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John E. Warner was born on May 11, 1951, in Hawley, Pennsylvania, the son of Carl F. and Jannette B. (Arthur) Warner. John grew up in Hawley graduating from Wallenpaupack Area High School in 1969. Shortly thereafter he joined the United States Navy where he served for 5 years and then transferred to the United States Army. His overseas assignments included Japan, Alaska and Germany. He retired from the Army on February 29, 1992.

While stationed in California at the Defense Language Institute where he studied the Albanian language he met and married the love of his life Renee E. Masters on March 31, 1971. They were fortunate to be blessed with three sons, Jonathan, Abraham (Jennifer), and William (Anna, and three grandchildren: Amauri, Julie, and Symeon).

After retiring from the Army, John became employed by the State of Idaho Department of Corrections where he currently works as a Correctional Manager 1 in the Felony Probation Office in Pocatello. He has supervised various types of felons in the area to insure the safety and protection of the Pocatello community.

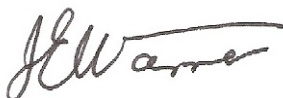
While in the Army John attended college in the evening receiving an Associate's degree and a Bachelor of Science Degree from Troy State University in Troy Alabama. After moving to Pocatello, he completed a Master of Public Administration Degree and all but his dissertation for his Doctorate Degree in Political Science at Idaho State University. After graduation he became an adjunct Professor at Idaho State University. He has also received a Doctorate in Christian Studies and an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from the seminary, becoming an ordained minister..

Masonically, John was initiated, passed and raised in Freidrich Wilhelm Von Steubon Lodge 837 in Bad Kreuznich, Germany in 1983. He served as Worshipful Master in 1985 and joined the Scottish Rite NATO Bodies in 1986. After moving to Pocatello he joined Portneuf Lodge where he served as Worshipful Master several times. He affiliated with the Pocatello Scottish Rite Bodies in 1994. John has served the Pocatello Valley as Venerable Master, Wise Master, Master of Kadosh and Commander of the Consistory. He received his KCCH in 1999 and was Coroneted 33° degree in 2003. John is presently serving as the Valley Secretary after being appointed by PGM Joseph Alexander, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Idaho, Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction. He has served as Chapter Dad for Charles F. Kirschner Chapter of DeMolay and has served on their advisory council since 1995.

In addition to his Masonic endeavors, John is also a Disaster Service Volunteer for the American Red Cross He assists families, who are displaced due to disaster, to find housing and provide other needed items such as food and clothing. He is also the Red Cross Representative to the Bannock County Local Emergency Preparedness Committee.

John was appointed by PGM Richard C. Broemeling to serve as District Deputy Grand Master for the 3rd Masonic District in 2003-2004 and reappointed by PGM Harry C. Black in 2004-2005. He was appointed by PGM James C. Herndon to serve as Grand Pursuivant in 2005.

John enjoys fishing, reading, and traveling.



(OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS)
ONE HUNDRED FORTY NINETH
ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE

**M.:W.: Grand Lodge
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
of Idaho**

HELD AT BOISE, IDAHO, SEPTEMBER 15, 16, 17, 2016

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The Master shall cause a synopsis of the Abstract of Proceedings to be presented at the first Stated Communication after it is received, and shall cause such review to be immediately reported to the Grand Secretary on forms provided by him. The Masters of Constituent Lodges shall make available a copy of the Abstract of Proceedings to his Brethren. The Master's shall use the Grand Secretary's abstract for further topics should he deem it necessary throughout the ensuing year. He shall cause one copy of the printed Abstract of Proceedings to be filed for future reference. (Revised Sept. 2015)

(See Reg. 53 as r2015)

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In preparation for the 2016-2017 year the following training was performed.

Wednesday, September 14, 2016 (Training)

2016-17 District Deputy Grand Master Training

8:30-11:30 a.m. 2016-17 District Deputy Grand Master Training was held at the Meridian Lodge No. 47, 800 East 2nd St. Meridian Idaho

2016-17 Incoming Grand Lodge Officer Lunch

12:00 p.m.- 2016-17 Incoming Grand Lodge Officer Lunch was held at the Meridian Lodge No. 47, 800 East 2nd St. Meridian Idaho

Registration / Credentials Opens

2:00- 4:00 p.m. Registration / Credentials was opened in the Teton Room for all to pick up their registration information and credentials packets.

Budget Review (Discuss 2017 Budget)

3:00 – 4:00p.m. The Brundage Room was opened for the brothers to come in and ask question about the proposed 2017 Budget. The Accounts and Finance Committee was there to answer any questions.

Practice for Grand Lodge Officers

3: 30 p.m. Practice for Grand Lodge Officers was held in the Cascade under the direction of the MWGM and the W Grand Marshal.

Vespers Service - Public

5:15 p.m. *Vespers Service - Public Invited*

Peregrine Room

149th Grand Lodge Vespers Service

Welcome to the 2016 Vesper Service. For those of you who do not know me, my name is George White Jr. and I am the Worshipful Grand Chaplain this year. I would like to introduce Reverend Edgar Simmons, the Worshipful Grand Musician, who will be playing this evenings music. As I searched the internet for information on a Vespers Service, I found that "Vespers" is a name of an evening prayer, and to hold a Vesper Service you must have music, a scripture reading, and prayers. With this in mind, this evening we are going to do just that -- sing, pray, and read and discuss a scripture that should have great meaning to every person in this room.

Let us start this evening with prayer to our Lord God.

Dear Father, we ask for strength and faith and willing hearts to study well the lessons of life which we must learn. We need spiritual strength which creates faith. Give us thy blessing of grace to trust thee for our needs. Keep our feet from stumbling and help us to walk with confidence as we lovingly serve thee. Help us to find the purpose of our life and give us the ability to show thy love for all people as part of our work for thee. In humility we bow before thee, in love, we offer ourselves for thy leading. Amen.

Our first song this evening will be "**How Great Thou Art**". Please join me in singing this beautiful and uplifting song.

*O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made;
I see the stars; I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!*

*When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.*

*Then sings my soul, my savior God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!*

That song has always made me think how great our God is. He created and gave to us this big, beautiful world, a world for us to live and raise our families in. All he asks of us is to live by his words and teach others about his love for us. As we watch the evening news we don't hear about his teaching, all we hear about is how we are destroying this beautiful world and people on it. Our Lord has given so much for us and asks for so little in return.

Our scripture reading comes from **John 3:16 – 18**

(16) For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believed in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

(17) For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

(18) He that believeth on him is not condemned; but he that believed not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

What I believe these verses mean are: Our Lord loves us so much that he sent his Son, Jesus Christ to be born on earth and die on a cross. And I ask the question why? Because we all are sinners and the Bible says that the consequence of sin is death, and eternal separation from God. But Christ did live a perfect and blameless life and provided the perfect sacrifice for our sins. He died in our place. It is only by God's grace that we can have eternal live with him in heaven, and all he asks is for us to have faith, to believe in him and Jesus Christ. We must remember we can't earn our place in heaven, we are already saved by God's grace and that Christ died for our sins. All we must do is ask for forgiveness and believe.

Please join with me singing "***Be thou my Vision***"

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both walking and sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
be thou ever with me, and I with thee;
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.*

*Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my whole armor, be thou my true might;
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:
O raise thou me heavenward, great power of my power.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
be thou mine inheritance now and always;
be thou and thou only first in my heart;
O sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright sun,
O grant me its joys after victory is won;
great heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.*

As I was choosing songs for this evenings Service, one of my co-workers, who is the son of preacher, suggested that song. I believe it fit into this evening celebration beautifully.

People all over this world join their voices together to pray for the coming of God's kingdom and to ask God to provide for our needs, forgive our sins, and bring us the joy of heaven. When the disciples asked Jesus how they should pray, he taught them the **Lord's Prayer**.

Please join me in reciting the **Lord's Prayer**.

*Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come
Thy work be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen*

Our last song for this evening is one of the greatest hymns ever written. Please raise your voices to sing **Amazing Grace**.

*Amazing grace, How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I am found,
Was blind, but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.*

*Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come,
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home.*

*The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion me,
As long as life endures.*

*Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail
And mortal life shall cease
I shall possess within the veil,*

A life of joy and peace.

*When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.*

As we bring this years Vesper Service to a close, please remember that even though God asks very little of us, he gave everything for us.

Let us pray.

Father of us, bring into this room, now, the realization of our many blessings. May we recognize that what we have done has been to promote fellowship and a better understanding of the people and places. Bless our efforts to serve; forgive anything we have failed to do. And be our shield and our strength, we pray. Amen.

Thank you for attending this year service. I hope and pray that you enjoy the rest of your evening and this 149th Annual Grand Lodge of Idaho.

Grand Masters Banquet (Invitation Only)

6:00 p.m. No Host Social Hour

7:00 p.m. Grand Masters Banquet (Invitation Only)

Formal / Tux

Convention Lobby

Silverhorn / Ponderosa Rooms

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ANNUAL COMMUNICATIONS

JOHNN E. WARNER, M.: W.:. GRAND MASTER

MONTE B. BOLLAR, R.: W.:. GRAND SECRETARY

The One Hundred Forty Ninth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho was convened at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 3300 S. Vista Avenue, Boise, Idaho, at 8:00 a.m. on the 15th day of September 2016

Thursday, September 15, 2016 (Public Opening)

7:15 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Registration / Credentials Open

Registration / Credentials was opened in the Teton Room for all to pick up their registration information and credentials packets.

Prelude for the Public Opening was played by W.:. Grand Organist Rev. Edgar R. Simmons the musical selections started the morning.

8:00 a.m. – Abraham J. Warner, Worshipful Master, Portneuf Lodge #18

“Ladies and Gentlemen it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Thursday Morning, Public ‘opening of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Idaho Please give your attention to the procession of the Grand Lodge Officers.”

The 2015-2016 Grand Lodge officers marched in the room.

“Brother Grand Marshal you will present the Most Worshipful Grand Master. It is my pleasure to introduce Brother John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"It is my pleasure to introduce Abraham J. Warner Worshipful Master of Portneuf Lodge No. 18"

Opening Prayer offered by George J. White, Jr., W. : Grand Chaplain

Brother George J. White, Jr. called for a moment of silence for those involved in 911

Then:

"Heavenly Father, as we assemble today with our visiting Brethren and Concordant and Appendant Bodies, we ask your blessing on this 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho. As we begin our labors please be with us and give us the guidance necessary to complete our given task. Also, be with us as we rekindle old friendships and start new ones. We ask that you look over the men and women who are serving and protecting this great nation of ours that they may return to their loved ones when their task is complete. This we ask in your Holy Name. Amen"

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Worshipful Grand Marshal, you will present the flags."

Presentation of the Flags

Russ W. Smith, W. : Grand Marshal

The Flags were posted by

American

H. Sherman Burger II, W. : Senior Grand Steward

Canada

Gary A.S. LaBruyere, W. : Junior Grand Steward

State of Idaho

John B. Johnson, W. : Grand Sword Bearer

Grand Lodge Banner

Rick Hollow, W. : Grand Pursuivant

Tribute to the Flag of the United States of America

I am the flag of the United States of America. Officially born in Philadelphia on June 14, 1777, I have been a symbol for freedom and a God-fearing nation since my inception. My colors symbolize the qualities of human characteristics exemplified in the citizens I represent.

- White symbolizes purity, liberty, and equality for all.
- Blue symbolizes loyalty, justice, and faith.
- Red symbolizes courage, integrity, and the blood of sacrifice.

For more than 239 years, I have been the symbol of our nation's strength and unity. I have been a source of pride and inspiration for all of my citizens. Millions have fought for me and hundreds of thousands have paid the ultimate sacrifice by laying down their lives in the service of my country.

You, the citizens of this great country have made me what I am and what I represent. Whether raised in the cool mountain air in the morning as the sunshine rays dart through the tall pine trees at a Boy or Girl Scout camp, or raised at Government offices, businesses, and military installations in the hustle and bustle of the beginning daily work activities, the pride that swells

up inside each of you as I am posted and silhouetted against the peaceful skies of our country should remind you that I am the flag of our country, that I stand for what you are - no more, no less.

Americans, I am the sacred emblem of your country. I symbolize your birthright, your heritage of liberty purchased with blood and sorrow. Honor the stars and stripes as an emblem of our country and a symbol of all that your patriotism means. You identify me with almost everything you hold dear here on earth: peace and security, civil and political liberty, your family, your friends, and your home.

I was created in freedom. I embody freedom: freedom of speech, religion, assembly, the press, and the sanctity of the home and human life. I made my first appearance in a battle for human liberty. But, with privileges and rights come responsibilities. Guard me well, lest your freedom perish from the earth. Dedicate your lives to those principles for which I stand: "One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

God grant that I may spend eternity in my "land of the free and the home of the brave" and that I shall ever be known as "Old Glory," the flag of the United States of America

Please join me in singing the 'Star Spangled Banner.'

Please join me in the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country.

Brother Senior Grand Steward, please post the American Flag.

Tribute to the Flag of Canada.

Canada, our neighbors to the North. The Maple Leaf has been used in different designs since the 18th century. However, the current Maple Leaf design was officially voted on and accepted in 1965. Canada is the second largest nation by total area and the fourth largest by land mass alone, the difference being due to its having the world's largest proportion of fresh water lakes.

It is one of the most ethnically diverse and multicultural nations in the world. Their advanced economy is the 11th largest in the world relying on its abundant natural resources and strategic international trade networks, and it ranks among the highest in international measurements of government transparency, civil liberties, quality of life, economic freedom, and education.

Canada's peacekeeping role has developed its global image and it shares the world's longest undefended border with the United States and they are each other's largest trading partner. Freedom and peace has always been the guiding factor of Canada's future. "O Canada" captures this. Written in 1880, it has been the national anthem of Canada since 1939.

Please join me in singing "O Canada."

Brother Junior Grand Steward, please post the American Flag.

Tribute to the Flag of Idaho

The Flag of Idaho contains the State seal on a field of blue. The seal was adopted in 1863 and redrawn several times before statehood in 1890. It was designed by Emma Edwards Green and is the only state seal designed by a woman. The seal is complex to identify the many facets of Idaho's economy and industry. The banner "Esto Perpetua" pronounces "It Is Forever."

Idaho has a diverse geographic terrain with a seaport 465 miles from the Pacific Ocean, the deepest gorge in North America at 7,993 feet, the Shoshone Falls that plunges 212 feet down rugged cliffs that are 45 feet higher than Niagara Falls, and the largest contiguous area of protected wilderness in the 2.3 million acres of the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness Area.

The music for "Here We Have Idaho" was copyrighted in 1915, words set to the music in 1917, and was officially adopted as the Idaho state song in 1931.

Please join me in singing "Here we have Idaho."

Brother Grand Sword Bearer, please post the Flag of Idaho

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

Brother and Guest please joining me in a moment of silence for Mitzi Brooks, wife of Keith Brooks, PGM, who was very active with the Jobs Daughters and supporting Masons.

"We will now have the parade of the lodge banners.

Brother Grand Marshal, please escort the Lodge banners in to the lodge room.

This is an initiative that the Grand Lodge officers asked the lodges to do in preparation for the sesquicentennial year. We have asked that lodges create a banner and if they were complete that they bring them here this year. For those lodges that do not have a banner, I challenge you to prepare one and bring it next year.

These flags can be used by the lodges in their communities and public activities to promote the lodge and freemasonry around the state. To show masonry is alive and well in their communities.

Join me and thanking these brothers for the efforts they have made.

Please post your banners."

Introductions

Heads of Concordant and Appendant Bodies

Introductions by

H. Sherman Burger III, W. : Sr. Grand Steward
(Lined up by Senior Grand Deacon assisted by Grand Stewards)

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

Would all the heads of the Concordant and Appendant bodies and Adult Youth Leaders please retire to be lined up for introductions! W.: Sr. Grand Steward, you will introduce the Heads of the Concordant and Appendant Bodies of Idaho –Brother Grand Stewards, please assist

Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Idaho

Right Eminent Grand Commander

John W. Zeller Sr.

“Thank you for inviting us to the communication and we need to work together to continue to make masonry get more active and get more membership. We also have a 22 rifle to rafle off so see me if you want tickets”

Most Worshipful Grand Master reply.

“I have already made a decree earlier that the only tickets that will be sold during Grand Lodge will be Jim’s Sequential tickets. If I catch you selling tickets I will confiscate your ticket, your money and your prize.”

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Idaho

Most Excellent Grand High Priest

Bruce A. Wethered

“I would like to welcome everyone to this communication and wish you a successful communication.”

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Idaho

Most Illustrious Grand Master

G. Arthur Shoemaker

“Most Worshipful, I must say it is much more relaxed standing down here than up there like I did last year. I bring you greeting from the York Rite of Idaho, you have had a successful year and wish you a successful Grand Lodge, Thank you.”

Grand Chapter of Idaho, Order of Eastern Star

Worthy Grand Matron

Wanda Kibbey

“I would like to thank you for inviting us to this Open session of Grand Lodge and wish you a most successful Grand Lodge, Thank you.”

Worthy Grand Patron

Bill Rogoli

“I would like to thank you for inviting me to this Grand Lodge. It is the first time that I have attended as I am a member in Wyoming. It is not that I chose lodge, it was a request from my significant other that I join for Eastern Star and it is the path that should choose. We need to work together to get members and support each other. In the masonic family, Eastern Star needs Masonry but Masonry also needs Eastern Star.”

Iras Temple No. 40, Daughters of the Nile

Queen

Pam Thomas

"Most Worshipful Grand Master, on behalf of Iras Temple No. 40, Daughters of the Nile, we wish you a successful Grand Lodge and, Deputy Grand Master, we hope that you will have a very successful year as well. Thank you."

Grand Court of Idaho, Order of Amaranth

Grand Associate Matron

HL Dianne Gates

Grand Associate Patron

SK Wesley Gates

Together. *"We thank you for the support of Amaranth in Idaho as we grow in Idaho. We especially thank Brothers Jim Herndon and Kevin Heiner for their support in helping us start a new court in Black Foot, Idaho. We need five more members to establish this court and we ask for your help in the support of Amaranth. We would you like to thank MWGM John Warner for your support in the Idaho Masonic Family Alliance and the sharing of calendars to help in scheduling events."*

7**El Korah Shrine**

Potentate

Cory Turner

"It is a pleasure to be here representing El Korah Shriners. At this time I would like to make a presentation if I may. Brother Jim would you please come to the altar. It is a custom to present a Fez to you on behalf of El Korah; it is your Grand Masters Fez. I look forward in working with you. Brother John it has been a pleasure working with your this last year. I wish you a successful Grand Session. Thank you."

Calam Shrine

Representing Potentate Ted Graff

Russ Graves

"I bring greetings from Potentate Ted Graff, We are a small group but we are active part of masonry. The Fez is a symbol of a Shriner as is the apron a symbol of a mason. Thank you for inviting us here."

Adult Leaders of Youth Groups**Job's Daughters International, Grand Council of Idaho**

Grand Guardian

Cindy Tolman

"I would like to thank you for the invitation to this Grand Lodge and bring greetings from the Grand Guardian Council of Idaho. I would like to defer my time to the ladies here with the crowns on. Thank you."

Associate Grand Guardian

Russ Smith

"Thank you for having us here and I am honored to represent the Jobs Daughter of Idaho. And to let you know that the Jobs Daughters of Idaho really do appreciate the support from the masons of Idaho."

International Order of DeMolay

Executive Officer

Gary A.S. LaBruyere

"Thank you for inviting me here and I am going to let the youth leaders talk."

International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Washington/Idaho

Grand Deputy in Idaho

Jennie Davis

"Thank you for inviting me here and I like the others are going to let the youth talk."

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Please join me in giving the heads of these concordant bodies a hearty welcome. These leaders do a lot for their organizations. These are the members of the Idaho Masonic Family Alliance. Thank you for coming and all the work that you do."

Brother Grand Orator, would you please line up and introduce the Youth Leaders. Brother Stewards, please assist.

Introduction of Public Officials

Introductions by

John E. Warner, M.: W.: Grand Master

Red Lion Inn, Pocatello Idaho

Hotel Manager

Short announcement "The Hotel Mgr. is an Entered Apprentice from Tennessee and I am sure that the lodges here in Idaho can help him advance his Masonic Journey."

"Thank you for the opportunity to address the Grand Lodge today, I hope that my staff has treaded you well. I hope we make you proud over the next few days and if there is anything needed, please contact my staff and we will take care of it as soon as possible. That I promise you"

Introduction of Youth Leaders

Introductions by

Mark H. Smith, W.: Grand Orator

Grand Bethel of Idaho, Job's Daughters International

Miss Idaho Job's Daughter
Grand Bethel Honored Queen

Alexis Ericsson
Allyson Cameron

International Order of DeMolay

Idaho State Master Councilor

Elljah Newberry

International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Washington/Idaho

Grand Worthy Advisor

Mary Powell

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Thank you for coming. Please join me in giving the leaders of our Youth Groups a hearty welcome."

Addresses

Addresses by Heads of Youth Groups

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"We would now be pleased to hear from the Grand Bethel Honored Queen and Miss Idaho Jobs Daughters."

Grand Bethel Honored Queen

Ashley DeWit

Most Worshipful Grand Master Mr. John Warner, distinguished east, Idaho Masons, and friends. Good morning! My name is Ashley DeWit, and I am honored to have the privilege to speak on behalf of the Idaho Job's Daughters as their Grand Bethel Honored Queen. It is so amazing to be here, surrounded by so many people who strive to make each other and the world better.

When I was ten years old, I had no clue what the word "Mason" even meant, until one very fateful evening when my grandmother took me to a racetrack where some men with cool fezzes were serving popcorn and hotdogs. If it weren't for my grandmother demanding to speak to someone who could direct us to a local bethel, I probably wouldn't be standing in front of you now. I wouldn't know that both of my grandfathers and my father were masons, my grandmother and great aunt were Jobies, and my step-mother was a rainbow girl; I wouldn't have learned the valuable lessons that Job's Daughters teaches, and I would not have met my closest friends, my role models, or even my step-father. If I hadn't asked for that bag of popcorn, I would have missed out on meeting such a supportive and inspiring masonic family, and that thought nearly breaks my heart.

It breaks my heart that so many girls in this world don't know what Job's Daughters is, and that membership is dwindling across the board in all masonic organizations. This is not a problem that can be ignored anymore and it isn't something to be pushed to the corner of our minds to be dealt with at a later date. Remaining ignorant about the presence of masonry in the world shouldn't be as easy as choosing not to have a bag of popcorn.

Our organizations are going through hard times, and the best way to get through it is to support each other as a masonic family. If you have a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, or even just know a child who is in the right age range for a masonic youth group, I beg you to tell them about Job's Daughters, DeMolay, or Rainbow. Don't just think about what they can do for masonic organizations now and when they grow older, think of what these organizations can do for them, the self-confidence that they will gain, the charitable heart they will develop, and the ability to lead that comes from many invaluable experiences.

To close, I'd like to remind you that your support means so much to Job's Daughters. Whether you serve as a member of our bethel guardian council or you simply attend a bethel meeting once in a while, your presence adds a whole new dynamic to a Jobie's experience.

Thank you for our heritage, your support, and for being such a huge and important part of my and many other Jobies' lives.

I hope that you have an amazing and successful Grand Lodge weekend. Thank you.

Ashley DeWit

Miss Idaho Job's Daughter

Alexis Ericsson

Most Worshipful Grand Master John Warner, distinguished guests and Masons of Idaho, Good Morning! My name is Alexis Ericsson and I have the incredible honor and pleasure of being the Miss Idaho Job's Daughter this year. It is so wonderful to see so many familiar faces! I spoke to girls from many other jurisdictions that don't receive much support from their Grand Lodges and it makes me truly grateful to live in such an amazing state where our adult Masonic family organizations are just as invested in our success as we are.

Can I have all of you who have been on the Grand Guardian Council, Bethel Guardian Council, or attended a Job's Daughter meeting please rise. To those of you who didn't stand: I challenge you to join the others before next year's Grand Lodge. Our organization quite literally would not exist without you. To join Job's Daughters, a girl must either be related to a Mason or be sponsored by one. By telling girls about our organization, you have the power to change her life like mine was the day I was initiated.

One of my duties is to promote all Masonic family organizations. I believe this is especially important for Masons because you cannot directly promote to the public. I promise that the Job's Daughters, myself included, will do absolutely everything we can to make sure your Lodge rooms are full so that hopefully we can repay you for keeping the doors to our Bethels open. I hope you all have a better Grand Lodge than you could have ever imagined and I look forward to seeing you on my travels this year!

Alexis Ericsson

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"We would now be pleased to hear from the Grand Worthy Advisor of International Rainbow for Girls, Washington/ Idaho."

Grand Worthy Advisor

May Powell

Most Worshipful Master, Distinguished East, Masons and friends, hello and thank you for having me here today! My name is May Powell and I am the Grand Worthy Advisor of Washington and Idaho Rainbow. Our jurisdiction currently has 32 active assemblies, and 2 of those assemblies are in Idaho. However, every year we strive to grow our membership and this year I know we will be successful because we will be opening a brand new assembly in Idaho called Magic Valley! We will be instituting this assembly on October 29th, 2016 and we invite as many of you to attend as possible. We have always said we need our adult groups' support, but now more than ever, while we are making these membership pushes and increases, we need you. New advisory board members, chaperones, and drivers are a few of the things we will need as we continue to grow Snake River District in Idaho, especially since it has been one of our fastest growing districts in the past couple years.

For those of you who do not know a lot about Rainbow, who we are and what we do, our motto is "Rainbow Gets Girls Ready for Life." The most important time in a young woman's life to steer her in the right direction is between the ages of 11 and 20. Not only does Rainbow provide girls a strong foundation of moral, social and adult support, but Rainbow also offers girls opportunities to learn how to plan events, to speak before a room full of people, to create a budget and to manage a group of girls and adults to reach a goal. The older girls can also step into leadership roles holding state offices within the jurisdiction where the responsibilities are greater and more challenging. They may organize trips for dozens of girls and adults to meet their Rainbow sisters across the country or train our up and coming leaders with three days of seminars, group bonding and support. They organize and raise money for our annual walk which just raised over \$17,000 for Alzheimer's research and support. Annually our jurisdiction typically raises over \$30,000 for the Grand Worthy Advisor's charity ... which this year is Hilarity for Charity, Seth Rogan's charity to raise money for the Alzheimer's Association providing research and care for an aging population suffering from this overwhelming disease. As you have heard Rainbow's impact in our communities is also very positive and needed. Rainbow's opportunities are endless, but we need you and your support.

And while Rainbow does great things for the girls of this organization and the community, let me tell you what it can do for you. Rainbow does not require a masonic affiliation for a girl to become a member, but Rainbow can and does bring dozens of fine men to masonry. These are the fathers of young girls who see what this organization is doing for their children and want to be involved. It is the boyfriend and future husband of a Rainbow Girl who sees the close ties this girl has to the Masonic family and wants the same thing in his own life and for his eventual family. These are the children of former Rainbow Girls whose mother wanted them to have the same wonderful opportunities that she had when she was a Rainbow Girl. I have been told that freemasonry is about bringing good men to masonry but that isn't quite right. It is about bringing good families to masonry. Rainbow's growth is your growth. So please join us at Magic Valley on October 29th to welcome our new assembly here in Idaho. But more importantly, if you do not have a Rainbow assembly that meets at your lodge, please help to revitalize your lodge and masonry in your community by sponsoring a new assembly in your local area. It will help our entire masonic family. And better yet, invest in the maintenance of your buildings so we have a place to meet. Your future is in our future, but our future is also deeply rooted in your future. Together we make each other better and can truly have an impact in our communities.

In closing, I have a little joke for you. My mascot this year is the Selfless Saint Bernards so there was an elderly Saint Bernard Couple, Harry and Henrietta. Harry needed to run an errand so he told Henrietta where he was going, got the car keys and drove out of the drive way. About 30 minutes later Henrietta heard on the radio that there was a car going the wrong way on the freeway. She realized it may be approaching Harry since he was going to be driving on that same area. She quickly found her cellphone and called Harry.

"Harry, be careful. I just heard on the radio that there is a car driving the wrong way on the freeway!" Harry responded, "It's not just one, there's hundreds of 'em!"

Thank you.

May Powell

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"We would now be pleased to hear from the Idaho State Master Councilor, Sebastian Stonhill."

Idaho State Master Councilor

Ellijah Newberry

Most Worshipful Grand Master Warner, Grand Lodge Officers, members and distinguished guests.

Good morning! It is a great honor to be here today because we, as DeMolay look up to you as our future. It is so important that our Masonic organizations work hand in hand to support and promote one another. As State Master Councilor, I have challenged each member of DeMolay to bring in one new member this year. If this goal is achieved, it will double our membership in Idaho. This goal will not only help DeMolay, but it will also help the Masonic fraternity because the Masonic youth groups are future members of the Masonic lodge. This is where your help is needed. Each of you knows someone, maybe a grandson, a nephew, or a neighbor who would be a great DeMolay, and in the future a great Mason. Together we can build our organizations and make them stronger.

Thank you all for your continued involvement both in your time and your financial support. We have been able to travel to Oregon, Washington, ISC in San Diego and now to the Grand Lodge here in Boise. We are currently working to complete our second round of official visits to our DeMolay Chapters here in Idaho.

We appreciate you having us here, thank you.

Elijah Newberry

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Thank you for coming. Please join me in giving all the State Youth leaders a hearty welcome."

Presentations

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Are there any presentations?"

Masonic Service Association presentation

Plaque presented to M. W. Grand Master John E. Warner by Monte B. Bollar, R. W. Grand Secretary on half of the Masonic Service Association.

"Certificate of Appreciation presented to John E. Warner, Grand Master of Idaho.

*Behold how good and how pleasant it is
for the Brethren to work together in Unity.*

Given in sincere appreciation for your abiding interest in and strong support for the Masonic Service Association's Programs, the M.S.A. Representatives, Deputies and Volunteers of Idaho. With the certificate go our Best Wishes for Continued Success and Service to Our Gentle Craft.

Given the 16th Day of September 201 A.D., 6016 A.L. Signed George O. Braatz, PGM Executive Secretary, M.S.A. and Fred L. Sorsabal, PGM Executive Commissioner."



THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION
OF NORTH AMERICA

August 25, 2016

Monte B. Bollar
Grand Secretary
Grand Lodge of Idaho
219 N. 17th Street
Boise, ID 83702-5187

Dear Brother Grand Secretary:

The Masonic Service Association of North America has a plaque it would like to have presented to your Grand Master, M.W. Brother John E. Warner, at your Annual Session this year.

It recognizes him and the Masons of Idaho for the work they have done to support the MSA Hospital Visitation Program.

That plaque is being sent to you in a separate package and should arrive shortly.

Because I will be unable to attend your Grand Lodge Communication this year, I am asking, would you be able to make the presentation on our behalf?

Thank you very much for your cooperation, and I look forward to our paths crossing in the future during our Masonic travels.

Fraternally,

George O. Braatz, PGM
Executive Secretary

**M.W. Grand Master, John E. Warner
Grand Masters Report Part One**

To the Officers and members of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge AF&AM of Idaho, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Brothers.

Welcome to the 149th annual communication of Masons in Idaho. This is an opportunity I long have sought, giving my final report as a Grand Lodge Officer. I thank all of you for coming to Boise to share this final occasion with Renee and I. We hope you enjoy yourself. I know Renee has worked hard at setting up the women's program and luncheon that I hope you will enjoy. It sounds so good to me maybe I will have the Deputy Grand Master run the session and I will go with you.

This year has been a truly busy year and not without stress and concerns for the fraternity. However, the masonic fellowship that has been extended to Renee and I as we traveled this great state and visited other Jurisdictions has been absolutely outstanding, even when I was there to perform unpleasant duties. I realized how blessed I was to be a member of such a great fraternity and the love and respect of the brothers in it is unmeasurable.

Speaking of outstanding people, I want to thank all the members of Portneuf Lodge for all the support they gave me covering my Lodge duties when I was traveling. To my son and Brother Abraham, Master of my Lodge, who was always there behind the scenes struggling to keep up with my requests. I could not have accomplished the many tasks without you. To Morgan Hansen Tolman for giving such a wonderful explanation of masonry during my installation and setting such a fine example for other young ladies to follow, and to C. F Kirschner Chapter DeMolay and Pocatello Bethel #1 Job's daughters for your support during the installation as well as your willingness to assist me whenever I needed help.

I want to thank the Idaho Rainbow Girls who made me an honorary Rainbow Dad at their annual Grand Assembly in Yakima. My brothers, if you never attend anything else in you masonic career, you must attend a Rainbow Grand Assembly. I assure you it is like eating a potato chip, once you go once you can't stop going back. I thank you for such an honor. It is one of the moments I will cherish and maybe someday it will change from Honorary Rainbow Dad to Rainbow Dad.

To the international Order of DeMolay, thank you for awarding the Honorary Legion of Honor to me. I can really say it is one of the few times my emotions overtook me and letting everyone see that although I am the Grand Master, I am still just a person with emotions.

To Adrian and Ariana Altman New York DeMolay and Sweetheart of New York, thank you for taking your time to visit with First Lady Renee and I at Idaho Brotherhood night. Thank you for the gifts you gave Lady Renee and I. We will cherish them, as well as the time we spent with you. We want to wish you both the greatest success in your future endeavors.

I want to thank my Grand Lodge Officers for all your support. You were always there when I needed advice and to assist me in making the hard decisions.

To Most Worshipful Brother Art Shoemaker for your leadership and assistance when I was progressing through the line and especially when I was Deputy Grand Master. Your guidance has helped me become a better mason, and to Sandi for being such a pleasure to be around. You really made our year together memorable. Renee and I love you both and look forward to spending time with you in the future.

To Jim and Helen Hensley, thank you both for the support and companionship during our travels this year. The time we spent together was very meaningful to us. Brother Jim your help and opinions when dealing with the hard decisions I had to make were good and timely and I thank you for all your help.

Thank you for a wonderful year. I always knew I could count on you when I was in need. You always stepped up and represented me at activities I could not attend.

A special thank you to RWB Kent for his hard work in making the Rocky Mountain Conference such a success. I received many e-mails about the conference. Everyone loved it. The only complaint I have comes from me. You had me ride on a wagon that had a screen grate for the floor, I ate so much dust I wasn't hungry for dinner. Thanks Brother Kent for a job well done.

To Brother N. Randy King for his support in helping me with the Buhl and Jerome crisis. Through your efforts we now have a strong lodge again. Thank you my brother.

To RW Brother Monte and Lady Cyndie. Thank you both for all the assistance and support during my year. Your invaluable counsel was greatly appreciated. Cyndie I don't know how you do it but no matter the request it appeared quickly, sometimes even before I hung up the phone. Both of you are an indispensable part of this Grand Lodge. However, we too many times take you for granted. I cherished the time we had to visit and enjoyed every minute. The dedication, work ethic and concern you both have for this fraternity sets an example for all to emulate and I am proud to call you my brother and sister.

I would like to thank MWPGM Richard Broemeling, for appointing me District Deputy Grand Master. You must have seen something in me I didn't see in myself but I am glad you did. To Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Harry Black who reappointed me as District Deputy Grand Master. I am not sure if I did a good job or if you were just retraining me so I could get it right- whatever the reason, thanks for your trust.

To Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Jim Herndon, who appointed me to the Grand Lodge Line and started me on this wonderful journey. I not only cherish the faith you put in me but also the guidance and direction you have always provided me in both my professional and masonic endeavors. You are truly the example of what a mason really is. I also want to thank Most Worshipful Brother Mike Sutton for the many hours of listening to the struggles I was going through and giving me sound advice and to Hazel for putting up with our 3 hour breakfast meetings. I love you both for all your help and assistance, and just for being the wonderful people you are

To the wives and ladies of the fraternity. What can I say? Your support and assistance is immeasurable. I tried to say how I feel but words just escape me so I decided to explain using a poem by Robert Pinkerton, a "Mason's Wife:"

From active Masons, resolute
Our wives and families we salute
We surely know the price you pay,
Who sit alone while we're away?

No high degrees on you conferred,
In Lodge, your name is seldom heard;
You serve our cause though out of sight,
While sitting home alone tonight.

Masonic papers list our names
Awards are given, fit to frame
But yours is absent...you who strive,
To keep our fortitude alive.

You're part of every helpful deed
On your encouragement we feed
Without your blessings, how could we,
Continue acts of Charity

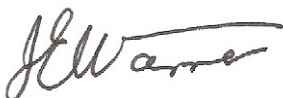
And so, this poem, we dedicate
To every Master Mason's mate
And offer our undying love,
Rewards await in Heaven above.
Thank you and I love you all.

To my wife Renee for the best 45 years of my life. Thank you for the hard work, assistance and encouragement you provided me during this trying year. Most importantly thank you for being my sounding board when I had to make the hard decisions. This year would not have been successful without you. I especially want to thank you for staying awake on those late nights when I was driving those long distances, after all one of us had to stay awake. Thank you I again, I love you.

Lastly but certainly not least, to my brothers who gave me the opportunity of a lifetime to serve and lead the greatest fraternity in the world. I love you all.

Thanks again to everyone for coming and spending this time with Renee and I, I really hope you will enjoy being here as much as we enjoy having you here.

Respectfully Submitted



John E. Warner
Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho
I move this report be accepted and referred to Accounts and Finances and Jurisprudence.

9:30 a.m. Dismissal of all Non-Master Masons

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner announced that we will be taking a 20 minute break and invited all Non-Masons to leave the hall so the Brothers can open the Formal Session of the Grand Lodge of Idaho. We will be taking a break until 09:50 am
Grand Secretary, Monte Bollar, If you have turned in a written report or resolution and it is unsigned please come and see Jerry Parsons and sign the report or resolution so it can be acted upon. Thank you.

Thursday, September 15, 2016 (Formal Opening)

Rick Holloway, Worshipful Master of Silver City Lodge No. 13.

“Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Formal Opening of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho.

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“It is my pleasure to introduce, Rick Holloway, Worshipful Master of Silver City Lodge No. 13. My Host Lodge.

Brother Grand Marshal, you will seat the Officers.”

Formal Opening Prayer offered by George J. White Jr., W.: Grand Chaplain

“Great Architect of the Universe, as we open this formal session of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, please give us the wisdom necessary to conduct our proceedings with peace, love and harmony. This we ask in your Holy Name. Amen.”

M.: W.: Grand Master John E. Warner proceeded to open Grand Lodge in Ample Form.

M.: W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother W.: Grand Marshal, would you make the Proclamation.”

Russ W. Smith, W.: Grand Marshal made the following Proclamation.

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim this Formal Session of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho open in ample form”

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 10:27 a.m., September 15th, 2016

ROLL CALL

M.: W.: Grand Master John E. Warner directed the R.: W.: Grand Secretary, Monte B. Bollar, to proceed with the Roll Call of Officers.

ELECTIVE GRAND LODGE OFFICERS 2014-2015

<u>Office.....</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Here?</u>
M.: W.: Grand Master	John E. Warner (18)	present
R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master	James A. Hensley (78, 80)	present
R.: W.: Sr. Grand Warden	William K. “Bill” Curtis, Jr. (1)	present
R.: W.: Jr. Grand Warden	Kent R. McCandless (19)	present
R.: W.: Grand Treasurer	Randy King (13, 60)	present
R.: W.: Grand Secretary	Monte B. Bollar (13, 60)	present
R.: W.: Grand Lecturer	Thomas W. Gough (18, 21, 78)	present

APPOINTIVE GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Here?</u>
W.: Sr. Grand Deacon	Steven L. Hall (30)	present
W.: Jr. Grand Deacon	Steven O. Zimmerman (13)	present
W.: Grand Marshal	Russ W. Smith (48, 64)	present
W.: Sr. Grand Steward	H. Sherman Burger III (39)	present
W.: Jr. Grand Steward	Gary LaBruyere (19)	present
W.: Grand Sword Bearer	John B. Johnson (63)	<i>Excused</i>
.....	<i>Jesse Laduke, Acting</i>	present
W.: Grand Pursuivant	Rick L. Holloway (13, 60)	present
W.: Grand Chaplain	George J. White Jr. (45)	present
W.: Grand Orator	Mark H. Smith (47)	present
W.: Grand Historian	Jerry D. Parsons (2)	present
W.: Grand Organist	Rev. Edgar R. Simmons (19)	present
W.: Grand Tyler	James M. Birdwell (58, 95)	present
.....	<i>Lawrence Christian, Acting</i>	present
Sound Person	Arlen Marshal	present
Asst. Secretary	John Bonnett	present

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Here?</u>
First Masonic District	Douglas J. Hammond (92)	present
Second Masonic District.....	Scott D. Auvil (19)	<i>Excused</i>
Third Masonic District	Jerry A. Lynch (18)	present
Fourth Masonic District	John Boyer (77, 78)	present
Fifth Masonic District	Johnny A. Willis (21, 30, 78, 80)	present
Sixth Masonic District.....	John F. Lawicki (30)	<i>Excused</i>
Seventh Masonic District	Steve S. Bate (3, 82)	Present
Eighth Masonic District	Robert L. Bouy (29)	present
Ninth Masonic District	John H. Blake (23)	<i>Excused</i>
Tenth Masonic District	Edward L. Bonham, Jr. (9, 87)	present
Eleventh Masonic District	David Savage (17, 20)	present
Twelfth Masonic District	Brian K. Becker (20, 25)	present
Thirteenth Masonic District	James D. Kemp (42)	present

LODGES PRESENT

<u>Lodge Name</u>	<u>Lodge Number</u>	<u>Here?</u>
Idaho Lodge.....	1	present
Boise Lodge	2	present
Placer Lodge	3	present
Mt. Idaho Lodge	9	present
Nez Perce Lodge.....	10	present
Lemhi Lodge	11	<i>Absent</i>
Silver City Lodge	13	present
Hailey Lodge	16	present
Paradise Lodge	17	present
Portneuf Lodge.....	18	present
Eagle Rock Lodge.....	19	present
Coeur D'Alene Lodge.....	20	<i>Absent</i>
Richfield Lodge	21	present
Weiser Lodge.....	23	present
Kootenai Lodge	24	present
Shoshone Lodge	25	<i>Absent</i>
Washoe Lodge.....	28	present
Ashlar Lodge.....	29	present
Elmore Lodge	30	present
Salubria Lodge.....	31	present
Unity Lodge	32	present
Grove City Lodge	33	present
Cataldo Lodge	34	<i>Absent</i>
Butte Lodge	37	<i>Absent</i>
Mt. Moriah Lodge	39	present
Rathdrum Lodge.....	41	present
Lakeside Lodge	42	present
Bonnars Ferry Lodge	43	present
Twin Falls Lodge	45	present
Meridian Lodge	47	present
Arco Lodge	48	present
Malad Lodge.....	51	present
Buhl Lodge.....	53	<i>Merged</i>
Kamiah Lodge.....	56	present
Spirit Lake Lodge	57	present
American Falls Lodge	58	present
Lincoln Lodge	59	present
Oriental Lodge.....	60	present
Jerome Lodge	61	present
St. Maries Lodge.....	63	<i>Absent</i>
Mt. McCaleb Lodge	64	present
Burley Lodge.....	68	present
Paul Lodge.....	77	present
Hagerman Lodge	78	present
Fidelity Lodge	80	present

Ionic Lodge	82	present
Caribou Lodge	84	present
Kooskia Lodge	87	present
Challis Lodge	92	present
Capital City Lodge.....	93	present
Mount Kinport Lodge.....	95	present
Kaniksu Lodge	97	present

Roll Call found 19 Grand Lodge Officers, 7 District Deputy Grand Masters and 45 Lodges present at Roll Call. A quorum is present to conduct the business of Grand Lodge.

Code & Digest Section 104 states “The representatives of fifteen (15) chartered Lodges shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the Grand Lodge.” **A quorum is present.**

401-2 Appeals & Grievance Committee Report (Part 1) (Jerome Lodge #61)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES (Jerome Lodge #61 only)

(Adopted)

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Idaho

Your committee for Appeals and Grievances wishes to thank you for the opportunity to serve you, this past year. Often there are no issues or appeals presented to this committee throughout the grand lodge year, however this year we have had a number of appeals and grievances presented to us for review and determinations.

Jerome Lodge #61 – Arrested Charter

The charter for Jerome Lodge #61 was arrested by MW Grand Master John Warner in accordance with Section 103 and Section 1302 of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest. The provision of Section 103 that resulted in the arresting of the charter was the fact that Jerome Lodge #61 failed to be represented at any of three consecutive annual communications of the Grand Lodge of Idaho. This provision of our code was added at the annual communication of this grand lodge in 2011. The arresting of the charter was required under that section of our code.

Our committee met with the Worshipful Master, the Senior and Junior Wardens and the Secretary of Jerome Lodge #61 at 2:00 on Wednesday, September 14. We reviewed their minutes and their Tyler’s register since their charter was arrested on October 21, 2015 and found everything to be in excellent order. During the past several months, they have received and balloted favorably on four men for the degrees and have completed the conferrals of the EA degrees on three of the four. As a result of our meeting with the brethren of Jerome Lodge #61, we recommend that their charter be restored to them, immediately.

