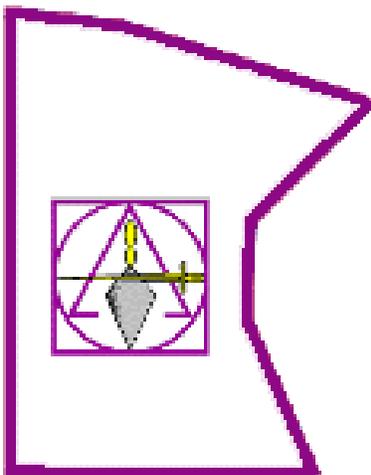


**The Proceedings
Of
The Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota**

**149th
Grand Assembly**

**Rochester, Minnesota
June 27, 2019**



**Terrance L. Rybarczyk
Most Illustrious Grand Master**



Most Illustrious Companion Terrance L. Rybarczyk
Illustrious Grand Master of The Grand Council of Cryptic
Mason of Minnesota

The Officers of Minneapolis Council Number 2 opened the Council in full form at 1:15PM at the DoubleTree Hotel, Rochester, Minnesota on June 27th, 2019.

The 2019 Cryptic Council of Minnesota Grand Session Opening Tableau

Illustrious Master	IC David N. Kampf
Deputy Master	Frank J. Namestek
Principal Conductor of the Work	Scott F. Wood
Treasurer	Christopher A. Wendover
Recorder	Joseph J. Anderson
Captain of the Guard	Andrew F. Hall
Conductor of the Council	Christopher A. Wendover
Steward	Kenneth W. Carroll
Chaplain	IC David N. Kampf
Marshal	IC Raymond S. Frandsen
Sentinel	Steve J. Sandberg

The Grand Council Officers were then introduced as they were conducted inside the Council Chambers. Our Illustrious Grand Master MIC Terrance L. Rybarczyk was then introduced and conducted to the East and given Grand Honors. MIC Terry then thanked the Minneapolis Council Officers for the opening and congratulated them on a job well done and lead all in giving them a round of applause.

The 149th Grand Council Assembly was then called to order in regular form by MIGM Terrance L. Rybarczyk, with the Grand Officers in there stations.

2018-2019
Minnesota Grand Council Officers

Most Illustrious Grand Master	MIC Terrance L. Rybarczyk
Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master	RIC Carl F. Lidstrom
Right Illustrious Principal Conductor of the Work	RIC L. Greg Schultz
Most Illustrious Grand Treasurer / Recorder	MIC Marvin W. Schendel
Illustrious Grand Chaplain	IC Vernon J. Schwalbe
Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard	IC W. David Emery
Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council	IC Douglas A. Beach
Illustrious Grand Marshal	IC Brian K. DiMatteo
Illustrious Grand Steward	IC R. Sean Gardiner
Illustrious Grand Sentinel	IC R. James Luchsinger, Jr.
Illustrious Grand Organist	IC William T. Hubbard
Illustrious Grand Arch Master	MIC Ronald A. Miles

Trustees:

Most Illustrious Grand Trustee 1 Year Term	MIC Charles R. Marston
Most Illustrious Grand Trustee 2 Year Term	MIC Hugh C. Swift, Jr.
Most Illustrious Grand Trustee 3 Year Term	MIC Ronald A. Miles

INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND MASTERS

MIC Hugh C. Swift, Jr.	1993
MIC Jerry R. Korstad	1998
MIC Charles R. Marston	2000
MIC Gary A. Odegard	2012
MIC James E. Turner, Jr.	2013
MIC Marvin W. Schendel	2016-2017
MIC Clifford H. Isley	2018
IC Monte M. Miller	Past Grand Recorder

Right Puissant Companion Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr. past Regional Deputy Grand Master of the General Grand Council and Past Most Illustrious Grand Master of Minnesota 2003

They were all given Grand Honors for their service.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITING GRAND DIGNITARIES

MIC Herbert E. Cook, MIGM of South Dakota

RIC Stan Schwellenbach, Deputy Grand Master of South Dakota

RIC Bruce A. Crisman, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work of South Dakota

RIC James S. McNeely, IV, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work of Connecticut

MIC Leland L. Burlison, PMIGM of Wisconsin

Right Puissant Companion George E. Bauder, Past Regional Deputy Grand Master of the General Grand Council International North Central, Grand Recorder and PMIGM of South Dakota

MIC Richard A. McBride, PMIGM of South Dakota

MIC Jon Gonsor, PMIGM of South Dakota

Right Puissant Companion Roger M. Firestone, Past General Grand Council Musician, Grand Lecturer and Visitor of the and PMIGM of Grand Council of the District of Columbia

MIC Gary G. Wyne, MIPGM of Indiana and the Executive Secretary of the CMMRF

RIC Clifford Hartmier, Grand PCW of the Grand Council of Western Canada

Right Puissant Companion A.T. "AJ" Johnson, Deputy General Grand Master for the North Central region, General Grand Council Cryptic Masons Intl, PMIGM of Nebraska

Right Puissant Companion William G. Snyder, General Grand PCW of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons Intl.

They were all given Grand Honors

The Flag Presentation and Tributes

The Color Guard from Zion Commandery No. 2 presented the colors, MIC Hugh C. Swift, Jr. then gave the Tribute to the Flag followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

RIC Cliff Hartmier, then gave a Tribute to the Flag of Canada.

National Anthem of the United States was then sung, followed by O' Canada.

Most Illustrious Grand Master Terry welcomed all to the 149th Grand Council Assembly of MN. He then called on the Grand Recorder for the Roll call of the Councils.

Roll Call of the Councils

The Councils present were:

St. Paul No. 1, St Paul	Minneapolis No. 2, Minneapolis
Ark No. 3, Owatonna	Tyrian No. 4, Rochester
Duluth No. 6, Duluth	Austin No. 7, Austin
Alpha No. 8, Fergus Falls	Omega No. 9, Minneapolis
Zabud No. 10, Anoka	Northfield No. 12, Farmington
Central No. 14, St Peter	

One Council had no representation:

Red Rock No. 16, Marshal

Eleven Councils present there was a Quorum and Grand Master Terry declared the 149th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota open for the transaction of Business.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Grand Officers	11
Illustrious Masters	7
Deputy Masters	7
Principal Conductors of the work	3
Recorders	8
Past Illustrious Masters	25
Visitors	9
Guest	14
Balloting Members	52
Total Present	75

Roll call of the Grand Officers

Most Illustrious Grand Master	MIC Terrance L. Rybarczyk
Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master	RIC Carl F. Lidstrom
Right Illustrious Principal Conductor of the Work	RIC L. Greg Schultz
Most Illustrious Grand Treasurer / Recorder	MIC Marvin W. Schendel
Illustrious Grand Chaplain	IC Vernon J. Schwalbe
Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard	IC W. David Emery - Excused
Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council	IC Douglas A. Beach
Illustrious Grand Marshal	IC Brian K. DiMatteo
Illustrious Grand Steward	IC R. Sean Gardiner
Illustrious Grand Sentinel	IC R. James Luchsinger, Jr.
Illustrious Grand Organist	IC William T. Hubbard
Most Illustrious Grand Arch Master	MIC Ronald A. Miles – Excused
Trustee	MIC Ronald A. Miles – Excused
Trustee	MIC Hugh C. Swift, Jr.
Trustee	MIC Charles R. Marston

Roll Call of the Grand Representatives

Those present were asked to stand and introduce themselves and which state they represented. They were then thanked for their service.

Officers of Constituent Councils

Illustrious Grand Master Terry then asked the constituent Illustrious Masters to rise, announce their name and their Council. 7 Councils were represented, and they were given a round of applause.

Then the seven Deputy Masters were asked to stand and give their names and Councils, and they were applauded.

The three Principal Conductors of the Work were asked to stand and give their names and Councils, they were likewise applauded.

The eight Recorders were then asked to rise and announce their names and Councils, and they received a round of applause.

Illustrious Grand Master Terry Thanked all the officers for their service to Minnesota Cryptic Masonry.

Reading of the 148th Proceedings

A motion was made that the named Proceedings of the 148th Annual Assembly have been published and posted on the web site, and that such proceedings contain matter that may be considered as the minutes of the last Grand Assembly, I move that the named publication be accepted as the minutes of the 148th Annual Assembly and be accepted without reading.

Motion passed

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

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THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF MINNESOTA

Report of the Nominating Committee MIC Gary A. Odegard, PMIGM, Chairman

2019 - 2020

ELECTED OFFICERS

Most Illustrious Grand Master	Carl F. Lidstrom
Right Illustrious Grand Deputy Master	L. Greg Schultz
Rt. Ill. G. Principal Conductor of the Work	W. David Emery
Most Illustrious Grand Treasurer	Marvin W. Schendel, MIPGM
Most Illustrious Grand Recorder	Marvin W. Schendel, MIPGM
Most Illustrious Grand Trustee - 3 Yr Term	Charles R. Marston, MIPGM

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Illustrious Grand Chaplain	Vernon J. Schwalbe
Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard	Brian K. Dimatteo
Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council	R. Sean Gardiner
Illustrious Grand Marshal	R. James Luchsinger, II
Illustrious Grand Steward	Douglas A. Beach
Illustrious Grand Sentinel	Gerald E. Zierdt
Illustrious Grand Archmaster	Thomas E. Hendrickson
Illustrious Grand Organist	William T. Hubbard

TERMS NOT YET EXPIRED

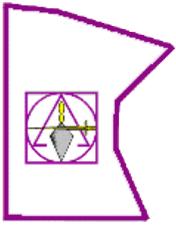
Most Illustrious Grand Trustee - 1 Yr Term	Hugh C. Swift, Jr., MIPGM
Most Illustrious Grand Trustee - 2 Yr Term	Ronald A. Miles, MIPGM

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS

The following Illustrious Companions were appointed to serve as tellers MIC James S. McNeely, IV, Chairman, assisted by IC Stan Fetters and MIC Cliff Isley, MIPGM

The Grand Recorder was asked to give instruction on the use of the Ballot to all. Instruction was given.

The ballot box was declared open and to remain open until after the break.



Grand Council Cryptic Masons
of
MINNESOTA

Organized December 12, 1870
Most Illustrious Grand Master
Terrance L. Rybarczyk
2018 - 2019



To: The Grand Offices and Companions of Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

GRAND ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS REPORT

I am pleased to welcome you to the 149th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. We are honored by the presence of so many distinguished visitors from other Jurisdictions; it is indeed a great pleasure to see so many friends.

I wish to thank my home Council, Minneapolis #2, for opening the Grand Council today. You did a fantastic job and I am proud and appreciative of your work.

To Most Excellent Companion Dave Emery and Sir Knight Douglas Pamp, Right Eminent Grand Commander I thank you for your leadership, camaraderie, and friendship throughout this year as the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota and the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota, respectively. Our paths crossed a number of times during our travels and I am lucky to have served alongside you during this year. Congratulations on your very successful tenures as inspiring state wide leaders.

To the Grand Officers of the Grand Council, I thank you for your service and most especially for the support I received from all of you throughout the year.

Grand Council is in GREAT hands going forward.

As you can see in my partial travel report, I traveled many miles this last year. In addition to all of my instate travel; I was able to travel out of state also. It all started with my attendance at the North Central Conference; and I have been able to attend for the last five years. I would certainly encourage every York Rite member to attend. The education and knowledge you will receive is amazing. It is surpassed only by the new friendships you will cultivate. I was able to renew these friendships as I attended all of the Grand Sessions of the North Central with the exception of Canada.

