

Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho



150th Proceedings
Held in Boise, Idaho
September 21st, 22nd, 23rd
A.D. 2017 – A.L. 6017



James A. Hensley
M.:W.: Grand Master
Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Idaho
2016-2017

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Born February 26, 1942, Clay West Virginia

Parents: Elmer H. Hensley - Nancy Mae Jarvis

Raised by Grandparents: Kellis S. Hensley, Ada Hensley and Elsie Hensley (step-grandmother)

Graduated from High School 1960 and moved to California

Served in the US Army from 1961 to 1964, Fort Ord, CA, Fort Benning, GA and 2 ½ year in Hanau Germany – Construction 568th Engineer Light Equipment Company - Fifth Corps – (Cat-skinner)

Married the love of my life, Helen M. Summers on March 17, 1968 in Las Vegas, NV (48+ great years together)

Beautiful Daughter Brenda Louise Hensley born October 7, 1970 in Santa Maria CA

Attended Allan Hancock Junior College 2 years

Employed by Union Oil Company from 1965 to 1996, retired in 1997-Oil & Gas Division

Joined Woodbridge Lodge # 131 F. & A.M. in 1986, Serve as JS, Marsh., SD, JW, SW and elected Master in 1992. Lodge Secretary for 7 years & Treasurer for 3 years, Inspector (DDGM) of the 280th District of Grand Lodge of CA 2000-2002, Member of Ben Ali Shrine of Sacramento, CA, Member of Scottish Rite, 32nd Degree - Sacramento Valley CA, Member Ben Ali Shrine 3rd Degree Ritual Team, Member Sacramento Valley Scottish Rite 3rd Degree Ritual Team, Hiram Award Recipient-Woodbridge Lodge No. 131 F. & A.M. 1999, Mason of the Year from Woodbridge Lodge No. 131 F. & A.M. 2001, Qualified as Funeral Service Master in 2003,

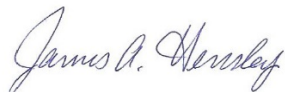
Joined Twin Falls Lodge No. 45 A.F. & A.M. in 2006, Initiated Widows Program in Twin Falls Lodge No. 45 A.F. & A.M. along with my Lady Helen in 2006, Served as Senior Warden Twin Falls Lodge No 45 in 2007, Mason of the Year from the 4th District of Idaho in 2007, Worshipful Master of Twin Falls No. 45 - 2008 & 2009, Serving as Secretary of Twin Falls Lodge No. 45 A.F. & A.M. for 3 years+, Twin Falls Lodge Assistant Secretary 2012, 2013, 2014, Received Hiram Award from Twin Falls Lodge No. 45 A.F. & A.M. in 2011,

Affiliated with Fidelity Lodge No. 80 - 5-19-2015, Affiliated with Hagerman Lodge No. 78

Transferred to Valley of Pocatello, Joined Scottish Rite of the Valley of Boise, Idaho, Joined El Korah Shrine of Boise, Idaho, Scottish Rite in 2012, Joined York Rite in 2012, serving in all three bodies, Invited to join Red Cross of Constantine, York Rite 2014, Invited to join York Rite College in 2014, York Rite, Twin Falls Council No. 7, Illustrious Master 2015 Joined York Rite College 2015, Treasurer of York Rite College 2015, Invested with KCCH (red cap) 2015 Elected High Priest of Twin Falls Chapter 16 York Rite 2015

Appointed to GL of Idaho A.F. & A.M. as Grand Pursivant by MWGM David Triplett in 2009, Served as GSB in 2010, JGS in 2010-11 and Grand Marshal in 2010-11, Appointed as JGD in 2011-12, Appointed W. Senior Grand Deacon in 2012, Elected RWJGW in September 2013, Elected RWSGW in September 2014, Elected & Installed RWDGM 2015

Hobbies: Woodworking, Stained Glass, Golfing & Cooking W/Helen



(OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS)
ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH
ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE

M.: W.:. Grand Lodge Ancient Free & Accepted Masons Of Idaho

James A. Hensley, M.: W.:. Grand Master

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

Held at Boise, Idaho, September 21, 22, 23, 2017
A.D. 2017 -- A.L. 6017

at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 3300 S. Vista Avenue, Boise, Idaho,
at 8:00 a.m. on the 21st day of September 2017

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)

Address of the Grand Secretary:
Monte B. Bollar
219 North Seventeenth Street
Boise, Idaho 83702-5145

In preparation for the 2017-2018 year the following training was performed.

Wednesday, September 20, 2017 (DDGM Training)

2017-18 District Deputy Grand Master Training

8:30-11:30 a.m. 2017-18 District Deputy Grand Master Training was held at the Meridian Lodge No. 47, 800 East 2nd St., Meridian Idaho

2017-18 Incoming Grand Lodge Officer Lunch

12:00 p.m. 2017-18 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 2018 Budget)

3:00 – 4:00p.m. The Brundage Room was opened for the brothers to come in and ask question about the proposed 2018 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

Grand Masters Banquet (Invitation Only)

6:00 p.m. No Host Social Hour *Convention Lobby*
7:00 p.m. Grand Masters Banquet (Invitation Only) *Silverhorn / Ponderosa Rooms*
Formal / Tux

Thursday, September 21, 2017 (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 J. Sherwin Wilson the musical selections started the morning.

8:00 a.m. – John Boyer, Worshipful Master of Hagerman Lodge # 78

“Ladies and Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Thursday Morning, Public opening of the 150th 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 2016-2017 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 James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“It is my pleasure to introduce John Boyer, Worshipful Master of Hagerman Lodge # 78”

Opening Prayer offered by Rick L. Waites W. :. Grand Chaplin

“Heavenly Father, as we assemble today with our visiting Brethren and Concordant and Appendant Bodies, we ask your blessing on this 150th 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 “

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“Worshipful Grand Marshal, you will present the flags.”

Presentation of the Flags

H. Sherman Burger III, W. :. Grand Marshal

Presentation of the Flags

Commandery of Knights Templar of Idaho

Tribute to the Flag of the United States of America

Before us is the 28th and current official flag of our Country. Betsy Ross is widely known as the creator of the original flag of what would become the United States of America. It consisted of 13 stars in a circle on a field of blue and contained 13 stripes – seven red and six white. The “Stars and Stripes represented the colonies that would become the first 13 states. While long recognized as our first flag, it was not adopted by an act of law and was never our “official flag”.

The first Official US flag was created by law is a 13-star 13 stripe flag. This flag was adopted by Congressional action on June 14, 1777 and began the design where the stars are in a row. There were alternating rows of three and two stars. George Washington was the only President to hold the office of President under that flag. That flag was adopted while our country operated under the Articles of Confederation and 13 years before the Constitution was adopted by all 13 original states.

On May 17, 1795, the 15-star 15 stripe flag, recognizing the addition of Vermont and Kentucky, became our second official flag. This is the only official flag with more than 13 stripes and flew over Ft. McHenry when Francis Scott Key was inspired to write the Star-Spangled Banner. Beginning with our 4th official flag, the 21 Star Flag, adopted on July 4, 1819, stars are added only on July 4th.

On July 4, 1867, the 37 Star Flag became the 19th official flag and was the flag of our country when the Idaho Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. was formed. Five rows of stars represented the 37 states. The middle three rows contained seven stars each, the top and bottom row had eight stars.

The 43rd star for the State of Idaho was added on July 4, 1890, one day after Idaho's statehood. Along with Idaho's star, stars were added for North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Washington. Idaho's one day wait is the shortest waiting period between statehood and having the star added to the flag. The longest waiting period was 22 years for Tennessee.

On July 4, 1960, the 50th star was added to our flag for the state of Hawaii. This flag, our current flag, has served our country longer than any other flag.

Please join me in singing those words penned under the 15-star 15 stripe flag – “The Star-Spangled Banner”

Now please join with me in repeating the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sir Knight, please post our Flag in the East.

Tribute to the Flag of Canada.

Canada – the second largest country (by land mass) in the world and our Neighbors to the North. While the Maple Leaf has long been a symbol of Canada, this Canadian Flag was officially adopted in 1965 and Dr. George Stanley's design was selected from over 5,000 designs submitted for consideration. Officially the flag is twice as long as it is wide, making it the only national flag with dimensions in that ratio.

The Dominion of Canada was created by an act of British Parliament and was born on July 1, 1867; and is only slightly older than the Grand Lodge of Idaho. When the Grand Lodge of Idaho was formed there was no official flag of Canada, the Royal Union Flag was most commonly flown, although the Canadian Blue Ensign was also flown. The Canadian Red Ensign was first adopted the next year and versions served until the Maple Leaf Flag was adopted.

Similar to the practice of flying the US Flag over the Capitol and then used as a presentation, Canadians fly their flag on Parliament Hill. These flags are made available to citizens for free but plan ahead if you want one, there is a 40 to 60 year waiting list for these flags.

Please join me in singing “O Canada” which was written in 1880 and became the Canadian National Anthem in 1939.

Sir Knight, please post the Canadian Flag in the East

Tribute to the Flag of Idaho

Idaho Territory was formed March 3, 1863. I could not find any history of an Idaho Territorial Flag. There was, however, a Territorial Seal and a Coat of Arms. The seal was rather plain, but the coat of arms contained a beautiful and colorful representation of a covered wagon, plow and bundle of wheat. Being formed during a time of great upheaval, the words “The Union” were displayed prominently across the coat of arms.

The Seal of the state of Idaho was designed by Emma Edwards Green and is the only state seal designed by a woman. It is the central piece in our State's flag.

In 1898 this flag flew over Idaho troops fighting in the Philippines during the Spanish American War. In 1907 it was adopted as the Idaho State Flag. In 1915 the words to “Here we Have Idaho” were copyrighted and set to music two years later. It was adopted as the Idaho State Song in 1931.

Please join me in singing the chorus to our state song.

Sir Knight, please post our state flag in the East.

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

Read the Ragged Old Flag written by Johnny Cash, in the 1960's

"We will pledge allegiance to the flag of our country"

Everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country.

"We will now have the parade of the lodge banners. Brother John Boyer, would you lead the Lodges.

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 in thanking these brothers for the efforts they have made.

Please post your banners."

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Brother Grand Secretary, will you read the Proclamation."

RW Grand Secretary read the following Proclamation signed by C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor of Idaho.



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capital
Boise

WHEREAS, September 21-23, 2017 marks the 150th annual Communication of the Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho, founded in 1867; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Lodge of Idaho is the governing body of all freemasons in Idaho, including the appendant bodies of Scottish Rites, York Rites, Order of Eastern Star, Shriners, Amaranth, DeMolay and Job's Daughters; and

WHEREAS, freemasonry is the oldest and largest fraternal organization in the world, and many state and local leaders have been Masons throughout freemasonry's distinguished history in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the Masons have strived to make Idaho a better place to live and work through leadership, confidence and moral character; and

WHEREAS, freemasonry in Idaho unites men of every culture and opinion in teaching and perpetuating a way of life that promotes brotherhood, self-improvement through education, family values, moral standards, charity and community service; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 3,500 masons in Idaho and their representatives will be in Boise, Idaho to celebrating 150 years of service to Idaho's communities while conducting its annual Communication;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the week of September 18-24, 2017 to be

FREEMASON WEEK

in Idaho, and I urge all citizens to be aware of and participate in its observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 18th day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-eighth.



C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE

Introductions

Heads of Concordant and Appendant Bodies

Introductions by Gary LaBruyere, W.:Sr. Grand Steward
(Lined up by Senior Grand Deacon assisted by Grand Stewards)

James A. Hensley, 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.”

Scottish Rite

Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Idaho Joseph E. Alexander

York Rite

Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Idaho
Right Eminent Grand Commander Kent R. McCandless

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Idaho
Most Excellent Grand High Priest Gary A.S. LaBruyere

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Idaho Steven L. Hall
Representing Most Illustrious Grand Master Robert A. Farrow

General Grand Master of General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons Int. David Grindle

Grand Chapter of Idaho, Order of Eastern Star

Worthy Grand Matron Elizabeth Hughes
Worthy Grand Patron John Hughes

Grand Court of Idaho, Order of Amaranth

Grand Royal Matron Darlene Neal
Grand Royal Patron Ron Wood

Iris Temple No. 40, Daughters of the Nile

Queen, Jeanette Isserman

Shrine Temples

Potentate, El Korah Shrine Michael G. Yavno
Potentate, Calam Shrine Russ Graves

Quick remarks were given by:

Joseph E. Alexander, Steven L. Hall, David Grindle, Elizabeth Hughes, John Hughes, Darlene Neal, Ron Wood, Jeanette Isserman (*see remarks below*), Michael G. Yavno, Russ Graves Kent McCandless, Gary A.S. LaBruyere.

A monetary gift was received from the Grand Chapter of Idaho Order of the Eastern Star.

Adult Leaders of Youth Groups

Introductions by Steven O. Zimmerman, W.: Sr. Grand Deacon
(Lined up by Senior Grand Deacon assisted by Grand Stewards)

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“W.: Sr. Grand Deacon you will introduce the Adult Leader of the Youth Groups of Idaho – Brother Grand Stewards please assist.”

Job's Daughters International, Grand Council of Idaho

Grand Guardian
Associate Grand Guardian

Peggy Hess
Keith Brooks

International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Washington/Idaho

Supreme Deputy- WA, ID

Betty Downing

International Order of DeMolay

Executive Officer

Gary A. S. LaBruyere

Quick remarks were given by:

Peggy Hess (*see remarks below*), Betty Downing, Keith, Gary A.S. LaBruyere

Written Addresses by Heads of Concordant and Appendant Bodies and leaders of Youth Groups

Iris Temple No. 40, Daughters of the Nile

Queen,

Jeanette Isserman

Iras Temple No. 40, Daughters of the Nile

September 21, 2017

Most Worshipful Grand Master Jim Hensley, Deputy Grand Master William Curtis Jr, Members and guests of the Grand Lodge Ancient Free Accepted Masons of Idaho,

Good morning.

Thank-you for this special invitation. Daughters of the Nile is an international fraternal organization for women 18 years or older who are related by birth or marriage to a Shriner, Master Mason, or Daughter of the Nile, or is a majority member in Good Standing of a Masonic related organization for girls; or who was a patient at a Shriners Hospital for Children®.

Daughters of the Nile was founded in Seattle, Washington, in 1913. Membership totals over 22,000 in 137 cities throughout the United States and Canada. Our Iras Temple No. 40 has 456 members. Our members are proud of their long association with Shriners International and the continuing support of the 22 Shriners Hospitals for Children® throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. Over 2 million dollars is donated annually. Each year the members of Daughters of the Nile provide more than 200,000 volunteer hours for the Shriners Hospitals for Children®. In addition, they sew clothing, pillow cases, and make quilts; they provide toys, books, games, and other educational and recreational items for the children's use, with an annual value of donated items just under one million dollars.

Most Worshipful Grand Master Jim, best wishes for a great Annual Communication and to Deputy Grand Master Bill, Best wishes for a successful year.

Jeanette "Jenny" Isserman, Queen
Iras Temple No. 40
Boise, ID

Job's Daughters International, Grand Council of Idaho

Grand Guardian

Peggy Hess

Grand Lodge of Idaho

Peggy Hess, Grand Guardian of Idaho Job's Daughters International

September 21, 2017

Worshipful Grand Master James Hensley, Distinguished East, Master Masons, Sisters, Brothers, and friends;

It is my great pleasure to be able to speak to you today on behalf of the Grand Guardian Council of Idaho and Job's Daughters International.

These Idaho Job's Daughters are my snowflakes, each unique and special. Each with their own beauty and character. Each growing into our future leaders.

First, I want to thank you for your yearly monetary support of the Bethels of Idaho and the beautiful daughters who attend those Bethels. Also thank you for your scholarship program. College is so expensive these days. Monetary support is good, but they need you at their meetings as well. We have 3 of our 12 Idaho Bethels, out of the original 63 Bethels, with no Associate Guardian, a Master Mason with a CAV. Kathy Kenny and I tried to get a CAV (Certified Adult Volunteer) class set up in conjunction with Grand Lodge, but it could not happen this year. I hope in the years to come we can get that going and please watch for a CAV training in your area.

Second, If you have men in your lodges with daughters, please help them find a Bethel near them. Grand Bethel Honored Queen Hope and Miss Idaho Job's Daughter Jenn are really pushing for membership this year, as am I. Every Bethel needs more daughters and we need your help to do this. We hope to grow by, at the very least, 10 daughters in each Bethel this year.

Third and Last, invite them to one of your meetings to do a song or a ceremony. They love doing their work for others. It helps them build their Character. Help their efforts as much as you can. Wear a Jobie hat, shirt, or pin. Talk to co-workers, neighbors, and friends who have daughters ages 10 to 20. If they have daughters that are younger, they can become Jobies to Bee and get to know their Bethel. We all need to work together for the Masonic Family. The Supreme Guardian's theme for this year is: "Light the Fire Within", so let's light that fire within us and help our Masonic family grow.

Thank you again for this opportunity to share my thoughts with you.

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Let's give them a hearty welcome."

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

*"W.: Sr. Grand Deacon, you will introduce the Youth Leaders of Idaho.
Brother Grand Stewards, please assist."*

Youth Leaders

Introduction of Youth Leaders

Job's Daughters International, Grand Bethel of Idaho

Grand Bethel Honored Queen

Miss Idaho Job's Daughter

Hope Eskridge

Jennifer Dahl

International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Washington/Idaho

Worthy Grand Advisor, Washington / Idaho

Taylor Beal

International Order of DeMolay

Idaho State Master Councilor

Idaho State Senior Councilor

Matthew Thompson

Joey Cameron

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Let's give them a hearty welcome."

Addresses by Heads of Youth Groups

Job's Daughters International, Grand Bethel of Idaho

Grand Bethel Honored Queen

Hope Eskridge

Grand Lodge- A.F. & A.M.

September 20, 2017

Boise, ID

Most Worshipful Grand Master Mr. Jim Hensley, Distinguished east, Idaho Masons, and friends. Good morning! I am Hope Eskridge, Grand Bethel Honored Queen of Idaho Job's Daughters, and I am honored to have the privilege to speak on the behalf of the Jobies of Idaho. It is so incredible to be here today, surrounded by so many people who strive to make the world better day by day.

To start off, I want to tell each of you how grateful I am for everything you all do for your order. Thanks to all of you, I have the opportunity to stand up here and speak to you. You, the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho have given me and countless other girls the opportunity to grow and become the young women we are today. Without the masonic heritage, Job's Daughters International would not be. That being said, we need you. Job's Daughters need all of you to be more active in our organization. We truly need more masons to teach us the lessons that prepare~ for life. We teenagers can be difficult at times, but we truly love and respect you. We need your help, your guidance, your lessons. However, it's not a one-sided relationship between our orders, we can help you too. We want to support you just as much as we need you to support us.

Before I joined Job's Daughters when I was ten, I honestly had no idea what a mason was, let alone what it meant to be a part of something bigger than myself. When I joined Jobies, it took me a few years to appreciate and fully understand the meaning of the Masonic Family. Thanks to my aunt, I joined the beautiful organization known as Job's Daughters International. It wasn't soon after I joined Jobies, my dad became a mason. Thanks to these two, I am a part of the masonic family, that which supports every member in becoming a better person in order to better the world. If my aunt hadn't introduced me to Job's Daughters, I would have missed out on meeting such an inspiring group of people I call my Masonic Family.

It truly breaks my heart to know that so many young women in this world don't know what Job's Daughters is, and don't know the love and acceptance that comes from the masonic family. Membership is dwindling across the entire masonic bodies. This problem can no longer be ignored or swept under the rug to deal with later. The world deserves to know how amazing masonry truly is, and how rewarding it is to be a part of something that makes the world better every day. Our organizations are going through very difficult times. The best way to solve a problem is through dedication and teamwork. I ask each and every one of you too look around the room, and think about how all of you can come together to help your organization, and all the-subordinate masonic bodies. I implore all of you, if you have a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, or even just know a child who is in range of a bethel, assembly, or chapter of the masonic youth organizations, please tell them about Jobies, Rainbow, or DeMolay. We are the future of the Masonic family. Without us, sadly, I believe the masonic body will die. When you tell them about our organizations? Tell them about the self-confidence they'll gain, the charitable heart they'll grow, the ability to lead with grace and dignity which becomes invaluable from so many priceless experiences and opportunities given to them from being a member of the masonic family.

In closing, I'd like to make it clear how much we truly appreciate everything you do Job's Daughters. Your endless support is never overlooked, whether you serve as a member on a guardian council or simply attend a bethel meeting from time to time, your presence as a whole makes an impact on every single daughter in my order. Thank you for our heritage, your support, and for being such a huge impact on my life and so many others. You're all incredible people, now let's work hard on growing our masonic family. I hope you have an amazing time here at grand lodge, and I look forward to meeting all of you this week.

Thank you.

Job's Daughters International, Grand Bethel of Idaho

Miss Idaho Job's Daughter

Jennifer Dahl

Most Worshipful Grand Master James Hensley, Deputy Grand Master William Curtis Jr., and to the members of the Grand Lodge.

My name is Jennifer and I am the 2017-2018 Miss Idaho Job's Daughter. Ordinarily, I might be standing here to ask for donations from you. But today I am here to ask something different. I am here to ask from you: your daughters, your granddaughters, your nieces. Our organization is getting smaller and smaller each and every year. We need your outreach and your connections to help us continue to inspire and teach girls all around the state.

I want you to think of the women that have helped you in your life or have helped you become the man you are today. Our organization strives to raise women just like that. Women with grace, kindness, and patience. But we can't do that without new members.

My main objective this year as Miss Idaho is to have positive membership growth by our next Session in June. I am reaching out to you to help me achieve this goal, for the sake of our organization.

I want to thank the men who volunteer their time to help mold and lead the future women of our state as members on Bethel Guardian Councils all around the state. I encourage you to follow in their footsteps and lead the young women in Idaho.

Every day you live as examples of what a man should be, and how to live a life full of charity and kindness. I have found a new family in this Masonic Family and I am forever grateful for the heritage you give us, and for the organization I am a part of.

I would like to invite all of you to begin or continue your support of Job's Daughters later tonight, at my Bethel's meeting at 7pm at the Boise Masonic Temple, just a quick drive from here. We would be honored to host you at our meeting, and for you to experience Job's Daughters, if you never have before. And if you're still unsure about going, there will be dessert. I hope that I will see our sidelines full tonight, and your interest in Job's Daughters peak.

Thank you for your support of Job's Daughters and your warm welcome.

International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Washington/Idaho

Worthy Grand Advisor, Washington / Idaho

Taylor Beal

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished East, Idaho Grand Lodge and Friends

My name is Taylor Beal and I am so honored to be here to make a response to you on behalf of Washington Idaho Rainbow as their Grand Worthy Advisor.

In Rainbow, we are so lucky to have the support and presence of every part of our Masonic family, and you are very much a part of that. I personally believe that it is so important for our girls to have strong male role models in their lives. Male role models who support the athletic, academic, or artistic ventures of a girl's dream. Male role models who treat our girls, and other women the way they deserve to be treated. I feel blessed enough to say that Washington Idaho Rainbow has an amazing set of male role models in the Masons and Rainbow Dads that support our assemblies. You are all playing a huge part in helping Rainbow shape our members into confident, strong, and forward leaders for tomorrow. One of my goals this year, is to make sure my girls feel powerful. I want them to feel like they can do anything, and I want them to imagine the phrase, "like a girl" as the strong sentence it should be. I know my Masonic family will be helping us as we become the politicians, teachers, lawyers, business owners, and professional athletes we want to be. Whether our dreams are big or small, in a dance studio or fire station, we will be accomplishing them having the love of those important to us in our Masonic Family.

So, for everything you have done and will continue to do, thank you.

Taylor Beal

International Order of DeMolay

Idaho State Master Councilor

Matthew Thompson

Most Worshipful Grand Master James Hensley, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, Distinguished and Honored Guests,

Good Morning! I want to thank you for inviting me to speak with you this morning on behalf of Idaho DeMolay. Accompanying me today is the State Senior Councilor, Bro. Joe Cameron. As I continuously craft my year it is my goal to help promote an organization built on timeless traditions and time-honored heritage.

DeMolay is an organization that builds great leaders today and sends them off into the future to lead positive lives and to lead by example. Let me ask How many of you are Sr DeMolays? If you

are please stand. These great Masons started their leadership journey early on and should be commended and recognized for their time spent in DeMolay and years of Masonic Service. Thank you. If you were one of these men you received leadership, planning and communication skills that helped enable you to be the positive and effective leaders you are today.

My message and goal this year is to "each one, reach one." As we are seeing in our organizations today we are needing to replace ourselves by one maybe two. We are all replaceable and that is what we need to do to set our course in building this great organization for young men replacing ourselves to double, or even triple the size of our order. To be a force of pride, leadership, and respect.

Where do we learn all this? From our adults. As Masons, we look to you to be our mentors. To guide us and hopefully someday to help us join a lodge and become a Mason, just like you. In the meantime, I am personally issuing you all an invitation to come to a DeMolay meeting. To Meet our young men. Talk to them about their futures and their plans. Offer guidance and support, and if you're willing, offer a few hours a month, to join an advisory council, how our young men what it is to be a Mason and offer support, as they look to the future. Because we are the future. You will reap the benefits knowing you helped a young man become a positive leader and be a positive force in the future.

That day for me is coming sooner than later as I will be 18 in December and already have my petition to join. Our Masonic lives don't stop at majority. I plan to carry on the Masonic legacy my grandfather, great grandfather and great-great grandfathers gave me.

Another goal I have this year is to unify our Masonic families and to publicize our good works. I spoke to Grand York Rite at the beginning of my term and mentioned we see each and know each other inside these walls, but we need to take our name and our organizations outside these defining four walls, to spread our message and have the community recognize us.

I was just recently at the Mountain Home Air Force Day parade and one Mason said to me "I didn't know DeMolay still existed". If one Mason didn't know we were still around, what's that to say other Masons don't think that. It speaks to my previous comments, that we see each and know each other inside these walls, but outside these four walls we stay hidden. We need to be relevant and visible! We need to better represent our orders in our communities, so that we will be able leave a lasting legacy for our children and their children.

Growing up in the Masonic family, as I have, we party well inside the walls of our buildings, with installations, receptions, and honor nights, but we need to bring others in to share in the fun. To the Masons of Idaho, please, help us move forward and grow. Our Masonic Family needs to unite with one another, so we can provide a united front to our communities.

I thank you for the honor of speaking with you today and I wish for a very successful Grand Lodge Session.

Thank you!

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

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

Presentations

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"Are there any presentations?"

John Walker Robinson, James W. Husted-Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1068

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Rite Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Brethren, Ladies and Guests: as the Grand Master said, my name is John Walker Robinson, I would just like to dispel a rumor that there is a Robertson in the house. The program says Robertson, it is Robinson. I know that I was born only 90 miles from the Scottish border. And Johnny Walker is something

familiar to a Scotsman. By birth I am an Englishman, by adoption I am an American; having lived here now for 50 years. Sent originally to solve a problem on Wall Street and I'm still here. The problem was solved. And now I don't think of Wall Street.

I've seen many faces this evening, this morning, there are no windows, maybe it is still this evening. We arrived in town about 9, travelled for about 18 hours yesterday. And eventually got to turn out the lights at 12:30. And at 5:30 when the alarm rang I wasn't the uh... the Grand Master's going around saying I am bright eyed and bushy tailed; I assure you, I am not. But I try my best.

Idaho Brotherhood Night, before I tell you about that I'd like us to set the scene because for, I still think I'm 24, I'm not. Calendar says otherwise, inside I'm still 24. But there are brothers and sisters here today who may not know as clearly as those of us from Europe do about what was happening. At the time that Idaho Brotherhood Night started, I can just briefly give you a time line.

In October of 1929 the Great Depression started in the United States. The results were spread beyond the borders of the USA. In a very short time Europe, still trying to recover from the World War I, was soon caught in a similar state, economic state. The Treaty of Versailles made such demands upon Germany for reparations that the depression in Germany was far worse than that in the USA. In today's money more than 38 trillion dollars was lost; virtually overnight.

In the winter of 1932-33 the depression hit rock bottom. In 1933, from our history books for many of you, you will see that the National Socialists, now known worldwide as the Nazi Party, took over Germany and in the USA, Roosevelt had started the new deal.

In 1935, it was worse in Germany, the Nuremburg laws issued. And for those who don't know what that meant. They were directed against the following segments of society; Jews, Communists, gypsies, tremillions, mentally and physically disabled people, the intelligencia, free masons and the aristocracy. Have I left anyone out?

In March of 1938, Germany annexed Austria and the Auschwitz. That word, Auschwitz, is familiar to many people from the Sound of Music, but it had something much, much more dire. So, Germany marched and took over Austria.

In September 1938 there was the Munich pact. The Munich pact, for those of you who were around will recall the British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain coming back from Munich waving a piece of paper saying, "Peace in our Time". Winston Churchill was not impressed.

In March of 1939, Nazi Germany marched into Sudetenland, Czechoslovakia, and then into Poland. That prompted Churchill to declare war on Germany and started World War II. That's the negative side. But against that time line, I want you to think about what happened here.

In 1937 one of my predecessors, Rite Worshipful George Briggs was the Grand Representative of Idaho near the Grand Lodge of New York, took his role very seriously and invited the then Grand Master of Idaho to come and visit his lodge in New York. At that time also, the Grand Masters Conference in North America met in Washington DC. So that was around February. Your Grand Master was delighted to receive the invitation. And after the meeting of the Grand Masters, the Grand Master of New York, MWGM Jacob Klink, presented a letter to your Grand Master. And that letter contained, from RW Briggs, details of the program he had arranged when your Grand Master came to New York.

I'm looking at the proceedings from your Grand Lodge of Idaho 1937 and if I can just briefly quote this, because he quoted, he stated quite voluminously about his visit to New York. The Grand Master said "I would meet these two brothers that is Briggs and MW Klink personally later in the year. Neither was I to know then the many courtesies they would extend to me a few months later on my visit to New York. A further account of this visit is given elsewhere in this report." And if you would like to go to your 1937 proceedings, it's here what exactly he did and what my colleagues, of course I did not know them in 1937, I was not around, but there was a program which affected him quite significantly.

So, you will recall, that I said in 1938 Germany annexed Austria. In September of 1938, at your Grand Lodge proceedings here in Idaho, your Grand Master spoke eloquently about what was happening in Europe. "During the past year we contributed our might to the relief of our masonic brethren who have been exiled from their homes by decree of the dictator of Germany. 300 masons and their families are

stranded in Switzerland. Driven from their homes in Vienna like wild boars, like wild geese in Switzerland in the forest. And for what reason. We venture to guess they were among the best citizens of Austria. Measured by all the proper standards of citizenship. Here in America and elsewhere, under the flags of liberal governments masons are looked upon as most desirable citizens, we select them for positions of honor and leadership." And he goes on.

My colleagues and my predecessor Briggs, as I said, he took his responsibilities seriously, and he actually read your proceedings. He saw this, and it gave him even more impetus to further invite the Grand Masters of Idaho to come to my mother lodge. What is unique about this, it is not a Grand Master of one Grand Jurisdiction visiting the Grand Master of another jurisdiction, although they met, it is a Grand Master of one jurisdiction coming to a subordinate lodge of another grand jurisdiction. That is an honor. I just want to summarize this if I may; in 1937 the Grand Lodge of Idaho and the Grand Lodge of New York entered into a lasting friendship celebrated annually as Idaho Brotherhood Night. But that 1937 meeting, in my opinion, did not solidify, did not determine how long this relationship would last. What made it last is these proceedings here in 1938. By 1938 this special night symbolized the goodness of the brethren dwelling together in unity and harmony.

By 1938 reports were coming out of Nazi Germany where the level of cruel repression was far greater than modern history had yet seen. As much of the world kept silent, a letter was written by the grand lodge of Idaho condemning the actions of the Nazis over the years. Brotherhood night has come to mean a great deal more than just a bond between masons that spans thousands of miles. It has come to represent the duty we masons here assert; what is right, to speak when others are silent and to do the right thing. This is embodied so well by the actions of our Idaho brothers who held up a light to push back the darkness as the world prepared for war.

My brothers, we, in James W. Husted-Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1068; in 1937 we were Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1079, but as in masonry lodges merge, come together, and my mother lodge is now James W. Husted, who was a past governor of New York, hypen Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1068. We look forward to this; much preparation goes into the visit of the Grand Master of Idaho. He is treated with the highest respect and made an honorary member of my mother lodge. I look around tonight or today and see Grand Masters that I have met over the past, I have only been a mason for 14 years, but I've done many things in that 14 years and wear many hats, I recognize many of the faces here, and I recognize the names. Sometimes it's difficult putting a face to the name, but please don't be insulted if I'm looking at your badge to make sure I know which Grand Master I am addressing. I must say we always have a good time.

Fourteen years ago, when I first became a mason, my role in Idaho Brotherhood Night was to be the entertainment, I was to sing, accompanied by our organist, and maybe some Grand Master here remembers that. Over the years though we have brothers in our lodges who are professional opera singers, Brother Steven Fredericks, Metropolitan Opera, is a member of our mother lodge when he was available and now he seems to make himself available every 1st Monday in June so I can use my vocal cords in other ways and he can be the entertainment. Doesn't have to worry about what's happening next; why is that brother sitting there doing what he's doing but that's my job. My job is to produce the program, to produce the art work, to make sure I spell the Grand Master's name correctly and introduce him correctly. And generally assist Rite Worshipful Melvin J. Silverman.

Mel Silverman, many of you know, has been doing this since Adam was a lad. On last Monday, we held a re-representation ceremony for him and the District Deputy Grand Master for the Eighth Manhattan District for the second time in 40 years. Unfortunately, we lost our District Deputy, a young man, but Mel decided he would step in and do that and I think that was his swan song and he thoroughly enjoyed the evening and asked me to send his greetings to you.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, I also bring you fraternal greetings of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the state of New York and of course, my mother lodge, James W. Husted-Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1068.

To complete that, if I may, present you a framed letter from my mother lodge which was created for you and hope that this will explain what our thoughts are on this evening and this relationship. If I might just take this apart.

MW Hensley: I think there are a few of the honorary members in this room. If you would rise, I would appreciate it.

Bro. Robinson: I think we are at 26 or 27 now, living. I recognize MW Brooks, Dave Triplett, John Warner, Broemeling, MW Broemeling, I don't recognize these. Memory fails after a time. Struggling just to get this container off.

MW Hensley: Thank you.

Bro. Robinson: If I might just read this to you. Not everyone will have an opportunity to. It has the emblem of James W. Husted-Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1086.

“James W. Husted-Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1086, Eighth Manhattan District of Free and Accepted Masons Grand Lodge, State of New York. Congratulates the Grand Lodge of Idaho, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, on the Sesquicentennial Anniversary of the founding and in celebration of the Annual Idaho Brotherhood Night that has been the signature event of James W. Husted-Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1086, Eighth Manhattan District, Grand Lodge State of New York at which every Grand Master of Idaho since 1937 has received honorary membership. “Most Worship Brother James A Hensley is the 81st recipient and it goes on to say, this is our lodge speaking, “We believe this relationship is unique in the annals of Free Masonry.” We have the Grand Lodge of Idaho 150 years, for the 81 years of that 150, this relationship has existed. “We believe this relationship is unique in the annals of Free Masonry and look forward to continuing the annual Idaho Brotherhood Night and to grant honorary memberships to all future Grand Masters of Idaho. Dated this 21st day of September 2017.” It has all the names of our officers, Worshipful Harlan C. Geller, Master, RW Gerald H. Hauser, Secretary, Brother Hauser and Brother Silverman, each have been in the craft for 62 years. So, the Secretary and Treasurer just celebrated 62 years in the craft. So, in the middle I have RW Melvin J. Silverman, District Deputy Grand Master, Idaho Brotherhood Night Chairman. RW Brother John Walker Robinson, Past District Deputy Grand Master, Past Grand Staff Officer, Lodge Advisor and Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of Idaho. Grand Master, it is my honor and privilege to present this.

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“John, thank you for coming. I would like to thank John Walker Robinson for coming to Idaho.”

Masonic Service Association Presentation

Plaque presented to M .: W .: Grand Master James A. Hensley by Monte B. Bollar, R .: W .: Grand Secretary on behalf of the Masonic Service Association.

It reads:

“Certificate of Appreciation presented to James A. Hensley, 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.”

Grand Master Report (Part I)

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

Welcome to the 150th Annual Communication of Masons in Idaho. This is the day that I have been looking for, my next to final report as your Grand Master. Thank each of you for taking time out to be here with Helen and myself today and throughout this session. Your support and kindness is the nourishment we feed from. We hope each of you will have a wonderful time here in Boise. Grand Lady Helen has spent many hours in preparation for this session, setting up the Ladies Program and Luncheon that I am certain each of our Ladies will enjoy. Many thanks also to RWJGW Steven Hall and Lady Kathy Jones for their assistance with the Ladies Tour, it just wouldn't have happened without your help. Just as PGM Warner said last year, maybe I could let RWDGM Curtis take over and I can go along on the tour.

