

**GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL  
GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MANITOBA  
2012 - 2013**



**MOST EXCELLENT COMPANION RICHARD LARONDE**

## **MASONIC HISTORY OF RICHARD LARONDE BIOGRAPHY**

Richard David Laronde was born June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1957 in Brandon, Manitoba. He is the oldest of three children to Wilbert and Elsie Laronde. Other than four years spent in Vancouver, B.C. in his early years due to his father's military posting, he grew up in Brandon.

After graduating from Crocus Plains High School in 1975, he started working at the Brandon Mental Health Centre as a nursing assistant. Enjoying Psychiatry, he soon enrolled in the Brandon Mental Health Centre Psychiatric School of Nursing. He graduated from the two year program in September 1978 with his Registered Psychiatric Nursing Degree.

On July 28, 1979 Richard married his childhood sweetheart since Grade three, Brenda Lee Fraser and together they raised their two children; Jason was born in 1981 and Janelle was born in 1983.

While at the Brandon Mental Health Centre he worked in a number of areas and was promoted to Charge Nurse. He was involved in establishing a 100 bed Personal Care Home called Rideau Park in Brandon where he worked as a Charge Nurse for six and one-half years. Expanding his education, he completed a two year certificate in Health Care Administration: Long Term Care from the University of Saskatchewan at Saskatoon in 1989.

A love of working with the elderly was responsible for Richard accepting a Community Mental Health Worker position in Psychogeriatrics in the Parkland Region of Manitoba and the family moved to Dauphin in 1995. Rural Dauphin remains home for Richard and Brenda to this day. All are welcome to stop by for a visit.

Their son Jason works for Apple. He and his wife Nadine live with their sons Taylor and Oakley in Vernon, B.C.

Their daughter Janelle is a Licensed Practical Nurse. She and her husband Jay McIvor live with their sons Owen and Landon in Gilbert Plains, Manitoba.

Over the years, Scouting has been a large part of the Laronde Family. Richard and Brenda, also known as Akela and Raksha, were Cub leaders even after their children were grown and away from home.

Richard continues to work full time as a Community Mental Health Worker in Geriatrics. In his spare time he enjoys hunting and fishing with friends and family in addition to his love of Masonry.

When time permits and vacation time approaches, you can bet that Richard and Brenda will be found cruising the highways of North America on their Yamaha 1100 V-Star motorcycles. Richard is often heard saying "It's the only way to see the country".

### **Masonic History**

Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in Brandon June 8, 1994

Wheat City Lodge # 168 A.F.& A.M.

Master Vermillion Lodge #68 A.F.& A.M. May 1998-1999

Master Wheat City Lodge #168 A.F.& A.M. December 1999,2006, 2007

Union Historical Lodge #108 2005

Senior Grand Steward: Grand Lodge of Manitoba 2008-2009

Vermillion Lodge #68 Secretary 2009 to present

Wheat City Lodge #168 Chaplain 2012

International Peace Garden Lodge of Freemasons 2011

### **York Rite**

#### **Chapter**

Holy Royal Arch: Rabboni #7 Dauphin May 1997

First Principal: Rabboni #7 Dauphin 2005-2006

Order of High Priesthood Manitoba April 2006

Numerous appointed positions in Grand Chapter of Manitoba

Elected Positions: Grand Principal Sojourner: 2007-2008 **Council**

Initiated Brandon Council #10 Cryptic Rite Masons Of Western Canada Oct. 2000

Thrice Illustrious Master Brandon Council #10 2005-2006

Royal Ark Mariner Lake Wahtapanah Lodge #13 Brandon initiated May 2001

Past Commander Noah

Grand Steward of Manitoba Cryptic Rite Masons of Western Canada 2009-2010

**Preceptory**

Initiated Sovereign Great Priory of Canada: Brandon Preceptory #74 June 2002

Presiding Preceptor: Brandon Preceptory #74 2006-2007

**College**

Manitoba Crocus York Rite College #89 February 2004

Presently Eminent Chancellor

**KYCH**

Knights of the York Cross of Honour; Manitoba Priory #69 April 2008

Grand J: 2010-2011

Grand H: 2011-2012

Grand Z: 2012-2013

Red Cross of Constantine: Grand Valley Conclave #36 2004

## ATTENDANCE AT GRAND CONVOCATION

Prince Rupert Chapter #1	Ex Comp J Fryatt 'Z' M Ex Comp C Hardy "Treas" Comp K Cox "Scribe E" M Ex Comp D Hawes "J S" Ex Comp D Henney "4 <sup>th</sup> Veil" R Ex Comp S Bradlay R Ex Comp D Scott R Ex Comp C Hartmeir Comp J Hawes R Ex Comp A Hadley Comp S Kane
Keystone Chapter #2	R Ex Comp G Tennant 'Z' R Ex Comp J Whitfield 'H" M Ex Comp R Church 'S S' R Ex Comp J Finlayson "4 <sup>th</sup> Veil" M Ex Comp A Christoffersen '2 <sup>nd</sup> Veil' M Ex Comp T Lambert '1 <sup>st</sup> Veil' R Ex Comp J Bjore V Ex Comp R Scarg M Ex Comp L Hanson
Keystone Chapter #5	M Ex Comp R Church 'H" R Ex Comp R Porter 'Scribe E" M Ex Comp R Laronde "Scribe N" R Ex Comp Chambers 'PS' R Ex Comp C Hartmier V Ex Comp R Vandermeulen
Rabboni Chapter #7	R Ex Comp J Chute "O G" R Ex Comp D Cooke "J3rd Veil" M Ex Comp R Laronde "1 <sup>st</sup> Veil" R Ex Comp R Ashcroft'
Prince of Wales Chapter #11	R Ex Comp S Gwynn "Z" R Ex Comp G Strachan "H" Comp G Knight "ScribeE" M Ex Comp G Taylor "Scribe N" R Ex Comp I LeBlanc 'Treas' Comp G Zoppa :PS" R Ex Comp B Wendel 'DOC" Comp B Thordarson "4 <sup>th</sup> Veil" R Ex Comp W Gudbjartson R Ex Comp T Yorke M Ex Comp D English M Ex Comp D Hawes Comp S Spina
Pre-Cambrian Chapter #17	R Ex Comp L Borgstrom R Ex Comp D McFarlane M Ex Comp W Cooper V Ex Comp M Goble "Z" Comp J Swierstra Comp B Roundtree

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Red River Valley #21

M Ex Comp V Bryll "Z"  
R Ex Comp I LeBlanc "H"  
R Ex Comp G Stewart "J"  
M Ex Comp B McMillan "Scribe E"  
M Ex Comp J Hooper "Scribe N"  
R Ex Comp G Dunn 'PS'  
R Ex Comp J Duff "SS"  
R Ex Comp E Smith "SS"  
M Ex Comp S Payne "Doc"  
M Ex Comp J Barratt "4<sup>th</sup> Veil"  
R Ex Comp N McMillan "1<sup>st</sup> Veil"  
Ex Comp R Veley  
Comp T Love  
Comp K McDowell

## 2012– 2013 PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND CHAPTER

The 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba opened in ceremonial form with the entrance of the Grand Council, M Ex Comp R Laronde, R Ex Comp G Dunn, and R Ex Comp R Porter at the Holiday Inn South, Winnipeg, Manitoba on Friday April 26, 2013.

M Ex Comp R Laronde opened the assembly by welcoming all those in attendance. The Grand Council then formally received all our distinguished visitors.

### RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Noble A Skene	Potentate Khartum Shriners
M V Bro Leipert	Grand Master Allied Masonic Degrees
Sister J Hutchinson	Grand Matron Order of Eastern Star
Bro F Toporowski	Grand Patron Order of Eastern Star
III Bro R Iwanicki	Scottish Rite
Hope Rosenbaum	President Khartum Ladies Auxiliary
Queen Lori Lamb	Daughters of the Nile Sphinx Temple #116
Past Jr. Queen Patti Hillier	Daughters of the Nile Sphinx Temple #116
Irene Beck, Miss Manitoba	Order of the Jobs Daughters
V W Bro D Lorteno	Order of the Jobs Daughters
R III Comp D English	Red Cross of Constantine
R EM Kt W Copeland	Sovereign Great Priory of Canada
RV Bro C Hartmier	D D G M – Allied Masonic Degrees
M III B Cooper	Past Grand Master Cryptic Rite – Western Canada
M W Bro A Hadley	Grand Master Grand Lodge of Manitoba
R W Bro S Spina	Senior Grand Warden Grand Lodge of Manitoba
R W Bro R Church	Junior Grand Warden Grand Lodge of Manitoba

### DISTINGUISHED GUESTS FROM OTHER JURISDICTIONS

British Columbia	M Ex Comp G Tillotson	PGZ
	R Ex Comp G Owyomrobi	GSS
	V Ex Comp G Porter	GSN
	R E Comp J Sweistra	
Alberta	R Ex Comp W Watts	Grand “H”
	R Ex Comp D Switzer	Grand “J”
	R Ex Comp B Taylor	
	R Ex Comp L Anderson	Grand Rep to Manitoba
Saskatchewan	R Ex Comp B Pizzey	Grand Z
	R Ex Comp T Wieclawsk	Grand “H”
	R Ex Comp A Smith	
	M Ex Comp R Turner	
North Dakota	M Ex Comp A Ohrt	
Washington	M Ex Comp H Weaver	
Tennessee	M EM KT J Straconor	Grand Master KYCH
General Grand Chapter International	M Ex Comp T Harrison	General Grand High Priest

## RECEPTION / RECOGNITION OF CONCORDANT BODIES

The following groups were requested to stand and be recognized:

Red Cross of Constantine	York Rite College
Order of the High Priesthood	Knights York Cross of Honour (KYCH)
Cryptic Rite Masons	Preceptory
Allied Masonic Degrees	Order of Eastern Star
Order of the Secret Monitor	Knights Templar Priests

## FLAG PRESENTATION

The Canadian Flag was presented by R Ex Comp Jim Whitfield

The American Flag was presented by M Ex Comp A Ohrt

## O'CANADA and STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Following the Flag Presentation, M Ex Comp Richard Laronde asked everyone to stand and sing the National Anthems of Canada and of the United States.

## INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

The following Past Grand First Principals were introduced by M Ex Comp James Barratt

M Ex Comp C Hardy	1989	M Ex Comp G Taylor	2001	M Ex Comp R Church	2008
M Ex Comp D English	1991	M Ex Comp L Hansen	2002	M Ex Comp V Bryll	2009
M Ex Comp S Payne	1994	M Ex Comp J Hooper	2004	M Ex Comp D Hawes	2010
M Ex Comp J Barratt	1995	M Ex Comp T Lambert	2005	M Ex Comp B Cooper	2011
M Ex Comp A Christoffersen	1999				

## 2013 GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

### Message from Mayor Sam Katz

I would like to extend my apologies for not being able to join all of you today – but on behalf of myself, my Council colleagues and the citizens of Winnipeg, I want to welcome all those attending the Ceremonial Opening of the Grand Chapter of the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Royal Arch Masons.

Serving our community with commitment and determination, the Grand Chapter of Manitoba – Royal Arch Masons is an organization that is a true reflection of the principles they stand for. Thank you for your exceptional level of service to our community and citizens.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the Grand Chapter of Manitoba on you initiative, vision and hard work to make an event such as this a success. May this event bring a sense of history, tradition and pride to the many people gather in celebration for this milestone.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the organizers and volunteers for their hard work and dedication in organizing this Grand Session. Winnipeg is proud to serve as host and showcase the sights and sounds our city is renowned for. While attending this event, I encourage all visitors to enjoy our amenities – which are second to none. We truly have something for everyone.

It is unfortunate that I could not be here today, but would like to send each and every one of you my best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable even.

Yours Sincerely,

Sam Katz – Mayor

R Ex W Bro A Hadley, Grand Master, brought greeting from the members of the members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

### **RECOGNITION OF THE FARTHEST TRAVELLED CHAPTER IN THE PROVINCE**

M Ex Comp Richard Laronde asked the Members and ladies of Pre Cambrian Chapter 17 to assemble in the West.

### **Memorial Service Friday April 26<sup>th</sup> 2013.**

Grand Chaplain – M Ex Comp C Hardy  
Organist – M Ex Comp Robert McMillan

#### **Opening Invocation.**

Let us pray.

Almighty and Merciful father, as we commence our Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, we wish to thank you for the presence of the many visitors, some of whom have travelled great distances to be with us. We ask that you grant them your guidance and protection in their travels that they may safely return to their loved ones. We thank you also for the presence of our ladies, our true and faithful companions and supporters.

And finally Heavenly Father, help us through this Convocation and at all times to show our love for our fellow man that we can best show our love for thee.

Amen

#### **Prayer (Of Remembrance):**

O God, before whom the generations rise and pass away; we praise you for all of your servants who, having lived this life in faith, now live eternally with you.

Especially we thank you for our companions whom we are remembering this evening. We praise you for the gift of their lives, for all in them that was good and kind; for the strong character they had that allowed them to serve you Faithfully. We thank you that you provide an eternal resting place for them, and for all of us, when our labour is ended, and our work is done. We ask that you hold our companions in your safe-keeping until we meet again.

Gracious God, watch over all of us, as we continue to serve you and one another, and as we honour the lives of these men who have gone before us. We ask this in the name Christ Jesus, Your Son. Amen.

#### **Rose Ceremony:**

Representatives of each Chapter placed a red rose on the Alter in honour of their departed Companions. M Ex Comp R Laronde placed a white rose on the alter, in memory of all the families.

#### **Memorial Service.**

My friends each year at this time we gather to remember our good and true companions who have gone from us to toil in the Heavenly vineyards of the Lord God. While we grieve that they are no longer with us, let us rejoice that they are in the loving embrace of the Almighty.

Let the words of St. John, Chapter 11, Verses 25 and 26 help us to put their loss in perspective as we read: " I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord : He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live : and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. "



Most Excellent Companion C Hardy then read out the names of our **Departed Companions:**

Prince Rupert Chapter #1:	Nil
Keystone Chapter #2:	Stanley Johnson, Roy McMillan
Keystone Chapter #5	Lawrence McInnes
Rabboni Chapter #7	Leslie Ford
Prince of Wales Chapter #11	Thomas Matheson, Alfred Pommer, Ken McComick
Pre-Cambrian Chapter #17:	Walter Porpuluik
Red River Valley Chapter #21:	Nil

**Eulogy:**

While we mourn over the loss in our own Jurisdiction of so many Companions near and dear to us all, and sympathize with their loved ones, let us pause for a moment and mourn with Sister Jurisdictions, their losses during the past year. Let us observe a few moments of silence in their memory.

Hymn: Amazing Grace

**Benediction:**

And Now; May the Lord make His Face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee. The Lord Lift us his countenance upon you and give your Peace. AMEN

**CLOSING OF CEREMONIAL OPENING**

M Ex Comp Richard Laronde invited all guests to remain for a reception following the close and thanked everyone for their attendance.

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2013**

Morning session was opened in regular form at 8:30 AM by the Grand Council.