In order to bring that to fruition, **I now move that this grand lodge cast a favorable vote to restore Jerome Lodge #61’s charter.**

Motion was seconded and passed.

No action was taken because Buhl Lodge merged with Hagerman Lodge #78.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“I am proud to proclaim that Jerome Lodge #61 will get their charter back and can attend Grand Lodge as a regular lodge in this annual communication.

Buhl Lodge made no appeal because Buhl Lodge merged with Hagerman Lodge #78.

I order that the Charter for Buhl Lodge be marked “VOID” and given to Hagerman Lodge #78.

I now ask that Master of Jerome Lodge #61 come to the altar and receive their charter back.”

Joe Rose, Worshipful Master of Jerome Lodge # 61

I thank the Appeals and Grievance Committee and the Brothers of this Grand Lodge to allow Jerome Lodge #61 to continue as a Lodge in the Jurisdiction and to all the members and brothers for their support in making this happen. We will do our best to make all Grand Lodges in the future.

RECEPTIONS

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner directed the W.: Senior Grand Deacon, Steven L. Hall, to introduce the Past Grand Masters of Idaho.

Steven L. Hall, W.: Senior Grand Deacon, ask the Past Grand Masters to line up for Introduction.

Past Grand Masters

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
James A. Davidson	1993-1994
Gregory L. Winther	1995-1996
James V. Voyles	1997-1998
Gregory E. Johnson	1999-2000
Bradley A. Cannon	2001-2002
Richard C. Broemeling	2003-2004
Harry C. Black	2004-2005
Michael A. Sutton	2006-2007
Richard E. Kaiser	2008-2009
David C. Triplett	2009-2010
Jay A. Lenard	2011-2012
Keith C. Brooks	2012-2013
G. Arthur Shoemaker	2014-2015

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner,

“Please join me in extending the Private Grand Honors and a Hearty Welcome to the Past Grand Masters.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner directed the W.: Senior Grand Deacon, Steven L. Hall, to introduce the Visiting Grand Lodge Officers. *(DGM James Hensley gave Visiting Grand Lodge Officers Honorary Membership cards)*

Visiting Grand Lodge Officers

Name Title / Jurisdiction

Carl Lindstrum M.: W.: Grand Master Alaska
Lewis K. Smith M.: W.: Grand Master Montana
Mark L. Mancha M.: W.: Grand Master Nevada
Arthur L. Borland M.: W.: Grand Master Oregon
Wesley Ing M.: W.: Grand Master Utah

Past Grand Masters

Richard M. Hoaglin M.: W.: Past Grand Master Nevada
Arthur Bush M.: W.: Past Grand Master Oregon

M.: W.: Grand Master John E. Warner,

“Please join me in extending the Private Grand Honors and a Hearty Welcome to the Grand Masters for other Jurisdictions.”

Elected Officers

Lewie Flechter R.: W.: Jr. Grand Warden Montana
Reid Gardiner R.: W.: Grand Secretary Montana
Myles McMillian R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master Oregon
Lawrence K. Fielden R.: W.: Grand Secretary Utah
James H. “Jim” Kendall R.: W.: Sr. Grand Warden Washington
Charles E. Wood R.: W.: Jr. Grand Warden Washington
David A. Jones DeMolay, International

Those representing their M.: W.: Grand Masters

Ralph A. Easley, R.: W.: Junior Grand Warden Representing
Dennis R. Anderson M.: W.: Grand Master New Mexico

Warren Schoeben, R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master Representing
Jim V. Mendoza M.: W.: Grand Masters Washington

Thomas F. Hamm II, R.: W.: Junior Grand Warden Representing
T. Mark Mickelson M.: W.: Grand Master Wyoming

M.: W.: Grand Master John E. Warner,

“Please join me in extending the Public Grand Honors and a Hearty Welcome to these Grand Officers for other Jurisdictions.”

Appointed Officers

James R. Maher W.: Grand Historian Washington

Distinguished Guests

Robert R. Wiseman Very Worshipful Alaska

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Please join me in extending a Hearty Welcome to the Visiting Distinguished Guests from other Jurisdictions.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother Junior Grand Warden, will you present the Grand Representatives for introduction.”

Kent R. McCandless, R.: W.: Junior Grand Warden, asked the Grand Representatives to line up for introduction.

Grand Representatives

<u>Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
Wor. Ronald C. Wilson	US - Arizona
Wor. Johnny R. Lynch.....	US - Georgia
M.W. G. Arthur Shoemaker	US - Maine
M.W. Harry C. Black	US - Montana
Wor. Ron Scott	US - Nevada
M.W. Gregory L. Winther.....	US - New York
Wor. John E. Warner	US - Tennessee
Wor. Gilbert L. Gross.....	US - Virginia
Wor. James A. Hensley.....	US - West Virginia
Wor. Kent R. McCandless.....	US - Wyoming
Wor. Russ W. Smith	Hungary
M.W. James V. Voyles	Iceland
M.W. James A. Davidson.....	Scotland

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Please join me in extending hearty welcome to these Grand Representatives.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother Senior Grand Warden, will you present the 50 year Members for Introduction.”

William K. “Bill” Curtis Jr., R.: W.: Senior Grand Warden, asked the fifty year members to line up for introductions

Fifty-Year Masons

<u>Name</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>
Harry C. Black	52
Ronald L. Scott	59
James A. Davidson.....	70
Joe Rose	53
Ernest “Mac” Billiard.....	59
Paul Ousley.....	58
Hal Piel	51
Garth Powell.....	53
Eugene Foster	58

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Please join with me in giving these Fifty Year Masons the Public Grand Honors and a hearty welcome.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother Grand Secretary, will you present the Lodge Secretaries for introduction.”

Monte B. Bollar, R.:W.: Grand Secretary, asked the Lodge Secretaries to line up for introduction.

Lodge Secretaries

<u>Name</u>	<u>Lodge</u>	<u>#</u>
William K. Curtis Jr.	Idaho Lodge.....	1
Jerry D. Parsons	Boise Lodge.....	2
James Grant	Placer Lodge.....	3
Edward L. Bonham Sr.	Mt. Idaho Lodge.....	9
Gary R. Floch	Nez Perce Lodge.....	10
Tim Krueger.....	Nez Perce Lodge	10
Randy King.....	Silver City Lodge.....	13
John E. Warner	Portneuf Lodge.....	18
David E. Jennings.....	Washoe Lodge.....	28
Russ L. Graves.....	Unity Lodge.....	32
Kevin F. Heiner	Grove City Lodge.....	33
Steven O. Zimmerman	Mt. Moriah Lodge.....	39
Paul S. Ousley.....	Lakeside Lodge.....	42
Arthur O. Putman.....	Bonnors Ferry Lodge.....	43
Mark H. Smith	Meridian Lodge.....	47
Russ W. Smith	Arco Lodge.....	48
Daniel R. Gregg.....	Spirit Lake Lodge.....	57
David A. Smith.....	Oriental Lodge.....	60
Richard H. Neal.....	Fidelity Lodge.....	80
Terry D. Garrett / Steven S. Bate	Ionic Lodge.....	82

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Please join with me in giving these Secretaries a hearty welcome.”

R.:W.: Grand Secretary Monte Bollar

“I would like to recognize Brother Kevin F. Heiner for his work assisting the Secretary of Grove City #33”

Announcements:

The Board of Custodians and the Accounts & Finance committee will be meeting after lunch.
The ladies will be meeting at the front of the hotel at 1:00.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner: Brother Chaplain, will you give the blessing for the Lunch meal.

George J. White, Jr., W.: Grand Chaplain, gave the Blessing for the noon Meal.

11:35 am Call from Labor to Refreshment (Ritual – Call off through the South)

Grand Lodge is called from Labor to Refreshment through the south to resume at 1:00 pm

“Brother W.: Grand Marshal, would you make the Proclamation.”

W.: Grand Marshal, Russ W. Smith, gave the following proclamation:

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I proclamation the 149th Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho from called from Labor to Refreshment for the period of one Hour or until the sound of the Gavel in the East or (1:00p.m.)”

Lunch will be held in the Silverhorn/Ponderosa Rooms

Thursday, September 19, 2014 (Afternoon Session)

12:55 p.m. Prelude by Rev. Edgar R. Simmons, W.: Grand Organist

John C. Kline, Worshipful Master of Mt. Kinport Lodge No. 95.

“Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Thursday afternoon session of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho, Please give your attention to the procession of the Grand Lodge Officers.”

Procession of Grand Lodge Officers

Brother Grand Marshal, you will present the Most Worshipful Grand Master to the east. It is my pleasure to introduce Brother John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“It is my pleasure to introduce John C. Kline, Worshipful Master of Mt Kinport Lodge No. 95.

Brother Grand Marshal, you will seat the Grand Lodge Officers.”

The hospitality room will be hosted by the Shrine this year; I hope to see you there for a little while.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner then proceeded to call Grand Lodge from Refreshment to Labor through the South.

George J. White, Jr., W.: Grand Chaplain, gave the Thursday Afternoon Prayer

“Heavenly Father, we thank-you for the nourishment we have received and pray our afternoon labors will be more fruitful by your presence. Please guide us down the path you have chosen for us all. In Your Holy Name we pray. Amen.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother Grand Marshal, you will make the Proclamation.”

Russ W. Smith, W.: Grand Marshal made the following Proclamation.

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim this second session of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho open in ample form”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, Brother Senior Grand Deacon, please escort Brother Art Putnam to the Altar.

*“**Brother Art Putnam** took over the secretary’s position after the death of Larry Dirks and has done an outstanding job. We are pleased in your hard work.”*

“Please join with me in giving Brother Art Putnam the Public Grand Honors and a hearty welcome.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother Deputy Grand Master, will you present the Lodge Masters for Introduction.”

James A. Hensley, R.:W.: Deputy Grand Master, asked the Worshipful Masters to line up for introduction.

Worshipful Masters

<u>Name</u>	<u>Lodge</u>	<u>#</u>
Christopher J. Williams	Idaho Lodge	1
Harlow W. Kibbey	Boise Lodge	2
Jeffrey A. McMurrin	Placer Lodge	3
Edward L. Bonham Jr.	Mt. Idaho Lodge	9
Rick L. Holloway	Silver City Lodge	13
Russ L. Graves	Paradise Lodge	17
Abraham J. Warner	Portneuf Lodge	18
Jonathan Tremelling	Eagle Rock Lodge	19
Richard G. Miller	Weiser Lodge	23
Harold E. Bloom	Ashlar Lodge	29
William F. Cook	Elmore Lodge	30
David E. Thomas	Salubria Lodge	31
Christopher A. Duke	Mt. Moriah Lodge	39
Darryl W. Chitwood	Lakeside Lodge	42
Jeremy C. Vaughn	Twin Falls Lodge	45
Shawn V. Gibbons	Meridian Lodge	47
Gilbert L. Gross	Malad Lodge	51
Gregory E. Johnson	Kamiah Lodge	56
James K. Brown	Spirit Lake Lodge	57
Dowell D. Demaray	Lincoln Lodge	59
Terry L. Adsitt	Oriental Lodge	60
Joe C. Rose	Jerome Lodge	61
Russ W. Smith	Mt. McCaleb Lodge	64
Keith C. Brooks	Burley Lodge	68
Ernest M. Billiard	Hagerman Lodge	78
Max L. Hemmert	Caribou Lodge	84
Edward L. Bonham Sr.	Kooskia Lodge	87
Justin L. Boyer	Capital City Lodge	93
John C. Kline	Mount Kinport Lodge	95
Gary L. Lammers	Kaniksu Lodge	97

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Please join with me in giving these Worshipful Masters the Public Grand Honors and a hearty welcome.

Brother Deputy Grand Master, please take the East while I introduce the District Deputy Grand Masters. District Deputy Grand Masters, will you please line up for Introduction.”

District Deputy Grand Masters

<u>District.....</u>	<u>Name</u>
First Masonic District	Douglas J. Hammond (92)
Third Masonic District	Jerry A. Lynch (18)
Fourth Masonic District	John Boyer (77, 78)
Fifth Masonic District	Johnny A. Willis (30, 80, 78, 21)
Eighth Masonic District	Robert Bouy (29)
Tenth Masonic District	Edward L. Bonham Jr. (9, 87)
Eleventh Masonic District	David Savage (17, 20)
Twelfth Masonic District	Brian K. Becker (20, 25)
Thirteenth Masonic District	James D. Kemp (42)

“Please join with me in giving these District Deputy Grand Masters the Public Grand Honors and a hearty welcome.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner presented his M.:W.: Grand Master Report (Part 2).

(01.2) M.:W.: Grand Master (Part 2) John E. Warner

**M.W. Grand Master John E. Warner
Grand Masters Report Part II**

Again my brothers, I want to thank you for allowing me to serve as your Grand Master. The year was challenging and memorable. I started every morning off asking help and guidance from the Great Architect of the Universe and without his help I would not have been able to do the things I did.

Dispensations:

#1. September 19 received a request from Unity Lodge #32 to hold a special meeting simply for the purpose of receiving 2 petitions and appointing an investigating committee. Unity Lodge only meets once per quarter. Immediately after they changed their bylaws they received the petitions. All brothers have been notified. After reviewing the request and discussing options with the Worshipful Master, I decided that it may mean the difference of closing a lodge due to lack of members or keeping it open. I decided it would be in the best interest of the fraternity to approve the dispensation. I also informed the master that they need to review their bylaws for contingencies like this in the future because I will not approve another one. Status Approved.

#2 Kanisku lodge 97 requested a change of their stated meeting because of a conflict with fall communication. I originally approved this verbally based on information I received. However, follow up paper work was not the same reason as I was informed over the phone. I was led to believe that the Fall Communication night fell on the stated business night. However, their stated meeting fell on

the night before and they wanted to move it to the next night since they were the host lodge. Event was over before I received the written copy. Status Approved.

#3 Request from Nezperce Lodge #10 to change stated meeting from October 13 to October 12. Members of Nezperce are dual members with Nitosa Lodge #204. Nitosa Lodge was holding their 100th birthday open house. Dual members stated they would be attending the open house so would not be attending the stated meeting on the 13th. I decided it was in the best interest to let them change because if they did not then they would not have a quorum. I decided they needed to have a stated meeting to take care of the financial obligations they had. Status Approved.

#4 Request from Idaho #1 to hold installation on December 28, 2015. December 28th is their normal meeting and they would be able to have more of their new officers there for installation. The code calls for installations to be done before the 27th.. Since there is only 1-day difference and installations are vital to the incoming officers, I did not see a real problem with giving the extension. It did not affect any business. Status Approved.

#5 Request from Coeur d' Alene to hold combined elections and installation of Officers on December 14 in Cataldo. Due to road conditions and travel to Murray and the inability to have a quorum, I felt it was in the best interest of the Lodge to allow this. I received the request after the fact so had no real choice but to approve it. Status Approved.

#6 Received a request for Spirit Lake #57 to hold elections on the second stated meeting in November instead of the first. They did not have a quorum on the first stated meeting. Status Approved.

#7 Received a request from St Maries Lodge #63 to hold elections at their December Meeting. Due to a powerful storm in the area that damaged homes, lack of power and road conditions, there was not a sufficient number of Lodge members to hold elections fairly. Taking the conditions caused by Mother Nature and the safety of the brothers not to attend, I felt it was in the best interest of the Lodge to extend the elections until December 17. Status Approved.

#8 Received a request from Capital City #93 to open stated meeting at 6:00 instead of 7:30 to include dinner and a program plus stated meeting. Member's notified, same building. Approved.

#9 Received a request to perform a fellow craft degree in Weiser Lodge. Salubria is dark this time of year so it being a called communication and all members would have to be notified since they are dark, assistance was needed by Weiser to do the work. I approved the request.

#10 Received a Request from Coeur d' Alene #20 to hold election for WM out of time. I was informed a brother was elected and installed as both a Senior Warden in Cataldo Lodge then a Master in Coeur d' Alene Lodge #20. Since he was elected in Cataldo first I declared the election as master into Coeur d' Alene Lodge #20 void and authorized them to hold an election out of time for a new master. Status Approved

#11 Received a request from Nezperce Lodge #10 in Lewiston to change meeting location to Moscow to participate in the yearly joint communication. Status Approved

#12 Received a request to delay installation of offices for Rathdrum Lodge #41 because WM was down with illness. Status Approved.

#13 Received a request from Cascade to move their stated meeting on August 9 to August 13 to Lake Cascade for the annual Lodge on the Lake Status Approved

#14 Received a request from Eagle Rock Lodge # 19 to hold a called communication on Saturday June 18 in Bannock Historic Lodge. Status approved

#15 Received a request from Capital City #93 to change location to host a Lodge in the Garage at 1520 Victory Rd. on September 12, 2016. Status Approved

#16 Received a request from Fidelity Lodge #80 to change location to hold a Lodge on Bennett Mountain on July 16, 2016. Status Approved

Pertaining to By-Laws

1. I received a request from Ashier Lodge #29. In their by-laws. They seem appropriate except concerned that they state the Lodge will purchase him a pre-paid life at the end of his year. In the code, the only mention that I find where a Lodge can use Lodge funds to purchase a pre-paid life is for a brother who has passed away and in good standing. (1416 (3) I forwarded this request to Jurisprudence.
2. I received a request for a by-laws change from Mt. Kinport Lodge #95. This changed the way the Lodge collected their dues. The dues structure is a set Lodge amount plus what the Pocatello building board sets as their rent plus whatever Grand Lodge assessment is for the year. Seeing no conflict, I approved the By-laws.
3. I received a request from Gooding Lodge to change their by-laws. It was not in proper form (I did not receive a form 35 showing it was read and approved in Lodge and no approval sheet for me to sign.) I notified the Lodge. At the time of this report, I have not received it yet.

Decisions/Actions

I removed the Junior Grand Deacon from Office. He had some personal issues that I felt would occupy his time and he would not be able to perform the duties of the Junior Grand Deacon as I desired.

I arrested the Charter of Buhl Lodge as required by the code and digest and ordered by Br. G. Arthur Shoemaker P.G.M. I placed them under dispensation and appointed new officers. Buhl then requested to merge with Hagerman Lodge. Hagerman Lodge did vote to merge and I approved the merger. I gave Hagerman Lodge permission to dispose of the Buhl Building to an appropriate buyer.

I arrested the Charter of Jerome Lodge as required by the Code and Digest and ordered by Br. G. Arthur Shoemaker P.G.M. I placed them under dispensation and appointed new officers. They are to appear before the committee on Appeals and Grievances in September 2016.

I appointed a Trial Commission for David Jones from Oriental 60. The charges were based on a new felony the trial commission found him guilty and recommended expulsion. I agreed with their decision.

A lodge requested verbally to Change stated meeting to visit another lodge. After further investigation I discovered that the stated meeting was election night. Also the Lodge to be visited was in the same building. Informed WM he could open his Lodge, do elections, go to refreshment and then visit the other Lodge, come back and close his Lodge. I would not approve a dispensation. Status Disapproved

I received a request from a WM to appoint an Entered Apprentice as junior Deacon. Informed WM that a brother must be a member of the Lodge and he was not a member until a Master mason and signed the bylaws. Also asked how a Junior Deacon that was an EA could tile a Lodge of FC or MM. Status Disapproved.

Received a request from a brother to use the Chamber of Reflection. After careful review I determined that in all my research for the chamber of reflection it is included in both the Scottish Rite and York Rite degrees. It is considered a part of a ritual. It has been used by some jurisdictions in the past but I have only been able to find it in Louisiana because they use the Scottish Rite red degrees for the first three degrees. I personally can see where it may add to an applicant's education in masonry and I also believe it is ritual. I have submitted this to Jurisprudence and will be forwarding it to the board of custodians for further guidance. Currently our Code and Digest is specific in stating we will only use the approved Idaho Ritual. My decision therefore is that we will not use the Chamber of Reflection in conducting the degrees in Idaho. If I receive further guidance showing why it can be used, then I will let you know. If your lodge feels strongly that it wants to use the Chamber of Reflections, it is my suggestion that you submit a resolution to change the Idaho Ritual to include the Chamber of Reflection. Status Disapproved .

I received information of possible un-masonic conduct in a Lodge. After investigating it, it was discovered that, although there may be improprieties I did not find any intentional un-masonic conduct. The issues I discovered were addressed with the Master and taken care of. I appointed MWB Art Shoemaker and MWB Jim Herndon to investigate. They are still working on it and I will propose that the New Grandmaster continue the investigation. A portion of the problem has been sent to appeals and Grievances for review.

Authorized Washoe Lodge Payette, to dispose of property in the back of their Lodge.

I received a question inquiring if we can wear aprons at a funeral when not doing Tribute of Affection My opinion is this: the brother is a mason. We are there to memorialize him and even if there is no service I wear my apron. If the church specifically requests not to wear them, I would respect that but we should wear our aprons at any funeral conducted for a brother to show we honor him as being a member of the fraternity would wear a white apron not a lodge apron.

Received a call from WB Billiard that Hagerman Lodge voted to have Buhl merge with them. Approved the merger.

Discovered that the Murray Historical Lodge has not held a meeting since the issuance of their charter. I have asked the DDGM to try and locate .the charter. I will request that the Grand Lodge arrest the charter as soon as it can be found. I have sent the last known worshipful master to return it to the Grand Secretary.

Appointed Officers

Steven L. Hall {30	Sr. Grand Deacon
Robert C. Troxel Jr. (13)	Jr. Grand Deacon
Russ W. Smith (48-64)	Grand Marshal
H. Sherman Burger III (39)	Sr. Grand Steward.
Jon C. Rich (42)	Jr. Grand Steward
John B Johnson (63)	Grand Sword Bearer
Rick Holloway (60, 13)	Grand Pursuivant
Rev. Edgar R. Simmons (19)	Grand Organist

George J. White Jr. (45)	Grand Chaplain
Mark H. Smith (47)	Grand Orator
Jerry D. Parsons (2,3)	Grand Historian
James M. Birdwell (95)	Grand Tyler

Further Appointments:

MWB Michael Sutton to the Board of Custodians to finish the term of MWB Dan Heberling.
 RWB Thomas Gough as a member of the board of custodians (Ex-officio)
 WB Steve Zimmerman as Jr. Grand Deacon to replace WB Rob Troxel.
 WB Gary Lebreysere to Jr. GS to replace WB Jon Rich who resigned.
 WB Bob Bouy to replace WB Steve Zimmerman who was moved up to JR. Grand Deacon

FIRST DISTRICT	Douglas J. Hammond (48)
SECOND DISTRICT	Scott D. Auvil (19)
THIRD DISTRICT	John Boyer (77, 78)
FOURTH DISTRICT	Jerry Lynch (188)
FIFTH DISTRICT	Johnny A. Willis (21,30, 78, 80)
SIXTH DISTRICT	John F. Lawicki (30)
SEVENTH DISTRICT	Steven S. Bate (82, 3)
EIGHTH DISTRICT	Steven O. Zimmerman (39)/ (Replaced by Bob Bouy)
NINTH DISTRICT	John H. Blake (23)
TENTH DISTRICT	Edward L. Bonham Jr. (9, 87)
ELEVENTH DISTRICT	David M. Savage (17, 20)
TWELFTH DISTRICT	Brian K. Becker (20, 25)
THIRTEENTH DISTRICT	James D. Kemp (42)

Grand Lodge committees 2015-2016

1. Jurisprudence

1 year term	Michael A. Sutton	Chairman
2 year term	Jay A. Leonard	
3. year term	Greg Winther	
Senior Grand Warden	William K. "Bill" Curtis	
Senior Grand Deacon	Steve L. Hall	
Senior Grand Steward	H. Sherman Burger III	

2. Appeals and Grievances

Junior Grand Deacon	James V. Voyles	Chairman
Senior Grand Steward	Steven O. Zimmerman	
	H. Sherman Burger III	

3. Accounts and Finances

1 Year term	Richard E. Kaiser	Chairman
2 Year term	Jeremy C. Vaughn	
3 Year term	Bruce A. Wethered	

4. Fraternal Relations

Senior Grand Steward	H. Sherman Burger III	Chairman
Master Lodge of Research	Terry L. Adsitt	
Grand Historian	Jerry D. Parsons	
Grand Marshal	Russ Smith	

Grand Sword Bearer	John B. Johnson
Grand Pursuivant	Rick Holloway
Advisor	Tom Kerr

6. Masonic Research and Education

Senior Grand Warden	William K. "Bill" Curtis	Chairman
Senior Grand Deacon	Steve L. Hall	
Junior Grand Deacon	Steven O. Zimmerman	
Junior Grand Steward	Gary Labruyere	
Grand Pursuivant	Rick Holloway	
Advisor	David C. Triplett	

7. Masonic Temple Preservation

Grand Sword Bearer	John B. Johnson	Chairman
Grand Chaplin	George J. White Jr.	
Grand Orator	Mark H. Smith	

7. Conditions of Lodges

Grand Pursuivant	Rick Holloway	Chairman
	All District Deputy Grand Masters	
Grand Lecturer	Thomas Gough	

Special Committees:

Unity Banquet	WB Jesse Laduke	Chairman
	RWJGW Kent McCandless	
Rocky Mountain Conference	RWJGW Kent McCandless	Chairman

**Visitations
September 2015**

Sept 23 attended 3rd District Fall communication. Started off late because WB John Williams had a sugar reaction at dinner. Had to take him home. Lodge went well. Issued certificate to Abraham Warner, John

Kline and Johnnie Lynch for their assistance at Grand Lodge. Presented WM Abraham Warner and Larry Orem checks for 500 for assisting with Grand Lodge. Gave Portneuf, Malad and Mt Kinport Lodge of excellence. Dinner was chicken

Sept 24 Fall communications Dist. 4, 5, 6. Presented Dale Leslie with mason of the year and his Master's certificate. Gave Twin Falls Lodge of Excellence. Dinner was Spaghetti

Sept 25 Attended Dist. 2 Fall communication. Gave Brother Mike Keeton Mason of the year award. Dinner was barbeque beef

Sept 26 Attended 1st District in Mackay. Had a good lunch and session. Lunch was Ham and Beans
 Sept 27 attended Bethel 1 Grand guardian visit. Gave a certificate to Bethel 1 for assisting with grand Lodge Installation. Gave a certificate to Ella Orgil for being chosen as Supreme Bethel Grand Rep to Rio De Janeiro.

September 30 Attended District 8 & 9 Fall communication in Emmett. The turnout was good. Dinner was Spaghetti

October 2015

October 1st Fall Communication in Kamiah. Fair turnout. Dinner was Ham

October 2nd Fall Communication Nez Pearce 10 District 11. Presented Mason of the Year Award. Good turnout Dinner was Meat Loaf

October 3rd attended Installation of Dianne and Wesley Gates as Grand Matron and Grand Patron of the Grand Court of Idaho Order of the Amaranth.

October 7 Fall communication 13th district. Kanisku 97 host lodge. Had a good meeting turnout was fair. Dinner Pork Chops and roast beef.

October 8 toured Spirit Lake Lodge. Lots of work being completed. Building has new paint. Great enthusiasm by Master.

October 8 Fall communication 1ih district Shoshone 25 Host Lodge Fair turnout. Dinner barbeque ribs.

October 12th District Communication Capital City Host. Good turnout. Prime Rib dinner.

October 15 and 16 Attended Northwest Conference in Boise. Spent the day learning about the Commandry. Very interesting. Lots of charity programs and research being done. Gave a brief talk at the banquet.

October 17. Attended Rainbow assembly meeting with Meridian Gems in Idaho City. History was made as it was the first time Rainbow held a meeting in this historic lodge. Excellent performance by the young ladies. Turnout was good with several Grand Lodge Officers in attendance .The Rainbow spent the morning cleaning the Lodge as a service project and did an excellent job.

October 22 visited Jerome Lodge. Charter arrested. New Officers appointed and provided a special dispensation until Grand Lodge 2016.

October 23 - Conducted a Building Dedication of the Chateau De Fleurs in Eagle Idaho. Good attendance.

October 31 Attended the Scottish Rite Honors program in Boise. Congratulations to the brothers who received their awards, they all really deserved it. One note of sadness was the absence of Brother Ken.

November 2015

November 1- Scottish Rite Honors Boise, WB Virden who was to receive his 33rd degree but passed away prior to the ceremony.

November 5th International Night. Attended the event in Seattle. Reception and sponsorship was great. A great thanks to Brother Foss from Lafayette Lodge for all his assistance. Dinner was excellent and was given the opportunity to sign the bible. Assisted the MWGM in closing the Lodge. Was interesting, Idaho in the South, Canada in the West and Washington in the East. New ritual was established.

November 8-10 Attended Grand Lodge of Nevada. Very good time spent with GM and Grand Representatives from other states. Problems appear to be the same just different ways of handling them. MWB Mark Mancha was installed as Grand Master.

November 12 Visited Buhl Lodge. Charter arrested. Provided brothers with three choices. # 1. Get their Lodge active again. #2 Merge with another Lodge and #3 turn in Charter. I summoned all members to the Lodge meeting and informed them of the choices. I also gave the alternative that if they did not show up or respond to me I would take that as a vote for condition #3. I received 2 letter responses both stating # 3 was their choice. I only had 9 show up making a vote for #3, 13 or 1short of a 2/3 vote. The 9 present decided to keep the Lodge open. I then stated that I would hold the 9 present accountable to make sure they were attending lodge and holding meetings as required. One brother stated he would not be attending lodge and was only present because of the summons. This made a total vote of 14 for option 3 of turning in the charter. The other 8 however still wanted to keep he lodge open. I then informed them the requirements of the code that the top three must attend Grand Lodge in 2016. I had no choice but to appoint the same officers. I sent a letter to the officers appointing them if they accepted the positions and as of November 28th have not received a response. Ialso appointed Randy King Grand Treasurer, as oversight to insure the Lodge meets and the finances are handled correctly. I did this since he resides in Jerome and the DDGM resides in Mt. Home. Distance and bad roads makes it safer for Randy to be there.

November 21 attended Pancake Breakfast of Charles F. Kirschner DeMolay Pocatello.

November 21 attended Pocatello Scottish rite stated meeting and fall Reunion

December 2015

December 2 attended Portneuf Lodge Stated Meeting.

December 5 Held informal breakfast meeting with Jim Hensley DGM.

December 5 Attended Installation of Bethel #1 Job's daughters Pocatello, ID December 8 I installed the Officers of American Falls Lodge

December 9, I was installing Marshall for Grove City Lodge, Blackfoot December 10 attended Pocatello Valley Scottish Rite stated meeting

December 12 I attended the Installation of Officers for C.F. Kirschner Chapter DeMolay in Pocatello, December 13 attended the installation of Officers for Twin Falls Lodge.

December 16 was Installing Master for Portneuf Lodge 18

December 17 was installing Marshall for Mt. Kinport Lodge 95

January 2016

January 9, I attended the memorial service for Past First Lady of Masons in Idaho Mitzi Brooks. Jan 12, 2016 I attended Washoe Lodge 28 stated meeting in Payette

January 23 attended Daughters of the Nile Luncheon and spoke after dinner January 23 held an executive meeting in Boise at Grand Lodge.

January 23 attended the 81 district bean feed

January 28-30 attended Grand Lodge of Utah

February 2016

February 3 attended Portneuf Lodge 18 stated meeting

February 11attended Pocatello Valley Scottish Rite stated meeting.

February 18 had a breakfast meeting with chairman jurisprudence.

February 20-24 Grand Master's Conference. I was chairman of Time and Place Committee for 2016 and Jim Hensley was appointed Planning committee 2017.

February 20 received the sad news that MWB Dan Heberling passed away.

March 2016

March 2 attended Portneuf Lodge Stated Meeting

March 5 Grand Lodge planning meeting Pocatello id

March 5 Portneuf Exemplification {Conferred Degree on Anthony De Leo}

March 12 attended Pocatello Scottish stated meeting and ceremony of Remembrance and Renewal

March 17-19 Grand Lodge of New Mexico.

March 24-26 DeMolay Conclave Idaho Falls. Attended the Grand Master Class and it went great. Received the meritorious Legion of Honor.

April 2016

April 1-2 - Scottish Rite Leadership Conference, Phoenix Arizona April 9 - Grand Lodge Session Planning Wyndham Hotel Boise

April 9 - Rainbow Grand Officers Reception Boise Idaho

April 12, Conducted Graveside for Donald Evans April 14-16 - Grand York Rite Idaho Falls.

April 20 -GM/DGM Conference, Pocatello April 22 - GM/DGM Conference Sandpoint

April 23 - Bonners Ferry/Creston B.C.

April 24 - Attended MWB Dan Heberling's Ceremony of Life, Coeur d Alene.

April 29 - Table Lodge Hagerman

May

May 7 - @ Building Dedications one in Salmon (Library and 1in Challis (Power Co)

May 10 - Lodge visit Grangeville

May 11-GM/DGM Conference, Genesee

May 12 Lodge Visit, Kooskia. This visit completed my goal of being in every Lodge in Idaho.

May 13-14 Scottish Rite Summit McCall Idaho

May 20 - GM/DGM Conference Boise, Idaho

May 21 - IMFA Meeting Boise

May 21- Unity Banquet Boise.

May 25 -GM/DGM conference, Jerome ID

June

June 6 - Brotherhood Night, Fiat Lux/James Husted Lodge

6/15/19 - International DeMolay, San Diego California

June 23-24 -Grand Lodge Montana, Helena Mt

June 24 -Wedding for PHQ Morgan Hansen (Performed Ceremony)

July

July 1-5 -Shrine imperial Session, Tampa Florida July 9 - Silver City Homecoming

July 10 - General Assembly Rainbow for Girls, Yakima Washington

July 14 - Rocky Mountain conference (President of conference) Idaho Falls

7/14 - Grand Lodge Planning Meeting Idaho Falls

7/20 -Twin Falls Officer Meeting

August

Aug 7 - Grand Lodge of Wyoming, Casper WY.

August 13 - Lodge on the Lake Cascade ID

August 17 - Attended a first degree at Portneuf Lodge.

August 19 - Attended a planning meeting for the Magic Valley Rainbow Girls. They are starting up an assembly in Twin Falls on October 29, 2016.

8/19 -Constitution advisors meeting for Rainbow, Twin Falls

8/24 -Grand Lodge Planning meeting with Wyndham Gardens

8/24 -Supreme Queen of the Nile visit Boise

8/28 - Challis Picnic, Challis ID

September

September 12 Armed Forces Day parade, Mt. Home

September 15-17, Grand Lodge of Idaho.

The condition of Masonry in Idaho.

Finances:

The finances of the Grand Lodge are stable. Our investments are strong and we are able to make our commitments. Although we are stable that is not enough. With cost increasing every year we must increase per-capita to meet the operational cost and our charity commitments, we must find a way to increase revenue. I have had individuals spend a year looking for grants and other programs to increase our revenue but so far nothing has been found. The raising of Grand Lodge Assessment is only a short term fix. The increase puts a burden on individual members and constituent Lodges who have large pre- paid life membership, the reduction in the budget is not going to help. In order to improve our finances, we need to become proactive. If assessment is raised \$20.00, we would only increase our income by \$5200.00. This again which would only be a short term fix, but if we used all members which is approximately 3000 accomplished the following we would be better off. : If we were to get 1 new member for every 10 members in Grand Lodge at the current assessment we would get 300 members or \$13,500 and it would not cost the Lodges or individual members any additional out of pocket money. If we were to get one new member for every 5 members that would increase our revenue by 27,000 a year and this would sustain our fraternity. In theory if we could get 1member

for every 5 members, for three consecutive years, that would give us an annual increase in 3 years of \$81,000 a year. My brothers I assure you the candidates are out there and wanting to join we just need a way to reach them and let them know we need them and want them.

Ritual:

We have an outstanding ritual in Idaho. It was adopted by our founding fathers and has survived the test of time. My problem during this year is that everyone wants to change our ritual. Every other state's ritual is better. I have heard parts of numerous other states rituals incorporated into ours when I traveled this year. I have heard California, Arizona, Virginia, North Dakota, as well as York rite prayers and some just made up prayers. My brothers we are required by the code and digest to use only Idaho work. I can also say that the ritual I have heard has been excellent and improving yearly. Our new members are taking their parts to heart and when doing it, you can tell they are putting their heart and soul into it. Let's continue to improve and be proud of your ritual and the work you are doing.

Obligations:

I am very disappointed in my travels around the state when it comes to following our obligations. My brothers I joined masonry not to make good men better but to become a better man. During my years and still today I have many great mentors I look up to and respect and by following their example I believe I am becoming a better man every day. This is not the case in many situations. What made me a mason was my obligation. I try to live by it as much as possible. However, this is what I have observed, we are to whisper good council, but when you do the receiving brother takes it as a personal attack. We are to reach forth a helping hand not stab a brother in the back, but I have seen this also. We are to answer summons whenever possible. I sent out over 3000 summons and we have approximately 150 people here today, it appears at least some brothers have not taken their obligation seriously. Is that our fault? Is it because when we teach a new brother we only have him to memorize the words and not instill the importance of his obligation. He has taken this obligation in front of his brothers and the great architect of the universe. He was given an apron to wear in hopes that his conduct will be as pure and white as the apron, In hopes that he will hear the words well done good and faithful servant, are we really living up to that expectation and promise, I believe some are not. My brothers we who are leaders of our Lodges are setting the example. We are following our obligations and improving daily, we

Membership -

We hear a lot about membership but what have we done about it. Membership is a lodge problem that must be improved by the members of a Lodge. Each community is different and faces different challenges to get members. There is no one fix all procedure. In our Lodge and all Lodges, I have attended I hear we cannot ask members to become masons. I have read and searched everything back to the Regis Poem and have not been able to find out when that started. I believe it may have started to limit and control who entered the fraternity. If a brother asked someone to join it would be hard to reject him from membership because it would then show a lack of trust on a brother's word. By requiring a member to ask you could then reject him. I believe this is the same reason for the secret ballot so no one would know who rejected the brother again not challenging a brother and causing hard feeling among them for voting against a candidate. In all my research I have not found anywhere other than tradition where masons are forbidden from asking anyone to join, it strictly says solicit which has a far different meaning than asking. I am not condoning asking a brother to be a mason, but if we can ask someone to become a Shriner, York right Mason, or Scottish rite mason and then give him a petition to join the blue Lodge as a starting point, to me what is the difference in asking. My belief is that we need to look at this matter seriously . We are losing a -lot of good men.

Grand Masters Suggestions for future consideration by Lodges.

1. We codify that \$2.00 per member be put into the endowment fund. We currently put \$1.00 per member in the George Washington Memorial to maintain that building and we currently put nothing in maintaining our own building. This will increase our endowment fund significantly over the next ten years and hopefully assist us in keeping assessment down.
2. We budget \$5,000 for the operation of Grand Lodge. This would require an increase of 1.50 per member. The requirement to have Grand Lodge is in the code which is established by the constituent Lodges. The cost of renting rooms, sound equipment, dining rooms, conferences rooms increases all the time. In order to pay for this, we must have a registration fee and increase the cost of meals to cover the cost of the room. We currently average about 150 members attend and these 150 members must pay the bill. It should be the responsibility of all members to assist in paying for Grand Lodge. With this budget amount those of us who are faithful in coming can get some relief by paying less.
3. We improve or get rid of the scholarship program. We currently budget \$1500 for the scholarship program. This is a joke. If we give 3 \$500 scholarships this will allow a student who takes my class to buy the 2 required books. If we are going to give a scholarship, we must put money into it to make it meaningful. I again suggest we assess every member \$1.00 to pay into the scholarship fund to make it worthwhile. If not, then I would recommend we cancel the scholarship program altogether.
4. If these are approved, then it would require an additional \$5.00 added to whatever the accounts and finances needs to run Grand Lodge and meet our charity requirements. I would ask my brothers to strongly consider this as only you can approve the request and direct the Committee of accounts and finances how to spend your money.
5. I suggest that each master of his Lodge hold a special meeting to have each member review his obligation and for new members to teach them masonry in your lodge not just the words of ritual so they can be put in a chair.
6. That each Lodge hold a concordant body information night. This may be with a lunch, picnic or dinner. It should be open to the public and pass information. There is a place in masonry for everyone. Each has a passion for something whether it is York Rite, Shrine or Eastern Star. Whatever the reason we join in the long run it will help the fraternity as a whole grow.
7. That we establish and work hand in hand with the concordant bodies so have a joint plan on how to improve our fraternity.

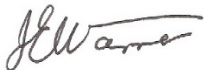
Recommendations

1. It is my recommendation that the education committee make a small article on our obligations and how it affects us and how we should really live by it.
2. That we keep our membership in the Rocky Mountain Conference
3. That we continue our membership in the Grand Masters Conference of North America and the Grand Secretary's conference and encourage the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden and Junior Grand Warden and Grand Secretary to attend.

4. That we continue to support our youth groups by providing funding to each Chapter, Bethel and Assembly around the state.
5. That we continue the Grand Lodge's annual contribution to the George Washington's Memorable
6. That we continue our membership in the Masonic Services Association of North America with Grand Lodge paying the dues and the constituent lodges conducting activities to make voluntary contributions to MSA

Conclusion

Although it appears we have many problems in Idaho Masonry, in reality they are very minor. There is nothing that is of such a problem it can't be overturned and put back on track, we only have to follow our obligations, embrace our ritual and continue to do what is right not necessarily what is easy. We have the best organization in the work and we have the power to change our society by making good men better, we only have to make sure we are better ourselves first. I again want to thank you for the opportunity to serve this great fraternity. I know I have not done everything right, but I can assure you I gave everything I had and tried to do what was right. I wish the next year's officers well and know they will carry on the tradition of keeping Masonry in Idaho strong. Thank you again my brothers and remember if we want to stay the best just do what's right.



John E. Warner
Most Worshipful Grand Master

(01.25) Addendum to Part 2 Report.

By-Laws

Previous #1. I received and approved the Ashler Lodge #29 By-laws. After further discussion with the master and getting a better understanding on what they were actually changing I found there to be no conflict with the code.

Previous #3. Received form 35 for Lincoln Lodge Gooding so I was able to approve their by Laws.

Received a request for by-laws change from Hailey Lodge changing their stated meeting to 7:00 instead of 7:30. They were in proper form so I approved them.

Actions.

I submitted a letter to the Widow Son Motorcycle Club. I have been notified they are going to have a Chapter in Idaho. I acknowledged the fact that I was notified by them that the Charter was going to be issued. I also informed them that they would not be recognized by the Grand Lodge. Grand Lodge would not be responsible for any of their actions. However I did state that any member bringing discredit to the fraternity by any of their actions would be dealt with.

Further clarification on November 12 visit to Buhl and arresting of their Charter. Several questions were asked so I will try to clarify what I did.

I was directed by the Grand Lodge based on the Code and Digest and by the Order of Most Worshipful Grand Master G. Arthur Shoemaker to arrest the Charter of Buhl Lodge for not attending Grand Lodge for three years. The code simply states that they will be put under dispensation. In reading the requirements for placing a Lodge under dispensation it only covers a new Lodge not one already in existence. I then had to use the powers of the Grand Master to establish the rules necessary to work within the intent of the directions along with an appropriate way to accomplish this.

1. I arrested the Charter
2. I place the Lodge under a special dispensation and completed the following actions
3. I summoned all members of the Lodge to attend the November 12, meeting explaining the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the arrest of the Charter and the requirements to get it back.
4. I placed in my summons for information purposes that there would be 3 options we would be discussing.
 - (A). Rebuild the Lodge; get a commitment from the members to make it successful again
 - (B). Consider merging or consolidating with another Lodge
 - (C). Turn in the Charter.

In my summons I also stated that if I did not get a reply from the member I would consider his desire to turn in the Charter. I felt that if I did not at least get a reply they were no longer interested in their Lodge.

I received 2 letters out of the 21 that was mailed. Those 2 both requested that the Charter be returned. Of the remaining 19 I only had 9 actually appeared and no response from the rest.

Of the 9 present they voted to try to keep the Lodge open. One member stated however he would not be participating so I only had 8 brothers who wanted to try and keep it open. Based on the decisions of the members who did not show up or respond showed 2/3 of the members didn't care or just let the Lodge close.

I authorized the Lodge to remain open and give it a try but placed two regulations on them. I required they submit a copy of their monthly minutes and financial statements to me. I believe this was acceptable requirement. A Lodge is required to submit a monthly report to the Grand Secretary. If I was to oversee that a Lodge is functioning while under dispensation (a requirement of the code) then I need to see the minutes to ascertain if the Lodge is meeting. I also felt I needed to keep an eye on their finances since the Grand Lodge was now in an oversight position. I also required both lodges under dispensation to pay their assessment. My belief was that a new Lodge just getting started has their assessment waived for the first year. Since these were already established lodges, and have been so for over 2/3 of the year, and was placed under a special dispensation since I could not put them under a regular dispensation, they would still be required to pay their assessment.