This past Grand Lodge year has been full of good times and some stressful times, all in all a year that will be remembered by Grand Lady Helen and myself for the rest of our lives. The courtesies, kindness and fellowship that has been extended to Grand Lady Helen and I have been outstanding and overwhelming, we thank each of you for your thoughtfulness. The times I had to visit to perform duties that were stressful, the fellowship among the Brethren still overshadowed and uplifted my heart. Being your Grand Master and Grand Lady for the past year has been a great honor and will live in our hearts forever.

A special thank you Grand Lady Helen, without her support and guidance your Grand Master would have been lost. No man stands alone, especially as Grand Master without the support of family, Masonic and otherwise. Thank you to the best Officers any Grand Master could have. Your support this year has been outstanding. You were always there for me to bounce my thoughts off of and render your opinion when asked to do so, just could not have made it through the year without your support.

A special thank you goes out to MWPGM David Triplett for appointing me as Grand Pursivant in 2009, installing me as Grand Master and for Lady Ann Triplett for being there for Grand Lady Helen. There are no better friends to have than Dave and Ann Triplett. To all the Past Grand Masters, what can I say that hasn't been said already, your support has been fantastic. To all the committees, thank you for a job well done. Last, but by no means least, a special thank you to our Grand Secretary Monte Bollar and Grand Clerk Cyndie Bollar. This year as Grand Master would not have been possible without your help and guidance, you are the best.


To all the Officers and Membership that travelled, worked and attended the Lodge re-dedications, Exemplification in Pocatello, Homecoming in Silver City, All Masonic Picnic, District Meetings, Regional Training Sessions and supported Freemasonry in Idaho this year, I say a special thank you to each and all of you, you are the ones that are the heart and soul of Freemasonry, you made this year a success.

As our Grand Jurisdiction moves forward I encourage each of you to reassess your commitment to our fraternity, have you done all that you can do? This being our Sesquicentennial year we have had a renewal of our spirit and commitment in making this year the best year possible, and to making Idaho Freemasonry even better in the future. Right Worshipful Brother Bill Curtis and the 2017-18 Officers will need all the support we can muster to help make that possible.

As my final thoughts are at hand, I want to again thank my Lady Helen for the work she has put into making this year a success. She has been by my side and the love of my life for 49 1/2 plus years. I think she might be a better Grand Master than me. The project Grand Lady Helen has undertaken this year, providing pillowcases for the children at Shriner's Hospitals, has been a wonderful project and I know she thanks everyone for helping her make that project a success. To our daughter Brenda, son-in-law Ron, sister-in-law Pat and her daughter Lisa, thanks for all the work you have put in to make this session a success, you are all wonderful and it's a very special treat to have you here with Helen and I.

Lastly, thank you again to all the Brethren of this jurisdiction and all Freemasons, withersoever dispersed, it's great to have served as Grand Master of Idaho this past year, you are the ones that made it all worthwhile and possible.

Respectfully submitted,



James A. Hensley
Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho

"I move this report be accepted and referred to Accounts and Finances and Jurisprudence."

Motion seconded and passed to accept the Grand Masters Report Part 1.

10:00 a.m. Dismissal of all Non-Master Masons

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley announced that we will be taking a 15-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 10:15 am

Announcements:

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."*

There is a table of Sesquicentennial items for sale in the lobby.

There are still tickets available for the Quilt Auction.

Thursday, September 21, 2017 (Formal Opening)

Dale R Rutter, Worshipful Master of Capital City Lodge No. 93.

"Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Formal Opening of the 150th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho.

Brother Marshal, you will present the District Deputy Grand Masters.

Please give your attention to the procession of the Grand Lodge Officers.

Brother Marshal, you will present the Most Worshipful Grand Master."

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

"It is my pleasure to introduce, Dale R. Rutter, Worshipful Master of Capital City Lodge No. 93. My Host Lodge.

Brother Grand Marshal, you will seat the Officers."

Formal Opening Prayer offered by Rick L. Waites, W.: Grand Chaplain

"Supreme Grand Master, Ruler of Heaven and Earth! As we open this 150th Annual Communications of Ancient, Free and Accepted Mason of Idaho, Let Us Rejoice and Celebrate the Strength and Resilience of Our Great Fraternity. Keep Us Ever Mindful of Our Duties to this Fraternity, Our Country and Our Families. Please keep Our Military and Law Enforcement Personnel under Your Watchful Eye. Bless and Guide Our Leaders and Brethren in All Their Actions. Let Us remember those Brothers that came Before Us and their Passion for this Great Fraternity. We Humbly Pray. Amen "

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley proceeded to open Grand Lodge in Ample Form.

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

"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 150th 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 10:47 a.m., September 21th, 2017

ROLL CALL

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley directed the R.: W.: Grand Secretary, Monte B. Bollar, to proceed with the Roll Call of Officers.

Elective Grand Lodge Officers 2016-2017

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Here?</u>
M.: W.: Grand Master	James A. Hensley (78,80)	present
R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master	William K. “Bill” Curtis, Jr. (1)	present
R.: W.: Sr. Grand Warden	Kent R. McCandless (19)	present
R.: W.: Jr. Grand Warden	Steven L. Hall (30)	present
R.: W.: Grand Treasurer	Randy King (13, 60)	present
R.: W.: Grand Secretary	Monte B. Bollar (13, 60)	present
R.: W.: Grand Lecturer (acting)	John E. Warner, (18)	present

Appointive Grand Lodge Officers

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Here?</u>
W.: Sr. Grand Deacon	Steven O. Zimmerman (39)	present
W.: Jr. Grand Deacon	Russ W. Smith (48, 64)	present
W.: Grand Marshal	H. Sherman Burger III (39)	present
W.: Sr. Grand Steward	Gary A. LaBruyere (19)	present
W.: Jr. Grand Steward	John B. Johnson (63)	excused
W.: Grand Sword Bearer	Rick L. Holloway (13, 60)	present
W.: Grand Pursuivant	George J. White Jr. (45)	present
W.: Grand Chaplain	Rick L. Waites (45)	present
W.: Grand Orator	Jerry D. Parsons (2)	present
W.: Grand Historian	Bruce A. Wethered (29)	present
W.: Grand Organist	J. Sherwin Wilson (28)	present
W.: Grand Tyler	Bob E. Nelson (29)	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.....	Daniel W. Drefs (19)	present
Third Masonic District	Jerry A. Lynch (18)	excused
Fourth Masonic District	John T. Bonnett (78, 68, 77)	present
Fifth Masonic District	Johnny A. Willis (21, 30, 78, 80)	present
Sixth Masonic District.....	Richard H. Neal (21, 80)	present

Seventh Masonic District	Danny L. Davis (82)	Present
Eighth Masonic District	Robert L. Buoy (29)	present
Ninth Masonic District	John H. Blake (23)	present
Tenth Masonic District		
Eleventh Masonic District	David Savage (17, 20)	present
Twelfth Masonic District	John J. Johnson (63)	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	present
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	present
Richfield Lodge.....	21	present
Weiser Lodge.....	23	present
Kootenai Lodge.....	24	present
Shoshone Lodge.....	25	present
Washoe Lodge.....	28	present
Ashlar Lodge.....	29	present
Elmore Lodge.....	30	present
Salubria Lodge.....	31	present
Grove City Lodge.....	33	present
Cataldo Lodge.....	34	<i>present</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
Kamiah Lodge.....	56	present
Spirit Lake Lodge.....	57	<i>Absent</i>
American Falls Lodge.....	58	present
Lincoln Lodge.....	59	present
Oriental Lodge.....	60	present
Jerome Lodge.....	61	present
St. Maries Lodge.....	63	present

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 18 Grand Lodge Officers, 11 District Deputy Grand Masters and 50 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.**

RECEPTIONS

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley 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
Joseph E. Alexander	2002-2003
Richard C. Broemeling	2003-2004
Harry C. Black	2004-2005
James C. Herndon	2005-2006
Richard E. Kaiser	2008-2009
David “Skip” Owen Jr.	2010-2011
Jay A. Lenard	2011-2012
Keith C. Brooks	2012-2013
John E. Warner	2015-2016

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley,

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

John E. Warner give a few words on behalf of the Past Grand Masters.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

Grand Representatives

<u>Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
Wor. John E. Warner	US - Tennessee
M.W. James V. Voyles	Iceland
M.W. Greg Johnson	Canada-British Columbia& Yukon
M.W. Gregory L. Winther	US - New York
Wor. Steven E. Crane	Australia – Tasmania
John Walker Robinson	Idaho from New York
M.W. James A. Davidson	Scotland
Wor. Ron Scott	US - Nevada
M.W. Jay A. Leonard	US - Washington
Wor. Johnny R. Lynch	US - Georgia
Wor. Ronald C. Wilson	US - Arizona
Wor. Russ W. Smith	Hungary
M.W. Harry C. Black	US - Montana
M.W. James C. Herndon	US - Wyoming
Wor. Kent R. McCandless	US - Wyoming
Wor. James A. Hensley	US - West Virginia

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

Kent R. McCandless, 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>
Jim Herndon	52
Harry C. Black	53
Walter Deen McAlister	54
Bob Nelson	50
Ray Sackett	50
Joe Rose	54
Ron Lowe	52
James A. Davidson	71
Ronald L. Scott	60

~515 years of service.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

“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
Mark H. Smith	Meridian Lodge	47
Rick Clendenning	Lincoln Lodge	59
Edward L. Bonham Sr.	Mt. Idaho Lodge	9
David A. Smith	Oriental Lodge	60
Jerry Lynch	Malad Lodge	51
Gary R. Floch	Nez Perce Lodge	10
Steven O. Zimmerman	Mt. Moriah Lodge	39
Kevin F. Heiner	Grove City Lodge	33
Rich Neal	Fidelity	80
Roy Jackson	Lemhi	11
Russ W. Smith	Arco Lodge	48

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

Worshipful Masters

<u>Name</u>	<u>Lodge</u>	<u>#</u>
Harold E. Bloom	Ashlar Lodge	29
Levi D. Billman	Idaho Lodge	1
Rick L. Holloway	Silver City Lodge	13
Thomas F. Melbourn	Kootenai Lodge	24
James H. Ladd Jr.	Boise Lodge	2
Terry L. Adsitt	Idaho Lodge of Research	1965
Keith C. Brooks	Burley Lodge	68
Edward L. Bonham Jr.	Mt. Idaho Lodge	9
John Boyer	Hagerman Lodge	78
Larry B. Oram	Malad Lodge	51
David E. Owen Jr. “Skip”	Richfield Lodge	21
John W. Zeller	Nez Perce Lodge	10
Roger E. Muzzy Jr.	Meridian Lodge	47
Edward L. Bonham Sr.	Kooskia Lodge	87
Joe C. Rose	Jerome Lodge	61
Gregory E. Johnson	Kamiah Lodge	56
William F. Cook	Elmore Lodge	30
Rick Clendenning	Fidelity Lodge	80
Clifford R. Kramer	Bonnors Ferry Lodge	43
Darryl W. Chitwood	Lakeside Lodge	42
Vernon J. Haley	Weiser Lodge	23
David E. Thomas	Salubria Lodge	31

Andrew T. Evenson	Rathdrum Lodge	41
Mark P. Roberts	Arco Lodge	48
Jason D. Cheke	Eagle Rock Lodge	19
George W. Torbett	Lemhi Lodge	11
Johnny A. Willis	Lincoln Lodge	59
Robin B. Stanley	Shoshone Lodge	25
Max L. Hemmert	Caribou Lodge	84
Russ W. Smith	Mt. McCaleb Lodge	64

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

“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
Second Masonic District.....	Daniel W. Drefs
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 Bouy
Ninth Masonic District	John H. Blake
Thirteenth Masonic District	James D. Kemp

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

Announcements:

The Board of Custodians will meet in the Brundage room.

11:40 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, H. Sherman Burger III, gave the following proclamation:

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I proclamation the 150th 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

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley: *“Brother Chaplain, will you give the blessing for the Lunch meal.”*

Rick Waite, W. Grand Chaplin, gave the Blessing for the noon Meal.

Thursday, September 19, 2018 (Afternoon Session)

12:55 p.m.

Prelude by J. Sherwin Wilson, W. : Grand Organist

Rick Clendenning, Worshipful Master of Fidelity Lodge No. 80.

“Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Thursday afternoon session of the 150th 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 James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“It is my pleasure to introduce Rick Clendenning, Worshipful Master of Fidelity Lodge No.80. Brother Grand Marshal, you will seat the Grand Lodge Officers.”

M. : W. : Grand Master James A. Hensley then proceeded to call Grand Lodge from Refreshment to Labor through the South.

Rick Waite, W. Grand Chaplin, gave the Thursday Afternoon Prayer

“Most Gracious and Glorious Lord God! Grant Us Wisdom and Strength to conduct the Masonic Business at Hand. Be ever Watchful over this Meeting and May the Business be Fruitful, Wisdom Plenty and Brotherly Love Overflowing. In Thy Name We Pray. Amen.”

M. : W. : Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

H. Sherman Burger III, W. : Grand Marshal made the following Proclamation.

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim this second session of the 150th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho open in ample form”

M. : W. : Grand Master James A. Hensley presented his M. : W. : Grand Master Report (Part 2).

(01.2) M. : W. : Grand Master (Part 2) James A. Hensley

M.W. Grand Master James A. Hensley Grand Masters Report Part II

This is an opportunity that I have long sought; Brother Deputy Grand Master, please take over the East while I present Part II of the Grand Master’s Annual Report. Again, my Brothers, I wish to thank each of you for allowing me to serve as your Grand Master. The year was diverse to say the least, memorable to say even more and outstanding overall, thanks to each of you. I never dreamed that I would be in front of you giving a Grand Master’s report. I know there was times when I must have had guidance from a greater source, other than the Jurisprudence and Appeals and Grievance Committee Chairmen. Without this greater source I don’t believe I could have made it through this past year.

Dispensations:

1. Mt. Kinport Lodge No. 95, September 19, 2016- Stated Meeting date change to allow attendance at Fall Communication. Granted.
2. Cataldo Lodge No. 34, October 16, 2016, hold joint meeting with Coeur D’ Alene 20 at Cataldo’s Stated Meeting. Granted.

3. Shoshone Lodge No. 25, October 31, 2016, Stated Meeting date change due to election. Granted
4. Fill in later.
5. Arco Lodge No. 48, November 9, 2016, no quorum at Stated Meeting, needs special election date of November 2016 to hold election. Granted.
6. Silver City Lodge No. 13, November 26, 2016, hold special election to replace WM elect Brother Rob Troxel Jr. Granted.
7. St. Maries Lodge No. 63, November 22, 2016, to hold special election for Lodge Secretary. Granted.
8. Hailey Lodge No. 16, January 9, 2017, reschedule Stated Meeting due to weather. Granted.
9. Ashlar Lodge No. 29, January 4, 2017, reschedule Stated Meeting due to weather. Granted.
10. Caribou Lodge No. 84, January 11, 2017, reschedule Stated Meeting due to weather. Granted.
11. Washoe Lodge No. 28, January 9, 2017, reschedule Stated Meeting due to weather. Granted.
12. Washoe Lodge N. 28, January 9, 2017, hold special installation for Junior Warden in January. Granted.
13. Mt. Idaho Lodge No. 9, January 26, 2017, special installation of Brothers Lathrop and Holcomb on February due to bad weather. Granted.
14. Hailey Lodge No. 16, February 9, 2017, change Stated Meeting date one day due to holiday. Granted.
15. Ionic Lodge No. 82, February 28, 2017, change Stated Meeting date to August 19, 2017 for Lodge on the Lake. Granted.
16. Paradise Lodge No. 17, March 20, 2017, change Stated Meeting to Lewiston with Nez Perce No. 10. Granted.
17. Eagle Rock Lodge No. 19, April 5, 2017, called communication at Bannack Lodge building in Montana, and have 3rd Degree lecture done by Montana Mason. Granted.
18. Lemhi Lodge No. 11, May 5, 2017, change Stated Meeting start time to 6:45 pm. Granted.
19. Lakeside Lodge No. 42, June 29, 2017, Change Stated Meeting to July 17, 2017 due to holiday. Granted.
20. Capital City Lodge No. 93, June 26, 2017, Change September 2017 Stated Meeting to September 11, 2017 for Lodge in the Garage, 1520 W. Victory Rd. Meridian. Granted.
21. Salubria Lodge No. 31, July 2, 2017, Change Stated Meeting to 7, 13, 2017. Granted.
22. Fidelity Lodge No. 80-July 31, 2017, permission to hold an outdoor/evening 1st degree on August 7, 2017 at Riggs Corral near Mt Home. Granted.

By-Law Changes:

1. Meridian Lodge No. 47, January 23, 2017, Change Article 10, Section 1: Order of business to read: recommended to replace regular. Approved.
2. Spirit Lake Lodge No. 57, February 24, 2017, Change Article IX, Section 1 to read: The annual dues shall be \$15.00 plus the current GL assessment, payable in advance of January 1 of each year. Approved
3. St. Maries Lodge No. 63, May 5, 2017, Change Article III to read: Stated Meeting will be on the First Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm.
4. Rathdrum Lodge No. 41, May 23, 2017, Change Article IX, Section 1 to read: The annual dues shall be \$40.00 plus the current GL assessment payable in advance of January 1 of each year. Approved
5. Ionic Lodge No. 82, July 26, 2017, Change dues to include Per Capita assessment plus \$15.00. Approved.

Decisions/Actions:

1. September 20, 2016, in the matter of Brother Tom Luce being elected to two separate Lodges; Brother Luce was never installed by the required date in either Lodge, I therefore declare his election in both Lodges to be null and void. Article XVI, Section 1602 and Article XVI Section 1603.
2. October 18, 2016, Relieved Brother George Blickenstaff as Worshipful Master of Cataldo Lodge No. 34.
3. October 18, 2016, Charges of Un-masonic conduct was filed against Brother George Blickenstaff with three specifications.
4. October 18, 2016, requested Brother Joshua M. Kinnick Senior Warden of Cataldo Lodge No. 34, assume the position of Worshipful Master until the election in November 2016 can be held and new officers can be installed in December 2016.
5. October 21, 2016, Accepted resignation of DDGM of the 12th District, Brother Brian Becker.
6. October 22, 2016, Emergency Communication of Grand Lodge was held in Boise Idaho at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, charges against Brother George Blickenstaff were read.
7. October 25, 2017, appointed Brother John Johnson as acting DDGM of the 12th District.
8. October 25, 2016, Appoint Trial Commission for Brother George Blickenstaff.
9. December 16, 2016, Appoint Trial Commission for Brother Rob Troxel trial.
10. December 17, 2016, Appoint Trial Commission for EA Dan Gautney trial.
11. January 14, 2017, approved the sale of the Buhl Lodge building by Hagerman Lodge No. 68.
12. January 23, 2017, approved the merger of American Falls 58 and Caribou Lodge No. 84.
13. February 27, 2017, Accepted resignation of RWGL Tom Gough.
14. February 28, 2017, Appointed PGM John E. Warner as Acting Grand Lecturer.
15. May 23, 2017, approved the merger of Unity Lodge No. 32 and Paradise Lodge No. 17.
16. May 24, 2017, Accepted resignation of DDGM David Jennings of the 9th District.
17. May 31, 2017, Appointed W. John Blake as Acting DDGM of the 9th District.
18. June 9, 2017, approved sale of American Falls Lodge building.
19. June 13, 2017, relieved Brother Ed Bonham Jr. as DDGM of the 10th Masonic District. Also suspended the Charter of Mt. Idaho Lodge No. 9 until requirements are met to reissue their charter at Grand Lodge in 2017. A verbal reprimand was delivered to Worshipful Master Ed Bonham Jr. and to the Lodge.
20. 2017, Approved the sale of Twin Falls Lodge No. 45 buildings.

Elected Grand Lodge Officers:

MWGM	James A. Hensley (78, 80)
RWDGM	William K. Curtis (1)
RWSGW	Kent R. McCandless (19)
RWJGW	Steven L. Hall (30)
RWGT	N. Randall King (13, 60)
RWGS	Monte B. Bollar (13, 60)
RWGL	John E. Warner (18) (Acting)

Appointed Grand Lodge Officers:

Steven O. Zimmerman (39)	Sr. Grand Deacon
Russ W. Smith (48-64)	Jr. Grand Deacon
H. Sherman Burger III (39)	Grand Marshal
Gary A. LaBruyere (42)	Sr. Grand Steward
John B. Johnson (63)	Jr. Grand Steward
Rick Holloway (60-13)	Grand Sword Bearer
George J. White Jr. (45)	Grand Pursuivant

Jerry D. Parsons (2-3)	Grand Orator
Bob E. Nelson (29)	Grand Tyler
Rick L. Waites (45)	Grand Chaplain
Bruce Wethered (29)	Grand Historian

Further Appointments:

District Deputy Grand Masters:

First District	Douglas J. Hammond (92)
Second District	Daniel W. Drefs (19)
Third District	Jerry Lynch (18)
Fourth District	John T. Bonnett (68-78)
Fifth District	Johnny Willis (21-30-59-78-80)
Sixth District	Richard H. Neal (21-80)
Seventh District	Danny L. Davis (82)
Eight District	Robert L. Bouy (29)
Ninth District	John H. Blake (23, 9) (Acting)
Tenth District	<i>(Acting DDGM's Jim Hensley & Bill Curtis)</i>
Eleventh District	David M. Savage (17-20)
Twelfth District	John B. Johnson (63) (Acting)
Thirteenth District	James D. Kemp (42)

Grand Lodge Committees 2016-2017:

Jurisprudence:

1 Year term	Jay Leonard	Chairman
2 Year term	Jim Grant	
3 Year term	Michael J. Keeton	
SGW	Kent McCandless	
SGD	Steven Zimmerman	
SGS	Gary A. LaBruyere	

Appeals & Grievances:

1 Year term	James Voyles	Chairman
Jr. Grand Deacon	Russ W. Smith	
Carl Jeffries	(Replaced Greg Winther)	
Jr. Grand Steward	John B. Johnson	

Accounts & Finances:

1 Year	Bruce Weathered	
2 Year	Bruce Weathered	Chairman
2 Year SGW	Kent McCandless	
3 Year JGW	Steven L. Hall	
Grand Marshal	H. Sherman Burger III	

Fraternal Relations:

Grand Marshal	Shawn V. Gibbons CM
WM Lodge of Research	Terry L. Adsitt
Grand Historian	Bruce Weathered
Jr. Grand Deacon	Russ W. Smith
Jr. Grand Steward	John B. Johnson
Grand Pursuivant	George White Jr.
Advisor	Tom Kerr

Masonic Research and Education:

(Mentoring, Membership, and Masonic Renewal)

Senior Grand Warden	Kent McCandless CM
Senior Grand Deacon	Steven Zimmerman
Junior Grand Deacon	Russ W. Smith
Junior Grand Steward	John B. Johnson
Grand Pursuivant	George White Jr.
Member	Jack Beck
Member	David Triplett (Advisor)

Masonic Temple Preservation:

Grand Sword Bearer	Rick Holloway	Chairman
Grand Orator	Jerry Parsons	

Condition of Lodges:

Grand Pursuivant	George White Jr.	Chairman
DDGM's	All Included	
Grand Lecturer	John E. Warner (Advisor)	

Board of Custodians of the Work:

1 Year Term	David C. Triplett
2 Year Term	David E. "Skip" Owen Jr.
3 Year Term	Jay A. Leonard
4 Year Term	Keith C. Brooks
5 Year Term	Michael A. Sutton
6 Year Term	G. Arthur Shoemaker
7 Year Term	John E. Warner

Trustees of the Grand Lodge Relief Fund:

1 Year Term	Gregory Winther	Chairman
2 Year Term	G. Arthur Shoemaker	
3 Year Term	Michael Pearson	
Sr. Grand Warden	Kent R. McCandless	
Grand Treasurer	Randy King	
Grand Secretary	Monte Bollar	
Grand Master	James A. Hensley, Ex Officio	

Youth Committee:

1 Year Term	Donald Nelson	Chairman
2 Year Term	Jesse Laduke	
3 Year Term	David G. Stonhill	
Jr. Grand Deacon	Russ W. Smith	
Jr. Grand Steward	John B. Johnson	
Job's Daughters	George Butters	
DeMolay	Gary Labruyere	
Rainbow for Girls	Christopher W. Burgess	

MWGM Travels-2016

9-20-2016-Districts 4, 5 & 6 at Fidelity Lodge No. 80.

9-21-2016-District 7 meeting at Boise, Capitol City Lodge No. 93.

9-22-2016-Districts 8 & 9 meeting at Butte Lodge No. 37, Emmett.

9-27-2016-District 10 meeting at Kamiah Lodge No. 56, Kamiah.
 9-29-2016-Districts 12 & 13 meeting at Rathdrum Lodge No. 41, Rathdrum.
 9-30-2016-District 11 meeting at Paradise Lodge No. 17 in Moscow.
 10-1-2016-Re-dedicate Paradise Lodge No. 17, march in city parade.
 10-6-2016-Districts 2 & 3 meeting at Grove City Lodge No. 33, Blackfoot.
 10-8-2016-District 1 meeting at Arco Lodge No. 48, Arco. Re-dedicate Arco Lodge building.
 10-13, 14, 15-2016- attend Northwest York Rite Conference in Boise
 10-22-2016-IMFA attend meeting at Wyndham Hotel Boise.
 11-1-2016-Visit Woodbridge Lodge No 131 F & AM in Woodbridge CA with MWGM Carl Lindstrum of Alaska.
 11-3-2016-Visit Lodi Lodge No. 256 F & AM in Lodi CA with MWGM Carl Lindstrum of Alaska.
 11-13, 14, 15-2016-Attend Grand Lodge of Nevada.

MWGM Travels 2017

1-5-2017-referral and recommendation to appeals and grievances committee regarding the validity of the trial of W. George A. Blickenstaff.
 1-10-2017-Hagerman Lodge 78 Stated Meeting-60 miles
 1-14-2017-Approved sale of Buhl Lodge building by Hagerman Lodge.
 1-16-2017-meeting of spring conference/training committee and investment committee in Boise. 250 miles
 1-21-2017-trial at Silver City Lodge No. 13 for W. Rob Troxel. Did not attend.
 1-21-2017-DON meeting gave talk about stories. -Boise-250 miles
 1-22-2017-Met with DDGM Jerry Lynch at Raft River to pick up paperwork for merger of American Falls and Soda Springs. -150 miles
 1-23-2017-approved merger of American Falls Lodge No. 58 with Caribou Lodge No. 84.
 1-26-2017-Attend Rainbow meeting at TF Lodge, sub for R-Bow Dad John Warner.
 2-1--4-2017-Attended the Grand Lodge of Alaska in Anchorage Alaska.
 2-6-2017- Accepted the resignation of Grand Lecturer Tom Gough. Section 205-appointing a replacement
 2-6-2017-appointed W. Brother Ron McCormick as replacement on the trial commission to be held on March 4, 2017.
 2-10-2017-Changed sentence of Masonic Trial for W. Rob Troxel Trial from one (1) year to a two (2) year suspension beginning with his plea of guilty at his Masonic trial. (*His probation term is 2 years from his other trial*)
 2-17-2017-Attended conference of Grand Masters in Omaha Nebraska.
 3-4-2017-Attended GL Planning Session in Pocatello on March 4, along with the 78th Exemplification of the Third Degree, I did the conferral and closing, along with the Grand Lodge Officers from Utah and Idaho. DGM Tibbits from Utah GL did the closing charge.
 3-6-2017-Appointed PGM John Warner as acting Grand Lecturer for the remainder of the 2017 term.
 3-9-2017-Attended 1st Degree Lincoln Lodge No. 59 in Gooding.
 3-10/11-2017-Attended Training Conference in Pocatello at Red Lion, 1st of 5.
 3-16-19-2017-Attended Grand Lodge of New Mexico in Albuquerque.
 3-24/25-2017-Attended Daughters of the Nile installation of officers in Boise.

3-31/4-1-2017-Attended Regional Training in Boise at Red Lion, 3 of 5.

4-11-2017-Visit Washoe No. 28 in Payette-Stated Meeting, Close Lodge 2nd Degree. Install WB J. Sherwin Wilson as Grand Organist.

4-12-2017-Travel to Kooskia Lodge No. 87, Stated Meeting, close on First Degree.

4-13-2017-Travel to Bonners Ferry.

4-14-2017-International Day at Bonners Ferry Lodge No. 43, Close Lodge on First Degree, Travel to Creston BC/Yukon for Lodge and Dinner.

4-16-2017-Travel to Missoula MT

4-17-2017-Travel to Twin Falls and home.

4-18-2017-Attend Fidelity Lodge No. 80, Stated Meeting, Brother DR. Johnson featured speaker, 300 years of Freemasonry in England and Freemasonry in America.

4-19-2017-Attend Jerome Lodge 61. Did not have quorum, fellowship with those in attendance.

4-21-2017-Travel to Lewiston Red Lion Hotel.

4-22-2017-Regional Training conference #4. $8 + 4 = 12$

4-23-2017-Travel to Twin Falls.

4-26-2017-Travel to Boise for meeting at Red Lion at 7 pm—regarding sale or repair of downtown Boise Lodge Building.

4-27-2017-Travel to Twin Falls.

4-28-2017-Attend Hagerman Lodge No. 78 Table Lodge.

5-3-2017-Visited Elmore Lodge No. 30 in Mountain Home, dinner and Stated Meeting, closed Lodge on the 3rd Degree.

5-6-2017-Travel to Lemhi Lodge No. 11, Salmon ID to make Brother Lewis Draney a “Mason on Sight”. In attendance were Brothers Doug Hammond DDGM 1st Dist., George W. Torbett WM, David D. Barton SW, Jock Slaving JW and Roy S. Jackson Sec’y. Notified the Grand Lodge Secretary and sent a copy of the ceremony.

5-7-2017-Travel to Burley Lodge No. 68, Stated Meeting

5-17-2017-Travel to Jerome Lodge No. 61, stated Meeting, sat in as Senior Deacon.

5-20-21-2017-Travel to All Masonic Picnic, Julia Davis Park, stay with Steve and Kathy Hall. Good time had by all.

5-22-2017-Met with Wyndham Hotel in Boise to finalize Grand Lodge Session.

5-31-2017-Travel to Boise, stay at Wyndham Hotel leave for NYC Thursday June 1st.

6-1-2-3-4-2017-Travel to NYC, stay at Wyndham Hotel Henri.

6-5-2017-Attend Idaho Night at James Husted-Fiat Lux Lodge No 1068, New York City. It was 81st Idaho Night by the MWGM of Idaho. Absolutely the most well conducted and humbling event of the year for Helen and I. Great hosts while attending this time-honored event. Pretty much overwhelmed.

6-6-2017-Travel back to Twin Falls from NYC.

6-10-2017-Attend Rainbow installation at Twin Falls Lodge No. 45.

6-13-14-2017-Travel to Mt. Idaho Lodge No. 9. Relieve DDGM ED Bonham Jr. of the 10th District. Arrest Charter of Mt. Idaho No. 9 until GL 2017.

6-22-25-2017-Travel to GL of Montana, MWGM Lewis Smith 151st Session. Jerry Christensen installed as MWGM.

6-28-2017-Travel to Boise GL Office for meeting with PGM Jim Voyles CM A&G Comm., PGM Jay Leonard CM JP Comm. and GS Monte Bollar regarding Appeals filed.

7-1-2017-Travel to Hailey Lodge No 16 for Re-dedication of Lodge Building.
7-8-2017-Travel to Silver City for homecoming, GL Officers 2nd section Third Degree.
7-9-2017-travel to Meridian for Grand Lodge planning Session @ 9 am, IMFA meeting @ 1 pm, held at Meridian Lodge No. 47 in Meridian.
7-19, 20, 21, 22-2017-Albuquerque NM for the RMMC.
8-11-2017, travel to St. Maries for Lodge Re-dedication.
8-12-2017, Re-dedicate St. Maries Lodge No. 63. Table Lodge following ceremony. Travel to Billings Montana.
8-13-2017, travel to Cheyenne Wyoming for Grand Lodge Session.
8-14-15-2017, attend Grand Lodge of Wyoming.
8-18-2017, travel to Washington DC for Scottish Rite Biennial.
8-19-20, 21, 22-2017, attend Scottish Rite Biennial in Washington DC.
8-23-2017, travel back to Twin Falls Idaho.
8-25-2017, travel to Boise for golf tournament on 26th.
8-26-2017, attend Daughters of the Nile Golf Tournament Fund Raiser in Boise.
8-27-2017, travel to Challis for annual picnic.
9-4-2017, travel to Boise to attend Supreme Queen's visit to Daughters of the Nile.
9-9-2017, travel to Mt. Home for Air Force appreciation Day and Parade.
9-20-2017, travel to Boise for the 150th Session of the Grand Lodge of Idaho—Finished!

Condition of Freemasonry in Idaho:

Financials:

The finances of the Grand Lodge of Idaho are being managed within the parameters set in The Idaho Code and Digest. Percentage wise the investments are on track. The result of the increase in the Grand Lodge Assessment has temporarily put our Grand Lodge on a firmer foundation, but that foundation is being eroded by the loss of membership. Those Lodges that have a significant number of Pre-paid life members are bearing the burden of the assessment increase and any dues increase over and above the PPLM returns. The return of the PPLM account disbursement is regulated according to the amount earned by the account investments. The percentage returned to those invested PPLM does not cover the member dues charged by the Lodges, which leaves the yearly Grand Lodge assessment to be paid by the Lodge. Somewhere in the near future this shortfall from the PPLM account returned to the Lodges needs to be addressed. I do not believe there is a plan under consideration that will please and benefit everyone, but we must work to eliminate this shortfall, or we will keep eliminating Lodges. I encourage each of you to contemplate a compatible solution to this dilemma. As a lot of members have commented a good solution would be a hefty increase in membership. This is certainly a true statement, just not sure what would be a break-even number, but I am pretty certain it would be at least a doubling of membership. Can we do it, certainly? It will take a massive effort on the part of everyone, are you willing? Just as PGM John E. Warner suggested in his remarks last year, we need to institute a plan to add funding to our endowment. This could be in the form of a donation from each member through the assessment or a designated amount codified. We must look at the endowment fund on a long-term basis to aid in keeping the increases in our assessments under control.

Ritual:

The ritual in Idaho for the most part is outstanding. I offer a word of encouragement to all members to continue the effort being made to improve our floor-work. Our acting Grand Lecturer, MWPGM John Warner, is working on an increase in workshops to teach and offer a better understanding of our ritual. Please make, and take the time to attend and learn, which will help each and every Lodge

improve. We can all improve our delivery and help our newest members with their understanding and delivery. The ritual is a special part of the foundation of our jurisdiction.

Our Obligations as Freemasons:

As our Jr. Past Grand Master John E. Warner stated in his comments last year, the simple act of taking our obligations at the altar is taken seriously at that time. After we have completed all three of our degrees and are travelling down the journey of becoming a better man through Freemasonry, we seem to have forgotten those obligations we took while kneeling at the altar. Somehow, we have lost the concept and meaning of those obligations and their meaning to our future conduct as a Mason. A few years back PGM Jay Leonard asked each Lodge to gather their members at the altar and have those obligations repeated, this was a real exercise in reestablishing what our obligations mean and re-obligates all good men and true to the foundation of our teachings. It is an item all Worshipful Masters should consider as part of their training and education program. It is another reason for those that don't get to Lodge very often to attend and be part of an increase in their understanding of just what they obligated themselves to. It sure couldn't hurt us all to be part of such a program of understanding, education and rededication.

Membership:

The time has come for every member in Idaho to realize that this is the most important challenge that we as Freemasons face; you guessed it—MEMBERSHIP! Quantity is needed, QUALITY is needed more. How many Lodges have raised new members, but the numbers at their Stated and Called meetings has not changed. The tradition of many Lodges is to push new members through the degrees as fast as possible, this is a downfall that doesn't need to happen. We have tried to slow down the process to give more time to our new members for their education. I recall when I became a member, the program was; faster, faster is better. My Brothers this is not the process we need to be following. The new members deserve time for understanding. Mentoring, Coaching and Education should go hand in hand in the process of making a fully educated and understanding Mason. This will not only aid him in his Masonic Career, but in turn will certainly benefit all of our Lodges. Try changing the agenda at your Stated Meeting to present your Education Program as the first item on the agenda. Other jurisdictions are trying this approach and it has attracted more members and has increased knowledge for those attending. I am sure each of you have several great ideas---it's times to give some of those ideas a try!