### **INVOCATION**

By M Ex Comp C Hardy

### **RECEPTION OF OFFICE VISITORS FROM OTHER JURISDICTIONS**

Official visitors from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Ontario, Washington, Tennessee and General Grand Chapter International were introduced and given Grand Honours.

### **APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS**

M Ex Comp Richard Laronde appointed M Ex Comp W Watis from Alberta, M Ex Comp B Pizzey from Saskatchewan and V Ex Comp G Porter from British Columbia, to act as the Scrutineers.

### **PRESENTATION OF FLAGS**

The Canadian flag was presented by R Ex Comp Jim Whitfield and The American flag was presented M Ex Comp A Ohrt.

### **MINUTES OF THE 2012 SESSION**

Motion to accept the 2012 proceedings as printed and circulated was made by M Ex Comp J Barratt and seconded by M Ex Comp S Payne, Carried

## **ADDRESS OF THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL 2012-2013 – M EX COMP RICHARD LARONDE**

**February 1, 2013**

### **Grand First Principal's Update**

Companions, I would once again like to thank you all for the opportunity to be your Grand First Principal. Since Installation in April 2012, it has been very exciting and I really don't know where the last 9 months have gone.

My good Lady Brenda and I have represented the companions of Manitoba at the following Grand Chapter Convocations:

<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Accompanied By</u></b>
<b>Alberta</b>	<b>M.Ex. Comp. Leif Hanson</b>
<b>Newfoundland</b>	<b>R Ex. Comp. Randy Ashcroft &amp; Lady Christine</b>
<b>Minnesota</b>	<b>M.Ex. Comp. Lawrence McInnes &amp; Lady Kim</b>
<b>British Columbia/Yukon</b>	

Our Grand Chapter was well represented at the Saskatchewan Convocation by R. Ex. Comp. Gary Dunn (Grand H) and Lady Sandy, M. Ex. Comp. Vic Bryll and Lady Marlene, and R. Ex. Comp. John Duff. Unfortunately the Convocation coincided with the Grand Chapter Of Newfoundland Convocation and I was not able to attend.

The Grand Chapter (three Principal Officers) attended Order of the Eastern Star Communication in Winnipeg on May 28, 2012. I requested and was granted the opportunity to bring greetings and congratulations on behalf of the Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba.

In June, we attended Grand Lodge of Manitoba Communication. Again, I brought greetings and also made a special presentation at the Family Masonic Luncheon. I was able to present our Philanthropic donation (\$2,000 each) to our youth groups of Demolay and Job's Daughters. These fine young men and women were very appreciative indeed. Our Masonic Family is looking very good for the coming years with such mature and exciting youth.

My first Official Visit was to Keystone Chapter #5 Brandon in June. It was well attended and the Chapter completed the Mark Master Mason Degree. It was an exciting night as it has been a considerable time since this Chapter had a candidate and our new Mark Master Mason was not disappointed...Well Done.

Brenda and I participated in parades at Gimli and Morden. There we joined other members of our Masonic Family on a float decorated with Masonic signage. We attended Selkirk, however, the float was not available at the last minute. It was not a total loss as the motorcycle ride from Dauphin and back was great.

Brenda and I attended a great fish fry hosted by Keystone #2 in July. It was a huge success with no one going away dissatisfied.

I've had the opportunity to attend four Family Masonic Meetings at the Masonic Memorial Centre in Winnipeg since our Convocation. We have a very strong Masonic Family that supports each other. I have been able to bring forth concerns to the body and have had them dealt with in a respectful, appropriate manner. Thanks to R. Ex. Comp. Gary Dunn (Grand H) for attending other Masonic Family Meetings on my behalf.

In August, the Royal Arch was instrumental in our Family Masonic Round-up (Family BBQ for all members and their families). We cooked 96 hamburgers and 90 hot dogs and provided all the condiments. I would like to express many thanks to the Grand Principal Officers and their ladies and to M. Ex. Comp. Vic Bryll and Lady Marlene and M. Ex. Comp. Jack Hooper. We also had a display about Royal Arch Masonry that included regalia and a video on projector and laptop. Tickets for our Philanthropic Fund were also made available.

Our Webmaster Cliff Hartmier has been updating the web page. He reconfigured the Constitution (returning it to its original format) and it has been placed back on the web page. I encourage everyone to check out the web page and if you would like to see different things or find some incorrect information contact our Webmaster. Thanks to Cliff, we were able to obtain a good, used laptop and projector (both for \$200.00) which will enable us to use it for educational and display purposes.

Thank You to M. Ex. Comp. Vic Bryll and his capable assistant (John Duff) who completed the first Royal Arch/York Rite Education Session in Fil Can Cable Tow Lodge on September 28, 2012. We were invited to give the presentation and the Grand Secretary just recently sent out notices to all the Lodges regarding the available education presentation. While supporting your local Lodges talk about this available presentation. It will help to provide more Light in Masonry for our Brothers.

On October 11, 2012 I attended Keystone Chapter #2 in Portage for my Official Visit. It was a very good meeting and I was able to present a paper on "The Word".

On October 21, 2012 Brenda and I were able to attend the Job's Daughters Fall Supper in Winnipeg at the Masonic Memorial Centre.

I attended Red River Valley Chapter #21 in Starbuck on October 22, 2012 for my Official Visit. This was an evening of great camaraderie, a fun meeting and a great meal following. I was presented the Working Tools of a Traveling Mason by M. Ex. Comp. Stan Payne (make sure you come to the Grand Convocation to view these tools and receive an explanation).

On October 25, 2012 I was able to meet the Companions of my own Chapter, Rabboni #7 in Dauphin for my Official Visit. This included a wonderful supper and a fun time had by all.

On the morning of October 26, 2012 there were 21 individuals who came to our home for the Annual Laronde Country Breakfast before 7 Companions and 4 Ladies left for the Precambrian Chapter #17 Official Visit. That evening we socialized with the Companions and their Ladies from Precambrian Chapter at the Victoria Inn Hotel hospitality suite.

My Official Visit took place at 2 p.m. on Saturday October 27 with a wonderful banquet to follow. Brenda and I have been making the journey to Flin Flon for the past eight years and always look forward to our time there. We all returned home safely on October 28.

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES PROGRAM:** Some discussion at our last Grand Executive Meeting re: value and history of difficulty in maintaining/developing relations. I would like to see us concentrate on maintaining

this program for the Canadian Provinces and neighbouring States. (I have a list of vacancies if anyone is interested)

I would like to thank our Grand District Superintendents

District #1 R. Ex. Comp. Stephen Gwynn and also to

District #2 R. Ex. Comp. Jim Chute for being dedicated Royal Arch Masons and representing me in their districts. They are well organized and have started their Official Visits supporting myself and others throughout their districts.

On November 22, 2012 I attended Prince Rupert Chapter #1 in Winnipeg for my Official Visit. It was a wonderful evening highlighted by the excellent job of Installation of Officers.

On November 23, 2012 R. Ex. Comp. Randy Ashcroft and I drove to Flin Flon to attend Precambrian's meeting for the following day. Precambrian Chapter conferred the Mark Master Mason Degree for two candidates. It had been many years since degree work was completed in this Chapter and they should be commended for a job well done.

On November 28, 2012 I attended Prince of Wales Chapter #11 in Selkirk for my Official Visit. There was an excellent turnout for this meeting and it was nice to see our Grand Master out supporting his Chapter.

On December 4, 2012 our Grand Photographer R. Ex. Comp. Bert Chambers and I left for Regina, Saskatchewan. M. Ex. Comp. Bill Pizzey, Grand First Principal of Saskatchewan was making his Official Visit. The Grand First Principal of Alberta M. Ex. Comp. Wally Watts also attended this meeting. Many of the senior Companions indicated that they have never seen three sitting Grand First Principals in a Chapter on the same evening. It was a great time of fellowship in Royal Arch Masonry. The following day, Bert and I, along with M. Ex. Comp. Bill MacKay had the opportunity to learn to play the church bells from V. Ex. Comp. Wayne Tunison (Master Bell ringer) at Knox Metropolitan United Church.

You must ask Bert about his newly found skills with the bells.

On January 1, 2013 Brenda and I along with M. Ex. Companion Vic Bryll and Lady Marlene attended the Lieutenant Governor's Levee at the Legislative Building in Winnipeg. Also attending were members of Grand Lodge and the Masonic Family. We were all received by The Honourable Philip Lee, Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, Mrs. Lee and Premier Greg Selinger, Premier of Manitoba.

On January 19, 2013 Lady Brenda and I attended the Kartum Shriners Installation in the Shrine Hall in Winnipeg. Illustrious Sir Andrew Skene was installed as this year's Potentate. This was a pleasure to attend.

On January 27, 2013 Lady Brenda and I attended Job's Daughters Bethel #9 Installation at the Masonic Memorial Centre in Winnipeg. These young ladies did a wonderful job of the installation. I was given the opportunity to send greetings on behalf of the Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba.

On a sad note, we saw the passing of four Past Grand First Principals in a three month period from November 2012 to January 2013. M. Ex. Comp. Stan Johnson, M. Ex. Comp. Lawrence McInnes, M. Ex. Comp. Bill McKenzie and M. Ex. Comp. Hugh Ross. They were very good men and we will surely miss them.

***Happy to meet, sorry to part, happy to meet again.***

Royal Arch Convocation April 26 +27, 2013 at Holiday Inn South in Winnipeg, Manitoba is not that far away. We just finalized the new meal menu with the hotel. Most of the planning and preparations are completed and Brenda and I look forward to seeing everyone at the Convocation. The Program, Information and Registration Packages will be forwarded to the Chapters, Grand Executive, and posted on the Web page. There will be a fun Ladies Program on Friday and Saturday. Please refer to the information letter in the registration package. On Friday afternoon at 4 p.m. will see the Widows Degree being conferred in the Portage Room at the hotel. Companions do come out and support your ladies as they take this fun degree. Our banquet evening will have some pleasant surprises along with good food and friendship.

We will have a hospitality room both nights (Deer/Elk on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor). All are welcome. Come socialize and meet with old and new friends.

This year's Philanthropic Fundraiser is an Apple I Pad with case. Tickets are three dollars each and available from each Scribe E, Grand Chapter Officers and our Ticket master R. Ex. Comp. John Duff.

Remember our upcoming Grand Executive meeting March 24, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. in Portage. Ladies are welcome as Brenda will be meeting with them to discuss the ladies program. I hope to visit each Chapter once more before our Convocation. I plan to attend the Convocation in Fargo, North Dakota April 19 + 20, 2013.

Remember to Live, Love and Laugh in Royal Arch Masonry. Support your Chapters and your Lodges. Spread the word, help our brethren become more aware of Royal Arch and receive further light in Masonry.

Thank You Companions;

M. Ex. Comp. Richard Laronde  
Grand First Principal  
Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba

**April 17, 2013**  
**Grand First Principal's Update Part 2**

Companions, the past few months have been exciting.

February 14: I attended the MMM degree at Keystone #2 in Portage la Prairie. It was well done and the candidates thoroughly enjoyed the degree.

February 15 + 16: My good Lady Brenda and I went to Temple Gardens in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan to enjoy "rest and refreshment" for a couple of days. It helped to recharge the batteries and then on the road again.

February 27: I was in Selkirk to attend Prince of Wales Chapter. I enjoyed the warmth of their hospitality and friendship.

My Royal Arch duties, being less intense this month, enabled Brenda and I to become Hockey Grandparents again as evenings and weekends found us following our ten year old grandson to various rinks around the countryside. This brings back a lot of old memories for me. Then it was back on the road again but great to be able to do some family time.

March 19: I attended to Keystone #5 in Brandon for their regular meeting. As I was born and raised in Brandon, it is always good to come back to be with the companions.

March 23: Brenda and I attended The Daughters of the Nile installation at Shrine House in Winnipeg. This was our first time attending this installation and if you have never been to one before, you must attend. Their work was superb.

March 24: I attended the Executive meeting in Portage and Lady Brenda met with the ladies to finalize plans for the convocation; many thanks to R. Ex. Comp. Gary Dunn who runs an excellent meeting. Despite lower attendance at the meeting, much was accomplished and great fellowship and goodies followed the meeting with our ladies.

March 25: I attended Red River Chapter in Starbuck where an excellent MMM degree was conferred by the Companions.

March 27: I attended the District #1 meeting in Selkirk. Hats off to our Grand District Superintendent District #1, R. Ex. Comp. Stephen Gwynn who efficiently ran the meeting and attended to all business swiftly.

March 28: Prince Rupert Chapter provided me with a very warm reception as I attended their regular meeting.

April 9: I was able to visit my Mother Chapter Rabboni #7 in Dauphin. It was very well attended and the impressive display of regalia received compliments from the visitors. District #2 meeting followed with Grand District Superintendent R. Ex. Comp. Jim Chute hosting the meeting like he had done it all his life; Well done Jim! A number of the ladies traveled to Dauphin with their husbands. Several of the companions, visitors and

ladies met at a local restaurant for supper prior to the meeting. Following the supper Brenda entertained some of the ladies at home until they rejoined us after the meeting for lunch.

April 11: Once again I headed to Portage la Prairie Keystone #2 where they were conferring the MEM degree. They were also kind enough to include a Candidate from Keystone #5 in Brandon. This was well done and it is great to see that we can help out other Chapters when the need arises.

As I am drafting this update, I will be heading to Grand Forks tomorrow to attend their York Rite Convention. Our Grand "J" R. Ex. Comp. Rick Porter will accompany me. Last time I attended Grand Forks, in 2011, they had eight inches of snow. I'm bringing my shovel and scraper this time.

April 24 + 25: Brenda and I will be in Winnipeg attending the Cryptic Rite Masons of Western Canada Convention. We will be supporting our Past Grand First Principal M. Ex. Comp. Bill Cooper who is currently the Grand Master of Cryptic Rite Masons of Western Canada.

April 26 + 27: This brings us to our Convocation located at The Holiday Inn South Winnipeg. It really doesn't seem like a year, how time has flown. We hope to see all the Companions and their ladies at this Convocation.

I would like to take this opportunity to give special thanks to my wife Brenda and my family for their support and sacrifice over the past three years. As I said three years ago "Brenda, hang on for this roller coaster ride." It indeed has been a ride and one that we will never forget. Thanks also to the Companions and their ladies who have taken the time from their own busy schedules to travel near and far with us, and many thanks to those who have provided me counsel. Your support and encouragement is very appreciated and it will never be forgotten. Once again to all of the Companions of this Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Thank You for the opportunity to represent you this past year.

Always remember to LIVE, LOVE and LAUGH in Royal Arch Masonry.

Respectfully submitted;

Most Excellent Companion  
Richard Laronde

### **Saturday Morning Grand First Principal's Address**

This past year I set goals of improving:

1. Membership
2. Awareness
3. Communication

**It's now evaluation time.**

#### **Membership**

My goal was to take the tools we had previously developed (video and wallet size application card) to each Lodge in Manitoba to spread the word about Royal Arch Masonry to the source of our prospective Candidates. This was ambitious but I felt it was important to try. Well, it failed miserably! Letters were sent to all of the Lodges regarding our willingness to provide our presentation; we received one invitation. Thank You to Fil-Can Cable Tow Lodge of Winnipeg for responding. My thanks to M. Ex. Comp. Vic Bryll and R. Ex. Comp. John Duff for doing this education presentation.