I appointed the Grand Treasurer since he lived in the area and had a good rapport with the brothers to assist them if they needed any information (eventually this proved to be an important decision.)

I was to appoint the officers but based on the fact there were only three qualified I had to reappoint the same into the positions again.

In December I received notification that the Lodge was going to vote to send a request to Hagerman Lodge to merge with them.

With the assistance of the Grand Treasurer and the Senior Warden the merger was approved and they were accepted by Hagerman Lodge.

I approved the merger.

I placed Jerome Lodge under the same conditions as Buhl.

Their turnout was in excess of twenty.

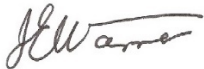
They voted to keep the Lodge open

I appointed a new Master and reappointed the other 4 officers.

Jerome Lodge has complied with all requests. Have held meetings every week, and have initiated new members.

I recommended to the Committee of Appeals and Grievances if they meet the reporting requirement as grand Lodge they get their Charter back.

I highly recommend that if we continue to arrest charters in the future and place a Lodge under dispensation that a committee be formed to establish a procedure to accomplish this.



John E. Warner
Most Worshipful Grand Master

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

"I move that the Grand Master's report be accepted and referred to Accounts & Finance and Jurisprudence."

DGM James A. Hensley

"It has been moved and seconded that the Grand Master's report be accepted and referred to Accounts & Finance and Jurisprudence. All in in favor vote by the usual sign of a mason."
Motion passed.

Charter Murry Historical Lodge 1886

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner,

"Brothers, we have discovered that the Murry Historical Lodge has not had a meeting or elections since the lodge was chartered. The lodge has not given a list of the members so Grand Lodge can print dues cards for the lodge. I have been trying to get ahold of the master of the lodge and cannot get a hold of him to find the charter. This is a lodge that is not functioning or meeting.

I move that the Charter for the Murray Historical Lodge 1886 be revoked due to fact they have not met since the Charter was granted. We don't have the list of Officers and no report since it was chartered"

Monte Bollar seconded the motion, motion was passed.

Business

Reading of the Resolutions

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother Grand Secretary, you will read the resolutions to be brought before this Grand Lodge.”

R.:W.: Grand Secretary Monte B. Bollar

“I move that the Resolution be accepted as printed and distributed to the lodges and printed and handed out to all members at this 149th Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.”

Motion was seconded and carried.

See (Proposed Resolutions, Back of Proceedings)

Approval of the Printed Committee Reports

R.:W.: Deputy James A. Hensley

“I move that the committee reports be accepted as printed and distributed in the advance proceedings except Standing Committee Reports required to be read in Grand Lodge.”

Motion was second, and carried.

See (Committee Reports)

Approval of the Grand Lodge Officers Reports

R.:W.: Deputy James A. Hensley

“I move that the Grand Lodge Officers’ Reports, except MWGM, GS, and GT, be accepted as printed and distributed in the advance proceedings.”

Motion was seconded and carried.

See (Grand Lodge Officers Reports)

Approval of the 148th Annual Communication Proceedings

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother Grand Secretary, please read the proceedings from our last communication.”

R.:W.: Grand Secretary Monte B. Bollar

“I move that the 148th Annual Communication Proceedings be accepted as printed and distributed to the lodges.”

Motion was seconded and carried.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner asked **R.:W.: Grand Secretary Monte Bollar** to give the Grand Secretary’s Report.

(07) Grand Secretaries Report 2015-2016 Monte Bollar, R.: W.: Grand Secretary

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY 2015-2016

(Referred to the Committees for Accounts and Finances)

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho

The Grand Secretary duties and responsibilities are outlined in Section 306 of Idaho Masonic Code and Digest. While completing these tasks, I have worked with the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers (Elected and Appointed), all the Lodge Secretaries, Past Grand Masters and served on all the committees assigned to me as well as the following:

Finances

All bills against the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho have been submitted to the Grand Treasurer and checks drawn on payment of the same.

Current spending for 2016 year is in the Budget vs. Actual Report, as of July 31, 2016, the spending spreadsheet is located in the Grand Treasurer report.

Monthly financial reports have been prepared and sent to the Accounts and Finance Committee and the Elected Grand Lodge Officers.

Monthly investment reports have been received from Wells Fargo Advisors and summary reports have been prepared and sent to the Investment Committee.

The financial records for the Fiscal Year 2015 have been closed and a Financial AUDIT has been performed by Tarter & Associates, PA, (See Grand Treasurer Report for Audit results)

The "2015 IRS 990 form" (Taxes) has been prepared by Tarter & Associates, PA and filed electronically with the IRS.

On January 6, 2016, the Grand Lodge was notified that the tax exemption for parcel Number R553894160 was due an audit this year. This required that the Grand Lodge refile for tax exemption to the Ada County Commissioners Office. This is required to be done every 10 years. The correct forms were down loaded, completed and filed with the Ada County Commissioners Office on April 8, 2016. On April 13, 2016, the Ada County Commissioners voted to approve a full 100% tax exemption for the year 2016 pursuant to Idaho Code 63-602c. This tax exemption will be reviewed on an annual basis. The short form tax exemption form will be used for the next 9 years.

The "Idaho Secretary of State Annual Report" was submitted electronically with the update New Directors/Officers updated.

The IRS Group Exemption Verification Letter for the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho has been received and reviewed by the Grand Lodge Office. In reviewing the list of lodges on the Group Exemption letter this year, we still are missing the 8 lodges that fell off the list last year due to the fact they had not completed the IRS 990 tax report within the 3 year max reporting limit. On at least 3 of the lodges the Primary Officer reported to the IRS has passed away. I asked the IRS to please put the Secretary or the Master of the Lodge as the Primary Officer in order to get the lodge reinstated and the reporting letters going to someone at the lodge.

Those 8 lodges have been working to regain their Tax exemption. I have filed a letter to the IRS to reinstate them on the Tax Exemption Verification letter List of Lodges. The IRS will add those lodges back as soon as the processing has been successfully completed.

Please remember that when you get the reinstatement letter, to put in to place a process that will ensure that the 990's get file on time every year.

Would a representative of the following lodges please come up to the Grand Secretaries desk and verify your Taxpayer Identification number and the last time you filed your IRS 990:
Coeur D'Alene #20, Richfield #21, Washoe #28 Salubria #31, Cataldo #34, Malad #31, American Falls #58, Idaho Historical Lodge #1865

Proceedings

In accordance with Regulation No. 52 of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, the 2015 Proceedings for the 148th Annual Communication have been printed and distributed. Hard copies have been sent to each Lodge, each Grand Lodge Officer, each District Deputy Grand Master, all Past Grand Masters, the Chairman of Fraternal Relations and 10 copies have been stored in the fireproof safe in the Grand Lodge Office. A copy is also put on the Grand Lodge Website.

Abstract of the 148th Annual Communication

In accordance with Regulation No. 53 of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, the Abstract of the 148th Annual Communication has been sent to all the Lodges in hard copy format to the Secretary of the Lodge on record. It is currently available in electronic format on the Grand Lodge of Idaho Website at www.idahomasons.org and was published as an article in the Grand Lodge Newsletter.

George Washington Masonic National Association

In accordance with Regulation No. 61 of our Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, the Grand Jurisdiction of Idaho contributes one dollar (\$1.00) for each dues paying member of this jurisdiction to the George Washington Masonic National Association. The funding shall come from the Interest Relief Fund. The 2016 budget amount for the George Washington Masonic Memorial was set at \$2,552.00. A check was handed to the George Washington Masonic Memorial representative at the Conference of Grand Masters by Most Worshipful Grand Master John E. Warner.

The Lodges may have sent money directly to the George Washington Masonic Memorial and is not included in this report.

Masonic Service Association

The Grand Lodge of Idaho made a contribution to the Masonic Service Association according to the budget of \$250.00. It was mailed to the Masonic Service Association on March 14 2015.

Masonic Information Center

The Grand Lodge of Idaho made a contribution to the Masonic Information Center according to the budget of \$250.00.

Lodges that may have raised money and sent it directly to the Masonic Service Association or the Masonic Information Center are not included in this report.

Maintain Membership Records

In Accordance with Section 306 paragraph 9 the Grand Lodge is maintaining the Membership records/database. Those records are entered into a Program/database called Records On Line for Lodge Secretaries (ROLLS). The ROLLS software is to be used by the Lodge Secretaries and the Grand

Lodge Office to track the members of this Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge Office enters data only for those lodges who do not have internet capabilities or as corrections are required. This software has been adopted by the Grand Lodge of Idaho and is being maintained by the Grand Lodge Office.

We currently have 51 active Lodges, 2 Historical Lodges and the Idaho Lodge of Research that have their membership in ROLLS. We have one (1) Lodge that DOES NOT have access to ROLLS, They claim they do not have access to email or the internet. Their records are being updated by the Grand Lodge Office from the paper Monthly reports that have been submitted to Grand Lodge.

(We recommend all the Lodges Secretaries or Assistant Secretaries have access to the ROLLS program and use it on a Monthly basis. The Grand Lodge Office is willing to do training or refresher training at the request of the lodge.)

Records on Line for Lodge Secretaries (ROLLS)

The Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho pays an annual subscription for ROLLS. It only covers the maintenance of the software, storage of the data and fixes to the system if something gets broken. It does not cover any enhancements to the software. If we would like to make changes to the software we will have to pay for that service.

There has been a second location created this year to house the ROLLS software, located in Utah. Brother Allen Record, PGM, will be in charge of this location. He will be assisting Barker Point Software in the support of the system.

ROLLS – Training performed.

ROLLS Training Classes are available on request. Just call the Grand Lodge Office and we will make ourselves available to do ROLLS training upon your request, at a location and time to be suitable to the lodge and Grand Lodge staff. Training Scheduled and or Completed are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
1/10/2016	Boise, Idaho
1/28/2016	Pocatello, Idaho
4/7/2016	Jerome, Idaho (Cancelled)
4/23/2016	Bonnars Ferry, Idaho
4/25/2016	Coeur D'Alene, Idaho

Again Training is for Lodge Secretaries, Lodge Masters and Grand Lodge Officers.

Reports from the Lodges.

I quote from Idaho Masonic Code & Digest regarding Monthly and Annual Returns:

Section 1104. Returns, Monthly and Annual.

- 1. Monthly Returns** - Whether any Communications are held or not, each Chartered Lodge shall file monthly in the Office of the Grand Secretary on forms furnished by him, a report of its membership statistics for the previous month. The monthly report shall contain the information required on the form, and shall be filed or postmarked between the 1st and 10th day of the following month

The Monthly Report is available in ROLLS and can be completed with a simple running of a report by the Secretary of the Lodge. If the report is run and the information is not correct, the Secretary will

make the necessary changes, in ROLLS, on the individual member’s records and run the report again. When all the information is correct the Secretary pushes the button labeled “Email XXXX, 2016” The Monthly Report will be emailed to the Grand Secretary and the Secretary of the Lodge. Most of the Lodges have completed this task within the allotted time frame. I thank you for that. But, we have had several lodges that the monthly reports were not turned in on the time or even turned in with the Annual Return.

Section 1104. Returns, Monthly and Annual.

2. **Annual Returns** - Each Chartered Lodge shall file in the office of the Grand Secretary between the 1st and 15th day of January each year, on forms furnished by him, its returns for the preceding Grand Lodge fiscal year from January 1st through December 31st, both dates inclusive. Annual Returns shall contain a list of the officers of the Lodge, and such other information as required on the form, and shall be signed by the Master and attested by the Secretary.

It is the special duty of the Master to forward the return of his Lodge, or cause the same to be done, together with the annual Grand Lodge Dues, to the Grand Secretary at the time herein specified.

This year most of the Lodges had their Annual Return in by the end of January. Thank you! We had several late Annual Reports due to various reasons and lacking various portions of the Annual Report Package. The last lodge finally turned in the Annual Report June 3, 2016.

Note: *The “Annual Report” is a report that can be executed in ROLLS. But, requires the Secretary to transcribe the information on to the form furnished by the Grand Secretary, and the hard copy be sent in to the Grand Lodge Office under the seal and signature of the Lodge Secretary and the signature of Lodge Master. Please file a copy with the lodge for historical records.*

Also Note: **Grand Lodge cannot close the books for the previous year until all the Annual Report are turned in and processed.**

Results of the 2015 year Annual Returns:

Annual Returns for 2015	
(January 1 st , 2015 to December 31 st 2015)	
Members as of 12/31/2014	3,417
Initiated	95
Passed	54
Raised	48
Affiliated	45
Reinstated	13
Restored	0
Omitted in Past	0
Expelled	2
Suspended Dropped.....	94
Died	132
Demitted Withdrawn	37
<u>Corrections from Previous Year</u>	<u>18</u>
Members as of 12/31/2015	3240
<u>Minus 50-Year Members</u>	<u>712</u>
TNM	2,528

Note: TNM = Total Per Capita paying members

Interesting Facts from Annual Reports:

Degrees

Initiated.....	95
Passed	54
<u>Raised.....</u>	<u>48</u>
Total # of Degrees.....	197

Lodges

Positive growth	6
Negative growth.....	38
Neutral	8

Dues

Highest Dues	\$159.00
Lowest Dues	\$12.00

Degree Fees

Highest	\$300.00
Lowest	\$60.00

Profile of Membership as of 7/24/2015

To get a feel of what our Fraternity looks like, the following is a breakdown of Masons between the age of 18 and 105 years old. *(Based on the birthdates entered in ROLLS)* This year I am presenting previous year's numbers alongside this year's numbers for your information.

Age Breakdown for Grand Lodge

<u>Age</u>	<u>Qty</u>				
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
18 - 22	8	10	13	13	18
23 - 27	39	40	33	28	19
28 - 32	81	79	77	65	70
33 - 37	110	107	114	111	90
38 - 42	124	139	121	116	117
43 - 47	124	132	144	142	147
48 - 52	180	174	156	149	130
53 - 57	204	194	179	167	164
58 - 62	282	265	250	245	231
63 - 67	353	368	366	332	303
68 - 72	385	371	352	360	343
73 - 77	386	386	363	370	361
78 - 82	368	355	327	325	323
83 - 87	398	365	338	306	279
88 - 92	242	236	226	214	199
93 - 97	78	86	91	84	94
<u>98+.....</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>
Total Members. 3,381.....	3316	3160	3043	2905	
Average Age	67	67	67	67	67

Certificates Issued this year:

WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S FULL CERTIFICATE

August 1, 2014 – July 31, 2015

Total of 3

Danny L. Davis	Worshipful Master Certificate	01/16/2016
George J. White Jr.	Worshipful Master Certificate	03/28/2016
Christopher J. Williams	Worshipful Master Certificate	07/27/2016

WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S LIMITED CERTIFICATE

August 1, 2015 – July 31, 2016

Total of 7

Dale R. Rutter	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	08/15/2015
Dale E. Leslie	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	09/11/2015
Darryl W. Chitwood	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	09/23/2015
William F. Cook	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	10/12/2015
Jonathan Tremelling	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	10/18/2015
Harold E. Bloom	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	10/20/2015
Christopher J. Williams	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	10/26/2015

WARDEN'S CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY

August 1, 2014 – July 31, 2015

Total of 20

Tommy F. Luce	Warden Certificate	09/09/2015
Jack R. Sanders	Warden Certificate	10/12/2015
Jacob C. DeBerg	Warden Certificate	10/20/2015
J. Robin Kinsey	Warden Certificate	10/22/2015
Lloyd E. Barron	Warden Certificate	10/26/2015
John S. Hull	Warden Certificate	11/04/2015
Dennis S. Bork	Warden Certificate	11/14/2015
Andrew T. Evenson	Warden Certificate	11/14/2015
Benjamin G. Webb	Warden Certificate	11/18/2015
Brent L. Willis	Warden Certificate	01/14/2016
Marion R. Hamilton	Warden Certificate	01/15/2016
Gary B. Munson	Warden Certificate	01/25/2016
Michael A. Fife II	Warden Certificate	02/10/2016
Brian K. Duquette	Warden Certificate	02/21/2016
Richard A. Kellogg	Warden Certificate	04/07/2016
Holton M. Guyton	Warden Certificate	04/16/2016
Dustin Hatfield	Warden Certificate	04/16/2016
John R. Pugh	Warden Certificate	04/22/2016
Wayne M. Sprouse	Warden Certificate	06/14/2016
Kary A. Peterson	Warden Certificate	06/26/2016

(New) FIFTY YEAR CERTIFICATES

January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

Issued 44

Name		Lodge	Date
Wesley B. Koompin	Fifty Year Member	American Falls Lodge	10/25/2016
Guy E. Roper	Fifty Year Member	American Falls Lodge	03/08/2016
Brian J. Paul	Fifty Year Member	Arco Lodge	03/01/2016
Carroll G. Smith	Fifty Year Member	Arco Lodge	04/05/2016
James D. Waymire	Fifty Year Member	Arco Lodge	05/25/2016
Louis F. Asker Jr.	Fifty Year Member	Boise Lodge	03/15/2016
Cecil D. Ingram	Fifty Year Member	Boise Lodge	01/25/2016
Gordon E. Goslin	Fifty Year Member	Butte Lodge	04/21/2016
William C. Becker	Fifty Year Member	Coeur D'Alene Lodge	01/01/2016
Richard E. Legault	Fifty Year Member	Coeur D'Alene Lodge	03/07/2016
Richard S. Kunter	Fifty Year Member	Eagle Rock Lodge	12/28/2016
Lewis E. Town	Fifty Year Member	Eagle Rock Lodge	11/25/2016
James B. Hoover	Fifty Year Member	Elmore Lodge	03/16/2016
Robert W. Ranells	Fifty Year Member	Elmore Lodge	11/30/2016
John A. Isenhardt	Fifty Year Member	Fidelity Lodge	08/03/2015
Gilbert C. Walker III	Fifty Year Member	Fidelity Lodge	07/02/2016
Herbert S. Malany	Fifty Year Member	Ionic Lodge	05/10/2016
Raymond L. York	Fifty Year Member	Ionic Lodge	01/03/2016
Chester R. Davis	Fifty Year Member	Kootenai Lodge	02/26/2016
Dean E. Eisenbarth	Fifty Year Member	Kootenai Lodge	02/08/2016
William L. Hilbish Jr.	Fifty Year Member	Kootenai Lodge	10/27/2016
Cecil Kelly III	Fifty Year Member	Kootenai Lodge	11/29/2016
Thomas F. Melbourn	Fifty Year Member	Kootenai Lodge	07/13/2016
Allen L. Sims	Fifty Year Member	Kootenai Lodge	10/11/2016
Bernard M. Pederson	Fifty Year Member	Lakeside Lodge	05/24/2016
John T. Siple Jr.	Fifty Year Member	Lakeside Lodge	06/24/2016
John I. Elwell Jr.	Fifty Year Member	Malad Lodge	10/18/2016
William T. Hopkins	Fifty Year Member	Mount Kinport Lodge	10/13/2016
Thomas H. Puckett	Fifty Year Member	Mt. Idaho Lodge	04/18/2016
Donald E. Fairley	Fifty Year Member	Nez Perce Lodge	05/27/2016
Richard E. Ohms	Fifty Year Member	Nez Perce Lodge	05/23/2016
Leander H. Robbins	Fifty Year Member	Nez Perce Lodge	03/18/2016
Warren H. Yates	Fifty Year Member	Oriental Lodge	05/27/2016
David C. Bosserman	Fifty Year Member	Paradise Lodge	03/17/2016
Ronald D. Butler	Fifty Year Member	Paul Lodge	06/01/2016
William A. Estes	Fifty Year Member	Paul Lodge	05/28/2016
Luther L. White	Fifty Year Member	Paul Lodge	06/03/2016
William C. Becker	Fifty Year Member	Shoshone Lodge	01/01/2016
John L. Sitton Sr.	Fifty Year Member	Spirit Lake Lodge	05/24/2016
Andrew J. Resor	Fifty Year Member	St. Maries Lodge	05/14/2016
Ellis S. Reddick	Fifty Year Member	Twin Falls Lodge	02/23/2016
Robert N. Callison	Fifty Year Member	Unity Lodge	06/25/2016
Leonard E. Eldridge Jr.	Fifty Year Member	Unity Lodge	01/03/2016

CONFERENCES AND VISITATIONS

During this past year I have been privileged to attend the following conferences and special meetings:

Attended:

As many Installation of Officers that fit in my schedule.

Mitzi Brooks Memorial Service

Grand Lodge Officers meetings

Hearings for the Idaho Masonic License Plate at Capital Building

Grand Secretary Conference, Madison Wisconsin

3rd Degree Exemplification, Pocatello, Idaho

DeMolay Conclave

The 2015 Spring District Communications, with the Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer

Two of the GM/DGM Conferences

International Night, Bonners Ferry, Idaho & Creston, B.C.

Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference, Idaho Falls, Idaho

Silver City Annual Homecoming, Silver City, Idaho

Lodge on the Lake, Cascade, Idaho

Grand Lodge Planning Meetings:

Pocatello, Idaho

Boise, Idaho

Idaho Masonic Family Alliance

All Masonic Banquet

Grand Lodge of Montana and Utah

As many different Lodge meeting and special events as I could.

Grand Lodge Newsletter

The Grand Lodge continues to publish the Grand Lodge Newsletter on a weekly basis. I would like to thank Cyndie Bollar for all her work in putting the newsletter together each week. I would like to thank all the Lodges who have sent articles, emails and Lodge Trestle boards to the Grand Lodge Office to be published in this newsletter. As of 08/11/2016 we have 966 Subscribers to the newsletter. That is 146 new subscribers this year.

Again anyone wanting to place an article in the Newsletter or wanting to be a sponsor of the newsletter, please give the Grand Lodge office a call @ (208) 343-4562 or send an email to gs@idahomasons.org.

Inquiries on how to Join the Masons

The Grand Lodge continues to get inquiries on how to join Masonry from the website. I have replied to each of them as time allows or forwarded the letter to the closest lodge to where the person inquiring lives. It is the responsibility of the Lodge receiving those emails to follow up with these prospective Masons. I know that several of the Lodges contact these prospective members as soon as they get the email and offer to take them to coffee or meet with them to answer their questions. They have been very successful in bringing in new members.

Conclusion:

I would like to thank the members of the Grand Lodge of Idaho for the trust shown to me by electing me to be (Your) Grand Secretary. I would also like to thank Cyndie Bollar for her work in the Grand Lodge Office. There are a lot of things that need to be accomplished in the Office and without Cyndie in the office it would take me a lot longer to get back to all the requests that come in to the office. It has been a pleasure to serve the Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho, the

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, all of the Grand Lodge Officers and the members of this great jurisdiction.

I appreciate the friendship and hospitality all of you have shown me this past year. I have tried to visit as many Lodges as I could. I would also like to thank all the Lodge Secretaries for their hard work and understanding during this past year. Thank you for getting your reports in on time and keeping me informed on the important events happening in your Lodge and/or District. Thank you for allowing me to serve you as "Your" Grand Secretary.

Fraternally Submitted



Monte B. Bollar
Grand Secretary

I move that this report be received and referred to Jurisprudence and Accounts & Finances.
Motion seconded and carried.

Break Free from Restraint

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called the Grand Lodge Free from Restraint for a period of 20 minutes or the sound of the Gavel in the East. Please be back in the Lodge Room at 3:00 pm.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called the Grand Lodge back to Labor by the Sound of the Gavel in the East at 3:00 pm.

Guest Speaker

Lewis Smith, MWGM of Montana

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, I would like to invite Lewis Smith, MWGM of Montana to give a few words.

Lewis Smith, MWGM of Montana,

Gave a brief history of his life and discussed Montana's motto for his year, 'Building Bridges and Mending Fences.' Remember that the Grand Lodge officers are only the ones that enforce the code and digest and it is the members that made it and change it. Thank you for inviting us to your Grand Lodge and hope you have a successful and enjoyable Annual Communication.

Presented the MWGM a book.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

"Thank you! Help me thank Lewis Smith, MWGM of Montana, for coming."

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner asked R.:W.: Grand Treasurer Randy King to give the Grand Treasurer Report.

R.:W.: Grand Treasurer Randy King presented the Grand Treasurer report.

Grand Treasurer Report (Referred to the Committees for Accounts and Finances)

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho

The Grand Treasurer duties and responsibilities are outlined in Section 305 of Idaho Masonic Code and Digest. While completing these tasks I have worked primarily with the Grand Secretary and served on all the committees assigned to me as Grand Treasurer.

All monies have been received from the Grand Secretary, receipt has been given and monies paid out in accordance with the approved budget in dual control with the Grand Secretary. All bills received against the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho have been recorded in Quickbooks and checks subsequently drawn in payment of the same in a timely manner. The Grand Secretary and myself have met agreeably to appointment to ensure the bills are timely paid. We also have weekly discussions concerning the finances of the Grand Lodge and have both worked with Tarter & Associates in seeing the audit was completed.

The following reports are enclosed herewith:

Current Budget vs. Actual, as of July 31, 2016

Tarter & Associates audit of the Finances of the Grand Lodge of Idaho (General Fund)

Tarter & Associates audit of the Finances of the Grand Lodge of Idaho (Prepaid Life Accounts)

The audits were completed in accordance with the Code & Digest requirements pursuant to an election of a new Grand Treasurer at the 147th Annual Communication in September 2015.

Conclusion: I would like to thank the members of the Grand Lodge of Idaho for the trust shown to me by electing me to the office of Grand Treasurer. I would also like to thank The Grand Secretary & Grand Clerk for all of their assistance during the past year. Their support and help is greatly appreciated.

It has been a pleasure to serve the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M of Idaho, the MW Grand Master John Warner and all of the Grand Lodge Officers. Thank you for allowing me to serve you as "Your" Grand Treasurer.

Fraternally Submitted

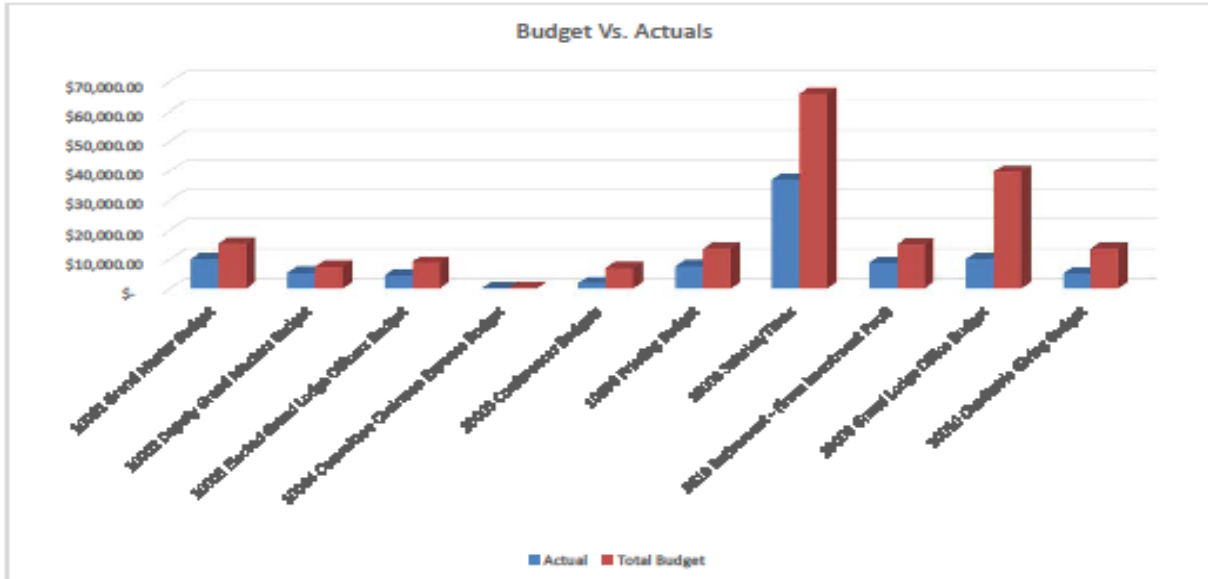
Randy King

"I move that this report be received and referred to Jurisprudence and Accounts & Finances."

(06.1) 2016 Budget vs. Actuals as of July 31, 2016

	Actual	Remaining	Total Budget	Received
1350 Per Capita Tax (Deposit to General Fund)	\$ 114,054.20	\$ 2,540.80	\$ 116,595.00	97.82%
3100 Income allocation from investment pool	\$ -	\$ 70,500.00	\$ 70,500.00	0.00%
	\$ 114,054.20	\$ 73,040.80	\$ 187,095.00	

	Actual	Remaining	Total Budget	Spent
10001 Grand Master Budget	\$ 10,234.24	\$ 5,080.76	\$ 15,315.00	66.82%
10002 Deputy Grand Masters Budget	\$ 5,465.24	\$ 1,934.76	\$ 7,400.00	73.85%
10003 Elected Grand Lodge Officers Budget	\$ 4,517.41	\$ 4,482.59	\$ 9,000.00	50.19%
10004 Committee Chairman Expense Budget	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	0.00%
10005 Conferences Budgets	\$ 1,955.17	\$ 5,044.83	\$ 7,000.00	27.93%
10006 Printing Budget	\$ 7,539.65	\$ 6,110.35	\$ 13,650.00	55.24%
10008 Salaries/Taxes	\$ 37,019.34	\$ 29,026.66	\$ 66,046.00	56.05%
3610 Retirement - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 8,750.00	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 15,000.00	58.33%
10009 Grand Lodge Office Budget	\$ 10,250.14	\$ 29,499.86	\$ 39,750.00	25.79%
10010 Charitable Giving Budget	\$ 5,080.00	\$ 8,576.00	\$ 13,656.00	37.20%
	\$ 90,811.19	\$ 96,405.81	\$ 187,217.00	48.51%



(06.2) Grand Lodge of Idaho General Fund Audit

Performed by Jerry Tarter

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
REVIEWED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

To the Board of Trustees of
Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho
Boise, Idaho

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2015, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Supplementary Information

The supplementary information included in Schedules I, II and III is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information is the representation of management. We have reviewed the information and, based on our review, we are not aware of any material

modifications that should be made to the information in order for it to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have not audited the information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion on such information.

Tarter & Associates, P.A.

Tarter & Associates, P.A.

Accountancy Corporation

March 2, 2016

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2015

ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$	95,556
Accounts receivable		1,158
Supplies for resale		10,494
Investments (Note 5)		1,294,761
Prepaid life membership		2,772
Agency funds - prepaid life membership (Note 6)		1,061,257
Office furniture, equipment, land, and building (Note 7)		<u>88,780</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 2,554,778</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses (Note 9)	\$	3,824
Agency funds - prepaid life membership (Note 6)		<u>1,061,257</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,065,081
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted		820,398
Temporarily restricted		5,380
Permanently restricted		<u>663,919</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>1,489,697</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		<u>\$ 2,554,778</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

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GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Statement of Activities
Year Ended
December 31, 2015

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
REVENUES				
Per capita tax	\$ 119,638	\$ -	\$ 1,342	\$ 120,980
Interest	1,922	-	-	1,922
Dividends	38,975	-	-	38,975
Contributions	1,735	1,968	-	3,703
Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference	15,930	-	-	15,930
Other	3,816	-	-	3,816
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments (Note 5)	(73,300)	-	-	(73,300)
TOTAL REVENUES	108,716	1,968	1,342	112,026
EXPENSES				
Operating expenses	176,827	8,175	-	185,002
Expense of investment	10,904	-	-	10,904
Depreciation	4,535	-	-	4,535
TOTAL EXPENSES	192,266	8,175	-	200,441
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(83,550)	(6,207)	1,342	(88,415)
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	903,948	11,587	662,577	1,578,112
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 820,398	\$ 5,380	\$ 663,919	\$ 1,489,697

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

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GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Statement of Cash Flows
Year Ended
December 31, 2015

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	\$	(88,415)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation		4,535
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(114)
(Increase) decrease in supplies for resale		3,066
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments		108,667
Realized (gain) loss on investment sales		(35,367)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		<u>464</u>
 NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	 \$	 (7,164)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of investments		239,823
Purchase of investments		(236,480)
Payment of building improvements		<u>(13,224)</u>
 NET CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		 (9,881)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
None		<u>-</u>
 NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		 (17,045)
BEGINNING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		<u>112,601</u>
ENDING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$	<u><u>95,556</u></u>
 SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Interest expense	\$	<u><u>-</u></u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

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GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2015

NOTE 1 - NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Activities

The Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho (the Lodge) is the parent lodge of all Masonic Lodges in Idaho. The Lodge invests funds for purposes of providing assistance to indigent Masons, or their widows and orphans. In addition, the Lodge serves as the governing body for all Idaho Masonic Lodges.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Lodge have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and accordingly reflect all significant receivables, payables, and other liabilities.

Basis of Presentation

Financial statement presentation follows the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification (FASB ASC) 958, *Not-for-Profit Entities*. Under FASB ASC 958, the Lodge is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets based on the absence or existence, and type of restrictions.

Fund Accounting

The accounts of the Lodge are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. Under fund accounting, resources are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds, established according to their nature and purpose. Separate accounts are maintained for each fund. In accordance with FASB ASC 958, fund balances are classified as: unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted net assets based on the absence or existence, and type of restrictions.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Lodge considers all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are reported at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Uncollectible amounts are charged directly against earnings when they are determined to be uncollectible. Use of this method does not result in a material difference from the valuation method required by generally accepted accounting principles.

Supplies for Resale

Supplies for resale are accounted for under the lower of cost or market method on a First-In-First-Out (FIFO) basis.

Investments

Investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values, and all investments in debt securities are reported at their fair values in the statement of financial position in accordance with FASB ASC 958-320, *Not-for-Profit Entities: Investments – Debt and Equity Securities*. Unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net assets.

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2015

NOTE 1 - NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Agency Funds

Agency funds are reported at their fair values in the statement of financial position, and are reflected as both an asset and liability in accordance with FASB ASC 958-605, *Not-for-Profit Entities: Revenue Recognition*.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the depreciable assets, from 5 to 40 years.

Unrestricted Funds

The Interest Relief, and Building Funds are unrestricted.

Restricted Funds

Funds are restricted as follows:

The General Fund includes amounts that are temporarily restricted. Contributions to the General Fund have been restricted for use in the Sesquicentennial celebration, Masonic Child Identification Program, and Idaho Masonic Family Alliance. All other amounts in the General Fund are unrestricted.

The Relief Fund is permanently restricted in use, with only earnings from the Relief Fund available for disbursement.

The Endowment Fund principal of \$250,000 is permanently restricted in use, with only earnings from the Endowment Fund available for disbursement.

Per Capita Tax

Per capita tax is recorded as revenue in the applicable membership period.

Income Tax Status

The Lodge is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code and is classified by the Internal Revenue Service as other than a private foundation.

The Lodge's Forms 990, *Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax*, for the years ending 2013, 2014, and 2015, are subject to examination by the IRS, generally for three years after they were filed.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2015

NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

As of December 31, cash and cash equivalents consist of the following:

Petty cash	\$	190
Cash in bank, checking		20,213
Money Market Accounts		<u>75,153</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents		<u>\$ 95,556</u>

NOTE 3 - CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

The Lodge maintains cash balances at several financial institutions. Accounts at each institution are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000. At times, the balance in these accounts may be in excess of federally insured limits. The uninsured balance at year-end was \$-0-.

NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair values of assets measured on a recurring basis at December 31, 2015 are as follows:

	Fair Value	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)
Investment in mutual funds	\$ 495,399	\$ 495,399
Investment in preferred stocks	69,513	69,513
Investment in common stocks	<u>729,849</u>	<u>729,849</u>
Total Investments	<u>\$ 1,294,761</u>	<u>\$ 1,294,761</u>
 Agency funds	 <u>\$ 1,061,257</u>	 <u>\$ 1,061,257</u>

Fair values for investments and agency funds held are determined by reference to quoted market prices.

The Organization recognizes transfers into and out of levels at the end of the reporting period. There were no transfers between levels in the year ended December 31, 2015.

NOTE 5 - INVESTMENTS

The fair values of investments totaled \$1,294,761 at December 31, 2015. Unrealized losses and realized gains totaled \$108,667 and \$35,367, respectively, for a net loss of \$73,300. See Schedule II – Securities.

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2015

NOTE 6 - AGENCY FUNDS

The Lodge maintains agency over prepaid life membership funds on behalf of Constituent Idaho Masonic Lodges, for investment purposes only. All agency funds are maintained in separate accounts, and remain the perpetual property of the participating Constituent Lodges.

NOTE 7 - OFFICE FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT, LAND, AND BUILDING

Property and equipment are carried at cost. All expenditures for repairs, maintenance, renewals, and betterments that materially prolong the useful lives of assets are capitalized. Depreciation is provided for using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the depreciable assets.

As of December 31, office furniture, equipment, land, and building consist of the following:

Office Furniture	\$ 37,809
Equipment	43,567
Land	39,618
Building	84,093
Improvements	52,995
Library	3,180
Paraphernalia	6,389
	<u>267,651</u>
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(178,871)</u>
Office Furniture, Equipment, Land, and Building	<u>\$ 88,780</u>

NOTE 8 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Transfers from Interest Relief Fund to General Fund consist of:

Payment of operating expenses with unrestricted funds	\$ 37,087
Interfund Transfers	<u>\$ 37,087</u>

Transfers from General Fund to Building Fund consist of:

Building improvements, furniture, and equipment paid with unrestricted funds	\$ 13,224
Interfund Transfers	<u>\$ 13,224</u>

NOTE 9 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

As of December 31, accounts payable and accrued expenses consist of the following:

Payroll Liabilities	\$ 1,696
Accounts Payable	<u>2,128</u>
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	<u>\$ 3,824</u>

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2015

NOTE 10 - FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF EXPENSES

Expenses by function for the year ended December 31, 2015 are as follows:

Program Services Expenses	\$ 108,688
Management and General Expenses	<u>91,753</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 200,441</u>

NOTE 10 - RETIREMENT

The Lodge has an unfunded, nonqualified retirement plan for past Grand Secretaries. Amounts paid, if any, to former Lodge officers, are approved annually by the Accounts and Finances Committee.

NOTE 11 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events were evaluated through March 2, 2016, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued. As of March 2, 2016, no material subsequent events were noted.

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
 Statement of Financial Position - Fund Balance
 December 31, 2015

	General Fund	Relief Fund	Endowment Fund	Interest Relief Fund	Building Fund	Common Investment Pool	Total All Funds
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents							
Petty cash	\$ 190	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 190
Cash in bank, checking	20,213	-	-	-	-	-	20,213
Money market accounts	31,564	-	10,293	-	-	33,296	75,153
Accounts receivable	1,158	-	-	-	-	-	1,158
Supplies for resale	10,494	-	-	-	-	-	10,494
Investments	-	-	298,477	-	-	996,284	1,294,761
Prepaid life membership	2,772	-	-	-	-	-	2,772
Agency funds - prepaid life membership	1,061,257	-	-	-	-	-	1,061,257
Interest in common investment pool	-	413,919	-	615,661	-	(1,029,580)	-
Office furniture, equipment, land, and building	-	-	-	-	88,780	-	88,780
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,127,648	\$ 413,919	\$ 308,770	\$ 615,661	\$ 88,780	\$ -	\$ 2,554,778
LIABILITIES							
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 3,824	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,824
Agency funds - prepaid life membership	1,061,257	-	-	-	-	-	1,061,257
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,065,081	-	-	-	-	-	1,065,081
NET ASSETS							
Unrestricted	57,187	-	58,770	615,661	88,780	-	820,398
Temporarily restricted	5,380	-	-	-	-	-	5,380
Permanently restricted	-	413,919	250,000	-	-	-	663,919
TOTAL NET ASSETS	62,567	413,919	308,770	615,661	88,780	-	1,489,697
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 1,127,648	\$ 413,919	\$ 308,770	\$ 615,661	\$ 88,780	\$ -	\$ 2,554,778

Schedule I - Fund Accounting

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Statement of Financial Position - Fund Balance
Year Ended
December 31, 2015

	General Fund	Relief Fund	Endowment Fund	Interest Relief Fund	Building Fund	Common Investment Pool	Total All Funds
REVENUES							
Per capita tax	\$ 119,638	\$ 1,342	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120,980
Interest	74	-	1	-	-	1,847	1,922
Dividends	12	-	8,325	-	-	30,638	38,975
Contributions	2,832	-	871	-	-	-	3,703
Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference	15,930	-	-	-	-	-	15,930
Other	3,816	-	-	-	-	-	3,816
Realized and unrealized gain on investments	-	-	(13,700)	-	-	(59,600)	(73,300)
Allocation of common investment pool income	-	-	-	(36,508)	-	36,508	-
TOTAL REVENUES	142,302	1,342	(4,503)	(36,508)	-	9,393	112,026
EXPENSES							
Operating expenses	159,746	-	-	25,256	-	-	185,002
Expense of investment	-	-	1,511	-	-	9,393	10,904
Depreciation (Note 1)	-	-	-	-	4,535	-	4,535
TOTAL EXPENSES	159,746	-	1,511	25,256	4,535	9,393	200,441
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS	(17,444)	1,342	(6,014)	(61,764)	(4,535)	-	(88,415)
	23,863	-	-	(37,087)	13,224	-	-
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	6,419	1,342	(6,014)	(98,851)	8,689	-	(88,415)
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR							
Unrestricted	44,561	-	64,784	714,512	80,091	-	903,948
Temporarily restricted	11,587	-	-	-	-	-	11,587
Permanently restricted	-	412,577	250,000	-	-	-	662,577
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR - TOTAL	56,148	412,577	314,784	714,512	80,091	-	1,578,112
	\$ 62,567	\$ 413,919	\$ 308,770	\$ 615,661	\$ 88,780	\$ -	\$ 1,489,697
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR							
Unrestricted	\$ 57,187	\$ -	\$ 58,770	\$ 615,661	\$ 88,780	\$ -	\$ 820,398
Temporarily restricted	5,380	-	-	-	-	-	5,380
Permanently restricted	-	413,919	250,000	-	-	-	663,919
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 62,567	\$ 413,919	\$ 308,770	\$ 615,661	\$ 88,780	\$ -	\$ 1,489,697

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GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Schedule II - Securities
December 31, 2015

	Estimated Current Market	Total Cost
Managed Stock Accounts by Wells Fargo Advisors		
Mutual Funds		
Franklin Global Trust	\$ 30,463	\$ 28,353
Invesco Balanced Risk Allocation	25,625	31,050
Blackrock Global Allocation	59,434	54,880
Eaton Vance Global Macro Absolute Return	15,632	16,951
Prudential Jennison Natural Resources	4,326	7,088
Vanguard Index Trust 500 Index	74,330	41,512
Virtus Opportunities Trust Premium Alphasector	-	-
Wells Fargo Advantage Index Asset Allocation	57,554	44,926
Wright Managed Income Trust	54,815	56,944
Federated Total Return Bond	40,344	41,081
Goldman Sachs - High Yield	34,092	40,701
John Hancock Funds III Core High Yield	18,998	22,395
Lord Abbett Investment Trust Floating Rate	25,254	26,755
Templeton Global Bond	30,441	34,396
Thompson IM Funds Inc	24,091	26,388
	495,399	473,420
Stocks		
Preferred	69,513	62,549
Common	729,849	1,191,681
	799,362	1,254,230
TOTAL INVESTMENTS - SECURITIES	\$ 1,294,761	\$ 1,727,650

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Schedule III - Comparison of Budget to Actual Operating Expenses

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
Budget to Actual Operating Expenses

Year Ended
December 31, 2015

	General Fund			Interest Relief Fund			Total		
	Budget	(Over)		Budget	(Over)		Budget	(Over)	
		Actual	Under		Actual	Under		Actual	Under
Operating expenses									
Grand Master	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,153	\$ 847	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,153	\$ 847
Travel Expense	250	250	-	-	-	-	250	250	-
Conference Dues	300	315	(15)	-	-	-	300	315	(15)
Registration Fees	1,400	1,400	-	-	-	-	1,400	1,400	-
Conference Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grand Lodge Registration	300	300	-	-	-	-	300	300	-
Paid by Order	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deputy Grand Master									
Expense	2,000	2,000	-	-	-	-	2,000	2,000	-
Grand Master Apron and Case	1,000	744	256	-	-	-	1,000	744	256
Grand Master Picture	400	282	108	-	-	-	400	282	108
Conference Travel	1,000	603	397	-	-	-	1,000	603	397
Elected Grand Lodge Officers									
Senior Grand Warden	1,000	988	2	-	-	-	1,000	988	2
Junior Grand Warden	1,000	402	598	-	-	-	1,000	402	598
Senior Grand Deacon	1,000	963	37	-	-	-	1,000	963	37
District Deputy Grand Master Travel Expense	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grand Lecture	1,500	648	852	-	-	-	1,500	648	852
Grand Secretary Travel Expense	1,500	1,279	221	-	-	-	1,500	1,279	221
Board of Relief, Secretary	-	-	-	200	200	-	200	200	-
Committee									
Fraternal Relations Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chairman Fraternal Relations	50	-	50	-	-	-	50	-	50
Public Relations	50	-	50	-	-	-	50	-	50
Research and Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
I.T. Committee	300	-	300	-	-	-	300	-	300
Youth Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SesquiCentennial Committee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conferences									
Grand Secretary Conference Dues	100	-	100	-	-	-	100	-	100
Grand Secretary Conference Travel	2,000	1,971	29	-	-	-	2,000	1,971	29
Rocky Mountain	1,800	1,800	-	-	-	-	1,800	1,800	-
District Deputy Grand Masters Conference	600	-	600	-	-	-	600	-	600
Host Lodge Entertainment Allowance	1,000	900	100	-	-	-	1,000	900	100
Grand Lodge Visitor Entertainment	1,000	1,000	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	-
Mason of the Year Awards	500	243	257	-	-	-	500	243	257
New Officer's Meeting	-	220	(220)	-	-	-	-	220	(220)
Printing									
Proceedings	1,500	1,435	65	-	-	-	1,500	1,435	65
Masonic Directory	150	142	8	-	-	-	150	142	8
Panograph - List of Lodges	1,000	1,035	(35)	-	-	-	1,000	1,035	(35)
Miscellaneous	1,700	2,357	(657)	-	-	-	1,700	2,357	(657)
Members	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Printer Equipment Lease	6,200	6,468	(268)	-	-	-	6,200	6,468	(268)
Printer Repair & Maintenance	3,000	2,045	955	-	-	-	3,000	2,045	955

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Schedule III - Comparison of Budget to Actual Operating Expenses
 GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
 Budget to Actual Operating Expenses
 Year Ended
 December 31, 2015

	General Fund			Interest Relief Fund			Total		
	Budget	Actual	(Over) Under	Budget	Actual	(Over) Under	Budget	Actual	(Over) Under
Salaries / Retirement / Taxes	38,853	38,590	273	-	-	-	38,853	38,590	273
Grand Secretary Salary	13,000	13,000	-	-	-	-	13,000	13,000	-
Salary - Grand Lodge Clerk	3,000	3,000	-	-	-	-	3,000	3,000	-
Grand Treasurer Salary	7,800	5,708	2,092	-	-	-	7,800	5,708	2,092
Payroll Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retirement	600	600	-	15,000	15,000	-	15,000	15,000	-
Medical Supplemental Insurance	-	-	-	-	-	-	600	600	-
Grand Lodge Office	250	250	-	-	-	-	250	250	-
Furniture & Fixture	500	500	-	-	-	-	500	500	-
Paraphernalia	4,000	3,852	148	-	-	-	4,000	3,852	148
Computer Software, Licenses, Maint., Web Fees	1,000	1,000	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	-
ROLLS Annual Cost	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sales Tax	10,000	7,845	2,155	-	-	-	10,000	7,845	2,155
Professional Fees	200	200	-	-	-	-	200	200	-
Funeral and Floral	8,500	8,455	45	-	-	-	8,500	8,455	45
Insurance & Bonds	4,000	3,854	146	-	-	-	4,000	3,854	146
Postage	2,800	2,487	313	-	-	-	2,800	2,487	313
Telephone	5,000	6,574	(1,574)	-	-	-	5,000	6,574	(1,574)
Building Occupancy	500	11,939	(11,439)	-	-	-	500	11,939	(11,439)
Building Maintenance & Repairs	2,000	2,022	(22)	-	-	-	2,000	2,022	(22)
Misc. Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Giving	200	200	-	-	-	-	200	200	-
Masonic Library	350	300	50	-	-	-	350	300	50
Masonic Renewal	100	41	59	-	-	-	100	41	59
Masonic Service Association Membership Dues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Masonic Relief Association Dues	-	-	-	250	250	-	250	250	-
Masonic Service Association Contributions	-	-	-	2,858	2,858	-	2,858	2,858	-
George Washington Masonic Memorial	-	-	-	250	250	-	250	250	-
Masonic Information Center	-	-	-	3,600	3,600	-	3,600	3,600	-
DeMolay Leadership	-	-	-	1,500	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	-
Youth Scholarship (GL Essay)	-	-	-	1,000	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Masonic Service Association Disaster Fund	-	-	-	1,700	1,700	-	1,700	1,700	-
Masonic Youth Donation	-	-	-	800	400	400	800	400	400
State Youth Leaders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSA - Misc	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Masonic Temple Preservation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hosting Rocky Mountain Conference	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grand Master Banquet	-	4,250	(4,250)	-	-	-	-	4,250	(4,250)
Grand Lodge Registration	-	11,151	(11,151)	-	-	-	-	11,151	(11,151)
Lodge Programs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho Freemason	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Relief Payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Mileage and Per Diem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sesquicentennial Expenses	-	8,175	(8,175)	-	-	-	-	8,175	(8,175)
Idaho Masonic Child Identification Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Expenses	-	614	(614)	-	-	-	-	614	(614)
Total operating expenses	\$ 146,253	\$ 172,970	\$ (26,717)	\$ 28,036	\$ 25,255	\$ 2,800	\$ 174,309	\$ 198,226	\$ (23,917)
Transfer reconciliation to Statement of Activities									
Less capitalized expenditures		(13,224)							(13,224)
Net per Statement of Activities - Fund Balance	\$ 155,749	\$ 155,746	\$ 3	\$ 25,255	\$ 25,255	\$ -	\$ 165,002	\$ 165,002	\$ 3

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(06.3) Grand Lodge of Idaho Prepaid Life Membership Fund Audit

Performed by Jerry Tarter

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
PREPAID LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
REVIEWED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
PREPAID LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

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Independent Accountant's Review Report

To the Board of Trustees of
Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho
Prepaid Life Membership Fund
Boise, Idaho

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho Prepaid Life Membership Fund (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of assets, liabilities, and net assets – cash basis as of December 31, 2015, and the related statement of revenues, expenses, and other changes in net assets – cash basis and cash flows – cash basis for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting; this includes determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with the cash basis of accounting. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with the cash basis of accounting.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our conclusion is not modified with respect to this matter.