Recommendations:

1. I recommend we continue our membership in the Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference.
2. I recommend we continue our membership in the Conference of Grand Masters of North America and the Grand Secretary's Conference and encourage all the top line officers to attend if possible.
3. That we continue to support our Youth Groups by providing funding to all the Chapters, Bethels and Assemblies.
4. That we continue to support the George Washington Memorial.
5. That we continue our membership in the Masonic Service Association of North America with Grand Lodge paying the dues for constituent Lodges. I also recommend that Lodges in the jurisdiction conduct activities and make a donation to the MSA.
6. I recommend that our Penal Code be updated to provide better guidance in all phases of trials. There are several voids in the penal code as to needed direction in sentencing, allowing mediation before any charges are finalized and read in Lodge. A general overhaul and updating of the penal code is extremely necessary to prevent confusion among those in charge of the trial process.
7. I recommend that updating the Code and Digest, which is in committee as I write this, is severely needed to eliminate conflicts in the code and make everyone's job of governing easier, or at least less confusing.

8. I recommend that the duties of the Grand Master be restored as far as issuing a dispensation to form a new Lodge. As it stands now there is a conflict in the code that prevents issuing a dispensation by the Grand Master without the requesting Lodge obtaining a recommendation of the nearest Lodge. I think this section of the Code and Digest, (Article X, Section 1002) should be changed and/or removed so the duties and obligations of the Grand Master as listed in the Code and Digest can be accomplished.
9. I recommend the Youth Scholarship Program funding be increased from the current \$1,500.00 to \$3,000.00 and to obtain and maintain that; a \$ 2.00 per year/per member fee be included in the Grand Lodge annual assessment.
10. I recommend we consider filing the 990's as part of the requirements for holding a Lodge Charter.

My Final Thoughts:

As we move forward into our second 150 years as Idaho Freemasons, the lessons learned each year should give us solace in the fact that we are survivors. Our cause is one that is needed more today than ever before. The state of our nation lies in all our hands, just as the state of Freemasonry in Idaho is in our hands. There are many ideas and programs that have come down the pike over this past 150 years, most of them great, some not so great. We must continue to have the patience and knowledge to sort out the great ones and institute them in our fraternity. I believe that we receive good men and give them the ideals and a pathway to make themselves better. Our fraternity is rooted in a great foundation; we must nurture those roots and improve ourselves each and every day. I have an abiding faith in our institution that we will be an integral part of what is needed to make our nation a shining example to the world of what man can accomplish.

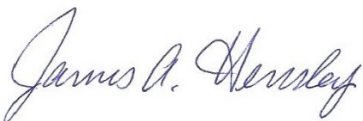
I am overjoyed with the opportunity you have given me to serve as leader of this fraternity for the past year. I am a realist in that I know I have not done everything right, but I have made every effort to do the right thing for all the Brethren. I have served as an officer in our fraternity for 29 of the 31 years I have been a member, being your Grand Master, this year has been the most rewarding and challenging position I have held.

A special thank you to the love of my life, your Grand Lady Helen Hensley, my rock, my sounding board, my best friend and my reason for being here today. When I talked with GL Helen about accepting the appointment as Grand Pursuivant in 2009, she replied; I think you can make a difference and that you should accept the appointment. I do question our sanity, must have been a weak moment, only kidding. I could not have made it through all my years as an officer, especially as a Grand Lodge Officer, without her love and support. The late-night phone calls, long conversations and travels will be coming to an end; we can re-assume our life at a different pace. All my love and thanks! You're a very special Lady!

My best wishes for the 2017-18 Officers for a most successful year. I am positive that the traditions of Freemasonry are in great hands. As I have stated many times this year; we must continue "Building Character!"

Thank you, my Brethren, every one of you are very special to me.

Fraternally and Sincerely,



James A. Hensley, MWGM 2016-17

"I move this report be received and given to Jurisprudence and Appeals and Grievances."

DGM William “Bill” Curtis Jr;

“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.

401-2 Appeals & Grievances

James V. Voyles, PGM

Report of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances, Part I

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 several appeals and grievances presented to us for review and determinations. Since the determination of each is dependent upon the will and pleasure of the delegates at this Grand Lodge, each will be considered separately. We now present our report on the first item that was presented to us.

Mt. Idaho Lodge #9 – Arrested Charter

The charter for Mt. Idaho #9 was arrested by MW Grand Master Jim Hensley for several reasons including failure to meet ritual standards, failure of officers to meet the requirements of their respective offices, failure to satisfy a number of lodge requirements specified in our Code and Digest, and failure to maintain an adequate level of participation by its members to allow it to function as a lodge.

The removal of a charter would be a significant eye-opening moment for any lodge. In this case, it established a very high priority for the brethren of Mt. Idaho #9 to assess where they are in a number of areas and to evaluate whether they have the resources, will and commitment to go forward. The Grand Master set forth a number of issues that he felt that they needed to address in order to show their ability to ensure their future viability.

At 1:30 PM, on September 20, 2017, our Committee met with Brothers Jim Kitchen (SD), John Blom (Treas), Larry Lathrop (SW), Jack Roy (JW) and Ed Bonham, Jr (WM) officers and members of Mt Idaho Lodge #9 in Grangeville, ID. We reviewed their actions in response to each and all of the Grand Master’s requests. Specifically, our Grand Master listed requirements relating to the conduct of meetings and the minutes therefor, to the financial planning and provisions for ongoing audits of the lodge records, to developing and implementing plans that will help to insure its survival, and to the education of its brethren in the operation of a lodge and in the provisions of the Code and Digest.

The brethren from Mt. Idaho satisfied our committee that they had specifically satisfied those items that could be completed by the start of this Annual Communication and have developed reasonable and potentially successful ongoing plans to satisfy those items that are more long term in nature. We of this committee therefore recommend that their prayer for the restoration of their charter be granted, immediately.

In order to bring that to fruition, I now move that this grand lodge cast a favorable vote to restore Mt. Idaho #9’s charter and that this Part I of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances report, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
James V. Voyles (60), Chairman
Russ W. Smith (48, 64)
Carl Jeffries (21, 78)

- Meetings / Minutes – Have and use agenda at stated meetings
- Meetings / Minutes – Documenting proficiencies met
- Meetings / Minutes – Details of motions and history
- Meetings / Minutes – Records of coaching by one of the wardens
- Meetings / Minutes – Copies 7/1 to Grand Lodge to Grand Lodge Office
- Financial – Audit, current and future, not including Secretary or Treasurer
- Financial – 2017 Budget
- Planning – Establish progressive line
- Planning – Long range planning committee
- Planning – Overall plan for the lodge
- Education – Education plan – Lodge record keeping
- Education – Reading lectures does not constitute proficiency
- Education – Informational classes on Code and Digest

M.: W7.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

“It has been moved and seconded to restore the charter for Mt. Idaho #9 All in in favor vote by the usual sign of a mason.” Motion passed.

“Would the members of Mt. Idaho #9 assemble west of the alter” – M.W. Grand Master presented the Charter to the members.

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley directed the W.: Senior Grand Deacon, to introduce the Visiting Grand Lodge Officers. (*DGM William “Bill” Curtis Jr. gave Visiting Grand Lodge Officers Honorary Membership cards*)

Visiting Grand Lodge Officers

GRAND LODGE F. & A.M. of ALASKA

Carl Lindstrom Past Grand Master
Robert R. Wiseman Very Worshipful

GRAND LODGE F. & A.M. of ARIZONA

Craig GrossR.: W.: Deputy Grand Master
Representing Scott A. Thomas, M.: W.: Grand Master

GRAND LODGE A.F.& A.M. of MONTANA

Lewie FletcherR.: W.: Sr. Grand Warden
Representing Jerry Anderson, M.: W.: Grand Master
Daniel GardinerR.: W.: Grand Secretary

GRAND LODGE F.& A.M. of NEVADA

Louis CastleJr. Grand Warden
Representing Gerald Ogle, M.: W.: Grand Master

GRAND LODGE F.& A.M. of NEW YORK

John Walker Robinson
Grand Representative of Idaho near New York

GRAND LODGE A.F.& A.M. of OREGON

Myles McMillan..... M.: W.: Grand Master
James L. MorganR.: W.: Deputy Grand Master
Kenneth L. Briggs..... District Deputy to the Grand Master
Arthur Bush Past Grand Master

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. of SOUTH DAKOTA

Richard Hagler R.: W.: Junior Grand Warden
Representing Yancy P. Smith, M.: W.: Grand Master

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. of TEXAS

Bill Sampson Assistant Grand Tyler

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. of WASHINGTON

Warren R. Schoeben M.: W.: Grand Master
James H. (Jim) Kendall.....R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master
Chris J. Coffman R.: W.: Junior Grand Warden
James R. Maher W.: Grand Chaplain

GRAND LODGE A.F. & A.M. of WYOMING

Warren R. Young M.: W.: Grand Master
William D. Townsend Past Grand Master

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley,

“Please join me in extending the Public Grand honors and a hearty welcome to the Grand Lodge Officers from other Jurisdictions.”

Business

Reading of the Resolutions

M.: W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

“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 for the 150th Annual Communication declared read as printed and distributed to the lodges and printed and handed out to all members at this 150th 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 William “Bill” Curtis Jr.

“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 seconded and carried.

See (Committee Reports)

Approval of the Grand Lodge Officers Reports

R.:W.: Deputy William “Bill” Curtis Jr.

“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 149th Annual Communication Proceedings

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

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

“I move that the 149th Annual Communication Proceedings be accepted as printed and distributed to the lodges.”

Motion was seconded and carried.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley asked **R.:W.: Grand Secretary Monte Bollar** to give the Grand Secretary’s Report.

(07) Grand Secretaries Report 2016-2017 Monte Bollar, R.:W.: Grand Secretary

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY 2016-2017

(Referred to the Committee 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 2017 year is in the Budget vs. Actual Report, as of July 31, 2017, 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 2016 have been closed and a Financial AUDIT has been performed by Tarter & Associates, PA. (See Grand Treasurer Report for Audit results)

The “2016 IRS 990 form” (Taxes) has been prepared by Tarter & Associates, PA, and filed electronically with the IRS.

The “Idaho Secretary of State Annual Report” was submitted electronically with the 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 6 lodges that fell off the list in the last year due to the fact they had not completed the IRS 990 tax report within the 3-year max reporting limit. Some of these lodges have already filed with the IRS last year and we are working to get them reinstated to the Group Exemption Verification letter.

For those lodges that have received notification they have received their non-profit status back, please send that notification letter to the Grand Lodge Office, so we can make the appropriate notification to get you back on the Group Exemption Verification Letter.

Also, 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.

This year we are changing Banks due to the sale of the Bank of the Cascades. This action was approved by the Grand Lodge Officers and the Grand Treasurer, Randy King and I are in the process of the moving from the Bank of the Cascades (First Interstate Bank) to D.L. Evans Bank at this time.

Proceedings

In accordance with Regulation No. 52 of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, the 2016 Proceedings for the 149th 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 149th Annual Communication

In accordance with Regulation No. 53 of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, the Abstract of the 149th 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 2017 budget amount for the George Washington Masonic Memorial was set at \$2,405.00. A check was handed to the George Washington Masonic Memorial representative at the Conference of Grand Masters by Most Worshipful Grand Master James A. Hensley. 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.

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 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.

We did have problems this year with the email function of ROLLS, it has been fixed and currently is working.

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.

Please note: Training is for Lodge Secretaries, Lodge Masters and Grand Lodge Officers.

Future:

During the Conference of Grand Secretaries, the Secretaries of the Rocky Mountain Conference who use ROLLS met and discussed the future of ROLLS software. We all came to the agreement that **ROLLS was not** the long-term solution. Several of the Grand Secretaries reviewed the Software vendors attending the Conference of Grand Secretaries who are providing Membership Management software. The vendor that had the most to offer and seemed to have the best long-term solution was Grand View software. I have spent time on Grand View demo software and I believe it will be a good solution for Idaho. The cost for the software is a \$1.00 per active member. But, can be offset by using a business directory addition to reduce overall costs.

I have been given access to the demo software and reviewed the software to the Grand Lodge Officers and given a review/demo at the Regional Training conferences and the response was favorable. The Grand Lodge Officers informed me to proceed with the conversion from ROLLS to Grand View Software. I have been in contact with Grand View and we are in the initial stages of the conversion. Jeff Clark, Operation Mgr., will join us here at the 150th Annual Communication and I invite all Secretaries and interested parties to join us at the Friday morning Secretary Breakfast to discuss Grand View software and meet Jeff.

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, 2017" 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.

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. (Deadline for Annual Report is the 15th of January.)

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 assorted reasons. The last lodges finally turned in the Annual Report **June 20, 2017**, and the last check was received **June 28th, 2017**.

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 2016-year Annual Returns:
Annual Returns for 2016**

(January 1st, 2016 to December 31st, 2016)

Members as of 12/31/2016.....	3,211
Initiated.....	83
Passed.....	55
Raised.....	43
Affiliated.....	70
Reinstated.....	14
Restored.....	10
Omitted in Past.....	1
Expelled.....	1
Suspended Dropped.....	81
Died.....	117
Demitted Withdrawn.....	39
<u>Corrections from Previous Year.....</u>	<u>28</u>
Members as of 12/31/2016.....	3086
<u>Minus 50-Year Members.....</u>	<u>680</u>
TNM.....	2,406

Note: TNM = Total Per Capita paying members

Interesting Facts from Annual Reports:

Degrees

Initiated.....	83
Passed.....	55
Raised.....	43
Total # of Degrees.....	184

Lodges

Positive growth.....	8
Negative growth.....	35
Neutral.....	8

Dues

Highest Dues.....	\$174.00
Lowest Dues.....	\$12.00

Degree Fees

Highest	\$300.00
Lowest	\$60.00

Profile of Membership (as of 8/28/2017)

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

Age range vs Quantity for each year											
.....	2012	.....	2013	.....	2014	.....	2015	.....	2016	.....	2017
18 - 22	8	.....	10	.....	13	.....	13	.....	18	.....	14
23 - 27	39	.....	40	.....	33	.....	28	.....	19	.....	25
28 - 32	81	.....	79	.....	77	.....	65	.....	70	.....	60
33 - 37	110	.....	107	.....	114	.....	111	.....	90	.....	84
38 - 42	124	.....	139	.....	121	.....	116	.....	117	.....	125
43 - 47	124	.....	132	.....	144	.....	142	.....	147	.....	129
48 - 52	180	.....	174	.....	156	.....	149	.....	130	.....	127
53 - 57	204	.....	194	.....	179	.....	167	.....	164	.....	163
58 - 62	282	.....	265	.....	250	.....	245	.....	231	.....	212
63 - 67	353	.....	368	.....	366	.....	332	.....	303	.....	283
68 - 72	385	.....	371	.....	352	.....	360	.....	343	.....	344
73 - 77	386	.....	386	.....	363	.....	370	.....	361	.....	339
78 - 82	368	.....	355	.....	327	.....	325	.....	323	.....	303
83 - 87	398	.....	365	.....	338	.....	306	.....	279	.....	262
88 - 92	242	.....	236	.....	226	.....	214	.....	199	.....	200
93 - 97	78	.....	86	.....	91	.....	84	.....	94	.....	89
98+	19	.....	9	.....	10	.....	16	.....	17	.....	23
Total	3,381	.....	3316	.....	3160	.....	3043	.....	2905	.....	2782

Certificates Issued this year:

WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S FULL CERTIFICATE

August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2017

Total of 4

Wor. Jeffrey A. McMurrin	Worshipful Master Certificate	08/03/2016
Wor. Andrew T. Evenson	Worshipful Master Certificate	08/29/2016
Wor. George O. Hess	Worshipful Master Certificate	10/05/2016
Wor. Levi D. Billman	Worshipful Master Certificate	01/02/2017

WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S LIMITED CERTIFICATE

August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2017

Total of 7

Wor. Jason D. Cheke	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	08/08/2016
Wor. Vernon J. Haley	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	09/15/2016
Wor. James H. Ladd Jr.	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	10/26/2016
Wor. Marc E. Essary	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	11/09/2016
Wor. Roger E. Muzzy Jr.	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	11/11/2016
Bro. Bart D. Casey	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	06/09/2017
Bro. Mark A. Scott	Limited Worshipful Master Certificate	07/21/2017

WARDEN'S CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY

August 1, 2016 – July 31, 2017

Total of 19

Bro. Craig S. Oyster	Warden Certificate	09/01/2016
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Bro. Raymond W. McGoldrick	Warden Certificate	09/06/2016
Bro. Brady L. Bourgard	Warden Certificate	09/30/2016
Bro. Loren I. Knight	Warden Certificate	10/18/2016
Bro. Christopher W. Burgess	Warden Certificate	10/26/2016
Bro. Mark P. Isserman	Warden Certificate	10/26/2016
Bro. Torrey J. Mortenson	Warden Certificate	10/26/2016
Bro. Vance P. Mason	Warden Certificate	10/30/2016
Bro. Timothy C. Clark	Warden Certificate	11/02/2016
Bro. Mark R. Urban	Warden Certificate	11/09/2016
Bro. Edward A. Chilgren Jr.	Warden Certificate	11/10/2016
Bro. Patrick D. Waters	Warden Certificate	11/10/2016
Bro. Joshua E. Bingaman	Warden Certificate	11/11/2016
Bro. Aaron White	Warden Certificate	11/18/2016
Bro. Robert A. Heyl	Warden Certificate	02/12/2017
Bro. Burx A. Norrod III	Warden Certificate	04/03/2017
Bro. Michael F. Glanders	Warden Certificate	04/21/2017
Bro. Matthew R. Griffin	Warden Certificate	06/01/2017
Bro. Jose E. Costa Castro	Warden Certificate	06/15/2017

(New) FIFTY YEAR CERTIFICATES

January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

Issued 57

Name	Lodge	Date
Wor. Joseph D. Anderson	Paradise Lodge	01/01/2017
Bro. Raymond L. York	Ionic Lodge	01/03/2017
Bro. Stanley R. Albee	Hagerman Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Ronald L. Asker Sr.	Nez Perce Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. James T. Bounds	Nez Perce Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Floyd E. Breach	Silver City Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Dale O. Cox	Kamiah Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Rue M. Davis Jr.	Nez Perce Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Jerry F. Decker	Twin Falls Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Ralph A. Donat	Rathdrum Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. David G. Eichmann	Oriental Lodge	01/15/2017
Wor. Jack F. Ellis	Lemhi Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. George P.A. Forschler, JD	Paul Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. James R. Fuller	Kooskia Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Neil A. Garner	Cataldo Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Ted A. Greer	Ionic Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Roy L. Hall	Lemhi Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Gary C. Halladay	Kootenai Lodge	01/15/2017
Wor. Andrew P. Hamilton	Capital City Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. James K. Hamilton	Butte Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Thomas H. Hamilton	Paradise Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Charles Harlan	Elmore Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. David H. Hawk	Idaho Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Jim E. Hoover	Grove City Lodge	01/15/2017
Wor. John A. Isenhart	Hagerman Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Alan R. Kendrick	Burley Lodge	01/15/2017
Wor. Weslie B. Kooppin	Caribou Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Rex N. LaBrie	Oriental Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Thomas H. Larkins	Caribou Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Billy R. McCall	Elmore Lodge	01/15/2017

Bro. David E. Owen Sr.	Fidelity Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. John W. Parrish	Oriental Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Donald R. Phelps	Mt. Idaho Lodge	01/15/2017
*Bro. Lyle E. Pool	Twin Falls Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Gary W. Price	Hailey Lodge	01/15/2017
Wor. Ray J. Sackett	Boise Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Karl R. Salskov	Butte Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. D. Wayne Sharp	Caribou Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Edwin H. Shaul Sr.	Meridian Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. William H. Sikes	Caribou Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Doyt H. Simcoe	Caribou Lodge	01/15/2017
Wor. Edward A. Smith	Caribou Lodge	01/15/2017
Wor. Wayne K. Smith	Capital City Lodge	01/15/2017
M.W. Wiley F. Smith	Mt. McCaleb Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. James R. Storrs Jr.	Idaho Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Wallace E. Strate	Oriental Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Paul R. Talley	Idaho Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Gordon G Vining	Jerome Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. William K. Walker Jr.	Burley Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Joseph A. Warner	Salubria Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. William C. Warren	Silver City Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. Frederick L. Wood III	Silver City Lodge	01/15/2017
Bro. D. Richard Wyatt	Nez Perce Lodge	01/15/2017
Wor. Bob E. Nelson	Ashlar Lodge	02/19/2017
Bro. Kerry S. Wallace	Ashlar Lodge	02/19/2017
Wor. Clinton A. Wethered	Ashlar Lodge	02/19/2017
Bro. Richard L. Klein	Idaho Lodge	07/15/2017

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.

Grand Lodge Officers meetings

Grand Secretary Conference, Omaha, Nebraska

3rd Degree Exemplification, Pocatello, Idaho

Regional Training Sessions in:

Pocatello, Twin Falls, Boise, Lewiston, and Post Falls,

Daughter of the Nile Installation in Boise, Idaho

Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico

Silver City Annual Homecoming, Silver City, Idaho

Grand Lodge Planning Meetings:

Pocatello, Idaho

Boise, Idaho

2 Idaho Masonic Family Alliance Meetings, Boise, Idaho

All Masonic Picnic in Boise, Idaho

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 8/24/2017 we have 978 Subscribers to the newsletter. 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 someone else in the office it would take me a lot longer to accomplish 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 James A. Hensley, 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 was seconded and passed.

Information & Technology Report Monte Bollar, R.:W.: Grand Secretary

Information & Technology Committee

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brothers of this Grand Jurisdictions

The Information and Technology committee has been reviewing the membership tracking software Records On Line for Lodge Secretaries (ROLLS) that is been used by this jurisdiction to track the membership at the Lodge and Grand Lodge levels. It has been a great advancement from where we were before. But, as all good thing get old and out dated so has the (ROLLS) software that we have been using. Also, the support of the software has been falling short of what has been needed. Parts of the software that we have been using has quit working or works intermittently.

The programmer that has been supporting the (ROLLS) software has been pulled off in to other parts of his life and the importance of keeping (ROLLS) Software has been lacking.

The Grand Secretary Monte Bollar has been looking for a replacement software that will meet the needs of this Jurisdiction. What is on the market that other jurisdictions are use are these software packages.

1. (ROLLS) that we are used to using.

2. MORI, a system which has been on the market for several years.
3. Grand View Software, used in over 13 Jurisdictions.
4. Circumscribe, new software that the Grand Lodge of Florida has just released.

There are more out there, but do not have either the support staff or the cost to transfer data and the cost to maintain are out of our budget.

The important things to take in consideration are: Cost to transfer information from (ROLLS) to new software, Cost per member to maintain software, support personal, turnaround times in fixing problems.

After careful consideration and receiving demos from all the above software companies, the committee recommends converting to Grand View software. The cost to transfer information to Grand View will be \$0.00 dollars, the cost for maintaining Grand View software will be \$1.00 per year per active member.

Advantages are:

1. Updated Software interface between the user and database.
2. Support Staff of 6 people to maintain and support the software.
3. Expanded capabilities to communicate and deal directly with individual members.
4. Members can log in and update their personal information. (Address, Phone #, email etc...)
5. Lodges can post meeting/events for their members and notify other lodges close of the activities, by email, text or posting
6. Collect dues online.
7. There are way to offset the cost of the support, by having a business directory for members to advertise in the software. The business pays for the listing.

There are many more functions that this system can do but will take too much time to put in this report.

I have demo' d the software to the current Grand Lodge Officers and they have given the Green light to start this transition. I have also demo' d the software at the Regional Training Seminars and received positive feedback. I have asked several Lodge secretaries to work with me to test this system and to help in the implementation of it.

Please be patient while we do the conversion from (ROLLS) to Grand View Software in the near future.

Respectively submitted

Monte Bollar, Member of the IT Committee.



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

Motion was seconded and passed.

There was a discussion on the software, security, cost and use of old system.

The motion was made to adopt this software.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley 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, 2017

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 the scheduled timing.

The Grand Lodge has been maintaining its accounts with Bank of the Cascades for the past several years. Due to the sale of the Bank of the Cascades the Grand Lodge officers authorized the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary to move the account relationships to D.L. Evans Bank, an Idaho banking organization with Masonic ties.

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 James A. Hensley 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) 2017 Budget vs. Actuals as of July 31, 2017

2017 Budget VS Actuals

Notes:

Budgeted Income		Actual	Total Budget	Remaining	Received
1350 Per Capita Tax (Deposit to General Fund)		\$ 144,867.41	\$ 153,240.00	\$ 8,372.59	94.54%
3100 Income allocation from investment pool		\$ -	\$ 33,977.00	\$ 33,977.00	0.00%
Total Income		\$ 144,867.41	\$ 187,217.00	\$ 42,349.59	77.38%
Budgeted Expenses			\$ 187,217.00		
10001 Grand Master Budget		Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
1650 Grand Master Travel Expense		\$ 6,571.17	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 6,428.83	
1700 Grand Master Conference dues		\$ 265.00	\$ 315.00	\$ 50.00	
1701 Grand Master Registration Fees		\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	
1750 Grand Master's Conference Travel		\$ 576.70	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 823.30	
1810 Grand Lodge Registration		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1990 Paid by Order of Grand Master		\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	
Total 10001 Grand Master Budget		\$ 7,412.87	\$ 15,315.00	\$ 7,902.13	48.40%
10002 Deputy Grand Masters Budget		Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
1651 Deputy Grand Master Expense		\$ 2,252.74	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,747.26	
1660 Deputy Grand Masters (Grand Master Apron and Cas		\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
1670 Deputy Grand Masters (Grand Masters Picture)		\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	
1751 Deputy Grand Master Conference Travel		\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
Total 10002 Deputy Grand Masters Budget		\$ 2,252.74	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 5,147.26	30.44%
10003 Elected Grand Lodge Officers Budget		Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
1652 Senior Grand Warden Expense		\$ 1,601.31	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 398.69	
1653 Junior Grand Warden Expense		\$ 711.96	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 288.04	
1654 Senior Grand Deacon Expense		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	
1710 District Deputy Grand Master (Travel/Expense)		\$ -	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00	
1740 Grand Lecture Expense		\$ 1,076.75	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 423.25	
1770 Grand Secretary Travel/Expense		\$ 1,479.09	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 520.91	
1775 Grand Treasurer Travel/Expense		\$ 191.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,809.00	
3561 Board of Relief Secretary Expense - Interest Relief		\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	
Total 10003 Elected Grand Lodge Officers Budget		\$ 6,060.11	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 4,939.89	55.09%
10004 Committee Chairman Expense Budget		Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
1570 Fraternal Relation Committee		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1655 Chairman Fraternal Relations Expenses		\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	
1920 Public Relations Committee Expense		\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	
1922 Research and Education Committee Expense		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1940 Information Technology Committee Expense		\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	
3520 Youth Committee - (Investment Pool)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
3530 Sesquientennial Committee (Investment Pool)		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total 10004 Committee Chairman Expense Budget		\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	0.00%
10005 Conferences Budgets		Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
1720 Grand Secretary Conference Dues		\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	
1760 Grand Secretary Conference Travel/Expense		\$ 1,729.01	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 270.99	
1780 Rocky Mountain Conference		\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ -	

	1790 New Officers Meeting (At Grand Lodge)	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	
	1800 Host Lodge Entertainment Allowance (Grand Lodge)	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
	1811 Grand Lodge Visitors Entertainment	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
	1814 Mason of the Year/Awards/Lodge of Excellence	\$ 195.84	\$ 500.00	\$ 304.16	
	Total 10005 Conferences Budgets	\$ 3,724.85	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 3,275.15	53.21%
	10006 Printing Budget	Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
2	1501 Printing Proceedings	\$ 1,631.50	\$ 1,600.00	\$ (31.50)	
	1520 Printing Masonic Directory	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	
3	1530 Purchase Pantograph (List of Lodges)	\$ 1,175.21	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (175.21)	
	1540 Printing Miscellaneous	\$ 140.01	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,559.99	
	1541 Printing Monitors	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
	1542 Printer Equipment Lease	\$ 4,029.61	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 2,170.39	
	1543 Printer Repair & Maintenance Agreement	\$ 1,038.56	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,961.44	
	Total 10006 Printing Budget	\$ 8,014.89	\$ 13,650.00	\$ 5,635.11	58.72%
	10008 Salaries/Retirement/Taxes	Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
	1550 Grand Secretary - Salary	\$ 23,797.62	\$ 40,796.00	\$ 16,998.38	
	3550 Grand Secretary Salary - (from Investment Pool)	\$ -			
	1590 Salary - Grand Lodge Clerk	\$ 7,962.50	\$ 13,650.00	\$ 5,687.50	
	3590 Salary- Grand Lodge Clerk (from Investment Pool)	\$ -			
	1745 Grand Treasurer Salary	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,250.00	
	3560 Grand Treasurer Salary (IR)	\$ -			
	1600 Payroll Tax Expense	\$ 3,461.11	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 4,538.89	
	3600 Payroll Tax (from Investment Pool)	\$ -			
	1610 Retirement	\$ -			
	3610 Retirement - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 8,750.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 6,250.00	
	1911 Grand Secretary Medical Supplemental Ins. Offset	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	
	Total 10008 Salaries/Retirement/Taxes	\$ 45,721.23	\$ 81,046.00	\$ 35,324.77	56.41%
	10009 Grand Lodge Office Budget	Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
1	1190 Furniture & Fixture Expense	\$ 499.00	\$ 250.00	\$ (249.00)	
	1191 Paraphernalia - Expense	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	
	1192 Computer Software, Licenses, Maint, Web Fees	\$ 271.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,729.00	
	3192 Computer Software, Licenses, Maint, Web Fees (Inve	\$ -			
	1193 ROLLS Annual Cost	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
	1620 Sales Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
	1630 Professional Fees(Audit Gen. Fund & PPLM)	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	
	3630 Professional Fees - (from Investment Pool)	\$ -			
	1900 Funeral and Floral	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	
	1910 Insurance and Bonds	\$ -	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00	
	3910 Insurance and Bonds (from Investment Pool)	\$ -			
	1930 Postage	\$ 1,177.58	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,822.42	
	1950 Telephone	\$ 1,543.45	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 1,256.55	
	1951 Building Occupancy Expense	\$ 3,158.15	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 2,841.85	
	3951 Building Occupancy Expense (From Investment Pool)	\$ -			
4	1952 Building Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 3,049.02	\$ 500.00	\$ (2,549.02)	
	1980 Misc. Office Expenses	\$ 344.28	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,655.72	
	3980 Misc. Office Expenses - (from Investment Pool)	\$ -			
	Total 10009 Grand Lodge Office Budget	\$ 10,042.48	\$ 37,750.00	\$ 27,707.52	26.60%

10010 Charitable Giving Budget	Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
1730 Masonic Library Expense	\$ 58.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 142.00	
1731 Masonic Renewal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1860 Masonic Service Association Membership Dues	\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	
1870 Masonic Relief Association Dues	\$ 38.46	\$ 100.00	\$ 61.54	
3220 Masonic Service Association Contributions - (from Inv	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -	
3230 George Washington Masonic Memorial - (from Investr	\$ 2,405.00	\$ 2,856.00	\$ 451.00	
3240 Masonic Information Center - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -	
3500 Demolay Leadership - (from Investment Pool)	\$ -	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,750.00	
3525 Youth Scholarship (from Investment Pool)	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
3580 Masonic Service Association - Disaster Fund - (from I	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
3584 Masonic Youth Donation For Each Bethel, Chapter an	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 1,400.00	
3586 State Youth Leaders	\$ 400.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 400.00	
Total 10010 Charitable Giving Budget	\$ 4,601.46	\$ 13,656.00	\$ 9,054.54	33.70%
10011 Misc	Actual	Budget	Remaining	Spent
1400 Masonic Temple Preservation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1782 Hosting Rocky Mountain Conference Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1813 Grand Master Banquest/Guest Registration	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1923 Lodge Programs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
1924 Idaho Freemason	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
3585 Relief Payments (from Investment Pool)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
7840 Representative Mileage and Per Diem	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Contingency Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total 10011 Misc.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Expenses	\$ 87,830.63	\$ 187,217.00	\$ 99,386.37	46.91%

- 1 Replace broken GS Chair
- 2 Actual Cost of Proceedings
- 3 Actual Cost of List of Lodges
- 4 3k plus to repair leaking water main line.

(06.2) Grand Lodge of Idaho General Fund Audit

Performed by Jerry Tarter

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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, 2016, 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.

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May 14, 2017

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

Performed by Jerry Tarter

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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, 2016, 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

May 14, 2017

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the Grand Lecturer report.

(8) Grand Lecturer Report 2017 John Warner, R.: W.: Grand Lecturer

**Grand Lecturer Report
September 20, 2017**

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Grand Est Brothers and all.

During my Masonic Career, I have been called upon by this great body to fill some pretty big shoes.

First following MWPGM Shoemaker and this year when I was asked by MWB Hensley to fill the shoes of WB Tom Gough, to finish his year as Grand Lecturer. My brothers, it is not easy following such great individuals. So, what has your Grand Lecturer done for you this year? I am sad to report not very much. With the appointment being made in March a week before the first Grand Master's education sessions, I was tasked to go to work and provide education. I had already been tasked to present a program on the Code and Digest and I diligently went to work to find something to do for the Grand Lecturer. By not having the year to plan it caused me several problems. First after taking a year off work as Grand Master, I was not able to adjust my schedule to travel as much as Grand Lecturer. I attended as many of the education programs as possible and taped and provided the information for the areas out of reach. I do not believe this takes the place of the Grand Lecturer's responsibility to visit each District but due to planning restraints, there was no spring communication like in the past and every district was not visited. I have attended several Lodges in the districts at functions and on several occasions, I assisted in degree work to include giving the third-degree lecture. However, I feel remiss in not making it to many districts. I believe the education meetings by the Grand Masters are worthwhile but do not replace the Grand Lecturer from visiting each district and assisting in improving ritual.

I believe that if we wish to improve ritual and insure it is consistent, the Grand Lecture can't do it alone. This was recognized by this Grand Lodge as early as 1889 when Most Worshipful Grand Master John Hunter established the position of Grand Lecturer and in 1896 three district deputy Grand Lecturers were appointed to assist him. From 1890 to 1923 these positions were considered so important the Grand Lecturer was a paid position and the DGL received compensation from funds provided by the Grand Lodge and the Lodges they visited. In 1923 MWB George Scott recommended he have District Deputies Grand Masters to assist him in his duties and in 1924 the Deputy Grand Master Position was created and over time the duties of both became combined.

My brothers, I submit to you the duties and requirements for a DDGM and an assistant Grand Lecturer are/or should be different. Not all DDGM are proficient in all the work and some very Proficient Brothers have no desire to be a DDGM. The duties and responsibilities accompanied by problems that arise in a district takes much of the DDGM's time, and in some cases, the Lecturer responsibilities can't be accomplished. The Grand Lecturer is responsible to see the work is correct, not changed, and performed in accordance of our approved ritual. Only seeing the work in Lodge once or twice a year is not sufficient to assist the lodge in correcting errors or changing what it is done improperly. It is very easy to fall back into the same old problems when no one is there to regularly assist in changing the bad habits. Lodges, in my opinion, really want to do the work right, and in some cases, they really believe they are. If we want to improve our ritual and make it consistent around the state, we must provide continual training all the time.

The Grand Lecturer is considered the final authority on the esoteric work with the assistance of the board of custodians. I believe he should be the one who approves proficiency for all certificates. I believe he should have Deputy Assistant Lectures in each area of the state to review the work and submit it to the Grand Lecturer for final approval. If a question arises as to the proficiency of a brother, then the Grand Lecturer will review the concerns.

My brothers, 2018 has a bright future, many Lodges are very active, and their work is first rate. There are many lodges always willing to help when needed. My concern that many Lodges have their own members to do the work but have become reliant on others to do it for them, so they do not do it themselves. I would like to see each lodge do at least one of each of the degrees a year, if only for practice using its own members. If we don't

try, we don't know we can't do it. Get the new EA to assist in a part in the EA degree, this will also help him retain what he has learned as well.

In closing, I want to make the following recommendations; that the constituent lodges consider and discuss during the next year so good dialogue can be held, and possible changes be made at the next annual communication.

Separate the DDGM and AGL duties

Authorize the Grand Lecturer to appoint Area Assistant Grand Lecturers as follows:

- 1 to cover District 1 & 2
- 1 to cover District 3
- 1 to cover District 4,5,6
- 1 to cover District 7,8
- 1 to cover District 9
- 1 to cover District 10-11
- 1 to cover District 12-13

Like the DDGM, there will be compensation of \$100 a year to fund their travel.

Their title would be Assist Grand lecturer. Their honors would be hardy welcome.