**I still believe that this is very important and we need to spread the word about Royal Arch to all Masons.** I have attended a number of Family Masonic gatherings and installations and it's very apparent that members of our Masonic Family are not familiar with Royal Arch and York Rite. Many are not aware that York Rite contains three separate and distinct governing bodies, of which Royal Arch is the first step after Craft Lodge. We need to do a better job of educating the members of our Masonic Craft in order for us to survive.  
**We can't stop trying!**

\* With the help of my daughter Janelle and wife Brenda we re-tooled the seven and one half minute DVD on Royal Arch and York Rite Masonry. Along with a short script and letter of explanation, a set was sent out to the secretary of every Lodge in Manitoba.\* If each secretary views this DVD and material and provides it to their Lodge or individuals then we would have succeeded in this endeavour.

### **Awareness**

My goal was to have history of this Grand Chapter made available to the Companions. In order to go forward it's important to remember and be aware of where we have come from. I was able to find a great article by George L. Gardiner "History of Royal Arch Masonry in Canada". It has an excellent portion on Royal Arch development in Manitoba. This article was sent to every Chapter in Manitoba, all Royal Arch Executive members, and placed on our web page.

Supporting our Masonic Family is an excellent avenue to enhance awareness. Our Masonic Family is held out as an outstanding example of cooperation and mutual support; it is envied by many Grand Lodges around this country. Every Family has difficulties, but we have been able to bring forth concerns and they have been dealt with respectfully making our Masonic Family stronger. This past year I have attempted to attend as many Family Masonic activities as possible and have thoroughly enjoyed the experience. I know that the incoming line also values our Masonic Family and will continue to provide support. Overall, I am happy with this goal and hope we have been able to increase awareness and strengthened our ties within the Family.

### **Communication**

We can never communicate enough in order to insure our Companions are aware of what is going on with Royal Arch Grand Chapter.

This past year updates have been put on the web site and sent to all Chapters. My officers and I have attended every Chapter and I have attended each Chapter at least twice, some others more often. There we have attempted to keep the Companions informed of developments in Grand Chapter.

I have been warmly welcomed everywhere and have witnessed excellent work, friendship and fellowship.

"The report card about communication ultimately lies with you the individual Royal Arch Mason". I hope you feel we have done a good job with communication.

I am so proud to be associated with an organization and group of individuals who love Royal Arch as I do. Again, I thank you for this opportunity to represent Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba.

**Always remember LIVE, LOVE and LAUGH in Royal Arch Masonry.**

**Most Excellent Companion Richard Laronde**

### **ACCEPTANCE OF GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS**

R Ex Comp G Dunn moved acceptance of the address of the Grand First Principal, and it was seconded by R Ex Comp R Porter.. Carried

M Ex Comp R Laronde was then given Grand Honours.

### **PRESENTATION OF THE CARROTHERS MERIT SHIELD**

M Ex Comp R Laronde asked the Companions from Pre Cambrian Chapter #17 to join him in the West for the presentation of the Carruthers Merit Shield.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

M Ex Comp R Laronde stated that most of the Committee Reports have been printed and asked the Chairperson to just move and have a seconder. All reports need not be read.

The following committees have advised the Grand Scribe "E" that they have a "Nil Report" to submit to the Grand Convocation.

Laws and Jurisprudence  
Education

Custodian of the Work  
R A R A

Grievances and Appeals

## REPORT OF FINANCE AND BUDGET

### Report Grand Chapter Financial Results 2013– from Grand Treasurer, M Ex Companion Victor Bryll

The balances of cash in the respective banking facilities are as follows:

- Crocus Credit Union – Brandon	\$,1503.11
- Assiniboine Credit Union, - Winnipeg	\$10,925.92
- Total:	\$12, 429.02

The investments are all located in Crocus Credit Union – Brandon

GIC due September 11, 2013 - \$4,000.00 4% annual interest

GIC due October 9, 2014 \$35,000.00 3%

The Statement of Operations does usually change dramatically year to year, however due to a reduction in Regalia costs and no banner costs; we have generated a positive cash flow in 2013 of \$3,063.96.

After Convocation and Assistance costs are paid however, there is very little working capital; we must review the per capita this year. The Assiniboine Credit Union has \$10,925.92 when accounting for the Convocation costs of \$53,00 and allowing \$4,000 for the assistance, the working capital is very nearly depleted.

### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS for the period APRIL 17<sup>th</sup> 2012 – APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2013 GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MANITOBA

	2012-2013	2011-2012
<b>INCOME</b>		
Interest Income	1,211.29	1,621.52
Chapter Per Capita	3,385.00	4,863.00
Convocation Fees	7,230.50	3,830.00
Grand First Principal Project	1,500.00	1,005.00
Miscellaneous	210.59	494.21
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>13,537.38</b>	<b>11,803.73</b>



**EXPENSES**

Grand First Principal Project		45.00
Assistance – Grand First Principal	2,000.00	2,000.00
Assistance – Grand Secretary	2,000.00	2,000.00
Banner Costs	-	516.00
Convocation Costs previous year	5,347.91	5,262.77
Grand Chapter International Dues	319.00	349.00
Engraving	223.84	120.70
Printing & Copying	582.67	644.08
Bank Charges and Interest	-	69.96
Regalia Repair	-	940.12
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>10,473.42</b>	<b>11,947.63</b>
Net Income Before Taxes	- 3,063.96	- 143.90
Income Taxes		
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>- 3,063.96</b>	<b>- 143.90</b>

Moved by M Ex Comp Vic Bryll, Seconded by M Ex Comp Jim Barratt

Carried

**BALANCE SHEET**

	April 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2013	April 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2012
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets:		
Cash	12,429.02	10,215.06
Investments – Term Deposit 1	4,000.00	4,000.00
Investments – Term Deposit 2	35,000.00	35,000.00
Accounts Receivable - Philanthropic Fund		4,000.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$51,429.02</b>	<b>\$53,215.06</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
Shares – Assiniboine Credit Union	5.00	5.00
Shares Crocus Credit Union	82.00	62.00
Equity and other investments		
Less accumulated depreciation		
<b>Net Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$87.00</b>	<b>\$67.00</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$51,516.02</b>	<b>\$53,282.06</b>
<b>Liability and Owner's Equity</b>		
Owner's Equity		
Opening Balance	44,668.83	44,668.83
Net Income	6,847.19	8,613.23
<b>Total Owner's Equity</b>	<b>\$51,516.02</b>	<b>\$53,282.06</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Owner's Equity</b>	<b>\$51,516.02</b>	<b>\$53,282.06</b>

Moved by M Ex Comp Vic Bryll, Seconded by M Ex Comp Jim Barratt

Carried

### ROYAL ARCH PHILANTHROPIC PROJECT

Due to untimely and sudden passing of our Chairman of the Philanthropic Fund, namely MEC Lawrence McInnes, I took over administration of this fund.

I didn't make any investment decision but just solidified the balance and made suggestions for the criteria that will proceed into the new year.

Recently MEC Jack Hooper has been appointed Chairman of the Philanthropic Fund and we look forward to his leadership in the cause.

1984	Ronald McDonald House	\$1500.00	1985	Eastern Star Chalet	\$2400.00
1986	Camp at Ironwood Point	2500.00	1987	Eastern Star Chalet	2700.00
1988	Lennox Bell Lodge	3000.00	1989	Birchbark Diabetic Camp (Kids)	3000.00
1990	Portage Personal Care Home	3200.00	1991	DASCH Community Homes	3500.00
1992	Cancer Camps for Kids	3800.00	1993	Children's Wish Foundation	4000.00
1994	Speech & Hearing Clinic	4000.00	1995	Salvation Army Kids Camp	4000.00
1996	Johnson Memorial Hospital	4000.00	1997	Birchbark Diabetic Camp (Kids)	4000.00
1998	R C M P Gifts for Kids	4000.00	1999	Manitoba Kidney Foundation	4000.00
2000	Children's Wish Foundation	4000.00	2001	Stroke Recovery Association	4000.00
2002	Manitobans with Disabilities Kids	4000.00	2003	Birchbark Diabetic Camp (Kids)	4000.00
2004	Variety Club Children's Division	4000.00	2005	Big Brothers & Sisters – Brandon	4000.00
2006	Riding for the Disabled	3500.00	2007	Manitoba Special Olympics	3500.00
2008	Nova House for Women (Selkirk)	4000.00	2009	King Edward Community School	4000.00
2010	Selkirk Food Bank	4000.00	2011	Canadian Cancer Society	4000.00
2012	Keystone #2, Demolay & Job's Daughters	4000.00	2013	Rainbow Walk Group	4400.00

Total Charitable **Donations**                      **\$109,000.00 \***

### PHILANTHROPIC PROJECT FINANCIAL INVESTMENT UPDATE AS OF APRIL 2013

#### Lawrence McInnes, Committee Chair

Term Deposit	Amount	Institution	Percentage	Maturity Date
Cash	20,424.75	Crocus	0.03	Not applicable
Surplus Shares	463.00	Crocus		
Shares	25.00	Crocus		
Term Deposit	14,000.00	Crocus	2.75	April 29, 2014
Term Deposit	10,000.00	Crocus	3.25	Feb 12, 2014
Term Deposit	6,000.00	Crocus	3.25	Apr 19, 2015
Term Deposit	20,000.00	Crocus	3.25	March 23, 2015
Term Deposit	5,000.00	Crocus	3.50	Feb 16, 2015
Term Deposit	10,000.00	Crocus	3.80	Jan 14, 2016

Term Deposit	20,000.00	Crocus	3.75	March 29, 2017
Term Deposit	10,535.00	Crocus	3.00	Nov 12, 2017
Investment	8,380.80	TD	3.50	April 29, 2013
Term Deposit	28,000.00	Crocus	3.75	July 16, 2015
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$144,828.55</b>			
<b>Interest Earned 12/13</b>	<b>\$4,483.84</b>			

Respectfully Submitted for acceptance, M Ex Comp Jack Hooper, Seconded by M Ex Comp V Bryll..

Carried

### CONSTITUTION & REVISION REPORT

The following changes were made at Grand Convocation held on April 26 and 27, 2013.

The following articles are hereby changed:

Page A3 #11	Delete the names of the Chapters in each District except Pre-Cambrian Chapter #17 under the supervision of The Grand First Principal.
Page A4	Delete "Who Shall be elected by the Grand Executive for a period of two (2) years" as indicated beside Grand Scribe "E" and Grand Scribe "N".  Under elected Officer remove Grand Registrar and Grand Historian – remove these and add to the list of appointed officers.  Remove from Appointed Officers The Grand Master of the Veils.
Page A7	Under the Grand H add a new item (4) – He shall appoint the Chairman of each committee for the Grand Executive.
The Grand Treasurer	
Page A7	The following as listed under the responsibilities of the Grand Scribe E will now be placed under Grand Treasurer - #16, #17, #19, #20, #21, #22, #23 and numbered 39 (1) to (7).
Page A9	The following will be placed under the Grand Treasurer Item 39 on Page A7 #24, #25, #26 and numbered 39(8) to (10).  Under the Grand J add item #38A He Shall provide a report called "The Condition of Capitular Masonry in the Province of Manitoba."
Page A8	Under the Grand Scribe E delete items #16, #17, #19, #20, #21, #22, #23 and add to the duties of the Grand Treasurer.
Page A8	Number (18) shall be renumbered to (16).
Page A9	Move items #24, #25, #26 to the Duties/Responsibilities of the Grand Treasurer.  Item #28 will be now placed under the responsibility of the Regalia Committee which will be #53 on Page A10.
Page A9	Under Grand Registrar #43 delete the words be "Responsible for the Banquet and Luncheon Sales."
Page A10	Under Grand Historian #50 delete the last line and change to He shall be appointed by the Grand "Z".

Page A11	<p>At #58 delete the last line.</p> <p>At #60(1a) Change the last line to read. Nominations for Office must be filed with the Chairman of the Nominations Committee by midnight January 31, preceding the Annual Convocation.</p> <p>At #60(2) Change the last line to read Such vacancy shall be filled by the Grand Z for the unexpired portion of such term.</p> <p>At #60(3) Change 'The Executive Committee to Grand "H" shall add Regalia after Nomination.</p>
Page A14	<p>Duties of the Philanthropic Project Committee change (3) to read committee to consist of a Chairman, appointed in the proper manner with 4 other members. With four to form a quorum.</p> <p>Delete everything else under item #3 Page A 14.</p>
Page A15	Delete the first 4 lines. At the end of the next two paragraphs add the Royal Arch of Manitoba Philanthropic Project is a permanent growing entity with all the interest used for Charitable Purposes. Chapters and Companions in Manitoba will be encouraged to donate funds to this project.
Page A15	Add that the full payment amount of Interest Received in the year prior to Grand Convocation be reviewed by the Grand Executive and approved at Grand Convocation for disbursement to charity, by ballot vote if more than one nomination is forthcoming.
Page A15	Add the following as Committees #67 Duties of the Nominating Committee.
Page A15	The Nomination Committee shall receive nominations for all the elected officers for Grand Chapter. Nominations must be received by January 31 preceding the Grand Convocation.
Page A15	Add #68 duties of the Royal Arch Research and Assistance Committee The R.A.R.A. Committee shall solicit funds for R.A.R.A. All funds collected shall be forwarded to Grand Chapter International R.A. Research and Assistance for disbursement.
Page A15	Just ahead of new #69 add new title Duties of Grand Officers.

Page A15	<p>Change #67 to #69</p> <p>Change #68 to #70</p> <p>Change #69 to #71</p> <p>Change #70 to #72</p> <p>Change #71 to #73</p>
Page A15	Ahead of #72 which shall now be #75 add the words Fees and Dues
Page A18	At #85 add the following bodies Knight Templar Cryptic Rite Red Cross of Constantine
Page A15 to 16	All numbers following new #75 should be changed by two numbers.

These Constitutional Changes were changed under a 5/6 majority at Grand Chapter on Saturday, April 27, 2013.

Submitted by

M. Ex. Comp Stan Payne

Seconded by M Ex Comp James Barratt

Carried

## GRAND CHAPTER OF MANITOBA, ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Grand Scribe "E" MEC James Barratt

I appreciate the opportunity afforded me to be the Grand Scribe 'E' of the Royal Arch Masons for Manitoba As I enter in to my sixth year, I am enjoyed the journey very much.

With the First Grand Principal I attended, some of the Chapters on his Official Visit within Manitoba, I enjoyed all of the visits.

The following are the membership Statistics for Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Royal Arch Mason from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012:

		<u>#1</u>	<u>#2</u>	<u>#5</u>	<u>#7</u>	<u>#11</u>	<u>#17</u>	<u>#21</u>
December 31, 2012		67	29	31	35	96	54	20
Exalted		-	-	1	--	-	2	-
Affiliated		1	--	--	--	--	--	-
Restored		-	--	-	-	-	1	--
Sub Total		<b>68</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>20</b>
Demitted		1	--	1	1	1	-	--
Suspended		3	-	-	-	24	2	1-
Deceased		-	2	1	1	3	1	-
Membership	<b>[295]</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>19</b>
Life Members	<b>[13]</b>	7	2	4	--	--	--	--
Dues Paying	<b>[282]</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>19</b>
Net Loss for 2011	<b>[8]</b>							

The **Carruthers Merit Shield** will be presented Pre-Cambrian Chapter #17, who had the largest percentage increase.