Grand Council Session of Iowa
Grand Council Session of North Dakota
Grand Council Session of South Dakota
Grand Council Session of Nebraska
Grand Council Session of Wisconsin

It was indeed my great honor to install the Council Officers in several Councils this year; this was certainly a reassuring experience as these are the Grand Officers of the future. It is very comforting to meet and interact with such a strong 'Bull Pen' of future Grand Officers.

I received, during my tenure, NO request to issue special dispensations that were out of the normal that were not covered by our rules or bylaws. No vacancies occurred in the offices of the Grand Council, therefore; there was no need to fill such vacancies.

I recommend the continuation and expansion of the many educational programs that have been initiated. There is always a need for more 'Light' in all Masonry. I strongly recommend everyone frequent the Web site. Knowledgeable information is available at the site.

I have a pet project I feel strongly about. It is the Representative program. I have been the rep for Ohio for the last four years. I have attended their Grand Session every year except this year. I was unable to attend this year's session due to conflicts with my duties. I have enjoyed and profited in the friendship and knowledge each year. Companions James Luchsinger, II and Greg Schultz, Jr have spent many hours reorganizing the Representative program in all their York Rite bodies. Many openings are available and if anyone is interested, as I am sure many of you are, please contact any Grand Officer or your home councils' recorders.

We are fortunate to have in Minnesota a "One Day to Cryptic Masonry" program. This is a needed service to have for some who have missed the degree work in their home councils. It is not intended to replace degree work in the constituent's councils. I strongly encourage degree work to be performed at the local level. And when you have new members, please, find work for them as quickly as possible as this will help with the problem of retention which all masonry suffers.

Finally, to my Most Super-Excellent Companion, my wife, my friend, my joy, and helpmeet, Margo, I offer my deepest thank you for not only allowing me to go on this journey but also for your support, encouragement, and your love has made my life brighter and better. Thank You!

Fraternally,

Terrance L Rybarczyk Illustrious Grand Master 2018-2019
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

Audit Committee Report

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, the Grand Officers and the members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

The audit committee reviewed the ledger accounts of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota and found all is in order.

Respectfully and Fraternaly submitted,
Clifford H Isley, MIPGM
James E Turner, Jr, MIPGM
Charles R Marston, MIPGM

Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

2018-2019 BUDGET

INCOME		Budget	Actual	Difference
Per Capita				
\$15.00/Per Member + Gen Gr @\$2.50 = \$17.50	477	\$ 8,347.50	\$ 7,532.50	\$ (815.00)
Life Member Per Capita	222	\$ 3,885.00	\$ 2,444.35	\$ (1,440.65)
Greetings Fees at \$15.00 each	32	\$ 480.00	\$ 585.00	\$ 105.00
Session Income		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous Income		\$ 300.00	\$ 1,490.58	\$ 1,190.58
	SUB TOTAL	\$ 13,012.50	\$ 12,052.43	\$ (960.07)
Investment Income				
Life Membership Enrollments	Pass Through		\$ 2,460.00	\$ 2,460.00
Life Membership Contribution		\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ (1,500.00)
	TOTAL INCOME	\$ 14,512.50	\$ 14,512.43	\$ (0.07)
EXPENSES				
GRAND OFFICERS EXPENSES				
Illustrious Grand Master		\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
Deputy Grand Master		\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ -
Grand Principal Conductor of the Work		\$ 550.00		\$ (550.00)
Grand Treasurer/Grand Recorder		\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
Triennial Fund		\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ -
Grand Masters Apron		\$ 375.00	\$ 373.95	\$ (1.05)
	SUB TOTAL	\$ 5,125.00	\$ 4,573.95	\$ (551.05)
Rent/ Shared with Grand Ram		\$ 750.00	\$ 764.40	\$ 14.40
Internet/Web Site/ Shared		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Supplies		\$ 500.00	\$ 129.52	\$ (370.48)
Postage		\$ 150.00	\$ 16.77	\$ (133.23)
Proceedings		\$ 100.00	\$ 1,048.50	\$ 948.50
Computer, Printer, and Software		\$ 800.00	\$ 213.85	\$ (586.15)
150th Expenses		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
General Meeting Expense		\$ 600.00	\$ 71.84	\$ (528.16)
Grand Session Expense		\$ 1,200.00	\$ 311.60	\$ (888.40)
York Rite Display Expense		\$ 230.00	\$ -	\$ (230.00)
Printing		\$ 300.00	\$ 24.73	\$ (275.27)
	SUB TOTAL	\$ 5,730.00	\$ 3,681.21	\$ (2,048.79)
General Grand Council per-capita	699-34LM to GGCCMI	\$ 1,107.50	\$ 1,640.00	\$ 532.50
Life Membership Distribution	This may change as of interest growth or loss	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ (1,500.00)
Bond		\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Insurance		\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ (400.00)
Awards	Jobies - Demolay - Youth Award	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ -
General Grand Council Life Membership	Pass Through	\$ -	\$ 2,460.00	\$ 2,460.00
	SUB TOTAL	\$ 3,657.50	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 1,092.50
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 14,512.50	\$ 13,005.16	\$ (1,507.34)
	TOTAL INCOME MINUS EXPENSES	\$ -	\$ 1,507.27	\$ 1,507.27

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

BALANCE SHEET

As of June 8, 2019

TOTAL ASSETS

Current Assets

Bank Accounts

1000 Checking	5,242.84
1001 Checking - WF Triennial Fund	450.00
1002 Checking - WF 150th Anniversary Fund	2,800.00

Total 1000 Checking 8,492.84

Total Bank Accounts \$8,492.84

Total Current Assets \$8,492.84

TOTAL ASSETS \$8,492.84

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Total Liabilities

Equity

Opening Balance Equity	6,384.30
Retained Earnings	-808.73
Net Income	2,917.27

Total Equity \$8,492.84

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY \$8,492.84

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

PROFIT AND LOSS

July 1, 2018 - June 8, 2019

TOTAL Income

4000 Per Capita dues	9,976.85
4002 Life membership enrollments	2,460.00
4010 Greeting fees	585.00
4011 Miscellaneous income	194.81
4013 Ritual Books	740.00
4014 MIPGM Jewels	280.00
Sales	200.27
Unapplied Cash Payment Income	0.00
Uncategorized Income	75.50

Total Income \$14,512.43

GROSS PROFIT \$14,512.43

Expenses

5001 Illustrious Grand Master	1,500.00
5002 Deputy Grand Master	821.84
5004 Grand Treasurer / Grand Recorder	1,500.00
5021 Grand Masters Apron	373.95
5022 MIPGM Jewel Expense	538.50
6000 Rent/Shared Expenses with Grand RAM	764.40
6001 Supplies	129.52
6002 Postage	16.77
6004 Computer, printer, and Software	353.85
6012 Grand Session expenses	311.60
6014 Printing	24.73
6015 Ritual Books Expense	510.00
7000 General Grand Council Per Capita	1,640.00
7002 Bond	200.00
7010 New Life Memberships	2,460.00
7030 Charitable Contributions	450.00

Total Expenses \$11,595.16

NET OPERATING INCOME \$2,917.27

NET INCOME \$2,917.27

Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

2019-2020 BUDGET

INCOME

		Budget		Actual		Difference
Per Capita						
\$15.00/Per Member + Gen Gr @\$2.50 = \$17.50	431	\$ 7,542.50	\$	-	\$	(7,542.50)
Life Member Per Capita	228	\$ 3,990.00	\$	-	\$	(3,990.00)
Greetings Fees at \$15.00 each	41	\$ 615.00	\$	-	\$	(615.00)
Session Income		\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
Miscellaneous Income		\$ 950.00	\$	-	\$	(950.00)
SUB TOTAL		\$ 13,097.50	\$	-	\$	(13,097.50)
Investment Income						
Life Membership Enrollments	Pass Through		\$	-	\$	-
Life Membership Contribution		\$ 1,500.00	\$	-	\$	(1,500.00)
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 14,597.50	\$	-	\$	(14,597.50)

EXPENSES

GRAND OFFICERS EXPENSES

Illustrious Grand Master		\$ 1,500.00	\$	-	\$	(1,500.00)
Deputy Grand Master		\$ 750.00	\$	-	\$	(750.00)
Grand Principal Conductor of the Work		\$ 550.00	\$	-	\$	(550.00)
Grand Treasurer/Grand Recorder		\$ 1,500.00	\$	-	\$	(1,500.00)
Grand Arch Master		\$ 200.00	\$	-	\$	(200.00)
Triennial Fund		\$ 450.00	\$	-	\$	(450.00)
Grand Masters Apron and Jewel		\$ 550.00	\$	-	\$	(550.00)
SUB TOTAL		\$ 5,500.00	\$	-	\$	(5,500.00)

Rent/ Shared with Grand Ram

Internet/Web Site/ Shared		\$ 775.00	\$	-	\$	(775.00)
Supplies		\$ 100.00	\$	-	\$	(100.00)
Postage		\$ 500.00	\$	-	\$	(500.00)
Proceedings		\$ 150.00	\$	-	\$	(150.00)
Computer, Printer, and Software		\$ 100.00	\$	-	\$	(100.00)
150th Expenses		\$ 600.00	\$	-	\$	(600.00)
General Meeting Expense		\$ 1,000.00	\$	-	\$	(1,000.00)
Grand Session Expense		\$ 600.00	\$	-	\$	(600.00)
York Rite Display Expense		\$ 1,200.00	\$	-	\$	(1,200.00)
Printing		\$ 230.00	\$	-	\$	(230.00)
		\$ 300.00	\$	-	\$	(300.00)
SUB TOTAL		\$ 5,555.00	\$	-	\$	(5,555.00)

General Grand Council per-capita

Life Membership Distribution	699-34LM to GGCCMI	\$ 992.50	\$	-	\$	(992.50)
Bond	This may change as of interest growth or loss	\$ 1,500.00	\$	-	\$	(1,500.00)
Insurance		\$ 200.00	\$	-	\$	(200.00)
Awards	Jobies - Demolay - Youth Award	\$ 400.00	\$	-	\$	(400.00)
General Grand Council Life Membership	Pass Through	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
SUB TOTAL		\$ 3,542.50	\$	-	\$	(3,542.50)

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 14,597.50 \$ - \$ (14,597.50)

TOTAL INCOME MINUS EXPENSES \$ - \$ - \$ -

Grand Recorders Report

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, the Grand Officers and the members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

Another year has passed by, but not without some large projects worked on.

I want to give credit to the great Council Recorders, St Paul – Peter Laudert, Minneapolis – Joe Anderson, Ark – Steven Partridge, Tyrian – Zeb Dudek, Duluth – Alan Mackenzie, Austin – John Fair, Alpha – Stan Fetters, Omega – Carl Lidstrom, Zabud – Eric Erfourth, Northfield – Jerry Zierdt, Central – David Storedalen, together we have a gotten the Data Base as accurate as possible. Some of them are new, but hit the job running and are doing a great job. Thank you, Companion Recorders, for all your help and hard work this year.

Southgate Council has merged with Ark, Recorder Dustin Garduno was a big help getting the records cleaned up with Steve Partridge at Ark.

The job of Recorder involves more than just taking minutes and reports, it is tracking all the members. The Recorder does a lot of work behind the scenes to make your Council work, anything that you can do to help your Recorder is greatly appreciated by them and myself.

The York Rite Office is getting closer to being usable, the conference area is now in use by all three Grand bodies. Files are being cleaned up. Storage area is almost done.

