by the three designated participants.

**This is drawing money from the Investment Fund. This is a budget figure, and the 10000 has not been withdrawn in total.

*Income and distribution are no expense to Grand Chapter as they are just pass-through funds distributing Interest Income from the Charity Fund and the Life Membership Fund. The trustees do not handle any money of the three separate Investment Funds. All distributions and receipts are passed through the Grand Chapter finances so that checks and balances are always available for audit review. The audit was conducted by William R. Newell PGHP, Hugh Swift PGHP, and Ronald Jensen. Thanks. Last year's figures were used as a guide for this year's budget.

Finance Committee
MEC Gary H. Johnson, Chair
MEC Loren Schroeder
RE John Wentworth
MEC Kevin V. Jones
MEC Gary Odegard
MEC Ronald Miles

There was a motion by Gary Johnson to accept the budget. The motion was seconded by Bill Newell and passed.

The Trustees of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota present the following report of the Investment, Charity, and Life Membership Funds of the Grand Chapter for the 2013 year.

	2012	2013
INVESTMENT		
Balance on Hand 1/1/13	188,434.49	195,045.51
Addition		
Subtraction * 10/15	-	6,000.00
Subtotal	188,434.49	189,045.51
Balance for Interest**	191,059.49	193,545.51
Interest Income for 13	6,611.02	9,361.27
Distribution of Interest	-	-
Balance on Hand 12/31/13	195,045.51	204,406.70
CHARITY		
Balance on Hand 1/1/13	26,311.24	26,311.24
Additions		
Subtractions		
Subtotal	26,311.24	26,311.24
Total of Fund for Interest**	26,311.24	26,311.24
Interest Income	910.42	1,272.60
Interest Income Distributed	910.42	1,272.60
Balance on Hand 12/31/13	26,311.24	26,311.24
LIFE		
Balance 1/1/13	339,953.96	346,243.96
Additions	6,290.00	-
Subtractions		-
Subtotal	346,243.96	346,243.96
Balance for Interest	344,368.46	346,243.96
Interest Income	11,915.80	16,746.89
Interest of Life Membership Distribution	11,915.80	16,746.89
Balance on Hand 12/31/13	346,243.96	346,243.96
**This is average quarterly income for interest distribution		
*Operating Expense		
Total Income for Distribution		
Interest & Dividends for 2012	19,437.24	
Interest & Dividends for 2013		26,170.61
Income Undistributed for 2013		1,210.15
Total Income for Distribution		27,380.76

Based on the Balance for Interest for 13 of 542,420.71 with an interest income of 27,380.76 the rate of return was 5.0% for the year. Enclosed is a copy of the 12/31/13 Statement of Account listing your portfolio of stocks, shares, and % of holdings.

The following figures are presented to show you the progress of our funds during the past five years of the economic conditions. Our investment fund has been able to hold a good investment income return and is recovering once again from the year's market condition. Our life membership fund is invested in secure funds which draw less interest. Our portfolio is secure, but as market fell this year, so did earnings. This fluctuation is being controlled by using a portion of funds in a fixed return. With CD's at or below .5%, we feel our broker is competently handling our funds.

Distribution of funds was slowed up by changes in officers and in our brokerage which is now complete. The rate of return, if figured on the total investment fund of 576,961.90 is 4.7%. If it is figured on our recovered financial worth of 478,642.43 it would be 5.7%. We are confident that our investments and counsel are in good condition.

	Total Investments	Income
12/31/06	491,756.45	35,947.79
12/31/07	467,829.83	38,798.87
12/31/08	352,832.22	33,511.58
12/31/09	473,405.27	31,070.72
12/31/10	498,126.57	38,712.48
12/31/11	411,256.32	31,314.52
12/31/12	430,166.57	19,437.24
	Undistributed	1,210.15
12/31/13	478,642.43	26,170.61

The General Accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer are reviewed and verified. The Assets and Property of the Grand Chapter have been audited

and verified. We are now in our new home in the Masonic Home at Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Minnesota, 11501 Masonic Home Drive, Bloomington, MN 55437. It has been a good move and given us adequate room and location, and we will be updating our communications capability. Stop and visit! The bonds and insurance required of is complete. We are now reviewing contracts, equipment, and other needs. We thank Gary Odegard for updating our service, as he has given of his time and talents to bring our office, which is our Minnesota home, up-to-date. It is still requiring many hours of his time, but each step makes Chapter information more readily available.