In closing, it has been an enjoyable year, in which I been pleased to work with our First Grand Principal, M Ex Comp Richard Laronde. I look forward to the 2013-2014 year and pledge my support to the new officers of our Grand Chapter.

In Closing M Ex Sir I will put our Grand Chapter on notice as of **April 2014** I will not allow my name to stand as your Grand Scribe E.

Most Excellent Sir, I move the adoption of this report and it is seconded by M Ex Comp Stan Payne.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND REGISTRAR CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

R Ex Comp I LeBlanc presented the following report::

Total Number of Companions from District #1	36
Total Number of Companions from District #2	16
Number of Companions from Grand First Principal's District #6	6
Total Number of Companions from Manitoba	58
Total Number of Distinguished Visitors	18
Total Registered Attendance	76
Total Number of Chapters represented	7/7

R Ex Comp I LeBlanc moved acceptance of his report; Seconded by M Ex Comp J Hooper. Carried

## REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEERS COMMITTEE

M Ex Comp BW Watts from Alberta reported that the Philanthropic Project money went to the submission of Prince Rupert Chapter #1, "The Rainbow Walk Group". He moved that the ballots be destroyed; Seconded by M Ex Comp B Pizzey.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITIONS OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

I am happy to report that Capitular Masonry in Manitoba appears to be holding its own. The members of our particular brand on Masonry are living up to the teaching contained in our ritual.

Most, if not all chapters, have or will be balloting on new candidates. Almost all chapters have lost members as well and the losses have been notable. We have lost 4 Past Grand First Principals between November and December.

The chapters are, by and large, maintaining their number of meetings per year. Sometimes weather can be a problem in the winter but on the whole the companions are a hardy lot and struggle on despite the wintery blasts.

Our District Superintendents have finished their visitations and will give their final reports at Grand Convocation. The District 2 Superintendent will be holding his District meeting in early April and we look forward to it.

Grand First Principal Laronde has shown us all what it means to be a true companion and we are looking forward to the Convocation.

Fraternally moved, R Ex Comp R Porter, Seconded by R Ex Comp G Dunn . Carried

## Report of the Grand Historian 2012-2013

### Most Excellent Companion Richard Laronde, Distinguished Guests and Companions All.

As I look back on 2012, and the Masonic year that was, I am saddened to report that this Grand Chapter has lost three stalwart Past Grand First Principals.

#### STANLEY FRANK JOHNSON 29 April 1929 – 3 November 2012

Stan was not one to shirk his responsibilities. At the age of nineteen and with the passing of his own father, Stan along with his mother, took over the family business, Johnson's Cartage. He spent many years in the transport business in the Manitoba area. After selling the business he joined Portage Mutual Insurance Co and he never looked back. Stan always enjoyed meeting and helping others while serving the public in one way or another. While raising his own family, he became a Scout leader and enjoyed watching these young lads grow into young men and fathers.

Stan was also a long time member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he also served for many years on the Board of Trustees of Trinity United Church where he could be seen at his regular post as an usher on Sunday mornings. Stan loved camping with his family and friends. He was also a curler and a golfer which kept him active and out with people. Stan was in the true sense, a gentleman, and had high expectations of himself and others.

Stan is survived by Victoria, his wife of 61 years, his son Barry and Jo-Anne, his daughter Kathleen and Greg, his daughter Brenda and Kim, and his son Robert and Marg, as well as his grandchildren and his siblings, along many nieces and nephews. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Stan was initiated into Assiniboine Lodge #7 15 December 1966. He served twice as Worshipful Master, first in 1974 and again 32 years later in 2006. He was a long time member of the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and a District Deputy Grand Master in the Second Masonic District.

Most Excellent Companion Johnson was exalted in Keystone Chapter #2 on 10 May 1973 and served as First Principal of that Chapter in 1976 and in 2005. He was elected as Grand First Principal of this Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in 1984.

Stan was a member of the Cryptic Rite Masons and was Grand Master for Western Canada in 1995. Also a member of Mount Carmel Preceptory, he was Provincial Grand Prior 1978.

Stan was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and served the order as Worthy Grand Patron for Manitoba. Other Masonic orders that he belonged to, were the Royal Order of Scotland, the York Rite Cross of Honour and the Order of the High Priesthood.

He was instrumental in assisting to form several Masonic orders in Portage la Prairie and in Manitoba. He was a charter member of the Portage Council of the Cryptic Rite Masons, the Grand Valley Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine, the Crescent Lake Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners and the Crocus York Rite College of Manitoba.

Stan Johnson was the recipient of some very high honours in the Masonic order. The highest honour in York Rite Masonry which is achievable, is the York Rite Purple Cross and it was an award of which he was extremely proud. He was also awarded the Supreme Grand Masters Citation of Honour for his work in the Knights Templar and Masonry in general. This award was the first of its kind ever presented.

As we all know, over his many years, Stan was an active member in the Masonic order. He was a 55 year member and was the recipient of many accolades and awards of which he was always very gracious to receive. As I recall, Stan has always been the installing officer for every Masonic order for which he was a member, both at the local level as well as at the Grand, or provincial level. He continued in these positions for several orders, and for many years always maintained a degree of excellence that will be difficult to match.

One of the last lines in the final charge at Lodge installation says, "If you meet such a man, you will see the personification of brotherly love, relief and truth, and you will have found the ideal of a Freemason." Most Excellent Companion Stan Johnson was a good friend, a great Brother and the Ideal of a Freemason.

#### **LAWRENCE ROBERT McINNES 24 March 1950 – 5 December 2012**

Lawrence was born in Winnipeg where he attended school, receiving his BA in 1971 and his Bachelor of Law in 1974. He was employed for 30 years by the Province of Manitoba as a Senior Crown or Prosecuting Attorney. In that capacity he prosecuted cases in every level of Manitoba Courts and in the Supreme Court of Canada. He was appointed Queen's Council in 1999. He also held certificates in Administrative Studies and in Theology. As an active member of the United Church of Canada, he was licensed as a Lay Worship Leader, as well as a Funeral Celebrant and a Marriage Commissioner. Lawrence served his community well and was a Past Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Brandon General Hospital, Past Chairman of the Westman Regional Laboratory, the Brandon Mental Health Council and the College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Manitoba. One of Lawrence's favorite things to do was to put on his red suit at Christmas time and bring joy and happiness to those whom he loved, as Santa Claus. He was also an active community volunteer, but treasured his spare time when he was able to do odd jobs around home, (known as the "money pit") as well as making wine, cooking and doing stained glass work.

Most Excellent Companion McInnes started his Masonic life in 1964 as a member of the Order of DeMolay and when he was 22, he was raised in Lord Selkirk Lodge in 1972. He affiliated with other Lodges and in 1988-89 was DDGM of the 7<sup>th</sup> Masonic District. As a Cryptic Rite Mason, he was Grand Master for the Grand Council of Western Canada in 2008-09. As a member of the Knights Templar, Lawrence was Provincial Grand Prior in 2001-2002. There were many other Masonic organizations that Lawrence was a part of, namely, York Rite College of North America, where he was currently serving as Grand Governor at the time of his passing. He was a member of the Knights of the York Cross of Honour, the Royal Order of Scotland, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and was the Grand Viceroy of the Red Cross of Constantine of Canada. He was involved with the Job's Daughters.

Most Excellent Companion McInnes became a member of Keystone Chapter 5 of the Royal Arch Masons in 1983, becoming First Principal in 1988, District Superintendent in 1997-98 and then through the Grand line to become Grand First Principal of Manitoba in 2007-2008.

Lawrence is survived by his wife Kim Lewarne, son Sean, daughter Shannon and Scott Burgess and his grandson Jackson, and his siblings Evelyn Wallcraft and Norm Stewart , and he was also a long-time grumpy landlord to Uncle T.

#### **WILLIAM BRUCE McKENZIE 14 February 1936 – 21 December 2012**

Bill McKenzie was born in Selkirk and when he left school, he joined the Royal Canadian Navy and spent the next five years sailing the world. He spent the majority of his working life in the employ of Seagrams Distillers in Gimli. Bill was a quiet man who enjoyed fishing and loved to tell a good story, and it seemed he never missed a chance to pick up a pen. Maybe we should all check now to see if we have ours in our pockets. When I was Grand First Principal, I recall going on a road trip with my wife, Heather, as well as Bill and George Taylor to Sioux Falls, South Dakota for Grand Sessions. After a day in session, it was time to get ready for the banquet. Bill was nowhere to be found, so the three of us walked down to the banquet hall and we had to pass by the pool. There was Bill, just floating and having a relax before he had to get ready for supper.

Most Excellent Companion McKenzie became a Freemason in 1986 when he joined Viking Lodge in Gimli, and he served as Worshipful Master there in 1996. Bill became a Royal Arch Mason in 1990 becoming First Principal in 1996. He became involved immediately with the Grand Chapter of Manitoba becoming Grand Master of the Fourth Veil, Grand District Superintendent and then progressed through the line to become Grand First Principal in 2000. Bill enjoyed his Freemasonry and he joined several orders as a result. Cryptic Rite Masonry, Knights Templar, Holy Order of the High Priesthood, Red Cross of Constantine, the Manitoba York Rite College, Khartum Shriners, as well as the Order of the Eastern Star.

Bill is survived by Heather, his wife of 52 years and his daughter Ceayon, grandson Dylan, his son Darren and his and granddaughters Erin and Sara as well as his siblings, in-laws and many nieces , nephews and friends.

#### **Life's Clock**

The clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power,  
To tell just where the hands will stop— at late or early hour.  
To lose one's wealth is sad indeed, To lose one's health is more,  
To lose one's soul is such a loss, As no man can restore.  
The present only is our own; Live, love, toil with a will.  
Place no faith in tomorrow, For the clock may then be still.

**With our Companions, it was ALWAYS, "Happy to meet, Sorry to part, and soon it will be Happy to meet again."**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**MEC Al Christoffersen.**

**I move adoption of this report, seconded by MEC Stan Payne.**

#### **Grand District #1 Superintendent's Report 2012-2013**

Following my installation in April I arranged to casually visit Prince Rupert Chapter at the Kildonan Masonic Temple on Thursday May 24th, 2012. I was very well greeted as always and on opening the chapter was invited to the east by First Principal R.E.C. Gordon Sumka who was presiding that evening. Although the attendance was low, and some key officers not in attendance, the meeting was, however, held with enthusiasm and a very pleasant time was had by myself and traveling companion M.E.C. George Taylor. It was noted that R.E.C. Barry Wendel was also in attendance and as always graciously filled a vacant chair.



The following Monday George and I casually visited Red River Valley Chapter in Starbuck but unfortunately Red River does not open in May so it was a long journey for nothing.

September, 24th, 2012. Casual visitation to Red River Valley Chapter. The Chapter is very well organized with some very experienced R.A. Masons present. During the meeting the new officers were installed and M.E.C. Victor Bryll is now the First Principal.

September, 27th, 2012, Official visitation to Prince Rupert Chapter, I was very well pleased with my reception by First Principal R.E.C. Gordon Sumka, there were only 9 Prince Rupert Companions in attendance as well as a 5 district Companions accompanying me. The chapter was correctly adorned and opened in the RAM degree. I was graciously received by The First Principal Ex. Companion Jack Fryatt. It must be noted that Prince Rupert is fortunate to have R. Ex. Companion Stan Barclay as Scribe E.

September 30th, 2012, Attended the Grand Executive meeting held at Portage La Prairie.

October 22nd, 2012 M.E.C George Taylor and I accompanied M.E.C. Richard Laronde on his official visit to District #1 Red River Valley Chapter in Starbuck. Following the meeting we assembled in the outer rooms for a very good evening meal. At the end of the meeting we parted in harmony and peace.

October 24th, 2012 I attended my own Prince of Wales Chapter in Selkirk.

October 25th, 2012 M.E.C. George Taylor and R.E.C. Barry Wendel and I attended Prince Rupert Chapter on a casual unofficial visit, again we were very well received by First Principal E. Comp. Jack Fryatt and the 10 Prince Rupert Companions that were in attendance. During the meeting a report was received from the Temple Board announcing that they will be holding their Bud, Spud and Steak night on April 1st, 2013 at The Tijuana Yacht Club, tickets can be purchased from Sidney Denby (254-2622) or Gordon Sumka (895-9544).

Nominations for 2013 Officers were announced, Secretary Comp. Ken Cox, Treasurer R.E. Comp. Sidney Denby all other officers to remain for another term (2013). Installations are to take place at the November 28th meeting. Affiliation request from Cliff Hartmier was received and successfully voted on. The evening was complete by a very well attended after hour gathering during the repast hour.

November 16th, 2012, I was fortunate to be able to attend the Selkirk Parade of Lights with many attendees from the Masonic Family, this was very a very well organized parade with a great turnout of all ages to cheer the parade. The float was well supported with many Masonic Officials from all concordant bodies in attendance. The hospitality of Lisgar Lodge should have special mention where the hot soup was well received and appreciated by all.

November 23rd, 2012 Attended and accompanied M.E.C. Rick Laronde on his official visit to Prince Rupert Chapter. The evening was a very well attended event with at least 10 companions in Rick's suite. The meeting was enjoyable with a good attendance at the refreshment hour.

November 26th, 2012 Official visit to Red River Valley Chapter and accompanied by M.E.C. George Taylor. After being graciously escorted and presented to the chapter by M.E.C. Jack Hooper I was given grand honors and then escorted to the east where I was received by M.E.C. Victor Bryll.

The meeting of 11 Companions was well run with again some fine discussion on their Philanthropic Fund nomination as well as a discussion on the fund in general. I was afforded time at the end of the meeting to address the Companions at the conclusion of which we retired to the outer room for some well deserved refreshment.

November 28th, 2012 attended the Prince of Wales Chapter #11 of which I was the sitting first Principal. The evening was a special, some can say it was a Grand Occasion as it was the Official Visit of M.E.C. Richard Laronde and his suite. M.E.C Richard Laronde graciously allowed me to continue to sit as First Principal which is in conflict to my District responsibilities. The evening was very well attended by Prince of Wales Companions, visitors and Grand Chapter. The

evening was completed with a well attended repast hour in the lower hall with the evening meal supplied by Companion Gerry Zoppa who later along with Companion Garnet Knight entertained the Companions with guitar and fiddle...great evening., 2012

December 5th, 2012 My wife Susan and I assisted with wrapping Christmas Parcels and coat checks at the Garden City Shopping Mall. This event was organized by R.E.C. Gary Dunn and his wife Sandy.

Before my installation in April 2012 I had talked to M.E.C. Richard Laronde and informed him that my wife Susan and I had made arrangements to spend the months of January to March 2013 in more warmer climates Richard graciously understood and accepted these arrangements for this I am grateful I was then able to accept the position of Grand District #1 Superintendent.