We have a good space at the Masonic Home, and I am looking forward to it being utilized to the fullest, in the next year.

Marvin W. Schendel
Grand Treasurer / Recorder

A motion was made to accept the 2019 – 2020 budget be approved, motion was seconded and the motion passed

Report of the Trustees

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

It has been with great pleasure to serve our officers and members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota as your Trustees. 2018 – 2019 completes a 6-year service to the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. We sincerely hope that your Grand Council Officers and membership of the respective Councils of Cryptic Masons in Minnesota have found value in the work that your Trustees have done for you since we began in 2012.

The Trustees communicated throughout the year serving the needs of Grand Officers, attending Grand Officers' meetings, Cryptic Rite Medical Research Fund, our Councils of Cryptic Masons in Minnesota, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons finances and investments. There were various topics of advisory were discussed.

On the investment side of your Grand Council:

January 1, 2018 Investment Fund Value: \$71,498.11 includes Life Membership Fund

June 30, 2018 Investment Fund Value: \$67,724.71 includes Life Membership Fund

December 31, 2018 Investment Fund Value: \$67,576.80 includes Life Membership Fund

April 30, 2019 Investment Fund Value: \$70,428.33 includes Life Membership Fund

January 1, 2018 Life Membership Fund Value: \$53,909.57

June 30, 2018 Life Membership Fund Value: \$56,920.72

December 31, 2018 Life Membership Fund Value: \$54,439.98

April 30, 2019 Life Membership Fund Value: \$56,976.52

One Life Membership added on January 6, 2018 from St. Paul Council No. 1 and one member is in process of acquiring a Life Membership. Both of these amounts are included in the above amount for Life Membership, April 30, 2018. Payment received for a second installment for a Life Membership on November 24, 2018. .

Our rate of return for our investments in 2018 is 4.49% resulting in \$2,444.35 distribution to our subordinate Councils for their Life Membership. Your Life Membership distribution based upon the December 31, 2017 value of your Life Membership fund of \$54,439.98. $\$54,439.98 \times 4.49\% = \$2,444.3555102$ or \$2,444.35 for distribution.

Every month for the past 7 years your Grand Illustrious Master, Grand Recorder, and Trustees receive an investment report compared to the previous month. This report shows total investment, investment instruments, amount in each instrument, percent of total instrument, rate of return on each instrument, and the same for your Life Membership. The one item I stressed 7 years ago was open communication with our investments. The financial stability and accountability are important to all organizations including your Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Miles, PMIGM Hugh C. Swift, PMIGM Charles R. Marston, PMIGM

Finance Committee Report

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, the Grand Officers and the members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

June 2019

The financial condition for the 2018-2019 year was favorable. At the drafting of this report the total income was on target and expenses were controlled allowing for a small positive balance. There will be a few additional expenses, but the net result should still be favorable for the year.

Next year's budget will reflect very little change and the plan is to once again present a balanced budget.

Carl F. Lidstrom, Grand Deputy Illustrious Master
L. Greg Schultz, Grand Principal Conductor of the Council
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

Jurisprudence Committee Report

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

It has been with great pleasure to serve our officers and members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota in our role as members of the Jurisprudence Committee.

Your Jurisprudence Committee did not receive any Resolutions this past year for review, The Jurisprudence Committee responded to a question from St. Paul Council No. 1 regards to the By-Laws.

Regarding Resolutions, your Jurisprudence committee only reviews to ensure that the resolution is submitted in proper format. We are not concerned with the topic or subject matter of the Resolution itself. Resolutions are one of the reasons your Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota holds its annual meeting.

Jurisprudence Committee has had no further business presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Miles, PMIGM

Charles Marston, PMIGM

Gary A. Odegard, PMIGM

Motion to accept the report was made, seconded and passed

Most Illustrious Grand Master Terry then declared a 15 minute break, he stated that the ballot box would remain open until the end of the break, and asked the Grand Conductor of the Council to attend at the Altar,

At 2:55PM the Grand Council was declared reopened, the Grand Conductor of the Council attended to the Altar.

Illustrious Grand Master Terry, asked if all who intended to vote had voted hearing no response he declared the ballot box closed and ordered the Tellers to take charge of the ballot box.

MIGM Terry then called for the Grand Recorder's business report.

Living Past Illustrious Masters

St. Paul Council No. 1

George W Carlson, Timothy R. Dixon, R. Sean Gardiner, Edimand C Gilbertson, MIPGM, Walter A Jergenson, Todd R Jovonovich, Russell B Lane, Monte M Miller, Ed L Morse, Kay E Moss, Jack P Roberts, Gerald Schlaepfi, Barnes A Sharitt, Jr., MIPGM, Daniel C Skoog, John A Stitely, Dean N Strand, Michael P Sullivan, Michael S Swisher, Harland L Thomesen, James E Turner, Jr., MIPGM.

Minneapolis Council No. 2

Joseph J Anderson, Robert R Anderson, Jr., James H Appenzeller, Harlan E Brand, James O Burlingame, Sr., MIPGM, W. David Emery, Raymond S Frandsen, Kenneth P Hill, John H Jones, MIPGM, Lawrence E Leeder, Scott Livingston, R James Luchsinger, Ronald A Miles, MIPGM, Jerry B Oliver, Terrence L Rybarczyk, Marvin W. Schendel, MIPGM, Vernon J Schwalbe, John B Studell, Christopher A Wendover.

Ark Council No. 3

Richard "Dick" Heide, Jim Holton, Ron Jensen, James S McNeely, IV, L. Greg Schultz, Hugh C Swift, Jr., MIPGM, Rick Wallace.

Tyrian Council No. 4

Zeb J Dudek, William T Hubbard, Jerry R Korstad, MIPGM, David F McCormick, II, Allan R Shufelt, Philip G Soderberg.

Duluth Council No. 6

Kevin Acker, Alan G Adams, David S Bouschor, MIPGM, David W Dahlgren, Donald W DeMars, James F Edgar, Sr., Albert E Farmer, Roger D Johnson, Kevin V Jones, MIPGM, Lauren R Lampi, Rual L Lee, Alan Mackenzie, Brian McVean, Roger A Morris, Wayne H Petersen, David A Schilling, Adam Stevenson.

Austin Council No. 7

Larry Amdahl, James Fischer, MIPGM, Ronald Guthrie, MPIGGMH, Lawrence Hanson, Jerry R Korstad, MIPGM, Anthony Lecakis, David Madison, Ross Mickelsen, Forrest Miller, Otto Volkert, John Worlein.

Alpha Council No. 8

Earle Bombardier, Rudolf Denke, Jr., Michael Denke, MIPGM, David Dumonceaux, Stan Feters, Kenneth Friese, Robert Friesen, Harlan Heidecker, MIPGM, Arlyn Hustad, Earl Ihnen, Harlan Johnson, Allen Monroe, Stanley Morrill, MIPGM, Roger Salonen, Loren Schroeder, MIPGM, Rev. Ryan Stout, Jourdon Sullivan, William Watkins.

Omega Council No. 9

Russell Amling, MIPGM, Lloyd E Hanson, Carl F Lidstrom, Charles A Munson, Michael C Powles, Hugh C Swift, Jr., MIPGM.

Zabud Council No. 10

Kenneth Carroll, Brian K Dimatteo, W David Emery, Keith A Kennedy, Anton L Mogensen, Sean Novack.

Northfield Council No. 12

Mark A Anderson, Douglas A Beach, Steven Bernhardt, Bruce V Brendal, Kenneth W Carroll, Joe R Gonzalez, George A James, Jr., Nicholas Johnson, Richard C Kachman, Charles R Knapper, David A Kvestad, Carl F Lidstrom, James S McNeely, IV, Charles A Munson, Gary A Odegard, MIPGM, Dexter C Pehle, Randall L Poulson, L Greg Schultz, Raymond C Sporre, Hugh C Swift, Jr., MIPGM, Gerald E Zierdt, Clinton Christensen.

Central Council No. 14

Russell K Amling, MIPGM, Clifford H Isley, MIPGM, Matthew Lauters, Charles R Marston, MIPGM, Jens C Mikkelsen, Hugh C Swift, Jr., MIPGM, Michael A Vukson, MIPGM.

Red Rock Council No. 16

Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters

James O. Burlingame, Sr.	1970 – 1971
John Hallberg Jones	1976 – 1977
David S.G. Bouschor	1981 – 1982
Russell K. Amling	1985 – 1986
Stanley D. Morrill	1988 – 1989
Michael A. Vukson	1991 – 1992
Hugh C. Swift, Jr.	1993 – 1994
Jerry R. Korstad	1998 – 1999
Charles R. Marston	2000 – 2001
Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	2003 – 2004
Kevin V. Jones	2004 – 2005
Edimand C. Gilbertson	2005 – 2006
James A. Fischer	2006 – 2007
Loren R. Schroeder	2008 – 2009
Ronald A. Miles	2009 – 2010
Harlan H. Heidecker	2010 – 2011
Gary A. Odegard	2012 – 2013
James E. Turner, Jr.	2013 – 2014
Michael Denke	2014 – 2015
Marvin W. Schendel	2015 – 2016 - - 2016 - 2017
Clifford H. Isley	2017 – 2018

Passing's Report 2018

St. Paul No. 1: Alan F. Kauppi, Warren E. White

Minneapolis No. 2: Alvin G. Olson, Darald L. Peart, Kevin E. Erikson, Lyle G. Broten, Dennis B. Wingrove, MIPGM

Ark No. 3: William C. Knupke, Dean Hartle, Mark S. Jones

Tyrian No. 4:

Duluth No. 6: James H. Tuomala

Austin No. 7:

Alpha No. 8:

Omega No. 9:

Zabud No. 10:

Northfield No. 12:

Central No. 14: Douglas A. Nygard, MIPGM, Robert P. Schmitt, Carlos H. Contag, Clair W. McRostie

Red Rock No. 16:

2018 MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

	1/1/2018	Greetings	Restored	Joined	2018 Gains	Demit	NPD	Death	2018 Losses	Net	Total Members	%	Living LM
St Paul 1	107	2	1	0	3	0	3	4	7	-4	103	0.962617	19
Minneapolis 2	142	2	0	0	2	2	7	6	15	-13	129	0.908451	31
Ark 3	69	1	0	0	1	2	12	3	17	-16	53	0.768116	19
Tyrian 4	27	6	0	2	8	0	0	2	2	6	33	1.222222	11
Duluth 6	74	4	0	0	4	1	0	3	4	0	74	1	20
Austin 7	17	2	0	0	2	0	1	1	2	0	17	1	9
Alpha 8	49	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	54	1.102041	18
Omega 9	20	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	21	1.05	21
Zabud 10	56	3	0	1	4	3	8	2	13	-9	47	0.839286	19
Northfield 12	65	6	1	1	8	4	2	2	8	0	65	1	20
Central 14	49	6	0	0	6	2	1	5	8	-2	47	0.959184	26
Red Rock 16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	1	15
Totals	691	38	2	4	44	14	34	28	76	-32	659		228

* Corrected number from previous years

Small Council = 49 or less members Large Council = 50 or more members

Small Council most new % Companions Greeted - Tyrian Council No. 4

Large Council most new % Companions Greeted -Northfield Council No. 12

Awards Committee Report

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, Companions of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

The Minnesota Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters has received applications for the degree and membership for the following:

If you have been elected and served as the Illustrious Master of your Council and have not received the TIM degree make sure to stop by and fill out an Application. You will enjoy time spent.