Their apron would be Blue edged in Gold with a plain center, a Grand Lecturer Jewel and a Gold Neck Chord and carrying case The cost would be \$153 per AGL or a total of approximately \$1071.00

Their duties would be to visit each Lodge regularly, assist with degree work and evaluate, correct and train each lodge in all aspects of the IDAHO Monitor to include all esoteric work and other work covered in the Monitor. Review and approve all proficiency certificates and submit to the GL for his approval. (requires a Code and Digest Change) Provide a quarterly report to the Grand Lecturer. Requesting assistance from the Grand Lecturer when needed

This, my brothers, will assist in helping each lodge become better aware of what is not being done properly and assist them in becoming better at the work. With better work brothers feel better, members enjoy watching it better, and candidates are impressed by it and want to become a part of it.

Most Worshipful Brother Jim, I want to thank you for the opportunity to again serve this august body. I want to thank all the brothers who welcomed me warmly at their Lodges and provided me the opportunity to assist them. My brothers, only by continual work and improvement can we become better ourselves and when we become better masons, others will want to be like us and our fraternity will grow.

John E Warner, PGM

Acting Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer

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

There was discussion about this report and the costs for the DDGM position and the Assistant Grand Lecturer position. (Cost? Retroactive? Do we have people to fill this position?)

The Assistant Grand Lecturer is meant to help / give training to the lodges. Give training at the lodge level, District/Regional level. – Resolutions will be forth coming.

Motion to receive report was seconded and passed.

Break Free from Restraint

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley 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 James A. Hensley called the Grand Lodge back to Labor by the Sound of the Gavel in the East at 3:00 pm.

Rick Waite, W. Grand Chaplin, gave the Thursday Afternoon Prayer

“Most Gracious and Glorious Lord God!

Grant Us Wisdom and Strength to conduct the Masonic Business at Hand. Be ever Watchful over this Meeting and May the Business be Fruitful, Wisdom Plenty and Brotherly Love Overflowing. In Thy Name We Pray. Amen”

H. Sherman Burger III, W. : Grand Marshal Proclamation (Call to Order)

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim the 150th Annual Communication called from Refreshment to Labor.”

Announcements:

By request, Past Grand Masters please meet directly after this session.

Introduction s visiting Grand Masters

Myles McMillan

Warren R. Schoeben

William D. Townsend, representing

M.: W.: Grand Master, Oregon

M.: W.: Grand Master, Washington

Warren R. Young, M.: W.: Grand Master, Wyoming

Keith C. Brooks, Associate Grand Guardian

Failure of Masons in Idaho to support the Youth Groups.

Keith C. Brooks, PGM

Most Worshipful Grand Master,

Real quick, I'd like to talk to you about the failure of the Masons of Idaho to support the youth groups in Idaho, you have heard this morning. There are bethels in Idaho that do not have Associate Bethel Guardians. There is really no excuse for this to happen. We have more lodges than we have bethels. It does not take a lot of time. The first time I was Associate Bethel Guardian, I was working and traveling, had a child at home and was in the Navy Reserves and I was active in the lodge. I would like to send one or two members to the meetings. It does not take a lot of time. We need to support the youth groups. That said, there is a CAV training class that will be held in Burley this coming weekend. If you can, please attend. If you need more information, please contact me.

Thank you MWGM.

Unity Banquet Report

Jesse Laduke

To the Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho.

Good Afternoon, I have a great report to tell this afternoon. This is the report of the All Masonic Picnic held on Saturday, May 20th, 2017, in Julia Davis Park in Boise.

The day was a perfect day, weather wise. We all came out to great food cooked by the Redneck Culinary club of El Korah Shrine Temple. The main thanks of the day belongs to the hard work given by Brothers Mark Isserman, #47, Santa Bob Albert, #60, Shane Currey,#60, and his daughter who set up all the soda-pop for us.

We all had a blast and had great time hearing from all the Masonic bodies present. A total of approx. 98 people showed up for all the festivities.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, it was our pleasure to serve on this Committee and we, as your committee, all hope that everybody had a good time and we all look forward to the future on fun events just like this one.

Tonight, dinner is on your own.

Hospitality

Jesse Laduke

“The hospitality room will be open after 5:00 pm in the Coeur D’Alene room.

If you see the ladies, please thank them for bringing the goodies.

There is a Jobie Meeting tonight, Bethel #29 will be meeting at the Boise Masonic Temple at 215 N. 10th St. I have a van that will leave at 6:30 tonight to the Boise Masonic Temple.”

Announcements:

Jurisprudence Committee meets in the hallway after this meeting.

Remember, Memorial Service Friday Morning is 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.

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 and would like to invite the Most Worshipful Grand Master James Hensley to attend.

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

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley 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.

Rick Waite, W. Grand Chaplin, gave the Thursday Afternoon Prayer

“Great Architect of the Universe!

As we conclude business for the day, keep us ever mindful of the duties we have heard so frequently inculcated and so forcefully recommended in this Grand Lodge. We Humbly Pray. Amen”

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

H. Sherman Burger III, W.: Grand Marshal made the following Proclamation.

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim this second session of the 150th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho closed until 8:00am for the Public Memorial Service.”

Grand Lodge Called from Labor to refreshment at 3:55 pm

Thursday Night, September 21, 2017

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 22, 2017 (Morning)

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

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

Friday, September 22, 2017 (Public Memorial Service)

8:15 a.m. Prelude by J. Sherwin Wilson, W.: Grand Organist

All Officers started at their station.

8:30 a.m. Rick L. Waites, W.: Grand Chaplain “Welcome to Public Memorial Service”
(Assisted by the Grand Stewards)

Grand Lodge Masonic Memorial Service Rick L. Waites, W.: Grand Chaplain

150th Grand Lodge Masonic Memorial Service Rick L. Waites W.: Grand Chaplain

“Friends and Brethren, the hour stands at Low Twelve. By the authority vested in me by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Jim A. Hensley, 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; some 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.

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 Lodge 1

Cecil D. Andrus
Carroll L. Davis
Oral R. Porter

Stanley Eugene Barker
Harold A. Masters
Gale E. Prince

Boise Lodge 2

Carl E. Hopt
Lysle O. Keith
George R. Newland

William K. Keeler
Glenn S. Layshure
James M. Seltzer

Gordon K. Ulrich

Mt. Idaho Lodge 9

Robert S. Coleman
Harry E. Owens

Joseph A. Leitch

Nez Perce Lodge 10

Albert N. DeAtley
Alfred P. Jones
William S. McVicars
James D. Worthington

Donald E. Fairley
Elmer M. Lockridge
Robert E. Watson

Lemhi Lodge 11

Paul A. Brog

Danny E. Fadness

Silver City Lodge 13

Stanley Eugene Barker
Berry I. Wild

Trenton T. Merial

Hailey Lodge 16

Richard C. Stephens

Paradise Lodge 17

G. Theodore Cowin
Wesley L. Henderson
Dwayne J. Marten

Clyde E. Culp
Robert K. Lewis
Glenn E. Sprouse

Portneuf Lodge 18

Mark L. Hurlburt

Eagle Rock Lodge 19

Maurice W. Echo
Clement B. Potelunas

Leland M. Jones

Coeur D'Alene Lodge 20

Richard E. Legault

Richfield Lodge 21

Lee M. Kelley

Weiser Lodge 23

John P. Chamberlin
Robert C. Emmons

Russell Eacker
Donald L. Stephens

Kootenai Lodge 24

Dellas G. Eaton
Tandy R. Graff
John S. Thomson
Charles S. Whitman

Kenneth B. Finney
Kenneth Stuker
Chester B. Walker Jr.

Shoshone Lodge 25

Iery E. Geigle

Lance A. Stanley

Washoe Lodge 28

David N. Calvert
Trenton T. Merial

Byrl B. Haines

Ashlar Lodge 29

Joseph C. Allen

Gerald M. Burton

Salubria Lodge 31

Eugene V. Foster PM

Cataldo Lodge 34

George A. Gaylord

Butte Lodge 37

James M. Bengé

Mt. Moriah Lodge 39

Durward L. Bull James S. Day

Charles S. Paynter Jr.

George D. Stevens

Leland H. VanSlyke

Donald W. Winters

Rathdrum Lodge 41

Milo E. Barker

Edgar C. Bradbury

Donald R. Brust

Robert S. Erickson

Robert D. Louthan

Lakeside Lodge 42

James M. Ford

Robert E. Nesbitt

Russell R. Newell Sr.

James R. Stark

Bonnors Ferry Lodge 43

Kenneth E. Alexander

Zane Dittman

Twin Falls Lodge 45

Sheldon H. Kovarsky

Lyle E. Pool

Delbert P. Remaley II

Meridian Lodge 47

Donald E. Girard

Kurt A. Girard

Richard L. Hildebrandt

Albert J. Miller

Arco Lodge 48

Brian J. Paul

Carroll G. Smith

James D. Waymire

Kamiah Lodge 56

Gary D. Chapman

Tommie E. Spears

Harry C. Walrath

Lincoln Lodge 59

Edward F. Koester

Oriental Lodge 60

Ronald G. Berto

Ronald L. Darbin

Richard D. Fisk

F. Alfred Glenn

Russell A. Nelson

Albert R. Otte

Harold E. Raper

W. A. Andy Stone

Ronald D. Warzeka

Jerome Lodge 61

O. Mondford Adams

St. Maries Lodge 63

John D. Koelbel

Mt. McCaleb Lodge 64

Keith M. Browning

Oscar Wornek Jr.

Burley Lodge 68

Ransom H. Brown

Gerald E. Klink

Joseph A. Merkey

Paul Lodge 77

Dale E. Leslie

Ray C. McKee

Joseph A. Merkey

Hagerman Lodge 78

Robert E. Bailey

Fidelity Lodge 80

Wilfrid Hair

Keystone Lodge 81

Harry P. Lewis

Ionic Lodge 82

Michael O. Brown

James T. Bunce

Donald L. Jeffries

Bruce R. Leaf

Arthur R. Megorden

Caribou Lodge 84

Thomas L. Harvey

Russell J. Hayden

Sheldon H. Kovarsky

Guy E. Roper

Leon R. Schou

Challis Lodge 92

John H. Austin Jr.

Jack B. Furey

Verne A. McGowan

Gary R. McNeill

Dannie A. Strand

Mount Kinport Lodge 95

Howard E. Hawk

William R. Newbry

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

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley asked all Non-Master Masons to please leave the meeting room and all Master Masons return to the Lodge by 9:30 am.

Friday, September 22, 2017 (Morning Session)

9:00 am Credentials Closed

Vance Mason, Junior Warden, representing Donald S. Charbonneau, Worshipful Master of Twin Falls Lodge No. 45.

“Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Friday Morning Session of the 150th 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 James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“It is my pleasure to introduce Vance Mason, Junior Warden of Twin Fall Lodge No.45.”

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

M.:W.: **Grand Master James A. Hensley** proceeded to call Grand Lodge from Refreshment to Labor through the South.

Rick L. Waites, W.: **Grand Chaplain, gave the following Prayer**

“Most Holy and Glorious Lord God, Grant us strength and wisdom as we continue with the business at hand of this Grand Lodge. Bless and Guide our Leaders and Brethren in all their actions. Be ever watchful over our soon to be elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers as they guide us through this next Masonic year. We humbly pray. Amen”

M.:W.: **Grand Master James A. Hensley**

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

H. Sherman Burger III, W.: **Grand Marshal made the following Proclamation.**

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim the 150th Annual Communication called from Refreshment to Labor.”

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 9:30 a.m. September 22, 2017.

M.:W.: **Grand Master James A. Hensley** asked Brother Randy King for the Final Credentials Report.

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:

Credentials Report September 22, 2017

					Unregistered Lodges		1
Persons Registered		Persons Registered		Lodges Registered			48
Members	142			Idaho #1			x
Difference w/o vote	-142	Without Vote		Boise #2			x
				Placer #3			x
				Mt Idaho #9			x
JW	14			Nez Perce #10			x
SW	19			Lemhi #11			x
WM	33			Silver City #13			x
				Hailey #16			x
				Paradise #17			x
PM	99			Portneuf #18			x
PGM	18			Eagle Rock #19			x
DDGM	10			Coeur d'Alene #20			x
GLO	18			Richfield #21			x
				Weiser #23			x
				Kootenai #24			x
Grand Rep.	0			Shoshone #25			x
Chartered Lodges	49			Washoe #28			x
Lodges Represented	48			Ashlar #29			x
Unregistered Lodges	1			Elmore #30			x
				Salubria #31			x

Votes	238				Grove City #33		x
1	91	91			Cataldo #34		x
2	17	34			Butte #37		x
					Mt Moriah #39		x
3	19	57			Rathdrum #41		x
4	14	56			Lakeside #42		x
Check Total		238			Bonniers Ferry #43		x
					Twin Falls #45		x
					Meridian #47		x
Simple Majority		120			Arco #48		x
2/3 Majority		158.7			Malad #51		x
					Kamiah #56		x
					Spirit Lake #57		0
					Lincoln #59		x
					Oriental #60		x
					Jerome #61		x
					St Maries #63		x
					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.

Guest Speaker

Warren Schoeben, MWGM of Washington

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley, *"I would like to invite Warren Schoeben, MWGM of Washington, to give a few words."*

"I bring you greetings from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Washington. I have the great pleasure of traveling and visiting the other Grand Jurisdiction and learning from each other and sharing information for those here and those who follow us. We are only as strong as our Masonic Family. I was happy that the brothers of Washington accepted my unbalanced budget. We are doing commercial ad's on TV and working to advertise our information. Public Relation is setting a communication policy for the Grand Lodge and the lodges. We are trying to get out Magazine out to every Mason in the jurisdiction.

Thank you for the hospitalities and wish you a successful Annual Communication."

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley asked Brother Greg Winther, PGM, to give the Report of the Grand Lodge Charitable Trust.

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,

Introduced the board members,

Mark Smith, Secretary

G. Art Shoemaker, Treasure

Dan Davis

Monte Bollar

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?

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.

I asked the brothers of this Grand Lodge to consider buying hats and pins to support the Foundation.

We are handing out checks to Silver City #13 bikes for books and Ashlar #29 for Kindles for books programs.

DDGM Dan Davis reported he has been collecting donations in District 7 and presented a check to the Idaho Freemason Foundation for \$1,000.00

Submitted by:

Greg Winther

Chairman of the Board, The Idaho Freemason Foundation

10. W.: Grand Chaplin

Rick L. Waites.

Report of the Worshipful Grand Chaplain for 2017 Rick L. Waites

To the Most Worshipful Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Idaho; Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Brethren:

It was truly a great honor and pleasure to serve as the Grand Chaplain for the Most Worshipful Grand Master Jim Hensley this year. Even with my work schedule, I attended:

- a) Local Lodge Meetings all year

- b) Performed duties at the Officers Installations for Paul & Twin Falls Lodges
- c) Grand Lodge Special Session in Boise 10/22/16
- d) IMFA Boise Meeting
- e) Knight Templars Christmas Service in Twin Falls
- f) Past Masters Night in Pullman, Washington
- g) Grand Lodge Planning Session in Pocatello
- h) Pocatello Exemplification
- i) District 2 Training in Twin Falls
- j) Arco Lodge Building Re-Dedication
- k) Hailey Lodge Building Re-Dedication
- l) Grand Lodge of Washington's Annual Communications

It is with a great deal of sadness I have to report that our Brethren have passed and gained admission to the Celestial Lodge above. As per my duties as Grand Chaplain, I send a letter & prayer to the widow and/or family members on behalf of the Grand Master. For a list of our Brothers who have passed, please see the Masonic Memorial Service.

In closing, thank you to all the Brethren for their assistance this year, especially those hardworking Secretaries; your reports were invaluable. Thank you to Brother Monte and Cyndie Bollar for their tireless devotion to the Craft and WB George White Jr for your guidance. A very special thank you to MW Jim Hensley for having the courage to appoint me his Grand Chaplain. I will never forget you believing in me and giving me such a worthwhile duty this year; it was truly a pleasure to serve you.

Finally, a very special thank you to the true love of my life, my wife of 30 years, Gerilynn. She has supported me, encouraged me and assisted me throughout this entire Masonic Year. Thank you for always being there for me!

Idaho Lodge of Research 1965

Terry Adsitt

Idaho Lodge of Research #1965

Annual Stated Meeting

OFFICIAL REPORT:

RE: Idaho Lodge of Research 1965

MWGW Jim Hensley,

The Lodge of Research 1965 has been very productive over the year. I am pleased to say that our new website was successfully launched and is located at www.idaholodgeofresearch.com. Over the last year we have amassed a large collection of resources. Our site now contains many Gigabytes of scanned copies of books and manuscripts going back to the early 1800s on various masonic subjects. For the duration of Grand Lodge the dues fee will be waived for all those who sign-up to access these resources.

We have many more files to add so please sign-up, so you can receive updates as we release new tools and resources over the next year. Over the next year we plan to provide flash drives with all of these documents, upon request, to Lodges. These flash drives will also contain various videos that are great resources for non-members to educate them about who Masons are and what we do.

We have elected our new officers for the ensuing year and I feel confident that we have the proper people in place to keep this momentum moving forward and provide new and useful support for educational documents and research to our members.

The following Offices were elected for the Idaho Lodge of Research:

Worshipful Master Terry Adsitt, PM
Senior Warden James Hansen
Junior Warden Chris Burgess
Treasurer Ken Beaudreau
Secretary Barry E. Newell, PM

Respectfully,

Terry Adsitt
Idaho Lodge of Research

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

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for DeMolay of Idaho Report

DeMolay Executive Officer Report **Gary A. S. La Bruyere**

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

Executive Officer Idaho DeMolay Report to the Grand Lodge of Idaho

Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother James A. Hensley, Grand Lodge Officers and Brethren, we have many positive objectives to report this year. This was only possible due to the continued support of the Grand Lodge in the effort to grow and support Idaho DeMolay we take pleasure in reporting the following.

- Twin Falls DeMolay restart
- Sandpoint DeMolay restart
- Positive Membership Growth
- Retention of Bonneville, Charles F. Kirchner, Snake River, and Treasure Valley as effective chapters
- Increased participation in Pacific Northwest DeMolay Leadership training, that included
- (2) advisors

Additionally, progressive positive changes continue to be provided by the International Supreme Council and DeMolay International. These changes are both in the administrative/business side DeMolay International and in Chapter Operations themselves.

One change that will be a challenge to support but provides a great potential to grow Idaho DeMolay is the quorum for a meeting is now one youth and at least (2) trained advisors. This would permit any lodge that has a youth of DeMolay age to implement on the local level routine exposure to the DeMolay programs. This change presents a powerful tool for growth.

The DeMolay University is online. This is where DeMolay, Advisors, and supporters can learn "DeMolay" and develop leadership knowledge and techniques for success. To get started entering DeMolay University in your search engine and hit enter, create a learner profile and complete the registration course and door to the DeMolay University is open to you. This is a collaborative effort spearheaded by Washington DeMolay but supported by many jurisdictions and Grand Lodges. We encourage you to take the time to create a profile and see what you can use even in our other organizations.

Goals for the upcoming year:

- Starts in any lodge with youth -this is challenging but of great reward for all involved - please contact the EO

- Advanced Advisor training
- Communication
- Continued efforts in restarts in Boise, Moscow, Coeur d'Alene, Nampa/Caldwell
- Staffing needs
- Capital Development (Foundation)

For the Lodges, Masons, Fathers, and Mothers that called me with the request to come discuss how they could get DeMolay in their Lodge, my sincere thanks. For those of you who could not attend the Degrees, Installations or meetings, the joy and happiness expressed by the adults supporting these efforts and the youth involved was overwhelming. Even the older masons had that sparkle in their eyes and their steps appeared lighter.

We thank you for your unwavering support of this great effort and congratulations on your 150th communication.

Fraternally,

Gary Alexander Sullivan La Bruyere, 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 James A. Hensley 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

September 21,2017

On September 21, 2017, during the 150th Annual Communication, the annual meeting of the Board of Custodians was held as by the Code and Digest. A total of four members and three special appointed members were present. There being four members present a quorum was present, the following items were presented to the board for consideration.

Section 802. Custodians. There shall be a Board of Custodians of the Work consisting of seven members. who shall be authority on the Idaho Work. The Grand Master shall each year appoint one member of the Board for a term of seven years, and he shall appoint members to fill vacancies for un-expired terms. At each Annual Communication he may appoint members to serve temporarily in the stead of absent members of the Board. Four Members shall constitute a quorum, but no decision shall be made without the concurrence of four members. The board shall meet each year during the Annual Communication to hear and decide questions relating to the Idaho Work.

After talking to several Grand Masters to attend, 3 Grand Master sat in on the committee.

Request #1

Request: A request was received to allow alternate music to be played during the circumambulation in the 3rd degree. A sample of the proposed music was submitted, and the board deemed it appropriate

Fact: In the esoteric work it only states that marching and music. There is no mention of what.

Ruling: That each lodge should be allowed to use any appropriate music that is approved by its Lodge members.

Request #2

Request: The entire Idaho Monitor is placed electronically on the Grand Lodge Website.

Ruling: The Board of Custodians ruled that Code and Digest section 39 concerns only with the use and safeguard of the work not the control and distribution. The board has also ruled that rulings of the Board of Custodians Idaho work rule "E" has been suspended. The current rulings as of 9/20/2017 is that the current Idaho monitor as printed will be placed electronically on the Grand Lodge Website for immediate access to all members

Members Present

David O. Skip Owen, Acting Chairman

Jay Leonard, Member

Keith Brooks, Member

John Warner, member, Secretary

Special Appointees for Session

Richard Kaiser

Richard Broemeling

James Voyles

David O. Skip Owen moved that the Report of the Custodians of the Work be received and printed in the Proceedings.

Discussion was held about putting the Monitor on the Website.

It was determined that the report needs accepted and referred to Jurisprudence.

Motion was seconded to accept the report and refer to Jurisprudence and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley, *"I would like to invite Myles McMillan, MWGM of Oregon, to give a few words."*

Guest Speaker

Myles McMillan, MWGM of Oregon

"Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of Idaho, I bring you greetings from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Oregon."

Spoke of the history of Oregon and Idaho, Oregon granted the Charter to Idaho. In a condensed form. Snapshot.

"Thank you for the hospitalities and wish you a successful Annual Communication."

Election of the 2017-2018 Officers

11:05 A.M M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

"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 Brother 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 James A. Hensley

"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 James A. Hensley

"Have all balloted who are entitled to do so? If so, I will declare the ballot closed."

Ballot closed at 11:15 am Friday, Sept. 22, 2017.

"Tellers, please take charge of the ballot."

Election of Executive Council (Masonic Prepaid Life)

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley 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

Dan Davis, DDGM, Ionic Lodge #82

Ron Scott, PM, Oriental Lodge #60

The following were elected to serve on the Executive Council Board. All accepted the position.

Mark Smith, PM, Meridian Lodge #47

Dan Davis, DDGM, Ionic Lodge #82

Ron Scott, PM, Oriental Lodge #60

Guest Speaker

Craig Gross, RWDGM of Arizona

"Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of Idaho, I bring you greetings from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Arizona, Scott A. Thomas.

The members of Arizona vary depends on the time of year, we get more masons in the winter months than the summer months. We have the same type of problems that all jurisdictions have. Be aware of the members coming into masons and walking out the back. We are working to solve the problems. Masonry is need more today than ever. All it takes for evil to take over is to have a good man do nothing.

Thank you for the hospitalities and wish you a successful Annual Communication."

Guest Speaker

Louis Castle Jr., RWJGW of Nevada

"Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of Idaho, I bring you greetings from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Nevada, Gerald Ogle and the Grand Lodge of Nevada

We are using the message of Masonry to communicate to our brother and we should always treat each other like brothers.

Thank you for the hospitalities and wish you a successful Annual Communication."

“Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of Idaho, I bring you greetings from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Wyoming

We started working on a 5-year plan – to find out why things are happening – we need to retain the members that we already have. We cannot replace the number of members to replace the war time influx. We need to look at the retention issue; Demits and NPD. We need to keep those people. If we do, we can break even in membership.

Thank you for the hospitalities and wish you a successful Annual Communication.”

2017 LOW TWELVE REPORT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Jim, Grand Lodge Officers, and Brethren,

This report covers the period of August 1, 2016 thru July 31, 2017.

I again wish to thank Barry Newell for his assistance on updates from Rolls.

We lost 3 members of the Low Twelve Fund due to death. They were Bros. Ransom Brown, Ronald G Berto and Albert R Otte. We also lost Bro. Ransom Brown back in August 2017. We currently have 100 members in the fund.

The past two years, the Trustees and myself have requested that the Degree packets include the info on the Low Twelve Fund and the By Laws of the Low Twelve Fund to be handed out to the candidates when they are raised the Third Degree. This way the new members would be receiving the Low Twelve information. We are making this request again this year and would like the new Most Worshipful Grand Master to assist in this implementation.

Financially, we are solvent. All funds at Washington Federal total \$60,087.95. The majority of the Trustees and myself have agreed to change the investment of the funds by moving them to Wells Fargo Investments. Bro. Barry Newell will be an additional signer on the accounts.

Again, this year, I took no salary as I feel what little time is necessary as Secretary-Treasurer does not warrant a \$1,200.00 annual salary plus the additional taxes.

Fraternally Submitted,

David A Smith, Secretary-Treasurer

Steven O Zimmerman, Trustee

Russ W Smith, Trustee

H Sherman Burger III, Trustee

Gary A S LaBruyere, Trustee

John B Johnson, Trustee

Discussion:

When was the last time the account had a financial review?

“Last year the fund was audited by Sherman Burger III, Steve Zimmerman and found in good shape. This year’s committee reviewed the records and approved information was given to committee”.

Motion was made to accept the report, seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

Made comments about the Ring he is wearing.

Made comments about the Gavel he is using, it is the Gavel given to the Grand Lodge of Idaho in 1967; it has a little wear on it and would like to make sure that we are using it this year.

H. Sherman Burger – told us a short story.

William K. “Bill” Curtis Jr, announced his appointments –

District Deputy Grand Masters

Carl R. Alexander	First District
Dan Drefs	Second District
Gilbert L. Gross	Third District
John Bonnett	Fourth District
Johnny Willis	Fifth District
Vincent M. Dorio	Sixth District
Danny L. Davis	Seventh District
Harold E. Bloom	Eighth District
John H. Blake	Ninth District
Edward L. Bonham Sr.	Tenth District
Russ L. Graves	Eleventh District
Robin B. Stanley	Twelfth District
Darryl W. Chitwood	Thirteenth District

Appointed Grand Lodge Offices

Russ W. Smith	Senior Grand Deacon
H. Sherman Burger III	Junior Grand Deacon
Gary A. LaBruyere	Grand Marshall
John B. Johnson	Senior Grand Steward
Rick Holloway	Junior Grand Steward
George White Jr.	Grand Sword Bearer
Clifford R. Kramer	Grand Pursuivant
J. Sherwin Wilson	Grand Organist
Rev. Edgar R. Simmons	Grand Chaplain
Justin L. Boyer	Grand Orator
Jerry D. Parsons	Grand Historian
Levi D. Billman	Grand Tyler

Steve Crane spoke about DeMolay International, DeMolay around the world. DeMolay is exploding. There are 140,000 kids, 24,600 advisors in 31 countries

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment through the south for Lunch

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called the Grand Lodge from Labor to Refreshment for Lunch.

Rick L. Waites, W.: Grand Chaplain, gave the following Prayer

“Most Heavenly Father we thank thee for this food that has been prepared to strengthen our bodies, and your words strengthen our thoughts and actions. Bless each one of us as we come together our fraternity and country. In these things we ask in your name, Amen.”

H. Sherman Burger, W.: Grand Marshal, made the following proclamation:

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I proclamation the 150th 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 1:00p.m.”

Friday, September 22, 2017 (Afternoon Session)

Darryl W. Chitwood, Worshipful Master of Lakeside Lodge No. 42.

“Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Friday afternoon Session of the 150th 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 James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”*

James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master

“It is my pleasure to introduce Darryl W. Chitwood, Worshipful Master of Lakeside Lodge No.42.”

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

Call from Refreshment to Labor (Ritual)

Rick L. Waites, W.: Grand Chaplain, gave the following Prayer

*“Great Architect of the Universe, Ruler of Heaven and Earth,
Be ever watchful over this meeting and give us the guidance and wisdom to complete our duties today. In Thy Name We Pray. Amen”*

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

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

H. Sherman Burger, W.: Grand Marshal, made the following proclamation:

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim the 150th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho called from Refreshment to Labor.”

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the Report of the Tellers Committee

Election Results for the 2017-2018 Grand Lodge Officers:

Deputy Grand Master	Kent R. McCandless
Senior Grand Warden	Steven L. Hall
Junior Grand Warden	Steve Zimmerman
Grand Treasurer	Randy King
Grand Secretary	Monte B. Bollar
Grand Lecturer	John E. Warner, PGM

Each was asked if they would accept the position and each answered “Yes.”

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley ordered the delivery of the ballots to the Grand Secretary for destruction.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

“Brethren please help me thank Justin Boyer who is sitting in as Junior Grand Steward for this Annual Communication.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the Report of Fraternal Relations Committee
401-4 Fraternal Relations **Shawn V. Gibbons**

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

The report of the Fraternal Relations Committee for 2017-2018 contains several recommendations for adoption by the Grand Lodge and an appendix listing interesting items from the review of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges. The reading of the proceedings gives wonderful insight in the differences in the operations of the several Grand Lodges.

We would remind the brothers that for Masonic issues - please do not directly contact Grand Lodge Officers in other jurisdictions directly but route your correspondence through the Grand Secretary.

The following are the Recommendations of the Committee on Fraternal Relations:

Requests for recognition

On March 10, 2017, a request for recognition from the Grande Oriente do Estado de Mato Grosso was received

Since its founding, until 1973, the Grand Orient of the State of Mato Grosso worked under the jurisdiction of the Grand Orient of Brazil. In 1973, some irregularities occurred in the Grand Master's election of the Grand Orient of Brazil. After several unsuccessful dialogues and reconciliation attempts, on June, 1st 1973, the Grand Master of the Grand Orient of the State of Mato Grosso, M.W. Brother Nilson Constantino, held a general assembly when it was submitted, voted, approved and proclaimed the detachment of the Grand Orient of the State of Mato Grosso from the Grand Orient of Brazil, and the Grand Orient of the State of Mato Grosso became an independent and sovereign Masonic Grand Lodge working on the State of Mato Grosso and remain so to this day. The same situation happened to other States resulting in the second scission in Brazilian Masonry, creating the COMAE.

In Brazil, the Grand Orient of the State of Mato Grosso is members of the COMAE - Confederacao Maconica do Brasil - and in the Latin American scenario, it is an active member of the C.M.I. - Inter-American Masonic Confederation. The Grand Orient of Mato Grosso currently has its oldest Lodge founded in 1900 and its newest Lodge founded in 2016, totaling 1,896 members.

The Grand Lodge, which holds the territory, is the Grand Lodge of the State of Mato Grosso.

On June 25rd, 2016, The Grand Lodge of the State of Mato Grosso officially shared the Mato Grosso State's territory with the Grand Orient of the State of Mato Grosso

Motion for recognition – Mato Grosso

Shawn moved to grant recognition to the Grand Orient of the State of Mato Grosso.

Seconded and passed.

On March 13, 2017, a request for recognition from the Grande Oriente do Paraná was received

Since its founding in 1952, until 1973, the Grand Orient of Parana worked under the jurisdiction of the Grand Orient of Brazil. In 1973, irregularities occurring in the Grand Master's election of the Grand Orient of Brazil resulted in detachment as afore mentioned.

In Brazil, the Grand Orient of Parana is members of the COMAB - Confederacao Maconica do Brasil - and in the Latin American scenario, it is an active member of the C.M.I. - Inter-American Masonic Confederation. The Grand Orient of Parana has its oldest Lodge founded in 1864 and its newest Lodge founded in 2016, totaling 4,864 members.

The Grand Orient of Parana works in the territory of the State of Parana - Brazil.

The Grand Lodge, which holds the territory, is the Grand Lodge of Parana. On January 23rd, 2016, The Grand Lodge of Parana officially shared Parana State's territory with the Grand Orient of Parana.

Motion for recognition – Parana

Shawn moved to grant recognition to the Grand Lodge of Parana.
Seconded and passed.

On March 15, 2017, a request for recognition from the Grande Oriente do Rio Grande do Sul was received.

Founded in 1893, the Grand Orient of Rio Grande do Sul began to act as a sovereign and independent Potency, always maintaining its original name. In 1973, irregularities occurring in the Grand Master's election of the Grand Orient of Brazil resulted in detachment as afore mentioned.

In Brazil, the Grand Orient of Rio Grande do Sul is a member of the COMAB - Confederacao Maconica do Brasil - and in the Latin American scenario, it is an active member of the C.M.I. - Inter-American Masonic Confederation. The Grand Orient of Rio Grande do Sul has its oldest Lodge founded in 1855 and its newest Lodge founded in 2016, totaling 9,722 members.

The Grand Orient of Rio Grande do Sul works in the State of Rio Grande do Sul territory - Brazil.

The Grand Lodge which holds the territory is the Grand Lodge of Rio Grande do Sul. On July 08th 2016, The Grand Lodge of Rio Grande do Sul officially shared the Rio Grande do Sul State's territory with the Grand Orient of Rio Grande do Sul.

Motion for recognition – the Grande Oriente do Rio Grande do Sul Parana

Shawn moved to grant recognition to the Grande Oriente do Rio Grande do Sul
Seconded and passed.

And finally, on March 13, 2017, a request for recognition from the Grande Oriente de Santa Catarina was received.

Founded in 1950, the Grand Orient de Santa Catarina began to act as a sovereign and independent Potency, always maintaining its original name. In 1973, irregularities occurring in the Grand Master's election of the Grand Orient of Brazil resulted in detachment as afore mentioned. In Brazil, the Grand Orient de Santa Catarina is members of the COMAB - Confederacao Maconica do Brasil - and in the Latin American scenario, it is an active member of the C.M.I. - Inter-American Masonic Confederation. The Grand Orient of Rio Grande do Sul has its oldest Lodge founded in 1902 and its newest Lodge founded in 2016, totaling 3,954 members.

The Grand Orient de Santa Catarina works in the State of Santa Catarina - Brazil.

The Grand Lodge which holds the territory is the Grand Lodge Santa Catarina. On April 23, 2016, The Grand Lodge of Santa Catarina officially shared the Santa Catarina State's territory with the Grand Orient de Santa Catarina.

Motion for recognition – the Grand Lodge Santa Catarina

Shawn moved to grant recognition to the Grand Lodge Santa Catarina
Seconded and passed.

In February 2017, the Commission for Information on Recognition gave the following report on these grand Lodges:

Brazil State Grand Orients

The Grande Oriente do Parana', the Grande Oriente do Rio Grande do Sul, the Grande Oriente do Mato Grosso, and the Grande Oriente de Santa Catarina were each recognized by and treaties signed with their respective State Grand Lodges in August/September of 2016. Each of these bodies are now

recognized by the CMI. It would be reasonable to assume that these grand orients are practicing regular Masonry.

Based on this information your committee *recommends that the request for recognition of the Grande Oriente do Estado de Mato Grosso be granted.*

Also, we *recommend that the request for recognition of the Grande Oriente do Parana be granted.*

Also, we *recommend that the request for recognition of the Grande Oriente do Rio Grande do Sul be granted.*

And finally, we *recommend that the request for recognition of the Grande Oriente de Santa Catarina be granted.*

SEE ABOVE for Motion and votes.

Other requests

On July 24, 2017, we received a request from the Gran Logia Simbolica del Paraguay in which they shared the desire to have a Guarantor of Peace and Friendship, or Grand Representative, appointed from our Grand Lodge.

With the advent of modern communication and interconnectivity, the role of Grand Representative may seem to have become obsolete and outdated. However, it is my belief that our brethren who currently serve as Grand Representatives, both within the United States as well as abroad, have not only gained a truer sense of our Masonic bond with our sister jurisdictions, but have also helped build on the reputation that the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

Currently, within our ranks, we have three brothers who have spent time within Paraguay either in a Masonic function or serving the great Paraguayan people. While we do not appoint Grand representatives often, I believe that an appointment to the Grand Lodge of Paraguay would truly serve both Jurisdictions, and it is our recommendation that *this request be granted, a Grand Representative appointed, and thus communicated to our sister Jurisdiction.*

Motion for appointing a Grand Representative to Gran Logia Simbolica del Paraguay

Shawn moved to appoint a Grand Representative to Gran Logia Simbolica del Paraguay
Seconded and passed.

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.

Shawn V. Gibbons, Chairman

Bruce Wethered, Grand Historian

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

John B. Johnson Junior Grand Steward

Russ W. Smith, Junior Grand Deacon

George White Jr, Grand Pursuivant

Appendix A - summary of interesting items from other jurisdictions' proceedings:

Report of the Commission of Information of Recognition

Confederation of Grand Orients Jose de La Cruz Porfirio Diaz Mori - Puebla, Mexico

At this time, the Commission has received no evidence to suggest that this grand lodge is practicing regular Masonry.