So as I sit in the heat of Mexico finishing this report I fondly think of the Companions who remain in the quarries of RAM.

Grand Executive Meeting March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Because of the time in Mexico and my extended time in Calgary where I was looking after my grand children Unfortunately, I was unable to attend this Executive Meeting, again my regrets to the Companions.

March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013 I arrived home in time for my official visit to my own Prince of Wales Chapter #11 on the 27th and The District meeting that followed. The visit to my Home Chapter was the last official visit of my term. This was a special evening for me, it was a thrill and honor to be received by the very Chapter and Companions that submitted my name for election to the Office of Grand Superintendent. I was accompanied by R.E. Companion John Duff and escorted into the Chapter by R.E. Companion Norman Gudbjartson. I was given Grand Honors and then escorted to the east where I was warmly greeted by The First Principal, E. Companion Gil Strachen. I was graciously afforded a few moments to address the Companions before the Chapter was closed. The District meeting followed and was attended by all Companions and M.E.C. Richard Laronde.

So in conclusion, my time as District Superintendent has been truly great I would like to thank The Grand Scribe "E", M.E.C. Jim Barratt for his help and patience it would have been tough without you. Also, The Grand Executive for their confidence, support and encouragement.

I have visited all Chapters as many times as possible and have enjoyed each visit greatly. I would also like to thank those Companions who found time to accompany me and especially M.E.C. George Taylor who traveled with me where ever I went.

As for next year, we will be in good hands R.E. Companion Ivan Leblanc is nominated and will be elected as Grand Superintendent for District #1 for 2013/2014.

Fraternally,

R.E. Comp. Stephen Gwynn

Grand District #1 Superintendent 2012/2013

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### **Grand District #2 Superintendent's Report 2012-2013**

I wish to present my report as Grand Superintendent of District 2. I made my Official visits as follows :

Keystone Chapter 2 P La P -- Thursday Sept. 13th , 2012

Keystone Chapter 5 Brandon - Tuesday Oct. 16th , 2012

Rabboni Chapter 7 Dauphin - Tuesday Nov. 13th , 2012

I visited all Chapters twice as I accompanied the Grand First Principal on his Official Visits.

All Chapters opened in Form and I was received with Grand Honors and a very warm welcome, all meeting were well conducted with the Ritual well performed. Attendance was between 8 - 12 members , just enough to open the chapters.

### Assessment of Chapters in District 2

The Chapters are all operating very well with dedicated companions. All chapters are financially sound , have all the proper regalia and are operating in the proper manner as required by the Constitution. Membership continues to be a problem with Chapters often unable to open due to lack of a quorum and having to reduce their number of yearly meetings.

The District Annual meeting was held in Dauphin on Tuesday April 9th 2013 with representatives from all three chapters and as well as Grand Chapter. All Chapters presented their annual reports -- 4 deceased members -  
- District Membership now reduced to 90.

### Election of Grand Superintendent

R Ex Comp Joh Bjerne , Keystone 2 P La P ,was elected to the Office of Grand Superintendent District 2 RAM of Manitoba.

I now thank my District Secretary R Ex Comp. Keith Fendick and all members of District 2 for their support during my term .It has been an honor and a privilege to have served as your District Superintendent.

I was well received at all my visits and enjoyed the fellowship with the companions.

Moved by R Ex Comp. Jim Chute  
Seconded by R Ex Comp. Keith Fendick

## **REPORT OF THE GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2012 - 2013**

### Report of the Grand Executive Committee

Companions, Our committee met twice this past year, September 30<sup>th</sup> , 2012 and March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013. at the Portage La Prairie Masonic Centre. Although the March meeting was not as well attended,( maybe the weather,) as the September one, many important items were discussed.

With the passing of M. Ex. Companion, Lawrence McInnes, and M. Ex. Companion Stan Johnson, this committee lost two very valuable and distinguished members. I thank the companions who have consented to continue on as Chairman, on their committees, and also those who are willing to take over as new Chairmen.

A special thanks to M. Ex. Companion Stan Payne, for his work as Chair of Constitution and Revisions, and M. Ex. Companion Jack Hooper, as Chair of the Philanthropic Project Committee. I asked them to head these committees, and I appreciate their willingness to take on these responsibilities.

There are three Chapters making presentations for the Philanthropic project. It is great to see so much interest.

The District Superintendents did an outstanding job this year. I had the pleasure of attending many of their official visits. R. Ex. Companion Stephen Gwynn and R. Ex. Companion Jim Chute should be congratulated on their fine work.

Royal Arch Companions have participated in many functions with the Masonic Family of Manitoba. Some of them were Masonic Family Roundup in August in Winnipeg, the parade in Morden for the corn and apple festival, Selkirk parade of lights in November, and the Christmas Gift wrapping in December at Garden City Mall.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Ex. Companion Gary Dunn – Seconded by M Ex Comp J Barratt

## **REPORT OF THE REGALIA COMMITTEE**

I have the unfortunate job of presenting the report of the Regalia committee. Unfortunate because this committee was headed by M. Ex. Comp. Lawrence McInnes until his un-timely passing on December 5, 2012. I am happy to report that the 3 principal officers now have new collars and jewels and their new sashes are being re-sewn to make the bands appear properly when worn.

We are still awaiting the Royal Arch 50 Year Jewels and the High Priesthood Past Presidents Jewels. Numerous e-mails have passed between our supplier and myself but we have not received them at the time of this report. I have not had a chance to look at the regalia M. Ex. Comp. McInnes mentioned in last year's report but I hope to do so shortly.

I shall report to the Grand First Principal and the Executive Committee when I have more information.

Respectfully submitted and moved by R. Ex. Comp. Rick Porter and seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Bert Chambers.

### **ELECTION OF GRAND OUTER GUARD**

R Ex Comp Ken Cox, Prince Rupert Chapter 1 was nominated by M Ex Comp S Payne as Grand Outer Guard.  
Seconded by R Ex Comp I Leblanc. Carried

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Motion made by M Ex Comp J Barratt, seconded by M Ex Comp J Hooper:

"That this Grand Chapter only recognize Grand Representatives in Canada, with the exception that any Companion who has a good relationship outside of Canada can continue to do so."

After a very lengthy discussion the motion was defeated.

Motion made by M Ex Comp V Bryll, seconded by M Ex Comp J Barratt:

"That the Grand Chapter per capita be raised by \$2.00 from \$12.00 to \$14.00"

M Ex Companion V Bryll gave good reasons why this should happen, as our Convocation cost the Grand Chapter money and this increase would offset the Friday snacks.

R Ex Comp J Bjore moved an amendment to this motion, seconded by M Ex Comp A Christoffersen:

"That the per capita should be raised \$3.00 from \$12.00 to \$14.00."

The amendment was passed, and then the motion as amended was passed.

Carried

This increase in Per Capita will take effect immediately.

M Ex Comp J Barratt informed the Companions that had the Ritual printed in small booklet form as requested by the membership. The cost is \$12.00 per ritual.

### **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2013 - 2014**

M Ex Comp A Christoffersen and his team of Past Grand Principals installed the officers for the ensuing year. A list of officers installed is located elsewhere in these proceedings.

### **CLOSING REMARKS OF GRAND CHAPTER**

After all three Principal Officers of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons Manitoba and their officers were installed, appropriate remarks were provided by each of them, after which the Grand Convocation was closed in form.

## Grand First Principal's Address

April 27, 2013

Distinguished East, Companions, Ladies and Guests,

Companions, thank you for putting your trust in me for the upcoming year as Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba.

I know it will be both exhilarating and humbling, but I will endeavour to live up to the examples of the preceding Grand First Principals.

I would like to thank my family and friends, who have come to help me celebrate this day. Family has always been of the greatest importance to me. And with that thought in mind, it gives me immense pleasure to introduce my immediate family. My lovely wife Sandy, who is still the light of my life, our daughters Candace and her husband Bob, Lorrain and her husband Ted, and our son Craig and his wife Leticia. Sandy and I have the good fortune of having 6 grandchildren. Thank all of you, family and friends for taking the time in your busy schedules to be here this weekend.

I mentioned my personal family and friends, but I also have another family, My Masonic Family. My brothers and companions and their ladies, have been a wonderful influence throughout the years for Sandy and I. The companions of the Royal Arch are special and I have enjoyed their fellowship. Although all of the companions I have in Royal Arch have a place in my heart, there are some I would like to give extra recognition to. Four Most Excellent Companions, Jim Barratt, Stan Payne, Vic Bryll and Dean Hawes. They have always been there for me, throughout my Masonic journey, and I will endeavour to make them as proud of me as I am proud of them. My thanks to Most Excellent Companion Rick Laronde for his guidance and hard work throughout this past year. I know Brenda and Rick have a wonderful evening planned. A special thanks to the officers who have accepted the tasks for the upcoming year.

As you probably realize after what I have just said, my theme for this year is **“The Importance of Family – Personal and Masonic”**.

M Ex Comp Gary Dunn

## **GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S BANQUET**

The immediate Past Grand First Principal M Ex Comp Richard Laronde and Lady Brenda received their guests at a wonderful banquet provided by the Holiday Inn South. They also had a Table Lodge format for part of the evening, with many companions acting as servers.

All those in attendance enjoyed the entertainment and music by Denise Adams and Denise Swan, with many couples taking to the floor to dance.

Several of our Companions presented their ladies with the Sweetheart Award pin.

M Ex Comp T Harrison, Grand High Priest from General Grand Chapter International presented R Ex Comp E Smith, Red River Valley Chapter #21 with the Bronze Medal after which he presented M Ex Comp Richard Laronde with his plaque and pin.

**GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL  
GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MANITOBA  
2013 - 2014**



**MOST EXCELLENT COMP GARY DUNN**

## **MASONIC HISTORY OF GARY DUNN BIOGRAPHY**

Gary Dunn was born in Winnipeg, and has spent all of his time in Winnipeg, with the exception of 15 years spent at the home in Winnipeg Beach. He is the middle child of Bill and Belle Dunn. His Dad was a butcher, and taught Gary all the tricks of the trade, and they operated Dunn's Food Market on Academy Rd. He is now a realtor with Royal Le Page Prime realty, along with his wife Sandy. He has been married to Sandy for 45 years, and they have three children, Candace, Lorraine and Craig, and 6 grandchildren.

Gary has held several positions in the community. He was head of Christian Education of the Charleswood United Church for several years, taught Sunday School, and served on other committees.

He was involved with Youth soccer, at various levels from coaching juvenile soccer, to training youth referees, to refereeing Senior men's soccer as well as youth soccer, to convener of Charleswood soccer, served on the Board of Directors of Manitoba Men's Soccer, and lastly chair of the Disciplinary Committee for Manitoba Men's soccer. This involvement was over a period of 30 years.

He is a Past President of the Charleswood Curling Club, and curled for many years with the Charleswood Men's curling as well as curling with several clubs in Mixed curling.

He has been active with the Charleswood Rotary Club, and then as a member of the Gimli Rotary Club.

### **MASONIC RESUME**

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons (Grand Lodge of Manitoba)

Initiated into Charleswood Lodge #163 in 1981

Worshipful Master 1993

Royal Arch Masons (Grand Chapter of Manitoba)

Initiated Red River Valley, Chapter #21 1997

First Principal Red River Valley Chapter, #21, 2003

District Superintendent District #1, 2010-2011

Grand 3<sup>rd</sup> Principal, 2011-2012

Grand 2<sup>nd</sup> Principal, 2012-2013

Grand 1<sup>st</sup> Principal, 2013-2014

Cryptic Rite Masons Royal and Select Masters (Grand Council of Western Canada)

Initiated Cyrus Council #2, 2004.

Thrice Illustrious Master 2011-2012, 2012-2013.

Member of the Order of the High Priesthood

Red Cross of Constantine (Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada) Selkirk Conclave #6

## RECIPIENTS OF GENERAL GRAND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

1952	* R Ex Comp	H. Wilson #10	1984	* Comp	John Claney #11
1953	* V Ex Comp	J A Callander #6	1985	* Comp	Neil Simonsen #21
1954	* R Ex Comp	J W Priest #14	1986	* Ex Comp	Edward G Ashby #4
1955	* V Ex Comp	W G Thomas #8	1987	Comp	Bert Jolly #10
1956	* Comp	G S Adams	1988	* Comp	Pat O'Neal #17
1957	* R Ex Comp	J Allen #12	1989	* Comp	H. Patrick #11
1958	* R Ex Comp	A Saunderson #5	1990	* Comp	Menashe Mandel #11
1959	* Comp	Paul R. Jeske #9	1991	* Comp	John Boles #22
1960	* R Ex Comp	E C Tatton #5	1992	R Ex Comp	Norman A. Poulton #7
1961	* R Ex Comp	W N Camerson #1	1993		
1962	* Comp	J Nelson Cotton #18	1994	* Comp	Harold McKay #21
1963	* Comp	W R Peebles #11	1995	Comp	Andrew H. Young #2
1964	* V Ex Comp	J Alex Sundell #15	1996	Ex Comp	John Machowski #11
1965	* Comp	L W Powney #7	1997	Comp	Russell Yoe #1
1966	* R Ex Comp	Alex Bey #16	1998	*Ex Comp	Robert Griffith #22
1967	* R Ex Comp	Charles Gork #1	1999	Comp	Kenneth Mainer #10
1968	* Comp	A H Eaton #4	2000	*Comp	Joseph Saboraki #7
1969	* Comp	Norman Pollock #1	2001	Comp	George Hillier #17
1970	* V Ex Comp	Jack Lawson #18	2002	*Comp	Roy Watson #2
1971	* Comp	Jack Wilkins #1	2003	Comp	Lorne Cassin #7
1972	* R Ex Comp	William McCrory #5	2004	Comp	Bob Thorgason #11
1973	* Comp	James D. Alexander #14	2005	?	
1974	* Comp	F. Herbert Thompson #17	2006	Comp	Bob Johnson #5
1975	* Comp	Charles V. Doner #11	2007	Comp	Russell Fey #11
1976	* V Ex Comp	E W Smale #2	2008	Ex Comp	Roderich March
1977	* R Ex Comp	James Berry #10	2009		Nil
1978	* Comp	Walter Forsythe #5	2010	R Ex Comp	Len Pritchard
1979	* R Ex Comp	Francis W. Knox #5	2011	R Ex Comp	Ivan Leblanc
1980	* V Ex Comp	Frank C. McBurney #7	2012		Nil
1981	* Comp	Philip E. Maxted #8	2013	R Ex Comp	Ernie Smith #21
1982	* Comp	George Brown #6			
1983	* Comp	Roger L. Pascoe #7			
	* Deceased			* Deceased	

## HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

M Ex Comp R Porter moved that our first time visitors shall receive Honorary Membership. Seconded by M Ex Comp Gary Dunn Carried

M Ex Comp D LaRonde presented cards to those Companions in the West.



## HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF MANITOBA ROYAL ARCH MASONS

### 1989 or Before

Ex Comp Ellingson, N.D.  
 R Ex Comp P. Torgason, N.D.  
 R Ex Comp R. Glaze, Sk  
 R Ex Comp J. A. Hall, Sk  
 M Ex Comp D. Briggs, Minn

### 1990

R Ex Comp E. Hintze, Sk  
 R Ex Comp W. Hobbs, Sk  
 R Ex Comp F. B. Hammond, Sk  
 R Ex Comp M. M. Keriluk, Sk  
 R Ex Comp L. Kingston, Sk  
 M Ex Comp J. Korstad, Minn

### 1991

M Ex Comp W. R. Selby, GGC  
 M Ex Comp M. C. Lewis, Ark  
 R Ex Comp R. R. Andrews, Minn  
 R Ex Comp S. Morrill, Minn  
 R Ex Comp A. Ohrt, N.D.  
 Ex Comp W. Lamont Manch, G.B.  
 M Ex Comp W.J. Parson, N.S.  
 M Ex Comp A.O. Aspeslet, Ab  
 R Ex Comp J. A. Bell BC

### 1992

M Ex Comp S. Redgrave, BC  
 R Ex Comp B. Brown, Sk  
 M Ex Comp N. Fiissel, Sk  
 M Ex Comp G. Anderson, Minn  
 M Ex Comp R.E. Sauterhagen, N.D.  
 R Ex Comp L. Bruggemann, S.D.  
 R Ex Comp R. Gieb, S.D.  
 R Ex Comp J.M. Drysdale, Ab  
 R Ex Comp D. Neill, Ab  
 Comp J. McIver, Ab  
 M Ex Comp D. Thompson, Ab  
 R Ex Comp L.S. Churchill, BC  
 R Ex Comp W.D. Jasper, BC  
 R Ex Comp S. L. Lentle, BC

### 1993

M Ex Comp G. Capps, GA  
 M Ex Comp R. Munday, NS  
 R Ex Comp G. Cook, Sk  
 R Ex Comp S. MacMillan, Ab

### 1994

M Ex Comp R. Sachau, S. D.  
 M Ex Comp C. Pregra, S. D.  
 R Ex Comp P. Fairbridge, Ab  
 M Ex Comp W. Brown, Ab  
 M Ex Comp R. Porter, Sk  
 R Ex Comp W. Gordon, N. D.  
 Ex Comp E. Blanco, Ab  
 Ex Comp D. Boone., Ab

### 1995

R Ex Comp L. Payne, Ab  
 M Ex Comp G. Cross, S.D.  
 M Ex Comp A. Todd, Que  
 R Ex Comp R Krattet, Iowa  
 M Ex Comp G. Cook, Sk  
 R Ex Comp R. Lillte, Sk  
 M Ex Comp T. Thomas, BC  
 M Ex Comp D. Johnson, N. D.  
 M Ex Comp Wm. Schoene Jr., GGC, NJ  
 M Ex Comp C.T. Reynolds, Vermont  
 M Ex Comp M. Sickels, Iowa

### 1997

M Ex Comp Donald Orr, Sk  
 M Ex Comp Alvin Edstrom, Ab  
 R Ex Comp Leif Hansen, Ab  
 R Ex Comp Frank Morowski, BC  
 M Ex Comp Richard Geib S.D.  
 M Ex Comp Peter Kloskowski, Minn  
 M Ex Comp Robert Allen, Iowa  
 M Ex Comp Robert Wunder, Neb  
 R Ex Comp Charles Baum, Colo  
 M Ex Comp Henry Greenwalt, Neb  
 M Ex Comp Larry Gray, Ind.

### 1998

M Ex Comp Dave Bruce, Ab  
 R Ex Comp Lyle Dowdell, Ab  
 M Ex Comp Brooklyn Anderson, Sk  
 R Ex Comp Bill Liepert, Sk  
 M Ex Comp Eugene Layo, S.D.  
 M Ex Comp Leo Luetjohann, Minn  
 M Ex Comp Barnes Sharrit, Minn  
 M Ex Comp Clinton Smith, Iowa

### 1999

M Ex Comp Wm. Baldwin, Nfld  
 M Ex Comp Gerald Hiltz, Sk.  
 M Ex Comp Robert Anderson Jr., Mn.  
 M Ex Comp Kevin Jones, Mn.  
 Ex Comp Don Whittington, Colo

### 2000

V Ex Comp Bob Sellwood, BC  
 R Ex Comp Glen Spencer, BC  
 V Ex Comp Ted Kuiperi, BC  
 V Ex Comp Hugh Ferster, BC  
 R Ex Comp King Crick, BC  
 M Ex Comp Harlan Petersen, S.D.  
 M Ex Comp William Newell, Mn

### 2001

M Ex Comp Stan Harbin, Ab  
 M Ex Comp Don McDonald, Sk  
 M Ex Comp Wm Kauten, Iowa  
 M Ex Comp Doug Heath, Iowa  
 M Ex Comp Jimmy Fischer, Iowa  
 R Ex Comp Lawrence Anderson, Ab

### 2002

M Ex Comp Stan Stone, Sk.  
 M Ex Comp Don Russell, Ab  
 M Ex Comp Virgil Carmichael, ND  
 M Ex Comp Robert Seiler, Iowa  
 M Ex Comp Wayne Bowman, NB  
 M Ex Comp Lawrence Hanson, MN

### 2003

M Ex Comp Len Pickell, BC/Yuykon  
 R Ex Comp H D Freeston, BC/Yukon  
 R Ex Comp Ron Beirnes, AB  
 M Ex Comp Doug Haroldson, SK  
 R Ex Comp Charles Marston, MN  
 M Ex Comp Ed Carson, On

### 2004

R Ex Comp Howard Landon, AB  
 M Ex Comp Bryce Dougan, Ab  
 M Ex Comp Charles B ird, Wisconsin  
 R Ex Comp Don Gillies, Ab  
 M Ex Comp Peter Carnochan, Sk

### 2005

R Ex Comp David Wilson, Sk  
 Comp Fred Maides, BC  
 M Ex Comp Laren Lampi, Minn  
 M Ex Comp Kevin Jones, Minn  
 R Ex Comp Bob Turner, Sk  
 M Ex Comp Marvin Rogers, Minn  
 M Ex Comp davis Burgess, Montana  
 M Ex Comp Ronald Miles, Minn  
 M Ex Comp Emory Ferguson, Alabama  
 R Ex Comp Michael Abbott, On  
 R Ex Comp Peter Park, On  
 Ex Comp Art Payne, On

### 2006

M Ex Comp Ronald Miles, Mn  
 M Ex Comp Emory Ferguson, Alabama  
 R Ex Comp Michael Abbott, On  
 R Ex Comp Peter Park, On  
 Ex Comp Art Payne, On

### 2007

R Ex David Grange, BC/Yukon  
 M Ex Comp Malcolm Johnson, BC/Yukon  
 M Ex Comp Kenneth McKenzie, BC/Yukon  
 R Ex Comp Jim Lore, AB  
 R Ex Comp Robert Taylor, AB  
 R Ex Comp Edmund Harrison, NY  
 M Ex Larry Holmes, S D

### 2008

M Ex Comp Robert Turner, Sk  
 M Ex Comp George Tillotson, BC  
 M Ex Comp Eric Weigelt, Ab  
 M Ex Comp Charles Marston, Mn  
 M Ex Comp Roland Paddle, On  
 M Ex Comp Gerald Johnson, SD

### 2009

M Ex Comp Mike Petty, Sk  
 M Ex Comp Jim Dixon, Iowa  
 R Ex Comp Eric Shaw, On  
 V Ex Comp James Wilson, Ab  
 Comp Dale Wilson, Ab

### 2010

M Ex Comp Louis Bartrand, GG  
 M Ex Comp Richard Glasgow, AB  
 R Ex Comp Bill Stinson, AB  
 M Ex John Leyshon, SK  
 R Ex Comp William McKay, SK  
 R Ex Comp Arnold Smith, SK  
 M Ex Comp Rolland Mandeville, ON  
 M Ex Comp Douglas Nygard, MN  
 R Ex Comp Dexter Pehle, MN

### 2011

R Ex Comp W Watts, AB  
 R Ex Comp S Hamill, SK

### 2012

R Ex Comp D Switzer, AB  
 M Ex Comp B Fitzsimmons, SK  
 R Ex Comp B Pizzey, SK  
 R Ex Comp T Wieclawsk, SK  
 M Ex Comp J Hodge, GG

### 2013

R Ex Comp G Onymaogi, BC  
 V Ex Comp G Porter, BC  
 R Ex Comp W Copeland, ON  
 R Ex Comp A Skene, MB  
 M Ex Comp T Harrison, NY  
 M Ex Comp H Weaver, WA

**ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF GRAND CHAPTER  
SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1923**

YEAR	GRAND "Z"	GRAND "H"	GRAND "J"	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SCRIBE "E"
1923	*W D Lawrence #1	*F L Newman #2	*W G Fraser #4	* J J Jackson #1	* H F Moulden #11
1924	*F L Newman #2	*W G Fraser #4	*F W Brownell #1	"	"
1925	*W G Fraser #4	*F W Brownell #1	*R. Hawkins #7	"	"
1926	*F W Brownell #1	*R. Hawkins #7	*F E Simmons #10	"	"
1927	*R. Hawkins #7	*F E Simmons #10	*J C W Reid #6	"	* F W Bronell #1
1928	*F E Simmons #10	*J C W Reid #6	*W M Bentley #1	"	^ G Syme #4
1929	*J C W Reid #6	*W M Bentley #1	*S H Fahrni #4	"	"
1930	*W M Bentley #1	*S H Fahrni #4	*A Little #1	"	"
1931	*S H Fahrni #4	*A Little #1	*H L Adolph #5	"	"
1931	*A Little #1	*H L Adolph #5	*J F Dart #14	*F W Brownell #1	"
1933	*H L Adolph #5	*J F Dart #14	*J F Irwin #4	"	"
1934	*J F Dart #14	*J F Irwin #4	*T S Cook #10	"	"
1935	*J F Irwin #4	*T S Cook #10	*E T Johnson #3	"	"
1936	*T S Cook #10	*E T Johnson #3	*S D Cruden #9	"	"
1937	*E T Johnson #3	*S D Cruden #9	*C E Cole #2	"	"
1938	*S D Cruden #9	*C E Cole #2	*J J Sinclair #11	"	"
1939	*C E Cole #2	*J J Sinclair #11	*M Rander #6	"	"
1940	*J J Sinclair #11	*J. Gardner, #7	*J T Boyd #9	"	* A Armstrong #1
1941	*J. Gardner, #7	*J T Boyd #9	*C J Hutchings #15	"	"
1942	*J T Boyd #9	*C J Hutchings #15	*J V Dillabough #12	"	"
1943	*C J Hutchings #15	*J V Dillabough #12	*R S Jones #17	"	"" T S Cook #10
1944	*J V Dillabough #12	*R S Jones #17	*B S Bailey #11	"	"
1945	*R S Jones #17	*B S Bailey #11	*W. Dalzell #2	"	"
1946	*B S Bailey #11	*W. Dalzell #2	*C F Lidster #1	"	"
1947	*W. Dalzell #2	*C F Lidster #1	*E E Grant #8	"	"
1948	*C F Lidster #1	*E E Grant #8	*E I Waller #14	"	"
1949	*E E Grant #8	*E I Waller #14	*W A Wybron #5	"	"
1950	*E I Waller #14	*W A Wybron #5	*J A Tisdale #12	"	"
1951	*W A Wybron #5	*J A Tisdale #12	*J C Bate #3	"	"
1952	*J A Tisdale #12	*J C Bate #3	*W M Boyd #9	"	"
1953	*J C Bate #3	*W Elliot #1	*W J McGregor #4	"	"
1954	*W Elliot #1	*W J McGregor #4	*A C Cabel #11	"	* C J Hutchings #15
1955	*W J McGregor #4	*A C Cabel #11	*A J West #17	"	"
1956	*A C Cabel #11	*A J West #17	*H Eakin #9	"	"
1957	*A J West #17	*H Eakin #9	*R A Carruthers #19	"	"
1958	*H Eakin #9	*R A Carruthers #19	*F C Nixon #1	"	"
1959	*R A Carruthers #19	*F C Nixon #1	A L Lamont #2	"	"
1960	*F C Nixon #1	A L Lamont #2	*S Bowman #9	"	"
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1962	*S Bowman #9	*W A Maguire #6	*A E Jones #11	*W N Cameron #1	"
1963	*W A Maguire #6	*A E Jones #11	*J G White #4	"	"
1964	*A E Jones #11	*J G White #4	*S E Greenberg #9	"	"
1965	*J G White #4	*S E Greenberg #9	*W N Cotton #18	*J O Stebbing #9	"
1966	*S E Greenberg #9	* W N Cotton #18	*R Kerr #11	"	"
1967	* W N Cotton #18	*R Kerr #11	J Russell #8	"	"
1968	*R Kerr #11	J Russell #8	*C G Rilkoﬀ #12	*G D GaMBle #12	"
1969	*R Kerr #11	*C G Rilkoﬀ #12	* R G Johnston #19, 5	"	"
1970	*C G Rilkoﬀ #12	* R G Johnston #19, 5	*B. Newhouse #1	"	"
1971	*R G Johnston #19, 5	*R W Alcock #12	^H L Hornbeck #18	"	"
1972	*R W Alcock #12	^H L Hornbeck #18	F M Orestes #1	"	"
1973	^H L Hornbeck #18	F M Orestes #1	R W Hooper #4	"	"
1974	F M Orestes #1	*C L Harvey #4	*G W Rattray #9	"	"
1975	*C L Harvey #4	*G W Rattray #9	*P A Winter #5	"	*E E Smith #12
1976	*G W Rattray #9	* P A Winter #5	*G D Gamble #12	R E Hamilton #12	*E E Smith #12
1977	*P A Winter #5	*G D Gamble #12	*N S Orton #2	"	"
1978	*G D Gamble #12	*N S Orton #2	* B Agerbak #14	"	"
1979	*N S Orton #2	* B Agerbak #14	* C E Storie #15	* R E Hamilton #12	"
1980	* B Agerbak #14	* C E Storie #15	*G W D Steenson #1	"	"
1981	* C E Storie #15	*G W D Steenson #1	*R W Hooper #22	"	* E E Smith #12
1982	*G W D Steenson #1	* R W Hooper #22	*J C James #15	*H T Ross #15	* C E Storie #15
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1984	*J C James #15	*L G Bromwell #22	* S F Johnson #2	"	"
1985	*L G Bromwell #22	* S F Johnson #2	*W Schade #10	"	*J C James #15
1986	*S F Johnson #2	*W Schade #10	*J Heinz #17	"	"
1987	*W Schade #10	*J Heinz #17	C C P Hardy #14	"	"
1988	*J Heinz #17	C C P Hardy #14	* M S Cowie #21	"	"
1989	C C P Hardy #14	*M S Cowie #21	D N English #22	"	"

1990	*M S Cowie #21	D N English #22	*G A Ebel #2	"	"
1991	D N English #22	*G A Ebel #2	*N A Pow #11, #21	"	"
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2005	Trevor Lambert #2	Bob McMillan #21	*Lawrence McInnes#5	"	*J C James #1
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2011	Bill Cooper #17	Richard Laronde #7	Gary Dunn #21	"	"
2012	Richard Laronde#7	Gary Dunn #21	Rick Porter #5	"	"
2013	Gary Dunn #21	Richard Porter #5	Neil McMillan #21	"	"