Six Councils will have candidates for TIM

St. Paul – Todd B. Leek, Minneapolis – David N. Kampf, Tyrian – Joe Whealdon and Zeb J. Dudek, Zabud – Frank Namestek, Northfield – Jerry Zierdt and Kayihan Seran. Alpha – David Dumonceaux.

Five Councils have nominated candidates for the ISH-SODI Award of Merit.

Duluth – Rual L. Lee, Minneapolis – Christopher A. Wendover, St. Paul – Kay E. Moss, Zabud – Eric Erfourth, Tyrian – Zeb J. Dudek

Honorary Membership to Illustrious Companion

If you have a companion in your Council that you believe has contributed above and beyond, and has shown he is deserving of the Award, make a recommendation to your Dais Officers.

The General Grand Council award, Cryptic Mason of the Year, will be announced and presented at the Banquet.

The recipients of the Adult Youth Leadership Award, along with the Minnesota Youth Award, will be awarded at the Thursday evening dinner, and will be announced at the Grand Assembly.

The recipient of the Cryptic Mason of the Year Award for 2019 is:

Zeb Dudek
320 River Street
Chatfield, MN 55923-1346

The recipient of the Adult Leadership Award is:

Todd Mayer
15454 Yellow Pine Street NW
Andover, MN 55304-2613
(612) 790-0321 jeditodd@comcast.net

The recipient of the Minnesota Youth Award is:

Trevor Faundeen
2113 15th Ave SE
Saint Cloud, MN 56304

Ish-Sodi

Rual L. Lee
Christopher A. Wendover
Kay E. Moss
Eric Erfourth
Zeb J. Dudek

Thrice Illustrious Master

David N. Kampf	Jerry Zierdt
Todd B. Leek	Kayihan Seran
Joe Whealdon	Frank J. Namestek
Zeb Dudek	David Dumonceaux

Motion to accept this report was made seconded and passed

Most Illustrious Grand Master Terry then asked the Presiding Officers of the Appendant Masonic Bodies to rise and be recognized.

Minnesota Grand Lodge Officers

Worshipful Masters

Scottish Rite Officers

Eminent Prior – MN Priory #24, Knights of the York Cross of Honor

Thrice Illustrious Master – MN Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters

Thrice Illustrious Master – MN Council of Ish-Sodi

Preceptors – Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests

Sovereigns – Red Cross of Constantine

Chief Adept – S.R.I.C.F.

Grand Governor – Sovereign York Rite College of N. A.

He then asked that the members of the following bodies stand and be recognized

ALLIED MASONIC DEGREES

KNIGHT MASONS

MASONIC ORDER OF ATHELSTAN

UNIVERSAL CRAFTSMEN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERS

YORK RITE SOVEREIGN COLLEGE

ORDER OF PURPLE CROSS

KNIGHT YORK CROSS OF HONOR

RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE

ROYAL ORDER OF SCOTLAND

SOCIETATIS ROSICRUCIANA

YEOMEN OF YORK

THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS

ISH – SODI RECIPIENTS

CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR RECIPIENTS

YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

MIGM Terry then called on the delegation from South Dakota to make a report, they stated that their Grand Session would be held in Sioux Falls on September 19 to 21 and encouraged all to attend.

AJ Johnson said that the North Central Conference would be held in Sioux Falls also and it would be on October 25 and 26th and invited all to attend.

A motion was made by the Grand Recorder that the Visiting Companions who are not already Honorary Members, be made Honorary Members of this Grand Council, with all the rights and privileges accorded to all of our Honorary Members. Motion was seconded and passed.

MIGM Terry asked the following to come forward and receive their Honorary Memberships

IC Nigel Osborn,

RICs Bruce A. Crisman, Cliff C. Hartmier, Leroy Kiefer, Stan Schwellenbach

MICs George E. Bauder, Leland L Burlison, Herbert E. Cook, Jon Gonsor, Richard A. McBride, Gary G. Wyne.

RPCs Anthony T.”AJ” Johnson, and William G. Snyder

Certificates were awarded and they all received a round of applause.

MIGM Terry then called for the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation report.

IC Douglas A. Beach Chairman, MIC James E. Turner, Jr. and MIC Gary G. Wyne, PMIGM on Indiana, CMMRF Executive Secretary of the CMMRF came forward to give a talk on what is being done to help all of us.

He spoke on the several common ailments that effect all of us that are being worked on at CMMRF.

After his short talk Our Most Illustrious Grand Master asked to have “THE” hat passed, which was done. The Collection totaled seven hundred dollars, two Companions, MIC Hugh C. Swift and Companion Steve Partridge each donated \$100.00.

St Paul Council No. 1 was presented an Extender Bar to go on their plaque for raising an additional \$1,000.00 in donations

CMMRF Report

**To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic
Masons of Minnesota.**

Companions, The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation is currently involved in cutting edge research on Stroke, COPD, Heart Failure, Juvenile Diabetes, and Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms. These conditions affect the lives of millions of Americans each year. Your donations are a huge part of making this research happen. Thank you for your continuing support of the CMMRF. In my report I have included the Minnesota donation totals for period 6-1-2018 to 5-31-2019, the 2018 Foundation report, and an updated history of the CMMRF. It has truly been an honor to serve on this committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Douglas Beach
Grand Conductor of the Council

ST. PAUL 001	AUSTIN 007
06/18/2018 LAUDERT, PETER 5.00	04/05/2019 007 AUSTIN COUNCIL \$4.11+/MEMBER 70.00
07/17/2018 LAUDERT, PETER 5.00	TOTAL AUSTIN 007 70.00
08/20/2018 LAUDERT, PETER 5.00	
12/19/2018 SCOTT, BRUCE GOLD 300.00	OMEGA 009
12/27/2018 BJORKLUND, DREW C. BWS 100.00	08/13/2018 LIDSTROM, CARL F. PLAQUE 250.00
02/26/2019 THIEM, ERIC J. 2019 BAR 450.00	12/03/2018 009 OMEGA COUNCIL \$9/MEMBER 189.00
TOTAL ST. PAUL 001 865.00	TOTAL OMEGA 009 439.00
MINNEAPOLIS 002	ZABUD 010
04/15/2019 JONES, JOHN H. GOLD 500.00	02/07/2019 FELDERMAN, JR. MARVIN E. 125.00
05/24/2019 GARDINER, ROBERTO 19.42	TOTAL ZABUD 010 125.00
TOTAL MINNEAPOLIS 002 519.42	
	MN GRAND COUNCIL
TYRIAN 004	07/05/2018 MN. GRAND COUNCIL 620.00
07/05/2018 004 TYRIAN COUNCIL 20.00	TOTAL MN GRAND COUNCIL 620.00
TOTAL TYRIAN 004 20.00	
DULUTH 006	
06/28/2018 MACKENZIE, ALAN SWS 200.00	
02/14/2019 MACKENZIE, ALAN GOLD 200.00	
TOTAL DULUTH 006 400.00	
STATE TOTALS FOR MN 6-1-2018 – 5-31-2019	TOTAL 3,058.42

HISTORY OF THE CRYPTIC MASONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC.

The Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation, (CMMRF), was incorporated in the state of Oklahoma, March 6, 1986. The driving force behind this new corporation was Most Puissant General Grand Master Ben Mandlebaum, of the General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International. Companion Joe Lewis, Attorney at Law, was instrumental in quickly getting the Foundation a tax-exempt status. CMMRF also had a tax attorney, James A. Hogue, PMIGM in Oklahoma. These men generously donated their time to the initial start-up of the Foundation. Earlier, at the meeting of the "General Grand Council Benevolent Foundation, Inc. held on November 11, 1985, Marion Keith Crum, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council, Cryptic Masons of Indiana, was elected Executive Secretary of the Foundation. Most Illustrious Companion Crum continued to faithfully serve in this position until his retirement in October 2012, a period of almost twenty-seven years.

CMMRF funds research at Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis, Indiana. Initial research focused on the cause(s) and eventually a cure for atherosclerosis and its complications. In later years, the research has implemented adult stem cell therapies to address a variety of mature health issues but not necessarily restricted to the adult population. This research was previously funded by an Indiana corporation, which ceased to do business upon the death of Dr. Owen L. Shanteau, October 17, 1985. While CMMRF is not a part of that preceding organization and the General Grand Council was not its governing body, CMMRF is continuing the good work that it started. Dr. Shanteau met with Dr. Nils Bang at the Indiana University Medical Center in 1978 and discussed this new venture. Dr. Shanteau was able to give a grant of \$12,000.00 a year to this project, which was being done on a part time basis. The former Foundation gave the Medical Center grants totaling \$96,000.00.

Dr. Nils Bang, one of the founding researchers connected with the program, suggested that the most efficient way of investing the money donated by The Cryptic Masons International was to invest it in the salaries of young, talented investigators. Many of these investigators had papers summarizing their work accepted for presentation at the prestigious national conference of the American Federation for Clinical Research. (In order to have papers accepted, the subject matter must have been about new findings, not previously published.) All of these Doctors have moved on to more substantial positions and are no longer at Indiana University. CMMRF assumes they are still using their experience in the various fields of research.

At the February 1996 Board of Trustees meeting in Washington D.C. The Board agreed to fund a Chair at the Indiana University Medical Center at the cost of one million dollars. CMMRF contributed two hundred thousand dollars a year for five years to endow the chair. The final payment was made in December of 2000. The University offered as an incentive to guarantee a five per cent income on the endowment plus matching it with a five percent payout from the endowment.

Sometime in 2001-2002 the CMMRF-sponsored laboratory became the Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine, (ICVBM). After a 3-year search for the best person to fill this newly created Chair, Dr. Keith March was selected. The creation of an endowed chair and this new Center attracted more than \$2,000,000 from non-Masonic sources. Dr. March served in this position until his resignation September 30, 2017. After an in-depth search, Dr. Jay Hess, Dean of the Indiana University School of Medicine, announced on July 17, 2018, that Dr. Michael P. Murphy had been selected as the next holder of the Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation Chair.

In 2007, a non-Masonic benefactor challenged CMMRF to match his \$50,000.00 donation to the Indiana Center of Vascular Biology and Medicine. By meeting his challenge, CMMRF contributed \$300,000.00 to ICVBM in 2007. In 2008 a Cryptic Mason donated \$20,000.00 which CMMRF matched and it enabled CMMRF to give \$240,000.00 to the Center for research. Today, upon requests, CMMRF will match \$5,000 donations, up to \$25,000.

Contributions are urgently needed. Most CMMRF donations are voluntary. Only three known jurisdictions have included CMMRF in their per capita dues. This is a decision that must be made by each Grand Council and not the General Grand Council. (CMMRF recommends that each jurisdiction consider this a worthy cause to be added to its per capita dues.) This is one reason a life sponsor program is not attractive to our members, we cannot offer them a savings for being a life sponsor. Contributions to CMMRF are tax deductible and that does have some appeal. CMMRF encourages all individuals as well as Cryptic Masons and their families to consider remembering CMMRF in their estate planning.

From time to time CMMRF publishes and makes available upon request, updated brochures, flyers, and supplementary information. Currently, research videos are downloadable from our web site, www.cmmrf.org.

In recognition of donations to CMMRF, there are six lapel pins presented to contributors for donations totaling \$50.00, \$100.00, \$150.00, \$300.00, \$500.00 and \$750.00. A plaque is presented to the Council or individual for a \$1,000.00 donation. An individual receives a gold filled 9 Arch Pin with a diamond chip for each additional \$1,000.00. After the first \$1,000.00 a Council is presented with an extender bar for its plaque for each additional \$1,000.00. These donations may be a one-time gift or an accumulation over the years since 1986.