Our Grand Chapter investments and resources are financially solvent and in positive condition. We have a great relationship with our Investment service, which enable us to invest in a financially prudent manner for our holdings. Below is the December 31 statement.

We have received resolutions from Grand Chapter to be voted on at Triennial General Grand Chapter. These actions relate to dissolution of Life Membership Funds and the increase of per capital to subordinate Grand Chapter. Since this action is not complete until Triennial, it is not necessary to act on them except to instruct our voting members to Triennial. This is the sitting High Priests of the Triennial.

There was a motion by Gary Johnson to accept the Trustees Investment Report. The motion was seconded by Kevin Jones and passed.

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GRAND CHAPTERS ROYAL
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STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 1, 2013 TO DECEMBER 31, 2013

GRAND CHAPTERS ROYAL - Unincorporated Assn
 Account Number: SGH-024279

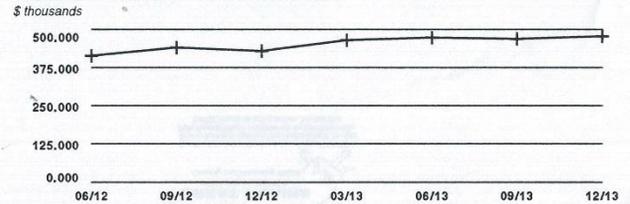
YOUR ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE IS: Eric Hustad
For questions about your accounts: Local: 701 282 3100
 ERIC HUSTAD
 RR#: 1D2

TOTAL VALUE OF YOUR PORTFOLIO **\$478,642.43**

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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CHANGE IN VALUE OF YOUR PORTFOLIO



Change In Value Of Your Portfolio information can be found in Miscellaneous Footnotes at the end of this statement.

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Account carried with National Financial Services LLC, Member NYSE, SIPC