Tarter & Associates, P.A.
Accountancy Corporation

March 2, 2016

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
 PREPAID LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
 Statement of Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets – Cash Basis
 December 31, 2015

ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)			
Bank of America - checking	\$	10,319	
Wells Fargo - money market		<u>71,400</u>	
			\$ 81,719
Investments (Note 4)			
Wells Fargo - mutual funds		<u>906,588</u>	
			<u>906,588</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			<u><u>\$ 988,307</u></u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable			
Due to Grand Lodge	\$	-	
Accumulated distributions payable		(214,011)	
Prepaid life memberships		<u>1,202,318</u>	
TOTAL LIABILITIES			\$ 988,307
NET ASSETS			
None			<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			<u><u>\$ 988,307</u></u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

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GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
 PREPAID LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
 Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Other Changes in Net Assets – Cash Basis
 December 31, 2015

REVENUES		
Interest Income	\$ 1,852	
Dividend Income	27,597	
Realized Gain (Loss) on Investment	<u>33,215</u>	
TOTAL REVENUES		\$ 62,664
EXPENSES		
Audit Fee	1,475	
Bank Charges	-	
Investment Expense	9,173	
Office Expense	<u>-</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES		<u>10,648</u>
NET EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS		52,016
ACCUMULATED DISTRIBUTIONS PAYABLE AT DECEMBER 31, 2014		(234,450)
Amount Distributed in year ended December 31, 2015		<u>(31,577)</u>
ACCUMULATED DISTRIBUTIONS PAYABLE AT DECEMBER 31, 2015		<u>\$ (214,011)</u>
PREPAID LIFE MEMBERSHIP AT DECEMBER 31, 2014		\$ 1,183,212
Prepaid Life Membership Contribution		<u>19,106</u>
PREPAID LIFE MEMBERSHIP AT DECEMBER 31, 2015		<u>\$ 1,202,318</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

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GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
 PREPAID LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
 Statement of Cash Flows – Cash Basis
 December 31, 2015

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net earnings on investments	\$ 52,016	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Net gain on investment sales	(33,215)	
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	<u>-</u>	
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		\$ 18,801
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of investments	(201,836)	
Proceeds from sale of investments	<u>153,393</u>	
NET CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(48,443)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Prepaid life membership contributions	19,106	
Distributions paid	<u>(31,577)</u>	
NET CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		<u>(12,471)</u>
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(42,113)
BEGINNING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		<u>123,832</u>
ENDING CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		<u>\$ 81,719</u>

See accompanying notes and accountant's report.

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GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. OF IDAHO
 PREPAID LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
 Notes to Financial Statements
 December 31, 2015

NOTE 1 – NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Activities

The Prepaid Life Membership Fund (the Fund) is a component of Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho (Grand Lodge). Individual lodges remit members' prepaid life membership dues to the Grand Lodge for investment. Annual net earnings on investments are distributed to each lodge based on their total prepaid life membership contribution percentage.

The financial statements being presented do not include the assets, liabilities, and fund balances of the operating and restricted funds of the Grand Lodge.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, revenue is recorded when received rather than when earned and expenses are recorded when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred.

NOTE 2 – CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Fund considers all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

NOTE 3 – CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

The Fund maintains cash balances at several financial institutions. Accounts at each institution are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000. At times, the balance in these accounts may be in excess of federally insured limits. The uninsured balance at year-end was \$-0-.

NOTE 4 – INVESTMENTS

Investments are recorded at cost and consist of the following:

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>FMV</u>
Wells Fargo – mutual funds	\$ 225,979	\$ 211,277
Wells Fargo – preferred stock	33,617	36,336
Wells Fargo – common stock	646,992	731,924
Investments	\$ 906,588	\$ 979,537

NOTE 5 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events were evaluated through March 2, 2016, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued. As of March 2, 2016, no material subsequent events were noted.

Guest Speaker Thomas F. Hamm II, RW Junior Grand Warden of Wyoming

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, I would like to invite Thomas F. Hamm II, RW DGM of Wyoming, to give a few words.

It is my pleasure to pass on greeting from the Most Worshipful Grand Masters of Wyoming, Mark Mickleson. He is at the York Rite Conference now. The Grand Lodge officers are looking in to supporting a continuous long term program vs. one year programs. The focus this year is the meaning of the ritual and where were you made a mason. "In My Heart". Hopefully to reenergize some of our older members. Thank you for your hospitality and best wishes on this annual communication and the upcoming year.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

"Thank you! Help me thank Thomas F. Hamm II, RW DGM of Wyoming, for coming."

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for DeMolay of Idaho Report

Gary A. S. La Bruyere the Executive Officer of DeMolay on Idaho presented the DeMolay report.

DeMolay Executive Officer Report Gary A. S. La Bruyere

DeMolay Report 2016

To: Most Worshipful Grand Master John Warner, Grand Lodge Officers and members.

Many new and different things are happening both at DeMolay International and Idaho DeMolay. On the DeMolay, International home front, Advisor training and registration is now on-line and starting in 2017 continuing training will be included. The DeMolay International home page is now the go to resource for DeMolay material including items historically purchased from the store. This is part of the new initiative to make resources available via electronic means. This permits youth and advisors to access the material even during meetings if you forgot to bring a resource from home. Transition to online reporting of new members, payments and routine reporting is now the standard process.

During the June 2016 International Supreme Session the Squires Program and Ritual was officially adopted and codified in the statutes. The use of the Squires program is very successful in providing a feeder organization to DeMolay chapters.

Idaho DeMolay is transitioning with many new appointments as follows:

State Chapter Advisor- William Votaw

State Treasurer - Mike Keeton and James Herndon

Leeann Owens- Awards and Chapter of the Year Program Advisor

Shawn Taylor- Protocol and Music

Emily Brighton- Conclave Co-Chair and Finance

Jeremy Campbell Conclave Co-Chair Programs

The state still conducting searches for the following positions:

IT support for webpage and content

Communications
Chapter Development
Fundraising Coordinator
Assistant Executive Officer

The DeMolay Foundation and the Idaho Legion of Honor Preceptory are being reorganized. Sincere thanks, to Past Most Worshipful Grand Master Herndon for his efforts in these endeavors. The DeMolay Foundation will be of great assistance in ensuring that current and future youth operations and development funds can be generated to support State Chapter projects and work.

Idaho DeMolay, has four strong operating chapters in Idaho Falls, Pocatello, Jerome and Meridian. Nampa/Caldwell and Twin Falls has expressed a desire to hold Club meetings and with time, work and dedication form Chapters. These efforts have not been able to progress pass the discussion stage. The Idaho DeMolay staff will contact the Masons that have expressed interest and conduct kickoff meetings at the proposed club meeting locations in October and November this year.

DeMolay Clubs can meet once a month for fun events and to organize upcoming functions and then attend nearby DeMolay Chapters. This is an excellent way to bring the DeMolay Experience to more youth over a broader geographic region. For Lodges that have no young men of DeMolay age the Squires Program should be used. Bonneville Chapter, in Idaho Falls has successfully used the Squires Program for over 15 years as a feeder organization. The human resource effort for a Squires Program is significantly less than that of a DeMolay Chapter.

Past Most Worshipful Grand Master Herndon and Idaho DeMolay wish to express their sincere thanks for the continued support, financial contributions, counsel and assistance that the Grand Lodge of Idaho and its members and family provide.

Together we can grow our organizations though the next generation.

Fraternally submitted,

Gary A.S. LaBruyere /s
EO Idaho DeMolay

Brother Gary A.S. LaBruyere moved that the report of the Executive Officer of DeMolay be received and referred to Accounts and Finances;

Motion was seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Fraternal Relations Report.

401-4 Fraternal Relations

Sherman Burger III

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho:

Most Worshipful Grand Master Warner, Grand Lodge Officers, Guests and Brethren:

Requests for recognition received this Masonic Year:

The Grand Lodge of Idaho received one request for recognition during the 2015 – 2016 year. The request was from the Grand Lodge of the Ukraine A.F. & A.M.. The Grand Lodge of Ukraine A.F. & A.M. was formed in 2005, is listed in the 2016 List of Lodges Masonic, and is shown as recognized by the Grand Lodge of Idaho A.F. & A.M. A review of prior proceedings showed that The Grand Lodge of the Ukraine A.F. & A.M. was recognized at the 2009 Grand Lodge Session. The Grand Lodge of the Ukraine A.F. & A.M. has been informed that they have been recognized by the Grand Lodge of Idaho since September 2009.

No further action is necessary on the request from The Grand Lodge of the Ukraine A.F. & A.M.

Other Current Issues

Grand Lodges of Paraguay:

There remains confusion regarding the Grand Lodges in Paraguay. There are two Grand Lodges in Paraguay since a split in 2008. These two Grand Lodges have similar names and similar addresses. The Commission on Recognition advises in its 2016 Report that the only Grand Lodge in Paraguay meeting the standards for recognition is the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Paraguay whose Grand Master is M/W Brother Edgar Sanchez Caballero. The address of that grand lodge is: Gran Logia Simbolica Del Paraguay Avda. De la Victoria No 690 esq Lopez Moreira Asuncion – Paraguay.

The 2016 List of Lodges Masonic lists both Grand Lodges in Paraguay. Some Lodges are listed as being a part of both Grand Lodges. The note for the Grand Lodge of Idaho A.F. & A.M. states that all Grand Lodges listed in the Index are recognized by the Grand Lodge of Idaho A.F. & A.M. unless the Grand Lodge is specifically listed as “not recognized”. The published list does not show that we have withheld recognition from either Grand Lodge in Paraguay. At the 2015 Grand Lodge session, recognition was granted to the Gran Logia Simbolica Del Paraguay, whose Grand Master was M/W Bro. Euclides (and current Grand Master is M/W Bro. Caballero).

The Brethren in Idaho are urged to take caution when dealing with Brothers from Paraguay. It appears that there is an omission in the List of Lodges Masonic regarding the Grand Lodge in Paraguay that is not recognized by the Grand Lodge of Idaho A.F. & A.M. The Recognized Grand Lodge is on page 343 of the 2016 edition of the List of Lodges Masonic. The Grand Lodge listed on page 344 is not recognized by the Grand Lodge of Idaho A.F. & A.M. The editors of the List of Lodges Masonic is investigating whether to keep the other Grand Lodge in Paraguay in the publication.

Brazil:

A suggestion was made by a brother to recognize several Grand Lodges in Brazil, including the Grand Orient of Brazil. The reason for this request was due to the expansion of the Order of de Molay in Brazil. There are three competing Grand Lodge systems within Brazil, the Grand Orient of Brazil, Independent State Grand Orients, and the State Grand Lodge system.

The Grand Lodge of Idaho A.F. & A.M. does not currently recognize the Grand Orient of Brazil, Independent Grand Orients, but does appear recognize some State Grand Lodges in Brazil (based on information in the List of Lodges Masonic (2016 edition)).

There have not been any requests for recognition from any Grand Lodge in Brazil. The Committee believes that recognition should not be granted to any Grand Lodge without first receiving a request from a Grand Lodge and a favorable report from the Commission on Information for Recognition. **As such the committee does not recommend the recognition of any additional Grand Lodges within Brazil.**

Items held over from last year's report:

El Salvador:

On April 6, 2015, a request for recognition from the M. W. Grand Lodge Cuscatlán of El Salvador was received. Cuscatlán is a political subdivision within the Country of El Salvador and would be similar to a state within the United States

While this jurisdiction is showing in the 2016 List of Lodges, the Grand Lodge information has not been updated since 2007. This places that Grand Lodge at risk of being removed from the List of Lodges Masonic at the discretion of the publisher. Last year's committee report stated that a request had been made to the Commission on Information for Recognition (CIR) for an investigation into the regularity of that Grand Lodge, and recommended that their request be held over until the time as their regularity has been ruled upon.

The 2016 report from the CIR did not address the regularity of this Grand Lodge but it is likely that a request was received too late for inclusion in the 2016 report. As such the request for recognition remains held until such time the CIR makes its ruling. ***No change in the status of this request is recommended by this committee.***

Bulgaria:

On February 14, 2015 a request was received from the M. W. Grand Lodge of Bulgaria. In last year's report the Fraternal Relations Committee recommend that the recognition be held until the three competing Grand Lodges in Bulgaria could be unified. In the 2016 report from the CIR states that the Grand Lodge of Bulgaria A.F. & A.M. has become part of the United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria. In addition other groups of Masons are negotiating for inclusion in the United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria.

The United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria is listed in the List of Lodges Masonic (2016 version), and is not listed as an exception to the listed Lodges recognized by the Grand Lodge of Idaho A.F. & A.M. ***Since the requesting Grand Lodge no longer exists (due to its merger with the United Grand Lodge of Bulgaria) the request is now moot.***

Croatia & Brasilia

Last year's committee report stated that recognition requests had been deferred forward for several years from the Grand Lodge of Croatia and the Grand Lodge of Brasilia due to no information being available from the CIR. The 2016 report from the CIR has no further information regarding these two Grand Lodges. A review of the CIR reports from 2004 through 2016 has no mention of these two Grand Lodges.

In addition it does not appear that the Grand Lodge has received any follow up correspondence from either of these Grand Lodges regarding the status of their request. To avoid addressing these requests in apparent perpetuity, ***the committee recommends that recognition requests of these two Grand Lodges be denied, however they should be informed that recognition will be reconsidered once a positive report is made by the CIR and upon their renewed request.***

It has been a pleasure to serve the Most Worshipful Grand Master and the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. on this committee, and we thank him for our appointments to this committee.

Fraternally Submitted:

H. Sherman Burger, III, Chairman/s
W. Sr Grand Steward

Terry L. Adsitt, /s
WM Idaho Lodge of Research 1965

Russ W. Smith/s
W. Grand Marshal

Jerry D. Parsons /s
W. Grand Historian

John B. Johnson /s
W. Grand Sword Bearer

Rick Holloway /s
W. Grand Pursuivant

Tom Kerr /s (advisor)

Bother Sherman Burger III

Moved to accept the Fraternal Relations report – 2nd and passed.

Masonic Fellowship Banquet

Jessie Laduke.

Masonic Fellowship Banquet Report

Most Worshipful Grand Master, this has been a fun committee to work on. The banquet was an amazing success on the 21st of May here at the Wyndham Garden hotel. We were served a great dinner and thank you to all that gave the toasts. Everyone was introduced even their wife's. The most amazing toast was done by the MWGM for thankfulness of our wife's. Brother Chris Williams spoke and talked about his wife and her dealings with cancer. It has been 9 months now and she has been given the all clear. Chris wished to tell his wife how grateful that she is still here and wanted to let everyone know that.

After dinner, we lesson to the DJ Rockne Rooster that played music for us and we all had a fun time dancing.

Thank you to the Wyndham hotel and staff for making the night so great. I would also like to thank Steve Hall, Randy King and Monte Bollar for the support and advice.

I hope that next year that we will have as much fun as we had this next year

Respectively submitted Jessie Laduke

I move that this report be received. Seconded and passed.

Announcements:

Remember Memorial Service Friday Morning open to the public at 8:00 am in this room.

There is a memorial envelope in your registration packet to be turned in after the service. Please consider donating after the service.

Hospitality Room will be hosted by the Shriners of El Korah Temple tonight in the Coeur d Alene Room. Will be open at 07:00 pm

Secretaries, there is a Secretaries meeting at 07:00 am in the Peregrine room.

Idaho Lodge of Research #1965 meets tonight in this room at 07:00 pm

Bethel 29 will be having a meeting downtown at 215 N. 10th St. at 07:00 pm please support the Youth.

Dinner is on your own tonight.

The Past Grand Masters Club will be meeting tomorrow after close of the meeting tomorrow and would like to invite the Most Worshipful Grand Master John Warner to attend.

Call from Labor to Refreshment (Ritual – Call through the South)

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner proceeded to call the Grand Lodge from Labor to Refreshment through the South. Labor will resume at the sound of the gavel in the East on Friday morning immediately after the Public Memorial Service.

“Brother Grand Marshal, you will make the proclamation.”

W.: Grand Marshal Russ W. Smith, made the following proclamation:

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I proclamation the 149th Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho from Labor to Refreshment until 8:00 Friday Morning”

Thursday Night, September 15, 2016

(Lodge of Research #1965 Thursday Night Sept. 16, 2016)

7:00 p.m. Idaho Lodge of Research No. 1965 Annual Stated Meeting, Silverhorn / Ponderosa

Friday, September 16 2016 (Morning)

7:00 a.m. Secretaries Breakfast, Peregrine Room

7:15 a.m.-09:00 a.m. Credentials & Registrations – Opened

Friday, September 16, 2016 (Public Memorial Service)

8:15 a.m. Prelude by Rev. Edgar R. Simmons, W.: Grand Organist

All Officers started at their station.

8:30 a.m. George J. White Jr., W.: Grand Chaplain "Welcome to Public Memorial Service"
(Assisted by the Grand Stewards)

149th Grand Lodge Masonic Memorial Service George J. White Jr., W.: Grand Chaplain

Friends and Brethren, the hour stands at Low Twelve. By the authority vested in me by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, John Warner, I declare the Idaho Grand Lodge of Sorrow to be opened.

Friends and Brethren, it has been a custom among the Fraternity of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons from time immemorial to assemble, with the solemn formalities of our Craft, to offer a final Tribute and Memorial for our departed Brethren.

The roll of the craft has been called. 99 of our Brethren have not answered.

Our Heavenly Father has smiled on them, taken them by the hand and led them to that Spiritual building; that house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens.

Our Brethren have reached the end of their earthly labors. However, all that is beautiful and good and true in human life is no more affected by the shadow called death than by the darkness that divides today from tomorrow. In this, our Brothers' hour of victory, we should rejoice, for we can see far enough through the veil to know that all is well with them and we thank our Creator that we were fortunate enough to have dwelt with them for a while.

One First Lady of Masons of Idaho also passed this Masonic year. May we observe a moment of silence for Lady Mitzi Brooks.

I will now call the roll of those Brothers who have not answered. Brethren, as I call your lodge, please rise and assume the attitude of prayer.

IDAHO #1

Walter A. Jensen
Eugene E. Ertel

BOISE #2

James D. Parkinson Sr.
Lawrence H. Dienstel
Dave E. Holman
Ralph Toney Benjamin

J. Shinn Jr.
Edward L. Bews (Demitted 2009)
Raymond A. Sievers
Richard L. Adams
Edwin R. Maki
Glenn S. Layshure

PLACER #3

John L. Fry
Lester L. Wallace
Vestal J. Parks

MT. IDAHO #9

Merwin Harding Jr.
Daniel B. Heberling

NEZ PERCE #10

John C. Peacock
Harold W. Vaughn
Clem C. Slaybaugh
Richard J. Adams

LEMHI #11

Louis A. Despres Jr.

SILVER CITY #13

Kenneth C. Martin
James E. Pierce Sr.

HAILEY #16

Dean H. Turner
Willard Wilson

PARADISE #17

James DeMeerleer
William F. McCabe
Charles R. Huskey
Richard R. Crossler
Thomas E. Hipple
Rex R. Benson
Raymond A. Sievers

PORTNEUF #18

Roy J. Stanley
Justin R. Lowder
Gerald W. Olson

EAGLE ROCK #19

Charles Wright

J. Harrison Dennis
Paul E. Alexander
John Penrod
Raymond A. Burns
Jerry L. McMullin
George K. Hodgson
James A. Shawver
Peter T. Isaken
John E. Marshall

COEUR D' ALENE # 20

Glen H. Durand

RICHFIELD #21

Manuel J. King

WEISER #23

Wesley L. Randall Robert C. Emmons

KOOTENAI #24

Chester Echelbarger
Glen H. Durand
Daniel B. Heberling
Robert L. Jordan
John S. McConnell
Harold N. Lee

WASHOE #28

J. Hudson Shake
Daniel W. Davis
Kenneth C. Martin

ASHLAR #29

James E. Pierce Sr.
Harold N. Sharpe

ELMORE #30

Donald A. Bauer
Patrick G. Sinclair

SALUBRIA #31

Fred F. Glemser
J. Hudson Shake

GROVE CITY #33

James L. Exeter
John K. Parker

MT. MORIAH #39

James H. Oates
Harold N. Sharpe
Sherman L. Nesbitt
Dale J. Garrett

RATHDRUM #41

James L. Brostol
John S. McConnell
Raymond L. Hunt
David J. Hult

LAKESIDE #42

Robert J. Morrow
William J. Wilson
John H. Fuher

BONNERS FERRY #43

Larry D. Dirk

TWIN FALLS #45

Jerry B. Knudson
Reuben D. McKinney

MERIDIAN #47

F. Blaine Jolley
Fermin Figuera

ARCO #48

Arlis Hamilton
Mike Baxter
Benny Martin

MALAD #51

Don S. Evans

ST. JOHN #52

George K. Hodgson
Jerry L. McMullin
John E. Marshall

WENDELL #54

Ernest E. Wortman Jr.

KAMIAH #56

Howard E. Averett
Paul A. Johnson

SPIRIT LAKE #57

Carl R. Bohn
John J. Wawerna

AMERICAN FALLS #58

Paul E. Alexander
Justin R. Lowder

LINCOLN #59

Aubrey J. Denham
Ernest E. Wortman Jr

ORIENTAL #60

Robert A. Weeks
Dwayne E. Patton
Robert J. Peterson
Duane E. Harrison

JEROME #61

Kenneth R. Roberts

PARIRIE #62

Daniel B. Heberling
Merwin Harding Jr.

ST. MARIES #63

Daniel B. Heberling
Charles R. Huskey
Walter C. Hibbard

BURLEY #68

Walter A. Jensen

PAUL #77

Mosa M. Ogawa

HAGERMAN #78

Ernest E. Wortman Jr.

FIDELITY #80

Russell R. Long

KEYSTONE #81

Justin R. Lowder
Louis A. Despres Jr.

IONIC #82

John K. Parker

CARIBOU #84

K.C. Swain

KOOSKIA #87

Donald A. Denton

CHALLIS #92

Jack B. Furey

Robert N. Weichbrodt

CAPITAL CITY #93

Warren H. Pavlat

MOUNT KINPORT #95

Leslie M. Walker

KANIKSU #97

John H. Fuher

IDAHO LODGE OF RESEARCH #1965

Richard R. Crossler

Thomas E. Hipple

Paul E. Alexander

Daniel B. Heberling

As we conclude and leave the room, please leave your donation in the donation box. Thank-you!

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner asked that all Non-Master Masons to please leave the meeting room and all Master Masons return to the Lodge by 9:30 am.

Friday, September 16, 2016 (Morning Session)

9:00 am Credentials Closed

Gilbert L. Gross Worshipful Master of Malad Lodge No. 51.

“Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Friday Morning Session of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho. Please give your attention to the procession of the Grand Lodge Officers.”

Procession of Grand Lodge Officers

“Brother Grand Marshal, you will present the Most Worshipful Grand Master

It is my pleasure to introduce Brother John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”

John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“It is my pleasure to introduce Gilbert L. Gross, Worshipful Master of Malad Lodge No. 51.”

Brother Grand Marshal, you will seat the Grand Lodge Officers.”

M.:W.: **Grand Master John E. Warner** proceeded to call Grand Lodge from Refreshment to Labor through the South.

George J. White Jr., W.: **Grand Chaplain, gave the following Prayer**

“Great Architect of the Universe, as we resume our labors on this second day of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, we ask that you continue to watch over us and give the necessary guidance to complete all tasks at hand with peace and harmony. This we ask in your Holy Name. Amen”

M.:W.: **Grand Master John E. Warner**

“Brother Grand Marshal, you will make the Proclamation.”

Russ W. Smith., W.: **Grand Marshal made the following Proclamation.**

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim the 149th Annual Communication called from Refreshment to Labor.”

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 9:15 a.m. September 16th, 2016

M.:W.: **Grand Master John E. Warner**, asked for the officers of the Idaho Lodge of Research to please stand up. It seems like the Grand Masters pin has gone missing. “Has anyone seen it?”

M.:W.: **Grand Master John E. Warner** asked Brother George White for the Temple Preservation Report.

401-6 Masonic Temple Preservation Report **George L White Jr.**

Masonic Temple Preservation Committee Report

There was no request for funds this year so there is nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted
George L. White.

I move that this report be received as no action, seconded and passed.

M.:W.: **Grand Master John E. Warner** called for the Report of the money raised in the Memorial Service this morning.

Money raised in the Memorial Fund:

Pre-Paid Life total	\$3,099.00
Charity Fund	\$ 101.00
Endowment Fund	\$ 535.00
Not specified	\$ 30.00
Total	\$3,765.00

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother of the committee thank you for your service.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Report of the Sesquicentennial Committee

Sesquicentennial Committee **James A. Hensley,**

Bothers you will see that there are items for sale in the lobby, some have been marked down so please support the Sesquicentennial Committee.

James A. Hensley

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Report of the Board of Custodians of the work.

Section 802 Board of Custodians of the Work **Richard E. Kaiser, PGM**

REPORT OF THE CUSTODIANS OF THE WORK

Richard E. Kaiser, Chairman

Although one item was considered for submission, it was withdrawn. There are no issues to consider at this time.

Signed:

Richard E. Kaiser/s

Keith C. Brooks /s

G. Arthur Shoemaker /s

Michael A. Sutton /s

Jay Leonard /s

Skip Owen /s

David Triplett /s

Richard E. Kaiser moved that the Report of the Custodians of the Work be received.

Motion was seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Report of the Grand Representative Oversight Committee

Grand Representative Oversight Committee **Steven L. Hall**

There was no request for Grand Representatives this year.

Brother Steven L. Hall

I move this report be received, seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Report of the Idaho Lodge of Research 1965.

Idaho Lodge of Research #1965

Annual Stated Meeting

Wyndham Garden Hotel, Thursday evening, September 15th, AD 2016 AL 6016:

A Lodge of Master Masons was opened in Due and Ancient Form at 7:00 p.m. with the following Officers present:

Bro. Terry L. Adsitt	W.M.	Bro.	Marshal
Bro. James T. Hansen	S.W.	Bro. David A. Smith	S.D. (Acting)
Bro. John C. Kline	J.W. (Acting)	Bro. Bryan Becker.....	J.D. (Acting)
Bro. Ronald G. Berto	TREAS.	Bro.	S.S.
Bro. Barry E. Newell	SEC.	Bro.	J.S.
Bro. David A. Smith	CHAP.	Bro.	Tyler

The Worshipful Master directed the attention of the Brethren to Flag of the United States of America situated in the East and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Worshipful Master then directed the Secretary to read the minutes of the 2015 Annual Communication and was approved.

Master’s Report:

Bro. Terry asked Bro. Barry to give a summary of Education Nights sponsored by the Idaho Lodge of Research. Bro. Terry talked about continuing the new direction and vision of the Idaho Lodge of Research in the digital age. Bro. Terry discussed the progress the Lodge has taken with the website this past year.

Old Business:

Bro. Terry directed the Treasurer to reissue the check to Ms. Kristen Gorte and Bro. Barry stated that he will personally deliver it to her.

Bro. Ron Berto gave a summary of the hacking of the Lodge’s bank account. All of the money been returned to the Lodge accounts. Wells Fargo has started charging the Savings Account a fee since it did not have a debit card. The Treasurer has ordered a debit card and will destroy it upon delivery.

New Business:

Bro. James T. Hansen asked if the Lodge can issue digital dues cards. Bro. Barry and Bro. Terry will look into the options the Lodge has with this matter.

The Treasurer then reported the Lodge of Research had \$11,772.36 in the Checking account and \$9,733.71 in the Savings account.

Bro. Terry asked the Lodge to transfer the Idaho Lodge of Research to a new server and will give the Idaho City Historic Lodge 90-days before shutting down their website. It was so moved by Bro. John Kline, seconded, and approved.

Bro. John Kline suggested that the Lodge reach out to the Masonic Youth Groups and discuss their vision of Freemasonry. He was suggesting this to see if this could assist Lodges in staying in touch with the younger generations.

Elections were then held for the officers of 2016:

Worshipful Master Terry Adsitt, PM
Senior Warden James T. Hansen
Junior Warden..... Aaron Hansen, PM
Treasurer Ronald G. Berto, PM
Secretary Barry E. Newell, PM

The Worshipful Master-elect then appointed the following officers:

Senior Deacon J. Sherwin Wilson
Junior Deacon..... Jesse Laduke
Chaplain David A. Smith
Marshal Jerry D. Parsons
Senior Steward Marc Smith
Junior Steward Levi Billman
Tyler..... Shawn V. Gibbons

It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer pays the necessary bills, with permission of the Worshipful and Wardens, throughout the year. The motion passed.

Announcements:

Bro. Barry Newell invited the Brothers to the Northwest York Rite Conference held from 13-15 October, 2015, at the Red Lion Downtown in Boise, ID.

Bro. Barry Newell reminded the Brothers that the Idaho City Historical Lodge is meeting on September 17, 2016, in Idaho City, ID, at 2PM.

Bro. James Hansen invited Brethren to the upcoming Boise Scottish Rite Reunion on October 22nd and 23rd, 2016, at the Boise Scottish Rite.

No further business appearing, the Lodge of Research was closed in Due and Ancient form at 8:46 p.m. Worshipful Master, Terry L. Adsitt, presiding, with peace and harmony prevailing.

Terry L. Adsitt, P.M.

Worshipful Master

Barry E. Newell, P.M.

Secretary

Terry Adsitt – gave the MWGM a pin to replace the pin that came missing overnight.

Terry Adsitt move that the report of the Idaho Lodge of Research 1965 be received. Motion was seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Report of the Credentials Committee

402-1 Credentials

Randy King

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. and A.F. of Idaho, Officers of the Grand Lodge and Worshipful Masters of Idaho

I present the following information:

Persons Registered	141
Members	9
Difference w/o vote	132

Persons Registered
Without Vote

JW	11
SW	20
WM	31
Proxy	81

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PM	99
PGM	14
DDGM	11
GLO	19

143

Grand Rep.	0
Chartered Lodges	51
Lodges Represented	49
Unregistered Lodges	2

Votes	237	
1	87	87
2	25	50
3	20	60
4	10	40
Check Total		237

Simple Majority	120
2/3 majority	158.0

*Randy King
Credentials*

Unregistered Lodges	2
Lodges Registered	49
Idaho #1	x
Boise #2	x
Placer #3	x
Mt Idaho #9	x
Nez Perce #10	x
Lemhi #11	x
Silver City #13	x
Hailey #16	x
Paradise #17	x
Portneuf #18	x
Eagle Rock #19	x
Coeur d'Alene #20	x
Richfield #21	x
Weiser #23	x
Kootenai #24	x
Shoshone #25	x
Washoe #28	x
Ashlar #29	x
Elmore #30	x
Salubria #31	x
Unity #32	x
Grove City #33	x
Cataldo #34	0
Butte #37	x
Mt Moriah #39	x
Rathdrum #41	x
Lakeside #42	x
Bonnors Ferry #43	x
Twin Falls #45	x
Meridian #47	x
Arco #48	x
Malad #51	x
Kamiah #56	x
Spirit Lake #57	x
American Falls #58	x
Lincoln #59	x
Oriental #60	x
Jerome #61	x
St Maries #63	0
Mt McCaleb #64	x
Burley #68	x
Paul #77	x
Hagerman #78	x
Fidelity #80	x
Ionic #82	x
Caribou #84	x
Kooskia #87	x
Challis #92	x
Capital City #93	x
Mount Kinport #95	x
Kaniksu #97	x

Randy King, Chairman of Credentials Committee

Brother Randy King made a motion to receive the Report of the Credentials Committee. Motion was seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Report of the Lodges under Dispensation Committee

402-4 Lodges under Dispensation **Not Assigned**

There are no lodges under dispensation so GS Monte Bollar move that this be a negative Report. Motion was seconded and carried.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Report of the Time & Place Committee

402-8 Time and Place **Kent R. McCandless**

Time and Place Committee Report

Date: September 7, 2016


To: Brother Kent McCandless

Sr. Grand Warden Grand Lodge AF&AM of Idaho Chairman of Time and Place

From: Eagle Rock Lodge #19 AF&AM of Idaho

Eagle Rock Lodge #19 would take pleasure in hosting the 152nd Annual communication of the Grand Lodge AF&AM of Idaho, in Idaho Falls.

The event will be held at the Garden Hilton on Lindsey Blvd. September 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st 2019 with Brother Robert Mohny PM as Chairman.



Jonathan Tremelling WM



Robert Mohny Sec

CC: Brother Monte Bollar, Grand Secretary Grand lodge AF&AM of Idaho

Kent McCandless moved that Grand Lodge be held in the following years at the locations as requested.

2017 Boise, Idaho

2018 Lewiston, Idaho

2019 Idaho falls

Kent McCandless moved the report be accepted, Motion was seconded and passed.

R.: W.: Grand Master John E. Warner asked Brother James Voyles, PGM, to give the Report of the Idaho Freemason License plates.

Idaho Freemason License Plate Update

James V. Voyles, PGM

FREEMASON LICENSE PLATE UPDATE

(Received)

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Idaho
Greetings, Brethren,

Monday, February 22, 2016 did not turn out to be a good day for the Idaho Freemason license plate program. The vote to change the Idaho code and save our license plates went down 41 to 26 with 3 abstentions in the House of Representatives. I really thought that we had a chance until, during the floor debate, one of the legislators stood and read a piece from the Idaho Constitution that she felt made it unconstitutional for the House to pass our bill. The section of the constitution that she read from stated that the legislature could not pass any ex post facto (retroactive) legislation. While I would argue her interpretation of the law, her position prevailed. Her contribution to the debate on the floor was, in my opinion, what killed our bill. After she offered that input, I was actually surprised that we still received as many "aye" votes as we did. We enjoyed a great deal of support in the Idaho House of Representatives.

After this action, I believe that we have but one option left if we want to have Idaho Freemason plates on the road in the future and to enjoy the resumption of the financial support to the Idaho Freemason Foundation. That option is to initiate the process once again to establish the Idaho Freemason plates anew, from scratch. The steps to be taken have changed since our plates were originally approved, but it might be possible to go that way again in the future.

If we are to establish our plates anew, it will truly involve a rough and rugged road. We will have a non-refundable investment of \$1,000 at the outset as required by the law. Also, this time we will need a written commitment from not less than 250 current plate holders to purchase the new plates before the legislation can go forward. I think that it is very important that we determine whether the willingness to pay the costs and commitment to purchase the plates is there, before we start into that process again. In addition, we will again have not more than five years to have at least 1,000 of our plates on the road. We have some time now, as new legislation won't be possible until at least next year's legislative session. Between now and then, I believe that we need evaluate whether the necessary support is there by the start of the fourth quarter of the year in which we propose to seek the new legislation.

At this point, I sincerely thank all of you, my brethren, so much for your support and willingness to help. And thank you for so many of you purchasing and proudly displaying your Idaho Freemason plates all across the state. For the past five years, we have put the masonic message in front of hundreds of thousands of Idahoans with our plates. Like you, I am very proud of them!

Again, thank you all! And the Idaho Freemason Foundation thanks you, as well. You have given incredible support for the efforts of the Foundation, as well as for Freemasonry in general!

Respectfully submitted,



James V. Voyles (60)

I move that this report be accepted, seconded and passed.

Guest Speaker Warren Schoeben, RWDGM of Washington

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, I would like to invite Warren Schoeben, RW DGM of Washington, to give a few words.

“I bring you greetings from our Grand Master Jim V. Mendoza. In my travels I find that we all have similar problems. I do believe that we need to keep in mind the “Us vs Them” some say Grand Lodge is running Grand Lodge. The brethren of this and our grand jurisdiction are the ones that can change the code & digest not the Grand Lodge Officers, they will enforce it if necessary. Thank you for the hospitalities and wish you a successful Annual Communication.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, Brother Senior Deacon, do we have Grand Masters that have not previously introduced? If so, please escort them to the altar for introductions.

Dignitaries that have not previously introduced.

Name	Year
Skip Owen, PGM.....	2010- 2011
Mark Mancha, MWGM	Nevada

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner,

“Please join me in extending the Private Grand Honors and a Hearty Welcome to the Dignitaries.”

Guest Speaker Arthur L. Borland, MWGM of Oregon

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, I would like to invite Arthur L. Borland, MWGM of Oregon, to give a few words.

“I bring you greetings from the Grand Lodge of Oregon. Over the years it is good to build relations with the members of Idaho” Arthur talked about his theme for the year. “Traditions, Past, Present and Future.” His pin reflects the tradition and we have traditions that have gone back many years and the teaching those traditions and created new traditions. Membership what do we do wrong and right we need to look at our traditions to keep men in masonry. The younger members and how do we meet their needs. And how do we proceed.

MWGM Arthur Borland presented MWGM John E. Warner a wood Masonic Clock.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Thank you! Help me thank Arthur L. Borland, MWGM of Oregon, for coming.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, Brother Senior Deacon, escort Roy Jackson from Lemhi Lodge No. 11 to the altar.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner John thanked Roy Jackson for making his hat as it has been a tradition over the years and we would like to thank Roy for his work in making the hats for the Grand Masters.

Presentation of Grand Master hat to DGM James A. Hensley.

Roy Jackson: On behalf of Lemhi Lodge No. 11 I am pleased to present you with your Worshipful Master’s hat.

DGM James Hensley thanked Roy and Lemhi Lodge #11 for the hat.

Guest Speaker Ralph A. Easley, RW Junior Grand Warden of New Mexico

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, I would like to invite Ralph A. Easley, RW Junior Grand Warden of New Mexico, to give a few words.

“It is great to be in Idaho. I bring you greetings from the MWGM, Dennis R. Anderson of New Mexico, USA. I would like to thank you for the hospitality and my wife is happy and if she is happy I’m happy. I would like to thank Skip and Darlene for your hospitality, for picking me up at the airport and the Junior Grand Warden for taking care of us. We have the same problems as all the jurisdictions and trying to keep our members and keep them from being dropped for non-payment of dues and not fall out when doing the degrees.

I would like to invite all to the Rocky Mountain Conference next year. We are looking forward to hosting it.

He told a story about going to Grasmere, Idaho, on a hunting trip.

Ralph A. Easley presented MWGM John E. Warner a gift basket. “It may be a little hot.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Thank you! Help me thank Ralph A. Easley, RW Junior Grand Warden of New Mexico, for coming.”

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Idaho

Your committee for Appeals and Grievances wishes to thank you for the opportunity to serve you, this past year. Often there are no issues or appeals presented to this committee throughout the grand lodge year, however this year we have had a number of appeals and grievances presented to us for review and determinations.

Jerome Lodge #61 – Arrested Charter

The charter for Jerome Lodge #61 was arrested by MW Grand Master John Warner in accordance with Section 103 and Section 1302 of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest. The provision of Section 103 that resulted in the arresting of the charter was the fact that Jerome Lodge #61 failed to be represented at any of three consecutive annual communications of the Grand Lodge of Idaho. This provision of our code was added at the annual communication of this grand lodge in 2011. The arresting of the charter was required under that section of our code.