The Board of Trustees meets at least once a year. The General Grand Master serves as the President during his triennial. The current President is David A. Grindle,, MPGGM. The Executive Secretary is Gary G. Wyne, (PMIGM, Indiana), P.O. Box 1489 Nashville, IN 47448.

Each year CMMRF has continued to grow in financial assets. Expenses are paid from investment income. As of December 31, 2018, CMMRF has received \$5,937,253.39 in contributions. CMMRF has more than \$3,788,565.90 in financial assets. CMMRF has given the Indiana University School of Medicine in excess of \$4,589,464.86. Prior to restructuring the foundation in 1986, the former foundation had given \$96,000.00 to the Medical Center for research. Cryptic Masons have given more than \$4,685,464.86 in grants from 1978 to the present time. Income from investments helps to fund these grants.

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of the Foundation. CMMRF could not achieve its goals without your help.



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TOP TEN (10) STATES IN CONTRIBUTIONS

1) Florida	\$52,566.35	Dayle Schrock, Chairman
2) Indiana	\$20,236.75	James Catania, Chairman
3) Oregon	\$15,425.70	Loren Schrock, Chairman
4) Kentucky	\$15,098.80	Douglas Bunch, Chairman
5) California	\$12,824.35	Frederick Potter, Chairman
6) Montana	\$11,000.02	Terrence Nau, Chairman
7) Colorado	\$ 9,648.50	Robert Gregory, Chairman
8) Tennessee	\$ 8,121.56	Paul Richards, Chairman
9) Arkansas	\$ 8,030.50	Dr. Joe Rouse, Chairman
10) Missouri	\$ 7,982.08	William Bowser, Chairman

GOLD PINS WITH A DIAMOND REPRESENTING EACH \$1,000.00 IN DONATIONS WERE EARNED BY:

Glenn Chandler	Florida	15 diamonds	Dr. Joe Rouse	Arkansas	4 diamonds
Carl Gilmore	Florida	15 diamonds	Carson Smith	Indiana	4 diamonds
Michael Stoner	Indiana	15 diamonds	Robert St. John	Florida	4 diamonds
John Pickford	Florida	13 diamonds	James Bard	Georgia	3 diamonds
Alfred Mueller, Jr.	Florida	12 diamonds	Charles Cooper	Kentucky	3 diamonds
Gavin Reid	Oregon	11 diamonds	Sean Jones	Indiana	3 diamonds
Gary Wyne	Indiana	11 diamonds	David Miller	Indiana	3 diamonds
S. Wayne Elder	Tennessee	10 diamonds	Wm Joe Ryland	California	3 diamonds

William Imel	Indiana	10 diamonds	Roy Thompson	Florida	3 diamonds
Charles Hollinger	Florida	9 diamonds	Peter Champion	California	2 diamonds
William P. Wilson	Arkansas	9 diamonds	Eric Cole	Florida	2 diamonds
Loren Schrock	Oregon	7 diamonds	Frederick Bailey, Jr.	Arkansas	2 diamonds
Paul W. Friend	Florida	6 diamonds	Jack Maulden	Florida	2 diamonds
Lloyd Newman	Florida	6 diamonds	Lee Whelan	California	2 diamonds
Thomas Olsen	Florida	6 diamonds	Edward Freeman	Kansas	2 diamonds
John Ridenour	Oregon	6 diamonds	Christopher Wright	Indiana	2 diamonds
Robert Gregory	Colorado	5 diamonds	William Price	California	2 diamonds
Albert Piatt	Tennessee	4 diamonds	John Rafine	Maryland	2 diamonds
			Karen Schmidt	Arkansas	2 diamonds

THE FOLLOWING PINS WERE AWARDED:

Bronze	(\$ 50.00 - \$ 99.99)	61
Bronze with Topaz	(\$100.00 - \$149.99)	53
Silver	(\$150.00 - \$299.99)	45
Silver with Topaz	(\$300.00 - \$499.99)	26
Gold	(\$500.00 - \$749.99)	18
Gold with Topaz	(\$750.00 - \$999.99)	11

PLAQUES WERE AWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

388	David Ulrich	IN	396	John Gray	FL
389	Eric Cole	FL	397	Gary Bridgwater	IN
390	Tuoc Pham	CA	398	Greg Hubler Chevrolet	IN
391	Otis Geiger	FL	399	Emil Habeeb	NJ
392	Eric Thiem	WI	400	Edwin Board	IN
393	Stephen Karr	FL	401	David R. Johnson	FL
394	Peter Champion	CA	402	Sheldon Arpad	FL
395	Carl Lidstrom	MN	403	Thomas Rawsthorne	FL

PLAQUES WERE EARNED BY THE FOLLOWING COUNCILS AND ORGANIZATIONS:

Arkansas	Washington Lodge No. 2	Hawaii	Harmony Chapter No. 4, OES
	Jack L. Sharp Council No. 91	Kentucky	Frankfort Council No. 5
	M W Carson Scott Council No. 385	Oregon	Hiram Council No. 7
California	Pacific Council No. 37		Multnomah Council No. 11
Georgia	N T Pirkle Council No. 65	Wyoming	Evanston Council No. 10
	NE Council Convention		

EXTENDER BARS FOR SUBSEQUENT DONATIONS OF \$1,000.00 WERE AWARDED TO:

Alaska	Anchorage Council No. 1	Arkansas	English Council No. 14	
Alabama	Vulcan Council No. 22		Gideon Council No. 65	
	Brundidge Council No. 69		Bentonville Council No. 79	
Arkansas	Osiris Council No. 5	Arizona	North Central Council No. 82	
California	California Council No. 2		Phoenix Council No. 4	
	Omega Council No. 11	Kansas	Navajo Council No. 7 – 2 bars	
	Orange County Council No. 14	Kentucky	Wichita Council No. 12	
	Ventura Council No. 15		Jeffries Council No. 33	
	Shekinah Council No. 35		Morehead Council No. 45	
	San Luis Obispo Council No. 38 – 3 bars		Richmond Council No. 71	
	Redwood Empire Council No. 46		Cumberland Council No. 77 – 3 bars	
	Riverside Council No. 59 – 2 bars	Maryland	Russellville Council No. 102	
Colorado	Denver Council No. 1 – 3 bars		Bullitt Council No. 114	
	Durango Council No. 3 – 2 bars	Minnesota	Hiram Council No. 5 – 2 bars	
	Pueblo Council No. 6		Adoniram Council No. 21	
	Tyrian Council No. 11	Mississippi	St. Paul Council No. 1	
County Council No. 21	Missouri	Liberty	Zabud Council No. 10	
Florida	St. Joseph Council No. 9			Larimer
	Halifax Council No. 1		Centralia Council No. 34	
	Hallmark Council No 3 – 18 bars		Independence Council No. 49	
	Union Council No. 7 – 2 bars		Lebanon Council No. 56	
	Tampa Council No. 8	Nebraska	Hastings Council No. 8 – 2 bars	
	Bradentown Council No. 9		Occonoxee Council No. 16	
	Adoniram Council No. 10 – 5 bars	Nevada	Hiram Council No. 5	
	St. Auustine Council No. 15		Grand Chapter OES	
	Fort Myers Council No. 25	New Hampshire	Orient Council No. 14	
	Gulf Council No. 29	North Carolina	Munson Council No. 4	
	Seminole Council No. 30		Enoch Council No. 5	
	Crestview Council No. 33 – 2 bars		High Point Council No. 23	
	Clearwater Council No. 34 – 2 bars		Solomon of the Silver Trowel Council No. 24	
	Tyrian Council No. 36 – 6 bars	Oregon	Hodson Council No. 1	
	Melbourne Council No. 38 – 4 bars		Union Council No. 5	
Georgia	Zabud Council No. 64		Adoniram Council No. 9 – 3 bars	
	Marietta Council No. 74 – 2 bars		Multnomah Council No. 11	
	Winder Council No. 77		Columbia Council No. 19 – 2 bars	
Hawaii	Lei Aloha Chapter No. 3, OES		Centennial Council No. 24 – 4 bars	
Idaho	Jeremiah Council No. 9	South Carolina	Hiram Council No. 38	
Indiana	Indiana Council No. 1	Tennessee	Nashville Council No. 1 – 2bars	
	Indianapolis Council No. 2		Morristown Chapter No. 79	
	Fort Wayne Council No. 4		Mt. Moriah Council No. 95	Terre
	Haute Council No. 8	Dickson	Council No. 107	
	Angola Council No. 27		Kingsport Council No. 117	
	Frankfort Council No. 46	Washington	Bellingham Council No. 16	
	Dekalb Council No. 57		Zadock Council No. 23	
	Valparaiso Council No. 86 – 2 bars		Everett Assembly No. 24, SOOB	
	Bloomington Council No. 87 – 3 bars	Wisconsin	Tri-County Council No. 16	
	Greenfield Council No. 94b – 2 bars	Wyoming	Wyoming Council No. 1	
	Homer McDaniel Council No. 108		Lander Council No. 4	
	Forrest A. Wakeman Council No. 110 – 2 bars			
	Corydon Council No. 112			
	Hamilton Council No. 114			

ONE HUNDRED PERCENT CERTIFICATES WERE AWARDED TO:

\$9.00 - \$10.00 per member	Lebanon Council No. 56	Missouri
\$5.00 - \$6.00 per member	Omega Council No. 9	Minnesota
	Tuscaloosa Council No. 4	Alabama
	Noblesville Council No. 89	Indiana
	F A Wakeman Council No. 110	Indiana
	Adoniram Council No. 9	Oregon
	Baker Council No. 16	Oregon
	Columbia Council No. 19	Oregon
\$4.00 - \$4.99 per member	Brundidge Council No. 69	Alabama
	Ark Council No. 3	Minnesota
\$3.00 - \$3.99 per member	Mobile Council No. 12	Alabama
	Phenix City Council No. 82	Alabama

	Harrison Council No. 106	Kentucky
	Austin Council No. 7	Minnesota
	Occidental Council No. 12	Oregon
	King Solomon Council No. 8	Wyoming
\$2.00 - \$2.99 per member	Sardis Council No. 53	Georgia
	Louisville Council No. 4	Kentucky
	Solomon of the Silver Trowel Council No. 24	North Carolina
	Hodson Council No. 1	Oregon
	Washington Council No. 3	Oregon
\$1.00+ - \$1.99 per member	Dickson Council No. 107	Tennessee
	Eureka Council No. 5	Alabama
	Gadsden Council No. 56	Alabama
	Florence Council No. 74	Alabama
	Decatur Council No. 81	Alabama
	Dothan Council No. 68	Alabama

At least 9 councils received certificates for \$1.00 per member

MEMORIAL DONATIONS: 95

HONORARIUM DONATIONS: 11

CMMRF INCOME

GRANTS TO INDIANA
UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Contributions	\$228,320.51	2018	\$ 206,000.00
CMMRF Gold Coins	\$ 240.00	Total-to-date	\$4,891,464.86
CMMRF Day	\$ 5,710.50		
Misc. Income	\$ 4,833.34		
TOTAL	\$239,104.35		

A motion was made seconded to approve all remaining pre-printed reports not yet presented and to publish them in the proceedings. Motion passed.

Report of the Deputy Grand Master

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

2018-2019 has been a busy year for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. There has been increased activity, both in and out of Minnesota, along with increased promotional activity throughout the state.