REPORTED EXALTATIONS		2013				
MINNESOTA	#1	5	Dwayne A Stich	02/02/13	Martin L Kleinbaum	06/07/13
			Todd B Leek	06/07/13	Dallas H O'Dell	06/07/13
			Gary W Winter	06/07/13		
WINONA	#5	0				
TYRIAN	#6					
BLUE EARTH	#7 UD	0				
HALCYON	#8	0				
ST JOHNS/LAKE HARRIET	#9	2	Petrus Fakkeldy	02/02/13	Reed Houge	12/21/13
ST CLOUD	#10	0				
AUSTIN	#14	2	Brad McBeain	02/02/13	Brad Stout	11/20/13
OWATONNA	#15	3	Scott Coursey	11/28/13	Larence Edwards	11/28/13
			Eric Baker	12/09/13		
WASHINGTON	#17	0				
KEYSTONE	#20	2	James H Tuomala	11/19/13	Paul E Berg	11/19/13
ST PETER	#22	0				
FERGUS FALLS	#27	7	Jonathan P Anderson	12/21/13	James A Arvidson	12/21/13
			David J Dumonceaux	12/21/13	William L Friese	12/21/13
			Michael J Libby	12/21/13	Erick L Steichen	12/21/13
			Ronald A Wilcox	12/21/13		
LIVING ARCH	#28	0				
ALBERT LEA	#30	5	E W (Bill) Webster	12/05/12	Lorny Ness	02/02/13
			Adam Price	02/02/13	Nick Zago	02/02/13
			Rodney Dale Wilson	02/02/13		
CORINTHIAN	#33	7	Darrel M Fulton	02/02/13	Stacy L Fulton	02/02/13
			Clinton J Christensen	11/20/13	Collin R Dahl	11/20/13
			Mark A Kujawa	11/20/13	Brian T Hoyland	12/09/13
			James P Niehoff	12/09/13		
MT NEBO	#39					
PIERSON	#41	0				
BRAINARD	#42					
FAIRMONT	#50	0				
ARK	#53	0				
COLUMBIAN	#60	6	James M Maxwell	02/02/13	Theodore E Nash	02/02/13
			Craig L Simon	02/02/13	Aaron D Towner	02/02/13
			Corey R Christensen	10/09/13	Kevin R Kern	10/09/13
MARSHALL	#65					
BEMIDJI	#70	0				
VIRGINIA	#77	0				
NORTHERN	#82	0				
ALEXANDRIA	#86					
RUSH CITY	#87					
HUTCHINSON	#90	0				
GLENWOOD	#93	0				
KITTSO	#101					
POKEGAMA	#102	0				
OVERSEERS	#103	3	Fred Cook	06/07/13	Gregory W Guffey	06/07/13
			Michael Thoms	06/07/13		
ANOKA-SHEKINAH	#104	6	Keith Anderson	02/02/13	Guy (Rick) Currier	02/02/13
			V Jay Lenz	02/02/13	Sean Novack	02/02/13
			Terrance Schaffer	02/02/13	Michael Simpson	02/02/13
KING SOLOMON U.D.	#133 UD	0				
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REPORTED DEATHS		2013				
MINNESOTA	#1	8	Thomas G Kotnour	11/01/10	John M Bjorkquist	09/08/11
			John E Whittles	11/07/12	Frank L Shogren	01/30/13
			Burton Coleman	01/31/13	Glen H. Wesenberg	06/24/13
			David Epling	10/07/13	Carl W Tacke	12/20/13
WINONA	#5	0				
TYRIAN	#6					
BLUE EARTH	#7 UD	0				
HALCYON	#8	2	Orvis Alberts	11/08/13	Harold D. Ames	12/28/13
ST JOHNS/LAKE HARRIET	#9	7	George Madson	01/26/10	Paul Kraska	01/07/13
			Robert Lindberg	03/31/13	George Rice	05/02/13
			Claire Einen	06/27/13	Charles Rollefson	09/01/13
			Lawrence Bachman	09/22/13		
ST CLOUD	#10	2	Duane Gardner	03/28/13	James Ziebol	07/15/13
AUSTIN	#14	1	Frederick A Ulrich	12/16/13		
OWATONNA	#15	6	Dale Torgerson	01/15/13	Kennard Kaplan	02/12/13
			David Mussman	02/15/13	Wesley Rethwill, Jr.	06/15/13
			Curtis Christie	08/16/13	Dale Hursh	10/11/13
WASHINGTON	#17	0				
KEYSTONE	#20	4	Robert S Colton	12/11/12	Frank E Romanoski	06/08/13
			Munro Braden	09/09/13	Erwin R Effinger	10/19/13
ST PETER	#22	7	Wilm Bmather	08/10/04	Donald E Peterson	08/07/09
			Lowell W Parsn	11/22/09	Lee Snilsberg	10/30/12
			David J Edick	12/30/12	John P Muller, Jr	
			Lewis D Seely	11/24/13		
FERGUS FALLS	#27	3	George Wagstrom	05/15/13	Frederic Schuler	07/21/13
			Milton Larson	09/12/13		
LIVING ARCH	#28	1	Keith A Larson	02/22/13		
ALBERT LEA	#30	5	Howard G Ashcraft	04/12/13	Charles L Kenis	05/05/13
			Donald L Fox	09/30/13	David J Wick	10/14/13
			Robert L Entorf	11/17/13		
CORINTHIAN	#33	2	Joseph W Hamre	12/22/12	Richard L Vork	03/31/13
MT NEBO	#39					
PIERSON	#41	1	Elroy Kleven	08/16/13		
BRAINARD	#42					
FAIRMONT	#50	0				
ARK	#53	4	Malcolm N Lindquist	10/15/12	Richard G Behling	12/01/12
			Clifford R Zane, III	06/25/13	James E Odland	08/15/13
COLUMBIAN	#60	6	George Mokler	02/03/13	Harold Bassett	02/22/13
			Kenneth Andreasen	04/02/13	Ervin D Moser	09/27/13
			Thomas J McIntyre	11/26/13	Wayne Newton	11/29/13
MARSHALL	#65					
BEMIDJI	#70	3	Andrew Allen	06/14/13	Theodore Falk	10/11/13
			Richard Dickinson	12/01/13		
VIRGINIA	#77	2	W John Blakesley	05/11/13	Donald W Carlson	09/30/13
NORTHERN	#82	0				
ALEXANDRIA	#86					
RUSH CITY	#87					
HUTCHINSON	#90	2	Raymond T Kamrath	06/14/13	Robert C Bertelsen	12/21/13
GLENWOOD	#93	2	Marshall Schenstad	02/23/13	Ed Kvatum	06/14/13
KITSON	#101	3	William C Porter	11/01/12	Larry Younggren	01/04/13
			Laurie Forslund	01/01/13		
POKEGAMA	#102	5	Wilfried Schubert	04/13/12	Edward J Shaughnessy	03/10/13
			Kent Motter	05/04/13	Ken Locks	07/18/13
			Lonnie Fischer	12/04/13		
OVERSEERS	#103	0				
ANOKA-SHEKINAH	#104	0				