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### HISTORY OF ATTENDANCE AT GRAND CONVOCATION

YEAR	MANITOBA	VISITORS	TOTAL
2013	58	18	76
2012	53	11	64
2011	55	11	66
2010	56	14	70
2009	53	17	70
2008	52	13	65
2007	44	15	59
2006	50	12	62
2005	47	25	72
2004	55	15	70
2003	60	15	75
2002	71	14	85
2001	59	16	75
2000	68	19	87
1999	78	14	92
1998	68	10	78
1997	70	14	84
1996	57	19	76
1995	57	13	70
1994	58	11	69
1993	75	8	83
1992	59	20	79
1991	69	18	87
1990	65	14	79
1989	57	12	69
1988	54	9	63
1987	74	8	82
1986	64	10	74
1984	77	37	114
1983	84	13	97
1982	108	16	124
1981	92	14	106
1980	87	18	105

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## GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MANITOBA

### 2013 – 2014 ELECTED OFFICERS

At the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation held in Winnipeg on April 26 – 27, 2013, the following officers were elected and appointed to govern Grand Chapter:

NAME	OFFICE	ADDRESS	PHONE #	CHAPTER
M Ex Comp Gary Dunn	Grand First Principal	236 Rita St, Winnipeg, MB R3J 2Y2 <a href="mailto:sandy@adunndea.ca">sandy@adunndea.ca</a>	1-204-290-1922	Red River Valley Chapter #21, Starbuck
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M Ex Comp James Barratt	Grand Scribe "E"	113-2145 Pembina Hwy, Winnipeg, MB R3T 5S9 <a href="mailto:barratt@mymts.net">barratt@mymts.net</a>	1-204-275-2509	Red River Valley Chapter #21, Starbuck
M Ex Comp Victor Bryll	Grand Treasurer	27 McMasters, Winnipeg, MB R3T 2Y2 <a href="mailto:vbryll@shaw.ca">vbryll@shaw.ca</a>	1-204-269-7366	Red River Valley Chapter #21, Starbuck
R Ex Comp Ted Yorke	Grand Scribe "N"	176 Kimberly Ave, Winnipeg, MB R2K 0X2 <a href="mailto:lyorke@mts.net">lyorke@mts.net</a>	1-204-269-8454	Prince of Wales Chapter #11 Selkirk
R Ex Comp Barry Wendell	Grand Principal Sojourner	6532 Hwy #8, St Andrews, MB R1A 3I7	1-204-7572313	Prince of Wales Chapter #11, Selkirk
R Ex Comp Ernie Smith	Grand Registrar	11 Swan Cr, Winnipeg, MB R2N 1A7 <a href="mailto:ebssalice@gmail.com">ebssalice@gmail.com</a>	1-204-2540267	Red River Valley Chapter #21, Starbuck
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M Ex Comp Clifford Hardy	Grand Chaplain	113-200 Ronald St, Winnipeg, MB R3J 3J3 <a href="mailto:clihardy@mts.net">clihardy@mts.net</a>	1-204-832-6258	Prince Rupert Chapter #1, Winnipeg

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### APPOINTED OFFICERS 2013 - 2014

R Ex Comp Geoffrey Stewart	Grand Senior Sojourner	98 Agnes Arnold PL, Winnipeg, MB r2P 0Z5 <a href="mailto:Goeff98@mts.net">Goeff98@mts.net</a>	1-204-632-5673	Red River Valley, Chapter #21, Starbuck
R Ex Comp Doug Scott	Grand Junior Sojourner	43 Quincy Bay, Winnipeg, MB, R3T 4K2 <a href="mailto:pscott@mts.net">pscott@mts.net</a>	1-204-261-7606	Prince Rupert #1, Winnipeg
M Ex Comp Stan Payne	Grand Director of Ceremonies	101-70 Dunkirk Dr, Winnipeg, MB R2M 5R4 <a href="mailto:dunkirk101@shaw.ca">dunkirk101@shaw.ca</a>	1-204-488-0786	Red River Valley Chapter #21, Starbuck
R Ex Comp John Duff	Grand Pursuivant	738 Ebby Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3M 2H7 <a href="mailto:jandcduff@shaw.ca">jandcduff@shaw.ca</a>	1-204-284-2712	Red River Valley Chapter #21, Starbuck
M Ex Comp Al Christoffersen	Grand Lecturer	9 Alexander Ave, Portage la Prairie MB R1N 1A2 <a href="mailto:Axelsen@mts.net">Axelsen@mts.net</a>	1-204-857-5774	Keystone Chapter #2, Portage la Prairie

M Ex Comp Robert McMillan	Grand Organist	P O Box 52, Miami, MB R0G 1H0 <a href="mailto:bmcmillan123@gmail.com">bmcmillan123@gmail.com</a>	1-204-435-2055	Red River Valley Chapter #21, Starbuck
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### CHAPTER FIRST PRINCIPALS 2013 – 2014

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M Ex Comp L McInnis *	1-510 Victoria Ave, Brandon, MB R7A 0Z9	1-204-727-1354	Keystone #5
R Ex Comp Keith Fendick	209-4 <sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Dauphin, MB R7N 0Y1	1-204-638-6783	Rabboni #7
R Ex Comp G Strachan	PO Box 1789, Gimli, MB, R0C 1B0	1-204-642-5482	Prince of Wales, #11
R Ex Comp M Goble	224 Riverside Dr, Thompson, MB, R8N 0X2	1-204-778-8167	Pre-Cambrian Chapter #17
M Ex Comp V Bryll	27 McMasters Rd, Winnipeg, MB, R3T 2Y2	1-204-269-7366	Red River Valley #21

### GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2013-2014

R Ex Comp Rick Porter	President	7 River Heights Dr, Brandon, MB, R7B 2Y1	1-2047281341	Keystone #5, Brandon
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M Ex Comp David N. English	1991	910-200 Ronald St., Winnipeg, MB R3J 3J3	1-204-895-1932	Prince of Wales #11
M Ex Comp Stan J. Payne	1994	101-70 Dunkirk Dr, Winnipeg, MB R2M 5R4	1-204-488-0786	Red River Valley #21, Starbuck
M Ex Comp James Barratt	1995	113 - 2145 Pembina Hwy, Winnipeg, MB R3T 5S9	1-204-275-2509	Red River Valley #21, Starbuck
M Ex Comp Al Christoffersen	1999	9 Alexander Ave, Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 3S5	1-204-857-5432	Keystone #2, Portage la Prairie
M Ex Comp George Taylor	2001	108 – 40 Eveline St, Selkirk, MB, R1A 2K4	1-204-785-9202	Prince of Wales #11, Selkirk
M Ex Comp Leif Hansen	2002	<a href="mailto:lhnsen@me.com">lhnsen@me.com</a> in Alberta		Rabboni #7, Dauphin
M Ex Comp Jack Hooper	2004	317 – 571 St Anne's Rd, Winnipeg, MB, R2M 1T3	668-5130	Prince of Wales #11, Selkirk
M Ex Comp Trevor Lambert	2005	1948 Crescent Rd W, Portage la Prairie MB R1N 1A2	1-204-857-5774	Keystone #2, Portage la Prairie
M Ex Comp Robert A McMillan	2006	Box 52, Miami, MB, R0G 1H0	1-204-435-2055	Red River Valley #21, Starbuck
M Ex Comp Ron Church	2008	PO Box 192, Killarney, MB R7A 0G1	1-204-532-8458	Keystone #5, Brandon
M Ex Comp Victor Bryll	2009	27 McMasters, Winnipeg, MB R3T 2Y2	1-204-269-7366	Red River Valley #21
M Ex Comp Dean Hawes	2010	484 Paufeld Dr, Winnipeg, MB R2G 0V2	1-204-668-8282	Prince Rupert, #1
M Ex Comp Bill Cooper	2011	407-35 Victoria Ave E, Brandon, MB R7A 1Y7	1-204-727-0228	Pre Cambrian Chapter #17, Flin Flon
M Ex Comp Richard Laronde	2012	PO Box 896, Dauphin, MB R7A 3J5	1-204-638-5482	Rabboni #7, Dauphin
M Ex Comp Gary Dunn	2013	236 Rita St, Winnipeg, MB, R3J 2Y2	1-204-290-1922	Red River Valley #21, Starbuck

All Chapters First Principals are Members of Grand Executive by virtue of the office they hold.

(Constitutional Change, 1997).

### MEMBERS ELECTED FOR A THREE YEAR TERM

R Ex Comp Bert Chambers	Box 395 Boissevain, MB R0K 0E0	1-204-769-2037	Keystone #5
R Ex Comp Sherman Elliott	P O Box 1231, Gimli, MB R0C 1B0	1-204-237-5065	Prince of Wales #11
R Ex Comp Gerald Tennant	21 Wilkinson Cr, Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 1A5	1-204-239-1832	Keystone #2
V Ex Comp Doug Scott	43 Quincy Bay, Winnipeg, MB	1-204-261-7606	Prince Rupert #1
R Ex Comp Lyle Borgstrom	114-1 <sup>st</sup> Ave, Flin Flon, MB R8A 0V3	1-204-667-4822	Pre Cambrian #7
R Ex Comp Ernest Smith	15 Shaw Cr, Winnipeg, MB R2N 1A7	1-204-254-0267	Red River Valley #21

### MEMBERS ELECTED FOR A TWO YEAR TERM

R Ex Comp Len Pritchard	P O Box 423, Neepawa, MB R0J 1H0	1-204-476-5050	Keystone # 2
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R Ex Comp John Duff	738 Ebby Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3M 2H7	1-204-284-2712	Red River Valley #21
R Ex Comp Jim Whitfield	PO Box 216 Oakville, MB R0H 0Y0	1-204-267-2400	Keystone #2
R Ex Comp Geoff Stewart	98 Agnes Arnold Pl, Winnipeg, MB R2P 0Z5	1-204-632-5673	Red River Valley #21
R Ex Comp McFarlane	PO Box 74, Flin Flon, MB R8A 1N6	1-204-687-5898	Pre Cambrian #17

### MEMBERS ELECTED FOR A ONE YEAR TERM

R Ex Comp J Chute	7-222 Merrill Ave, Dauphin, MB, r7n 2Y6	1-204-638-5787	Rabboni #7
R Ex Comp S Gwynn	233 Oliver Ave, Selkirk, MB R1A 2O8	1-204-4826656	Prince of Wales #11
R Ex Comp George Strange	657-10 <sup>th</sup> St, Brandon, MB R7A 4G6	1-204 728-9610	Keystone #5
R Ex Comp John Bjore	701 Cedar Way, Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 3L2	1-204-240-7080	Keystone #2
R Ex Comp Gordon Sumka	798 Charleswood Rd, Winnipeg MB R3R 1K6	1-204-895-9544	Prince Rupert, #1
V Ex Comp Jake Mohns	122 Wekusko St, Thompson, MB R8N 1W9	1-204-667-2748	Pre Cambrian #17

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R Ex Comp Cliff Hartmier	207 Edgemont Dr, Winnipeg, MB R2J 3H6 hartmier@mymts.net	1-204-253-0902	Prince Rupert #1
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### MANITOBA CHAPTERS 2013-2014 THREE PRINCIPAL OFFICERS AND SCRIBE 'E'

<b>PRINCE RUPERT CHAPTER #1, (District #1)</b> Meets 8:00 PM, 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday, East Kildonan Temple, 205 Kimberly, Winnipeg	"Z" "H" "J" "E"	Ex Comp John Fryatt Ex Comp Ron Audet Comp K Michayluk R Ex Comp Ken Cox 4-390 Carpathia Rd, Winnipeg, MB R3N 1Y4	204-757-9121   204-489-8314
<b>KEYSTONE CHAPTER #2, (District #2)</b> Meets 7:30 PM, 2nd Thursday Masonic Temple, Tupper St. S, Portage la Prairie	"Z" "H" "J" "E"	R Ex Comp Len Pritchard M Ex Comp Al Christoffersen Comp Wilf Shellenborg Ex Comp Douglas Atchison 434 Caithness St, Portage la Prairie, MB R1N	204-476-5050   204-857-3012
<b>KEYSTONE CHAPTER #5, (District #2)</b> Meets Masonic Temple, 8th & Lorne, Brandon	"Z" "H" "J" "E"	M Ex Comp Lawrence McInnes * M Ex Comp Ron Church Ex Comp Bob Richards R Ex Comp Rick Porter 7 River Heights Dr., Brandon, MB R7B 2Y1	204-727-1350   204 728-1341
<b>RABBONI, CHAPTER #7, (District #2)</b> Meets 8:00 PM, 2nd Tuesday Masonic Temple, 522 Main St. N, Dauphin	"Z" "H" "J" "E"	V Ex Comp Keith Fendick R Ex Comp Aubrey Marcotte R Ex Comp Doug Cooke R Ex Comp Terry Maxwell PO Box 177, Grandview, MB R0L 0Y0	204-638-6783   204 546-3255
<b>PRINCE OF WALES, CHAPTER #11, (District #1)</b> Meets 8:00 PM, 4th Wednesday (Except December - 3rd Wed) Masonic Temple, 209 Eaton Ave., Selkirk	"Z" "H" "J" "E"	R Ex Comp Gil Strachan Ex Comp Garry Redfern Ex Comp Gerry Zoppa Ex Comp Garnet Knight 5647 Hwy #9, St Andrews, MB R1A 3B6	204-6425482   204-481-0189
<b>PRE-CAMBRIAN, CHAPTER #17, (Grand "Z" District)</b> Meets 8:00 PM, 2nd Thursday (September, October, April, May) Masonic Temple, 85 Church St., Flin Flon	"Z" "H" "J" "E"	V Ex Comp Milt Goble Comp Mark Watling V Ex Comp Ted Green R Ex Comp David McFarlane 85 Church St, Flin Flon, MB R8A 1L9	204-778-1867   204-687-5898
<b>RED RIVER VALLEY, CHAPTER #21, (District #1)</b> Meets 7:45PM, 4th Monday, March, Apr, May, Sept, Oct, Nov Starbuck Masonic Lodge	"Z" "H" "J" "E"	M Ex Comp Victor Bryll R Ex Comp Ivan Leblanc R Ex Comp Goeffrey Stewart M Ex Comp Bob McMillan Box 52, Miami MB R0G 1H0	204269-7366   204 435-2055



## MANITOBA PRIORY # 69 - KNIGHTS of the YORK CROSS of HONOR

Instituted September 3rd 1983 - Constituted April 13 1984

### Minutes – April 26<sup>th</sup> 2013, Holiday Inn South, Winnipeg, MB.

**Opening Priory:** *Prior Bert Chambers* opened the Priory at 10:30 A.M. All but one officer were present with a total of 15 members and 6 visitors signing the registration sheet. *Prior Bert Chambers* welcomed all present, with special greetings to all Visitors and friends from The United States of America and our Neighbouring Provinces. Our Herald *Knight Jack Hooper* and *Past Prior Al Christoffersen* sent their regrets.