I attended the Grand Officer's monthly meetings, the Minnesota One Day to Council, and the Iowa, South Dakota, and Nebraska Grand York Rite Sessions. I also attend the North Central Conference in Sioux Falls last October.

As a district representative I was assigned to two Councils, St. Paul Council No. 1 in St. Paul and Zabud Council No. 10 in Anoka. I attended their meetings on a regular basis bringing news from the Grand Council, promoted contributions to CMMRF, encouraged Companions' efforts to earn The Ronald L. Thomas General Grand Council Ritualist Award, turn in necessary reports, request award recommendations, direct the Companions to visit both the Grand and General Grand Web Sites, Alter Veterans to how to order the Veterans jewel, welcoming new Companions, and requested all Companions to sign up for The Decryption.

St. Paul Council continues as a very active Council holding regular meeting, opening in full form, and greeting new candidates by performing both the Royal and Select Master Degrees.

Zabud Council is also a very active Council holding regular meeting, opening in full form, taking the lead for the Select Master Degree at the One Day to Cryptic Council, and greeting new candidates.

I also visited Ark council in Owatonna several times, Alpha Council in Fergus Falls, Central Council in St. Peter, and Tyrian Council in Rochester. I attended the Special Assembly at Southgate Council in Albert Lea for the finalization of their vote to merge with Ark Council in Owatonna.

A group of Grand York Rite officers attended the installation of officers at Mesaba Lodge No. 255 in Hibbing to promote York Rite Masonry on the iron range.

The Grand Session planning went forward as I served on that Committee and I am looking forward to a wonderful session in Rochester. For 2019, we will be moving the Grand Session to the Holiday Inn in Alexandria.

The Souvenir Program Booklet is again spearheaded by Joe Anderson. The Booklet is important to the Grand Session Committee as it is really the only source of revenue the Session Committee has to cover expenses. The registration fee for the Grand Session is so low that it could never cover those expenses by itself and we thank those who participate in the Souvenir Program Booklet by purchasing an ad or participate in the buck a line program.

One of our primary duties as York Rite Masons is to bring further light in Masonry. It is our obligation to perform that duty. To do that, we need to let our Lodge Brothers know the story doesn't just end with the third degree. We need to engage them and help them first move to the Chapter and then Council. The Degrees are rich in lessons and continue the Blue Lodge experience. Don't let them miss out.

Carl F. Lidstrom
Grand Deputy Illustrious Master
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

Report of the Grand Principal Conductor of the Work

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

It has been my honor and privilege to serve the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota this year. My primary focus was in southeastern Minnesota. With the help of Past Grand Master Thomas Hendrickson, a York Rite educational program was introduced in Owatonna Chapter No. 15 with good results. The Companions received further light while enjoying pie and ice cream. I have to say, "how much better can it get."

Unfortunately, after a long time of struggle the Companions of the York Rite bodies in Albert Lea decided to merge and consolidate with the Companions in Owatonna. They could no longer generate enough attendance to meet nor confer Degrees. However, on a positive note there are some Companions from Albert Lea that look forward to being able to participate again in an active York Rite and continue their Masonic journey.

It was also a pleasure to represent The Grand Council at the annual Grand Assembly of The Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Connecticut and interact with Companions from another region.

I attended and participated in the One Day Festival at the Minneapolis Scottish Rite Center. The work is always fantastic, and I know the new Companions enjoyed and appreciated it. It is the one time of the year we put on the Super Excellent Master Degree which is always a good time for everyone involved and watching.

We continue to work on getting the Grand Representative list up to date, which has taken considerably longer than I originally thought, but good progress has been made with the help of Companion Jim Luchsinger. The list is finally cleaned up and there are lots of holes in it that we can begin to fill and revitalize that program. I encourage anyone interested in the program to contact me or Jim and we will get you involved with an available jurisdiction.

I wish to thank Most Illustrious Grand Master Terrance L. Rybarczyk for his leadership this year. He assigned me the task of developing a Grand Representative program for the General Grand Council, which has proven to be challenging and rewarding.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you and all Cryptic Council Companions.

Fraternally,

Greg Schultz
Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work

Report of the Grand Captain of the Guard

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

This year my main focus has been the Chapters as I am the sitting Grand High Priest, but I did visit St Paul Council, Fergus Falls Council, Owatonna Council, Duluth Council, Zabud and Minneapolis #2. I took part in four installations. The upcoming year I will be able to focus more time on the Councils. York Rite Masonry is starting to gain in membership throughout the state. We must all work on not only creating New York Rite members but on retaining those we get. Our education program is giving our members a reason to attend their meetings. None of us needs another boring business meeting but if we include a good education program with our meetings and advertise it to our members they will attend.

Respectfully submitted

W. David Emery

Report of the Grand Conductor of the Council

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

Companions, I had the pleasure of participating in several Council Installations, Greetings, and Meetings this past year and I can absolutely report that the state of the Council is strong!

Respectfully Submitted,

Douglas Beach

Grand Conductor of the Council

Report of the Grand Marshal

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

Fraternal Greetings Companions

In the past year, your Grand Officers have been exceptionally busy. This year, like many others, we have focused on helping to build the Grand Council, but there has been an addition to the work performed. This year, we have also focused on helping to build Chapter and Blue Lodges. Yes, without this strong base, we are unable to set the foundations of the Council, and then the Commandery. The continued cooperation between our Councils and Chapters is critical in this great and good work.

In my travels this year, I have seen our Councils working on fundamentals. Things like the basics of our signs and orders, working on openings and closings. These basics show an interest in our Craft, and a desire to improve ourselves, things that we can all agree are critical. With that work, we will continue to improve ourselves, our chapters and our Craft.

We strive for progress, not perfection it is said. These strides will help us all to grow. As we do so in our Councils, and should you need assistance, whether for education or to help with a degree or meeting in general, we are a single call away.

In service to you all

Brian K. Dimatteo

Illustrious Grand Marshal, 2018 – 2019

Report of the Grand Steward

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

RE: Grand Stewards Report 2018-2019

Greetings to all the Companions of Minnesota where so ever dispersed. What an honor it has been to travel throughout Minnesota and meet such great Companions. Your gracious hospitality to my office is greatly appreciated. I know you receive all visiting Companions with equal vigor and fierce generosity and encourage all Companions to travel our great state.

As we continue to study the Constitution of our Grand Council for opportunities to improve our operations, I encourage all Companions, particularly the Council Officers, to study our documents. Understanding our structure and rules allows us to grow as leaders. It also allows for us to guide future improvements through resolutions to improve and change our legislation. Along these lines, I also highly encourage all Companions to attend your Grand Assembly. This annual meeting is where we all have influence over the governance of our Grand Council. Learning from its past and future leaders, building those bonds of brotherhood while enjoying social and educational programs.

During this year I have had the privilege of serving on the Distinguished Guest and Grand Representatives committees. You can see the activities of those Committees in their individual reports.

It was my pleasure serving the Companions of Minnesota this past year.

Illustrious Companion R. Sean Gardiner
Grand Steward
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

Report of the Grand Sentinel

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

June 2018

20 – 23 Grand York Rite Session, St. Cloud, MN

July 2018

1 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
3 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN (did not attend)
14 Grand Master of MN Masons Reception, Osseo
24 York Rite Picnic, Anoka, MN

August 2018

5 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
9 Brotherhood of Big Tent, SR Temp., Minneapolis
13 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN
26 Grand Session Planning meeting, MMH, Bloomington (did not attend)

September 2018

2 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
10 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN
20-23 South Dakota G. York Rite Session, Sioux Falls, SD

October 2018

7 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
8 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN
26 North Central York Rite Conference, Sioux Falls

November 2018

4 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Clear Lake, IA (did not attend)
12 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis, MN

December 2018

2 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
10 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN
18 Installation Zabud Council #10, Anoka, MN

January 2019

6 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
11 Saint Paul Council #1, Installation of Officers
14 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN

February 2019

3 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
11 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN
23 One Day to Council, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN

March 2019

- 3 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
- 11 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN
- 26 CAT Study Group and mentor session, Mpls.

April 2019

- 4-6 Nebraska Grand York Rite Session, Columbus, NE
- 7 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
- 8 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN
- 12-13 Grand Lodge, MMH, Bloomington

May 2019

- 5 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington – 22.4 mi.
- 13 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN

June 2019

- 2 Grand Council Officer's Meeting, MMH, Bloomington
- 10 Minneapolis Council #2 Meeting, Minneapolis Scottish Rite, MN
- 20-23 Grand York Rite Session, Rochester, MN

Council Visit and Event Reports

Name and Number: Zabud Council # 10

Date: December 18, 2018
Location: Anoka, MN
Visit by: G. Sentinel R. James Luchsinger II
Ill Master: EC Michael Hilgert
Secretary: Eric Erfourth
Comps. Present: About twelve members and guests
Activity: Business meeting and Installation
Comments: DIGM Carl Lidstrom installed Frank Namestek as the IM and seven of his officer in a short ceremony

Name and Number: Saint Paul Council #1

Date: January 11, 2019
Location: St. Paul, MN
Visit by: G. Sentinel R. James Luchsinger II
Ill Master: Incoming Todd B. Leek, outgoing Drew C. Bjorklund
Recorder: Peter Laudert
Comps. Present: 26 members and guest
Activity: Dinner and Installation of Officers
Comments: Council Officers were installed by DIGM Carl Lidstrom in a very nice ceremony

Other Activities & Visitations:

The Grand Master of Minnesota Masons Reception, hosted by Northeast Winslow Lewis #125, on July 14, at the park in Osseo was a very nice event. Staged as a picnic in the park, it was attended by around a hundred brothers, companions, friends and family. The York Rite and Royal Arch, in particular, was well represented by a number of grand officers and companions and knights. MWB Ed was very pleased with the event and the turnout.

The York Rite Picnic, hosted by St. John's Chapter, in Anoka on July 24, as always, was a really nice event. Much fun and fellowship was had by all. This is a great event that we need to start using as a recruiting tool for Blue Lodge and the York Rite. A prospective candidate has the opportunity to see Masonry in action.

Foreign Correspondents and Grand Representatives:

Over the past year IC Greg Schultz, MIC Marv and I have worked to revive the Grand Representatives program. We have scrubbed the list of individuals and states that no longer want to participate. We have filled many of the spaces that resulted from the scrub and will once again use Grand Session as an opportunity to seek out volunteers. Our next goals are to continue contacting foreign jurisdictions for information on their representatives and providing them with the same. We are making good progress, but this will continue to be a long and ongoing project.

Foreign Grand Session:

I had the opportunity to attend the South Dakota Grand York Rite Session in Sioux Falls on September 20-23, 2017 along with several other Companions and Sir Knights. The Grand Chapter session was held on Saturday afternoon and was fairly normal for the most part. It was a very worthwhile visit and great opportunity to meet new Companions and renew old friendships. Well worth the time.

The annual North Central York Rite Conference held in Sioux Falls on October 26 & 27, was once again an opportunity to meet with General Grand officers and learn about their goals and objectives. Our sessions keynote speaker was Steven G. Tiner, General Grand King and his presentation on the *Master of the Vineyard* parable (Mathew 20: 1-16) was a highlight of our conference. It was very interesting and thought provoking. The conference also afforded us a chance to meet with and compare notes with the officers of other grand jurisdictions.