KING SOLOMON U.D.	#133 UD	25	Robert Rothie		Lloyd D Tracey	
			Roger C. Danek	05/22/06	Murray L Buchanan	01/14/08
			Robert N Therkelsen	10/06/08	Dean A Shaw	01/23/09
			Harris Ronning	05/09/09	Jack L Oberle	12/23/09
			Jesse Schaller	02/18/10	Jerome O Webster	06/25/10
			Hobert P Meyer	11/10/10	Roy L Hadrath	01/27/11
			John Qualley	03/20/11	Trygve T. Helleloid	05/16/11
			Warren L Meyers	09/28/11	Gordon D Bolin	11/14/11
			Robert Marcy	12/03/11	Collingwood R Duroe	01/09/12
			Herman P Koch	01/09/12	Kewt Root	02/21/12
			Albert Dicks	05/17/12	Roger O Tjosvold	10/23/12
			Kenneth M Nelson	01/02/13	Harold S Nelson	01/10/13
			James E Rosenkranz	10/06/13		
		101				

AWARD FOR INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP

The Grand Secretary indicated that the 2013 award for the largest percentage gain goes to Anoka – Shekinah Chapter No. 104.

TELLERS REPORT

MEC Terry Becker reported that 52 of 57 possible ballots were cast for:

- Marvin Schendel as Grand High Priest
- L. Greg Schultz as Grand King
- Cliff Isley as Grand Scribe
- Gary Odegard as Grand Treasurer/Secretary
- Joe Anderson as Grand Captain of the Host
- Ron Miles as Grand Trustee [3 years]

Grand High Priest Edgar congratulated the newly elected officers, dismissed the tellers and ordered the Grand Secretary to destroy the ballots.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND

There was a motion by Steven Partridge to amend the Constitution as follows:
That ARTICLE VII – OF GRAND CHAPTER FINANCES, that the first sentence of its current Section 4 be amended as follows: “For each Royal Arch Mason reported in good standing by a Chapter in its last preceding Annual Return, the per capita dues of \$12.00,”. The motion

was seconded by Terrance Rybarcyck. Marvin Schendel spoke for the resolution and Monte Miller spoke against. The resolution passed.

TRIPLE TAU/KNIGHT OF THE ROYAL ARCH REPORT

PGHP Peter Kloskowski gave a little history and said that anyone should be able to sign at least one petition to replace himself. Companions Peter and Marvin Schendel reported that Columbian Chapter No. 60 had two Triple Tau awards from the previous year for Vern Raap and R. James Luchsinger and an additional star for Marvin Schendel. A Knight of the Royal Arch award was presented to Companion Brian DiMatteo.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

Grand Secretary Odegard made a motion to grant Honorary Memberships to those distinguished attendees who have attained that highest position of leadership in their various jurisdictions and had not previously received an honorary membership. The motion was seconded and passed

Grand High Priest of Wisconsin – Ross E. Pollock

Grand High Priest of Nebraska – Steven C. Smith I

General Grand High Scribe – James H. Hodge

The companions were greeted by Grand High Priest Edgar and presented their certificates.

A call was made for any further reports from standing committees needed to be given. There being none, the Grand Secretary, moved that all the remaining preprinted reports be received and printed in the proceedings. The motion was seconded and passed.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 2014-2015

Grand High Priest Edgar called on the Grand High Priest Elect Marvin Schendel to announce his appointments. The 2014-2015 Appointed Officers are:

Grand Principal Sojourner
Grand Royal Arch Captain

W. David Emery
David W. Dahlgren

Grand Master of the 3rd Veil
Grand Master of the 2nd Veil
Grand Master of the 1st Veil
Grand Sentinel
Grand Chaplain
Grand Organist
Grand Lecturer

R. James Luchsinger, II
Carl F. Lidstrom
Michael A. Hilgert
R. Sean Gardiner
James O. Burlingame, Jr.
William Hubbard
Mark A. Anderson

JURISPRUDENCE REPORT

PGHP Gary Johnson stated that the actions of the Grand High Priest and other officers were complete and accurate throughout the year. He had seen nothing wrong throughout the Convocation and made a motion to approve their actions. The motion was seconded and passed.