Grand Lodge of Liechtenstein

While the Grand Lodge of Liechtenstein appears to meet the requirements for recognition, your Commission will study the matter further and will provide an update at the 2018 Conference.

Grand Lodge of the State of Mexico

The Grand Lodge of the State of Mexico is not a member of the CMI. In the absence of evidence to the contrary, the Commission finds that the Grand Lodge of the State of Mexico does not meet the requirements for recognition.

Grande Loge Nationale Malienne

A schism has occurred within the Grand Lodge of Mali. A splinter group has broken off and created a second grand lodge using the same name: "Grande Loge Nationale Malienne". This group is also using almost the same email address. The Grande Loge Nationale Malienne is a regular grand lodge consecrated by the Grand Lodge of the Ivory Coast in 1999. The Grand Master of the legitimate Grande Loge Nationale Malienne is M/W Bro Boubacar KEITA. The correct email address is: glnm.mali@gmail.com

Grand Lodge of Kazakhstan

After hearing presentations from the Grand Lodge of Russia, the founding grand lodge, and the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kazakhstan, the Commission finds that the Grand Lodge of Kazakhstan appears to meet the requirements for recognition.

Grand Lodge of the Republic of Georgia

In reference to the 2016 Commission report regarding the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Georgia, we are informed that additional information concerning this grand lodge will be forthcoming over the next 12 - 14 months. We expect to report on this matter at the 2019 Conference.

A great many "Grand Lodges" continue to appear in North America each year which do not meet the standards for recognition. Further, most of these grand lodges make no effort to achieve regularity or even establish a relationship with the regular grand lodges into whose jurisdiction they have inserted themselves. The Commission urges great vigilance in establishing relationships with new grand lodges that do not exist in the List of Lodges-Masonic, published by Pantagraph, in Bloomington, Ill.

United States Grand Lodges:

Grand Lodge F&AM of California - 2015

- The GL presented six (6) Fifty-year pins and five (5) 75-year Diamond Jubilee awards
- The Grand Master recommended that their code be changed to allow for all means of electronic voting.

Grand Lodge F&AM of Kentucky - 2015

- A "Traveling Gavel Program" was initiated to promote travel and fellowship throughout their jurisdiction.
- The Grand Lodge participated in four (4) dedications or cornerstone laying throughout their jurisdiction

Grand Lodge F&AM of Ohio - 2016

- The Grand Lodge dutifully supports the Special Olympics and this year, presented a check in the amount of \$180,000 to their organization in Ohio.
- Ohio seems to be facing the same issues that many of our sister jurisdictions are with the number of brethren travelling to that unknown country far out weighing the numbers coming in. They remain positive, however, and are working to continue building anew focusing on the unchanging landmarks of Freemasonry.
- Legislation

It was approved that all lodges could rent out their lodge buildings, with the exception of the lodge room itself, to any event at which alcohol could be served.

Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina - 2015

- 327 brethren received 25-year service pins, 374 brethren received 50 year pins and certificates and 4 brethren received 70 year recognition.
- The grand lodge participated in 7 cornerstone and 1 rededication ceremony.

International Grand Lodges:

Grand Lodge of AF&A of Ireland - 2016

- Each year, an annual Grand Master's Millennium Cup Golf Competition is held at Killymoon Golf Club, which since its beginnings has raised over \$135,000.
- They also have a Teddies for Loving Care Program, which has delivered over 100,000 teddies to emergency rooms all over Ireland.
- The Grand Lodge meets four (4) times per year. Grande Loge Nationale Francaise -
- While we did not receive a report of the Grand Lodge operations, we were fortunate to receive copies of the GLNF's International review.

Grand Lodge of A.F.&A.M. of Scotland

- We received the 2017 Yearbook of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, which contains a record of their actions throughout the year.

Grand Lodge F&AM of the Philippines

- We received a letter outlining the election results for their 101st Annual Communication.

Moved to accept the Fraternal Relations report; seconded and passed.

401-2 Appeals & Grievances

James V. Voyles, PGM

Report of the committee of Appeals and Grievances Beginning.

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

My brothers, this year has been very trying, in so many ways. Over the course of the past twelve months, your Committee of Appeals and Grievances has been challenged in ways that go beyond my memory. We had a trial in the 12th Masonic District that resulted in one referral and one appeal and two grievances being given to our Committee. Two other trials were held where appeals were filed challenging the penalties imposed by the Trial Commissions. And finally, a lodge came before our Committee to determine whether their charter would be returned to them, after it was removed by our Grand Master.

Please bear with us. Each of these referrals, appeals and grievances need to be addressed separately for essentially the same reason why we ballot on candidates, separately. After a number of the reports, you, as Grand Lodge delegates here today, will be deciding the masonic standing of three different brothers. You need to stay with us, as we have a lot of ground to cover.

(Present all seven parts, in number order and act on each, separately.)

Report of the committee of Appeals and Grievances, Part VI

Russ Smith read the appeal of sentence submitted by John W. Blom (below)

Appeal filed by John W. Blom

To: Most Worshipful Grand Master of Idaho Masons James Hensley
Grand Secretary Monte Bollar, Grand Lodge of Idaho
Secretary Vernon Agee, Mt Idaho Lodge of Grangeville, Idaho
March 24, 2017

Please find attached an Appeal of the Sentence of Suspension imposed by the Trial Commission on Mr. Dan Gautney, at his Masonic Trial on March 4, 2017 at Mt Idaho Lodge #9, in Grangeville, Idaho

Please understand that this Appeal is not an attack on the Trial Commission Members. I believe they conducted the Trial, arrived at a Verdict, and imposed a sentence in good faith, based on their understanding of the provisions contained in ARTICLE XXIX, DELIBERATION,

JUDGEMENT, RIGHT OF APPEAL. However, I further believe that their interpretation of Article XXIX lead to a misapplication of the sentence which is specified under ARTICLE XX, Section 2008, paragraph 2, the provisions under which charges were brought against Mr. Dan Gautney.

Charges brought under Section 2008, paragraph 2, apply strictly to Entered Apprentice Masons and Fellowcraft Masons. Sentences provided in Section 2008, paragraph 2, do not apply to Master Masons, who are covered under Section 2904, Sentence. ARTICLE XXVIII, EVIDENCE AND TESTIMONY, Section 2802 Testimony of Master Masons, and Section 2803, Testimony of Other Than Master Masons, establishes a difference in how testimony shall be taken from each, thus establishing a recognized difference between Master Masons versus Other Than Master Masons, when it comes to Masonic Trials. Incidentally, at the March 4th Trial, testimony was taken from Mr. Dan Gautney on his Masonic honor and obligation and was not taken under Oath as specified by Section 2803 of the Masonic Code and Digest.

Mr. Gautney plead guilty to the first charge. He plead innocent to the second and most serious charge but was found guilty by the Trial Commission. Referring to Section 2008, paragraph 2, I firmly believe that since he was charged as an Entered Apprentice Mason under this Section and essentially convicted of un-Masonic conduct (Assault and Battery, as defined in Idaho Statutes) on a Past Master, the penalty provided under Section 2008, paragraph 2 should apply. To impose a sentence other than rejection (expulsion) for Advancement to the Fellowcraft degree as provided in Section 2008 is contrary to and in violation of Section 2008, paragraph 2 of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, as well as an injustice to the accuser and Mt. Idaho Lodge #9.

I further believe that imposing a sentence of Rejection (Expulsion) under Section 2008 is not in conflict with the sentencing guidelines contained in Sections 2904 and 2905. I submit that imposing such a sentence would be in full compliance with all three of the above Sections of the Code and Digest. There is no need to modify any part of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest as it is currently written to arrive at fair and intended justice as provided in Section 2008.

Appeal of Dan Gautney Sentence Trial Date: March 4, 2017 I, John W. Blom, a Master Mason, and a member of Mt. Idaho Lodge, Number 9, do declare upon my honor as a Master Mason, that I feel materially aggrieved by the decision of the trial Commission in the case of Mr. Dan Gautney, and to the end that Justice may be done in the matter, do take my appeal to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for the following reasons, Viz:

I filed charges against Mr. Dan Gautney under paragraph number 2, Section 2008, of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, Objection After Ballot. The last sentence of paragraph number 2 in Section 2008 states: "If the Master, after consulting with the Wardens, sustains the sufficiency and regularity of the charges, the candidate (Mr. Dan Gautney) **SHALL NOT BE ADVANCED UNTIL AFTER TRIAL THEREON AND ACQUITT AI UNLESS THE CHARGES ARE WITHDRAWN.**"

Mr. Gautney was not acquitted, and the charges have not been withdrawn. He was found guilty at Trial. The Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, Section 2008, paragraph 2, provides that the candidate shall not be advanced unless he is acquitted. Again, he was not acquitted and should not be advanced as per provisions contained in this Section of The Idaho Masonic Code and Digest.

I am therefore appealing the sentence of suspension which would allow Mr. Gautney to be advanced after 2 years. Please see Letter of Transmittal and Discussion of the Logic & Grounds for the Appeal of the Sentence of Suspension.

Discussion of the Logic & Grounds for the Appeal of the Sentence of Suspension

I believe there is no conflict between Section 2008 {Objection after Ballot}, paragraph 2, and Section 2904 (Sentence). When the accused is found guilty, he is without argument not acquitted. The lack of an Acquittal under Section 2008 automatically mandates that the candidate will not be allowed to advance to the next degree. Rejection is the relief sought under the provisions of Section 2008.

The intent of Section 2008 appears to provide the opportunity that would normally be provided by casting a black cube at initial balloting. A guilty verdict of the trial commission affirms and confirms the right of the aggrieved brother objecting to the advancement, to prevent further advancement of the guilty. When the trial commission found the accused guilty (not acquitted), they have done their duty as required by Section 2008, paragraph 2. To proceed beyond this point with a sentence of anything except rejection or expulsion, negates and destroys the right of the brother who has been materially aggrieved and left with no option in the first place, but to file charges under Section 2008, paragraph 2. The sentence should be automatic and should not require any additional balloting by the trial commission.

In effect, passing a sentence of suspension after a verdict of guilty, is a direct conflict with provisions of Section 2008, paragraph 2. It deprives a brother who was materially aggrieved by un-Masonic conduct (in this case Assault and Battery as defined by Idaho Statutes) the justice the Code and Digest provides for un-Masonic conduct. The accused who has been found guilty of very serious un-Masonic conduct will be allowed to be passed to the degree of Fellowcraft. Let there be no doubt that I was materially aggrieved by the very loud and belligerent verbal and physical attack by the accused in the presence of a dining hall loaded by both Masons and non-Masons alike. There is no justification for the conduct exhibited by the accused. Anyone would feel threatened by the outrageous conduct of Mr. Dan Gautney. I strongly feel that he does not possess the personal qualities and self-control of a Mason and that he will never be an asset to any Lodge.

Signed` John W. Blom 3/24/2017

Response by Appeals and Grievance Committee Part VI

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

We now present our report on the sixth item that was presented to us. This appeal was filed by Brother John Blom, a member of Mt Idaho #9 in Grangeville, who is appealing the decision as to the penalty set by the Trial Commission that convened for the purpose of considering the charge of un-masonic conduct by Brother Daniel Gautney.

The charges were originally filed by Brother Blom on August 2, 2016 and contained two specifications.

The first charged that Brother Gautney, while studying to pass his proficiency in long form as a newly initiated Entered Apprentice, wrote out the entire EA sermon in long hand to aid him in his learning the work. This was in direct violation of his obligation and as such, in accordance with Section 2101 of the Code and Digest, constituted a Masonic offense. Brother Gautney entered a plea of guilty to this charge.

The second charged that on July 2, 2016, Brother Gautney committed assault and battery against Brother Blom by threatening bodily harm to him, physically shoving him, and challenging him to go outside of the lodge and settle the altercation. Brother Gautney entered a plea of not guilty to this charge.

On March 4, 2017 a Trial Commission convened and heard the charges against Brother Gautney. A professional court reporter was hired to document the proceedings, so the transcript is extremely detailed and accurate. Following their deliberations, the Commission announced their decisions. On the first charge of violation of his obligation, the Trial Commission accepted his guilty plea and determined that the penalty should be a reprimand. On the second charge of un-masonic conduct, they

found Brother Gautney to be guilty, as well, and determined that he was to be suspended for a period of two years, after which time Brother Gautney might return to the Lodge for advancement.

This Committee on Appeals and Grievances is not in agreement with the idea that the candidate can be suspended, and later return for advancement, as determined by the Trial Commission.

Brother Blom correctly noted that the only way a candidate's advancement can be stopped is by sentence after trial. Section 2008 of the Code and Digest specifies, in part, that if a member objects to the advancement of a candidate, the member will be given an opportunity to file charges against the candidate. If the Master and Wardens sustain the sufficiency and regularity of the charges, the candidate shall not advance until after the trial and acquittal, unless the charges are withdrawn. Brother Blom took that opportunity and filed the above charges against Brother Gautney.

Our Code and Digest is not specifically clear on the sentencing options available to a Trial Commission when the brother under charges has not yet been raised a Master Mason. Section 2903 does state that they have the option to convict or to acquit the accused of all or a part of the specifications in the charges. We need to look back to Section 2008 where it states, as above, the candidate shall not be advanced until after trial thereon and acquittal, unless the charges are withdrawn. The penalties of a reprimand, suspension or expulsion are not a given option and are not applicable under these circumstances.

After careful consideration, this Committee congratulates the Trial Commission on their detail, the diligent work by both the prosecution and the defense, and the ultimate determinations as to guilt or innocence. We do, however, disagree with the penalties that were set. Neither the reprimand nor the suspension are applicable in cases where the mason under charges is other than a Master Mason, but rather is a candidate for either the Fellowcraft or the Master Mason degree having been objected to for advancement by a brother. All the Trial Commission was required to do was to establish guilt or innocence.

This Committee has determined that as a result of the trial that was held, Brother Gautney is no longer eligible to advance beyond the Entered Apprentice degree, and that the penalties of the reprimand and the suspension are unnecessary and should be rendered null and void.

Should this body adopt this report, the Grand Lodge will affirm our decision and Brother Gautney's masonic journey will have come to an end. In order to place this matter on the floor, Most Worshipful Grand Master

I move this Part VI of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances report, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

James V. Voyles (60), Chairman

Russ W. Smith (48, 64)

Carl Jeffries (21, 78)

The motion was moved and seconded to be adopted.

Motion Passed.

Report of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances Part V

Russ Smith read the appeal submitted by Harry C. Black, PGM (below)

Appeal filed by Harry C. Black, PGM

I, Harry C. Black, a Master Mason, and a member of Silver City Lodge, Number 13, do declare upon my honor as a Master Mason, that I feel materially aggrieved by the decision of the trial Commission in the case of Robert Troxel Jr. and to the end that Justice may be done in the matter, do take my appeal to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for the following reasons,

A penalty of suspension for 1 year, in my opinion, is not acceptable in this case of Brother Robert Troxel. The trial commission found him guilty of un-masonic conduct. Violating his first-degree obligation.

In the trial, Robert Troxel admitted to un-masonic conduct, by conduct performed an immoral act in the presence of his grandson on or about 12 March 2016. We expect that this kind of conduct should not be condoned by any mason at any time in front of any children.

If a person tried to join your lodge, with a history of this conduct, would you let him join? I would not, and do not think that a person found guilty of this conduct should stay a member of the fraternity.

Thus, I think the sentence should be that of Expulsion.

Harry C. Black, PM, PGM /signature on file

Received July 12, 2017

Monte Bollar, GS / signature on file

Response by Appeals and Grievance Committee Part V

(Adopted)

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

We now present our report on the fifth item that was presented to us. This appeal was filed by MW Brother Harry C Black who is appealing the decision as to the penalty set by the Trial Commission that convened for the purpose of considering the charge of un-masonic conduct by Brother Robert C. Troxel, Jr.

The Trial Commission determined that Brother Troxel was guilty of un-masonic conduct, and they set the penalty to be a suspension from the privileges of Freemasonry for the period of one year.

Subsequent to the trial, our MW Grand Master extended the penalty to be for a period of two years, in order to match the unsupervised probation that was ordered by the court.

On March 12, 2016, Brother Troxel was supposed to have been involved in an act of self-gratification, inside the residence that he shared with his daughter and his grandson, and specifically in the presence of this fourteen-month-old grandson. The police were called, and Brother Troxel was arrested and charged with Felony Sexual Exploitation of a Child and misdemeanor Indecent Exposure.

On March 21, 2016, he was formally charged by the State of Idaho with the crimes of Sexual Abuse of a Child Under the Age of Sixteen Years, a felony pursuant to Idaho Code 18-1506, and Indecent Exposure, a misdemeanor pursuant to Idaho Code 18-4116.

On September 7, 2016, a motion to dismiss the felony charge of Sexual Abuse of a Child Under the Age of Sixteen Years was granted, and the matter was remanded to the magistrate court for further proceedings on the misdemeanor charge of Indecent Exposure.

While we were unable to produce documentation on the court proceedings on the misdemeanor charge, Brother Troxel's testimony at the trial indicated that he was ultimately found guilty of Disturbing the Peace, a misdemeanor, and sentenced to two years of unsupervised probation and 60 hours of public service, which he has satisfactorily completed.

On January 21, 2017 a Trial Commission was convened and heard the charges against Brother Troxel. The documentation from the trial shows that the trial was held in a proper manner and in accordance with our Idaho Masonic Code and Digest. In their deliberations, the Commission determined that Brother Troxel should not be expelled, but rather should be suspended, and they determined that the suspension should be for the period of one year. Our Grand Master subsequently elected to support the penalty of a Suspension but chose to increase the duration from one year to two years. Since the appeal was not filed against the verdict but was filed against the penalty imposed by the Trial Commission, we

are not addressing the question of a one-year versus a two-year suspension, but rather the question of whether a suspension is appropriate, or whether Brother Troxel should be expelled from Freemasonry.

After careful consideration, this Committee concurs with MW Brother Harry Black in his appeal. We therefore do not affirm the results of the Trial Commissions penalty, but rather recommend that the penalty for his un-masonic conduct should be changed from suspension to expulsion.

Should this body adopt this report, the Grand Lodge will affirm our decision and Brother Robert Troxel will be expelled from Freemasonry. Again, however, remember that Section 3106 of the Code and Digest states, in part, that, “The Grand Lodge may, by a majority vote: confirm the action of the trial Commission, reverse or modify the action of the trial Commission, or order a retrial.”

In order to place this matter on the floor, Most Worshipful Grand Master I move this Part V of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances report, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

James V. Voyles (60), Chairman
Russ W. Smith (48, 64)
Carl Jeffries (21, 78)

Question: If this report is approved by the body, does this change Robert Troxel status to “Expelled”?
Answer: Yes!

The report was adopted approved by the body. Motion Carried.

Report of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances Part II

Russ Smith read the Referral submitted by MWGM James A. Hensley (below)

Referral Submitted by MWGM James A. Hensley

January 4, 2017

Referral to Appeals and Grievances Committee;

I, James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Idaho A.F. & A.M. do declare upon my honor that justice has not been served, that I feel materially aggrieved by the decision of the trial Commission in the case of W. Brother George A. Blickenstaff, and to the end that Justice may be done in the matter, take this as my request that you take my referral to your committee to review the case George A. Bickerstaff.

1. 10 minutes before the trail commission was to meet a mediation process was called.
(There is no mention of mediation in the Code and Digest that I can find)
2. I was asked if would consider withdrawing the suspension/restriction of W. Brother Blickenstaff attending any Masonic functions as part of the mediation recommendations. I agreed that I would consider that as part of a recommendation. My thoughts now are that I would not consider that part of any recommendation made by mediation.
3. The mediation recommended to the not yet opened trail commission that W. Brother George A. Blickenstaff had entered a plea, by telephone conversation with his council, to guilt to un-masonic conduct and to all three (3) specifications. The guilty plea was also accompanied by a recommendation of reprimand.
4. The charges had already been read in an open session of Grand Lodge and the trail should have been held with all testimony presented.

5. The trail commission was convened, and the first order given was: That there would be no further testimony given. There was no testimony given by anyone at anytime for or against any of the charges.
6. It is my opinion that a reprimand for all specifications, especially the 3rd specification, which W. Brother George A. Blickenstaff threatened the life of DDGM Brian Becker, was not a proper sentence.
7. I believe that the trail should have heard testimony of those that were in attendance. I was summoned to be there but was not asked to testify.
8. I am of the opinion that this trial was not held in accordance with our code & digest.

My thoughts are that this trail should be set aside, and a new trail held. This trail is not an example of Masonic justice. I do not blame anyone on the trail commission. I think the Code and Digest doesn't give any proper procedure as to mediation or the recommendation coming from the mediation process. My feeling is that any mediation should occur before the charges are read in open Lodge. After the charges are read is not the proper time for mediation—but the Code doesn't specify this or doesn't even mention mediation in the Code.

I would also like for the Appeals and Grievance and Jurisprudence Committees, in the future, to take a look at the Penal Code and make some recommendations for improvement as far as Grand Lodge Officers and those under the Grand Lodge titles and clarify the process for future trail commissions.

I am requesting that Appeals and Grievances meet and address this referral as soon as possible.

Fraternally, James A. Hensley MWGM 2016-17

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Response by Appeals and Grievance Committee Part II

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

We now present our report on the second item that was presented to us. This item addresses a referral prepared on January 5, 2017 that was given to our Committee by our MW Grand Master Jim Hensley addressing his concerns about the charges, trial and penalty from the trial of Brother George Blickenstaff, a member of Cataldo Lodge #34. This referral was made in accordance with Article XXXI Section 3101 of our Idaho Masonic Code and Digest.

Our Grand Master took issue with a number of actions that were taken, decisions that were made and the ultimate results from the Trial Commission that adjudicated the charges of un-masonic conduct against Brother George Blickenstaff. At issue was the choice of mediation as a tool in the trial process, the way the plea by Brother Blickenstaff was entered, the fact that no testimony was allowed in the trial, his belief that the trial was not held in accordance with the Idaho Code and Digest and that the sentence handed down by the Trial Commission was not a proper sentence considering the nature of the offense by Brother Blickenstaff.

In addition to asking our Committee to review these points, the Grand Master expressed his specific desire that the trial be set aside, and a new trial be held.

On January 12, MW Brother Jay Leonard formally submitted an appeal to our Committee also under the provisions of Article XXXI of our Idaho Masonic Code and Digest.

MW Brother Leonard's points that he desired to have addressed, as well as the specific desired ultimate results from our committee were completely aligned with those contained within the

referral of our Grand Master. As a result, our Grand Master has chosen to allow this Grand Lodge to rule on the appeal by MW Brother Leonard and allow that ruling to apply to his referral, as well.

Since no specific action is therefore required by this body in response to our Grand Master's referral, I now move that this Part II of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances report, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

James V. Voyles (60), Chairman

Russ W. Smith (48, 64)

Carl Jeffries (21, 78)

Discussion: By approving this report what action will happen?

Answer: by approving this report it only acknowledges that the Grand Master made a referral to the committee, not action will be taken.

Vote was taken and passed.

Report of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances Part III

Russ Smith read the Appeal submitted by Jay Leonard, PGM (below)

Appeal submitted by Jay Leonard, PGM

To the Brethren of the Appeals and Grievance Committee, PGM Jim Voyles Chairman.

This grievance and associated appeal is written regarding the trial of W. Brother George A. Blickenstaff. As Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, I have had several conversations with concerned Brothers involved with the trial relative to the conduct of the trial. I am convinced that the trial was not conducted in accordance with the Idaho Code and Digest Penal Code. This is my opinion and does not represent an official opinion of the Jurisprudence Committee. Nonetheless, as a member of Grand Lodge, I request your committee review the conduct of the trial.

My specific concerns are as follows:

- Just prior to the opening of the trial the defense and the prosecution undertook a mediation of the trial charges and agreed upon a plea and a penalty for the offense. While mediation maybe a tool used in civil and/or criminal trials in our society, mediation is not part of a Masonic trial. Our Code and Digest does not have a procedure for mediation or a recommendation coming from the mediation process.
- In the mediation, a plea of guilty of all three charges was agreed upon. This was done through the defense without the accused being present. Those party to the mediation agreed to recommend a penalty of "reprimand".
- The mediation results were hand written and presented to the trial commission chairman. Who, after convening the trial, stated that no testimony would be given at the trial.
- The trial commission went into deliberation with no other facts on the trial charges other than the mediation statement and recommendation. The commission had no alternative, given what they knew, but to accept the mediation plea and recommended penalty of reprimand. This does not represent a Masonic trial as detailed in our Code and Digest. It was unfair to the Brother that brought the charges as he was not part of the mediation. It did not fulfill what the Grand Master expected to happen in the trial based on the Code and Digest.
- To my knowledge, no one has prepared the reprimand.

- A penalty of reprimand, in my opinion, is not acceptable in this case where W. Brother Blickenstaff, who was armed with a firearm, threatened to shoot the DDGM and then proceeded to tell him how and where he would shoot him. This was not done in fun or jest. While W. Brother Blickenstaff was likely provoked, this was un-Masonic conduct of a great magnitude and deserves a stiffer penalty than a reprimand.

In conclusion, my grievance is that the conduct of the trial was not IAW the Code and Digest. I don't believe this is a precedence that we want to set. I don't believe that justice was done and I, therefore, appeal the penalty for being too lenient. This type of behavior is unacceptable and cannot be condoned. I ask that the trial be set aside since it didn't conform to the Code and Digest and that a new trial be scheduled.

Respectfully submitted,
Jay Leonard, PGM

Response by Appeals and Grievance Committee Part III

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

We now present our report on the third item that was presented to us.

Trial Commission – George A. Blickenstaff (34)

On November 19, 2016, a Trial Commission was convened to adjudicate charges of un-masonic conduct on the part of Brother George A. Blickenstaff. Brother Blickenstaff entered a plea of guilty on all three specifications. The Commission set the penalty of a reprimand. All of the determinations of the Trial Commission were unanimous.

On January 12, 2017, MW Brother Jay Leonard filed a grievance and an appeal with our Committee on Appeals and Grievances. Specifically, he feels that the trial was not in accordance with the Code and Digest and that it created a precedence that we do not want to set, and that the penalty assessed was too lenient. He also asked that a new trial be scheduled.

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances thoroughly investigated the events leading up to and including the evening of September 30, 2016 when the altercation between Brother George A. Blickenstaff, then Worshipful Master of Cataldo Lodge #34 and Brother Brian Becker, then the District Deputy Grand Master of the 12th Masonic District, took place. We also thoroughly reviewed the available information from the evening of the altercation including recorded evidence and written depositions. We also thoroughly investigated the process that was employed by all of those involved with the trial process and the results therefrom.

This Grand Lodge must now consider several issues. But first, it is especially critical that you, as the delegates of this Grand Lodge, listen very carefully to the details of this report. At the end, you will be asked to rule on the ultimate status of Brother George Blickenstaff. Your decision will have a major impact on not only Brother Blickenstaff, but also the brethren of Cataldo Lodge #34, the lodges and masons of the 12th Masonic District, and Freemasonry across this jurisdiction.

We need to share a few details surrounding the altercation that led to the charges of un-masonic conduct on the part of Brother Blickenstaff.

- Over the period of several months, perhaps even a couple of years, a dynamic was building in the 12th Masonic District that strained the relationships between the then District Deputy Grand Master, Brother Brian Becker, and some of the other brothers within the District.
- On the evening of September 30, 2016, Brother Becker came to a degree practice at the Cataldo #34 Lodge building to obtain documentation of a brother's having met ritual requirements, presumably towards a Master's or Warden's Certificate.

- Something that was said or done resulted in Brothers Becker and Blickenstaff getting into an argument with one another. Brother Blickenstaff, then the Worshipful Master of Cataldo Lodge #34, in the interest of harmony, asked Brother Becker to leave, and ultimately, he did leave.
- Brother Becker went outside. He then phoned the Grand Secretary to seek his advice as to how to handle what was going on, and the Grand Secretary advised him to leave and to not return to the Lodge.
- Brother Becker, instead returned to the Lodge, but before he returned he chose to enable a voice-recording device in his pocket, presumably to capture whatever might happen next.
- Brother Becker and Brother Blickenstaff's altercation immediately resumed and was accelerated. Our Committee understands that Brother Becker was agitating Brother Blickenstaff as if to try to goad him to make some profound mistake.
- Both Brothers had law enforcement related careers, and both were highly qualified to carry weapons, and both knew that it was highly likely that the other would have a weapon on his person. This no doubt added a huge degree of fear and adrenalin in either or both of the brothers as the altercation accelerated.
- Ultimately, Brother Blickenstaff had been pushed to his breaking point and he verbally threatened the life of Brother Becker, if he didn't back off.
- This threat is at the crux of the charges that were brought against Brother Blickenstaff.

On October 11, 2016, our Grand Master formally and in writing informed Brother Blickenstaff that he was suspending him as Master of Cataldo Lodge #34 AF&AM of Idaho and from Freemasonry in general until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in accordance with Article III, Section 301, Paragraph 3, and reinforced that he was there-by restricted from attending any Masonic Lodge or any Masonic function that requires his Masonic membership in good standing. Our Grand Master subsequently changed the wording from "suspending" to "restricting", although it had the same force and effect for Brother Blickenstaff as a suspension.

On October 22, 2016, our Grand Master convened an Emergency Grand Lodge Communication to have the charges against Brother Blickenstaff read. The charges of un-masonic conduct against Brother Blickenstaff included three specifications.

- First, that Brother Blickenstaff ordered the District Deputy Grand Master of the 12th Masonic District out of the Lodge without proper authority.
- Second, that Brother Blickenstaff assaulted the District Deputy Grand Master while attempting to remove him from the building.
- Third, that Brother Blickenstaff threatened the life of the District Deputy Grand Master.

On November 19, 2016, a Trial Commission was convened to hear the charges and to try the case of un-masonic conduct by Brother Blickenstaff. Prior to convening the Trial Commission, a suggestion was made by one of the two prosecution counsels to attempt mediation prior to the trial. All present agreed. Such mediation could substantially reduce the work required of the Commission, if all parties to the mediation would be able to reach full agreement prior to the trial. The mediation took place and the recommendations therefrom were given to the chairman of the Trial Commission. The Trial Commission was convened, and on behalf of Brother Blickenstaff, recorded a plea of guilty on all three charges that were entered. The Commission, in accordance with the recommendations from the mediation, established the penalty of a reprimand. It also added the requirement by our Grand Master that Brother Blickenstaff complete a training program in anger management.

The establishment of the penalty of a reprimand drove MW Brother Leonard to appeal to this Committee on Appeals and Grievances. There were four general points that formed the basis for the

appeal by MW Brother Leonard. They are, the use of mediation, the plea that was entered by phone, the fact that no testimony was called for in the trial, and that they did not feel that the trial was held in accordance with the Code and Digest.

MEDIATION – Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances unanimously accept the concept of mediation.

Prior to convening the Trial Commission, MW Brother James Herndon, following consultation with our Grand Master, offered the suggestion that mediation or a pre-trial agreement be tried prior to convening the Trial Commission. While mediation is not addressed in the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, it is an accepted and valuable tool commonly used by the courts to facilitate the judicial process. Two points must be made. First, the results of any mediation or pre-trial agreements may or may not be accepted by the court. Second, in this case, the prosecution and the defense, the MW Grand Master, and both brothers involved in the altercation all agreed to go ahead with the mediation, at the time. The Trial Commission was not bound to accept the results of the mediation, but they certainly had that option if they were satisfied that the mediation took into account all of the input necessary to make a recommendation.

PLEA – Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances unanimously concurs with the plea that was entered by Brother Blickenstaff as well as how it was done.

At the trial, Brother Blickenstaff absolutely believing that there was no chance whatsoever of successfully defending himself, chose not to attend the trial, but to simply allow his defense counsel to present his side of the proceedings. Prior to going ahead with the mediation, Brother Blickenstaff was called on the phone to ascertain his willingness to allow mediation to take place on his behalf. Brother George agreed that if the mediation went forward, he would be willing to enter a plea of guilty to all three specifications. Had the trial gone forward without the mediation, a not-guilty plea would have been entered, all testimony would have been heard and the Commission would have acted on what was learned in the hearing. The plea of guilty by Brother Blickenstaff was, in part, what allowed the mediation to go forward, but by not being physically present, it also took away his ability to defend himself against the charges.

NO TESTIMONY – Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances concurs with the decision of the Trial Commission to accept the results from the mediation and to choose not to take additional testimony. The Commission was satisfied that the details and circumstance of the altercation were already sufficiently known by all of the parties in the mediation process, and that they had arrived at their recommendations based upon their knowledge of those facts.

The Trial Commission had the option to call for testimony from any and all witnesses that they desired, in addition to accepting the recommendations from the mediation. However, it was the unanimous feeling of the Commission that, whereas both counsels for the prosecution, both counsels for the defense, Brother Brian Becker and the MW Grand Master were all in agreement with the results of the mediation, the taking of additional testimony would be extraneous. The Commission elected to accept the recommendations from the mediation and to establish the penalty.

TRIAL DID NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CODE AND DIGEST – This Committee on Appeals and Grievances disagrees with this assertion.

Article XXIX on Deliberation, Judgment, Right of Appeal and Sentence does not preclude the process that was utilized. Also, Article XXVIII on Evidence and Testimony, while it does not specifically address mediation, does entertain in Sections 2804 and 2805 the idea that what could include mediation is permissible. In summary, it is the unanimous determination of the Committee that the trial was, in fact, held without conflict with the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest.

Now, we must address the three specifications of the charges against Brother Blickenstaff, as they are fundamental to the determination of the ultimate penalty.

SPECIFICATION 1 – It is true that Brother Blickenstaff, as the Worshipful Master of Cataldo #34, was responsible for maintaining the peace and harmony of his lodge, as described in Article XVII Section 1701, Powers of the Master. On the evening of the altercation it is a fact that the presence of the District Deputy, whether appropriate or not, proved to be disruptive to the peace and harmony of the brothers present. As such, he was within his powers to ask the District Deputy Grand Master to leave.

SPECIFICATION 2 – Idaho Statute 18-901 defines assault as: (1) an unlawful attempt, coupled with apparent ability, to commit a violent injury on the person of another; or (2) an intentional, unlawful threat by word or act to do violence to the person of another, coupled with an apparent ability to do so, and doing some act which creates a well-founded fear in such other person that such violent is imminent.

We can split hairs on this definition, but from the information given by witnesses to the altercation, it is reasonable to expect that Brother Blickenstaff would be able to show that his actions did not, in fact, constitute an assault. We do, however, feel that the circumstances at the time suggest that both Brothers were not far from ultimately committing assault. Thankfully, they did not.

SPECIFICATION 3 – Brother Blickenstaff did, unarguably, threaten the life of Brother Becker. That is not under dispute. He is guilty of that act. However, this committee feels that further consideration needs to be given.

- The dynamic alluded to earlier helped create a strained relationship between Brothers Blickenstaff and Becker.
- While Brother Becker was invited by the Secretary of Cataldo Lodge to stop by and collect the documentation he was seeking, the situation ultimately deteriorated between Brothers Blickenstaff and Becker.
- When Brother Becker returned, despite counsel to the contrary, it became apparent that he intended to goad Brother Blickenstaff into some kind of action that might masonically or legally incriminate Brother Blickenstaff. There would be no other reason to return, against advice, with a hidden recording device.
- Both brothers were likely armed, and both likely knew that. Adrenalin must have been extremely high in both of their systems.
- The recording device that has been at the root of the charges and the primary evidence of the prosecution was capable of recording voices, but it recorded primarily the voice of Brother Blickenstaff. It was unable to record any of the body English, gestures, or “mouthing” of words that may have helped to push Brother Blickenstaff to the breaking point.
- Ultimately, presumably fearing for his life and safety, he voiced his threat to Brother Becker.

Brother Blickenstaff did verbally threaten Brother Becker’s life. But evidence suggests that he was pushed to the point of believing that he needed to defend himself, as quite likely many of us would have done, under the same threatening circumstances.

THE PENALTY – The penalty of a reprimand was the recommendation given by the mediation. Our Grand Master added to the reprimand the requirement that Brother Blickenstaff attend anger management training. Those recommendations were accepted by all present, including our Grand Master.

Given nothing other than the incriminating verbal threat by Brother Blickenstaff, it would be easy to suggest a suspension or even an expulsion. But we feel strongly that the circumstances surrounding the altercation strongly argue otherwise.