Our committee met with the Worshipful Master, the Senior and Junior Wardens and the Secretary of Jerome Lodge #61 at 2:00 on Wednesday, September 14. We reviewed their minutes and their Tyler's register since their charter was arrested on October 21, 2015 and found everything to be in excellent order. During the past several months, they have received and balloted favorably on four men for the degrees and have completed the conferrals of the EA degrees on three of the four. As a result of our meeting with the brethren of Jerome Lodge #61, we recommend that their charter be restored to them, immediately.

In order to bring that to fruition, **I now move that this grand lodge cast a favorable vote to restore Jerome Lodge #61's charter.**

Appeal of the rejection of the request for a dispensation to form a new lodge in 4th Masonic District (Twin Falls area) – A group of Idaho masons in the area of the 4th Masonic District desire to charter a new lodge in Twin Falls, said lodge to be a daylight lodge. As required by section 1002 of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, no new lodge shall be formed without the recommendation of the nearest lodge, in this case Twin Falls #45. A vote was taken at a stated communication of Twin Falls #45, and the majority of those present objected to the formation of the new lodge. These brothers then filed an appeal to this committee to overturn the decision of the Grand Master.

Article III (By-Laws relating to Grand Lodge), Section 310 gives the Grand Master the power to issue dispensations to form new lodges. Article X (By-Laws relating to the Lodges), Section 1002 limits that authority if the nearest lodge objects to the formation of the new lodge. The brothers filing the appeal argued that the provision in Article III was higher in the Rank in Authority of masonic law (Article XXIII Section 3304) than the provisions of Article X, thus allowing the Grand Master to approve the request for the dispensation over the failure of the nearest lodge to recommend it.

We of this committee on Appeals and Grievances have reviewed all of the information, and have determined that the Grand Master was correct in his decision to deny the petition for the dispensation.

As a result of this ruling, the provisions of Article X go on to say, "Except when ordered by the Grand Lodge, no dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge shall be issued by the Grand Master without the recommendation of the nearest Lodge." That means that the only remaining path for obtaining the desired dispensation is to bring the matter to the floor of the Grand Lodge to allow the delegates

present to either grant or deny the request for the dispensation. This will be deferred to the Grand Master for his action at a later time at this communication.

Final Comments

In addition to the above three matters brought before this committee on Appeals and Grievances, there were two masonic trials held within the jurisdiction. No appeals were received by this committee within the timeframe provided for in our Code and Digest. However, the fact remains that these two trials did take place, and the decisions of the respective trial commissions were that the brothers were guilty. Also, there were rumblings throughout the year that brothers in various lodges around the jurisdiction were finding themselves at risk of facing charges, and that some may yet come to fruition. My brothers, there are serious problems and discord in our fraternity!

Brethren, have you thought lately about what it means to be a mason? For that matter, what is a mason? Isn't a mason, or shouldn't a mason be, a man whose word can be taken as gospel. His faithfulness to himself, to his brothers, to his community and to his country should be beyond question. But what is happening to us, that we are seeing our incredible and valuable teachings being left in ashes and ruins?

So often we are not acting as masons, brothers, neighbors and citizens. Un-masonic conduct is becoming the daily norm among us. We are seeing lodges torn apart by disagreements, subterfuge and even verbal and physical assaults! We are engaging in questionable practices with our finances and the management of our assets as well as our lodges. And yes, we are even seeing brothers engaging in horrible and heinous acts both inside and outside of the lodge environment and even spending time in our jail and prison system.

My brothers, is this masonic conduct? Is this what is supposed to characterize freemasonry? Is this what we have learned from our masonic heritage? Masonic conduct means not just adhering to the letter of our obligations. It means adhering to our charges, our teachings and our entire masonic experience as well. What we are seeing happening all around us is not what our fraternity is about. When we find our brothers in trouble, aren't we supposed to stretch forth a helping hand to raise them up? Aren't we supposed to whisper good counsel in their ears, gently admonish them of their errors, and in a most friendly manner endeavor to bring about a reformation? My brothers, if we can't control ourselves and exhibit the tenets and cardinal virtues of freemasonry, we have become nothing more than a social club. We become masons in name only. We are no longer special. Our job as masons here in our world is finished.

I don't believe that is the case for a minute. If we would place more emphasis on being true brothers in the greatest fraternity that ever existed, and much less on our petty and self-serving desires, we would not need a committee on Appeals and Grievances. If we would only be and act like the masons we like to think we are and claim that we are. My brothers, please reflect on these thoughts!

Most Worshipful Grand Master I move this report of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

James V. Voyles (60), Chairman

H. Sherman Burger III (39)

Steve Zimmerman (39)

Motion was seconded and passed.

Call from Labor to Free from Restraint

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called the Grand Lodge Free from Restraint for a period of 20 minutes or the sound of the Gavel in the East. Please be back in the Lodge Room at 10:50 am.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called the Grand Lodge back to Labor by the Sound of the Gavel in the East at 10:55 am..

Dignitaries that have not previously introduced.

Name..... Year
Stanley E. Barker, Honorary, PGM and Grand Treasure Emeritus

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner,
“Please join me in extending the Grand Honors and a Hearty Welcome to Stan.”

Election of the 2016-2017 Officers

11:00 A.M M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner
“Brother Grand Pursuivant, you will close the doors. Brothers, it is now time for the Election of Officers.”

Teller Committee will be the Grand Pursuivant, Brother James Voyles, PGM, Brother Greg Johnson, PGM, and Brad Cannon, PGM. They will be collecting the Ballot, counting the Ballot and reporting the Ballot.

Rules for Balloting

Ballots are on a single sheet for all elected positions; to be deposited in a secure ballot box attended by the W. Grand Sword Bearer. Separate ballots will be available for those positions contested.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner I now declare the ballot open.
“Please deposit your ballot in the box by the W Grand Sword Bearer. The ballot will close at 11:10 am.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner
Have all balloted who are entitled to do so? If so, I will declare the ballot closed.”

I now declare the ballot closed.

Ballot closed at 11:10 am Friday, Sept. 16, 2016.

“Tellers, please take charge of the ballot.”

Guest Speaker

Wesley Ing, MWGM of Utah

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, I would like to invite Wesley Ing, MWGM of Utah to give a few words.

“Thank you for your hospitality and it is nice to come to our northern jurisdiction. It is nice when traveling to share words of wisdom. First, how many bull riders do I have in the room? So how long to you ride a bull to win? (8) eight seconds that is the longest 8 seconds. The average millennial only looks at your website for about 8 seconds. Do you have your evaluator speech ready? You must now have your speech down to 8 seconds to relay your message across to the Millennial. Look at your messages and you must get your message across to the world in a short period. Thank you and enjoy your annual communication and DGM James Hensley, we will be looking forward to your year.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Thank you! Help me thank Wesley Ing, MWGM of Utah, for coming.”

Guest Speaker

Mark L. Mancha, MWGM of Nevada

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner, I would like to invite Mark L. Mancha, MWGM of Nevada, to give a few words.

“We have had a good year traveling this year and spent a lot of time in the airport with John talking. John, your Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference was awesome. Our theme this year is ‘Masonry starts in the heart.’ The Grand Master cannot fix all the problems in the jurisdiction; it must be done in the lodge. Masonry starts in the heart and as masons we must remember that. We, as Grand Lodge Officers, serve you; not the other way around. Thank you Brothers.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Thank you! Help me thank Mark L. Mancha, MWGM of Nevada, for coming.”

Deputy Grand Master James Hensley read some word of wisdom found on the internet:

Sometime I talk to myself because I need expert advice.
Sometimes I roll my eyes out loud.
I don't need anger management, I need people to quit pissing me off.
My people skills are fine, it's my tolerance to people that need work.
I don't need to write that down, I can remember it.
When I was, young I thought nap time was a punishment, now it's a mini vacation.
Duct tape can fix stupid, but it can muffle the sound.

11:28 am M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the teller committee report.

Election Results for the 2016-2017 Grand Lodge Officers:

Deputy Grand Master	William K. "Bill" Curtis Jr.
Senior Grand Warden	Kent R. McCandless
Junior Grand Warden	Steven L. Hall
Grand Treasurer	Randy King
Grand Secretary	Monte B. Bollar
Grand Lecturer	Thomas W. Gough

Each was asked if they would accept the position and each answered "Yes."

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner ordered the delivery of the ballots to the Grand Secretary for destruction.

Election of Executive Council (Masonic Prepaid Life)

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner opened the nomination from the floor for Members of the Executive Council (Masonic Prepaid Life)

Requirements:

Three Master Masons who hold a Prepaid Life Membership in a Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be nominated and elected by the delegates at each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

Nominations from the floor are:

Mark Smith, PM, Meridian Lodge #47
Ron Berto, PM, Oriental Lodge #60
James Hansen, Oriental Lodge #60

The following were elected to serve on the Executive Council Board. All accepted the position.

Mark Smith, PM, Meridian Lodge #47
Ron Berto, PM, Oriental Lodge #60
James Hansen, Oriental Lodge #60

Discussion for Daylight Lodge in Twin Falls:

Rules for Discussion

The rules will be the same as debate on resolutions. (3) three people who have signed the petition for opening a daylight lodge and (3) three people against. Each individual having 3 minutes to speak.

It will be a written ballot – please show your ballot before depositing in ballot box. Remember to vote for the good of Masonry not personal spite.

There were (3) three that spoke "For" the Daylight lodge and (3) spoke "Against"

For	John Bonnett	Against	Keith Brooks
	Rick Carrico		Rick Rowe
	Jack Beck		Jeremy Vaughn

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner: After discussion MWGM called for further discussion from lodges that are not in the area.

Ron Berto asked "Where Daylight Lodge would be?" **Answer:** "Twin Falls, Idaho"
Johnny Lynch spoke "For"
Glenn Lovell spoke "Against"

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner: Closed the discussion and called for the vote: use a bottom ballot – write "Yes" you want a day light Lodge or "No" for no daylight lodge.

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment through the south for Lunch

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called the Grand Lodge from Labor to Refreshment for Lunch in the Silverhorn/Ponderosa room.

Russ W. Smith, W.: Grand Marshal, made the following proclamation:

"By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I proclamation the 149th Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho from Labor to Refreshment for the period of one Hour or until the sound of the Gavel in the East or 1:15p.m."

Friday, September 16, 2016 (Afternoon Session)

1:15 pm Grand Lodge Officers started in position.

Call from Refreshment to Labor (Ritual)

George J. White Jr., W.: Grand Chaplain, gave the following Prayer

"Heavenly Father, grant unto us the necessary wisdom and strength to continue our labors through this afternoon session. May the principles of Freemasonry guide us through what still lies ahead, and may brotherly love ever prevail. This we ask in your name. Amen."

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

"Brother Grand Marshal, you will make the Proclamation."

Russ W. Smith., W.: Grand Marshal, made the following Proclamation.

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho called from Refreshment to Labor.”

Discussion for Daylight Lodge in Twin Falls (Results of Ballot):

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner asked the Tellers Committee to make their report on the results of the Daylight Lodge.

The results were: 88 “Yes” 127 “No” Vote for Starting a Daylight lodge failed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner declared there will be no Daylight Lodge in Twin Falls. This will remain in effect until Grand Lodge next year or until such time as it is brought before this Grand body. Thank you for your vote, brethren, we now must enforce your decision. I hope that the differences will be worked out in a friendly manner. This issue is now closed.

401-1 Jurisprudence

Michael Sutton, PGM

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Idaho

We the Committee on Jurisprudence respectfully offer the following report for your consideration.

Grand Master’s Report, Part 1: We concur with Part 1, of the Grand Master’s report.

Grand Secretary’s Report: We concur with the report of the Grand Secretary.

Dispensations: We concur with all of the dispensations issued by the Grand Master with the following notes:

Lodges are encouraged to use the Internet to provide accurate and timely information to the Grand Master so he can better determine the suitability of approving/disproving dispensations. Also, lodges are responsible to notify all of its members when changing time or place of a meeting.

Amendments to By-Laws: We concur with all of the rulings of the Grand Master on By-Laws changes.

Official Acts: We concur with all of the official acts of our Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Appointments: We concur with all of the appointments by our Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Trial Commissions: We concur with the trial commission appointments.

Rulings: We concur with all of the rulings of our Most Worshipful Grand Master.

In regard to his decision on Ritual, we note that the Idaho Ritual is beautiful in its own right and unauthorized changes to it should not be taken without using the established procedures. The Brethren are reminded to review the 2014 Addition to the Rulings of the Board of Custodians of the Work.

Suggestions: We concur with all of the suggestions made by the Grand Master.

Recommendations: We concur with all of the recommendations of the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Resolutions:

Resolution #1: This resolution seeks to provide an exemption to the arrest of a charter of a Lodge which has not appeared for three consecutive years, if the Grand Lodge did not meet in their area during the three-year rotation. This resolution is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

Resolution #2: Seeks to clarify the circumstances when a member is dropped from the rolls during the first and second year he has not paid his dues. This resolution is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

Resolution #3: Adds \$1.00 per member per year as part of the “assessment” for each lodge. The amount is to be paid to the Grand Lodge Endowment Fund. This resolution is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

Resolutions #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, and #9: These resolutions all clarify the changes in wording from “per capita” to “assessment” in the several articles and sections noted. This was the result of an enquiry from the Grand Master concerning possible conflict in the Code and Digest, in use of these words. The Committee on Jurisprudence agreed with the Grand Master that there appears to be a conflict in the words, and these resolutions were submitted to reflect those changes. They are in proper form and ready to be voted on.

Resolution #10: This resolution deletes paragraph B entirely. The Grand Secretary tracks the years of service for each member and automatically issues a Fifty-year certificate as noted in Section A, thus making this part of the section unnecessary. It also eliminates the exemption under section 1, of the Lodge paying the Grand Lodge Assessment for the 50-year member. It does not address the question of a “Grandfather Exemption” or specify if Lodges will pay the assessment on all 50-year members or only members reaching 50-year status after passage of the resolution. It is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

Resolution #11: This resolution is an alternative to the previous resolution in case it fails. It requires the *Lodge* to pay the Grand Lodge Assessment for 50-year members, leaving the Lodge to address how it handles 50-year members. This amendment is prospective only. Use of the phrase “that member” establishes that the requirement applies only to 50-year members elected **after** the proposed amendment would become effective.

QUESTIONS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE DURING THE MASONIC YEAR

Who May Be Appointed: In light of two Lodges having their Charters suspended at the close of Grand Lodge, last year, the new MWGM John E. Warner inquired who may be appointed to the elected positions of the Lodge. This question was raised as there was some indication that the current officers might be unwilling or unable to serve if reappointed. The Jurisprudence Committee referred the Grand Master to Article XVI, Section 1603, paragraph 1: *All officers of a Lodge shall be members thereof, except the Chaplain and/or Tyler, etc.* The Committee also cited Article III, Section 301, paragraph 3, referring to his authority to suspend from office.... any officer of a Lodge.

Allowing a Chamber of Reflection: An inquiry from Eagle Rock Lodge #19, requesting permission to allow a Chamber of Reflection during the First Degree.

In this case our MWGM made the decision to deny their request before the Committee could respond to his request for information. However, in reviewing the information in this case and the Grand Master's ruling, the Committee agreed with his decision, referring to Idaho Code: Article VIII, Section 801, wherein it states that only Idaho Work will be used, and also referring to the Board of Custodians Report from 2014: Adherence to the Idaho Work.

Question: NPD's, Per Capita:

From Br. Jim Kemp, DDGM, Thirteenth District.

Br. Kemp points to a question from Lakeside Lodge #42 regarding when a member may be dropped from the rolls and the lodge can avoid paying the "per capita dues". The question in this case has to do with an apparent conflict within the Code and Digest.

Article XV: FAILURE TO PAY DUES.

Section 1502. Dues, When Payable, When Delinquent. Lodge dues shall be due and payable in advance, on or before the first day of January each year. Any member refusing or neglecting to pay his dues when due is thereby immediately delinquent; but he is entitled to all the rights and privileges of membership until he is lawfully dropped from the roll. (Revised Sept. 1990)

Section 1504. Reporting Delinquent Members. The Secretary shall, at the first Stated Communication in January, and at other times when ordered to do so, report the names of all members in arrears for dues for one year or more. He shall similarly report those subject to being automatically dropped from the roll, at the stated communication next preceding the date when the law becomes operative in each case.

Section 1505. Statement, Dropping from Roll, By Lodge.

1. The Lodge shall issue a dues statement to each delinquent member within sixty days after his dues were due and payable. A delinquent member shall have thirty days thereafter to make payment, show cause for non-payment, or request that his dues be remitted. When a member takes no action to correct his delinquency, the Lodge shall make every practical effort to contact him to ascertain the cause for the non-payment.
2. Action to terminate or continue the membership of delinquent members shall be taken only at the first Stated Communication of each Lodge in each calendar year; and the Lodge shall by majority vote of the member's present (1) drop each member who has remained in arrears for dues for one year, or (2) elect to continue such delinquent membership(s) during the second year.

ARTICLE XI: Section 1104. Returns, Monthly and Annual.

Annual Returns – Each Chartered Lodge shall file in the office of the Grand Secretary between the 1st and 15th day of January, each year, on forms furnished by him, its returns for the preceding Grand Lodge fiscal year from January 1st through December 31st, both dates inclusive. Annual Returns shall contain a list of the officers of the Lodge, and such other information as required on the form, and shall be signed by the Master and attested by the Secretary.

Under Article XV, Section 1502, Dues are due and payable on or before the first day of January, each year. Then under Section 1504, it states, "January, and at other times when ordered to do so, report the names of all members in arrears for

dues for one year or more.” It goes on to say, “**He shall similarly report those subject to being automatically dropped from the roll, at the stated communication next preceding the date when the law becomes operative in each case.**

In Section 1505, it states that “The Lodge shall issue a dues statement to each delinquent member within sixty days after his dues were due and payable”. A delinquent member shall have thirty days thereafter to make payment, etc.”

In paragraph 2, it states that “Action to terminate or continue the membership of delinquent members shall be taken **only** at the first Stated Communication of each Lodge in **each calendar year**, etc.”

Question: Can the member be dropped from the rolls, without being charged per capita, if they wait until the first meeting in January to vote on the member being dropped/remitted/ carried on the rolls?

RESPONSE: The committee on Jurisprudence believes the laws as written should be interpreted in the following manner:

The crux of this question is whether the Lodge can avoid paying per capita dues (assessment) on a member after the first year the member has failed to pay his dues. In our discussions, the consensus of the Committee is that the Lodge is obligated to pay the per capita dues (assessment) the first year of his non-payment. This is based on the wording of Article XV, Section 1504, and 1505, that the Lodge can only take action at the first meeting in January, each year. Thus the member shall be counted as a member on the last day of the **first** year, December 31. At the Stated Meeting in December of the **second** year, his name is read and he is automatically dropped at the end of the second year.

Questions for Jurisprudence, MWGM Warner:

Question for Jurisprudence

First the constitution refers to the money collected from the Lodges as an assessment not per capita. In the bylaws it then changes the wording in several places discussing money from the Lodges is called per capita. Per capita is a collection made for each person, this is what a lodge does, they charge each person dues. An assessment is what the Grand Lodge collects from Lodges. In several places of the bylaws, assessment is called per capita. To bring the bylaws into compliance with the constitution, can we as a housekeeping method change the bylaws to read assessment instead of per capita? This will make everything consistent. It does not change anything other than what it is called. Until further resolutions are submitted to change the process it only changes what it is designated? Simplicity and consistency is what we need. (See Attached Document with proposed changes)

Number 2 – The Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Idaho is the fundamental law. It is intended to be permanent, and supplies the standards to which all details of organization and administration must conform.

Based on this assumption then by-laws must not conflict with the constitution. When this occurs the constitution takes priority over the bylaws. If jurisprudence does not discover the conflict and it is presented to the brethren and they approve it, once it is discovered it must be taken care of to correct the situation.

Problem Discovered

Article VI Finance and Revenue

Section 601 (2) Levies upon Lodges, which shall be equal and uniform in proportion to their membership and degrees conferred.

Conflict Part Two- Pertaining to Lodges Article XIV Membership

B (1) Dues Exemption

A lodge electing a member to Fifty Year Membership shall be exempt from paying Grand Lodge Per Capita dues for such members.

By allowing a Lodge to reduce its dues paying members by 50 year masons is in violation of the constitution. It does not provide for equal and uniform payment, for example:

Shoshone Lodge only has 42 members; they have 10 fifty-year members paying for 30.

Washoe Lodge has 47 members; they have 18 fifty-year members paying for 29.

A smaller lodge is paying more than a larger Lodge which is not equal.

This can be also found in other lodges like Unity and Grove City; the smaller lodges pay more.

I am convinced, and the evidence proves that we are in violation of the Constitution that takes precedence. However, the accepted behavior is for Lodges not to have to pay. If the change is made it may put a hardship on some lodges. However, in real life states have allowed things to happen for many years and the Supreme Court has then come back and called it unconstitutional and the states had to deal with it. I believe we are in the same situation, we have a conflict and must deal with it no matter how hard. The question is how.

1. We ignore the conflict (I have a hard time with this).
2. Jurisprudence rules the conflict is in place and voids Article XIV b (1).
3. Grand Master reports to Lodges. A resolution is already on the floor to remove Article XIV b (1), for next year. Grand Lodge will meet before next assessment is sent out.
4. If the Resolution fails then an amendment must be submitted and required to be acted on by Dec 15 so it can be in compliance. It would be understood in the amendment that if the constitution is not changed then the bylaw would be considered in conflict and everyone pays.

What we do with good intentions may be the best practice but we are required to bring our practice in line with our law. We can't help making mistakes but when found we must correct it. This is going to be a hard decision.

John Warner, GM

The first question: is there was a conflict in the Code and Digest on the matter of "assessment" versus "per capita".

Second question: could that conflict be resolved as a housekeeping report rather than a resolution.

Third question: GM Warner believes that the Constitution and By-Laws are in conflict by allowing Lodges to reduce their "per capita dues" by not paying for their 50-year members.

Answer to the first question: the committee concluded there is a conflict on the matter of "per capita" versus "assessment." Lodge's pay Grand Lodge "assessments", members pay Lodge "dues". There is no provision in the Code and Digest in regards to "per capita" as a definition but the term is regarded as "per individual". There is reference to "assessment" under the Third power of the Grand

Lodge; also, under Article VI, Section 601, paragraph 2: Levies upon Lodges, which shall be equal and uniform, etc.

Answer to second question: the Committee felt that the changes required resolutions under Article XXXIV, Section 3401. Procedure in Amending.

Answer to the third question: the Committee in this case believes Article XIV, Section 1402(B)(1), is a valid factor in determining how membership is counted for purposes of the Grand Lodge Assessment. The Constitution provides for methods of making assessments, the By-Laws provide the calculation. There is no conflict between the Constitution and By-Laws. In addition, since the deletion of the exemption of 50-year members from paying Lodge Dues from the By-Laws there may be situations where the individual Lodge By-Laws need to be updated regarding dues from 50-year members. All Lodges should review their own By-Laws in regard to the 50-year question.

The RWDGM, Br. Jim Hensley, submitted the following request: "I am asking for a ruling regarding the payment amount charged for Pre-paid life dues. The payment required for PPL dues is based on the Lodge's annual dues as stated in each Lodge's By-Laws. It seems that somewhere along the years, the Grand Lodge Per Capita assessment has been included in the purchase price of a PPL membership calculation. I don't find any amount stated in the Idaho Code and Digest other than the annual dues of the Lodge that should be used in the calculation of a PPL membership. A PPL membership should be 21 times the Lodge Annual Dues. The Grand Lodge Per-Capita is solely voted on in Grand Lodge, by all qualified voting members, to provide funds for the annual Grand Lodge budget. This amount is, or should be, separate from the Lodge dues and not used in the calculation of a PPL membership.

I think that PPL members should be requested to pay the Grand Lodge assessment (Per-Capita) separate from the PPL membership dues. I realize that Lodges have been charging 21 times the Annual Lodge dues plus the Per-capita assessment charged by Grand Lodge. I believe this has been done improperly and needs to be corrected. There is not much we can do about the amounts charged in the past, but for the survival of the Lodges this needs to be addressed."

The Committees response is:

The DGM has asked a question based on an observation that the Per Capita amount has been included in the Lodge Dues amount multiplied by 21 to determine the Life Membership amount. He then asks if this is appropriate, or if the per-capita should be deducted from the Lodge Dues prior to this computation, with the member continuing to pay (presumably to his Lodge) the Grand Lodge per-capita Amount.

The answer is that the Lodges are correct in their current computation of the Life Membership amount. A Life Member is not required to pay the Grand Lodge Per Capita Assessment amount to his Lodge. There are no provisions in the Code and Digest that bifurcates Lodge Dues into a "per capita amount" and a "non-per capita amount". There is no authority currently granted in the Constitution or By-Laws for Grand Lodge to set a minimum dues amount for a Lodge. There is no provision in the Constitution or by-laws where the Grand Lodge requires a member to pay an amount other than dues to his Lodge (degree fees excluded). These decisions are specifically reserved to the Lodge via section 905.

In arriving at this answer, we have reviewed the Code and Digest for specific powers granted the Grand Lodge, and specific requirements relating to Lodge Dues and Grand Lodge Assessments. The Code has the following provisions:

Article V of the Constitution lays out the Power and Authority of the Grand Lodge. The Third power is to assess and collect from Lodges money as may be deemed necessary to be appropriated for benefit of the craft. The Sixth power provides for other fees charged by Grand Lodge. The Seventh power is unique – it provides the authority to levy each member residing in the Jurisdiction an amount for charity. ***This is the only time a Grand Lodge Assessment is placed on a member – and its proceeds must be used for charity.***

Article VI and VII of the Grand Lodge by-laws deal with finance, revenue and appropriations. Section 601 limits Grand Lodge Revenues to Fees for documents, Levies on Lodges, Funds, dues and proceeds of dissolved Lodges (subject to rights of creditors), Proceeds of investments, Gifts, Sale of Supplies and “Other Miscellaneous Receipts”. The “per capita” comes in the subsection for Levies on Lodges, and when combined with the sections on payment of dues to the Lodges supports the general statement “Lodges pay Grand Lodge Assessments, members pay Lodge Dues”. This statement is further supported by Section 1402(B) where a Lodge is exempt from paying Grand Lodge per Capita for a 50-year member, and Section 1411 requiring each Lodge to which a plural member belongs to pay the Grand Lodge per capita for such plural member as on each other regular member of the Lodge.

Article IX, Section 905 provides for the power and duties of Lodges. Subsection 2 provides that Lodges ***enact legislation relative to its own affairs***, not in conflict with the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge, or the immemorial customs and usages of the Fraternity. (emphasis added). This section gives the Lodge the authority to set their dues amount, and the computation thereof. The Grand Lodge has no specific authority in this decision. An answer agreeing with the DGM’s question would take away the right of a Lodge to enact legislation relative to its own affairs.

Section 1416 provides that a member who voluntarily becomes a “Life Member” is exempt from paying annual Dues to his Lodge. There is no discussion of “Per Capita” or a computation of a dues amount taking into account (or excluding) the per capita amount. As a result, “dues” would be the amount determined by the Lodge under their authority in Section 905. Section 1416 also provides for an additional payment if a member transfers his membership to another Lodge, and also provides authority for the Lodge to waive this payment under certain circumstances. Nowhere in the sections relating to Life Membership is the Grand Lodge Per Capita amount discussed or referenced.

Section 1417 directs Lodges to record the annual earnings from a living member’s investment as the member’s annual dues. Again, no bifurcation between “Per Capita” and “Non Per Capita”, it is simply recorded as “Dues”. Earnings on deceased members and other contributions to the fund are specifically not “Dues”, and shall be recorded as unrelated income. Then section 1417 goes further to provide payment to the Lodges of an amount less than the return on the fund for the year.

Article XV (Sections 1501 through 1507) address Lodge dues and effect on membership. Section 1503 provides for a Lodge remitting dues. Again, there is no mention of a bifurcated dues structure where there are “Lodge Dues” and “Per Capita Assessment” included in a general definition of Dues which would be required to answer the DGM’s question in the affirmative.

From the MWGM: A question regarding the By-law change from Ashlar Lodge #29, who wants to only send in the Lodge dues for the Pre-Paid Life Membership (PPL) and retain the Grand Lodge Per Capita/assessment portion in a special account and then use the income derived to pay the assessment when due.

Response: The By-laws as submitted for approval are not found in violation of the Code and Digest, however, also included was the “reasoning” for retaining the Grand Lodge Per Capita/assessment. That portion was found to be in violation of the Code and Digest as we reported in a previous decision to RWDGM Hensley, above, defining “dues”. All monies collected for the PPL shall be sent to the Grand Lodge for investment as required in Article XIV, Section 1416.

In conclusion,

We thank the Grand Master for the honor and privilege of being appointed to this committee during his Masonic year and pray we have benefitted from his instruction. We would note that the questions posed in this report have challenged and enlightened us as we researched the various aspects of these inquiries, rulings and decisions.

The Committee on Jurisprudence commends the Most Worshipful Grand Master, John E. Warner, on his year in the Oriental Chair. He has traveled far and wide during his tenure, and he has brought honor and respect to our Jurisdiction while extending friendship and brotherly love in his fraternal visitations and rulings. It has not been, however, without trial and tribulation. He has travailed through it all unwaveringly, using the lessons taught through our gentle Craft. Well done, good and faithful servant; well done.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Sutton (18-42), Chairman

Jay A. Leonard (30)

Gregory L. Winther (13-29)

William K. Curtis, Jr (1)

Steven L. Hall (30)

H. Sherman Burger III (39)

There was a discussion about “Per Capita” “Dues” and the calculation of PPL amounts. This report is the clarification of this issue. The Lodge By-Laws specify what Dues will be. A Dues calculation of a dollar amount + Grand Lodge Per Capita is being used in most lodges so the lodges do not have to change the dues amount when the “Per Capita” is changed. But it is still 21 times that amount. In simple terms “Dues = (dollar amount + Per Capita)”. PPL membership is calculated as 21 Times the “Dues”

Michael A. Sutton, Chairman moved this portion of the Jurisprudence report be accepted, seconded and passed.

Proposed Resolutions 2016 (Refer to Resolutions)

Michael A. Sutton brought the following resolution on the floor for discussion and vote:

Rules for Discussion of Resolutions

The rules are. (3) three people for and (3) three people against. Each having 3 minutes per individual.

Resolution	#1	Failed	
Resolution	#2	Passed	
Resolution	#3	Passed	
Resolution	#4	"Remove word Per Capita"	Passed
Resolution	#5	"Remove word Per Capita"	Passed
Resolution	#6-#9	Passed	
Resolution	#10	Failed	
Resolution	#11	Failed	

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner asked Brother Greg Winther, PGM, to give the Report of the Grand Lodge Charitable Trust.

Idaho Freemason Foundation Annual Report

Greg Winther

Annual Report of the Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M of Idaho Charitable Trust

DBA: The Idaho Freemason Foundation

September 16, 2016

To: Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho
Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren,

Did you know that we, Idaho Masons, have a fully functioning, non-profit for the benefit of children in Idaho? Did you know that the Foundation is not a line item in the Grand Lodge budget? It does not ask for nor does it receive any money from the Grand Lodge. Did you know that your lodge can use the Foundation to double the money you spend on charitable programs for children in your community? Did you know that applying for funds is very simple and without excessive paperwork? Did you know that your Foundation is a true non-profit, recognized by the IRS to allow any donations to be completely tax deductible? Do you know or have you met your fellow Freemasons that have labored, with love, to make this Foundation available to all lodges in the entire State of Idaho?

The Foundation's Board of Directors is made up of the following Freemasons. John Ransdell, Bill Curtis, Art Shoemaker, Randy King, Monte Bollar, and Greg Winther. Retiring from the Board this year is Calvin Barrett who has been a hard-working volunteer and most recently served as Chairman of the Board. Over the years of building this Foundation you have been served by many other dedicated masons who have given their time and treasure to make this charitable work possible. The Foundation absolutely needs representation from our entire jurisdiction on its Board of Directors. The Board uses telephone conferencing in its meetings, so your participation does not require you to travel long distances. Please give some thought as to whether you or someone in your lodge might have the skills and experience to apply for a Board position. We need your help and input from every

corner of our State. I cannot overemphasize the importance of statewide participation in the Idaho Freemason Foundation.

In this past year the MW Grand Master and the RW Deputy Grand Master held five conferences across the state to ask our membership what their ideas were to improve Freemasonry in Idaho. I was shocked to see that out of a summary of 18 ideas, number 6 suggested that we establish a Grand Lodge charity. Despite two letters that were sent to every mason in state about the Foundation and regular reports to the delegates at Grand Lodge and despite weekly mention of the Foundation in the Grand Lodge newsletter... many of our Brothers don't know that we have a masonic charity for children. To solve this lack of communication, the Board in a recent meeting, discussed starting an Ambassador program. An Ambassador would be trained to be a knowledgeable representative in each District or even each Lodge to answer questions and guide lodges in how to use the resources of the Idaho Freemason Foundation in your community. We welcome your thoughts on this idea.

What is the financial picture of the Idaho Freemason Foundation? Income in the last year has been limited. We received donations of \$213.46. The last of the license plate income, and smaller amounts from Amazon Smile and Idaho Gives totaled \$1476.94, for a total income of \$1690.40. Expenses to run the Foundation for a year were \$279.95, making our net income \$1414.38. As of September 13, 2016, the balance in the checking account is \$39,239.22.

What can we all do to help the Idaho Freemason Foundation? There is something that each of us can do, at no expense to ourselves, and that is to simply make your online purchases through www.smile.amazon. The Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M of Idaho Charitable Fund is registered to receive a donation from Amazon every time you make a purchase. Another thing we each can do is to discuss with our accountant or financial planner how a tax-deductible donation might be helpful in our estate planning. There are many vehicles, including insurance policies, IRAs, Annuities, real property, stocks, bonds and more. It is a way to leave a legacy for our children that is administered and managed by masons. Our lodges can become involved too. Would your lodge consider a charitable fundraiser in your community for the benefit of the Foundation? All of these things together will help and we can continue to function as a fine example of Freemasonry in action.

Submitted by:
Greg Winther
Chairman of the Board, The Idaho Freemason Foundation

401-3 Accounts & Finances

Richard Kaiser, PGM

Report of the Accounts and Finances Committee


The proposed budget for 2017 has been sent out to the lodges as well as distributed at Grand Lodge, so I am not going to waste your time nit picking at this point. Instead, I would like to address a problem that I am afraid could be the end of Idaho Freemasonry. This will not happen immediately, or even in the very near future, but I believe it will happen if we don't change our focus from budgets, dues and Grand Lodge Assessments to membership in the fraternity. In spite of recent cost cutting measures the cost of operation keeps increasing due to inflation, but because of losses in membership, our income requires repeated increases in the annual assessment in order to maintain a balanced budget. An increase will be required again this year in order to avoid taking funds from the principal of the endowment fund.

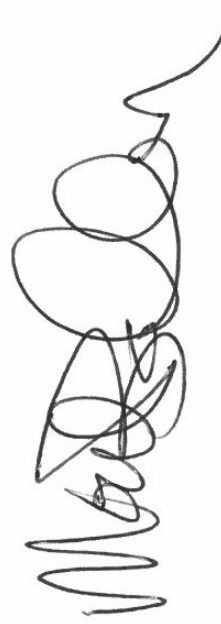
The use of the Grand Lodge Assessment is only a temporary fix to our budgetary problems. The real long term solution lies in increasing membership, and in the very long term, building our endowment fund. Obviously, if that fund were large enough, we would need less in the way of an assessment. One idea that has been suggested is to set the Grand Lodge Assessment as a function of a national price index, so that small increases (or decreases) would occur automatically. However, there are more factors that apply. Consider the following:

$$\text{Total GL Budget} = \text{Assessment Funding} + \text{Investment Account} + \text{Interest} / \text{Relief}$$

If the Endowment Fund income were set at a fraction of the fund interest, leaving some to grow the fund, we could eventually achieve a sustainable level of income from that fund, which would also grow over time. If the Budget were held to a price index (plus emergency funds if needed), then the Assessment Funding would simply be the Total GL Budget minus the endowment and interest/relief funding, and the Individual Assessment would be that number divided by the membership. The value of the assessment would therefore be responsive to the value of the endowment, economic variations, and membership. The only adjustments requiring legislation would be special or emergency expenditures.

Thus, there are three ingredients to a financially successful Grand Lodge; endowment funds, membership, and economic fluctuations. Long term success requires work in both of the first two areas, because we have no control over the third. On the basis of budgetary needs and the amount of work we have to do to set the ship aright, we propose a \$15 increase in the Grand Lodge Assessment

Richard E. Kaiser, Chm 9-15-16
James W. Smith GRAND MARSHAL 9-15-16
James A. Newley RW DGM 9-15-16
Loren M. C. Conder 9-15-16
Bruce A. Wetherill 9-15-16
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Williams K. Curtis Jr 9-15-16
Lundy King 9-14-16



I move that the reports of Accounts & Finances be adopted, Motion seconded and Carried.

There was discussion for and against the motion to increase Grand Lodge Assessment by \$15.00.

M.:W.: **Grand Master John E. Warner** called for the vote: Voting the same as before.
The vote was taken by raising hands by # of Votes. Counted by the teller committee.
Results: motion passed – budget has passed with a \$15.00 raise in Grand Lodge Assessment.

Tellers reported that the motion passed.

Grand Lodge Assessment will be \$60.00 for the 2017 annual Report.

Announcements:

M.:W.: **Grand Master John E. Warner**

“Brother Deputy Grand Master, do you wish to announce your officers?”

Brother James A. Hensley read the list of

Appointed Grand Lodge Officers for 2016-2017.

Steven O. Zimmerman	W.: Sr. Grand Deacon
Russ W. Smith	W.: Jr. Grand Deacon
H. Sherman Burger III	W.: Grand Marshal
Gary A.F. LaBruyere	W.: Sr. Grand Steward
John B. Johnson	W.: Jr. Grand Steward
Rick Holloway	W.: Grand Sword Bearer
George White Jr.	W.: Grand Pursuivant
Rick Waites)	W.: Grand Chaplain
Jerry D. Parsons	W.: Grand Orator
Bruce Wethered	W.: Grand Historian
J. Sherwin Wilson	W.: Grand Organist
Robert E. Nelson	W.: Grand Tyler

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

First Masonic District	Douglas J. Hammond
Second Masonic District	Daniel W. Drefs
Third Masonic District	Jerry A. Lynch
Fourth Masonic District	John T. Bonnett
Fifth Masonic District	Johnny A. Willis
Sixth Masonic District	Richard H. Neal
Seventh Masonic District	Danny L. Davis
Eighth Masonic District	Robert L. Bouy
Ninth Masonic District	David Jennings
Tenth Masonic District	Edward L. Bonham, Jr.
Eleventh Masonic District	David Savage
Twelfth Masonic District	Brian K. Becker
Thirteenth Masonic District	James D. Kemp

Pictures as soon as possible, Installation at 4:00 pm

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment through the south for Lunch

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called the Grand Lodge from Labor to Refreshment until 8:30 am Saturday Morning.

Russ W. Smith, W.: Grand Marshal, made the following proclamation:

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I proclaim the 149th Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho from Labor to Refreshment for the period of one Hour or until the sound of the Gavel in the East or 8:30 am Saturday Morning.”

Public Installation of 2016-2017 Grand Lodge Officers

2016-2017 Grand Lodge Officers

The following installing officers proceeded to conduct the Open Installation of the Grand Lodge Officers;

Installing Officers

Installing Grand Master	David C. Triplett, PGM
Installing Grand Marshal	Richard C. Broemeling, PGM
Installing Assistant Grand Marshal	Fred D. Decker, PGM
Installing Grand Secretary	Stanley E. Barker, HPGM
Installing Grand Chaplain	David “Skip” Owen, PGM
Installing Musician	Rev. Edgar Simmons

ELECTIVE GRAND LODGE OFFICERS 2016-201

James A. Hensley (45, 78, 80)	M.:W.: Grand Master
William K. “Bill” Curtis, Jr. (1)	R.:W.: Deputy Grand Master
Kent R. McCandless (19)	R.:W.: Sr. Grand Warden
Steven L. Hall (30)	R.:W.: Jr. Grand Warden
Randy King (13, 60)	R.:W.: Grand Treasurer
Monte B. Bollar (13, 60)	R.:W.: Grand Secretary
Thomas W. Gough (18, 21, 78)	R.:W.: Grand Lecturer

APPOINTIVE GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

Steven O. Zimmerman (39)	W.: Sr. Grand Deacon
Russ W. Smith (48, 64)	W.: Jr. Grand Deacon
H. Sherman Burger III (39)	W.: Grand Marshal
Gary A. LaBrauyere (19)	W.: Sr. Grand Steward
John B. Johnson (63)	W.: Jr. Grand Steward
Rick L. Holloway (13,60)	W.: Grand Sword Bearer
George J. White Jr. (45)	W.: Grand Pursuivant
Rick L. Waites (45)	W.: Grand Chaplain
Jerry D. Parsons (2)	W.: Grand Orator
Bruce A. Wethered (29)	W.: Grand Historian
Rev. Edgar R. Simmons (19)	W.: Grand Organist
Bob E. Nelson(29)	W.: Grand Tyler

Introductions

The M.: W.: Grand Master James Hensley introduced his family then called on the Grand Lodge Officers to introduce their families.

Remarks:

Closing Remarks

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

Friday (Night), September 16, 2016

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP BANQUET

6:00 p.m.	No Host Social Hour	Convention Lobby
7:00 p.m.	Grand Lodge Banquet	Silverhorn / Ponderosa

All Brethren and their Ladies welcome with a ticket.

Head Table

M.: W.: Grand Master	John and Rene Warner
R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master	James and Helen Hensley
R.: W.: Senior Grand Warden	William "Bill" and Andrea Curtis
W.: Grand Orator	Mark H and Debby Smith

W.: Grand Orator (Given at Banquet)

Mark H. Smith

Where Are The Heroes?

Report of Grand Orator 2016
Mark Smith

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Lady Renee, Brethren, Ladies and Gentlemen:

When Most Worshipful Brother Warner asked me to be Grand Orator a little over a year ago, the first thing that crossed my mind was that I had to perform some kind of speech at the annual dinner where we are now assembled. I also learned that there would be a couple of building dedications coming up, nothing to really worry about.

So I said, OK.

Then I started worrying.

The building dedications actually went pretty well and I was quite proud to participate. In late October of 2015, we dedicated the new restaurant and reception venue, *Chateau des Fleurs*, in Eagle, Idaho, which was arranged by District Deputy Grand Master (1st District) Doug Hammond, who was a long-time friend of Paul Beckman, one of the principals of the Camille Beckman company, which built the structure.



Well, that went OK. It was nearby, but I knew that down the line there was also scheduled a couple of dedications in Challis and Salmon, again arranged by Worshipful Hammond. Brother Doug is the very personification of the hieroglyphical symbol of the beehive.



But this venue was somewhat more distant from me, and the circumstances not quite so straightforward. After a lot of scrambling, emails and phone calls, I finally understood what was actually happening on that day. The day arrived on May 7th, 2016, and, again, the ceremonies proceeded smoothly and the Grand Lodge participation in these community events (as well as my remarks, I believe) were well received.



So, that was in May, and Grand Lodge wasn't until September. I had plenty of time to work on an after dinner speech. Come middle of July, I started to get serious. The first thing I did was to search for some helpful guidance at the Boise State library. I did a search on "after dinner speech," at the library site, and the very first entry was kind of intriguing. It read:

DANGER FOR AFTER DINNER SPEAKERS

It was from a 2003 issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association, and was an item from the "100 years ago" section.

After a bit of medical mumbo jumbo about blood pressure, splanchnic dilation, and exudation of nourishing fluid, the article goes on to say,

It has long been known that a man is not at his best for hard mental work directly after a hearty meal, but the real dangers of work under such conditions are perhaps hardly appreciated. The tension is increased not only in the arteries of the body, but also, in all probability, in those of the brain, and this makes it easy for a weakened point to give way....

We recently have had a striking instance of **death from apoplexy** occurring in a prominent physician while making an after-dinner speech....

After a further bit of doctor talk, the article goes on to say,

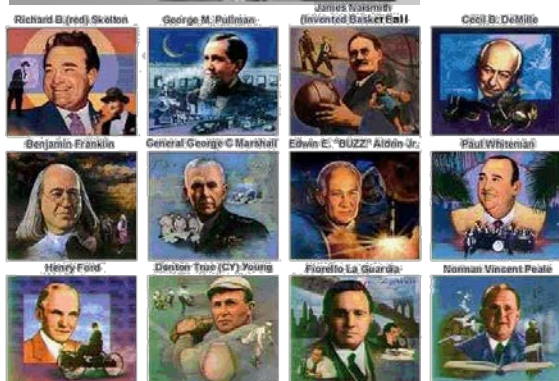
We do not wish to attribute too much importance to the idea, but it is one that is based on physiologic facts, and, therefore, theoretically at least, worthy of attention. It might, perhaps, be well from a hygienic point of view—and possibly from other points of view—if after-dinner speaking were dispensed with.