GENERAL GRAND REMARKS

MEC James H. Hodge, General Grand Scribe

Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Most Worshipful Grand Master, distinguished guests, companions all,

It's indeed a real pleasure for me and my lady Darlene to be here. I want you to understand that normally I would not be here because this is our anniversary. When you leave, she is sitting right outside the door hawking ties, hats, shirts etc. and so forth. The reason for that is that we are trying to get started on the triennial committee for 2020. Which we believe will be held in Indiana. They have to have some seed money. The General Grand Council and the General Grand Chapter will not put that money up until about two years before. Well, I believe in planning ahead so we're attempting to raise a little seed money there to get the lawyers and tax people that have to be involved to get an LLC set up which eliminates the General Grand Chapter ever being libel for something that would happen at the triennial. Many of you don't understand that the General Grand Chapter and the General Grand Council come in, they run the meeting, they take care of all the business, but everything that has to be done as far as the meals, hotels and etc. and so forth, tours are all done by a separate committee set up as a limited liability committee to protect the General Grand Chapter and its members, the Grand Chapters that belong to the General Grand Chapter. I could go on and on and explain a lot of things to you but we have a very short period of time and I don't want to be standing between you and lunch. So therefore, let me bring you greetings of the General Grand High Priest, Edmond D. "Ted" Harrison who sends his regards and wishes you well and the new officers well in the next year of tenure. We thank you. It's a real pleasure to be here. We thank you for your hospitality and look forward to talking with many of you later during the day or this evening at the banquet and throughout the time here. Thank you so much.

GHP Edgar inquired of the Grand Secretary and Jurisprudence Committee if there was any unattended to business, both indicated that there was no further business.

Grand High Priest Edgar declared the convocation at recess until the installation of officers. The Grand Principal Sojourner attended at the altar.

INSTALLATION OF 2014-2015 GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

The Installation of the Grand Chapter Officers for Minnesota Royal Arch Masons took place on Thursday, June 26th, 2014 at Rochester, Minnesota. At the appointed time the Installing Grand Officer, Most Excellent Companion Terrence J. Becker, PGHP, assumed the East and introduced the assisting installing officers:

Installing Grand Captain of the Host	MEC Hugh Swift, Jr., PGHP
Installing Grand Secretary	MEC James E. Turner, Jr. PGHP
Installing Grand Chaplain	MEC Peter P. Kloskowski, PGHP
Installing Grand Organist	EC William Hubbard

On order of the Installing Officer, and under the direction of the Installing Marshall, the 2014-2015 Grand Chapter Officers and their ladies were escorted into the room and seated. The Installing Secretary called the roll of officers.

2014-2015 Grand Chapter Officers

Grand High Priest	Marvin W. Schendel
Grand King	L. Greg Schultz, Jr.
Grand Scribe	Clifford H. Isley
Grand Secretary/Treasurer	Gary A. Odegard, PGHP
Grand Captain of the Host	Joseph J. Anderson
Grand Principal Sojourner	W. David Emery
Grand Royal Arch Captain	David W. Dahlgren
Grand Master of the 3 rd Veil	R. James Luchsinger, II
Grand Master of the 2 nd Veil	Carl F. Lidstrom
Grand Master of the 1 st Veil	Michael A. Hilgert
Grand Sentinel	R. Sean Gardiner
Grand Chaplain	James O. Burlingame, Jr.
Grand Organist	William T. Hubbard
Grand Lecturer	Mark A. Anderson
Grand Trustee	Ronald A. Miles

The officers were obligated by Installing Officer Terry Becker. Installing Grand Chaplain Kloskowski offered a prayer.

Marvin Schendel was presented for installation. His duties as Grand High Priest were explained and he was invested with the Jewel of his office and conducted to his station in the Grand

Chapter. There he was presented with the Constitution and the Grand Gavel and informed that he could now preside, if he so chose. He declined for the time being.

The other officers were obligated by Installing Officer Becker. Installing Grand Chaplain Kloskowski offered a prayer.

The remaining officers were each presented in order of election. Each was instructed in their duties, presented with the jewel of office by their ladies and then conducted to their station or place in the Grand Chapter.

The Installing Grand Officer offered the following:

*“May this Grand Chapter become as beautiful as the Temple,
peaceful as the Ark, and sacred as the Most Holy Place.*

*May we be endowed with every good and perfect gift
while traveling the rugged path of life, and finally,
may we be admitted to the full enjoyment of life eternal.”*

The Installing Grand Marshal made the proclamation followed by the benediction by the Installing Grand Chaplain.

The new Grand High Priest Schendel received the gavel and rose to give his remarks and thanked the Installing Grand Officers for a great job.

Outgoing Grand High Priest Edgar approached the East and presented the Grand High Priest's pocket jewel and informed Companion Schendel of its value.