Brother Blickenstaff has been effectively banned from any masonic or masonic family activities from the time when our Grand Master removed him from office on October 11, 2016, or for nearly a year, to date. We of this Committee feel that the accused, Brother George A. Blickenstaff, has suffered incredibly from this incident. His faith in the fraternity has been shattered. He has lost most of his will to fight it any further and would likely walk away were it not for his high level of commitment and service to the Shrine and the Shriners Hospital program in Spokane. If he leaves the fraternity, that will all end. It will be the fraternity's loss as well as his loss. He has suffered penalties within the fraternity, some of which we feel were neither legal nor justified under the circumstances. He has met the obligations that were placed upon him, including the completion of the required anger management training, yet his privileges have not been restored.

Worshipful Brother Brian Becker has also suffered incredibly from this incident. Immediately following the altercation, he found himself dealing with a major health issue and heart surgery. He has been very supportive of the efforts of this committee, and we appreciate that.

What took place was, in the opinion of this Committee following extensive investigation and consultation with several of the involved parties, a textbook example of un-masonic conduct by BOTH parties. The intensity of the moment led both brothers to exhibit conduct that neither would likely have shown without the influence of adrenalin and the heat of the moment. One of the two brothers found himself under charges, tried, convicted and sentenced. The other has to live with the knowledge of the unfortunate and serious events of that evening. Both of these brothers have suffered, greatly.

In conclusion, based upon all of the above, this Committee reaffirms the results of the Trial Commission and the penalty issued therefrom.

Now this is in your hands as the delegates to this Grand Lodge. I am about to make a motion to adopt this report.

If you agree and vote to adopt this report, the Grand Lodge will affirm our work as well as the work of all of the parties at the Trial Commission. By adopting this report, you will also affirm our decision and the matter will be closed. All that will remain will be the delivery of the reprimand to Brother Blickenstaff.

If you do NOT agree, and vote to reject this report, Section 3106 of the Code and Digest states clearly states the options. In part, it says that "The Grand Lodge may, by a majority vote: confirm the action of the trial Commission, reverse or modify the action of the trial Commission, or order a retrial."

If that happens, you will be asked to do any one of the following: You can even change the Trial Commission's verdict from guilty to INNOCENT on any one or more of the specifications. You can change the penalty from a reprimand to a SUSPENSION, and then determine the time period therefor. You can change the penalty from a reprimand to EXPULSION. Or you can order a RETRIAL.

I repeat, this Committee reaffirms the results of the Trial Commission and the penalty issued therefrom. It is now in the hands of this Grand Lodge. In order to place this matter on the floor, Most Worshipful Grand Master, I move this Part III of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances report, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

James V. Voyles (60), Chairman

Russ W. Smith (48, 64)

Carl Jeffries (21, 78)

There were questions and discussion about this report.

Brian Becker made his comments about the report and the incident that happened that night. Brian's comments disagreed with this report and the information that was collected. He also noted that there are still charges that are pending in the local police department.

Jay Leonard, Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee Response.

I come to you as the chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, if we get to the report this is part of it.

First, I affirm to you that this has been a really difficult year for the Jurisprudence committee and I would like to thank the member here for their hard work and diligence. Shortly after this trial, I did get a phone call about this trial. Complaining about the conduct. I felt it was important that an appeal go in quickly, so I appealed. As myself, not on behalf of the Jurisprudence Committee. Subsequently, this issue was submitted to this committee.

Now let me remind you that the Jurisprudence is to interpret the law from our Code & Digest. And to review the acts of the Grand Master and other officers and committees whose reports are referred to us. Jurisprudence was the final say on the reports submitted to us. We interpret the code.

This committee was not consulted regarding this trial, but, was referred to us. We have a ruling; the Jurisprudence committee unanimously finds that this trial **was not** conducted in accordance with the Masonic Code.

Mediation was conducted prior to the trial; the Masonic Code does not have provisions to conduct Mediations. It is immaterial whether it is done civil or criminal courts.

Mediation presents a problem to the Trial Commission because there is no guidance to the standing or weight in their deliberations.

Because of the mediation, the Trial Commission Chairman directed that no testimony or evidence be presented and because not testimony or evidence given the commission was not unable to make a well-reasoned decision. In reality the commission gave their trial responsibility to the mediation.

The Jurisprudence Committee believes that in this case that a Masonic trial in accordance with the Idaho Masonic Code & Digest trial **did not take place**, we recommend that the Grand Lodge direct that another trial take place for George Blickenstaff.

I feel aggrieved on two issues, on behalf of the Jurisprudence Committee, the trial was not in accordance with the Code & Digest and the penalty. If you allow this incredibly severe behavior which is against our obligation to stand, you will fundamentally change masonry in Idaho, we will always have a question 'can I trust this brother, can I trust this brother with my life?' That is really important to me. I have spent 20 years of my life flying aircraft and trusted the other guys. I love this fraternity because I trust my life to you, but if you let this penalty stand, I can no longer say that.

Other Discussions:

Others believe that there should be a re-trial.

There are some deficiencies in the process and we should send it back for a retrial.

Recommendation was to make the vote by secret ballot – to keep the emotion out of this issue.

Also, that we should hear all the evidence before taking this vote.

Some say that Appeals & Grievances captured the events of the day accurately and we should support the report.

Who filed the Charges? The Junior Grand Warden filed the charges on Brother George Blickenstaff.

Jim Voyles; Clarification on what you are voting on – if you affirm the report this issue is done. If not, then other action must be taken.

Ballot must be taken by written ballot; Yes you agree with the report, no you do not agree with report.

Call from Labor to Free from Restraint

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called the Grand Lodge Free from Restraint for a period of 10 minutes or the sound of the Gavel in the East. Please be back in the Lodge Room in 10 minutes.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called the Grand Lodge back to Labor by the Sound of the Gavel in the East at 3:20 pm.

The results; Approve the Part III of the Appeals & Grievance Committee report.

Report of the Committee of Appeals & Grievances Part IV

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

We now present our report on the fourth item that was presented to us. This grievance was filed by several brethren from Cataldo Lodge #34. This grievance was submitted in response to the charges, trial and penalty and the events following the trial of Brother George Blickenstaff, a member of Cataldo Lodge #34.

The brethren of Cataldo Lodge #34 put a great deal of effort into preparing their submittal to our committee. In it they expressed their dissatisfaction with a number of actions and decisions that were made relating to Brother Blickenstaff's situation and status.

Several of the points they made dealt with either understanding or interpretation of the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest. Our Committee addressed those points in responses back to the brethren of Cataldo Lodge #34, prior to convening this Annual Communication and they were satisfied with our response.

A couple of the points surrounded the details of what took place on the evening of the altercation that led to the charges, trial, penalty and subsequent issues. Again, our Committee's responses to those points satisfied the brethren of Cataldo Lodge #34 prior to this Communication.

A couple of requests were made that were beyond the authority of our Committee to address, and those were forwarded to our Grand Master, and those items were addressed, as well.

However, there were two issues about actions taken by our Grand Master prior to and following Brother Blickenstaff's trial that they specifically want put before the delegates at this Annual Communication.

First, they are aggrieved by the fact that when the Grand Master notified Brother Blickenstaff that he was suspending him from office as Worshipful Master of Cataldo Lodge #34, he also suspended him from all masonic activity. They point out that Section 2401 of our Code and Digest states that "No Masonic penalties shall be inflicted without charges, specification, notice and trial in due Masonic form."

This Committee of Appeals and Grievances agrees with the brothers of Cataldo Lodge #34 on this point as it relates to suspending Brother Blickenstaff from Freemasonry in general. Section 2401 does, specifically, prohibit the Grand Master from taking such action.

The Grand Master's order to suspend Brother Blickenstaff from the office of Worshipful Master, on the other hand, was entirely within the power of the Grand Master, in accordance with Section 301 of our Code and Digest.

Second, they are aggrieved by the fact that the Grand Master failed to restore masonic standing to Brother Blickenstaff once he completed the anger-management training requirement that he placed upon him at the time of the trial.

This Committee fully understands this concern by the brethren of Cataldo Lodge. The Grand Master was relying upon the provisions of Section 3107 of our Code and Digest. That section of our code states, "From the taking of an appeal until its final determination by the Grand Lodge, the standing of the accused, if he was expelled or suspended, shall be that of a Mason under charges." This Committee believes that the Grand Master did not interpret that section of our Code and Digest correctly.

The Grand Master also believes that the trial process is not complete until the reprimand is read, and that such reading must be given in the lodge with jurisdiction over the trial, and that was declared by him to be the Grand Lodge. It is his determination that until that process is completed, his standing is still pending. This Committee believes that the Grand Master was incorrect in this interpretation, as well.

In summary, this Committee believes that once the provisions of the penalty ordered by the Trial Commission were completed, Brother Blickenstaff should have been restored to full Masonic standing.

I now move this Part IV of the Committee of Appeals and Grievances report, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
James V. Voyles (60), Chairman
Russ W. Smith (48, 64)
Carl Jeffries (21, 78)

Question: this report answers questions that may be better answered by Jurisprudence Committee than Appeals & Grievances Committee.

Jay Leonard, Chairman of Jurisprudence Committee:

The Jurisprudence Committee reviewed the report of the Grand Master and his decisions and makes interpretation of the Code. The committee has not worked with Appeals & Grievances on this report and disagrees with the findings.

Motion was made to receive this report and refer to the Jurisprudence Committee. Motion seconded and passed.

Discussion was held as to who should receive grievances and who determines Masonic Code issues.

Should part VII of Appeals & Grievances Report go to Jurisprudence before it goes to the brothers or read to the floor.

Motion was made that Part VII of Appeals & Grievances report be referred to Jurisprudence Prudence, seconded and passed.

Results of this report will be discussed in the Jurisprudence report.

Report of the Committee of Appeals & Grievances conclusion

My brothers, our Committee thanks you for your serious consideration on each of the reports presented to you. You made some very serious and difficult decisions. But it is important to note that in the end, you, the Grand Lodge of Idaho, are the ultimate authority on matters such as these.

Our Grand Master had a number of his decisions and actions challenged in several of the grievances and appeals. We must remind you that during the recess of the Grand Lodge, our Grand Master has a

great deal of authority and power yet governed by responsibility and accountability. To him is given the stewardship of the craft throughout our jurisdiction, and he often has to make very difficult decisions.

Our Committee believes that our Grand Master made his decisions believing in his heart that he was making them for the ultimate benefit of the craft. Not everyone is going to agree with everything that he has done, but he is our Grand Master, and we feel that he faced difficult challenges with strength and courage, and he accepted the responsibility when his actions were unpopular. Most Worshipful Grand Master, we on the Committee on Appeals and Grievances thank you for your dedication and unceasing love of our fraternity.

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

Respectfully submitted,
James V. Voyles (60), Chairman
Russ W. Smith (48, 64)
Carl Jeffries (21, 78)

Motion was seconded and passed.

Announcements:

Raffle tickets – see Mark outside of the Lodge room.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley 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 saw 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, John Warner and now I get to add Jim Hensley. Thank you so much and I am looking forward to the future.

Jesse Laduke, 2017 Grand Libations officer

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment through the south for Lunch

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called the Grand Lodge from Labor to Refreshment.

Rick L. Waites, W.: Grand Chaplain, gave the following Prayer

*“Supreme Architect of the Universe, Ruler of Heaven and Earth!
As we go from Labor to Refreshment, Bless each of us as we come together in Fellowship and
Brotherly Love. These Things We Ask in Thy Holy Name. Amen”*

H. Sherman Burger, W.: Grand Marshal, made the following proclamation:

*“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I proclamation the 150th 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
1:00p.m.”*

Public Installation of 2017-2018 Grand Lodge Officers

2017-2018 Grand Lodge Officers

The following installing officers proceeded to conduct the Open Installation of the Grand Lodge Officers.

Installing Officers

Installing Grand Master	Jay A. Leonard, PGM
Installing Grand Marshal	G. Arthur Shoemaker, PGM
Installing Assistant Grand Marshal	Richard C. Broemeling, PGM
Installing Grand Secretary	Harry C. Black, PGM
Installing Grand Chaplain	David C. Triplett, PGM
Installing Musician	Mary Lynn "Pete" Nealis

ELECTIVE GRAND LODGE OFFICERS 2017-2018

William K. "Bill" Curtis, Jr.	M.: W.: Grand Master
Kent R. McCandless	R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master
Steven L. Hall	R.: W.: Sr. Grand Warden
Steven O. Zimmerman	R.: W.: Jr. Grand Warden
Randy King	R.: W.: Grand Treasurer
Monte B. Bollar	R.: W.: Grand Secretary
John E. Warner, PGM	R.: W.: Grand Lecturer

APPOINTIVE GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

Russ W. Smith	W.: Sr. Grand Deacon
H. Sherman Burger III	W.: Jr. Grand Deacon
Gary A. LaBrauyere	W.: Grand Marshal
John B. Johnson	W.: Sr. Grand Steward
Rick L. Holloway	W.: Jr. Grand Steward
George J. White Jr.	W.: Grand Sword Bearer
Clifford R. Kramer	W.: Grand Pursuivant
Rev. Edgar R. Simmons	W.: Grand Chaplain
Justin L. Boyer	W.: Grand Orator
Jerry D. Parsons	W.: Grand Historian
J. Sherwin Wilson	W.: Grand Organist
Levi D. Billman	W.: Grand Tyler

Introductions

The M.: W.: Grand Master William K. "Bill" Curtis, Jr., introduced his family then called on the Grand Lodge Officers to introduce their families.

Remarks:

Closing Remarks M.: W.: Grand Master, William K. "Bill" Curtis Jr.

Friday (Night), September 22, 2017

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	James and Helen Hensley
R.: W.:	Deputy Grand Master	William "Bill" and Andrea Curtis
R.: W.:	Senior Grand Warden	Kent R. McCandless
R.: W.:	Junior Grand Warden	Steven L. Hall
W.:	Grand Orator	Jerry D. Parsons

W.: Grand Orator (Given at Banquet) _____ Jerry D. Parsons

Grand Orator's Report Given at the Grand Lodge Banquet – September 22, 2017

I would like to thank Most Worshipful Grand Master Hensley for appointing me to the office of Grand Orator – or as he likes to pronounce it – “O-Rater”. As many of you know, I was the Grand Historian the three previous years and I have done extensive research on the history and the beginning of this Great Grand Lodge of Idaho.

This year we are celebrating the 300th Anniversary of Masonry as we know it and the 150th or Sesquicentennial Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Idaho. Let us raise a glass and toast the Anniversary of Masonry and the Grand Lodge of Idaho: “To the Anniversary of Masonry and the Grand Lodge of Idaho”.

Gold was discovered in 1858 to 1862 in several locations in the Indian territories. Idaho became a Territory in April 1863 when President Abraham Lincoln signed the legislation and the city of Boise became official that same year.

The largest discovery of gold was in the Boise Basin in 1862 and many flocked to the area to find wealth. In 1863, the Masons among them met in Bannock City and petitioned the Grand Lodge of Oregon for a dispensation to form a lodge. It was issued, and Idaho Lodge #35 was given a charter in 1864. The name Bannock City was changed to Idaho City in 1864 by order of the Idaho Territorial Legislature. It was the largest city with a 10,000 population. During all this, the Masonic jurisdictions of Oregon and Washington were in a dispute as to who had the jurisdictional rights to form lodges in the new Idaho Territory.

In April of 1865, the Masons of Boise petitioned the Grand Lodge of Oregon for a dispensation to form a lodge. It was issued on April 26th, twelve days after President Lincoln was assassinated. They received their charter on June 24, 1865, for Boise Lodge #37. The Masons in Placerville, aware of the jurisdictional dispute, sent a committee to that Grand Lodge Session in Portland in 1865 to petition for a charter knowing that if Oregon did not issue them one, Washington would. They received their charter from Oregon for Placer Lodge #38. They never worked under a dispensation.

In 1866, the Grand Lodge of Washington issued a charter to Pioneer Lodge #12 in Pioneerville and Oregon issued a dispensation to the Masons of Silver City to form Owyhee Lodge U.D.

In 1867, Placer Lodge #38 sent correspondence to the Lodges of the Idaho Territory to meet for the consideration of forming a Grand Lodge. Committees were formed, and they met in Idaho City on December 16, 1867 to discuss forming a Grand Lodge.

A Credentials Committee was assigned at this convention and found seventeen Masons qualified to vote. Among them were: fourteen Lodge Officers; two Master Masons with proxies from Past Masters and a vote given to Bro. Lars Mickelson, the Master of Owyhee Lodge U.D. as a courtesy.

These seventeen Masons met the following day and voted to form the Grand Lodge of Idaho Territory, electing Bro. George Coe as our first Most Worshipful Grand Master and Bro. P.E. Edmondson as our first Grand Secretary.

In April of 1868, War Eagle Lodge was formed under dispensation in Fairview, six miles from Silver City.

The Grand Lodge of Idaho Territory met again on June 23, 1868 and issued Charters to the new Idaho Lodges: Idaho Lodge #1, Boise Lodge #2, Placer Lodge #3, Pioneer Lodge #4, Owyhee Lodge #5 and War Eagle Lodge #6.

Pioneer Lodge #4 had their Charter arrested in 1878 and Owyhee Lodge #5 and War Eagle Lodge #6 consolidated in 1881 but could not agree on a name and number, so the Grand Master gave them the next number on his list and named it Silver City Lodge #13.

In researching the history of our Grand Lodge, I ran across some interesting tidbits of information.

Our first Grand Secretary, P.E. Edmondson was also the Treasurer of Boise County. He disappeared after two years along with some treasury funds from the county. Upon examination of the Grand Lodge books, it was found that they were in disarray but no monies missing. He did however issue himself his salary. He was expelled from Masonry.

Two of our Past Grand Masters died by their own hands and two were expelled for un-Masonic conduct.

Idaho became the 43rd State in 1890 with our Brother George Shoup being the last Territorial Governor and the first Governor of the State of Idaho.

Mining, timber, railroads and agriculture brought population to Idaho and more lodges were formed and chartered. With the railroads serving the many areas of Idaho, and the introduction of automobiles, the Grand Lodge was put on wheels and began meeting in the different areas of the state.

The jewel the Grand Master wears on his collar is an exact duplicate of the original one which was manufactured by a jeweler in Idaho City in 1870. It was presented to the first Most Worshipful Grand Master of Idaho, Brother George Coe. The original jewel is in the Grand Lodge Archives. Brother Coe left the Territory soon after being Grand Master, moving to San Francisco, California and he died there a pauper and buried in an unmarked grave. An Idaho Grand Master visited that gravesite in the late 1870's and raised the funds to erect a proper headstone.

The Grand Masters ring was commissioned by Bro. Fred G. Mock, PGM 1896 and is made from local materials.

The Ladies Pin worn by our Grand Masters wives was made from Idaho silver and precious stones.

Our Grand Lodge of Idaho Banner was a gift of Fiat Lux Lodge #1068 in New York City's Manhattan District. In the 1938 Idaho Grand Lodge proceedings, we found the Grand Masters report condemning the actions the German Nazi Regime against their Jewish and minority population. The Brothers of the mostly Jewish Fiat Lux Lodge read the article and invited the Idaho Grand Master to visit their New York City Lodge for an 'Idaho Brotherhood Night'. Every year since 1938, the Grand Masters of Idaho have been invited to New York City in June for that Brotherhood Night which remains a great and honored tradition. We have with us tonight Right Worshipful Bro. John Walker Robinson and his lady Tamara, who is the Grand Representative to Idaho from New York.

The Grand Lodge of Idaho has chartered 97 Lodges with 50 still remaining active. We have the Idaho Lodge of Research #1965 and a Historical Lodge.

We hope many of you will travel to Idaho City tomorrow afternoon for a BBQ and tour that Historic building where this great Grand Lodge of Idaho was formed in 1867. The Idaho City Historic Lodge #1863 will open in the afternoon for their annual meeting and election of officers.

Thank you all for attending tonight and may God continue to Bless the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

Submitted by,

Jerry D. Parsons

Worshipful Grand Orator 2016-2017

Awards

Steven L. Hall, R.: W.: Jr. Grand Warden

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	Douglas J. Hammond
District 2	Michael D. Silver
District 3	Weslie B. Koopin
District 4	Jeffery A. Wade
District 5	Carl B. Johnston
District 6	Von L. Edwards
District 7	Daniel D. Siddall
District 8	Leonard M. LaTour
District 9	Edwin A. Dohrmann
District 10	William B. West
District 11	Wayne M. Sprouse
District 12	Timothy C. Clark
District 13	Dwain D. Valez

Lodge of Excellence Awards

District 1

Lemhi #11

District 2

Eagle Rock #19

District 3

Portneuf #18

Malad #51

Mt. Kinport #95

District 4

Paul #77

District 5

Hailey #16

District 8

Silver City #13

Ashlar #29

Mt. Moriah #39

Meridian #47

District 9

Weiser #23

Washoe #28

District 10

Mt. Idaho #9

Kooskia #87

District 11

Paradise #17

District 6

Elmore #30
Hagerman #78
Fidelity #80

District 7

Idaho #1
Boise #2
Oriental #60
Capital City #93

District 12

None reported

District 13

Bonnors Ferry #43
Lakeside #42

Saturday, September 23, 2017 (Morning Session)

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

Levi D. Billman, Worshipful Master of Idaho Lodge No. 1

“Gentlemen, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Saturday morning Session of the 150th 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 James A. Hensley, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Idaho.”

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley

“It is my pleasure to introduce Levi D. Billman, Worshipful Master of Idaho Lodge No.1. Officers take your stations.”

Call from Refreshment to Labor (Ritual)

Rick L. Waites, W.: Grand Chaplain, gave the following Prayer

“Great Architect of the Universe, as we start this third and final day of the 150th 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 James A. Hensley

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

H. Sherman Burger III., W.: Grand Marshal made the following Proclamation.

“By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master I now proclaim the 150th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho called from Refreshment to Labor.”

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for Greg Winther, PGM and Chairman of the Idaho Freemason Foundation come up and receive a check for \$1,560.00 from the donations to the Quilt Raffle put on by MWGM James Hensley and his wife Helen.

Also, there was \$2,400 raised by the silent auction to be presented to Jobs Daughter, Rainbow and DeMolay. Each will receive an extra \$115.00 for each Bethel, assembly and chapter.

Chairman of Jurisprudence ruled that a voting member of the lodge or a member holding his Proxy is required to be present for the calling of the Roll.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called on the Grand Secretary perform a Roll call of the lodges to ensure that there was a quorum present to continue the Business of Grand Lodge.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the Jurisprudence Committee Report.

401-1 Jurisprudence

Jay A. Leonard, PGM

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

Final Report for Adoption

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

We, the committee on Jurisprudence, respectfully offer the following report for your adoption.

Grand Master's Report:

Part 1: We concur with Part 1 of the Grand Master's report.

Dispensations: We concur with the dispensations issued by the Grand Master.

Amendments to By-Laws: We concur with the rulings of the Grand Master on By-Laws changes

Decisions/Actions: We concur with the decisions/actions of the Grand Master with the following exception. The Grand Master changed a trial commission sentence. In this case the Grand Master should have referred the matter to the committee on Appeals and Grievances with the recommendations he desired to make. The Grand Master has recognized his error and apologized for his error.

Appointments: We concur with the appointments of all appointive Grand Lodge Officers, District Deputy Grand Masters and Committees.

Trial Commissions: We concur with all of the trial commission appointments.

Suggestions: We concur with the suggestions of the Grand Master.

Recommendations: We concur with all of the recommendations of the Grand Master.

Grand Treasurer's Report: We concur with the report of the Grand Treasurer.

Grand Secretary's Report: We concur with the report of the Grand Secretary.

Grand Lecturer's Report: We concur with the report of the Grand Lecturer.

Resolutions presented to the floor.

Resolution #1: The resolution seeks to clarify Balloting (on members) which must be done on the 3rd Degree versus Elections of Officers (Business) which can be done in any degree. This resolution is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

Discussion 3 for 3 against – 3 minutes each

I move that adoption of resolution 1
– no discussion

Passed

Resolution #2: This resolution changes the length of time required to perform a Grand Lodge audit from four (4) years to five (5) years. This resolution is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

I move that adoption of resolution 2

Passed

Discussion of the cost of the audit vs. financial review.

Resolution #3: This resolution changes the payout of Pre-Paid Life Funds – “if net earnings are less than 3% the payout will be determined by the Executive Council.” This resolution is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

I move that adoption of resolution 3

Passed

Discussion was held

Resolutions #4: This resolution seeks to add “Supreme Forest of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America” as a recognized Concordant Masonic Organization in Idaho. This resolution is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

Amendment:

Must strike out the words (regulations 132 masonic code and digest) – was a cut and paste error.

Passed

I move that adoption of resolution 4

Passed

Discussion was held

Resolution #5: This resolution seeks to place a term limit of 3 consecutive years on the offices of Worshipful Master, Senior Warden and Junior Warden. This resolution is in proper form and ready to be voted on.

I move that adoption of resolution 5

Failed

Discussion was held.

There was a proposal to amend the time “being out of office for (1) year” vs (2)

Failed

A second amendment was proposed “unless no other person is qualified to serve”

Failed

Third “to allow the MWGM of Idaho to grant an exception”

Failed

Questions brought to the attention of the committee on Jurisprudence during the Masonic Year.

Question 1: “Does the Most Worshipful Grand Master (MWGM) of Idaho have the authority to suspend an Idaho Brother?”

Committee’s response: The Most Worshipful Grand Master’s action in suspending/removing a Brother from office as Worshipful Master is valid and within the powers granted the MWGM (Section 301.3). However, the MWGM does not have the authority to suspend a brother from membership (Penal Code, By Laws, Part 3). It is the opinion of this Jurisprudence Committee that the penal code is the only mechanism that can result in a suspension from membership, and only after trial. This opinion is reinforced by the adoption of the Appeals and Grievances report by Grand Lodge during the 146th Annual Communication.

The MWGM does have the authority to “Exercise a general and careful supervision over the craft” (Section 301.12). This committee believes that Section 301.12 provides authority for the MWGM to prevent a Brother from attending Masonic functions when his attendance could disrupt the peace and harmony of the function. Thus, the MWGM can restrict a Brother from attending Masonic functions while not suspending him from membership.

Finally, this Jurisprudence Committee would recommend that Idaho Most Worshipful Grand Masters and Lodge Worshipful Masters, when issuing documents, use care that their wording cannot be construed as inflicting penalties that can only be made as identified within our Code and Digest, Part Three – Penal Code.

Question 2: “Does the Appendix carry the weight to make the change, or do we need to place it in the By-law?”

Committee’s response: Understand that the Jurisprudence Committee has not seen or read the actual Lodge By-laws but are providing our answer based on the amplifying information provided with the question. The Committee finds no information in the Code and Digest pertaining to Appendices. With the knowledge that changing the appendix is accomplished in the same manner that the by-laws

are changed by this lodge and that a Grand Master has previously approved these by-laws, the committee offers the following answer; The Committee believes that the Lodge dues were changed when the per capita assessment was changed by Grand Lodge. The committee believes that when the dues section of the by-laws parenthetically referenced an appendix, the appendix (at least the portion relating to the dues) is considered a part of the by-laws. It is like a legal document that references another document and states “and is incorporated herein by reference”.

With that said, an appendix is supplementary material at the end of a document, usually of an explanatory, statistical, or bibliographic nature. Further, the parent document should be able to stand on its own without the material in the appendix. While this committee sees no overriding need for a by-laws change, we would recommend that the information about the dues changing automatically without changing the by-laws be included in the by-laws themselves.

Question 3: Pertaining to the question regarding the MWGM’s edict on restricting the use of lodge funds. “Is it within the MWGM’s authority to restrict the use of the assets of Idaho lodges from purchasing memberships in any form?” (Ultimately the edict was changed, and the restriction of funds applied only to Lodges that enter into a merger with another Lodge.)

Committee’s response: The Jurisprudence Committee found nothing in the Code that specifically permits or denies the MWGM the authority to restrict the use of Lodge assets. The By-laws, ARTICLE III, Section 301.12 does give the MWGM the power and authority to exercise a general and careful supervision over the Craft. Therefore, the Jurisprudence Committee believes the MWGM did have the authority to issue Edict 1-2016 in its final form as it applied to Lodges entering into a merger. This committee feels the MWGM gave convincing rationale for the need of the edict.

However, the Jurisprudence Committee would suggest that, since Edict 1-2016 will expire at the end of our MWGM’s term, a Resolution changing the PPLM program in the manner of Edict 1-2016 should be presented to the Brethren at Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge delegates, meeting and voting at Grand Lodge, should make the final decision on whether this edict becomes permanent.

The Jurisprudence Committee would also suggest that, in general, Grand Lodge never has intended that its elected officers should interfere with a Lodge’s decisions about its own finances. We feel that Lodges have knowledge of their own needs and on their community’s needs. They should be able to address those issues and needs as their members see fit to vote without interference from Grand Lodge.

Question 4: “Feeling that the trial was not conducted in accordance with the Idaho Masonic Code and Digest, does the Most Worshipful Grand Master (MWGM) of Idaho have the authority to declare the trial of W. Brother George A. Blickenstaff null and void and to appoint a new trial commission to address the original charges?”

Committee’s response: It is the opinion of a majority of the members of the Jurisprudence Committee that the MWGM does not have the authority to declare a trial null and void and to appoint a new trial commission to address the original charges.

The MWGM does have the authority, feeling that “justice has not been done” in the trial, to make a referral to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances along with his recommendations. That authority is granted in Article XXXI Section 3101. The Grand Lodge under authority of Section 3106 can order a new trial as one of the options, presumably after the Committee on Appeals and Grievances has presented their report.

Question 5: “When the trial determines that a reprimand is the appropriate sentence, who is to prepare the reprimand? Further, in the case of a Grand Lodge Trial, when is the reprimand to be read/delivered and who is to read/deliver the reprimand?”

Committee's response: The only guidance the Jurisprudence Committee finds pertaining to the preparation of the reprimand is in Article XXIX, Section 2907, Reprimand. If the accused is convicted and less than three (3) members of the Commission vote for either expulsion or suspension, the sentence shall be reprimand. The Commission may, by a majority vote, recommend the nature of the reprimand. This seems to give the Trial Commission a choice, by vote, to recommend the nature of the reprimand. In reality, only the trial commission would be in possession of the facts and circumstances that they used to determine the punishment of reprimand. The Jurisprudence Committee, therefore, believes it is only proper for the Trial Commission to write the reprimand.

Regarding who reads/delivers the reprimand, where it is read and when it is read, Article XXX, Section 3003 provides guidance. "...the Master, at any time after the trial, may give the reprimand in open Lodge or in the presence of at least three (3) Lodge officers." When the Grand Lodge brings charges against a Mason, there is no different treatment outlined in the Code and Digest in carrying out the sentence of reprimand. The sentence is carried out in the convicted man's Lodge, by the Master of the Lodge, in open Lodge or before at least three Lodge officers.

Question 6: "Who are members of Grand Lodge?"

Committee's response: Pertaining to the question, "Who are members of Grand Lodge?" All Master Masons in good standing in a Lodge which is chartered to confer degrees in Idaho are members of Grand Lodge. They are all encouraged to attend the annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. When qualified, they may be elected or appointed to an office in Grand Lodge and may be elected or appointed to any committee of Grand Lodge. Any Master Mason in good standing may be recognized on the floor of a Grand Lodge Communication to discuss or comment on issues that come before Grand Lodge. Master Masons in good standing are entitled to vote on Constitutional Amendments presented at Grand Lodge and subsequently distributed to Idaho Lodges for their determination of whether the amendment should pass or fail.

Similar to local, state and federal governments, Master Masons in good standing elect Brethren to represent them and vote at Grand Lodge Communications. Our constitution specifies this procedure in ARTICLE II, Sections 1 and 2. There we learn that, "The installed Junior Wardens, Senior Wardens, and Worshipful Masters of the Constituent Lodges shall be voting members of this Grand Lodge during their incumbency in office." When any of a Lodge's voting members "shall be unable to attend the communications of the Grand Lodge, they, or either" (any) "of them, who cannot so attend, may depute any member of their own Lodge, provided such member is not also serving as proxy for some other Lodge, as proxy to represent their Lodge in the Grand Lodge."

Other voting members of Grand Lodge are specified as, "Only Masons who are or have been proficient in the Idaho Ritual, having any Worshipful Master's Certificate of Proficiency as evidence of such proficiency, who have been elected and served as Worshipful Master of a Lodge which is or has been chartered to confer the degrees of Freemasonry under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and who retain good-standing in a recognized Idaho Lodge, shall be permanent voting members of Grand Lodge."

The members of this Jurisprudence Committee believe that our Constitution specifies the voting members of Grand Lodge, as it does, to maintain some balance of voting power among lodges with widely varying membership.

Question 7: "Was the trial of WB George Blickenstaff conducted in accordance with the Idaho Masonic Penal Code?"

Committee's response: The Jurisprudence Committee unanimously finds that this trial was not conducted in accordance with the Idaho Masonic Penal Code. A mediation was conducted

immediately prior to the trial. Our Penal Code has no provision for mediations. This presents a problem in that the Trial Commission has no guidance as to the standing or weight to be given the mediation in their deliberations. Because of the mediation, the Trial Commission Chairman directed that no testimony or evidence would be presented. With no testimony or evidence given, the commission was unable to make informed well-reasoned judgements in answer to the questions they are required to answer. The Commission, in reality, abdicated their trial responsibility to the mediation team. The Jurisprudence Committee believes, that in this case, a Masonic trial in accordance with the Idaho Masonic Penal Code did not take place. We recommend that Grand Lodge direct another trial for the charges filed against WB George Blickenstaff.

Mediation, if used, are to be conducted before charges are filed. Once charges are filed then a Masonic Trial must be held.

Question 8: “Are the grievances filed against the Grand Master justified?”

Committee’s response:

1. (Improper opening of the Grand Lodge for business.) The Jurisprudence Committee finds there is no clear direction for receiving of charges when the Grand Lodge has original jurisdiction. The Committee also finds there is conflict between the Constitution and the By-laws in this matter. In cases of conflict such as this, the Constitution has precedence. The Constitution, ARTICLE IV, COMMUNICATIONS, Section 2 states that the Grand Master (and in his absence from the Jurisdiction, the Deputy Grand Master) may call special Communications of the Grand Lodge at such time and place as necessity may require. Considering this, the Grand Master did not improperly open Grand Lodge.
2. (The Grand Master inflicted a penalty of suspension.) The Most Worshipful Grand Master’s action in suspending/removing a Brother from office as Worshipful Master is valid and within the powers granted the MWGM (Section 301.3). However, the MWGM does not have the authority to suspend a brother from membership (Penal Code, By Laws, Part 3). It is the opinion of this Jurisprudence Committee that the penal code is the only mechanism that can result in a suspension from membership, and only after trial. This opinion is reinforced by the adoption of the Appeals and Grievances report by Grand Lodge during the 146th Annual Communication. In this case, in checking the membership status of the Brother we found that he has never been suspended from membership. Therefore, the Grand Master did not inflict a penalty of suspension from membership.
3. (The Grand Master refused to drop the restriction he imposed on the Master Mason.) In an earlier question, the Jurisprudence Committee ruled that a true Masonic trial in accordance with the Idaho Masonic Penal Code did not take place in this case. In addition, the trial was immediately appealed because it was felt that the trial wasn’t conducted in accordance with the Penal Code. Under these circumstances, this committee feels the Grand Master’s hands were tied and the restriction, therefore, would remain in place until the status of the Brother is determined at the Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge.
4. (Treating a Master Mason under a sentence of reprimand as a Mason under charges.) A Mason who receives a penalty of suspension or expulsion is considered a Mason under charges when his trial is appealed. See Section 3107 of the By-laws. The Penal Code does not specify the standing of a Mason who receives a penalty of reprimand when his trial is appealed. Since no Masonic rights are suspended while a Mason is under charges it is logical that he too would be considered a Mason under Charges. The standing of Mason under charges should not ruin a Brother’s career. He would still be innocent until proved guilty.

5. (The Grand Master changed a trial commission sentence.) This committee ruled on this earlier in this report, but to repeat, in this case the Grand Master should have referred the matter to the committee on Appeals and Grievances with the recommendations he desires to make. The Grand Master has recognized his error and apologized for his mistake.
6. (The Grand Master has placed himself above the authority of the delegates.) This committee disagrees with this statement. Our Grand Master has worked hard and done his best for our craft. He has admitted to making errors (as we all do). It must be kept in mind that Grand Master's decisions do not have the effect of written law. The Grand Master is an executive officer. He also has certain judicial authority; but he has no legislative power. His decisions are made in the discharge of executive or judicial duties, and they are his interpretation of existing laws. They are binding in particular cases, and when approved by the Grand Lodge they are final to those cases. They are precedents entitled to weight in determining future cases, but they are not legal enactments, and may be disregarded by a future Grand Master if in his judgment it should be done.

Question 9: “Are the grievances filed against the Grand Master by Cataldo Lodge #34 justified?”