I attended the Nebraska's Grand York Rite Session held in Columbus on April 4-6, and it was a very nice event. Minnesota had one of the larger delegations of officers and wives in attendance as there were seven or eight officers and around five wives. It was well run and for the most part got their work done quickly and efficiently. The facility was nice, reasonably priced and the food was very good, most served in a buffet style. I had a very nice time.

Education:

This year in coordination with the members of the York Rite Education Committee, MWB Tom Hendrickson, Comp. Ryan Regnier and I, have completed the first part of the York Rite Mentor and Advanced Study Program. A work/ study sheet for each degree and order within the York Rite bodies are now posted on the corresponding individual websites. Quest books for all Chapter, Council degrees and Commandery orders are also posted on our website. We have also started a Companion Adept of the Temple (CAT) study group. The CAT group has met several times, has about eight members, with more signing up all the time. In addition we have begun work on the next part of the advanced study program.

I'm continuing to serve as one of the LEOs (Lodge Education Officer) for Columbian Chapter # 60. I have presented a number of short talks on a variety of subjects at and other Chapters. They have all been very well received and do much to add to the "value" of attending monthly meetings. I strongly encourage all Chapters to include LEO presentations in your Chapter meetings. It gives your Companions a reason to be there.

Respectfully submitted, May 5, 2019

Ralph James Luchsinger II

Ralph James Luchsinger II, PIM KYCH
Grand Sentinel

Report of the Grand Arch Master

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

It has been with great pleasure to serve our officers and members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota in my office of Grand Archmaster.

To the Councils in Minnesota I express my thanks and gratitude for the fine degree work that you presented to our new members. The degree work that you presented this past year builds our foundation for the future growth of Cryptic Masonry in Minnesota.

It is with pleasure that all reports received by me this past year have stated the quality of the work. Perfect practice makes for a perfect degree presentation and without a doubt earns you congratulations for a job well done.

This past year our Cryptic Masons of Minnesota bonded together to present the work at a Festival held on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center in Minneapolis. Thank you to all who participated whether in our degree work or as sideliners your attendance matters.

For the advancement in proficiency and growth of Cryptic Masonry in Minnesota, I encourage all members to take an active role in our ritual work. Your contribution is important.

Promoting your Council's degree work is beneficial. It is beneficial to the candidates taking their degree work to see a large contingent of sideliners. Likewise, it is beneficial to the sideliners that their participation matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Miles, PMIGM

York Rite Cooperation Committee Report

**To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic
Masons of Minnesota.**

2018-2019 has been a busy year for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. There has been increased activity throughout the state.

Officers from the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota have worked with the Grand Officers from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota to foster and develop new candidates for the York Rite of Freemasonry in Minnesota. Promotion of the one-day festivals for all the York Rite bodies was completed and those festivals were held allowing the Grand Council to greet several new members.

The Grand Officers from both Council and Chapter visited Blue Lodges to promote York Rite Freemasonry and to encourage Royal Arch Masons to continue their education but also taking the Degrees offered by the Council.

Carl F. Lidstrom, Grand Deputy Illustrious Master
Greg Schultz, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work
W. David Emery, Grand Captain of the Guard
R. James Luchsinger, II, Grand Sentinel
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

27 May 2019

Marvin Schendel, PMIGM
Grand Council Cryptic Masons of MN
Grand Recorder/ Treasurer

Re: Grand Chapter/ Grand Council Office Rent Sharing

Last year, we agreed to a per-person pro rating arrangement as follows:

Monthly rent is \$211.50 or \$2538.00 per year.

Based upon the reported memberships at the end of 2018, the Grand Council had 659 Companions and the Grand Chapter had 1529 Companions for a total of 2188 Companions.

If we divide \$2538.00 by 2188, we get \$1.16 per Companion.

Therefore, rent would be allocated as follows:

Grand Council - \$ 764.40

Grand Chapter - \$1773.60

Please let me know if this meets with your approval.

Fraternally,

Gary A. Odegard, PGHP
Grand Chapter RAM of MN
Grand Secretary/Treasurer

MINNESOTA GRAND YORK RITE REPRESENTATIVES

Minnesota Grand York Rite Representatives All Bodies

revised 5/25/2019

Jurisdiction	Grand Chapter	Grand Council	Grand Commandery	Dep. Rep
Alabama	Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	Todd Jononovich
Alaska				
Arkansas				
California	Brian Dimatteo	Brian Dimatteo	Brian Dimatteo	
Colorado	Jerry Korstad	Jerry Korstad	Jerry Korstad	
Connecticut	Greg Schultz	Greg Schultz	Greg Schultz	
Delaware				
District of Columbia	Ronald A. Miles	Ronald A. Miles	Ronald A. Miles	
Florida	Sean Novack	Sean Novack	Sean Novack	
Georgia				
Hawaii	Joseph J. Anderson	Joseph J. Anderson	Joseph J. Anderson	
Idaho	Larry L. Amdahl	Douglas Bogie		
Illinois	Carl F. Lidstrom	Carl F. Lidstrom	Carl F. Lidstrom	
Indiana	Mark A. Anderson	Mark A. Anderson	Mark A. Anderson	
Iowa	Vernon Schwalbe	Vernon Schwalbe	Vernon Schwalbe	
Kansas	Dave McCormick	Dave McCormick	Dave McCormick	
Kentucky				
Louisiana	Monte Miller	Monte Miller		
Maine				
Maryland	Alan G. Adams	Alan G. Adams	Alan G. Adams	
Massachusetts				
Michigan	James Fischer	James Fischer	James Fischer	Robert A. Beales
Mississippi	James Turner, Jr.	James Turner, Jr.	James Turner, Jr.	William T. Hubbard
Missouri	Joseph J. Anderson	Joseph J. Anderson	Joseph J. Anderson	
Montana	Raymond C. Sporre	Raymond C. Sporre	Raymond C. Sporre	
Nebraska	Marvin W. Schendel	Marvin W. Schendel	Marvin W. Schendel	
Nevada	Frank Namestek	Frank Namestek	Frank Namestek	Brian Dimatteo
New Hampshire	Dan Sherry	Dan Sherry	Dan Sherry	
New Jersey	Anton Mogenson	Anton Mogenson	Anton Mogenson	
New Mexico	Gerald J. Schlaeppi Maynard	Edimund Gilbertson		
New York	Townswick	George James, Jr.		
North Carolina	Doug Beach	Doug Beach	Doug Beach	
North Dakota	Stanley D. Morrill	Stanley D. Morrill	Stanley D. Morrill	
Ohio	Terry Rybarczyk	Terry Rybarczyk	Terry Rybarczyk	
Oklahoma	Harlan Heidecker	Harlan Heidecker	Harlan Heidecker	

Oregon	Kevin V. Jones	Kevin V. Jones	Kevin V. Jones	
Pennsylvania	Ronald A. Miles	Ronald A. Miles	Ronald A. Miles	
Rhode Island				
South Carolina	Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	
South Dakota	Gary A. Odegard	Gary A. Odegard	Gary A. Odegard	
Tennessee	Carl F. Lidstrom	Carl F. Lidstrom	Carl F. Lidstrom	Norman Kohlmeyer
Texas				
Utah	Ed Morse	Ed Morse	Ed Morse	
Vermont				
Virginia				
Washington				
West Virginia	Kenneth W. Carroll	Kenneth W. Carroll	Kenneth W. Carroll	
Wisconsin	Gary H. Johnson	Gary H. Johnson	Gary H. Johnson	
Wyoming	Ronald A. Miles	Ronald A. Miles	Ronald A. Miles	

Canadian Jurisdictions

Eastern Canada	X	
Ontario	X	Raul Lee
Western	X	
Alberta	John B. Studell	X
Br Columbia/Yukon		X
Manitoba	W. David Emery	W. David Emery
New Brunswick	Roger D. Salonen	X
Newfoundland/Labrador	James E. Turner, Jr.	X
Nova Scotia	Jens C. Mikkelsen	X
Ontario	Donald A. Rippentrop	X
Quebec	David S. Bouschor	X
Saskatchewan		X

Other Jurisdictions

Argentina	Michael Vukson	X
Austria		X
Belgium		X
Brazil		X
Central America	X	
England and Wales	Tom Hendrickson	Dexter Pehle
Finland		X
France		X
Germany	Lane D. Hagemeyer	X
	Anthony W.	Anthony W.
Greece	Lecakis	Lecakis
India	Sean Gardiner	Sean Gardiner
Ireland	Michael Denke	X
	Edimund	
Italy	Gilbertson	Donald Holberg
Mexico	Sean Gardiner	Sean Gardiner
Monaco		X
Netherlands	Todd Jovonovich	X
New South Wales	John M. Winslow	X
New Zealand		X
Panama		
Peru	X	
Philippines	John W. Worlein	Ronald A. Miles
Portugal		Dexter Pehle
Puerto Rico	X	X
Queensland	Raymond Hayward	X
		Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.
Romania		
Scotland	Alan Mackenzie	Alan Mackenzie
Spain	George A. James	X
South Australia	Lloyd E. Hanson	X
Switzerland		X
Taiwan	X	
Togo		X
Venezuela	Ray G. Christensen	X
Victoria		X
Virgin Islands	X	
West Australia		

Grand Council Annual Assembly Committee Report

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, the Grand Officers and the members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

It is with pleasure to announce the 2020 Grand York Rite Session will be held in Alexandria, Minnesota on June 25th through the 27th. The Session meetings and accommodations will be held at the Holiday Inn Alexandria. More detailed information will be available closer to the Session dates.

Fraternally,

L. Greg Schultz, Chair
W. David Emery

Unfinished Business Committee

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, Companions of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

There is no unfinished business from last years session

THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF MINNESOTA

Tellers Report James S. McNeely, IV, Chairman

2019 - 2020

ELECTED OFFICERS

Most Illustrious Grand Master	Carl F. Lidstrom
Right Illustrious Grand Deputy Master	L. Greg Schultz
Rt. Ill. G. Principal Conductor of the Work	W. David Emery
Most Illustrious Grand Treasurer	Marvin W. Schendel, MIPGM
Most Illustrious Grand Recorder	Marvin W. Schendel, MIPGM
Most Illustrious Grand Trustee - 3 Yr Term	Charles R. Marston, MIPGM

MIGM Terry, thanked and dismissed the tellers and directed the Grand Recorder to destroy the ballots, he then introduced MIGME Carl, Most Illustrious Grand Master Elect Carl then announced his appointments

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Illustrious Grand Chaplain	Vernon J. Schwalbe
Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard	Brian K. Dimatteo
Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council	R. Sean Gardiner
Illustrious Grand Marshal	R. James Luchsinger, II
Illustrious Grand Steward	Douglas A. Beach
Illustrious Grand Sentinel	Gerald E. Zierdt
Illustrious Grand Archmaster	Thomas E. Hendrickson
Illustrious Grand Organist	William T. Hubbard

TERMS NOT YET EXPIRED

Most Illustrious Grand Trustee - 1 Yr Term	Hugh C. Swift, Jr., MIPGM
Most Illustrious Grand Trustee - 2 Yr Term	Ronald A. Miles, MIPGM

MIGME Carl then talked about the 150th anniversary year. And asked that all remain in the room for the installation of officers.

MIGM Terry then called for the final report from the Jurisprudence committee, they found that all was in order. Motion to accept the report was made seconded and passed.

Most Illustrious Grand Master Terry then called on Right Puissant Regional Deputy Grand Master AJ Johnson to give us his remarks. AJ stated that in the recognition of time, he would forgo his remarks and yield to his boss.

Most Illustrious Grand Master Terry then called on Right Puissant Principal Conductor of the work William G. Snyder for his remarks.