**Necrology Report:** *Dean Hawes* read the necrology report. This past year was a challenge for our Priory after losing a few very respected and loved Knights and Brothers.

1. November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Past Prior Stanley Johnson 1993 - 1994
2. December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Past Prior Lawrence McInnes 2006 – 2007
3. December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012 Knight William (Bill) McKenzie
4. January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Past Prior Hugh Ross 1996 – 1997
5. April 17, 2013 Past Prior Peter J. Webster 1989 - 1990

The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a motion by *Lief Hansen* 2<sup>nd</sup> *Cliff Hartmier* the minutes be adopted as printed and circulated, carried.

We were honored with the arrival of **THE GRAND MASTER GENERAL MOST EMINENT KNIGHT JOHN R. STRACENER. M.E. Knight John** graciously declined before the start of the meeting to join *Prior Bert Chambers* in the east, saying sometimes it is nice to sit with the Knights and watch the Priory in action from a different perspective, but asked for a few minutes at the end of the meeting.

**Financial Report:** Motion by *Dean Hawes* 2<sup>nd</sup> by *Randy Vandermeulen* for acceptance, report, and bills paid by the Secretary/Treasurer to be paid. One correction required for the financial report all dates for account processing showed for year 2013 not 2012. Corrections completed on the financial report, carried.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

#### New Business:

1. A by-law committee comprising of *Prior Cliff Hartmier*, *Past Prior Clifford Hardy* and *Dean Hawes* was struck, and will have the proposed by-law changes ready for the 2014 meeting.
2. A discussion with regards for an internet site for Manitoba Priory #69 was held. Motion by *Prior Cliff Hartmier*, 2<sup>nd</sup> *Past Prior Cliff Hardy* the feasibility of such an endeavor will be investigated by *Prior Cliff Hartmier* and *Dean Hawes*, carried.
3. *Sitting Prior Cliff Hartmier* has agreed to replace *Dean Hawes* as Secretary/Treasurer for Manitoba Priory #69 if so elected. *Dean Hawes* would like to proceed in the officer's line.

The Ceremonial was presented for *Randy Vandermeulen* in an excellent manner. All lecturers were present, memory work well performed, and a job well done by our sitting *Prior Bert Chambers* who committed the ritual work to memory.

Let it be known our newly installed *Knight Randy Vandermeulen* thanked all for a very interesting ceremonial and was looking forward to being a member.

Motion by *Ted Yorke*, 2<sup>nd</sup> by *Ron Church*, All officers will move one position forward, after the installation of *Prior Clifford Hartmier*. *Prior Cliff Hartmier* and all officers were installed in due form by **The Grand Master Most Eminent Knight John R. Stracener**. Following the Installation of *Prior Cliff Hartmier*, our retiring *Prior Bert Chambers* thanked all for the support he had during his year. Retiring *Past Prior Bert Chambers* wished the newly installed *Prior Cliff Hartmier* and the officers for 2013 – 2014 all the best for the year ahead.

Motion by **Leif Hansen**, 2<sup>nd</sup> **Ron Church** that **Dean Hawes** be the Secretary/Treasurer for Manitoba Priory # 69, 2013 – 2014, carried.

A number of certificates were to be distributed and with **M.E. Knight John Stracener** still in the east and with assistance from our newly installed **Prior Cliff Hartmier**, certificates were presented to the following:

1. Bert Chambers – Past Prior Certificate – 2012 - 2013
2. Past Prior Trevor Lambert – Two Quadrant – White and Red
3. Past Prior George Taylor – Past Prior Certificate – 2011 – 2012
4. Knight Bill Cooper – Two Quadrant Red and Purple
5. Membership Certificate – John Bjore
6. Membership Certificate – Rick Porter
7. Al Christoffersen could not attend in the morning and was presented with his quadrant certificate, Red and White at the Manitoba Royal Arch Grand Convocation afternoon meeting.

There were **no new honorary memberships** presented at this meeting, but were fortunate the following Honorary Members were here. George Tillotson, Bob Taylor, Godfrey Onyemaobi, Robert Taylor, Herb Weaver and our Grand Master Most Eminent Knight John R. Stracener.

**The Grand Master Most Eminent Knight John R. Stracener** was invited to the east and offered the gavel, but to our Surprise and with much laughter **M.E. Knight John** talked about his own gavel of Authority and was very proud to present this gavel. After the laughter had stopped and the tears cleared from our eyes, **M.E. Knight John** led us on a journey of information sparkled with bits of antidotes and humor that truly made for a great morning meeting. Darn I wish I had recorded that presentation from the East for prosperity and one the books. **M. Em. Kt. John Stracener** short talk was on the foundation program the K.Y.C.H. Grand Convent supports, the Knights York Cross of Honor Medical Research Foundation. Very interesting information was presented. Before some closing words for the membership **M. Eminent Knight John Stracener** asked if the membership could help if a hat was passed around. Knights, we collected two hundred and eighty two dollars and ten cents. (\$282.10) This will be forwarded to the Grand Convent to be presented to the Knight York Cross of Honour Medical Research Foundation.

Before closing Manitoba Priory # 69 our newly installed **Prior Cliff Hartmier** wanted to thank all sitting officers and the membership for allowing him the chance to represent Manitoba Priory # 69. He will endeavour to continue the ritual work we are so proud of and looks forward to 2012-2013 year.

The Priory was closed at 11:45AM and the members prepared to have lunch with their Ladies.

Recorded for Posterity by,

**Dean Hawes**

Registrar / Treasurer

Manitoba Priory # 69

Knights of the York Cross of Honour

**MANITOBA PRIORY #69 KNIGHTS OF THE YORK CROSS OF HONOUR**

Instituted September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1983, Constituted April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1984

Priority	Name	Address	Office
#9	<b>Peter Jack Webster** (Doreen)</b>	626 21st St. Brandon, MB R7B 1P5	Past Prior 1989 Manitoba Priory #69
#16	<b>Stanley F Johnson (Vicki)</b>	119 5th St. S E Cryptic Rite Lecture Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 1Z1	Past Prior 1995 Manitoba Priory #69
#20	<b>Hugh T Ross</b>	12 Falcon Place. Brandon, MB R7A 4A1	Past Prior 1996 Manitoba Priory #69
#26	<b>Roderick Wayne Albert March (Shirley)</b>	P O Box #1000F, R R #3 Brandon, MB R7A 5Y3	Past Prior 1999 Manitoba Priory #69
#28	<b>Gordon Alexander Ebel (Helen)</b>	259 Seneca Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 3T1	Past Prior 2001 Manitoba Priory #69
#37	<b>Alfred Peter Christoffersen (Wanda)</b>	9 Alexander Ave Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 3S53	Prior 2003-2004 MB Priory #69
#38	<b>David Neil English (Margaret)</b>	910 – 200 Ronald St Winnipeg, MB R3J 3J3	Prior 2004-2005 MB Priory #69
#39	<b>Mathew Anton Glenn (Joyce)</b>	Box 1667, Creston, BC V2B 1G0	Prior 2005-2006 MB Priory #69
#40	<b>David James Holt</b>	312 -666 St James St Winnipeg, MB R3G 3J6	
#41	<b>John David Phillips</b>	1213 8 <sup>th</sup> Ave. NW Moose Jaw, Sk S6H 4G5	
#42	<b>Albert W Hochbaum (Carole)</b>	P O Box 41 Ashern, MB R0C 0E0	
#43	<b>Lawrence McInnes (Kim)</b>	510 Victoria Ave Brandon, MB R7A 0Z9	Past Prior 2006-2007 MB Priory #69
#46	<b>Clifford Catton Perry Hardy (Dianne)</b>	1005 Cavalier Dr, Winnipeg, MB R2Y 1E2	Prior 2007-2008 MB Priory #69
#47	<b>Fred A Magerl</b>	122 McFadden Ave, Winnipeg, MB R2C 3E5	Prior 2008-2009 MB Priory #69
#49	<b>Frank Toporowski *** (Shirley)</b>	L/M Ontario Priory #49, P O Box 101 Ethelbert, MB R0L 0T0	<b>Prior 2009-2010</b>
#51	<b>George Russell Taylor (Joan)</b>	19 Catherine Bay, Selkirk, MB R1A 2G4	<b>Prior 2011-2012</b>
#52	<b>Trevor Marvin Lambert (Rhoda)</b>	1948 Crescent Rd W, Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 1A2	<b>Prior 2010-2011</b>
#53	<b>William Bruce "Bill" McKenzie (Heather)</b>	174 Catherine Bay, Selkirk, MB R1A 2G5	<b>Prelate</b>
#54	<b>Bertram R Chambers (Anne)</b>	Box 395, Boissevain, MB R0K 0E0	<b>Orator</b>
#55	<b>Clifford C Hartmier (Deanna)</b>	Box 830, Shilo, MB R0K 0A0	Royal Arch Lecture <b>Herald</b>
#56	<b>Leif Hansen (Hilda)</b>	22 Ashbury Bay, Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 3K6	Craft Lodge Lecture
#58	<b>Ronald Blair Church</b>	Box19, Killarney, MB, R0K 0G0	Preceptory Lecture
#59	<b>Charles E Ted York (Lynn)</b>	176 Kimberly Ave, Winnipeg, MB, R2K 0X2	
#60	<b>Jack Hooper (Faye)</b>	317 – 571 St Anne's Rd, Winnipeg, MB, R2N 1T3	
#61	<b>Richard David Laronde (Brenda)</b>	P O Box 896, Dauphin, MB, R7N 3J5	
#62	<b>Dean Oakley Hawes (Darlene)</b>	484 Paufeld Dr, Winnipeg, MB R3T 0V3	
#63	<b>Charles W (Bill) Cooper</b>	407-35 Victoria Ave E, Brandon, MB R7A 1Y7	
#64	<b>Donald Alexander Fraser</b>	1183 Warsaw Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3M 1C5	
#65	<b>William Secord Pozer</b>	2199 Ness Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3J 0Z6	
#66	<b>John Bjore</b>	7 Bell Cove, Headingly, MB R4H 0A3	
#67	<b>Rick Porter</b>	7 River Heights Dr, Brandon MB R7B 2Y1	
#68	<b>Randy Vandermuelen</b>	39 Deerwood Cr, Yorkton, SK, S3N 2M4	

\*\* Duel to EASTERN CANADA #19

\*\*\* Duel to Ontario



## MANITOBA COUNCIL – ORDER OF THE HIGH PRIESTHOOD

Minutes – April 26, 2013 – Holiday Inn South, Winnipeg, MB

The Council was opened in proper ritualistic form at 1:10PM, M E President Bert Chambers presiding with all officers in their respective places.

In attendance: 9 Officers, 10 Visitors, 20 Members, plus two candidates not entered on the Register.

Distinguished Visitors:

M Ex Comp George Tillitsor	BC
M Ex Comp Wally Watts,	Alberta
M E Bill Leipert	Saskatchewan
M Ex Comp Robert Turner	Saskatchewan
R E Comp Arnold Smith	Saskatchewan
R E Comp Warren Copeland	Ontario
R Ex Comp Bob Turner	Alberta
M Ex Comp Allen Ort	North Dakota
M Ex Comp John Strachener	Tennessee
M Ex Comp Herb Weaver	Washington

With two Companions waiting to be elevated into the Order of the High Priesthood we moved into the Ceremonial.

R Ex Comp Ted Yorke presented the prologue. M Ex Comp Stan Payne did the Obligation. M Ex Comp James Barratt presented the bibles. The balance of the ritual was presented by the officers.

Certificates were presented by R Ex Comp Bert Chambers.

#165 Milton Goble and #166 Jack Fryatt were anointed, consecrated, and set apart.

**Invocation:** M Ex Comp Jack Hooper said the prayer and mentioned that have lost the following members since the last meeting: M Ex Companions Stan Johnson, Lawrence McInnes, Hugh Ross, and Jack Webster.

### **Regular Business:**

It was moved by M Ex Comp James Barratt and seconded by M Ex Comp George Taylor that the minutes of April 27, 2012 be accepted as printed and circulated. Carried

M Ex Comp James Barratt advised we have still not received the Past President Jewels. R Ex Comp Rick Porter stated that he had sent a very pointed email to the supplier.

Moved by R Ex Comp Ted Yorke, seconded by R Ex Comp Bert Chambers, that the first-time visitors be recognized.

M Ex Comp J Barratt reported that the account balance is currently \$686.49

Expenses to come are \$500.00 for Jewels, \$72.00 for Bibles for a total of \$572.00 which will leave a bank balance of \$114.47. The 2 new member fees of \$130.00 will give a balance of \$233.49.

With no further bills to pay, we should be all right until next year, at which time we should consider raising the membership from \$65.00 to \$75.00.

M Ex Comp J Barratt presented By-laws for the council. Following a lengthy discussion, R Ex Comp Lyle Borgstrom moved that the secretary send the by-laws out to the membership to review and bring back to the next meeting, Seconded by R Ex Comp John Bjore. Carried

**ELECTED OFFICERS of Manitoba Council, Order of the High Priesthood for 2013 – 2014**, moved by M Ex Comp Al Christoffersen, seconded by M Ex Comp Stan Payne, that Cliff Hartmier be elected as President and each officer advance one Station, with John Duff required to remain as Sentinel, so R Ex Comp Rick Porter was appointed as Steward.  
Carried

Excellent President	<b>Cliff Hartmier</b>
Excellent Vice President	<b>Dean Hawes</b>
Excellent Chaplain	<b>Ron Church</b>
Excellent Secretary / Treasurer	<b>James Barratt</b>
Excellent Master of Ceremonies	<b>Richard Laronde</b>
Excellent Conductor	<b>Ernest Smith</b>
Excellent Herald	<b>Lyle Borgstrom</b>
Excellent Steward	<b>Rick Porter</b>
Excellent Sentinel	<b>John Duff</b>

**Past Most Excellent Presidents**

1983	Clifford E Storie *
1984	John C James *
1985-86	Stanley F Johnson *
1987	Nathaniel M. "Nat" Fairbairn *
1988	Peter Martin <b>w</b>
1989	Rod W A March
1990	Hugh T Ross *
1991	Peter Jack Webster *
1992	Lloyd George Bromwell *
1993	Garnet W. "Hap" Reid *
1994	Clifford C P Hardy
1995	Gordon A Ebel *
1996	Neil A Pow *
1997	George Alexander Reid*
1998	John G Ball *
1999	David N English
2000	Alfred P Christoffersen
2001	Robert H "Bob" Allen *
2002	Sherman A Elliott
2003	James J Barratt
2004	Leonard Ciszewski
2005	Stanley J Payne
2006	Lawrence R McInnes *
2007	George R Taylor
2008	Leif Hansen
2009	William B. McKenzie *
2010	Ivanhoe LeBlanc
2011	Ted Yorke
2012	Jack Hooper
2013	Bert Chambers

\*- Deceased                      **w**-Withdrawn

The duties and responsibilities of the afternoon completed, greetings and plaudits present, the Council was closed in ritualistic form at 3:35 PM by our new President **Cliff Hartmier** and his officers.

Fraternally,

President  
Cliff Hartmier

Secretary/Treasure  
James Barratt

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