1. (The Grand Master inflicted a penalty of suspension.) The Most Worshipful Grand Master’s action in suspending/removing a Brother from office as Worshipful Master is valid and within the powers granted the MWGM (Section 301.3). However, the MWGM does not have the authority to suspend a brother from membership (Penal Code, By Laws, Part 3). It is the opinion of this Jurisprudence Committee that the penal code is the only mechanism that can result in a suspension from membership, and only after trial. This opinion is reinforced by the adoption of the Appeals and Grievances report by Grand Lodge during the 146th Annual Communication. In this case, in checking the membership status of the Brother we found that he has never been suspended from membership. Therefore, the Grand Master did not inflict a penalty of suspension from membership. The MWGM does have the authority to “Exercise a general and careful supervision over the craft” (Section 301.12). This committee believes that Section 301.12 provides authority for the MWGM to prevent a Brother from attending Masonic functions when his attendance could disrupt the peace and harmony of the function. Thus, the MWGM can restrict a Brother from attending Masonic functions while not suspending him from membership.
2. (The Grand Master failed to restore the Masonic standing of a Master Mason.) In an earlier question, the Jurisprudence Committee ruled that a true Masonic trial in accordance with the Idaho Masonic Penal Code did not take place in this case. In addition, the trial was immediately appealed because it was felt that the trial wasn’t conducted in accordance with the Penal Code. Under these circumstances, this committee feels the Grand Master’s hands were tied and the restriction, therefore, would remain in place until the status of the Brother is determined at the Annual Meeting of Grand Lodge.

Question 10: “Can the entire Idaho Monitor be placed electronically on the Grand Lodge Website?”

Committee’s response: The Jurisprudence Committee finds there is no clear direction concerning electronic copies of the Idaho Monitor. Regulation 39 needs to be rewritten to be brought into the electronic age. We, however, find that the Grand Master has the authority to direct that the Idaho Monitor be placed on the Grand Lodge Website. See Regulation 39 #1, “The Grand Secretary, under the direction of the Grand Master. . .” Without direction from the Grand Master, a resolution to revise Regulation 39 that specifically allows the Idaho Monitor to be placed on the Grand Lodge Website must be passed by Grand Lodge.

Question 11: “What is the standing of yesterday’s vote to allow the results of the Blickenstaff trial to stand when considering the today’s report of the Jurisprudence Committee.”

Committee's response: The Jurisprudence Committee finds that the only fair and reasonable outcome is that the vote of the Grand Lodge delegates approving the Appeals and Grievance Committee's report and affirming their decision will stand; even though the opinion of this committee stands in conflict with the Decision of the Appeals and Grievance committee. This decision reflects the will and pleasure of the majority of the members of Grand Lodge.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

The following proposed Constitutional Amendment has been submitted to the Jurisprudence Committee and should be submitted to Grand Lodge during the upcoming Grand Lodge session. It is in proper form.

GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO

FORMAT FOR PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

Proposed resolutions must be received by the Grand Secretary by April 1st,

See Section 3401

Date: __January 14, 2017__



1. SECTION to be changed: (Constitution, By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, etc.):

Constitution of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho

2. PAGE NUMBER: 11

3. ARTICLE NUMBER: III

ARTICLE NAME: Officers

4. SECTION NUMBER: Section 1

SECTION NAME (if any): Eligibility of Officers

5. PARAGRAPH LETTER:

PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):

6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:

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:

Only Past Masters who have been issued a Worshipful Master's Certificate of Proficiency as evidence of their proficiency in the entire Idaho Ritual, Lectures, and Ceremonies of the three degrees, who have qualified as permanent members of this Grand Lodge, and who are in good-standing in a recognized Lodge in this jurisdiction, are eligible for any elective office or line-office in this Grand Lodge. Any Mason in good-standing in an Idaho Lodge is eligible for appointment to the office of Worshipful Grand Organist, Worshipful Grand Chaplain, Worshipful Grand Orator, Worshipful Grand Historian, or Worshipful Grand Tylor.

9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Lined out or underlined)

Only Past Masters who have been issued a Worshipful Master's Certificate of Proficiency as evidence of their proficiency in the entire Idaho Ritual, Lectures, and Ceremonies of the three degrees, who have qualified as permanent members of this Grand Lodge, and who are in good-standing in a

recognized Lodge in this jurisdiction, are eligible for any elective office or line-office in this Grand Lodge. Any Mason in good-standing in an Idaho Lodge is eligible for appointment to the office of Worshipful Grand Organist, Worshipful Grand Chaplain, Worshipful Grand Orator, Worshipful Grand Historian, or Worshipful Grand Tyler.

10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: *(Use Italics to highlight additions)*

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)

Only Past Masters who have been issued a Worshipful Master’s Certificate of Proficiency as evidence of their proficiency in the Idaho Ritual, and Ceremonies of the three degrees, who have qualified as permanent members of this Grand Lodge, and who are in good-standing in a recognized Lodge in this jurisdiction, are eligible for any elective office or line-office in this Grand Lodge. Any Mason in good-standing in an Idaho Lodge is eligible for appointment to the office of Worshipful Grand Organist, Worshipful Grand Chaplain, Worshipful Grand Orator, Worshipful Grand Historian, or Worshipful Grand Tyler.

12. RATIONALE (Why the author thinks the proposed change is needed): To be consistent with other resolutions submitted during this GL.

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.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>No.</i>
<i>Name</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>No.</i>
<i>Name</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>No.</i>

There are a few resolutions proposed but held back until this constitutional amendment is passed.

In conclusion, we thank the Grand Master for the experience of serving on the Jurisprudence Committee during this Masonic year. We would note that the questions posed in this report have challenged and enlightened us as we researched the various aspects of the inquiries, rulings, and decisions.

The Committee on Jurisprudence commends the Most Worshipful Grand Master James Hensley on his year in the Oriental Chair. He has traveled far and wide and brought honor and respect to our jurisdiction while extending friendship and brotherly love in his fraternal visitations. It has not been, however, without trial and tribulation. He has passed through it all unwaveringly using the lessons taught through our gentle craft. Well done, good and faithful servant.

This Final Jurisprudence Report is respectfully submitted for your adoption.

Jay Leonard (30-80), Chairman

Jack Beck (61)

John Lawicki (30)

Kent McCandless (19)

Steven Zimmerman (39)

Gary LaBruyere (19)

Jay A. Leonard, Chairman moved to adopt this portion of the Jurisprudence report be adopted, seconded and passed.

Discussion was held in support of this report and the Grand Master.

Comments made by John E. Warner, PGM,

We have had two committees that have had a very hard this year and they have had to make very hard decisions. Brother Jim Voyles and Jay Leonard have had the best committees, whether we agreed or not with their decision. We need to commend them for their hard work. I would like to thank them for the work they have done.

Report of the Silent Auction **John Bonnett**

Silent Auction Report

Raised over \$2,420 and the money will be distributed to the youth groups at \$115.00 per bethel, chapter and assembly. All items have been picked-up.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley, *"I would like to thank John for all his hard work and to all that donated to the cause. Thank you!"*

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the of the Grand Orator's Oration.

W.: Grand Orator (Approval) **Jerry D. Parsons**

Brother Jerry D. Parsons 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 James A. Hensley

"Brother Jerry, thank for your work as Grand Orator in the building dedications and your Oration last night."

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for Accounts & Finances Report.

401-3 Accounts & Finances **Bruce A. Wethered**

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brethren

There were questions that came up yesterday.

1. Where did the money go after the end of last year.
It stayed in the account and investments.
2. Grand Treasurer's traveling expenses.

The committee on Accounts & Finances recommends no change in the Grand Lodge Assessment for the next year. The assessment will remain the same \$60.00 per member.

I move that the budget be accepted as printed and distributed to all the lodges and to the members of this Annual Communication.

There was discussion about the reports clarifying the Accounting years and how money is spent.

Motion was seconded and passed.

Approved Budget 2018

		2018	
		Curtis	
Budgeted Income		GL Assessment	~ Members
1350 Per Capita Tax (Deposit to General Fund)	\$ 139,080.00	\$60.00	2,318
3100 Income allocation from investment pool	\$ 47,753.82	* From Investments.	
	\$ 186,833.82		
Total Income			
Budgeted Expenses		\$ 186,833.82	
10001 Grand Master Budget			
1650 Grand Master Travel Expense	\$ 13,000.00		
1700 Grand Master Conference dues	\$ 315.00		
1701 Grand Master Registration Fees	\$ 300.00		
1750 Grand Master's Conference Travel	\$ 1,400.00		
1810 Grand Lodge Registration	\$ -		
1990 Paid by Order of Grand Master	\$ 300.00		
Total 10001 Grand Master Budget		\$ 15,315.00	
10002 Deputy Grand Masters Budget			
1651 Deputy Grand Master Expense	\$ 5,000.00		
1660 Deputy Grand Masters (Grand Master Apron and Case)	\$ 1,000.00		
1670 Deputy Grand Masters (Grand Masters Picture)	\$ 400.00		
1751 Deputy Grand Master Conference Travel	\$ 1,000.00		
Total 10002 Deputy Grand Masters Budget		\$ 7,400.00	
10003 Elected Grand Lodge Officers Budget			
1652 Senior Grand Warden Expense	\$ 2,000.00		
1653 Junior Grand Warden Expense	\$ 1,000.00		
1654 Senior Grand Deacon Expense	\$ 1,000.00		
1710 District Deputy Grand Master (Travel/Expense)	\$ 1,300.00		
1740 Grand Lecture Expense	\$ 1,500.00		
1770 Grand Secretary Travel/Expense	\$ 2,000.00		
1775 Grand Treasure Travel Expenses	\$ 1,500.00		
3561 Board of Relief Secretary Expense - Interest Relief	\$ 200.00		
Total 10003 Elected Grand Lodge Officers Budget		\$ 10,500.00	
10004 Committee Chairman Expense Budget			
1570 Fraternal Relation Committee	\$ -		
1655 Chairman Fraternal Relations Expenses	\$ 50.00		
	\$ 50.00		

1920 Public Relations Committee Expense	\$ -
1922 Research and Education Committee Expense	\$ 300.00
1940 Information Technology Committee Expense	\$ -
3520 Youth Committee - (Investment Pool)	\$ -
	\$ 400.00

2018

Curtis

Budgeted Income	GL Assessment	~ Members
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10005 Conferences Budgets

1720 Grand Secretary Conference Dues	\$ 100.00
1760 Grand Secretary Conference Travel/Expense	\$ 2,000.00
1780 Rocky Mountain Conference	\$ 1,800.00
1790 District Deputy Grand Masters Conference (at GL)	\$ 600.00
1800 Host Lodge Entertainment Allowance (Grand Lodge)	\$ 1,000.00
1811 Grand Lodge Visitors Entertainment	\$ 1,000.00
1814 Mason of the Year/Awards/Lodge of Excellence	\$ 500.00
Total 10005 Conferences Budgets	\$ 7,000.00

10006 Printing Budget

1501 Printing Proceedings	\$ 1,600.00
1520 Printing Masonic Directory	\$ 150.00
1530 Purchase Pantograph (List of Lodges)	\$ 1,116.82
1540 Printing Miscellaneous	\$ 1,700.00
1541 Printing Monitors	\$ -
1542 Printer Equipment Lease	\$ 7,200.00
1543 Printer Repair & Maintenance Agreement	\$ 2,000.00
Total 10006 Printing Budget	\$ 13,766.82

10008 Salaries/Retirement/Taxes

1550 Grand Secretary - Salary	\$ 40,796.00
3550 Grand Secretary Salary - (from Investment Pool)	
1590 Salary - Grand Lodge Clerk	\$ 13,650.00
3590 Salary- Grand Lodge Clerk (from Investment Pool)	
1745 Grand Treasurer Salary	\$ 3,000.00
3560 Grand Treasurer Salary (from Investment Pool)	
1600 Payroll Tax Expense	\$ 8,000.00
3600 Payroll Tax (from Investment Pool)	
1610 Retirement	
3610 Retirement - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 15,000.00
1911 Grand Secretary Medical Supplemental Ins. Offset	\$ 600.00
Total 10008 Salaries/Retirement/Taxes	\$ 81,046.00

10009 Grand Lodge Office Budget

1190 Furniture & Fixture Expense	\$ 250.00
1191 Paraphernalia - Expense	\$ 500.00

1192 Computer Software, Licenses, Maint, Web Fees	\$ 4,000.00
3192 Computer Software, Licenses, Maint, Web Fees (Investment Pool)	\$ 3,000.00
	\$ -

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Curtis

Budgeted Income		GL Assessment	~ Members
1630 Professional Fees (Audit Gen. Fund & PPLM)	\$ 6,000.00		
3630 Professional Fees - (from Investment Pool)			
1900 Funeral and Floral	\$ 200.00		
1910 Insurance and Bonds	\$ 8,500.00		
3910 Insurance and Bonds (from Investment Pool)			
1930 Postage	\$ 4,000.00		
1950 Telephone	\$ 2,800.00		
1951 Building Occupancy Expense	\$ 6,000.00		
3951 Building Occupancy Expense (From Investment Pool)			
1952 Building Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 500.00		
1980 Misc. Office Expenses	\$ 2,000.00		
3980 Misc. Office Expenses - (from Investment Pool)			
Total 10009 Grand Lodge Office Budget	\$ 37,750.00		
10010 Charitable Giving Budget			
1730 Masonic Library Expense	\$ 200.00		
1731 Masonic Renewal	\$ -		
1860 Masonic Service Association Membership Dues	\$ 350.00		
1870 Masonic Relief Association Dues	\$ 100.00		
3220 Masonic Service Association Contributions - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 250.00		
3230 George Washington Masonic Memorial - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 2,856.00		
3240 Masonic Information Center - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 250.00		
3500 DeMolay Leadership - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 3,750.00		
3525 Youth Scholarship (from Investment Pool)	\$ 1,500.00		
3580 Masonic Service Association - Disaster Fund - (from Investment Pool)	\$ 1,000.00		
3584 Masonic Youth Donation For Each Bethel, Chapter and As	\$ 2,600.00		
3586 State Youth Leaders - (500*3)	\$ 800.00		
Total 10010 Charitable Giving Budget	\$ 13,656.00		
Total Regular Expenses	\$ 186,833.82		

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the Report of the money raised in the Memorial Service this morning.

Money raised in the Memorial Fund:

Pre-Paid Life total	\$ 1,093.00
Charity Fund	\$ 119.00
Endowment Fund	\$ 251.00
<u>Not specified</u>	<u>\$ 80.00</u>
Total	\$ 1,543.00

Randy King, R.:W.: Grand Treasure

"I move this report be accepted."

Motion was seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the of the General Arrangements Chairman's Report.

General Arrangements Committee Report

Randy King

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master James A. Hensley and Brethren of the 150th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho:

I would like to offer a special thank-you to the MWGM James A. Hensley and his lady Helen for allowing me to be your general arrangements chairman. Your assistance and guidance certainly made this job it is appreciated.

To the Brethren of Capital City Lodge #93, Ron Lowe and David Triplett, thank-you for assistance and 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 and those who donated their time and money thank-you for sharing them this week.

To the Wyndham Hotel: Carmen and Jessica Caleb Taylor, 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 "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 285 The block of reserved rooms was sold out.

Idaho Registrants	142
Distinguished Guests	53
Grand Masters Banquet	113
Thursday Lunch	76
Ladies Tour	41

Secretaries Breakfast	40
Friday Lunch	70
Friday Ladies Lunch	37
Grand Lodge Banquet	182

I hope to see everyone in Lewiston 2018 for the 151st Annual Communication

To my wife, Kathi, for all your support and encouragement. I could not have done it without you.

Fraternally submitted.

Randy King

"I move this report be received." Seconded and Passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley, *"I would like to thank Randy, Monte for all they have done. The sound people when we needed a mic it was there and working, Great job."*

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley 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.

402-3 Unfinished Business **N/A**

There is no Unfinished Business from the 149th Annual Communication.

402-4 Lodge under Dispensation **N/A**

There are no lodges under Dispensation, thus no report.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the of the Time & Place Committee Report.

402-8 Time and Place **Steven L. Hall**

Time and Place Committee Report

Steven L. Hall moved that Grand Lodge be held in the following years at the locations as requested.

2018	Lewiston, Idaho	Red Lion Hotel
2019	Idaho falls, Idaho	
2020	Boise, Idaho	

Steven L. Hall moved the report be accepted, Motion was seconded and passed.

M.:W.: Grand Master James A. Hensley called for the of the Youth Committee Report.

403 Youth Committee Report **Donald D. Nelson**

No Report

Most Worshipful Grand Master James A. Hensley Brethren of the 150th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, the visitors have been examined and found to be Master Masons.

Announcements:

Idaho Historical Lodge meets after the close of this Grand Lodge with a picnic following. Lodge please pick up your banners.

Signing of the Bible & Final Comments**James A. Hensley**

Most Worshipful Grand Master James A. Hensley signed the bible and returned

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.

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, James A. Hensley,**

“Brother Grand Installing Marshal, would you proclaim the Grand Lodge Officers of 2016-2017 be duly installed.”

Installing Marshal, G. Arthur Shoemaker, 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 William “Bill” Curtis, Jr, his Grand Master’s Apron.

James A. Hensley, PGM,

“Most Worshipful Grand Master William “Bill” Curtis Jr., would you please come over here.

Brethren, please join me in giving our new Most Worshipful Grand Master the Private Grand Honors.

Brother Bill, 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 2017-2018 District Deputy Grand Masters

M.:W.: Grand Master William K. "Bill" Curtis Jr. first order of business was to install the new District Deputy Grand Masters for 2017-2018

Most Worshipful Grand Master, William K. "Bill" Curtis Jr.

"Brother Marshal, you will assemble the District Deputy Grand Masters for 2017-2018 at the Altar."

District Deputy Grand Masers

First Masonic District	Carl R. Alexander
Second Masonic District	Daniel W. Drefs
Third Masonic District	Gilbert Gross
Fourth Masonic District	John T. Bonnett
Fifth Masonic District	Johnny A. Willis
Sixth Masonic District	Vincent M. Dorio
Seventh Masonic District	Danny L. Davis
Eighth Masonic District	Harold E. Bloom
Ninth Masonic District	John H. Blake
Tenth Masonic District	Edward L. Bonham, Sr.
Eleventh Masonic District	Russ L. Graves
Twelfth Masonic District	Robin B. Stanley
Thirteenth Masonic District	Darryl W. Chitwood

Announcements:

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, loading and unloading."

Closing of Grand Lodge

M.:W.: Grand Master William K. "Bill" Curtis Jr. called for "any other reports to be given; if none, we will proceed to close."

M.:W.: Grand Master William K. "Bill" Curtis Jr. proceeded to close Grand Lodge in Ample form.

M.:W.: Grand Master William K. "Bill" Curtis Jr.

"Brother Grand Marshal, you will make the Proclamation."

W.: Grand Marshal, Gary A. LaBrauyere, made the Proclamation.

"By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, I proclaim the 150th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Idaho to be closed, to reconvene September. 20th, 2018, in Lewiston, Idaho."

The 150th Annual communication was closed in ample form.

Grand Lodge Officers Report

(02) R.:W.: Deputy Grand Master

William K. Curtis Jr.

REPORT OF THE R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

Brethren,

This is the report of my activities during my term as Deputy Grand Master.

- 09-17-2016 Attended the Annual meeting of Idaho City Historic Lodge #1863 in Idaho City.
- 09-20-2016 Fall Communication of Districts 4,5, and 6 hosted by Fidelity Lodge #80.
- 09-21-2016 Fall Communication of District 7 hosted by Oriental Lodge #60.
- 09-22-2016 Fall Communication of Districts 8 and 9 hosted by Butte Lodge #37.
- 09-29-2016 Fall Communication for Districts 12 and 13 hosted by Rathdrum Lodge #41.
- 09-30-2016 Attended the Fall Communication of District 11 in Moscow, Idaho hosted by Paradise Lodge #17.
- 10-01-2016 Rededication of the Masonic Temple in Moscow, Idaho by the Grand Lodge of Idaho.
- 10-01-2016 Walked in the U of I Homecoming parade.
- 10-08-2016 Participated in the rededication of the Masonic Temple in Arco, Idaho.
- 10-08-2016 District #1 Fall Communication hosted by Arco Lodge #48.
- 11-03-2016 Represented the Grand Master at the Supreme Queen's visit to Malac Temple #55 Daughters of the Nile in Lewiston, Idaho.
- 12-15-2016 Attended the Installation of Officers for Boise Lodge #2.
- 12-18-2016 Attended the Installation of officers for Capital City Lodge #93.
- 12-19-2016 I was the Installing Master for the Installation of Officers for Idaho Lodge #1.
- 12-22-2016 Represented the Grand Master at the Christmas Observance of Idaho Commandery #1.
- 02-18-2017 Attended the Conference of Grand Masters of North America in Omaha, NE.
- 03-04-2017 Grand Lodge planning meeting in Pocatello, Idaho.
- 03-04-2017 Participated in the Third-Degree Exemplification at Portneuf Lodge #18 in Pocatello, Idaho.
- 03-18-2017 Attended the "Enhancing the Masonic Experience" in Twin Falls, Idaho.
- 04-01-2017 Attended the "Enhancing the Masonic Experience" in Boise, Idaho.
- 04-15-2017 International Day hosted by Bonners Ferry Lodge #43 and Creston Lodge #54 of Creston, BC, Canada.
- 04-21-2017 Represented the Grand Master at the Grand York Rite of Idaho held in Boise, ID.
- 04-29-2017 Attended the "Enhancing the Masonic Experience" held in Post Falls, ID.
- 06-09-2017 Represented the Grand Master at the Grand Lodge of Washington held in Yakima, Washington.

- 06-15-2017 Represented the Grand Master at the Grand Bethel of Idaho, Job's Daughters International in Boise, Idaho.
- 06-16-2017 I was a judge for the Miss Idaho Job's Daughter pageant at Grand Bethel in Boise.
- 06-17-2017 I attended the annual pilgrimage of Idaho Lodge #1 to the Masonic Temple in Idaho City.
- 06-17-2017 Represented the Grand Master at the Grand Chapter of Idaho, Order of the Eastern Star, held in Boise, Idaho.
- 07-01-2017 Rededication of the Masonic Temple in Hailey, Idaho. Hosted by Hailey Lodge #16.
- 07-08-2017 Participated in the annual Third Degree of Silver City Lodge #13 in Silver City, ID.
- 08-12-2017 Rededication of the Masonic Temple in St. Maries, Idaho. Hosted by St. Maries Lodge #63.

I would like to thank the Brethren of this Jurisdiction for giving me the opportunity to serve as the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master. I have met some great Brothers and attended some wonderful events.

Fraternally,

William K. Curtis, Jr.
RWDGM

(03) R.: W.: Senior Grand Warden Kent R. McCandless.

Senior Grand Warden Activity Report 2016-17

I would first like to express my appreciation for having been allowed to serve as Senior Warden for this year. Each year the experience broadens the knowledge of Freemasonry as well as meeting more of our Brothers from other jurisdictions. Thank You.

I attended Idaho Grand Lodge, September 14,15 16 and 17, 2016

I attended the Fall Communication for Eagle Rock #19 and Grove City #33 at Blackfoot.

I assisted in the Installations of Eagle Rock #19 and Grove City #33

I attended the Grand Lodge of Utah, representing MWGM Jim Hensley in Salt Lake on July 17, 18 and 19

I attended the Grand Lodge planning meeting in Pocatello, March 3

I participated in the 3rd Degree exemplification put on by Portneuf #18

I attended Montana Grand Lodge in Missoula June 22, 23 and 24

I Attended Idaho Grand Lodge planning meeting at Meridian Lodge #47, Meridian,

1 Attended the rededication of Hailey Lodge, #16 on July 1, 2016

I Attended Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference in Albuquerque New Mexico, July 20, 21 and 22. Hatch Chili Capital of the US.

I Attended Grand Lodge of Wyoming August 13, 14 and 15 in Cheyenne, Wyoming

Respectfully and Fraternaly,
Kent McCandless, Sr Grand Warden
August 5, 2017

Nothing submitted

Senior Grand Deacon's Report

Steve Zimmerman
150th Annual Grand Lodge

I was fortunate enough to attend many Masonic events this Grand Lodge year. Many of them are listed below. It was a special pleasure to travel to Albuquerque to attend and present on communications at the Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference July 20-22. My presentation also included a preview of the Grandview Masonic Software that we will be confirming acceptance of in this upcoming Grand Lodge. I also served on several committees this year. The Jurisprudence committee with Chairman PGM Jay Leonard was a real learning experience in Masonic Law and its application. I have also had the pleasure of serving on the Grand Lodge Capital Improvements committee the last several years with PGM Art Shoemaker and W. Grand Orator Jerry Parsons. We have been sprucing up the Grand Lodge office in preparation for the year's Sesquicentennial, as well as replacing Grand Lodge Officer and DDGM aprons and cases.

Here are some of the events I was able to attend:

- Many stated meetings in the 8th District. I also tried to make all the 3rd degrees since I really enjoy 1st base and greeting new Master Masons.
- Portneuf Lodge #18, Pocatello, on March 4th for the 78th 3rd degree exemplification and the Grand Lodge planning meeting that morning.
- Regional Masonic training in Boise on April 1st.
- 8th District Past Masters' night (dinner & table lodge) on April 23rd.
- Masonic Float in Nampa's Parade America on May 20th in the morning.
- Then we rushed over to Boise In the afternoon of May 20th for the Grand Lodge All Masonic Picnic.
- Idaho Jobs Daughters Grand Session in Boise June 14-17, as well as various Jobie meetings and Installations.
- Various DeMolay meetings and installations.
- Silver City Lodge #13 Annual Homecoming on July 8th.
- Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference in Albuquerque July 20-22.
- Upcoming: Lodge on Lake Cascade on August 19th.

In closing, I have been very honored to represent the Grand Lodge this year. It has been GREAT!

Fraternally yours,

Steve Zimmerman
W. Senior Grand Deacon

**Grand Historian Report
150th Annual Communication
July 19, 2017**

Two names are very prominent in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, Lafayette F. Cartee and George H. Coe.

“Lafayette F. Cartee (1823-1891) was born on December 2, 1823 in Tioga County, New York. He was almost self-taught, having very little opportunities of attending school. In 1846 he entered St. John’s College, Cincinnati, as professor of mathematics and civil engineering, but failing health compelled him to resign in 1848, and in November of the same year he took passage on board a sailing vessel, bound for San Francisco, a sea-voyage recommended by his physicians.”¹

“His health having improved, Lafayette relocated to Oregon City, Oregon in 1849 and established an engineering and surveying business. By 1853, Lafayette was in the territorial legislature, and by 1854, he was Speaker of the House. He married Miss Mary Bell in 1855.”¹

Lafayette relocated to Idaho following the death of his wife, in 1862. “He built Idaho’s first sawmill at Rocky Bar, and in 1866 was appointed Idaho Territory’s first Surveyor General, by President Andrew Johnson, serving until 1880. He built Boise’s first greenhouse in 1871. He imported trees, flowers, and shrubs from the Eastern United States and from China, India, and Japan.”²

He was a member of Boise Lodge No. 2, a Past Master and Past High Priest in Oregon City. He served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Idaho in 1882. He passed away on September 2, 1891.

“George H. Coe (1831-1873) was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, at the age of 26, on January 3, 1859, in North Star Lodge No. 91 located in Indian Creek, California. Indian Creek was later renamed Fort Jones. George withdrew from North Star Lodge later that year to assist in forming a new Lodge at Oro Fino, a small, temporary placer mining camp about seven miles from Fort Jones. The lodge became known as Oro Fino Lodge No. 137. George became the first Worshipful Master of Oro Fino Lodge. He attended the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of California in May 1860. He served as Worshipful Master of Orofino Lodge until the spring of 1861, when a fire swept through the town, destroying the town and the lodge building. The town was never rebuilt, and the lodge surrendered its charter in May 1862.”³

“George departed for the northern gold fields of British Columbia where he is reported as a charter member of Vancouver Lodge No. 421. His profession was listed as, Merchant.”³

“On coming to the Territory from Victoria in 1864, Coe formed a business partnership under the firm name of “Powell and Coe”. Their advertisement read, “Powell and Coe, Forwarding and Commission Merchants and Wholesale Dealers in Wines, Cigars and Tobacco.” We learn from the Idaho City World that the business of Powell and Coe was one of the few to escape damage by the fire of 1865. But, the Masonic Temple was destroyed.”³

“In September 22, 1866, George petitioned to affiliate with Idaho Lodge No. 35.”³

“The Idaho City World reported that George H. Coe married Miss Nannie P. Hunt of Boise, on October 23, 1866.”³

“The Idaho World reported on January 6, 1870 that George H. Coe had accepted a position with Ida-Elmore Company in Silver City.”³

George H. Coe served two terms as the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Idaho in 1868 and 1869. He was the first High Priest of Idaho Chapter No. 1, R.A.M. in Idaho City and the first High Priest of Cyrus Chapter No. 2, R.A.M. in Silver City.

George H. Coe passed away in San Francisco on December 17, 1873, at the age of 42.

Grand Lodge of Idaho is formed

“On December 16, 1867, seventeen Masons, representing five Lodges assembled at the Masonic Hall in Idaho City, Idaho Territory for the purpose of forming a Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. Brother George H. Coe presided over this meeting. Lafayette F. Cartee attended and voted as a proxy for the Junior Warden of Boise No. 37.

The Lodges represented had received their charters from Washington and Oregon.

Idaho Lodge No. 35

Boise Lodge No. 37

Placer Lodge No. 38

Pioneer Lodge No. 12

Owyhee Lodge U.D.

Lafayette Cartee offered the following resolutions to organize the Grand Lodge, listed below:

Resolved, that in the judgment of this convention, Idaho Lodge No. 35, Boise Lodge No. 37, Placer Lodge No. 38, and Pioneer Lodge No. 12 are legally constituted Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons; and that the representatives of said lodges are authorized and fully empowered to organize a Grand Lodge in Idaho. **Adopted**

Resolved, that a lodge of Master Masons be now opened for the purpose of organizing and opening the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho Territory. **Adopted**,

A lodge of Master Masons was opened.

Resolved, that we do now proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year. **Adopted**

“George H. Coe was elected the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Idaho; G. W. Paul, Deputy Grand Master; A. Haas, Senior Grand Warden; George T. Young, Junior Grand Warden; S. B. Connelly, Grand Treasurer; P.E. Edmondson, Grand Secretary; I.B. Curry, Senior Grand Deacon; John Merrill, Junior Grand Deacon; Lafayette F. Cartee was appointed to serve as Grand Orator.”⁶

“Brothers Lafayette F. Cartee, J.W. Brown, T.E. Logan, George T. Young and S.B. Connelly were appointed to a committee to draft a constitution for the newly, formed Grand Lodge. The Committee recommended the adoption of the constitution of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, with amendments. The report was received and adopted, as amended.”⁶

“The Lodge of Master Masons was then closed in due form. The convention having completed the business for which it had assembled.” That afternoon, “December 17, 1867 The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form.”⁶

Resolved, that when the grand officers of this grand lodge shall have issued charters to the subordinates forming this grand lodge, it shall be the duty of the Masters of said lodges to return the old charters to the Grand Secretary of this jurisdiction, and, by him, to be sent to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge which issued the same. **Adopted**

Resolved, that the lodges represented in the Grand Lodge shall be numbered as follows, when the grand officers shall issue charters to the same, viz: Idaho Lodge No. 1, Boise Lodge No. 2, Placer Lodge No. 3, Pioneer Lodge No. 4, Owyhee Lodge No. 5. **Adopted**

The Royal Arch begins in Idaho

Lafayette F. Cartee and George H. Coe also, played major roles in forming the first two Royal Arch Chapters in Idaho.

“Idaho Chapter No. 1, R.A.M was regularly constituted August 21, 1867, by Lafayette F. Cartee of Boise, a past master and past high priest of Multnomah Chapter No. 1, Oregon City, Oregon. On September 18, 1868, the General Grand Chapter granted a charter to our first Royal Arch Chapter, designated as Idaho Chapter No. 1, of Idaho City. George H. Coe became the first High Priest of Idaho Chapter No. 1.”⁴

“Cyrus Chapter No. 2, R.A.M. convened March 8, 1870, by authority of a Dispensation issued February 21, 1870 by Companion James W. Austin General Grand High Priest. Companion George H. Coe, the first Grand Master of Idaho Masons, had been recommended to the General Grand High Priest to be our Excellent High Priest, and he presided.”⁵ The Charter for Cyrus Chapter No. 2 was issued September 20, 1871.

Why was it important to bring the Royal Arch to Idaho? The Master’s word is lost in the Master Mason degree and rediscovered in the Royal Arch degree. The Masonic journey is not complete without the Royal Arch Degree.

In 1813, the Grand Lodge of England issued this statement in the “Articles of Union”: “It is declared and pronounced that pure Ancient Masonry consists of three degrees and no more; viz: Those of the Entered Apprentice, the Fellowcraft and the Master Mason, including the Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch.”⁵ This declaration is in every Masonic history book that I came across. Yet, it has been misquoted in every Idaho Monitor as far back as 1964. I highly, recommend that the Idaho Monitor be corrected for the next printing.

“The earliest reference to the degree is about 1740. The first actual record of the conferring of the degree is in the United States, on December 22, 1753, in Fredericksburg, Virginia.”⁵

“We are driven to the conclusion that down to the middle of the eighteenth century, all the history, all the important instructions, now given in the Royal Arch and appendant degrees, were given in the third or master’s degree. The truth, as we understand it, is, that down to the reign of Charles II, the third degree was divided into six sections; the Most Excellent Master, Royal Master, Select Master, Super-Excellent Master, and Royal Arch.”⁷

(Charles II (1630-1685), Monarch of England, Scotland and Ireland from 1661 until his death on February 6, 1685)

The Royal Arch is represented in both, York Rite and Scottish Rite. However, I have been advised that the lost master’s word given in the Scottish Rite is not the same as the lost master’s word in the York Rite, Royal Arch degree.

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2. Idaho Historical Society, Reference Series: Publications
3. Grand Lodge Biography by Curtis F. Pike
4. History of Royal Arch Masonry, Volume 2, 1956, Turnbow and Denslow
5. History of Royal Arch Masonry, Volume 1, 1956, Turnbow and Denslow
6. The Idaho Mason, Volume I, 1896, Fred G. Mock
7. Masonic History and Digest, Volume I, Mitchell

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce A. Wethered
Grand Historian

**ARCO LODGE #48 A.F. & A.M.
GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO RE-DEDICATION OCTOBER 8, 2016
100 YEARS**

The Grand Lodge of Idaho, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, has assembled here today to re-dedicate this site and Masonic Temple building that is now 100 years old.

The town of Arco began at other sites within 5 miles of here. It was originally known as Root Hog. Then they applied to get a post office under the name of "Junction". Finally, the Post Master General named it Arco after the German inventor, Georg Von Arco. Arco moved to this present site in 1901 when the stage lines became obsolete and the Oregon Short Line Railway arrived from Blackfoot.

Among the population were Masons who desired to form a Lodge. In 1905 the Masons of the new town of Arco contacted the Grand Master of Idaho and they received a dispensation to open a lodge on May 11, 1906. Arco Lodge #48 was chartered in September 1906. They began meeting on the second floor of the Smith Building for the first few years. This building is on Main Street and is still standing.

In 1916 the Masons of Arco decided to build their own building. The upper floor was for a Lodge room and the first floor for commercial use. Butte County came into existence on May 8, 1917 and had their office in this first-floor space. The cornerstone was laid by the Grand Lodge of Idaho on October 3, 1917 with fifty Masons and over one hundred people in attendance.

On May 22, 1928 the Arco Lodge building burned to the ground. The investigation determined that the fire was of incendiary origin. All the County and Lodge records were destroyed. The Lodge continued to meet at the Baptiste Church. The County was released from its contract and they purchased the building next door to the Masonic Temple. Arco Lodge #48 rebuilt and now has been on this site for 100 years.

On July 23, 1953 the town of Arco was the first to be lit up with electricity provided by nuclear power. Arco Lodge #48 is therefore the very first Masonic Lodge, in the whole world, ever to have been lit up with nuclear energy.

Former Idaho Governor C.A. Bottolfsen was a Charter Member of this Lodge and he served several terms as its Worshipful Master. Many civic minded men of Arco have been members of this Lodge. Masonry is the oldest fraternal organization in the world. Many of the world's leaders were Masons and the United States has quite a list of public officials who were Masons. If you would like more information on Masonry, contact an Arco #48 Mason and he will enlighten you about the Masonic Fraternity.

Thank you, Arco Lodge #48 for over 100 years of service to this fine town. We look forward to many more years of Idaho Masonry in Arco.

Thank You!!