So, Most Worshipful Grand Master, I would like to enter into the record of these proceedings, the recommendation that, should I, the Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho for 2016, not survive this evening, that orations at this annual venue be dispensed with; or at the very least, be hereafter named in memory of your humble servant.



Despite my search for a topic, my sources were unhelpful, and, I noticed, quite old. Like, from the 1960's. That did get me to thinking about past and present, and my mind began to consider our Masonic heroes. Now, as Secretary of Meridian Lodge, I put out our Trestleboard every month, and not too long ago a brother submitted to me an item regarding Bro. Marion Morrison, more widely known by his stage name of John Wayne. Brother Duke was a top box-office draw for three decades, who passed away in 1979 ; he died 37 years ago.

Here's a poster I found on the internet. The picture isn't very good, but there's Red Skelton, George Pullman, James Naismith, Cecil B. DeMille, Benjamin Franklin, General George C. Marshall, Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin, Paul Whiteman, Henry Ford, Cy Young, Fiorello La Guardia, and Norman Vincent Peale. Besides being Masons, do you notice anything in particular about this list? With the exception of Buzz Aldrin, they are all DEAD. And Buzz is 86!



Here's another poster you've all seen, showing all the Masonic American Presidents. The most recent one is Gerald Ford, who served this country as president 40 years ago. Think about that. We haven't had a Masonic president for FORTY YEARS. And we're trying to use this list to attract young men of 20 to our Craft?



Really?

Just think about what was happening in the world, 40 years before your own 20th year. I was born in 1954, so that year would be 1934.

So, what happened in 1934? Let's see: The world was about halfway through the Great Depression, and Franklin Roosevelt was in the second year of his first term as president; Adolph Hitler rose to power in Germany; The Communist Party was established in China; Persia became Iran; The Three Stooges made *Woman Hater*; Walt Disney introduced Donald Duck; Academy award best picture was *It Happened One Night* with Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert. I could go on and on, but none of that really had any meaning to 20-year old me.

DeWitt Clinton	Alton B. Parker
Henry Clay	James M. Cox
Lewis Cass	Robert M. LaFollette
Winfield Scott	Alfred M. Landon
John Bell	Thomas E. Dewey
John C. Breckinridge	J. Strom Thurmond
Stephen A. Douglas	Henry A. Wallace
George McClellan	Adlai E. Stevenson
Winfield S. Hancock	Barry M. Goldwater
William J. Bryan	George C. Wallace

Here's a list of Masons that I put together.

Who can tell me what they have in common?

Besides being dead, these are all Masons who ran for President, and lost. Everyone loves a winner, and I suppose this is one reason. Second place is soon forgotten. I've never seen such a list before.



Sometimes heroism is a point of view. I was stationed in London for a few years, and a few blocks from my office I discovered this historical marker.

I've read that Bro. Arnold's treason was all the more hurtful to George Washington because Benedict was a brother Mason. But, we have to remember that the Revolutionary War was very much a civil war as it was a revolution. There were undoubtedly good men and Masons among the Tories as there were, what we call today, Patriots. We never hear about them; yet they, in their own way, were true to what they

believed.

My problem here is that I've been looking for modern day Masonic heroes, whom we can point to and say, "Look, so-and-so is a Mason. Don't you want to be like him?" And one trouble is that there is

no such list. I've looked. If you google for it, most of the hits are entries bemoaning the fact that there are none. There are undoubtedly Masons amongst the famous, but we can't find them on social media. The other trouble is that we rely too much on celebrity heroes as a surrogate for what we should be doing in our own lives. As Masons, we should be living our own lives on Masonic principles, and establishing our own example for the new generation to exemplify.

Why did I become a Mason? It wasn't because of George Washington or Amadeus Mozart or J. Edgar Hoover or John Wayne. It was because I wanted to be like my hero. I wanted to be like my Dad. Frank Smith grew up dirt poor in Texas before moving to Idaho in the middle of the Depression. After WWII, he met my mother when Dad was working as a messenger for the Veteran's Administration, and my mother, working for the Red Cross, was on his route. They fell in love, and Dad became a Mason under the influence of Mom's father, Ray Ulmer, a simple farmer. Dad defied his own family in their anti-Masonic sentiment.

So, to tie all these thoughts together:

First, our list of Masonic heroes is dated. If we continue to feature it as a call for association, we are not connecting with the current generation of young men.

Second, even if we could populate our list with contemporary Freemasons, maybe we would be missing the point. We, all of us sitting in this room, every Mason and their significant other, each member of each Lodge, each representative of every Masonic body here attending: Eastern Star, Job's Daughters, DeMolay, Rainbow, Daughters of the Nile, all of us, are heroes to someone. There is our future, and we do ourselves an injustice if we delegate our own greatness to some celebrity with more fame.

Blogger P.J. Stone wrote about heroes in the web page, intelligence.com, in her post entitled "Why Do We Need Heroes In Our Lives And How To Be One." She identified several attributes of heroes, which I'll amplify here for my own purposes.

Why Do We Need Heroes In Our Lives And How To Be One

Heroes lift our spirits

Heroes inspire us to become better people

Heroes heal psychological stress

Heroes show us how to transform our life

Find someone you admire

Honor your journey

Be decisive

First, **Heroes lift our spirits.**

When we hear of a fireman saving a baby, or a policeman playing squirt gun with neighborhood children, we feel good about those professions, and about the society we live in.

Heroes inspire us to become better people

We've recently witnessed the Olympics, where we saw athletes who have worked hard to become better in their sport than anyone else in the world. Just as Michael Phelps and Simone Biles might inspire a young swimmer or gymnast to emulate their path to greatness, so might we be inspired by a George Washington or a Dave Thomas to follow their paths, to do what they did—become Masons—in order to be like them.

Heroes heal psychological stress

Our daily lives stress us out, and if you listen to the news much you can easily become discouraged about the whole world. A close friend or family member who can listen and give comfort and advice can be our hero. Authors and speakers who address our concerns can also fill that role.

Heroes show us how to transform our life

Here's how PJ Stone describes this attribute: A random stranger pulls another from a tumble onto subway train tracks. Without thinking, he steps up. He later denies it was "heroic", but you and I know, this person has confidence in his own moral imperative. Through humble example, he shows us that we can do the same.

In the end, though, I have to admit that we need contemporary heroes for marketing purposes. These heroes may get the attention of those in need of inspiration. We do need heroes, as they set our standards for emulation. If any of you encounter more contemporary examples, please let me know.

But more than that, we all need to be heroes ourselves to others. Masonry calls us to self-examination and self-improvement. It is our example to our sons and other young men that will ultimately prove our worth to society.

We need to **find someone we admire**, but more than that, we need to be someone that others admire.

PJ Stone goes on to suggest how to do that.

Honor your own journey.

Be decisive in your life and conduct, confident in your moral foundation.



When we look in the mirror each morning to wash or shave or groom our beards, let us be mindful of who we are and the example that we project to the world. Let us follow two mottos recently promoted by Grand Lodge leadership:

Do what is right, not what is easy.

Live Masonry.

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Awards

Kent R. McCandless, R.:W.:Jr. Grand Warden

District Mason of the Year Awards

Awards will be given to the District Deputy and the awards handed out during the Fall District Communication..

District Masons of the Year are:

District 1	Garth A. Powell
District 2	Robert D. DuVall
District 4	Vance P. Mason
District 5	None - Submitted
District 6	John Robert Isenhardt
District 7	Danny L. "Dan" Davis
District 8	H. Sherman Burger III
District 9	David E. Thomas
District 11	Shaun T. Duman
District 12	John S. Hull
District 13	Robert D. Louthan

Grand Lodge Mason of the Year:

James C. Herndon

Lodge of Excellence Awards

District 1

Challis #92

District 2

Eagle Rock #19

District 3

Portneuf #18

Malad #51

American Falls #58

Caribou #84

Mt. Kinport #95

District 7

Idaho #1

Boise #2

Oriental #60

Capital City #93

District 8

Silver City #13

Ashlar #29

Mt. Moriah #39

Meridian #47

District 4

Paul #77

District 5

Hailey #16

District 6

Elmore #30

Hagerman #78

Fidelity #80

District 9

Weiser #23

Washoe #28

District 10

Mt. Idaho #9

Kooskia #87

District 11

Paradise #17

District 13

Bonnors Ferry #43

Lakeside #42

Saturday, September 17, 2016 (Morning Session)

8:15 a.m. Prelude by Rev. Edgar R. Simmons, W.: Grand Organist

Ernest “Mac” Billiard, Worshipful Master of Hagerman Lodge No. 78

“Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Friday Afternoon Session of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho. Please give your attention to the procession of the Grand Lodge Officers.”

Procession of Grand Lodge Officers

“Brother Grand Marshal, you present the Most Worshipful Grand Master. It is my pleasure to introduce Brother John E. Warner, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“It is my pleasure to introduce Ernest “Mac” Billiard, Worshipful Master of Hagerman Lodge No. 78.”

“Officers take your stations.”

Call from Refreshment to Labor (Ritual)

George J. White Jr., W.: Grand Chaplain, gave the following Prayer

“Great Architect of the Universe, as we start this third and final day of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, we ask that you continue to grace us with your presence and give us the necessary wisdom and guidance to complete our labors today. This we ask in your name. Amen

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

“Brother Grand Marshal, you will make the Proclamation.”

Russ W. Smith., W.: Grand Marshal made the following Proclamation.

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho called from Refreshment to Labor.”

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the Grand Lectures report.

(8) Grand Lecturer's Report 2016 Thomas Gough, R.: W.: Grand Lecturer

Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer's Report 2016

149th Grand Lodge, September 2016

Boise, Idaho

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER,
BRETHREN ALL.

The last several years I have submitted a written report into the proceeding of this Grand Lodge. Today, I am attempting to focus your attention on a most serious issue.

"WHAT CAME WE HERE TO DO?"

The Grand Lecturer, with the guidance of the Board of Custodians and the Grand Master shall be the INSTRUCTOR of the ESOTERICAL and MONITORIAL WORK, as it is spelled out in our Code and Digest. There is also mention of "OTHER DUTIES" as the Grand Lodge or Grand Master may direct.

"WHAT CAME WE HERE TO DO?"

It is a balance of Ritual tradition, Today's world, Mouth to Ear. Our Spring Communication gives us one opportunity to communicate all of this to the BRETHREN. · So much to share in so little time! How do we "IMPROVE RITUAL PROFICIENCY"? This last year we attempted to ask the District Deputy Grand Masters to assist in improving our PROFICIENCY. Recently I attended a Lodge Meeting where TWO DDGMs were present, The Marshal and Chaplain stations were reversed from our Idaho Work. As I recall this might have been CALIFORNIA WORK?

WHAT CAME WE HERE TO DO?

My experience, the Lodges that expand their horizons are the Lodges that are "FUN" to attend, alive and have a sense of PURPOSE. The healthy Lodge is one who is busy doing Degree work, engaging their members by getting them involved in Lodge activities. They TRAVEL to "Foreign Lands" take pride in their Ritual Work help one another and "Gently Admonish their BRETHREN. Far to many Lodges are a heartbeat away from giving up their Charter! Lack of Masters Certificates and Wardens Certificates.

WHERE IS IDAHO FREE MASONRY?

It all begins within each Brother's HEART. The Heart and Soul of every Idaho Mason. The breach, open circuit appears to show it's self when we meet together or what transpires away from the Lodge Room. Around our ALTAR we took an OBLIGATION ●●● ●● We are only human, we make mistakes, some of us even sin on occasion ●●●●●

WHAT CAME WE HERE TO DO?

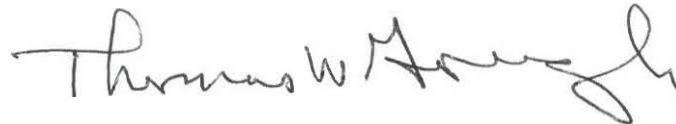
In search of further LIGHT ●●●●●●●● To improve myself by Study, Questioning ●●●● interaction via Mouth to ear communication with my Brethren.

TO LEARN TO SUBDUE MY PASSIONS AND IMPROVE MYSELF IN MASONRY!

How do I accomplish my goal. By walking the talk. by adhering to to my obligations, by living up to the CHARGES given to me. Our very first journey, admonishes us to be, "HONORABLE, as tending to make all men so who are STRICTLY obedient to its precepts." By practice of MORAL and SOCIAL VIRTUES
•••• We use a Trestle board, for most of us that trestle board is the BIBLE, for some Brethren i is the Koran or Tora.

We are reminded or admonished to treat our Brother or Neighbor on the SQUARE. TEMPERANCE, FORTITUDE, PRUDENCE and JUSTICE guide us in all of our actions •••• BROTHERLY LOVE, RELIEF AND TRUTH should be our first obligation. Our Ancient Land Marks give us direction.

WHAT IS IT WE CAME HERE TO DO?



M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the of the Grand Orators Oration Approval.

W.: Grand Orator (Approval)

Mark H. Smith

Brother Mark L Smith moved that the Oration be received as given at the Banquet and printed in the Grand Lodge Proceedings. Seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner

Brother Mark, thank for your work as Grand Orator in the building dedications and your Oration last night.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the of the Youth Committee Report.

Youth Committee Report

Jesse Laduke

Most worshipful Grand Master, the Grand Master handed me a stack of Scholarships to choose someone to pick people to receive a \$500-dollar scholarship.

They are:

Jacob Tucker who will be going to University of Arizona
Ryan Mote, who will be going to the University of Idaho
Makenna Rote, who will be going to the University of Idaho

I move that this report be accepted and submitted to Accounts & Finances, seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the of the Hospitality Committee Report.

Hospitality

Jesse Laduke

Most worshipful Grand Master, I would like to thank you for assigning me the Grand Libations officer and we have a lot of fun in the Hospitality room. The ladies of this jurisdiction seen necessary that

they get me a tee shirt. And here it is. I would like to thank them for this. There are some cookies left over and here they are for the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary to finish. We would like to thank all of the people that bring something to the room and leave it there, that is what makes this a great job and I would like to personally thank the following Past Grand Masters for putting me in the position in the past, Mike Sutton, Pete Cargill, Dick Kaiser, Dave Triplett, Jay Leonard, Skip Owen, G. Arthur Shoemaker and now I get to add John Warner. Thank you so much and I am looking forward to the future.

M.:W.: **Grand Master John E. Warner** called for the of the General Arrangements Chairman's Report.

General Arrangements Committee Report

Randy King

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master John E Warner and Brethren of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho:

I would like to offer a special thank-you to the MWGM John E Warner and his lady Renee for allowing me to be your general arrangements chairman. Your assistance and guidance certainly made this job simpler.

To the Brethren of Silver City Lodge #13, thank-you for being the host lodge.

A special thank-you to the Grand Lodge office, Cyndie, Monte and Jerry for all your assistance. It is truly appreciated.

To the ladies of the Brethren, thank-you for sharing them this week.

To the Wyndham Hotel: Caleb Taylor, General Manager; Jonathan Wray, Director of Sales; Jill Hampton, Catering Sales Manager; and Darcy Ryan, Front Office Manager thank-you for all your hard work and the long hours you put in. Also, a special thank-you to the staff. Words cannot express how much I appreciated all you did. If I asked you made it happen!

To my wife, Kathi, for all your support and encouragement. I could not have done it without you.

To "you" the members of this great Grand Lodge. This is all done for you. I want to thank-you for your attendance and support.

The following are the attendance records.

Room nights at Wyndham Hotel 240 The block of reserved rooms was sold out.

Idaho Registrants	149
Guests	58
Distinguished Guests	25
Guests	14
Total Registered	246
Grand Masters Banquet	96
Thursday Lunch	102
Ladies Tour	28
Secretaries Breakfast	30
Friday Lunch	85
Friday Ladies Lunch	40
Grand Lodge Banquet	190

I hope to see everyone back in Boise in 2017 for the Sesquicentennial Communication. In the meantime, let all "Do What's Right".

Fraternally submitted.
Randy King

I move this report be received., Seconded and Passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the of the Distribution Committee Report.

402-2 Distribution

John T. Bonnett

All reports collected have been filed and dispersed to the appropriate committees. If you have not submitted your written report please do so as soon as possible.

I move that the report of Distribution be received. Seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master John E. Warner called for the of the Visitors Committee Report.

Visitors Committee Report

William Bill Curtis Jr.

Most Worshipful Grand Master John E Warner and Brethren of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, the visitors have been examined and found to be Master Masons.

I move that this report be accepted, Seconded and passed.

Signing of the Bible & Final Comments

John E. Warner

Most Worshipful Grand Master John E. Warner signed the bible and returned Thanked Brother Tom Gough for driving & escorting the Ladies on the Ladies tour.

My Brothers, it has come to the end of the year, it has been a challenging year and it has been fun and I want to thank you for the support of brothers of the jurisdictions. I was always received with honors and treated with respect. No matter why I went to the lodges; to pull a charter or give a master certificate.

Brother Tom, I am supposed to send you a message, that I did something right by sending you as their driver. Every lady wanted to thank you for being their escort and they really enjoyed you as their driver.

There is no more to say, it has been a good year. We came here to be a mason, it is a change of life, it is a way of life, it does not change instantly. And every day including yesterday and the day before I

learn how to improve myself and how to improve my weakness. As we go thru life we need to learn step by step. All I have heard is how we need to skip steps. We need to teach people to be masons and we will not have as many Masonic trial.

I thank everyone here for the opportunity that I had, I had a wonderful year. Now!

Proclamation of the 2016-2017 Grand Lodge Officers Installed.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, John E. Warner,

“Brother Grand Installing Marshal, would you proclaim the Grand Lodge Officers of 2016-2017 be dually installed.”

Installing Marshal, Richard Broemeling, PGM, made the following proclamation.

“Before I do, will the brothers be upstanding and with me give you Private Grand honors. Will the new officers assume their positions. By order of the Installing Grand Master I proclaim the Grand Lodge Officers of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho, for the ensuing year to be duly installed.”

RW Grand Secretary,

Presented Most Worshipful Grand Master James A. Hensley his Grand Master’s Apron.

John E. Warner, PGM,

“Most Worshipful Grand Master James A. Hensley, would you please come over here.

Brethren, please join me in giving our new Most Worshipful Grand Master the Private Grand Honors.

Brother Jim, there are several items that come with this position, one is the Fred G. Mock Grand Masters of Idaho Ring. It has been handed down from Grand Master to Grand Master to wear for their term. Other items are the Seal of your office. With all that, I hand you the Gavel.”

Grand Masters Ring – Fred G. Mock

Brother Fred G. Mock was a member of Nampa Lodge No. 29, Nampa, Idaho, and elected the Most Worshipful Grand Master A.F. & A.M. of Idaho in September of 1896. In 1897 he commissioned a Grand Masters signet ring to be made and he gave it to the Grand Lodge at the end of his term for succeeding Grand Masters to wear during their terms. Each Grand Master has since passed it on to his successor.

The ring is eighteen karat gold, with black onyx top upon either end. In a half circle is engraved: “Grand Master of Idaho”. In the center is the significant square and compass and in the center of it the letter “G”. On the inside of the ring, deeply engraved, is the following: “Presented to the Grand Lodge of Idaho by F.G. Mock, Grand Master, 1897”. The material of the ring is all of Idaho product. The gold from which the ring was made was mined on the Boise River, six miles north of Nampa and the stone was found near the same place. The ring was made by Mr. G.L. Calkins, manufacturing jeweler, Nampa, Idaho.

Installation of 2016-2017 District Deputy Grand Masters

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley's first order of business was to install the new District Deputy Grand Masters for 2016-2017

Most Worshipful Grand Master, James A. Hensley

"Brother Marshal, you will assemble the District Deputy Grand Masters for 2016-2017 at the Altar."

District Deputy Grand Masers

First Masonic District	Douglas J. Hammond
Second Masonic District	Daniel W. Drefs
Third Masonic District	Jerry A. Lynch
Fourth Masonic District	John T. Bonnett
Fifth Masonic District	Johnny A. Willis
Sixth Masonic District	Richard H. Neal
Seventh Masonic District	Danny L. Davis
Eighth Masonic District	Robert L. Bouy
Ninth Masonic District	David Jennings
Tenth Masonic District	Edward L. Bonham, Jr.
Eleventh Masonic District	David Savage
Twelfth Masonic District	Brian K. Becker
Thirteenth Masonic District	James D. Kemp

Announcements:

Brother Steven Zimmerman announced he was handing out the new apron cases to those who needed them most.

Grand Secretary

"Officers, please leave your Grand Lodge Aprons and Jewels at your station, I will have Randy and Jerry pick them up. Please take your traveling Apron with you.

Our sound man could use some help in taking down the equipment and loading & unloading.

Brian Becker reminded everyone of the Idaho Historical Lodge # 1863 meeting in Idaho City.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, James A. Hensley

I do not have any new programs this year, we need to continue to be masons and work on what is right. I also think that the \$1,500.00 for scholarships is not very much and we should look at that. I have a fund raiser planned and need help. Helen has a quilt with 52 aprons that will be raffled off. This money will be used to buy Grand Lodge Officers Aprons. We need to advertise ourselves and let the communities know we exist.

Distinguished Guest Introductions.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Eric Bazil,	SW of Saber Lodge #7, Prince Hall Masons
Mark Mancha, MWGM	Nevada

Comments were given by

Sean Fuller on sales of products he has made and the donations to the Youth Groups.

PGM David Triplett on the fund raising of Capital City #93 and the possibilities

Ron Berto reminder of York Rite Oct. 13-15, 2016

Dan Davis, Fund raising and scholarships given by Ionic Lodge #82

MWGM James A. Hensley, please forward the money given to Charity to Grand Lodge Office.

Mac Billiard – Thanking PGM John Warner in the work he’s done this year.

Jesse Laduke – please support the youth groups of this state.

Closing of Grand Lodge

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for *“any other reports to be given; if none, we will proceed to close.”*

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley proceeded to close Grand Lodge in Ample form.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

“Brother Grand Marshal, you will make the Proclamation.”

W.: Grand Marshal, H. Sherman Burger III, made the Proclamation.

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, I proclaim the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho to be closed, to reconvene September. 21st, 2017, in Boise, Idaho.”

The 149th Annual communication was closed in ample form.

Misc. Reports

Grand Lodge Officers Report

(02) R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master

James A. Hensley

“RIGHT WORSHIPFUL DEPUTY GRAND MASTER 2015-2016 REPORT”

Brethren, it has been my privilege to serve the Grand Lodge of Idaho during the 2015-2016 year. I only hope I have helped move this jurisdiction in a forward and positive direction. My main focus has been to serve all the Lodges in a positive manner. My travels have taken me to many other jurisdictions and allowed me to gain great ideas and programs other jurisdictions are having success with and bring those back to Idaho. A day without learning is a day wasted, I have always felt that there is always something to be learned or gained by simply attending other Lodges. The old adage that God gave us two ears and one mouth still stands true, the odds are that you will learn more by listening and talking less.

September 2015: My year started off after our Grand Lodge by travelling with MWGM John E. Warner and Grand Lady Renee' to 9 of the scheduled Fall Communications.

October 2015: Found me at Twin Falls Lodge No. 45 Stated Meeting, representing MWGM Warner at Daughters of the Nile in Boise, Jerome Lodge No.61 First Degree and in Boise for Scottish Rite to receive the KCCH Conferral.

November 2015: I attended Stated Meetings at Hagerman No. 78, Buhl No.53, Fidelity No.80 and Jerome No 61.

December 2015: I attended Paul Lodge No. 77 and Installed their Officers for 2016-17, Hagerman Lodge No. 78, installed the officers from Hagerman No. 78, Lincoln Lodge No. 59 and Fidelity Lodge No. 80.

January 2016: Idaho Lodge No. 1 Stated, Hagerman No 78 Stated, Burley No 68 Stated, Jerome No 61 Stated, Boise-Sesquicentennial comm. meeting, Meridian No 47 Bean Feed, Hailey No 16, Third Degree and DON Boise- Rep. MWGM Warner.

February 2016: Hagerman No.78 Third Degree, Third Base, Richfield No.21 Stated, Conference of Grand Masters of North America-Madison Wisconsin and Fidelity Lodge No. 80 Washington's Birthday Celebration Dinner, Presented George Washington's Farwell Letter to the USA.

March 2016: Pocatello, Grand Lodge Planning Session, Portneuf Lodge No. 18-Exemplification of Third Degree, New Mexico-Grand Lodge, Boise Grand Master picture, planning meeting with Grand Secretary, Burley Lodge No 68, Stated and Caldwell, Mt. Moriah Lodge No 39 District Meeting.

April 2016: Omaha Nebraska, Planning Session for Conference of Grand Masters 2017. Boise Planning session at Wyndham Hotel for GL in Sept 2016, MWGM/DGM conference in Pocatello, Coeur D' Alene, MWGM/DGM Conference, Dist. Meeting 12 & 13, Bonners Ferry Lodge No. 43, International Day with Creston with B.C. & Yukon Grand Lodge, Tribute of Affection for MWPGM Dan Heberling at Coeur D'

Alene, Hagerman Lodge No. 78 Table Lodge and Investment Comm. Meeting in Boise.

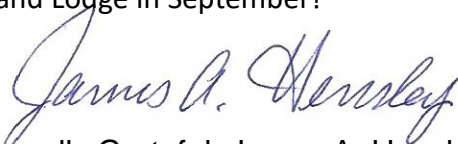
May 2016: Salmon, Lemhi Lodge No. 11, Building Dedication, Library, Challis Lodge No. 92, Building Dedication, Power Company Building, Grangeville, Mt. Idaho Lodge No. 9, Stated, Genesee, Unity Lodge No.32, MWGM/DGM Conference, Glens Ferry, Fidelity Lodge No. 80, Stated, Jerome Lodge No 61 Stated, Meridian Lodge No. 47, MWGM/DGM Conference, Boise, Unity Banquet and Jerome Lodge No 61, MWGM / DGM Conference.

June 2016: Portland OR, Oregon Grand Lodge Rep. MWGM Warner, Boise, Planning Session with RWGS Monte, Helena Montana, Grand Lodge of Montana, Burley, Judge for Jobie Grand Bethel Session, Grand Master Rep at Grand Bethel Session.

July 2016: Silver City Homecoming, Silver City Lodge No.13, Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference, Idaho Falls. August 2016: Grand Lodge of Wyoming, Casper

September 15, 16, 17, 2016: Grand Lodge of Idaho, Boise. Please make plans to attend, your presence, input and fellowship are essential to a successful 149th Grand Lodge Session in Boise!

In closing I want to thank the Brethren for allowing me to serve as your Deputy Grand Master for the year. I have gained knowledge and will continue to do so to enable me to assume the position of your Grand Master in September of this year. I will need all the help I can acquire from each of you to complete this journey to the Grand East. I never dreamed I would have the opportunity to serve in the capacity of Grand Master. I can assure each of you that I will do the very best to make all of us proud of being a member of the Grand Lodge of Idaho. With your help that will become a reality! Thanks again, I hope to see you at Grand Lodge in September!



Fraternally Grateful, James A. Hensley RWDGM

(03) R.: W.: Senior Grand Warden

William K. "Bill" Curtis Jr.

Report of the Senior Grand Warden

Brethren,

This is the report of my activities during my term as Senior Grand Warden.

09-30-15 Attended the Fall Communication of Districts 8 and 9 hosted by Butte Lodge #37.

10-12-15 7th Masonic District Fall Communication hosted by Capital City Lodge #93.

10-20-15 Participated with Tri-Valley York Rite College #178 in a First Degree for Boise Lodge #2.

10-23-15 Participated in a building dedication by Grand Lodge in Eagle, Idaho.

12-15-15 Went to a dinner hosted by Boise Lodge #2 commemorating the Lodge's 150th Anniversary and the 148th Anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

12-28-15 I was the installing Worshipful Master for Idaho Lodge #1.

01-23-16 I attended a Grand Lodge planning meeting.

01-23-16 District 8 had a bean feed hosted by Meridian Lodge #47.

03-05-16 Grand Lodge planning meeting held in Pocatello.
03-05-16 Participated in the Third Degree Exemplification hosted by Portneuf Lodge #18 in Pocatello, Idaho.
04-23-16 Attended International Day hosted by Bonners Ferry Lodge #43 and Creston Lodge #54.
05-07-16 I participated in the dedication of the Library in Salmon, ID and the Custer Telephone Co-Op in Challis, ID. These events were sponsored by Lemhi Lodge #11 and Challis Lodge #92.
06-09-16 I represented the Grand Master at the Grand Lodge of Washington in Wanatchee, WA.
06-18-16 Went to the Annual Pilgrimage of Idaho Lodge #1 in Idaho City, Idaho.
06-20-16 Attended Gems Assembly of Rainbow Girls in Meridian, Idaho.
07-09-16 Attended and participated with the Grand Lodge at the Annual Homecoming of Silver City Lodge #13 in Silver City, Idaho.
07-15-16 Attended the Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference in Idaho Falls, ID.

I would like to thank the Brethren of this Jurisdiction for giving me the opportunity to serve as the Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden. I have met some great Brothers and attended some wonderful events.

Fraternally,

William K. Curtis, Jr. /s/
RWSGW

(04) R.: W.: Junior Grand Warden **Kent McCandless**

Junior Grand Warden's Report
Kent McCandless
149th Annual Grand Lodge

September 2015 Attended Grand Lodge

Represented Grand Master Warner at Grand Lodge, Colorado Jan 20-24, Pueblo Co

Attended Grand Lodge of Wyoming Aug 7-9 Casper

Attended Fall Communications for Districts 1 2 and 3

Attended Rocky Mountain Conference, Idaho Falls July 14-16

Attended 3 Grand Lodge Dedications, Eagle Chateau Meridian 1-24, Salmon Library May 7 and Telephone Building, Challis May 7

Attended Masonic Unity Dinner, Boise, May 21

Attended Portneuf Exemplification May 5

Attended Grand Master and DGM Grand Conference, Pocatello 4-21

Attended Grand Lodge Planning Conference March 5th Pocatello

District 1, 2 and 3 Spring Grand Lodge Meeting

I attended 3 funerals,

Barbara Perry, Oct 19, Salmon

Harrison Dennis, 11-21, Idaho Falls

Mitzi Brooks, Feb 9, Burley

I assisted in three funerals,

Rose Croix, Jim Exeter, Feb 18, Blackfoot

Tribute of Affection, Jim Exeter, Feb 19, Blackfoot

Rose Croix, Justin Lowder, Oct 15, Pocatello

Attended Two Installations, Grove City. Assist, Dec 9, Eagle Rock Dec 19

I attended the following State and Regional Meetings:

York Rite NW Regional Conference Boise Oct 15, 16 and 17

Red Cross of Constantine NW Regional, Richland, WA March 18, 19 and 20

DeMolay Conclave, March 25, Idaho Falls

York Grand Sessions, April 14, 15, 16 Idaho Falls

Scottish Rite Honors, Boise, October 31

I attended the following meetings of York Rite Concordant Bodies

HRAKTP, 2, Boise

York Rite College, 2, Boise and Twin Falls

AMD Idaho Falls, 3

Red Cross of Constantine, Idaho falls twice, Twin Falls and Salmon

KYCH 2 meetings, March in Twin Falls, April in Idaho Falls

I attended the following at local meetings

Eagle Rock #19 Lodge, 19 Regular Meetings

Grove City #33 4 Regular Meetings

York Rite Bodies, Idaho Falls, 11 and Commandery Christmas Observance

Scottish Rite, Pocatello 11, Feast of Tishri and Remembrance and Reflection

I attended two meetings at Bannack Historic Lodge 3-7-7

Eagle Rock #17 at Bannack June 18, Bannack MT

Bannack 3-7-77 Annual Business meeting Sept 3

One of the assigned duties of the Junior Grand Warden is to assemble and prepare information for the Lodge of Excellence awards and the Masons of the year. I worked through collecting the information through the District Deputy Grand Masters, organizing it and provided it to the Grand Secretary for him to obtain the awards themselves for the presentation to the honorees. That was accomplished.

This will be done differently this year. In the past the awards were presented at Grand Lodge to those present. This year the list of those receiving the awards will be announced at Grand Lodge but the awards themselves will be presented at the appropriate Fall District Meetings.

It has been my pleasure to serve my Brothers of the Grand Lodge of Idaho. My Thanks for my election to serve in this position.

Fraternally,

Kent R. McCandless
Junior Grand Warden
Grand Lodge of Idaho, AF and AM

(09) W.: Senior Grand Deacon

Steven L. Hall

W.: Senior Grand Deacon Report

(no report submitted)

(10) W.: Grand Chaplin

George J. White Jr.

Report of the Worshipful Grand Chaplain for 2016

George J. White Jr.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, and Brethren:

It was a great honor and pleasure to serve as the Grand Chaplain for the Most Worshipful Grand Master John Warner this year. It is unfortunate that I was not able travel as much as I would have liked to this year, due to a heavy schedule at work, but when I was able the fellowship and brotherly love was overwhelming.

As the Grand Chaplain, my duties are to send a letter to the widow and/or family members on behalf of the Grand Master. It is with a heavy heart I must report that 99 of our brethren have passed and have gained admission to the Celestial Lodge above. We also lost one First Lady of Masons of Idaho. For a detailed list of our brethren who have passed this Masonic year, please see the Masonic Memorial Service.

I would like to convey a big thank you all of the Lodge Secretaries for sending your reports in a

timely manner, and especially to the Grand Secretary Monte Bollar, for all of his guidance this year. Last, but not least, to my wife Stephanie. Thank you for all the support you gave me throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,



George J. White Jr.,
Worshipful Grand Chaplain

(12) W.: Grand Historian

Jerry D. Parsons

**GRAND HISTORIAN'S REPORT
149TH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
September 2016**

There is no doubt that the discovery of gold and silver in the Idaho Territory brought Masons to the area. When gold was discovered in the Peirce and Florence areas in 1860, miners from the Northwest rushed to the Idaho Territory to establish their wealth. Gold was found on Grimes Creek in the Boise Basin in 1862 and the influx of miners established Bannock City. Bannock City's name was changed to Idaho City by the 1864 Territorial Legislature. Precious metals were discovered in the Owyhee Mountains in 1863 and miners rushed to this area.

Among the miners, builders and business people were Free Masons. They eventually met and petitioned the nearest Grand Lodge for dispensations to form lodges. The first lodge in Idaho was formed at Lewiston, which was at the confluence of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers. Lewiston was the encampment area where miners departed into Indian Territory in search of gold. Those Masons who remained in Lewiston petitioned the Grand Lodge of Washington for a dispensation to form a lodge. It was granted in December 1862 and they received a charter for Lewiston Lodge No. 10 in 1863. When the gold became depleted, the Masons moved to other areas and the Lodge became demoralized and they were forced to surrender their charter in October of 1865.

In the mining camp of Florence, the Masons formed a club and built a Masonic Hall. The cost was \$10,000. Although the Masons did not petition for a charter, they did build the first Masonic building in Idaho.

1863 was the year that Idaho became a Territory. Boise was incorporated in 1863. Lewiston became the Territorial Capital until it was quickly moved to Boise in 1864.

The Masons of Idaho City were given a dispensation to form a Masonic Lodge in 1863 and it came from the Grand Lodge of Oregon. They were chartered in 1864 as Idaho Lodge No. 35. Other Lodges formed in the Boise Basin at Placerville in 1865 and Pioneerville in 1866.

Charters were issued to Placer No. 38 from the Grand Lodge of Oregon and Pioneer Lodge No. 12 from the Grand Lodge of Washington.

Oregon and Washington Grand Lodges became embroiled in a jurisdictional dispute over the Idaho Territory. Boise formed a Lodge in 1865 and was chartered as Boise Lodge No. 37 by Oregon and in 1866 Owyhee Lodge U.D., located at Silver City in the Owyhee Mountains, was given a dispensation by Oregon. The dispute between Oregon and Washington lasted for years until 17 Masons who represented the five Idaho Lodges met in Idaho City in December of 1867 and formed the Grand Lodge of Idaho. With Idaho becoming a Grand Lodge, it left them with no territorial disagreement and the Grand Lodges later reconciled.

The Idaho Grand Lodge flourished in the next few years. New gold camps were established and Masonic Lodges formed. Owyhee Lodge No. 5 and War Eagle Lodge No. 6 in Silver City and Fairview in the Owyhee Mountains, Shoshone No. 7 in Boise and Coe Lodge #8 in Centerville. The town of Fairview succumbed to a fire that destroyed everything and the Masons moved to the Silver City Masonic Hall. Owyhee Lodge No. 5 and War Eagle Lodge No. 6 consolidated in 1881 to form Silver City Lodge No. 13. The Masons of north Idaho formed Lodges near Grangeville and at Lewiston. Mt. Idaho No. 9 is now in Grangeville and Nez Perce No. 10 is in Lewiston. Lemhi Lodge No. 11 and Hailey Lodge No. 16 were established in central Idaho. Portneuf Lodge No. 18 and Eagle Rock Lodge No. 19 were established in eastern Idaho when the first railroads entered the Territory. It is ironic that the lodge in Lewiston ended up with the same number as the original Grand Lodge of Washington chartered lodge at Lewiston.

Masonry was firmly settled in the Idaho Territory. More and more men traveled to Idaho to seek their fortunes and the Masons among them sought out each other and formed Lodges.

The population of Idaho increased with the addition of men working in the timber and building the railroads. Towns sprung up wherever there was timber to be harvested and with them came more Masonic Lodges.

Idaho became a State in 1890 and the railroads expanded into every area of the new state. New Lodges were formed in Pocatello, Glenns Ferry and Nampa in southern Idaho. Railroading became the new transportation industry for people and products.

Dams, canals and irrigation of the fertile land brought more people into Idaho and farming communities became cities with more Masonic Lodges opening. With irrigation, the State of Idaho became a food supplier for the west.

In the late 1920's the economies of all the United States suffered a great loss. Men were out of work and the price of gold and silver dropped which caused the closing of many mines. Masonic Lodges suffered with the loss of members and were forced to merge with other lodges or to return their charters.

By the 1930's the railroads abandoned their spur lines to the smaller towns and Masonry suffered more losses. More of our Masonic Lodges merged and consolidated with each other while some just gave up their charters.

When the USA joined in World War I, Masonry was flourishing again with new members going to war. World War II added more men into Masonry in the 1940's and the Lodges in Idaho were active again taking in new men who were returning from the battle fields. Masonic membership in Idaho was at its highest in the 1940's and 1950's.

Over the next few decades, Masonry once again suffered losses in membership. Members failed to get their children interested in joining. During the 1960's, 1970's and 1980's the men failed to join any of the fraternal organizations and they all suffered a decline. Masonic Lodges closed and no more petitions for Charters were issued. Mount Kinport Lodge #95 was chartered in 1952 and Robert Newell Lodge #96 was chartered in 1956. Mount Kinport #95 still meets in Pocatello but Robert Newell #96 merged with Nez Perce #10 in 1992. Kaniksu Lodge #97 was chartered in 1995. They originally were Kaniksu #85 chartered in 1922, and located in Priest River until they merged with Lakeside #42 in January 1987.

There have been three symbolic lodges formed; The Idaho Lodge of Research #1965 was chartered in 1965, Idaho City Historic Lodge #1863 chartered in 2010 and Murray Historic Lodge #1886 chartered in 2012. They were formed for Masonic education and to preserve historic Masonic buildings.

Idaho currently has about 3000 members in 50 active lodges.

Jerry D. Parson

Section 401 Standing Committees

401-5 Masonic Research & Education

John E. Warner

(No Report submitted)

Section 402 Session Committees

402-3 Unfinished Business

N/A

There is no Unfinished Business from the 148th Annual Communication.

402-6 Examination of Visitors

William "Bill" Curtis Jr.

Most Worshipful Grand Master John E Warner and Brethren of the 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, the visitors have been examined and found to be Master Masons.

402-7 Courtesy

John E. Warner

(No Report submitted)

Section 403 Special Committees

Section 504 Trustees of Grand Lodge Relief Fund

Mark V. Graybeal

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Investment Committee Annual Report, 2014-2015 Pre-paid Life Fund Report Endowment Fund Report Relief Fund Report

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho

On behalf of the Investment Committee, I am pleased to submit the following Annual Report for the 2015-16 calendar years.

This was again a trying year for the investments as returns are not increasing very quickly. Our investment advisor, Scott Johnson, continues to do an excellent job of providing your investment committee with information to make decisions to maximize the returns available on the funds.

Fund	Balance as of Jan 1, 2015	Balance as of Dec 31, 2015	Annual Return	Balance as of June 30, 2016
Relief Fund-fixed inc.	\$319,923	\$323,451	5.60%	\$483,549
Relief Fund-equity	\$807,165	\$706,174	1.70%	\$582,843
Endowment Fund	\$314,784	\$308,770	2.72%	\$331,212
Pre-paid Life-equity	\$763,484	\$706,528	1.62%	\$576,415
Pre-paid Life-fixed inc.	\$341,935	\$344,410	4.19%	\$478,879
Total All Funds	\$2,547,292	\$2,389,287		\$2,450,898

It is noted that during the 2015-16 year changes in fund balances due to market movements and conditions necessitated the rebalance of the accounts to comply with the code requirements for the mix between fixed income and equity investments. The code specifies the percentage of the investment funds the investment committee is to maintain in both fixed income and equities. As one classification of investments outperforms another we sometimes have to make adjustments to the account balances to maintain compliance with the code requirements. The funds were again rebalanced after this report in July 2016 due to market circumstances.

There were no specific recommendations of the investment committee that were included in the 148th annual communication report but the investment committee has continued with the following:

1. The Endowment Fund principal cannot be used and only the interest from the Endowment Fund can be used once that fund reaches a \$250,000 balance at which time ½ the interest can be used for GL Budgeted expenses. We continue to monitor that account and support any additional increases in funding thereto.
2. Committee discussions with the investment advisor lead to the recommendation that a withdrawal rate for budgeting of not more than 5% be done in order for the funds to remain relatively constant in this period of economic uncertainty and changing interest rate environment.
3. The Committee is recommending withdrawals from the investment fund be reduced over time to allow the fund balances to build and no withdrawals be made that would dip into accumulated principal. We are in a period of market uncertainty and we fell it is prudent fund management to limit investment withdrawal to not dip into the accumulated principal balances.

As you can see from the above table above we now have a simpler, more understandable chart of accounts to work with than in previous years.

Our investment totals have continued to grow above and beyond what is withdrawn annually to fund Grand Lodge operations; from \$1,963,839 in July 2009 to the present level of \$2,450,898 as of June 2016.

We have made a good investment return in the past year given continuing economic uncertainty. Our ownership interest in the various investments continues to be the same and the changes in the fund balances are due to market fluctuations.

The Investment Committee has not been asked for possible funding of capital improvements, and as such we are not making any recommendation. As noted it is our intent to monitor the investments and to not withdraw more than we are earning annually.

The investment committee has reviewed the 2016 budget as proposed. We concur with the recommendation of an increase in the per capita for the next budget year to lessen our dependence upon our investments in this period of market uncertainty causing fluctuations in our investment fund balances. It is also recognized that as our membership declines there has been additional reliance placed upon the investment funds to offset this decline in assessment amounts to balance the budget. It is our opinion this needs to be changed as the investment fund balances will not be able to sustain this increased demand and we thereby jeopardize our earnings ability in future years. We continue our recommendation to the Membership to "Build the Pathway" and support the efforts of the Sesquicentennial Committee to raise funds in addition to the annual per capita. The committees' efforts will not only raise funds for the sesquicentennial celebration but also raise funds for the endowment and charitable relief funds.

The investment committee continues to support the efforts to increase the amount of our endowment fund investments. It is the obligation of all members of this great jurisdiction to support, as they are able, all the efforts being undertaken to increase the balances of the endowment fund investment accounts. If we all work towards this common goal our investment incomes will increase and when they do the per capita can possibly be decreased.

The Investment Committee continues to have confidence in the investment strategy undertaken and in the advice of the investment advisor. It is our decision to continue with and maintain the investment strategy undertaken thus far.

I would again like to take this opportunity to thank Bro. Scott Johnson for the excellent job done this past year and the committee members for their attendance and input at our quarterly meetings.

We are happy to answer any questions at any time from the Brethren.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith C Brooks, PGM (45, 68) Chairman /s/

Greg Winther, PGM (13, 29) /s/

G. Arthur Shoemaker (29, 60) /s/

Randy King (13, 60), GT (Ex-Officio/voting) /s/

Monte Bollar, GS (Ex-Officio/voting) /s/

John E. Warner, RWDGM (18) (Ex-Officio),

Scott Johnson (Ex-Officio), Dean Buffington (93) (Ex-Officio)

Section 508 Board of Relief

Ronald L. Scott

REPORT OF BOARD OF RELIEF

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F.& A.M. of Idaho

We, your Board of Relief, in compliance with Section 501, of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest submit the following report on the transactions of the Grand Lodge Relief Fund during the fiscal period of August 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016. During this period, no applications for relief were received.