RPGGPCW Bill stated that stem cells rock, they have the potential to eliminate a lot of things we do surgery for and a lot of things we are using medications for now. There are no Masonic charities that are important but this is just as important as any of the others and for the most people. We need the help of more than just our own membership to fund this important work.

We must put our best foot forward to the public and make a favorable opinion of our Masonic institutions. We need to help all of our York Rite Bodies, and the Shrine and let the non-Masons know who we are and why it is important.

He talked about how Masonry was started and how the degrees came about. He talked about the regular alarm of the mysterious nine. We have lost a lot of our history, we need to think about what our degrees teach.

He talked about Ahishar, who was he? He was the head of the household for King Solomon, that is like the Chief of Staff today. He was a man of importance, probably related to King Solomon, he was given the job of guarding the first entrance and failed, who replaced him? Zabud, who earned the job through hard work, that is a great lesson, and it is part of our degree.

The Cryptic degrees are not more important than the other degrees, but they are just as important as the other degrees. Be proud of who you are and of our degrees.

He encouraged all veterans to get the General Grand Council's Veterans Jewel.

Be sure to attend the North Central Conference, at the Ramkota in Sioux Falls, see AJ for more information.

The General Grand does now have a new ritual and he encouraged all to use that new book.

He said that he is looking forward to seeing everyone in Louisville, please come and enjoy.

Thanked everyone and wished them well.

MIGM Terry then asked the Grand Recorder for a report on the CMMRF. The initial report was a total of \$581.00. IC Doug then gave a report on the CMMRF rewards and an additional \$119.00 came in making a total of \$700.00.

MIGM Terry then asked all Grand Officers to give their aprons and collars to the new holder of the office which those items were the representation the new Officer. We also need to get the photos of the new officers prior to the installation. With that he called the Grand Council to Refreshment until the installation at 5:00PM

Thrice Illustrious Masters Degree, June 28, 2019

THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS COUNCIL OF MINNESOTA

The seventieth annual meeting of the Thrice Illustrious Masters Council of Minnesota convened in full form at 1:15 P.M., Friday, June 28, 2019 in Rochester, Minnesota with the following Companions serving as officers:

T.I. Master	R. Sean Gardiner
T.I. Sr. Warden	Alan McKenzie
T.I. Jr. Warden	Greg Schultz
T.I. Recorder	Marvin Schendel, PTIM
T.I. Steward	Carl Lidstrom
T.I. Sentinel	Christopher Wendover

The Thrice Illustrious Master's degree was conferred on the candidates under the direction of Degree Director, James S. McNeely, IV, PTIM, by the following cast

Prologue	Monte Miller
Abiather	Joe Anderson
Joab	Monte Miller
Adinijah	Sean Gardiner
Zadok	James McNeely IV
Beniah	Ronald Jensen
Nathan	Allan Shufelt
King David	Christopher A. Wendover

Marv Schendel thanked the degree cast for a job well done and for those who stepped in to assist in the presentation of the Thrice Illustrious Masters Degree.

The Thrice Illustrious Masters Degree was presented to I.M. Todd B. Leek, David N. Kampf, Zeb J. Dudek, David Dumonceaux, Frank Namestek, Gerald E. Zierdt.

A business meeting was held with 32 Companions in attendance.

Visiting Companions in attendance were A. T. "AJ" Johnson, Richard A. McBride, Herbert E. Cook, Bruce A. Crisman, George E. Bauder, Michael Mudrey.

R Sean Gardiner presented each active candidate with his membership card, and Thrice Illustrious Master Jewel.

The following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year:

T.I. Master	Alan Mackenzie
T.I. Sr. Warden	Greg Schultz
T.I. Jr. Warden	Carl Lidstrom
T.I. Recorder	Marvin Schendel
T.I. Steward	Christopher Wendover
T.I. Sentinel	Monte Miller

R Sean Gardiner received his PTIM pin for his service as President.

No further business, the meeting closed in proper form at 2:25P.M.

Attest: Marvin W. Schendel, Recorder Approved: _____

The Minnesota Council of ISH-SODI

June 28, 2019 10:45 AM

Double Tree Hotel, Rochester, MN

The Minnesota Council of ISH-SODI began with the following Officers:

Thrice Illustrious Master	Jim Luchsinger
Deputy Master	Greg Schultz
Principal Conductor of the Work	Sean Gardiner
Secretary	Mavin Schendel
Sentinel	Monte Miller

The degree cast was:

Nehemia	Hugh C. Swift, Jr.	Bani	Alan Mackenzie
Mordecai	W. David Emery	Sherbiah	Al Shufelt
Ezra	Thomas E. Hendrickson	Jamin	James Turner, Jr.
Seriah	Carl Lidstrom	Akkub	Barnes Sharitt
Chaplain	Gary Odegard	Hodijah	Joe Anderson
Hanani	James McNeely, IV	Kelita	Stan Fetters
Maaziah	Steve Partridge		

Candidates receiving the degree were:

Minneapolis – Christopher A. Wendover, St. Paul – Kay E. Moss, Zabud – Eric Erfourth, Tyrian – Zeb J. Dudek

Honorary members : none

Side Liners present: Ron Jensen, Dick Heide, Herbert Cook, Donald DeMars, Richard McBride, Jim Myrhum, Ed Morse, Michael Mudrey, Roger Firestone

The minutes of the June 22, 2018 were approved as read.

There were no communications.

Nominations for 2019 – 2020 Officers were:

Thrice Illustrious Master	Greg Schultz
Deputy Master	Sean Gardiner
Principal Conductor of the Work	Monte Miller
Secretary	Marvin Schendel
Sentinel	Alan Mackenzie

The Officers were declared installed by TIM Jim Luchsinger.

The Council was closed at 11:30AM with the circle of Friendship.

Attest: Marvin Schendel, Secretary Approved: Greg Schultz, T.I.M.

MINNESOTA GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS NECROLOGY REPORT 2018 - 2019

TO: THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND CRYPTIC COUNCIL OF MINNESOTA

It is that time of year when we look back and remember all those Companions who have passed. It is also a time of celebration and joy for those who have completed their time on earth and now rest with the Great Architect of the Universe.

The following Companions have laid down their working tools

Robert P Schmitt – 6-22-18, James H. Tuomala – 7-5-18, William C. Knupke – 7-29-18, Alvin G. Olson - 8-17-18, MIC Douglas A. Nygard – 8-24-18, Darald L. Peart – 8-28-18, Clair W. McRostie – 10-1-18, Kevin E. Erickson – 10-14-18, Lyle G. Broten – 10-20-18, Allan F. Kauppi – 11-9-18, Dean Hartle – 11-12-18, MIC Dennis B. Wingrove – 11-13-18, Mark S. Jones – 12-1-18, Warren E. White – 4-11-19

I ask that you keep each one of them in your thoughts and prayers along with their families remembering that our time here on earth is short and no one knows when our time may come.

As we enjoy this Grand Session may we keep in mind all of those who have gone to be with the Great Architect of the Universe.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon Schwalbe

Grand Chaplain

Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters

MIC Douglas A. Nygard
March 1, 1931 to August 24, 2018



Douglas Arthur Nygard, 87, of St. Peter, MN passed away peacefully on August 24, 2018 at Mayo Clinic Hospital in Mankato.

Doug was born on March 1, 1931 in Saint Peter to Phyllis and Lloyd Nygard. He graduated from Saint Peter High School in 1949 and from Gustavus Adolphus College with a B.S. in Physics in 1953.

After graduation, Doug joined the US Navy as an officer and earned his Naval Aviation wings in 1955. He spent time on active duty and transitioned to the US Navy Reserves where he continued to serve until, he retired in 1978 with the rank of Commander.

In 1967, he married ReVae (Carlson) Nygard of St. Peter, MN. Married for over 50 years, together they created a wonderful life, home, and family in St Peter.

Doug worked for AC Spark Plug and General Motors as an engineer working on guidance systems and trained the Royal Air Force in England on guidance system program. He also worked at Sperry Univac as Navy system Engineer, the clinic administrator at the St Peter Clinic, and at Wal-Mart as an assembly operator.

Doug earned the rank of Eagle Scout while in high school and was later awarded the prestigious Order of the Arrow by the Boy Scouts of America. He played trumpet and coronet and marched with the Govenaires Drum and Bugle Corp of St Peter, MN. He was a life member of the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation in Pensacola, FL.

He was very active in many local civic and fraternal organizations. He served as president of the Rotary Club, and was a member of the American Legion and Red Men Club. Doug served as the Master of Nicollet Lodge No. 54 in 1985 and was honored with the Hiram Award by the Lodge in 2007. He also served as Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota, and the Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, and Commander of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 31.

MIC Dennis B. Wingrove
July 9, 1935 to November 13, 2018



Most Illustrious Companion Dennis B. Wingrove
Most Illustrious Grand Master
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota 94 - 95
July 9, 1935 to November 13, 2018

Dennis B. Wingrove was born on July 9, 1935 in Denison, Iowa, to Burdette H. and Clare E. Wingrove. He attended Denison Public Schools until his parents moved to Des Moines, Iowa where he graduated from East High School in the mid-fifties.

Dennis worked almost four years before entering the Military. He served two years active duty with the U. S. Army stationed as a Radar Operator for the Nike Ajax and Hercules Missile System in Marlton, New Jersey. While in service he married Leola E. Wingrove (nee Thomsen) September 6, 1958.

After leaving the active military service, he attended Northwestern Television and Electronics Institute in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Graduating in February 1962.

He then went to work for Northern States Power Company as an Instrument and Control Specialist. He stayed with NSP until his retirement., length of service thirty years and eight days.

Following DeMolay, he procrastinated for seventeen years before joining Minnehaha Blue Lodge #165 in Minneapolis being raised June 2, 1964. Dennis was exalted a Royal Arch Mason April 16, 1966 in Minnehaha Chapter #98, now Minneapolis Chapter #9. He was High Priest of Minnehaha in 1970.

Dennis was greeted a Select Master in Minneapolis Council #2 in 1968, being their Illustrious Master in 1976.

Dennis was Knighted in Darius Commandery #7 on January 26, 1967. Darius Commandery merged with Zion Commandery #2. He was Commander in 1984.

Dennis joined the Zuhrah Shrine in November of 1967 and was the Treasurer of the Zuhrah Amateur Radio Corps.

Other Masonic degrees and orders Dennis received are:

Holy Order of High Priesthood, Grand Royal Arch of Minnesota. President in 1976.

Thrice Illustrious Master of Minnesota Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. Grand Thrice Illustrious Master 1982.

Knight Crusader of the Cross, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota.
ISH-SODI Degree, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. Thrice Illustrious Master 1990.
Knight of Royal Arch. May 1983.
Chevalier Degree of DeMolay, May 1983.
Distinguished Service Award, Minnesota York Rite college #39.
Sir Knight of the Year Award from Zion Commandery #2 in 1988.
Other Masonic Organizations Dennis belonged to were: Minnesota York Rite College #39, being Governor in 1989, receiving the Purple Cross in 1991.
Minneapolis Valley of the Scottish Rite.
Educational Lodge #1002.
Ark Royal Arch Chapter #53
Minnesota Council #34 Knight Masons
Allied Masonic Degree, Johnny E. Nelson #252
Red Cross of Constantine, St Olaf Conclave
Zuhrah Crusaders
Member of Mason City Council #45, Mason City, Iowa and an Honorary member of Iowa Grand Council.
Dennis Passed away on November 13, 2018