The purpose of our Grand Lodge Relief Fund is stated in Section 501 of the Idaho Code and Digest, and we quote:

Section 501 Purpose. The funds set aside by the Grand Lodge for relief are for the purpose of assisting the Lodges in the support and care of indigent members and their dependents. It is not intended to relieve the Lodges of their responsibility in taking care of their members if they are able to do so.

We would like to point out that Section 501 only authorizes the Board of Relief to assist the Lodges with their obligation to care for any deserving indigent brother and family. Lodges should be mindful of the needs of their older members and the widows of their members who have passed on.

Section 510 states that all applications for relief shall be made by the Master and Secretary of the Lodge of which the member is in good standing or was in good standing at the time of his death. When a Lodge seeks assistance for one of its Brothers, the Lodge should be prepared to share in a portion of the expense. Section 511 states that allocations approved by the Board of Relief shall be paid to the Master of the Lodge which applied for the assistance, and he shall have it delivered to, or used for the benefit of the applicant in such sums as may be required from time to time.

Fraternally submitted,

Ronald L. Scott, (60) Chairman/s/, Ralph K. Nichol (93) /s/, David E. Thomas (23) /s/

Monte B. Bollar (13, 60) Ex-Officio/s/, Randy King (13, 60) Ex-Officio /s/

Section 1417 (1) Executive Council (Pre-Paid Life)

Randy King

Pre-Paid Life Notification letter to the Lodges

February 06, 2017

To All Idaho Lodge Secretaries

Dear Brother Secretary:

At the 139th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, Resolution 10 was adopted. This change pertained to Section 1416 of our Code and Digest. 'Voluntary Prepaid Life Membership'.

2. (Price) The single-payment purchase price for a Pre-Paid Life Membership shall be at twenty-one (21) years annual dues that are in effect on the date of purchase, but not less than \$700. This amount to be adjusted annually in the spring based on the preceding year's inflation.

The cost of living for 2016 was an increase of 0.3%.
(For our purpose the amount of increase is rounded to the nearest dollar.)

Therefore effective January 1, 2017, the minimum cost of a Pre-Paid Life Membership = \$839.

History:

Year:	Amount:
2008	\$722.00
2009	\$750.00
2010	\$777.00

2011	\$774.00
2012	\$786.00
2013	\$810.00
2014	\$822.00
2015	\$836.00
2016	\$836.00
2017	\$839.00

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Randy King". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Fraternally,
Randy King
RW Grand Treasurer

PPL Grand Lodge of Idaho

As of Dec. 31, 2015

	Lodge Number	PPL #s	Dollars				Payout made in 2016 for 2015 year
			2015 Beginning Balance Total Dollars	Collected from Lodges in 2015	Total Dollars	% of Total	
	53	2386	\$ 1,183,956.00	\$ 18,267.50	\$ 1,202,223.50	100.000000%	\$ 29,797.44
1	65		\$ 36,562.00	\$ 2,110.00	\$ 38,672.00	3.2167064%	\$ 958.50
Prepaid Equity (1776)	2	125	\$ 58,338.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 58,348.00	4.8533405%	\$ 1,446.17
Prepaid Fixed (6838)	3	26	\$ 15,250.00	\$ 1,365.00	\$ 16,615.00	1.3820226%	\$ 411.81
Total:	9	44	\$ 17,875.00	\$ -	\$ 17,875.00	1.4868284%	\$ 443.04
	10	62	\$ 30,408.00	\$ -	\$ 30,408.00	2.5293134%	\$ 753.67
Net earnings From Investments	11	19	\$ 12,600.00	\$ -	\$ 12,600.00	1.0480580%	\$ 312.29
Percent Payout	13	88	\$ 57,655.00	\$ 4,040.00	\$ 61,695.00	5.1317413%	\$ 1,529.13
Payout value:	16	10	\$ 4,284.00	\$ -	\$ 4,284.00	0.3563397%	\$ 106.18
Expenses:	17	68	\$ 26,322.00	\$ 2,120.00	\$ 28,442.00	2.3657831%	\$ 704.94
Quickbooks	18	17	\$ 9,665.00	\$ -	\$ 9,665.00	0.8039271%	\$ 239.55
Accountant	19	104	\$ 65,994.00	\$ -	\$ 65,994.00	5.4893287%	\$ 1,635.68
Financial Review	20	8	\$ 1,499.00	\$ -	\$ 1,499.00	0.1246856%	\$ 37.15
Net Earnings for the Period	21	42	\$ 16,194.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 16,794.00	1.3969116%	\$ 416.24
	23	34	\$ 10,954.00	\$ -	\$ 10,954.00	0.9111451%	\$ 271.50
	24	53	\$ 33,215.00	\$ 1,790.00	\$ 35,005.00	2.9116882%	\$ 867.61
Committee Member:	25	51	\$ 16,170.00	\$ -	\$ 16,170.00	1.3450078%	\$ 400.78
Randy King - GT	28	55	\$ 15,924.00	\$ -	\$ 15,924.00	1.3245457%	\$ 394.68
Mark Smith (47)	29	39	\$ 22,080.00	\$ -	\$ 22,080.00	1.8365969%	\$ 547.26
Ronald Berto (60)	30	50	\$ 32,612.00	\$ 540.00	\$ 33,152.00	2.7575571%	\$ 821.68
Blake Titus (13)	31	19	\$ 5,092.00	\$ -	\$ 5,092.00	0.4235485%	\$ 126.21
Monte Bollar - GS	32	42	\$ 14,450.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 14,470.00	1.2036032%	\$ 358.64
	33	107	\$ 45,577.00	\$ -	\$ 45,577.00	3.7910588%	\$ 1,129.64
	34	38	\$ 12,516.00	\$ -	\$ 12,516.00	1.0410710%	\$ 310.21
	37	41	\$ 14,856.00	\$ -	\$ 14,856.00	1.2357103%	\$ 368.21
	39	40	\$ 17,800.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 17,820.00	1.4822535%	\$ 441.67
	41	24	\$ 9,492.00	\$ -	\$ 9,492.00	0.7895371%	\$ 235.26
	42	23	\$ 10,768.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10,778.00	0.8965055%	\$ 267.14
	43	62	\$ 24,570.00	\$ -	\$ 24,570.00	2.0437132%	\$ 608.97
	45	104	\$ 41,109.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 41,134.00	3.4214936%	\$ 1,019.52
	47	41	\$ 21,484.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 21,504.00	1.7886857%	\$ 532.98
	48	22	\$ 5,666.00	\$ -	\$ 5,666.00	0.4712934%	\$ 140.43
	51	8	\$ 2,730.00	\$ -	\$ 2,730.00	0.2270792%	\$ 67.66
	53	36	\$ 10,038.00	\$ -	\$ 10,038.00	0.8349529%	\$ 248.79
	56	12	\$ 3,465.00	\$ -	\$ 3,465.00	0.2882160%	\$ 85.88
	57	10	\$ 6,195.00	\$ -	\$ 6,195.00	0.5152952%	\$ 153.54
	58	25	\$ 6,636.00	\$ -	\$ 6,636.00	0.5519772%	\$ 164.48
	59	21	\$ 9,098.00	\$ -	\$ 9,098.00	0.7567644%	\$ 225.50
	60	136	\$ 136,536.00	\$ 2,070.00	\$ 138,606.00	11.5291375%	\$ 3,435.39
	61	8	\$ 3,360.00	\$ -	\$ 3,360.00	0.2794821%	\$ 83.28
	63	22	\$ 12,196.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 12,201.00	1.0148695%	\$ 302.41
	64	18	\$ 5,880.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 5,900.00	0.4907573%	\$ 146.23
	68	16	\$ 7,560.00	\$ -	\$ 7,560.00	0.6288348%	\$ 187.38
	77	51	\$ 16,204.00	\$ -	\$ 16,204.00	1.3478359%	\$ 401.62
	78	12	\$ 13,747.50	\$ 500.00	\$ 14,247.50	1.1850958%	\$ 353.13
	80	28	\$ 16,367.50	\$ 2,862.50	\$ 19,230.00	1.5995362%	\$ 476.62
	82	105	\$ 90,267.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 90,317.00	7.5124966%	\$ 2,238.53
	84	60	\$ 18,778.00	\$ -	\$ 18,778.00	1.5619392%	\$ 465.42
	87	56	\$ 13,280.00	\$ -	\$ 13,280.00	1.1046199%	\$ 329.15
	92	69	\$ 22,625.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 22,715.00	1.8894157%	\$ 563.00
	93	37	\$ 28,704.00	\$ -	\$ 28,704.00	2.3875760%	\$ 711.44
	95	48	\$ 29,447.00	\$ -	\$ 29,447.00	2.4493782%	\$ 729.85
	97	8	\$ 4,074.00	\$ -	\$ 4,074.00	0.3388721%	\$ 100.98
	1965	42	\$ 5,885.00	\$ -	\$ 5,885.00	0.4895096%	\$ 145.86
	GL	35	\$ 13,902.00	\$ -	\$ 13,902.00	1.1563574%	\$ 344.56

Annual Report for Prepaid Life Membership

For the year 2015 we wish to report that the Equity fund earned (3.07%) and the Fixed Income fund earned 1.18%.

Therefore we are paying to the Lodges 3% of the fund balances as of December 31, 2015 or \$31,574.46 less annual expenses of \$1,777.02 for a net of \$29,797.44.

Per Code and Digest Section 1417-6, page 75. (September 2007)

All members of the Pre-paid Life Membership Committee have approved this report.

Randy King
Chairman

MASONIC CHILD IDENTIFICATION KIT PROGRAM REPORT 2015-2016

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, AF&AM of Idaho

Brethren

In March of 2013 the Grand Lodge initiated an Idaho Masonic Child Identification Program using ID kits for parent/guardian use.

The Child ID kit packets consist of the basic form for recording a Child's personal information (name age, birthdate, eye and hair color, sex, height, weight, dental information, distinguishing markings, fingerprints and a place to attach a photograph), a fact sheet on DNA collection, a word/maze fun sheet for the child to complete, an ink strip for completing the finger printing and a sealable plastic bag for the storage of the completed Child ID kit forms and any collected DNA items. The kits are provided at a nominal cost to participating Lodges for distribution to parents/guardians. To date the cost to the Lodges has been \$12.50/100 kits, however with increased material and printing costs, a \$5.00/100kits increase in price to the lodges will be implemented needed during the Grand Lodge 2016-2017 year.

The Grand Lodge Office purchases the ink strips and sealable plastic bags in bulk and prints the data form and the DNA fact and fun sheets. Volunteers are donating their time and labor to assemble the Child ID kits. A special thank you to Brother Robert Burnett, Meridian Lodge #47; Cyndie Bollar, Grand Lodge Clerk and Brother Monte Bollar for their assistance in ordering supplies, copying forms and assembling the Child ID packets. During the 2015-2016 Grand Lodge year 800 child ID kit packets were distributed. Since March 2013, approximately 10,300 child ID kit packets have been assembled distributed to the Lodges and Concordant and/or Appendant bodies.

In September 2013, ten Child ID (height charts) Banners were purchased for distribution to Lodges. Seven banners have been purchased by individual Lodges or Masonic Districts. The three remaining banners can be purchased through the Grand Lodge office for \$50 each.

This year 2 lodges and 1 eastern Star Chapter requested the 800 Child ID kits. Since the program began in 2013 twenty two Lodges and 3 eastern Star Chapters have purchased Child ID kits for a variety of community events and schools.

I encourage the Lodges that participated in an event and provided Child ID kits in their communities to continue with such events in the coming year. When participating in an event please take pictures for displays and publicity for your Lodge. Please send copies of any pictures to the Grand Lodge Office. For those Lodges that have not participated in this program, I encourage you to consider the Child ID Program as a way providing a valuable community service.

The Idaho Masonic Child ID kit packets should be ordered through the Grand Lodge Office. Please allow a couple of weeks to process orders. A Banner is also available for use at an event by scheduling through the Grand Lodge Office or me.

Fraternally Submitted

G Arthur Shoemaker (60)

Idaho Masonic Child ID Chairman

(No report was submitted)

Low Twelve Fund Trustees

David Smith

2016 Low Twelve Committee Report

August 1, 2016

Brethren,

To the most Worshipful Grand Master and the Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho: Participation in the Low Twelve Fund remains low. As of August 1, 2016 there are 105 members. This is a program that is not widely advertised or talked about in Lodges.

Recommendation: That the Low Twelve Fund be part of the information given in the Master Mason portion of the Study Guide provided by the Grand Lodge. This was recommended last year by Bro. Steve Hall and not done.

This past year has been a year of catch up. I again need to thank Bro. Barry Newell for his continued assistance with address updates. We had two billings with eight members for each. We still have 7 members that will be billed out by the middle of August. This will put us current on the billings. As stated in the 2015 report, I still do not take any wages and do not plan to in the future for being the Secretary-Treasurer. This is approximately a \$1,600.00 per year savings, including taxes.

The income from assessments was:	\$ 4,330.00
The income from interest was:	<u>\$ 199.66</u>
Total income for 2015-2016:	\$ 4,529.66

Total payout for deaths:	\$ 3,000.00
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The fund balances for July 31 are as follows:

CD #1	\$10,760.25
CD #2	\$45,377.70
Savings	\$ 2,513.98
Checking	<u>\$ 3,142.32</u>
Total	\$61,793.59

In conclusion, I wish to say that I still agree with Bro. Steven Hall (2015 Report) in asking Grand Lodge to include the Low Twelve information in the Master Mason part of the Degree packets that the Candidates receive. This would be a guarantee that all newly raised Master Masons would get the information about the Low Twelve Fund.

The Annual Form 990 to the IRS was filed January 10, 2016.

The Annual Corporate filing was filed July 26, 2016.

Fraternally,

David A Smith, Secretary-Treasurer

Low Twelve Fund of Idaho

NAME	PREPAID	OWING
Orel M Adams		
Joseph E. Alexander		
Ronald G. Berto	\$ 2.00	
Ric E. Bobier	\$ 24.00	
Jason P Bogstie		
Bert Bollar	\$ 10.00	
Brian O. Brady	\$ 24.00	
Richard C. Broemeling		
Keith C. Brooks		
Ranson H. Brown		\$ 48.00
Robert Dale Brown		
James T. Bunce		
David N Calvert		\$ 48.00
Bradley A. Cannon		
John K. "Jack" Carr		\$ 48.00
Dean Checketts		
Lawrence J. Christian		
James R. Cobby		
Fred A. Corwin		
Steven E. Crane	\$ 40.00	
James A. Davidson		
C. L. Davis		\$ 24.00
Neil A. DePue		
Daniel Drefs	\$ 33.00	
Donald F. Earnest		
William L. Elkins	\$ 12.00	
Chad R. Erickson		
Monte B. Evans		
Lyle R. Fisher		
Robert M. Haakenson		
Doug Hammond	\$ 24.00	
Joseph F. Hanig		
James T Hansen		\$ 48.00
Don H. Hawkins		
Kevin C. Hess	\$ 24.00	
Donald V. Hill		\$ 24.00
Tommy G. Hisaw		\$ 48.00
R. Dix Hoffman		
Richard P. Holm		
William E. Hopper		48.00
David E Jennings		
Gregory E. Johnson		
Wallace S. Johnson		
Clarence Jones		

Leland M. Jones	\$ 24.00	
Winfield Jones		\$ 24.00
H. R. Bob Judy	\$ 2.00	
Robert M. Julian		
Lysle O. Keith		
William L. Kelly	\$ 24.00	
Richard R. Kilbury		
Greg Kimberling	\$ 24.00	
N Randall King		
John C. Kline		
Ronald Koester		
John H. Krommenhoek	\$ 36.00	
John J. Kumm		\$ 48.00
Jay A. Leonard		
Dale E. Leslie	\$ 26.00	
D. Douglas Lindley	\$ 33.00	
Robert D. Louthan		
Rodney P. Ludvigsen		
Richard McFarland		\$ 48.00
Ron McManigal		
Jeremy Mink		
Robert Mohney		
Ben T. Montaney	\$ 24.00	
Sam Naramore		\$ 24.00
Willard R. Oliver		\$ 48.00
Edward G Olson		
Larry B. Oram		
Albert R. Otte		
David E "Skip" Owen	\$ 76.00	
George Pullman		
Victor A. Racicot		
Lawrence Rincover		
Larry Dean Ritchie		
Mark Rose		
Ray J. Sackett		\$ 48.00
Elmer E. Salo		
Daryl Sanborn		\$ 48.00
Robert U. Schiers		
Clyde M. Schrader	\$ 4.00	
Timothy L. Schroder		\$ 48.00
John W. Sharp		\$ 11.00
Don Simis		\$ 24.00
Andrew J. Smith	\$ 12.00	
David A. Smith	\$ 12.00	
Russ Smith		
Robert D. Stevenson		

David Stonhill		
Michael A. Sutton		
Richard Swift	\$ 24.00	
Thomas C. Thompson		
George E. Torbett	\$ 24.00	
David N. Torgeson		\$ 48.00
Lowell H. Townley		
Jeremy C Vaughn	\$ 6.00	
James V. Voyles		
Stan A. Wallerstedt		
John E Warner		
Wayne B. Weathers, Jr.		
David F. Wheeler		
Donn M. Wise		
Paul Worrell	\$ 24.00	
	\$ 568.00	\$ 755.00

Low Twelve Fund Trustees

(Audit)

Low Twelve Fund - Audit for the period of 8/1/2015 thru 7/31/2016

Saturday, August 06, 2016

Audit committee: H. Sherman Burger III, Russ W. Smith, Steven O. Zimmerman - Chmn.

Secretary/Treasurer: David A. Smith

Summary conclusion: After verifying the fund balance, reviewing the operating details for the past year, and verifying that the fund balance is sufficient cover future benefits to all members, we believe the fund has been operated in a manner consistent with the Fund's Bi-Laws except as noted below.

Notes:

- 1) Account balances were obtained from original bank statements.
- 2) David Smith is taking no salary or expense reimbursement for his service as Secretary/Treasurer of the fund.
- 3) Checks are only signed by the Secretary/Treasurer, however given the number of checks are few and are only written to pay death benefits, this is acceptable in the opinion of the audit committee.

Recommendations:

- 1) Next year individual member ledger cards should be available for the audit.
- 2) Need system to notify fund secretary/treasurer of NPD and Deaths.
- 3) All records for low twelve fund are kept at David Smith's home in a fireproof safe. A backup of these records stored elsewhere should be considered.
- 4) Members 30 days in arrears are to be suspended from benefits as per the Bi-Laws.

All Accounts are with Washington Federal				
#024-509543-5	#024-509544-3	#024-509653-2	#024-740595-4	Combined
Savings	CD#1	CD#2	Checking	
2513.98 7/31/2016	10760.25 7/31/2016	45377.70 7/31/2016	3142.32 7/31/2016	61794.25 7/31/2016
2511.48 8/1/2015	10722.60 8/1/2015	45218.93 8/1/2015	1811.58 8/1/2015	60264.59 8/1/2015
<u>2.50</u> Increase	<u>37.65</u> Increase	<u>158.77</u> Increase	<u>1330.74</u> Increase	<u>1529.66</u> Increase
<u>Increase Detail</u>	<u>Increase Detail</u>	<u>Increase Detail</u>	<u>Increase Detail</u>	<u>Increase Detail</u>
2.50 Interest	37.65 Interest	158.77 Interest	0.74 Interest	199.66 Interest
			-3000.00 Benefits paid out	-3000.00 Benefits paid out
			4330.00 Assessments	4330.00 Assessments
<u>2.50</u> Total	<u>37.65</u> Total	<u>158.77</u> Total	<u>1330.74</u> Total	<u>1529.66</u> Total

<u>Outstanding billing of assessments</u>	<u>Outstanding death payouts</u>
7 deaths not billed, so 7 * \$3 * 105 =	None
<u>\$ 2,205.00</u>	
<u>Member balances</u>	
Paid in Advance \$ 568.00	
In arrears \$ 755.00	
Net (In arrears) <u>\$ (187.00)</u>	

<u>Needed to satisfy all remaining members death benefits:</u>			
Current Members	Benefit	Total required	Total available
105	\$500	\$52,500	\$ 61,794.25
		<u>Excess</u>	
			<u>\$9,294.25</u>

Signed

H. Sherman Burger III

Russ W. Smith

Steven O. Zimmerman, Chmn

Grand Lodge Capital Improvements Committee 2014-2015

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F & A. M. of Idaho

Brethren

At the 2015 Grand Lodge Annual Communication the Brethren approved a special budget item of \$10,000 for the 2016 Phase III Grand Lodge building improvement project. The Grand Lodge Capital Improvements Committee prioritized the following items for construction in 2016-2015.

- Upgrade of rain gutter system on East side of building. Cost \$300.
- Replacement of air conditioning unit for south end of the building including new coolant lines. Cost \$4,200.
- Upgrade of the Grand Lodge Square and Compasses Masonic sign on the entrance to the building. Cost \$717 for materials, Sean Fuller (29, 47) donated labor for making the sign.
- Removal of old shrubbery, grading and shaping along the front of the building. Cost \$910.

The cost for the above items was \$6,127. This leaves approximately \$3, 800 for the remaining items.

Remaining priority items for 2016 include:

- Painting front of GL Building
- Replacement of the District Deputy traveling aprons.
- Water heater replacement

In 2013 the cost for Grand Lodge capital improvements was estimated at \$40,000 to \$45,000. To date the Brothers approved a total of \$30,000 for completion of capital improvements. No funds were requested in the 2017 budget, however long range planning needs to consider funding items such as: replacement of floor carpeting and roof maintenance/ replacement and replacement of all of the Grand Lodge Officer traveling aprons.

Fraternally

Committee Members

G Arthur Shoemaker (60)

Jerry Parsons (2)

Steve Zimmerman (39)

Monte B. Bollar (13, 60)

Proposed Budget & Resolutions

Draft Budget 2016

Proposed
Budget for 2017

From

Accounts & Finance Committee

For consideration at the

149th

Annual

Communication

Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M.

of Idaho

Sept. 2016

Proposed Budget for 2017

*This budget has been prepared and reviewed by
the Grand Lodge Officers,
Accounts and Finance Committee
the Investment Committee
and now presented to the Brethren*

*for
Adoption or Rejection
at the
149th Annual Communication
of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F.& A.M. of Idaho
at
Boise, Idaho
on
September 15,16, 17, 2016*

Tentative Schedule for the 149th Annual Communication

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016

3PM – 4PM Budget Meeting for anyone interested in Reviewing/Discussing the 2017 budget
Room to be announced at the Registration desk.

*Each Lodge is urged to study the Proposed Budget carefully, and if further information is required please contact the
Office of the Grand Secretary, @ gs@idahomasons.org*

*Office of the
Grand Secretary*

Copies mailed to:

Each Lodge Secretary
Each Grand Lodge Officer
Each District Deputy Grand Master
Each Past Grand Master

April 2016

To: Idaho Lodges

From: Richard Kaiser Chair, Accounts and Finances

Subject: Draft Budget for CY 2017

The proposed draft budget enclosed is very similar to that for 2016, with no changes. The \$40,000 previously approved, at an annual expense of \$10,000 per year, for building maintenance is not included at this time and will not be spent unless investment values recover sufficiently. This budget has been reviewed by the Grand Lodge Officers and the Deputy Grand Master relative to their goals for the coming year.

On the January 18th, 2016, The Investment committee met and it was moved and seconded, to limit the amount that would be allocated from the investments for the 2017 budget, to be a maximum of 5% of the investments, based on December 31, 2015 Wells Fargo Statement, or \$67,000.00.

With the loss of membership over the past year and at the current Grand Lodge assessment of \$45.00 this will not provide enough income to fund this budget. It would require digging into the investments more than the Investment Committee has allocated. This will require taking from principal as well as interest. This would be exactly the opposite of what is needed. Major cuts to this budget would result in a significant reduction of services provided by the Grand Lodge office and/or support for the Grand Lodge officers.

Three pieces of legislation have been submitted that might affect the budget and will be considered at Grand Lodge in September of this year. However, the annual loss of membership is the source of all our problems. It was not that long ago that there were ten thousand Masons in Idaho to support the operations of the fraternity. Today, the Income from the Grand Lodge Assessment is based on fewer than three thousand Masons, resulting in an increased burden on the existing membership. We have complained about the problem for several years, but we need to take action while we still have a fraternity. It would require a Grand Lodge Assessment of \$55.00 to balance the budget and stay below the Investment Committee 5% maximum allocation. The money not required from the investments will stay invested thus building equity for the future.

We must address the membership problem if we expect to find a long term solution. Consider, for instance, why we say a man must ask to be a Mason. Where is this codified? How does a man not involved with the fraternity know this? Do our lodges have functions where we can invite a guest without just sending him home when we go to our meeting? It is time to start thinking out of the box on this and other issues related to membership.

See you at Grand Lodge in September.

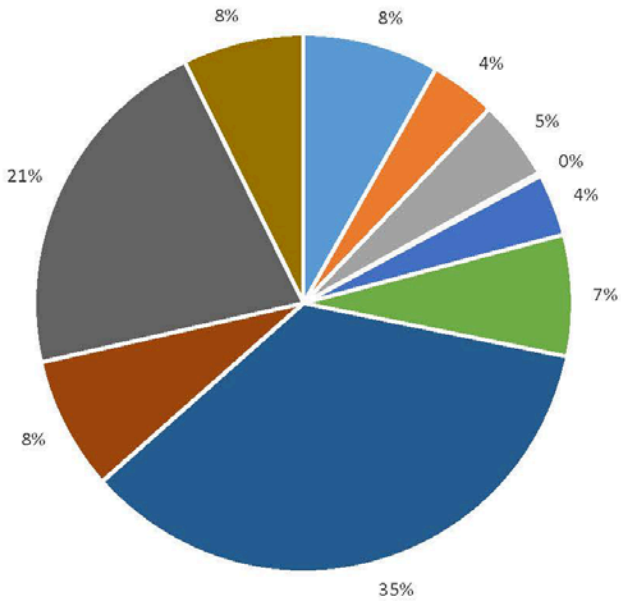


Chairman of Accounts & Finance

Year	2016	2017		
	Warner	Hensley	total dollars	Per Capita
Budgeted Income				
1350 Per Capita Tax (projected form lodges)	\$ 116,595.00	\$ 114,930.00	\$ 45.00	2554
		\$ 127,700.00	\$ 50.00	2554
		\$ 140,470.00	\$ 55.00	2554
3100 Income allocation from investment pool (requirements)	\$ 70,500.00	\$ 72,287.00	\$ 45.00	
		\$ 59,517.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 67,000.00 5% Allocation
		\$ 46,747.00	\$ 55.00	
Total Income (Projected)	\$ 187,095.00	\$ 187,217.00		
Budgeted Expenses (Projected)				
10001 Grand Master Budget	\$ 15,315.00	\$ 15,315.00		% of Budget
Total 10001 Grand Master Budget	\$ 15,315.00	\$ 15,315.00		8%
10002 Deputy Grand Masters Budget				
Total 10002 Deputy Grand Masters Budget	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 7,400.00		4%
10003 Elected Grand Lodge Officers Budget				
Total 10003 Elected Grand Lodge Officers Budget	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00		5%
10004 Committee Chairman Expense Budget				
Total 10004 Committee Chairman Expense Budget	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00		0%
10005 Conferences Budgets				
Total 10005 Conferences Budgets	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00		4%
10006 Printing Budget				
Total 10006 Printing Budget	\$ 13,650.00	\$ 13,650.00		7%
10008 Salaries/Taxes				
Total 10008 Salaries/Taxes	\$ 66,046.00	\$ 66,046.00		35%
1610 Retirement (Joe Haing, Vern Patrick)				
Total 1610 Retirement (Joe Haing, Vern Patrick)	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00		8%
10009 Grand Lodge Office Budget				
Total 10009 Grand Lodge Office Budget	\$ 39,750.00	\$ 39,750.00		21%
10010 Charitable Giving Budget				
Total 10010 Charitable Giving Budget	\$ 13,656.00	\$ 13,656.00		7%
Total Regular Expenses	\$ 187,217.00	\$ 187,217.00		
change year to year	\$ 27,908.00	\$ -		No Increase

Separate projects to be approved by GL, see note:

2017 Budget Summary



10001 Grand Master Budget	\$ 15,315.00	8%
10002 Deputy Grand Masters Budget	\$ 7,400.00	4%
10003 Elected Grand Lodge Officers Budget	\$ 9,000.00	5%
10004 Committee Chairman Expense Budget	\$ 400.00	0%
10005 Conferences Budgets	\$ 7,000.00	4%
10006 Printing Budget	\$ 13,650.00	7%
10008 Salaries/Taxes	\$ 66,046.00	35%
1610 Retirement (Joe Haing, Vern Patrick)	\$ 15,000.00	8%
10009 Grand Lodge Office Budget	\$ 39,750.00	21%
10010 Charitable Giving Budget	\$ 13,656.00	7%
	\$ 187,217.00	100%

Proposed Resolutions
for consideration at the

149th
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Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M.
of Idaho

Sept. 2016

Proposed Resolutions

*Received from members of the Grand Lodge
of this Grand Jurisdiction
for
Adoption or Rejection
at the
149th Annual Communication
of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho
at
Boise, Idaho
on
September 15, 16, 17, 2016*

As required by Paragraph 2 of Section 3401, these proposed Resolutions were herewith distributed to each Constituent Lodge for study and consideration prior to the Annual Grand Lodge Communication to be held at the place and on the dates shown above.

Each Lodge is urged to study the Proposed Resolutions carefully.

Copies will be distributed at the Annual Grand Lodge Communication for the convenience of the delegates in attendance.

*Office of the
Grand Secretary*

Copies are mailed to:

Each Lodge Secretary
Each Grand Lodge Officer
Each District Deputy Grand Master
Each Past Grand Master

Resolution Index 2016

Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
1	Page Number	18				
	Article Number	1	Article Name	General Provisions		
	Section	103	Section Name:	Annual Communications		
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs	4				
	Modifies the requirement of being represented in Grand Lodge once every three years. "					
Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
2	Page Number	77				
	Article Number	XV	Article Name	Failure to Pay Dues		
	Section Number	1504	Section Name	Reporting Delinquent Members		
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub-Paragraph					
	Clarify what to do with a member that is 1 year behind on dues and a member 2 years behind on dues.					
Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
3	Page Number	38				
	Article Number	VI	Article-Name	Finance and Revenue		
	Section	602	Section Name:	Funds		
	Paragraph	(3)	Paragraph Name	Grand Lodge Endowment Fund		
	Sub Paragraphs	(a)				
	Adds one dollar (\$1.00) assessed annually for each dues paying member to be placed in the Endowment Fund.					
Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
4	Page Number	59				
	Article Number	XIV	Article Name	Membership		
	Section	1402	Section Name	Fifty Year Membership		
	Paragraph	B.	Paragraph Name	Dues Exemption		
	Sub Paragraphs	1.				
	Changes the word "dues" to "Assessment"					
Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
5	Page Number	63				
	Article Number	XIV	Article Name	Membership		
	Section	1411	Section Name	Plural Membership, Per Capita		
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs					
	Changes the word "dues" to "Assessment"					

Resolution					Pass	Fail
6	Page Number	50-51				
	Article Number	X	Article Name	Lodges under Dispensation		
	Section	1010	Section Name	Grand Lodge Dues		
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs					
	Changes the word "dues" to "Assessment"					
Resolution					Pass	Fail
7	Page Number	52 52a				
	Article Number	XI	Article Name	Chartered Lodges		
	Section	1104	Section Name	Returns, Monthly and Annual		
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs					
	Changes the word "dues" to "Assessment"					
Resolution					Pass	Fail
8	Page Number	52				
	Article Number	XI	Article Name	Restrictions, Purposes, and Exemptions for the lodge of Research		
	Section		Section Name			
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs					
	Changes the word "dues" to "Assessment"					
Resolution					Pass	Fail
9	Page Number	150				
	Regulation Number	70	Regulation Name	Grand Lodge Dues		
	Section		Section Name			
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs					
	Changes the word "dues" to "Assessment"					
Resolution					Pass	Fail
10	Page Number	59				
	Article Number	XIV	Article Name	Membership		
	Section	1402	Section Name	Fifty Year Membership		
	Paragraph	B.	Paragraph Name	Dues Exemptions		
	Sub Paragraphs					
	Deletes the entire Paragraph B.					
Resolution					Pass	Fail
11	Page Number	59				
	Article Number	XIV	Article Name	Membership		
	Section	1402	Section Name	Fifty Year Membership		
	Paragraph	B.	Paragraph Name	Dues Exemptions		
	Sub Paragraphs	1.				
	Lodge is required to pay Assessment to Grand Lodge on 50 year members, but lodge may decide whether or not the members should pay lodge dues.					

GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO
FORMAT FOR PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE CHANGES
Proposed resolutions must be received by the Grand Secretary by
1st, See Section 3401



April

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Date Received: RECEIVED JAN 19 2016
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Date: 1-12-16

1. SECTION to be changed: (Constitution, By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, etc.): By-Laws
2. PAGE NUMBER: 18
3. ARTICLE NUMBER: 1 ARTICLE NAME: General Provisions
4. SECTION NUMBER: 103 SECTION NAME (if any): Annual Communications
5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):
6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:
7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER: 4

NOTE: Sections 8 through 12 will require additional pages which should be typed & attached to this cover sheet.

8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

Paragraph 4:

Any one of the Constituent Lodges of the Grand Lodge of Idaho which is not properly represented at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho at least once in three consecutive years shall have their Charter automatically placed in arrest in accordance with Section 1302 of this Code and Digest.

9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Lined out or underlined)

10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: (*Use Italics to highlight additions*)

Paragraph 4:

Any one of the Constituent Lodges of the Grand Lodge of Idaho which is not properly represented at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho at least once in three consecutive years shall have their Charter automatically placed in arrest in accordance with Section 1302 of this Code and Digest, *provided that a Grand Lodge Session was held in the area including the Lodge's district within the consecutive three-year period.*

11. ENTIRE PARAGRAPH AS INTENDED TO READ IN THE CODE AND DIGEST:

(Not necessary if entire paragraph is new and has been stated in 10, above)

Paragraph 4:

Any one of the Constituent Lodges of the Grand Lodge of Idaho which is not properly represented at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho at least once in three consecutive years shall have their Charter automatically placed in arrest in accordance with Section 1302 of this Code and Digest, provided that a Grand Lodge Session was held in the area including the Lodge's district within the consecutive three-year period.

12. RATIONALE (Why the author thinks the proposed change is needed):

Section 103 of the Code and Digest sets up a rotation for the Annual Communication that would rotate the Grand Lodge sessions between the three regions of the state, east, south and north regions.

Resolution Format (2015 mb).

This resulted in the Grand Lodge sessions being in the home region of a lodge at least once every three years. This permitted a Lodge to be represented at Grand Lodge at least every three years without excessive travel or expense.

The 2014 insertion of the 2017 Grand Lodge session in Boise for the Sesquicentennial Celebration interrupted this sequence and does not permit attending Grand Lodge in their home regions for the north and east regions within the three-year requirement.

This proposed change will provide an equitable solution and will avoid the possible arrest of their Charter for Lodges that do not have a Grand Lodge session in their districts in the three-year period.

13. PRINTED: NAMES, OFFICE and LODGE NUMBERS of submitting members:

*NOTE: Must be signed by no less than three (3) members of the Grand Lodge
(Or) by the Worshipful Master and Secretary of a chartered Lodge, attested under seal.*

<u> </u> s/Robin Stanley	Worshipful Master	Shoshone Lodge	#25
<i>Name</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>No.</i>
<u> </u> s/Robert H. Dunsmore	Secretary	Shoshone	25
<i>Name</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>No.</i>
<i>Name</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>No.</i>

14. SIGNATURES:

_____ Lodge Seal

GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO
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April 1st, See Section 3401



Grand Secretary's Use Only
Date Received: RECEIVED MAR 07 2016
Number: 2

Date: 3/2/2016

1. SECTION to be changed: (Constitution, By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, etc.): **1402**

2. PAGE NUMBER: **77**

3. ARTICLE NUMBER: **XV** ARTICLE NAME: **Failure to Pay Dues**

4. SECTION NUMBER: **1504** SECTION NAME (if any): **Reporting Delinquent Members**

5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: **None** PARAGRAPH NAME (if any): **None**

6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:

7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER:

8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

1. The Secretary shall, at the first stated communication in January, and at times when ordered to do so, report the names of all members in arrears for dues for one year or more. He shall similarly report those subject to being automatically dropped from the roll, at the stated communication next preceding the date when the law becomes operative in each case

9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Delete entire paragraph)

1. The Secretary shall, at the first stated communication in January, and at times when ordered to do so, report the names of all members in arrears for dues for one year or more. He shall similarly report those subject to being automatically dropped from the roll, at the stated communication next preceding the date when the law becomes operative in each case

10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: (*Use Italics to highlight additions*)

1A. The Secretary shall, at the first Stated Communication in January, and at times when ordered to do so, report the names of all members in arrears for dues for one year or more.

1B. The Secretary shall report those subject to being automatically dropped from the roll, at the first Stated Communication in December.

11. ENTIRE PARAGRAPH AS INTENDED TO READ IN THE CODE AND DIGEST:
(Not necessary if entire paragraph is new and has been stated in 10, above)

Section 1504. reporting Delinquent Members

1A. The Secretary shall, at the first stated communication in January, and at times when ordered to do so, report the names of all members in arrears for dues for one year or more.

Resolution Format (2015 mb).

1B. The Secretary shall report those subject to being automatically dropped from the roll, at the first stated communication in December.

12. RATIONALE (Why the author thinks the proposed change is needed):

The change to this resolution is housekeeping only. The new wording does not change the intent of the current resolution. It contains the same requirements of the secretary. It just separates the long paragraph into two simple ones distinguishing what needs to be done by the Secretary in both cases. There are different requirements for 1 year in arrears and automatic suspension and this separation will make it easier to understand.

13. PRINTED: NAMES, OFFICE and LODGE NUMBERS of submitting members:

NOTE: Must be signed by no less than three (3) members of the Grand Lodge

(Or) by the Worshipful Master and Secretary of a chartered Lodge, attested under seal.

Abraham Warner Master Portneuf 18
Name *Office* *Lodge* *No.*

Bob Duvall Portneuf 18
Name *Office* *Lodge* *No.*

Jerry Lynch Past Master Portneuf 18
Name *Office* *Lodge* *No.*

14. SIGNATURES:

Lodge Seal

GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO

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Grand Secretary's Use Only
Date Received: RECEIVED APR 01 2016
Number: 3

Date: April 1, 2016

1. SECTION to be changed: (Constitution, By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, etc.): **By-Laws**
2. PAGE NUMBER: **38**
3. ARTICLE NUMBER: **VI** ARTICLE NAME: **Finance and Revenue**
4. SECTION NUMBER: **602** SECTION NAME (if any): **Funds**
5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):
6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER: **(3)** PARAGRAPH NAME (if any): **Grand Lodge Endowment Fund**
7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER: **(a)**

NOTE: Sections 8 through 12 will require additional pages which should be typed & attached to this cover sheet.

8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

3. Grand Lodge Endowment Fund; which shall include contributions made thereto for the operating expenses of the Grand Lodge.

(a) All gifts, unbudgeted accumulated interest within this fund from prior fiscal years and other subventions made to or by the Grand Lodge Endowment Fund shall be invested and the income derived there from (sic) used for the following purposes:..

9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Lined out or underlined)

10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: (*Use Italics to highlight additions*)

3. **Grand Lodge Endowment Fund**; which shall include contributions made thereto for the operating expenses of the Grand Lodge.

(a) All gifts, unbudgeted accumulated interest within this fund from prior fiscal years, *one dollar (\$1.00) per member from the per capita assessment* and other subventions made to or by the Grand Lodge Endowment Fund shall be invested and the income derived ~~there from~~ *therefrom* used for the following purposes:

11. ENTIRE PARAGRAPH AS INTENDED TO READ IN THE CODE AND DIGEST:

3. **Grand Lodge Endowment Fund**; which shall include contributions made thereto for the operating expenses of the Grand Lodge.

(a) All gifts, unbudgeted accumulated interest within this fund from prior fiscal years, one dollar (\$1.00) per member from the per capita assessment and other subventions made to or by the Grand Lodge Endowment Fund shall be invested and the income derived therefrom used for the following purposes.

(1) First priority shall be for the use as General Fund operating expenses as requested for by Accounts and Finances Committee.

(2) Second Priority; should sufficient income be realized contributions may be made to any other Fund which Grand Lodge may direct.

(b) No disbursements of income shall be made until the Fund shall exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) and then up to fifty percent (50%) of the derived income may be used as per paragraph a(1)

above. When the Fund shall exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000) one hundred percent (100%) of the derived income may be allocated.

(c) If at any time monies remain in the Grand Lodge Endowment Fund when such Fund is abolished by action of Grand Lodge, such remaining monies may only be transferred to the Grand Lodge General Fund and/or the Grand Lodge Interest Relief Fund.

12. RATIONALE (Why the author thinks the proposed change is needed):

The Grand Lodge Endowment Fund exists first, for operating expenses of the Grand Lodge; and, second, for "any other Fund which Grand Lodge may direct" (Section 602 3(a)(1) and (2)). Heretofore, the Grand Lodge endowment fund has relied on donations and the fiscal crumbs of annual obligations. This proposed change will reinforce the importance of the endowment and establish a positive funding mechanism for the same.

13. PRINTED: NAMES, OFFICE and LODGE NUMBERS of submitting members:

NOTE: Must be signed by no less than three (3) members of the Grand Lodge

(Or) by the Worshipful Master and Secretary of a chartered Lodge, attested under seal.

Shawn V. Gibbons, PM Worshipful Master Meridian Lodge #47
Name *Office* *Lodge* *No.*

Mark H. Smith, PM Secretary Meridian Lodge #47
Name *Office* *Lodge* *No.*

14. SIGNATURES:

Lodge Seal

GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO

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Proposed resolutions must be received by the Grand Secretary by April 1st, See Section 3401

Date: March 31, 2016



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Date Received: RECEIVED APR 01 2016
Number: 4

1. SECTION to be changed: (Constitution, By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, etc.): **By-Laws Part Two**

2. PAGE(S) NUMBER: **59**

3. ARTICLE NUMBER: **XIV** ARTICLE NAME: **Membership**

4. SECTION NUMBER: **1402** SECTION NAME (if any): **Fifty Year Membership**

5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: **B.** PARAGRAPH NAME (if any): **Dues Exemption.**

6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER: **1.**

7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER:

NOTE: Sections 8 through 12 will require additional pages which should be typed & attached to this cover sheet.

8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

1. A Lodge electing a member to Fifty Year Membership shall be exempt from paying Grand Lodge Per Capita dues for such member.

9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Lined out or underlined)

1. A Lodge electing a member to Fifty Year Membership shall be exempt from paying Grand Lodge Per Capita ~~dues~~ for such member.

10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: (*Use Italics to highlight additions*)

1. A Lodge electing a member to Fifty Year Membership shall be exempt from paying Grand Lodge Per Capita *assessment* for such member.

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2. PAGE(S) NUMBER: **63**

3. ARTICLE NUMBER: **XIV** ARTICLE NAME: **Membership**

4. SECTION NUMBER: **1411** SECTION NAME (if any): **Plural Membership, Per Capita**

5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):

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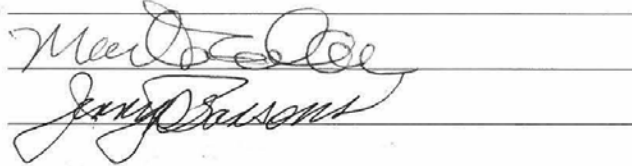
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2. PAGE(S) NUMBER: **50-51**
3. ARTICLE NUMBER: **X** ARTICLE NAME: **Lodges under Dispensation**
4. SECTION NUMBER: **1010** SECTION NAME (if any): **Grand Lodge Dues**
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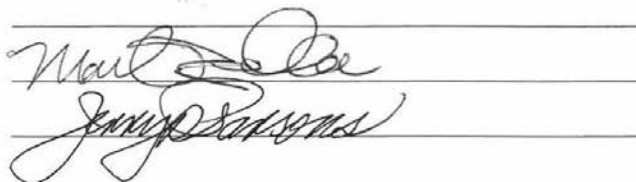
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2. PAGE(S) NUMBER: **52, 52a**

3. ARTICLE NUMBER: **XI** ARTICLE NAME: **Chartered Lodges**

4. SECTION NUMBER: **1104** SECTION NAME (if any): **Returns, Monthly and Annual.**

5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):

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8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

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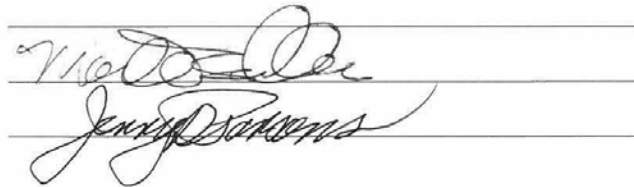
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7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER:

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8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

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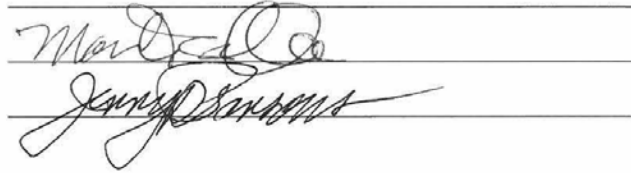
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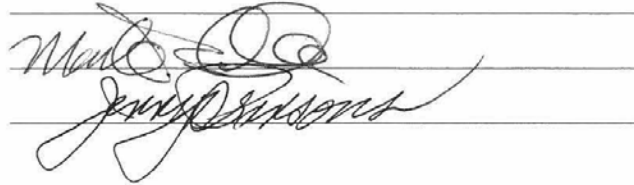
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2. PAGE NUMBER: **59**
3. ARTICLE NUMBER: **XIV** ARTICLE NAME: **Membership**
4. SECTION NUMBER: **1402** SECTION NAME (if any): **Fifty Year Membership**
5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: **B.** PARAGRAPH NAME (if any): **Dues Exemption**
6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:
7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER:
8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

B Dues Exemption

Only after a Lodge receives the required certification and has received the current year dues may it elect, by majority vote, such Master Mason to Fifty Year Membership, and may take such action at any Stated Communication during, the calendar year representing the member's fiftieth year in good standing, making Fifty-Year Membership available at any time during the year, at the discretion of the Lodge. (Revised Sep. 2005) (Note: See Regulation 40.)

1. A Lodge electing a member to Fifty Year Membership shall be exempt from paying Grand Lodge Per Capita dues for such member.

2. An annual Dues Card shall be issued for Fifty Year members, by the Grand Secretary, in the same manner as for Prepaid Life members as outlined in Section 1418 of this Code with the following exception. The paragraph concerning membership transfer shall not apply. (Revised Sept. 1996)

9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Lined out or underlined)

Delete B. Dues Exemptions entirely from the code.

10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: (*Use Italics to highlight additions*)

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11. ENTIRE PARAGRAPH AS INTENDED TO READ IN THE CODE AND DIGEST:

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12. RATIONALE (Why the author thinks the proposed change is needed):

Membership continues to decline while Grand Lodge expenses have remained constant or increased with cost of living. As this process continues, we have taken money from the Endowment Fund to supplement income from the Grand Lodge Assessment. If this process continues, we will soon be taking principle from that fund, thereby reducing its ability to help in the future. What we should be doing is allowing the interest to grow the fund so that it can help provide for future expenses. The basic problem is membership. It is a problem that will require time and a great deal of effort to solve. In the meantime, additional funding must be obtained, and the only two methods immediately available to us are removal of the 50 year exemption from the Grand Lodge Assessment and/or an increase in that Assessment.

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IN MEMORIUM

**TO THE MEMORY
OF THE
DISTINGUISHED DEAD
OF OUR SISTER JURISDICTIONS**

* * *

“Those who have passed before us
Have only slipped away into the next room.
They are they and we are we.
Whatever we were to each other,
We still are.
All is well.”

IN MEMORIUM

TO THE MEMORY
OF THE
ONE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE
MASONS OF IDAHO
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
DURING THE PAST YEAR

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“We do not lose the Brothers we love,
They only go before
Where there is everlasting life,
Where sorrow is no more.
And there the soul will always live
And Peace is everywhere.
We do not lose the Brothers we love,
God takes them in his care.”

Appendix

Grand Lodge Officers of Idaho (Elective from 1867 to Present)

Grand Lodge Officers (Elective) of Idaho 1867 to Present				* = Deceased, † = Demitted, ‡ = Expelled, § = Suspended			
Year	GRAND MASTER	DEPUTY GRANDMASTER	SENIOR GRAND WARDEN	JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY	LECTURER
1867	*George H. Coe (1)	*George W. Paul	*Augustine Haas	*George T. Young	*S.B. Connelly	‡ P.E. Edmondson	
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1869	*Jonas W. Brown (2)	*Sam P. Connelly	*L.P. Mikkelson	*Augustine Haas	*G.A. Hamlin	‡ P.E. Edmondson	
1870	*Sam P. Connelly (3)	† Charles Hilton	*Salathiel Ridge	*Stephen M. Sisk	*James W. Griffin	*H.E. Prickett	
1871	*Jonas W. Brown (2)	*Richard T. Miller	*G.W. Richards	*James H. Bush	*James W. Griffin	*Lafayette Cartee	
1872	*John Kennaly (1)	*Alexander Rossi	*E.A. Stevenson	*L.P. Mikkelson	*James W. Griffin	*Lafayette Cartee	
1873	*John Kennaly (1)	*L.P. Mikkelson	*Benjamin M. Davis	*Alexander Rossi	*James W. Griffin	*Joseph Pinkham	
1874	*Lars P. Mikkelson (5-1)	*E.A. Stevenson	*Charles Himrod	*Thomas E. Logan	*James W. Griffin	*Oliver H. Purdy	
1875	*James W. Griffin (2)	§ L.J. Hall	*Joseph Pinkham	*Frank R. Coffin	*ThomasE. Logan	*Charles Himrod	
1876	*EdwardA. Stevenson (2)	*George W. Paul	*Oliver H. Purdy	*A.L. Richardson	*ThomasE. Logan	*Charles Himrod	
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1878	*EdwardA. Stevenson (2)	*Sylvanus C. Hall	*H.E. Prickett	*George W. Paul	*ThomasE. Logan	*Charles Himrod	
1879	*Charles Himrod (2)	*H.E. Prickett	*George M. Parsons	*Alex Orchard	*ThomasE. Logan	*Lafayette Cartee	
1880	*Henry E. Prickett (2-7)	*John Hallanbeck	*F. Campbell	*Richard S. Haws	*ThomasE. Logan	*Lafayette Cartee	
1881	*Francis E. Ensign (2-7)	*Lafayette Cartee	*Theo W. Randall	*Joseph C. Gross	*ThomasE. Logan	*J.H. Wickersham	
1882	*Lafayette Cartee (2)	*C.P. Coburn	*F. Campbell	*Wol. S. Anderson	*John Huntoon	*J.H. Wickersham	
1883	*Chester P. Coburn (10)	*John A. Post	*A.G. Redway	*Benjamin F. Morris	*John Huntoon	*Jonas Brown	
1884	*John A. Post (2-6)	*Benjamin F. Morris	*Peter Sonna	*G.W. Richards	*John Huntoon	*Jonas Brown	
1885	*George H. Davis (2)	*G.W. Richards	*Hazen Squier	*Alex Orchard	*John Huntoon	*J.H. Wickersham	
1886	*George H. Davis (2)	*Hazen Squier	*John H. Myer	*Charles W. Case	*John Huntoon	*J.H. Wickersham	
1887	*Edward A.Stevenson (2)	*I.C. Hattabaugh	*John Hunter	*Stephen Dempsey	*John Huntoon	*J.H. Wickersham	
1888	*John Hunter (18)	*Charles W. Case	*Stephen Dempsey	*Richard S. Haws	*John Huntoon	*J.H. Wickersham	
1889	*George L. Shoup (11)	*George Ainslie	*Isidore S. Weiler	*Edwin A. Jordan	*Charles Himrod	*J.H. Wickersham	

1890	*George Ainslie (1)	*John H. Myer	*Edwin A. Jordan	*George D. Golden	*Charles Himrod	*J.H. Wickersham	
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1892	*Issac A.Hattabaugh (17)	*James A. Pinney	*Isidor S. Weiler	*G.M. Waterhouse	*Charles Himrod	*J.H. Wickersham	
1893	*James A. Pinney (2)	§ Jess Coulter	*A.B. Clark	*Alfred Moyes	*Charles Himrod	*J.H. Wickersham	
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1896	*Fred G. Mock (29)	*John C. Muerman	† James Criswell	† George H. Storer	*Charles Himrod	*C.C. Stevenson	
1897	*Geo. M. Waterhouse (23)	*George Garbutt	† George H. Storer	*A.J. McNab	*Charles Himrod	*C.C. Stevenson	
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1900	George D. Golden (12)	*A.W. Talkington	*David C. Chase	*W.B. Goodheart	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Frank T. Wyman
1901	*David C. Chase (28)	*David F. Mason	*Joshua M. Cowan	*W.B. Goodheart	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Frank T. Wyman
1902	*David F. Mason (24)	*Joshua M. Cowan	*Albert W. Gordon	*Jere W. Robinson	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1903	*Joshua M. Cowan (30)	*Albert W. Gordon	*Jere W. Robinson	§ Theron S. Ward	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1904	*Albert W. Gordon (36)	*Jere W. Robinson	*William F. Smith	*Wm. C. Whitwell	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1905	*Jere W. Robinson (2)	*William F. Smith	*Wm. C. Whitwell	*Wm. R. Hamilton	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1906	*William F. Smith (30)	*Wm. C. Whitwell	§ J.C. White	*George F. Gagon	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1907	*Wm. C. Whitwell (11)	*Wm. R. Hamilton	§ J.C. White	*George F. Gagon	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1908	*Wm. R. Hamilton (13)	*George F. Gagon	*Byron F. Defenbach	‡ F.C. Bowman	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1909	*George F. Gagon 33)	*Byron F. Defenbach	‡ F.C. Bowman	§ Oliver E. Barr	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	§ D.T.A. McIntosh
1910	*Byron F. Defenbach (10)	‡ F.C. Bowman	*Ezrea A. Burrell	*N.D. Brookhart	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1911	‡ Frank C. Bowman (19)	*Ezrea A. Burrell	*Curtis F. Pike	*A. Christenson	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1912	*Ezrea A. Burrell (27)	*Curtis F. Pike	*A. Christenson	*Francis Jenkins	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*George E. Knepper
1913	*Curtis F. Pike (2)	*A. Christenson	*Francis Jenkins	*J. D. Bloomfield	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1914	*Andrew. Christenson (42)	*Francis Jenkins	*J. D. Bloomfield	*William C. Smith	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1915	*Francis Jenkins (17)	*J. D. Bloomfield	*Sherman M. Coffin	*Fletcher A. Jeter	*Charles Himrod	*George E. Knepper	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1916	*J. D. Bloomfield (29)	*Sherman M. Coffin	*A. Lounsbury	*Fletcher A. Jeter	*Charles Himrod	*George E. Knepper	*Wm. B. Goodheart
1917	*Sherman M. Coffin (39)	*A. Lounsbury	*Fletcher A. Jeter	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper	*Albert White
1918	*Andrew. Lounsbury (14)	*Arch Cunningham	*I. Edgar Meek	† Gary C. Burke	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper	‡ John A. Brown
1919	*Arch Cunningham (2)	*I. Edgar Meek	*Fletcher A. Jeter	*George M. Scott	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper	§ Wilbert H. Tyler
1920	*I. Edgar Meek (29)	*Fletcher A. Jeter	*George M. Scott	*Victor Peterson	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper	§ Wilbert H. Tyler
1921	*Fletcher A. Jeter (24)	*George M. Scott	*Victor Peterson	*Frank Knox	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper	§ Wilbert H. Tyler

1922	*George M. Scott (19)	*Victor Peterson	*Frank Knox	*Will H. Gibson	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper
1923	*Victor Peterson (9)	*Frank Knox	*Will H. Gibson	*Jay R. Mason	*C.S. Crawford	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper
1924	*Frank Knox (37)	*Will H. Gibson	*H.P. Glindeman	*Richard F. Curtis	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper
1925	*Will H. Gibson	*H.P. Glindeman	*Richard F. Curtis	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper
1926	*Henry P. Glindeman (24)	*Richard F. Curtis	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Frank Mumford	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper
1927	*Richard F. Curtis (42)	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Frank Mumford	*Jay G. Eldridge	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*George E. Knepper
1928	*Roy N. Gilbert (29)	*Frank Mumford	*Jay G. Eldridge	*Percy Jones	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*John T. Wood
1929	*Frank Mumford (39)	*Jay G. Eldridge	*Percy Jones	‡ Albert R. Manock	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1930	*Jay Glover Eldridge (17)	*Percy Jones	‡ Albert R. Manock	*S. Irven Roberson	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1931	*Percy Jones (33)	‡ Albert R. Manock	*S. Irven Roberson	*John T. Wood	*Arch Cunningham	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1932	‡ Albert R. Manock (62)	*S. Irven Roberson	*John T. Wood	*Louis R. Scott	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1933	*S. Irven Roberson (61)	*John T. Wood	*Louis R. Scott	*Wm. H. Thompson	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1934	*John T. Wood (24)	*Louis R. Scott	*Wm. H. Thompson	*Everett W. Rising	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1935	*Louis R. Scott(17)	*Wm. H. Thompson	*Everett W. Rising	*Clyde I. Rush	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1936	*Wm. H. Thompson	*Everett W. Rising	*Clyde I. Rush	*W. Wade Wilson	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1937	*Everett W. Rising	*Clyde I. Rush	*W. Wade Wilson	*Asa A. Vealey	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
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1939	*W. Wade Wilson (56)	*Asa A. Vealey	*Wm. D. Farnham	*Lee Carlock	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
1940	*Asa A. Vealey (27)	*Wm. D. Farnham	*Lee Carlock	*Albert W. Stone	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Frank Knox
1941	*Wm. D. Farnham	*Lee Carlock	*George E Bacheller	*Gilford H. Mayes	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Frank Knox
1942	*Lee Carlock (63)	*George E Bacheller	*Gilford H. Mayes	*Marcus J. Ware	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Frank Knox
1943	*George E Bacheller (60)	*Gilford H. Mayes	*Marcus J. Ware	*Ray K.D. Sluyter	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Frank Knox
1944	*Gilford H. Mayes ((34)	*Marcus J. Ware	*Ray K.D. Sluyter	*Howard I. Monks	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Frank Knox
1945	*Marcus J. Ware (10-96)	*Ray K.D. Sluyter	*Howard I. Monks	*A. Edward Prince	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Frank Knox
1946	*Ray K.D. Sluyter (45)	*Howard I. Monks	*A. Edward Prince	*Jay A. Redfield	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Frank Knox
1947	*Howard I. Monks (54)	*A. Edward Prince	*Jay A. Redfield	*Summer G. Davis	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Wm. D. Farnham
1948	*A. Edward Prince (1)	*Jay A. Redfield	*Summer G. Davis	*Ray F. Brookhart	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*Wm. D. Farnham
1949	*Jay A. Redfield (9)	*Summer G. Davis	*Ray F. Brookhart	*Noel M. Leavitt	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Clyde I. Rush	*A. Edward Prince
1950	*Summer G. Davis (61)	*Ray F. Brookhart	*Noel M. Leavitt	*Angus Y. Bethune	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Clyde I. Rush	*A. Edward Prince
1951	*Ray F. Brookhart (95)	*Noel M. Leavitt	*Angus Y. Bethune	*Larry W. Brainard	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Clyde I. Rush	*A. Edward Prince
1952	*Noel M. Leavitt (32)	*Angus Y. Bethune	*Larry W. Brainard	*Claude M. Gorden	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Clyde I. Rush	*A. Edward Prince
1953	*Angus Y. Bethune (34)	*Larry W. Brainard	*Claude M. Gorden	*Elbert S. Rawls	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Clyde I. Rush	*A. Edward Prince

1954	*Larry W. Brainard (28-18)	*Claude M. Gorden	*Elbert S. Rawls	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Clyde I. Rush	*A. Edward Prince
1955	*Claude M. Gorden (45)	*Elbert S. Rawls	*Herbert H. Eberle	*R. Gail Train	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Clyde I. Rush	*Ray K.D. Sluyter
1956	*Elbert S. Rawls	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Glen W. Royse	*Elmer E. Nelson	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Clyde I. Rush	*Claude M. Gorden
1957	*Herbert H. Eberle (60-93)	*Glen W. Royse	*Elmer E. Nelson	*Charles Herndon	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Clyde I. Rush	*Claude M. Gorden
1958	*Glen W. Royse (19)	*Elmer E. Nelson	*Charles Herndon	*Charles W. Simmons	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Claude M. Gorden
1959	*Elmer E. Nelson (17)	*Charles Herndon	*Charles W. Simmons	*Charles F. Gill	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Claude M. Gorden
1960	*Charles Herndon (11)	*Charles W. Simmons	*Charles F. Gill	*Iver J. Longeteig	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Claude M. Gorden
1961	*Charles W. Simmons (34)	*Charles F. Gill	*Iver J. Longeteig	*John P. Halliwell, Jr.	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Claude M. Gorden
1962	*Charles F. Gill (23)	*Iver J. Longeteig	*John P. Halliwell, Jr.	*A. Warren Cate	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Claude M. Gorden
1963	*Iver J. Longeteig (62)	*John P. Halliwell, Jr.	*A. Warren Cate	*Arthur Dingler	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Elbert S. Rawls
1964	*John P. Halliwell, Jr. (18)	*A. Warren Cate	*Arthur Dingler	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Alton T. Kauffman
1965	*A. Warren Cate (1)	*Arthur Dingler	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Alton T. Kauffman
1966	*Arthur Dingler (24)	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Russell C. Walker	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Alton T. Kauffman
1967	*Gifford R. Shaffer (28)	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Russell C. Walker	*Harold E. McBeth	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Herbert H. Eberle	*Alton T. Kauffman
1968	*Adrian W. Bomert (93)	*Russell C. Walker	*Harold E. McBeth	*Walter G. Pyrah, Jr.	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Alton T. Kauffman
1969	*Russell C. Walker (48)	*Bowman Vertrees	*George W. Knoff	*Stephen A. Mahaffey	*Gayle L. McAtee	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Alton T. Kauffman
1970	*Bowman Vertrees (39)	*George W. Knoff	*Stephen A. Mahaffey	*Lowell C. Jensen	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Alton T. Kauffman
1971	*George W. Knoff (18)	*Stephen A. Mahaffey	*Lowell C. Jensen	*Wayne S. Miller	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Alton T. Kauffman
1972	*Stephen A. Mahaffey (11)	*Lowell C. Jensen	*Wayne S. Miller	*Wayne W. Woodward	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Alton T. Kauffman
1973	*Lowell C. Jensen (52)	*Wayne S. Miller	*Wayne W. Woodward	*Eugene D. Pippitt	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Charles M. Rogers
1974	*Wayne S. Miller (24)	*Wayne W. Woodward	*Eugene D. Pippitt	*O'Deen K. Redman	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Charles M. Rogers
1975	*Wayne W. Woodward (37)	*Eugene D. Pippitt	*Alton T. Kauffman	*Robert E. Vaughan	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Charles M. Rogers
1976	*Eugene D. Pippitt (45)	*Alton T. Kauffman	*Robert E. Vaughan	*Wayne K. Feely	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Charles M. Rogers
1977	*Alton T. Kauffman (10-60)	*Robert E. Vaughan	*Wayne K. Feely	*Larry R. Turner	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1978	*Robert E. Vaughan (2)	*Wayne K. Feely	*Larry R. Turner	*Lynn E. Cannon	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1979	*Wayne K. Feely (24)	*Larry R. Turner	*Lynn E. Cannon	*Theodore Fujiki	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1980	*Larry R. Turner (47-60)	*Lynn E. Cannon	*Theodore Fujiki	Wiley F. Smith	*Adrian W. Bomert	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1981	*Lynn E. Cannon (10)	*Theodore Fujiki	Wiley F. Smith	*Gordon L. Buck	*Robert E. Gaddis	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1982	*Theodore Fujiki (77)	Wiley F. Smith	*Gordon L. Buck	Wallace S. Johnson	*Robert E. Gaddis	*Gifford R. Shaffer	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1983	Wiley F. Smith (64)	*Gordon L. Buck	Wallace S. Johnson	Burrell G. Lirgg	*Robert E. Gaddis	*Larry R. Turner	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1984	*Gordon L. Buck (39)	Wallace S. Johnson	*Burrell G. Lirgg	Fred D. Decker	*Robert E. Gaddis	*Larry R. Turner	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1985	Wallace S. Johnson (73)	*Burrell G. Lirgg	Fred D. Decker	Raymond S. Burstedt	*Robert E. Gaddis	*Larry R. Turner	*Eugene D. Pippitt

1986	*Burrell G. Lirgg (93)	Fred D. Decker	Raymond S. Burstedt	Gerald L. Riggs	*Robert E. Gaddis	*Larry R. Turner	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1987	Fred D. Decker (55)	Raymond S. Burstedt	Gerald L. Riggs	C. Philip Drew	*Robert E. Gaddis	*Larry R. Turner	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1988	Raymond S. Burstedt (92)	Gerald L. Riggs	C. Philip Drew	*Harry L. Fry	*Donald H. Miller	*Larry R. Turner	*Eugene D. Pippitt
1989	Gerald L. Riggs (20-24)	C. Philip Drew	*Harry L. Fry	Robert E. Gaddis	*Frank K. Ilett	*Larry R. Turner	Wallace S. Johnson
1990	C. Philip Drew (13-29)	*Harry L. Fry	Robert E. Gaddis	James A. Davidson	Stanley E. Barker	*Larry R. Turner	Wallace S. Johnson
1991	*Harry L. Fry (10)	R. Dix Hoffman	James A. Davidson	*John P. Hurst	Stanley E. Barker	*Larry R. Turner	Wallace S. Johnson
1992	R. Dix Hoffman (19)	James A. Davidson	*John P. Hurst	Gregory L. Winther	Stanley E. Barker	*Larry R. Turner	Wallace S. Johnson
1993	James A. Davidson (28)	*John P. Hurst	Gregory L. Winther	*David A. Olehy	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	Wallace S. Johnson
1994	*John P. Hurst (51-95)	Gregory L. Winther	*David A. Olehy	James V. Voyles	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	Merle S. Hill
1995	Gregory L. Winther (29)	*David A. Olehy	James V. Voyles	John M. Kucera	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	Merle S. Hill
1996	*David A. Olehy (52)	James V. Voyles	John M. Kucera	Gregory E. Johnson	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	Merle S. Hill
1997	James V. Voyles (60)	John M. Kucera	Gregory E. Johnson	John W. Sharp	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	*Harold W. Holm
1998	John M. Kucera (20-24)	Gregory E. Johnson	John W. Sharp	Bradley A. Cannon	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	*Harold W. Holm
1999	Gregory E. Johnson (56)	John W. Sharp	Bradley A. Cannon	Joseph E. Alexander	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	*Harold W. Holm
2000	John W. Sharp (52)	Bradley A. Cannon	Joseph E. Alexander	Richard C. Broemeling	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	*Harold W. Holm
2001	Bradley A. Cannon (10)	Joseph E. Alexander	Richard C. Broemeling	Harry C. Black	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	R. Dix Hoffman
2002	Joseph E. Alexander (19)	Richard C. Broemeling	Harry C. Black	H. Kingsley Andrae	Stanley E. Barker	Joseph F. Hanig	James V. Voyles
2003	Richard C Broemeling(30)	Harry C. Black	James C. Herndon	Michael A. Sutton	Stanley E. Barker	Vernon E. Patrick	James V. Voyles
2004	Harry C. Black (13-60)	James C. Herndon	Michael A. Sutton	*Robert B. Cargill	Stanley E. Barker	Vernon E. Patrick	James V. Voyles
2005	James C. Herndon (11-33)	Michael A. Sutton	*Robert B. Cargill	Richard E. Kaiser	Stanley E. Barker	Vernon E. Patrick	Paul E. Alexander
2006	Michael A. Sutton (18, 42)	*Robert B. Cargill	Richard E. Kaiser	David C. Tripplett	Stanley E. Barker	Vernon E. Patrick	Paul E. Alexander
2007	*Robert B. Cargill (10)	Richard E. Kaiser	David C. Tripplett	David E. "Skip" Owen, Jr	Stanley E. Barker	Vernon E. Patrick	Paul E. Alexander
2008	Richard E. Kaiser (19, 33)	David C. Tripplett	David E. "Skip" Owen, Jr	Jay A. Leonard	Stanley E. Barker	Monte B. Bollar	Paul E. Alexander
2009	David C. Triplet (93)	David E. "Skip" Owen, Jr	Jay A. Leonard	Keith C. Brooks	Stanley E. Barker	Monte B. Bollar	D. Douglas Lindley
2010	David E. "Skip" Owen, Jr (21,30,80)	Jay A. Leonard	Keith C. Brooks	*Daniel B. Heberling	Stanley E. Barker	Monte B. Bollar	Thomas Gough
2011	Jay A. Leonard (30-80)	Keith Brooks	*Daniel B. Heberling	G. Arthur Shoemaker	Stanley E. Barker	Monte B. Bollar	Thomas Gough
2012	Keith Brooks (68)	*Daniel B. Heberling	G. Arthur Shoemaker	John E. Warner	Stanley E. Barker	Monte B. Bollar	Thomas Gough
2013	*Daniel B. Heberling (62-63-24)	G. Arthur Shoemaker	John E. Warner	James A. Hensley	Stanley E. Barker	Monte B. Bollar	Thomas Gough
2014	G. Arthur Shoemaker (60)	John E. Warner	James A. Hensley	William "Bill" Curtis Jr.	N. Randall King	Monte B. Bollar	Thomas Gough
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It has been the determination of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho not to continue the Grand Representative program and not to assign any more Grand Representatives. It is the belief of the Grand Lodge Officers that the program is no longer required and the communication between Jurisdictions will be handled by the Grand Lodge Secretaries.

Idaho will continue only those relationships that are currently in place and active.

List of Regular Lodges in Idaho

	*	=No Longer Exists	LIST OF ALL REGULAR LODGES IN IDAHO				
NO.		NAME	TOWN	COUNTY	DATE OF CHARTER	DATE OF MEETING	District
1		Idaho	Boise	Ada	June 23, 1868	First Monday 7:30 p.m.	7
2		Boise	Boise	Ada	June 23, 1868	First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	7
3		Placer	Placerville	Boise	June 23, 1868	First Saturday, 6:00p.m.	7
4	*	Pioneer	Pioneerville	Boise	June 23, 1868	Arrested 1878	
5	*	Owyhee	Silver City	Owyhee	June 23, 1868	Consolidated in 1881 to form Silver City No. 13	
6	*	War Eagle	Silver City	Owyhee	June 23, 1868	Consolidated in 1881 to form Silver City No. 13	
7	*	Shoshone	Boise	Ada	October, 1869	Consolidated w/Boise Lodge No. 2, Nov. 1889	
8	*	Coe	Centerville	Boise	October, 1869	Surrendered January, 1874	
9		Mt. Idaho	Grangeville	Idaho	December 1873	Second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	10
10		Nez Perce	Lewiston	Nez Perce	December 1874	Second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	11
11		Lemhi	Salmon	Lemhi	December, 1874	Second Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.	1
12	*	Alturas	Rocky Bar	Elmore	December, 1875	Surrendered June, 1905	
13		Silver City	Homedale	Owyhee	September, 1881	Second Saturday, 1:00 p.m.	8
14	*	Cassia	Albion	Cassia	September, 1883	Arrested August, 1999	
15	*	St. Johns	Bellevue	Blaine	September, 1883	Arrested December, 1904	
16		Hailey	Hailey	Blaine	September 1885	Second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	5
17		Paradise	Moscow	Latah	September 1885	Second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	11
18		Portneuf	Pocatello	Bannock	September, 1886	First Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.	3
19		Eagle Rock	Idaho Falls	Bonneville	September, 1886	First and Third Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.	2
20		Coeur d'Alene	Murray	Shoshone	September, 1886	Second Monday, 7:30 p.m.	12
21	*	Bethany	Shoshone	Lincoln	September, 1887	Consolidated in 2006 to form Richfield 21	
21		Richfield	Richfield	Lincoln	September, 1887	(renumbered when consolidated) First Thursday 8:00 p.m.	5
22	*	Essene	Caldwell	Canyon	September, 1888	Surrendered 1900	
23		Weiser	Weiser	Washington	September, 1888	First Tuesday, 8:00 p.m.	9
24		Kootenai	Coeur d'Alene	Kootenai	September, 1891	First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	12
25		Shoshone	Wallace	Shoshone	September, 1891	Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.	12
26	*	Kendrick	Kendrick	Latah	September, 1892	Merged with Deary No. 72, Feb. 1987	
27	*	King Solomon	Montpelier	Bear Lake	September, 1892	Merged with Caribou No.84 Dec. 2001	
28		Washoe	Payette	Payette	September, 1892	Second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	9
29		Ashlar	Nampa	Canyon	December, 1988	First Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.	8
29	*	Nampa	Nampa	Canyon	September, 1892	Consolidated with Ashlar 90 - Dec. 1988	
30		Elmore	Mountain Home	Elmore	September 1892	First Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.	6
31		Salubria	Cambridge	Washington	September, 1893	First Monday 8:00 p.m.	9
32		Unity	Genesee	Latah	September, 1893	Second Thursday, 7:30 p.m.	11
33		Grove City	Blackfoot	Bingham	September, 1869	Second and Fourth Wednesdays, 8:00 p.m.	2
34		Cataldo	Kellogg	Shoshone	September, 1896	First Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.	12
35	*	Harrison	Harrison	Kootenai	September, 1900	Charter Revoked Sept. 19, 1986	
36	*	Hiram	Nez Perce	Lewis	September, 1902	Merged with Prairie No. 62 - Mar. 1990	
37		Butte	Emmett	Gem	September, 1902	Third Thursday, 7:30 p.m.	9
38	*	Benevolent	St. Anthony	Fremont	September, 1902	Merged with Ashton No. 73 October 1996	
39		Mt. Moriah	Caldwell	Canyon	September 1902	First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	8
40	*	Pend o'Oreille	Laclede	Kootenai	September, 1903	Surrendered December, 1908	
41		Rathdrum	Rathdrum	Kootenai	September, 1904	First Saturday, 10:00a.m.	13
42		Lakeside	Sandpoint	Bonner	September, 1904	First Monday, 7:00 p.m.	13
43		Bonnors Ferry	Bonnors Ferry	Boundary	September, 1904	Second Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.	13
44	*	Crown Point	Pearl	Boise	September, 1905	Recalled September, 1913	

45		Twin Falls	Twin Falls	Twin Falls	September, 1906	First Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.	4
46	*	Heyburn	Heyburn	Minidoka	September, 1906	Merged with Paul No. 77 - March 1992	
47		Meridian	Meridian	Ada	September, 1906	Second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	8
48		Arco	Arco	Butte	September, 1906	First Thursday, 8:00 p.m.	1
49	*	Parma	Parma	Canyon	September, 1907	Consolidated with Silver City No. 13, Dec. 1998	
50	*	Mullan	Mullan	Shoshone	September, 1908	Merged with Shoshone No.25 2004	
51		Malad	Malad	Oneida	September, 1908	Second Wednesday 7:30 p.m.	3
52	*	St. Johns	Shelley	Bingham	September, 1909	Merge with Eagle Rock No. 19 Oct. 30th 2012	
53	*	Buhl	Buhl	Twin Falls	September, 1910	Second Thursday, 8:00 p.m.	
54	*	Wendell	Wendell	Gooding	September, 1910	Merged with Lincoln #59, 2009	
55	*	Filer/Hollister	Filer	Twin Falls	September, 1910	Merged with Twin Falls #45 January 2007	
56		Kamiah	Kamiah	Lewis	September, 1910	First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.	10
57		Spirit Lake	Spirit Lake	Kootenai	September, 1910	Second and Fourth Tuesdays, 8:00 p.m.	13
58		American Falls	American Falls	Power	September, 1910	Second Tuesday, 8:00 p.m.	3
59		Lincoln	Gooding	Gooding	September, 1910	Second Thursday, 7:30 p.m.	5
60		Oriental	Boise	Ada	September, 1910	Second Friday, 7:30 p.m.	7
61		Jerome	Jerome	Jerome	September, 1910	Third Wednesday, 7:30 p.m..	5
62	*	Prairie	Craigmont	Lewis	June, 1943	Merged with Mt. Idaho #9 2013	
62	*	Acacia	Gifford	Nez Perce	September, 1911	Cons. With Prairie No. 75, June, 1943	
63		St. Maries	St. Maries	Benewah	September, 1911	First Thursday, 7:30 p.m.	12
64		Mt. McCaleb	Mackay	Custer	September, 1911	Second Saturday 10:30 a.m.	1
65	*	Rupert	Rupert	Minidoka	September, 1911	Merged with Paul No.77 March 2004	
66	*	Potlatch	Potlatch	Latah	September, 1911	Merged with Paradise #17 June 2008	
67	*	Winchester	Winchester	Lewis	September, 1912	Merged with Mt. Idaho No.9 Aug. 2003	
68		Burley	Burley	Cassia	September, 1912	Second Thursday, 7:30 p.m.	4
69	*	Orofino	Orofino	Clearwater	September, 1913	Merged with Kamiah No. 56 - Feb. 1992	
70	*	Richfield	Richfield	Lincoln	September, 1913	Consolidated w/Bethany 21 May 4, 2006	
71	*	Hollister	Filer	Twin Falls	September, 1914	Consolidated with Filer No. 55, May 1998	
72	*	Deary	Deary	Latah	February, 1948	Merged with Unity No. 32, Dec. 2001	
73	*	Ashton	Ashton	Freemont	September, 1914	Merged with St. Johns No. 52, July 2002	
74	*	Eden	Eden	Jerome	September, 1918	Merged with Jerome No. 61 - Nov. 1987	
75	*	Prairie	Craigmont	Lewis	September, 1918	Cons. with Acacia No. 62, June, 1943	
76	*	Fortitude	Dubois	Clark	September, 1920	Merged with St. Johns No. 52 - Dec. 1993	
77		Paul	Paul	Minidoka	September, 1920	First Thursday, 8:00 p.m.	4
78		Hagerman	Hagerman	Gooding	September, 1921	Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.	6
79	*	Kuna	Kuna	Ada	September, 1921	Cons. with Meridian No. 47, Dec., 1969	
80		Fidelity	Glenns Ferry	Elmore	September, 1921	Third Tuesday (First in Dec.), 7:00 p.m.	6
81		Keystone	Pocatello	Bannock	September, 1921	Surrendered their Charter December 2013	
82		Ionic	Cascade	Valley	September, 1922	Second Tuesday , 7:00 p.m.	7
83	*	Wilder	Wilder	Canyon	September, 1922	Cons. with Silver City No. 13, Mar., 1985	
84		Caribou	Soda Springs	Caribou	September, 1922	Second Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.	3
85	*	Kaniksu	Priest River	Bonner	September, 1922	Merged with Lakeside No. 42, Jan., 1987	
86	*	Worley	Worley	Kootenai	September, 1924	Merged with Rathdrum No. 41, Feb 1998	
87		Kooskia	Kooskia	Idaho	September, 1924	Second Thursday, 7:30 p.m.	10
88	*	Elk River	Elk River	Clearwater	September, 1926	Cons. with Bovill No. 72, Feb., 1948	
89	*	Rose Lake	Cataldo	Kootenai	September, 1927	Cons. With Wardner No. 34 , April 2005	
90	*	Ashlar	Nampa	Canyon	September, 1928	Cons. with Nampa No. 29, Dec., 1988	
91	*	Payette Lake	McCall	Valley	September, 1931	Merged with Ionic No. 82, June 2005	
92		Challis	Challis	Custer	September, 1949	Second Thursday, 7:00 p.m.	1
93		Capital City	Boise	Ada	September, 1950	First Monday, 7:00 p.m.	7

94	*	Kayler	Twin Falls	Twin Falls	September, 1950	Merged with Twin Falls No. 45, Nov. 1999	
95		Mount Kinport	Pocatello	Bannock	September, 1952	First Thursday, 7:30 p.m.	3
96	*	Robert Newell	Lewiston	Nez Perce	September, 1956	Merged with Nez Perce No. 10 - Jan., 1992	
97		Kaniksu	Priest River	Bonner	September, 1995	First Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	13
1965		Lodge of Research	Boise	Ada	September, 1965	At Annual Communication in Sept.	
1883		Idaho Historical Lodge	Idaho City	Boise	September, 2010		
1886	*	Murray Historical	Murray		September, 2012	Charter was pulled at Grand Lodge	

Synopsis of Constituent Lodges as of December 31, 2015

SYNOPSIS OF CONSTITUENT LODGES AS OF December 31, 2015

Name	Lodge No.	Members as of 12/31/2014	Initiated	Passed	Increases					Decrease					Gain / Loss	Members as of 12/31/2015	50-Year Members	TMM	Grand Lodge Dues 12/31/2014	Minus Contribution to Temple Relief Fund (\$0.50 Per Dues Paying Member)	Minus Contribution to Relief Fund (\$0.50 Per Dues Paying Member)	Lodge Dues	Fees for Degrees	Total Number of Degrees
					Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Restored	Omitted in Past	Expelled	Suspended/Drained	Died	Demitted/Withdrawn	Erroneously Reported										
Idaho	1	129	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	11	4	2	1	-15	114	26	88	\$3,960.00	\$44.00	\$44.00	\$145.00	\$200.00	4
Boise	2	168	14	3	2	3	1	0	0	0	6	8	2	0	-10	158	27	131	\$5,895.00	\$65.50	\$65.50	\$150.00	\$200.00	19
Placer	3	50	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	-1	49	8	41	\$1,845.00	\$20.50	\$20.50	\$65.00	\$150.00	6
Mt. Idaho	9	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	-6	52	20	32	\$1,440.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$50.00	\$120.00	.
Nez Perce	10	135	7	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	8	0	4	-13	122	35	87	\$3,915.00	\$43.50	\$43.50	\$50.00	\$125.00	14
Lemhi	11	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	-3	42	6	36	\$1,620.00	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	.
Silver City	13	73	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	73	14	59	\$2,655.00	\$29.50	\$29.50	\$95.00	\$150.00	3
Hailey	16	33	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	33	14	19	\$855.00	\$9.50	\$9.50	\$115.00	\$125.00	4
Paradise	17	98	3	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	-3	95	16	79	\$3,555.00	\$39.50	\$39.50	\$50.00	\$150.00	8
Portneuf	18	90	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	9	3	1	0	-10	80	28	52	\$2,340.00	\$26.00	\$26.00	\$100.00	\$250.00	6
Eagle Rock	19	200	5	2	4	5	0	0	0	1	2	5	3	0	-2	198	42	156	\$7,020.00	\$78.00	\$78.00	\$159.00	\$250.00	11
Coeur d'Alene	20	30	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	-3	27	6	21	\$945.00	\$10.50	\$10.50	\$50.00	\$200.00	1
Richfield	21	41	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	8	33	\$1,485.00	\$16.50	\$16.50	\$12.00	\$100.00	1
Weiser	23	33	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	-3	30	10	20	\$900.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$150.00	2
Kootenai	24	164	5	5	6	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	5	169	27	142	\$6,390.00	\$71.00	\$71.00	\$85.00	\$150.00	16
Shoshone	25	44	2	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	4	0	2	-4	40	10	30	\$1,350.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$55.00	\$150.00	7

Washoe	28	51	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	-4	47	13	34	\$1,530.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$60.00	\$250.00	3
Ashlar	29	56	1	1	2	3	2	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	2	58	8	50	\$2,250.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$75.00	\$150.00	4
Elmore	30	130	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	21	2	3	0	-25	105	20	85	\$3,825.00	\$42.50	\$42.50	\$113.00	\$150.00	3
Salubria	31	23	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	-1	22	7	15	\$675.00	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$75.00	\$300.00	1
Unity	32	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	-4	48	18	30	\$1,350.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$65.00	\$135.00	-
Grove City	33	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	46	10	36	\$1,620.00	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$50.00	\$150.00	-
Cataldo	34	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	-3	42	8	34	\$1,530.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$15.00	\$120.00	-
Butte	37	70	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	70	18	52	\$2,340.00	\$26.00	\$26.00	\$120.00	\$250.00	1
Mt. Moriah	39	81	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	4	-9	72	20	52	\$2,340.00	\$26.00	\$26.00	\$85.00	\$175.00	2
Rathdrum	41	40	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	41	6	35	\$1,575.00	\$17.50	\$17.50	\$60.00	\$200.00	5
Lakeside	42	69	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	-1	68	15	53	\$2,385.00	\$26.50	\$26.50	\$75.00	\$150.00	4
Bonnors Ferry	43	43	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	-1	42	8	34	\$1,530.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$85.00	\$100.00	7
Twin Falls	45	151	3	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	6	8	7	0	-18	133	33	100	\$4,500.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$120.00	\$250.00	7
Meridian	47	96	3	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	6	5	0	-8	88	16	72	\$3,240.00	\$36.00	\$36.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	8
Arco	48	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	-3	29	8	21	\$945.00	\$10.50	\$10.50	\$70.00	\$75.00	-
Malad	51	17	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	1	16	\$720.00	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$50.00	\$105.00	2
Buhl	53	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	-3	32	18	14	\$630.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$90.00	\$75.00	-
Kamiah	56	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	36	14	22	\$990.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$65.00	\$150.00	-
Spirit Lake	57	24	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	22	7	15	\$675.00	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$150.00	\$75.00	3
American Falls	58	34	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	33	4	29	\$1,305.00	\$14.50	\$14.50	\$75.00	\$150.00	1
Lincoln	59	33	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	-1	32	15	17	\$765.00	\$8.50	\$8.50	\$60.00	\$120.00	-
Oriental	60	206	6	6	4	1	1	0	0	0	6	5	2	0	-7	199	35	164	\$7,380.00	\$82.00	\$82.00	\$125.00	\$300.00	16
Jerome	61	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	-10	34	7	27	\$1,215.00	\$13.50	\$13.50	\$105.00	\$105.00	-
St. Maries	63	46	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	44	6	38	\$1,710.00	\$19.00	\$19.00	\$75.00	\$150.00	1
Mt. McCaleb	64	19	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	19	4	15	\$675.00	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$20.00	\$60.00	-
Burley	68	23	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	-1	23	8	15	\$675.00	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$145.00	\$100.00	-

Paul	77	55	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	54	11	43	\$1,935.00	\$21.50	\$21.50	\$50.00	\$75.00	2
Hagerman	78	38	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	-1	37	2	35	\$1,575.00	\$17.50	\$17.50	\$112.50	\$125.00	1
Fidelity	80	37	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	38	7	31	\$1,395.00	\$15.50	\$15.50	\$112.50	\$200.00	5
Ionic	82	89	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	-3	86	19	67	\$3,015.00	\$33.50	\$33.50	\$50.00	\$110.00	3
Caribou	84	44	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	46	3	43	\$1,935.00	\$21.50	\$21.50	\$25.00	\$150.00	5
Kooskia	87	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	5	24	\$1,080.00	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$50.00	\$120.00	-
Challis	92	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	-3	48	14	34	\$1,530.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$30.00	\$100.00	-
Capital City	93	99	4	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	101	14	87	\$3,915.00	\$43.50	\$43.50	\$105.00	\$260.00	9
Mount Kinport	95	55	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	-2	53	11	42	\$1,890.00	\$21.00	\$21.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	2
Kaniksu	97	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	-2	23	2	21	\$945.00	\$10.50	\$10.50	\$85.00	\$180.00	-
TOTALS	52	3,417	95	54	48	45	13	0	0	2	94	132	37	18	-177	3,240	712	2,528	\$113,760.00	\$1,264.00	\$1,264.00			197

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SECOND DISTRICT <i>Two Lodges</i> Eagle Rock No. 19 Grove City No. 33	SEVENTH DISTRICT <i>Six Lodges</i> Idaho No. 1 Boise No. 2 Placer No. 3 Oriental No. 60 Ionic No. 82 Capital City No. 93	TWELFTH DISTRICT <i>Five Lodges</i> Coeur d'Alene No. 20 Kootenai No. 24 Shoshone No. 25 Cataldo No. 34 St. Maries No. 63
THIRD DISTRICT <i>Four Lodges</i> Portneuf No. 18 Malad No. 51 Caribou No. 84 Mount Kinport No. 95	EIGHTH DISTRICT <i>Four Lodges</i> Silver City No. 13 Ashlar No. 29 Mt. Moriah No. 39 Meridian No. 47.	THIRTEENTH DISTRICT <i>Five Lodges</i> Rathdrum No. 41 Lakeside No. 42 Bonners Ferry No. 43 Spirit Lake No. 57 Kaniksu No. 97
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FIFTH DISTRICT <i>Four Lodges</i> Hailey No. 16 Richfield No. 21 Lincoln No. 59 Jerome No. 61	TENTH DISTRICT <i>Three Lodges</i> Mount Idaho No.9 Kamiah No. 56 Kooskia No. 87	

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