**HAILEY LODGE #16 A.F. & A.M.
GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO RE-DEDICATION JULY 1, 2017**

Welcome everyone and thank you for attending this re-dedication of the historic Hailey Masonic Lodge Building by the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

Gold and silver was discovered in the Wood River Valley and the first mining claim was filed in 1865. Population in the valley exploded in 1879 and the town of Hailey was established. Among all the

miners and purveyors were many Freemasons who ranged from all sectors of America. In 1884, fifty five Masons signed a petition to establish a Masonic Lodge in Hailey. In September of that year, they were given a dispensation to hold meetings by the Grand Lodge of Idaho Territory. The following year they received their Charter which was dated September 10, 1885. Thus began the existence of Hailey Lodge #16, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho.

Not much history exists of the activities of the Lodge in the early years because of a devastating fire on July 2, 1889. It destroyed the building in which the Lodge held their meetings. The fire started in a saloon below the lodge meeting room and quickly spread through the commercial district. Most of the Lodge records and furnishings were destroyed in that fire.

The Lodge continued to meet in various locations around the town until sometime in 1900 when they were able to secure space in the newly constructed Blaine County Bank Building. By 1927, the Lodge owned the upper floor of the building with a variety of shops operating in the spaces below. On February 10, 1927 there was another fire that consumed the lodge meeting room. Faulty wiring in one of the shops was to blame. This time Hailey Lodge #16 had fire insurance and the 120 members began to discuss the possibility of constructing a new lodge building.

The Hailey I.O.O.F. Lodge offered the Masons a meeting space and the members of Richfield Masonic Lodge loaned them the needed paraphernalia and equipment. By the end of March 1927, the Lodge purchased a piece of property at the corner of South 2nd Avenue and Bullion Street. The members, through these tough economic times, continued to raise the funds to build their own building. In August of 1936 they began construction and the new Masonic Hall was formally dedicated on May 11, 1937.

Hailey Lodge #16 has continued to meet and confer the degrees on the men who desired to become members of this Great Fraternity. In July of 1942, they began a tradition of raising a Master Mason on top of Bald Mountain. Of and on for a number of years, this special Bald Mountain meeting was held, inviting Masons from all over the country to attend. They accessed the mountain by using the Sun Valley Ski lifts.

The members of Hailey Masonic Lodge #16 have continually held community and family events such as fine dining, horseback rides, outdoor BBQs and the viewing of the Sun Valley Ice Shows. In September of 2008, this Hailey Masonic Lodge building was entered into the National Registry of Historical Places by the National Park Service. Hailey Lodge #16 is now 132 years old. Freemasonry as we know it was established 300 years ago and the Grand Lodge of Idaho is now celebrating its Sesquicentennial or 150 years of Masonry.

Thank you all for attending the Re-dedication of this historic Hailey Masonic Lodge building and enjoy the rest of the ceremony.

Jerry D. Parsons
Grand Orator
Grand Lodge of Idaho

PARADISE LODGE NO. 17 A.F. & A.M.
GRAND LODGE OF IDAHO DEDICATION OCTOBER 1, 2016
100 YEARS

The Grand Lodge of Idaho has assembled here today to re-dedicate this building which has turned 100 years old and is the home to Paradise Lodge No. 17, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho.

The first people to come through this area were miners in the 1860's traveling to the Indian Territory in search of gold. The first settlers arrived in Moscow in 1871 finding fertile land and timber. The first store appeared in 1875 and the railroad was established here in 1885.

Among the population were Masons who desired to form a Lodge and hold meetings and fellowship. They petitioned the Grand Lodge of Idaho Territory and in September of 1885 were granted a Charter for Paradise Lodge No. 17. The Lodge never worked under a dispensation and was one of but a few lodges who were given a Charter directly.

Moscow incorporated as a town in 1887 and a land grant for the University of Idaho was established in 1889 by the Territorial Legislature. It opened in 1892.

Paradise #17 first met in a building rented from the A.O.U. Woodmen, another fraternal order, for a short time before moving into a rented third floor room in a building that housed the First National Bank. It was a common meeting place for other fraternal organizations with the I. O. O. F. (Odd Fellows) as landlord.

Paradise Lodge #17 desired to build their own building nearly from the time they were chartered. Two years after forming, committees were appointed and building lots were investigated, but no action was taken. They had the opportunity to move to the new Elks Club building. Twenty-one years after the Lodge first decided to purchase land, they purchased one of the lots for half of the original asking price.

With the land purchased, the next step was to plan to build. A joint committee was formed with the next-door neighbors, the Odd Fellows, to consider building a joint building to include an opera house, but due to the financial difficulties experienced by Nez Perce Lodge No. 10 in Lewiston and their opera house, that idea was scrapped but the idea of retail space on the street level with meeting rooms above was adopted by both organizations with an adjoining wall linking the two buildings together. The joint wall construction expense was to be shared equally by both orders.

This Lodge building was dedicated by the Grand Lodge of Idaho on February 22, 1917 and Paradise Lodge #17 have enjoyed their home here on South Main Street for 100 years and are looking forward too many more years of Free Masonry in Moscow.

This building has been a home for many Masonic organizations including the Order of Eastern Star, York Rite, Job's Daughters, DeMolay and the Shriners of Calam Temple.

Paradise Lodge #17 to date has provided the Grand Lodge of Idaho with 7 Grand Masters. From the rolls of the Lodge were Idaho's first U. S. Senator, Idaho's third Governor and Idaho's first U. S. Representative. At least three of the University of Idaho's presidents were members as well as countless Deans and Professors. The Lodge has had in its membership many doctors, police officers, several police Chiefs, many county Sheriffs and their deputies. Paradise #17 is very proud to have as one of its members Idaho's first ever Grand Master of DeMolay International, Brother Greg Kimberling, who was instrumental in promoting and forming many Chapters for the Order of DeMolay, leading to the initiation of thousands of DeMolay boys in South America. The Lodge has also provided northern Idaho with Calam Temple Shriners and their many Potentates, leading the Pacific Northwest in locating children for treatment at the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Thank you, Paradise Lodge #17, for your great work in Free Masonry. We look forward to another 100 years of Masonry in Moscow.

THANK YOU!!

St. Maries Lodge No. 63 A.F. & A.M.
Grand Lodge of Idaho building re-dedication August 12, 2017
100 Years

Thank you all for attending this St. Maries Masonic Lodge building re-dedication.

It was the discovery of gold near St. Maries in 1880 that brought settlers to this area.

And as more settled here, it was discovered that St. Maries was a great location for a lumber mill because of the waterways to transport the logs to the mill and to take the finished lumber to market.

Among those that chose to stay in this beautiful area were Masons who desired to start a Masonic Lodge.

In June of 1910, seventeen Masons came together to form this Lodge. That is the same number of men who formed the Grand Lodge of Idaho. They petitioned the Grand Lodge of Idaho for a dispensation to meet and it was granted by the Grand Master in July and they held their first meeting on August 6, 1910 and installed the first officers of St. Maries Lodge.

At first, the Lodge agreed to meet in the Lumberman's State Bank hall. The rent at that time was \$12.00 per month paid to the St. Maries Land Company. They were given a Charter from the Grand Lodge in September 1911 for St. Maries Lodge No. 63.

In August of 1912, their lease for the hall was terminated and they moved into the I.O.O.F. hall that September.

In the spring of 1913, the Masons of St. Maries were requested by the School Board to perform a Cornerstone laying ceremony. On May 28, 1913, they laid the cornerstone for the New High School building.

In February 1916, they formed a committee to search for a new location and for the design and financing of their own building. In March of 1916, a Chapter of Eastern Star began and in May they incorporated the Masonic Temple Association to sell bonds to finance this new building.

On July 6, 1916, the Lodge voted to construct this building at a cost of \$8000. It was completed in the spring of 1917 and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Idaho and his Officers dedicated this grand building on May 24, 1917.

One of the early big events of St. Maries Lodge #63 was the hosting of the Idaho Grand Lodge Session here in St. Maries in September of 1921. They conferred the Master Mason or Third Degree upon a Brother on Wednesday during the Grand Session and noted that there were about 250 Masons present from all parts of the state.

The Masons of St. Maries Lodge #63 have met in this fine building for 100 years. They have continued to receive petitions for membership from men of quality who desire to take the Masonic Degrees and become members of this fine Fraternity.

Thank you for attending this Building Re-Dedication Ceremony and we look forward to many more years of meeting in this grand building.

Enjoy the rest of the ceremony.

Fraternally,

Jerry D. Parsons
Grand Orator

Section 401 Standing Committees

401-5 Masonic Research & Education

Kent R. McCandless

No Report submitted.

Section 402 Session Committees

402-7 Courtesy

Not Assigned

No Report submitted.

Section 403 Special Committees

Section 504 Trustees of Grand Lodge Relief Fund

Greg Winther

Code and Digest Section 504 Trustees of the Grand Lodge Relief Fund Investment Committee Annual Report, 2016-2017

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 year to date of 2017.

This year shows improvement for the investments over prior years. Our investment advisor, Brother Scott Johnson with Wells Fargo Advisors, has done an excellent job with the Grand Lodge investments, performing above the benchmark of the market's average returns. Brother Johnson reports monthly to the investment committee, providing us the information to make decisions to maximize the returns on the Grand Lodge investment accounts.

The Grand Lodge investments remain within the ratios between Fixed Income Investments and Equity Investments as required by our By-Laws Section 503.

The investment results for the first seven months of 2017 are in the table below.

	Balance 1-1-2017	Withdrawals Prepaid Life	Balance 7-31-2017	Year to Date Return (\$)	Year to Date Return (%)
Relief Fund Fixed Income Accounts	314,031		330,634	16,603	5.29%
Relief Fund Equity Accounts	722,154		792,493	70,339	9.74%
Endowment Fund Fixed Income and Equity Accts	356,145		389,717	33,572	9.43%

Prepaid Life Fixed Income Accts	359,731	(27,156)	345,002	12,427	3.71%
Prepaid Life Equity Accts	783,788	(30,000.00)	827,579	73,791	9.75%
Totals	2,535,849	(57,156)	2,685,425	206,732	

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Winther, PGM (13, 29) Chairman
G. Arthur Shoemaker, PGM (29, 60) 2 Year term
Michael Pearson, PM (30) 3 Year term
Kent McCandless, RWSGW (19)
Scott Johnson, Ex-officio, Investment Consultant (2)
Dean Buffington, Ex-officio, (93)
Randy King, Ex-officio, RWGT (60, 13)
Monte Bollar, Ex-officio, RWGS (60, 13)
James A Hensley, Ex-officio, MWGM (78, 80)

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, 2016 through July 31, 2017. 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 (60, 13) Ex-Officio /s/

Randy King (60, 13) 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.

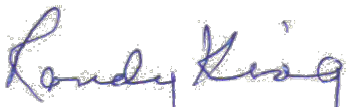
The cost of living for 2016 was an increase of 0.3%.

(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



Fraternally,

Randy King

RW Grand Treasurer

PPL Grand Lodge of Idaho

As of Dec. 31, 2016		Lodge Number	Count	PPL #'s	2016 Beginning Balance Total Dollars	Dollars Collected from Lodges in 2016	Total Dollars	% of Total	Payout made in 2017 for 2016 year		
					52	2408	\$ 1,202,223.72	\$ 37,880.50	\$ 1,240,104.22	100.000000%	\$ 55,979.13
Prepaid Equity (1776)	\$	783,515.00	1	65	\$ 38,672.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 38,692.00	3.1200603%	\$ 1,746.58		
Prepaid Fixed (8838)	\$	359,608.00	2	125	\$ 58,348.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 58,498.00	4.7171842%	\$ 2,640.64		
Total:	\$	1,143,123.00	3	26	\$ 16,615.00	\$ -	\$ 16,615.00	1.3398067%	\$ 750.01		
			9	44	\$ 17,875.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 17,915.00	1.4446366%	\$ 808.70		
Net earnings From Investments			10	63	\$ 30,408.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 31,458.00	2.5367223%	\$ 1,420.04		
Percent Payout		5.00%	11	19	\$ 12,600.00	\$ -	\$ 12,600.00	1.0160436%	\$ 568.77		
Payout value:	\$	57,156.15	13	90	\$ 63,585.00	\$ 2,125.00	\$ 65,710.00	5.2987482%	\$ 2,966.19		
Expenses:			16	10	\$ 4,284.00	\$ -	\$ 4,284.00	0.3454548%	\$ 193.38		
Quickbooks	\$	302.02	17	68	\$ 28,442.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 28,542.00	2.3015807%	\$ 1,288.40		
Accountant			18	17	\$ 9,665.00	\$ -	\$ 9,665.00	0.7793700%	\$ 436.28		
Financial Review	\$	875.00	19	104	\$ 65,994.00	\$ -	\$ 65,994.00	5.3216495%	\$ 2,979.01		
Net Earnings for the Period	\$	55,979.13	20	8	\$ 1,499.00	\$ -	\$ 1,499.00	0.1208769%	\$ 67.67		
			21	42	\$ 16,794.22	\$ 600.00	\$ 17,394.22	1.4026418%	\$ 785.19		
			23	34	\$ 10,954.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 10,959.00	0.8837160%	\$ 494.70		
Committee Member:			24	53	\$ 35,005.00	\$ -	\$ 35,005.00	2.8227466%	\$ 1,580.15		
Randy King - GT	Chairman		25	51	\$ 16,170.00	\$ -	\$ 16,170.00	1.3039227%	\$ 729.92		
Mark Smith (47)			28	55	\$ 15,924.00	\$ -	\$ 15,924.00	1.2840856%	\$ 718.82		
Ronald Berto (60)			29	41	\$ 22,080.00	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 25,230.00	2.0345064%	\$ 1,138.90		
James Hansen (60)			30	50	\$ 33,132.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 33,682.00	2.7160620%	\$ 1,520.43		
Monte Bollar - GS			31	19	\$ 5,092.00	\$ -	\$ 5,092.00	0.4106107%	\$ 229.86		
			32	42	\$ 14,470.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 14,510.00	1.1700629%	\$ 654.99		
			33	107	\$ 45,577.00	\$ -	\$ 45,577.00	3.6752556%	\$ 2,057.38		
			34	38	\$ 12,516.00	\$ -	\$ 12,516.00	1.0092700%	\$ 564.98		
			37	41	\$ 14,856.00	\$ -	\$ 14,856.00	1.1979638%	\$ 670.61		
			39	42	\$ 17,820.00	\$ 1,934.00	\$ 19,754.00	1.5929306%	\$ 891.71		
			41	24	\$ 9,492.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 9,502.00	0.7662259%	\$ 428.93		
			42	23	\$ 10,778.00	\$ -	\$ 10,778.00	0.8691205%	\$ 486.53		
			43	62	\$ 24,570.00	\$ -	\$ 24,570.00	1.9812851%	\$ 1,109.11		
			45	104	\$ 41,134.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 41,138.00	3.3173018%	\$ 1,857.00		
			47	41	\$ 21,504.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 21,514.00	1.7348542%	\$ 971.16		
			48	22	\$ 5,666.00	\$ -	\$ 5,666.00	0.4568971%	\$ 255.77		
			51	8	\$ 2,730.00	\$ -	\$ 2,730.00	0.2201428%	\$ 123.23		
			56	12	\$ 3,465.00	\$ -	\$ 3,465.00	0.2794120%	\$ 156.41		
			57	10	\$ 6,195.00	\$ -	\$ 6,195.00	0.4995548%	\$ 279.65		
			58	25	\$ 6,636.00	\$ -	\$ 6,636.00	0.5351163%	\$ 299.55		
			59	23	\$ 9,098.00	\$ 1,510.00	\$ 10,608.00	0.8554120%	\$ 478.85		
			60	138	\$ 138,606.00	\$ 3,990.00	\$ 142,596.00	11.4987110%	\$ 6,436.88		
			61	8	\$ 3,360.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,460.00	0.2790088%	\$ 156.19		
			63	22	\$ 12,201.00	\$ -	\$ 12,201.00	0.9838689%	\$ 550.76		
			64	18	\$ 5,900.00	\$ -	\$ 5,900.00	0.4757665%	\$ 266.33		
			68	16	\$ 7,560.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 7,580.00	0.6112389%	\$ 342.17		
			77	51	\$ 16,204.00	\$ -	\$ 16,204.00	1.3066644%	\$ 731.46		
			78	48	\$ 24,285.50	\$ 500.00	\$ 24,785.50	1.9986627%	\$ 1,118.83		
			80	29	\$ 19,250.00	\$ 2,902.50	\$ 22,152.50	1.7863418%	\$ 999.98		
			82	106	\$ 90,317.00	\$ 1,080.00	\$ 91,397.00	7.3701064%	\$ 4,125.72		
			84	60	\$ 18,778.00	\$ -	\$ 18,778.00	1.5142276%	\$ 847.65		
			87	56	\$ 13,280.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 13,300.00	1.0724905%	\$ 600.37		
			92	69	\$ 22,715.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 22,815.00	1.8397647%	\$ 1,029.88		
			93	36	\$ 26,814.00	\$ -	\$ 26,814.00	2.1622376%	\$ 1,210.40		
			95	48	\$ 29,447.00	\$ -	\$ 29,447.00	2.3745585%	\$ 1,329.26		
			97	18	\$ 4,074.00	\$ 17,850.00	\$ 21,924.00	1.7679159%	\$ 989.66		
			1965	42	\$ 5,885.00	\$ -	\$ 5,885.00	0.4745569%	\$ 265.65		
			GL	35	\$ 13,902.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 13,922.00	1.1226476%	\$ 628.45		
Annual Report for Prepaid Life Membership											
For the year 2016 we wish to report that the account earned 8.52%											
Therefore we are paying to the Lodges 5% of the principal as of December 31, 2016											
or \$57,156.15 less annual expenses of \$1,177.02 for a net of \$55,979.13											
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 2016-2017

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 2017-2018 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. Thank you to 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 2016-2017 Grand Lodge year 900 child ID kit packets were distributed. Since March 2013, approximately 12,500 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.

Since the program began in 2013 twenty-three Lodges and 3 Eastern Star Chapters have purchased Child ID kits for a variety of community events and schools. This year Paul Lodge #77 purchased 500 of the Child Kits to distribute in the schools in Paul.

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

Grand Lodge Capital Improvements Committee 2016-2017

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. That left approximately \$3, 800 for the remaining items.

- Remaining priority items include:
- Painting front of GL Building
- Replacement of the District Deputy traveling aprons.
- Water heater replacement

Thirteen District Deputy Aprons with apron cases were purchased this year at a cost of \$3898.

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. In order to do any other priority items, additional funds will need to be allocated.

Fraternally

Committee Members

- G Arthur Shoemaker (60)
- Jerry Parsons (2)
- Steve Zimmerman (39)
- Monte B. Bollar (13, 60)

REPORT OF THE SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

The Sesquicentennial Committee continues to promote the Sesquicentennial of the Grand Lodge of Idaho. Preparing for the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Idaho at this Grand Session. This Committee has also continued to work at selling the merchandise related to the Sesquicentennial. So, we urge the Brethren to support the efforts of this Committee.

Fraternally,

William K. Curtis, Jr

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.

Proposed Resolutions

Proposed
Budget for 2018
for consideration at the

150th
Annual
Communication
Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M.
of Idaho
Sept. 2017

Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
1	Page Number	45				
	Article Number	IX	Article Name	Provisions Common to all Lodges		
	Section	907	Section Name:	Business		
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs	4				
	Tries to clarify Balloting (on members) which must be done on the 3 rd Degree vs Elections of Officers (Business) which could be done on any degree.					
Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
2	Page Number	39				
	Article Number	VI	Article Name	Finance and Revenue		
	Section Number	604	Section Name	Audit and Financial Review		
	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub-Paragraph					
	Changes the length of time required to perform an Audit from four (4) years to five (5) years					
Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
3	Page Number	74,75				
	Article Number	XIV	Article-Name	Membership		
	Section	1417	Section Name:	Administration, Investments and disbursement of Earnings		
	Paragraph	6	Paragraph Name	(Duties and Authority of Executive Council)		
	Sub Paragraphs	(a)				
	Changes the payout of Pre-Paid Life Funds – “if net earnings are less than 3% the payout will be determined by Executive Council”.					
Resolution	Topic				Pass	Fail
4	Page Number	131-132				
	Regulation	10	Regulation Name	Concordant and Appends Orders, Recognition and Regulations		
	Section		Section Name			

	Paragraph		Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs	1				
	Adds "Supreme Forest of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America"					
Resolution					Pass	Fail
5	Page Number	82				
	Article Number	XVI	Article Name	Officers, Elections, Installations		
	Section	1603	Section Name	Eligibility of Officers		
	Paragraph	7	Paragraph Name			
	Sub Paragraphs					
	Puts a term limit of 3 consecutive year to Worshipful Master, Senior Warden and Junior Warden.					

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1. SECTION to be changed: Regulations, Section 907

2. PAGE NUMBER: 45

3. ARTICLE NUMBER: IX

4. SECTION NUMBER: 907

5. PARAGRAPH LETTER:

6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:

7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER:
ARTICLE NAME:

SECTION NAME Business

PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):

8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED: Section 907. Business. All Business, except balloting, may be done at any stated meeting while open in any degree, at the discretion of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge. All work pertaining to specific degrees, inclusive of lectures, shall be done in that respective degree. All balloting shall be done in the third degree. Each Lodge shall be opened in due form on the highest degree in which it expects to labor, and shall be closed in due form on the same degree. If business is being conducted in the First or Second degree, pursuant to this section, only members of the Lodge as described in section 1401 may vote or participate in any Lodge actions or decisions.
(Revised Sept. 1996)

9. Current wording with lines struck through delete wording or corrections: Section 907. Current wording with lines struck through delete wording or corrections: Section 907. Business. All Business, except balloting for petitions, affiliation or plural membership, may be done at any stated meeting while open in any degree, at the discretion of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge. All work pertaining to specific degrees, inclusive of lectures, shall be done in that respective degree. All balloting for petitions, affiliation or plural membership shall be done in the third degree. Elections shall be considered business and can be done in any degree. Each Lodge shall be opened in due form on the highest degree in which it expects to labor, and shall be closed in due form on the same degree. If business is being conducted in the First or Second degree, pursuant to this section, only members of the Lodge as described in section 1401 may vote or participate in any Lodge actions or decisions.

10. CURRENT

11. ENTIRE PARAGRAPH AS INTENDED TO READ IN THE CODE AND DIGEST: Section 907. Business. All Business, except balloting for petitions, affiliation or plural membership, may be done at any stated meeting while open in any degree, at the discretion of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge. All work pertaining to specific degrees, inclusive of lectures, shall be done in that respective degree. All balloting for petitions, affiliation or plural membership shall be done in the third degree. Elections shall be considered business and can be done in any degree. Each Lodge shall be opened in due form on the highest degree in which it expects to labor, and shall be closed in due form on the same degree. If business is being conducted in the

First or Second degree, pursuant to this section, only members of the Lodge as described in section 1401 may vote or participate in any Lodge actions or decisions.

12. RATIONALE Printed NAMES, OFFICE and LODGE NUMBERS of submitting members:

We must include, when possible, Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts in everything we do including elections. Of course they cannot vote but they should be able to witness, even help with the process. There are no due guards or signs that have to be given other than when addressing the WM. There for, there is no reason to call the lodge up or down to accomplish the yearly business of elections. Balloting with the ballot box would still be observe, as the code requires, in the third degree because the sign of a MM is required at the ballot box and no one of a lesser degree can be present to see that due guard & sign prior to becoming a master mason. The Ballot box is not used for elections, no due guards or signs are required, thus elections should be considered Business which can be conducted in any degree. Section 907 is contradictory and seems to consider balloting and voting as the same. This will help define it and Keep our EA's and FC's in lodge where they belong.

13. PRINTED: NAMES, OFFICE and LODGE NUMBERS of submitting members:

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<u>Isaac Gumbher</u> Name	<u>W.M.</u> Office	<u>Ionic</u> Lodge	<u>82</u> No.
<u>John A. Fildary</u> Name	<u>SW</u> Office	<u>Ionic</u> Lodge	<u>82</u> No.
<u>Jim R...</u> Name	<u>JW</u> Office	<u>Ionic #82</u> Lodge	<u>82</u> No.

14. SIGNATURES:

<u>Walter L. Peterson</u>	<u>P.M. #Ionic 82</u>
<u>J. ...</u>	<u>P.M. Ionic 82</u>
<u>R.H. ...</u>	<u>Ionic 82</u>
<u>Joseph R. Delymple</u>	<u>Ionic 82</u>
<u>Mary C. Black</u>	<u>PGM Ionic 82</u>
<u>Steve Bate</u>	<u>P.M. Ionic 82</u>

Lodge Seal

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1. SECTION to be changed: (Constitution, By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, etc.): By Laws Part 1

2. PAGE NUMBER: 39

3. ARTICLE NUMBER: ARTICLE NAME:

4. SECTION NUMBER: 604 SECTION NAME (if any):

5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):

6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:

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: Section 604. Audit and Financial Review. The funds, securities and all business transactions of the Grand Lodge shall have a financial review annually and an audit, by a certified public accountant, every four (4) years or when a new Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer is elected to serve the Grand Lodge. This review or audit shall be under the direction of the Grand Master, and the report of said financial review or audit shall be laid before the Annual Communications. (Revised 2009)

9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Lined out or underlined) Section 604. Audit and Financial Review. The funds, securities and all business transactions of the Grand Lodge shall have a financial review annually and an audit, by a certified public accountant, every ~~four (4) years~~ or when a new Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer is elected to serve the Grand Lodge. This review or audit shall be under the direction of the Grand Master, and the report of said financial review or audit shall be laid before the Annual Communications. (Revised 2009)

10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: (*Use Italics to highlight additions*) Section 604. Audit and Financial Review. The funds, securities and all business transactions of the Grand Lodge shall have a financial review annually and an audit, by a certified public accountant, every *five (5 years)* or when a new Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer is elected to serve the Grand Lodge. This review or audit shall be under the direction of the Grand Master, and the report of said financial review or audit shall be laid before the Annual Communications. (Revised 2009)

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 604. Audit and Financial Review. The funds, securities and all business transactions of the Grand Lodge shall have a financial review annually and an audit, by a certified public accountant, every five (5 years) or when a new Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer is elected to serve the Grand Lodge. This review or audit shall be under the direction of the Grand Master, and the report of said financial review or audit shall be laid before the Annual Communications. (Revised 2009)

Resolution Format (2015 mb).

12. At some point the Grand lodge has to cut more expense and be a leaner governing body as membership has continued to decline. There is some question as to the need of an independent audit, due to our limited funds, gains and gross income to the Grand Lodge. Annual reviews are an absolute necessity, complete independent Audits and their requirements are questionable, doing it every 5 years should save about 20% in cost and be sufficient to keep accounting accurate.

13. PRINTED: NAMES, OFFICE and LODGE NUMBERS of submitting members:
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<u>Isaac Gumbler</u>	<u>W.M.</u>	<u>Ionic</u>	<u>82</u>
<small>Name</small>	<small>Office</small>	<small>Lodge</small>	<small>No.</small>
<u>John A. Felleberg</u>	<u>SW</u>	<u>Ionic</u>	<u>82</u>
<small>Name</small>	<small>Office</small>	<small>Lodge</small>	<small>No.</small>
<u>Garrett</u>	<u>JW</u>	<u>Ionic</u>	<u>82</u>
<small>Name</small>	<small>Office</small>	<small>Lodge</small>	<small>No.</small>

14. SIGNATURES:

John W. Key PM Ionic 82
Norman J. Peterson PM Ionic #82
R. Hill Ionic 82
Joseph R. Dalrymple Ionic 82
Harry C. Black P.G.M. Ionic 82
Steve Bate PM Ionic 82

Lodge Seal

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1. SECTION to be changed: Regulations, Section

XIV

2. PAGE NUMBER:

74; 74-75

3. ARTICLE NUMBER:

1417 Administration, Investments, and disbursement of earnings

4. SECTION NUMBER:

paragraph # 6.

5. PARAGRAPH LETTER:

6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER: If the net earnings are greater than 7%

7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER:

ARTICLE NAME

SECTION NAME

PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):

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8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

If net earnings are greater than 7%, the payout will be 5% of the total fund balance as of the end of each calendar year; If net earnings are equal to or greater than 5% but equal to or less than 7%, the payout will be 4% of the total fund balance as of the end of each calendar year; If net earnings are less than 5%, the payout will be 3% of the total fund balance as of the end of each calendar year.

9. Current wording with lines struck through delete wording or corrections: No words need be struck from the current regulation, only added. If net earnings are less than 5%, "but more than 3%", the payout will be 3% of the total fund balance as of the end of each calendar year. "If net earnings are less than 3%, the payout will be determined by the Executive Council, but in no case shall the payout be greater than the net earnings for the year."

10.

If net earnings are greater than 7%, the payout will be 5% of the total fund balance as of the end of each calendar year; If net earnings are equal to or greater than 5% but equal to or less than 7%, the payout will be 4% of the total fund balance as of the end of each calendar year; If net earnings are less than 5%, but more than 3%, the payout will be 3% of the total fund balance as of the end of each calendar year. If net earnings are less than 3%, the payout will be determined by the Executive Council, but in no case shall the payout be greater than the net earnings for the year.

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) :

12. RATIONALE ; Most lodges are unaware of the loss of Principal or the possibility of the loss of principal that can exist with requiring a 3% guaranteed payout of Pre-paid life account each year. Any loss of principal to the fund must be avoided at all costs but more importantly the fund should be allowed to grow that will serve future ages and as it already does! This is a stop gap measure to assure the Principal stays intact to an account that should be an asset to all participating lodges, especially in the future. At some point interest rates and investments should present themselves in a more favorable manor, thus allowing the Principal to grow and possible larger payouts in the future. Using principal at any time will diminish returns in the future.. Should this system prove itself to be none productive at some point the Lodges can at least get the principal they put into it back or a large share of it.. It is too early to determine this now but may be necessary in the future. Investment practices are also something that may need to be adjusted. Markets are no longer as predictable or consistent as in the past, it's a new investment world and we need to adjust to it. To say we can afford to give out 3%, even though the market may have lost 3% and think we will recover that later is not a proven point in today's financial markets. This is the only fund within the control of Grand Lodge that allows this to occur, no other fund is allowed to touch principal in this way, this one must not also, it belongs to the Lodges and should be protected as much as possible.

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<u>Quare G. Peterson</u>	<u>Ad SGA</u>	<u>IONIC</u>	<u>82</u>
Name	Office	Lodge	No.
<u>Shaw Ky</u>	<u>S.S.</u>	<u>IONIC</u>	<u>82</u>
Name	Office	Lodge	No.
<u>Isaac Gunkler</u>	<u>Worshipful Master</u>	<u>IONIC</u>	<u>82</u>
Name	Office	Lodge	No.
<u>Terry Burratt</u>	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>IONIC</u>	<u>82</u>
Name	Office	Lodge	No.

14. SIGNATURES:

<u>Michael B. Welloep</u>	<u>PM</u>	<u>IONIC</u>	<u>82</u>	Lodge Seal
<u>Ray Davis</u>		<u>IONIC</u>	<u>82</u>	
<u>Spencer Bate</u>		<u>IONIC</u>	<u>82</u>	

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1. SECTION to be changed: (Constitution, By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, etc.): Regulations
2. PAGE NUMBER: 131-132
3. ARTICLE NUMBER: 10 ARTICLE NAME: Concordant and Appendant Orders, Recognition and Regulations
4. SECTION NUMBER: SECTION NAME (if any):
5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):
6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER: 1
7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER:

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8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED: See attached
9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Lined out or underlined)
10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: (*Use Italics to highlight additions*) See attached
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):

13. PRINTED: NAMES, OFFICE and LODGE NUMBERS of submitting members:
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 (Or) by the Worshipful Master and Secretary of a chartered Lodge, attested under seal.*

<u>James H. Ladd, Jr.</u>	<u>WM</u>	<u>Boise</u>	<u>2</u>
<small>Name</small>	<small>Office</small>	<small>Lodge</small>	<small>No.</small>
<u>Jerry D. Parsons</u>	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>Boise</u>	<u>2</u>
<small>Name</small>	<small>Office</small>	<small>Lodge</small>	<small>No.</small>
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14. SIGNATURES:

W.M. James H. Ladd, Jr.
Jerry D. Parsons

Lodge Seal

8. Current Wording of the Section to be Changed

10. Concordant and Appendant Orders. Recognition and Regulations.

The General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States (General Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International), the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States (General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International), the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States (Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America), the Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern and Northern Jurisdictions of the United States, The Order of the Sword of Bunker Hill, and the Imperial Council of Ancient and Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North America, and their Constituent Bodies, are recognized as Concordant Masonic Organizations to which Masons, who are in good standing in a recognized Ancient Craft Lodge, may belong.

10. Current Wording with Additions:

10. Concordant and Appendant Orders. Recognition and Regulations.

The General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States (General Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International), the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States (General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International), the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States (Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America), the Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern and Northern Jurisdictions of the United States, The Order of the Sword of Bunker Hill, *Supreme Forest of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America*, the Imperial Council of Ancient and Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North America and their Constituent Bodies, are recognized as Concordant Masonic Organizations to which Masons, who are in good standing in a recognized Ancient Craft Lodge, may belong.

12. Rationale

The rationale for my desire to create a "Forest" in Boise is that my daughter is an MDA kid; she was once the MDA Ambassador for the State of Idaho. We have seen the great work that the MDA has been able to do and I have been searching for a way to marry Masonry and the MDA. That way is the Tall Cedars whose sole fundraising purpose is to benefit the MDA, the patients and families.

The second reason for this is that our area lost a group called "Wishing Star" whose purpose was to grant wishes to non-terminal patients. My daughter was selected for this and had her wish of going to Disney World granted by this group. "Wishing Star" supported many local families with all types of aide and monetary assistance, but with their closing a few years back there has become a void for support and funding.

If we establish a forest here in Boise we can fill that void and create multiple avenues for Brothers to actively participate in a local cause and help local families. I am currently working on two corporate sponsorships with groups that already work with the MDA and plan to have a close alliance with the firefighter's who set-up the annual "Fill-the-Boot" program.

Wayne Ross

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1. SECTION to be changed: (Constitution, By-Laws, Rules & Regulations, etc.): By-Laws
2. PAGE NUMBER: 82
3. ARTICLE NUMBER: XVI ARTICLE NAME: Officers, Elections, Installations
4. SECTION NUMBER: 1603. SECTION NAME (if any): Eligibility of Officers
5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: Add (7.) PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):
6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:
7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH LETTER:

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8. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED: -- **Add Paragraph 7.**
9. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS: (Lined out or underlined) **Add Paragraph 7.**
10. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS: (*Use Italics to highlight additions*) **Add Paragraph 7.**

7. The Worshipful Master, Senior Warden and Junior Warden will only serve a term for a maximum period of three (3) consecutive years in the same office and will not be eligible to be elected back in to that office until after being out of that office for at least two (2) years.

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):

There are lodges in this state which the Worshipful Master, Senior Warden or Junior Warden has served numerous consecutive years as Worshipful Master, Senior Warden or Junior Warden of their lodge. It should be the expectation that these offices are leadership as well as learning positions. We should allow all members of the Lodge the opportunity to serve their lodge in these leadership positions if they have met the qualifications to do so.

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13. PRINTED: NAMES, OFFICE and LODGE NUMBERS of submitting members:
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Rick Holloway Worshipful Master Silver City 13
Name *Office* *Lodge* *No.*

Randy King Secretary Silver City 13
Name *Office* *Lodge* *No.*

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Name *Office* *Lodge* *No.*

14. SIGNATURES:

Lodge Seal

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
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									
Year	GRAND MASTER	DEPUTY GRANDMASTER	SENIOR GRAND WARDEN	JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN	TREASURER	SECRETARY	LECTURER	* = Deceased, † = Demitted, ‡ = Expelled, § = Suspended	
1867	*George H. Coe (1)	*George W. Paul	*Augustine Haas	*George T. Young	*S.B. Connelly	‡ P.E. Edmondson			
1868	*George H. Coe (1)	*George W. Paul	*Jonas W. Brown	*George T. Young	*S.B. Connelly	‡ P.E. Edmondson			
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	*Thomas E. Logan	*Charles Himrod			
1876	*Edward A. Stevenson (2)	*George W. Paul	*Oliver H. Purdy	*A.L. Richardson	*Thomas E. Logan	*Charles Himrod			
1877	*Edward A. Stevenson (2)	*Joseph Pinkham	*Thomas C. Maupin	*Wm. W. Gidden	*Thomas E. Logan	*Charles Himrod			
1878	*Edward A. Stevenson (2)	*Sylvanus C. Hall	*H.E. Prickett	*George W. Paul	*Thomas E. Logan	*Charles Himrod			
1879	*Charles Himrod (2)	*H.E. Prickett	*George M. Parsons	*Alex Orchard	*Thomas E. Logan	*Lafayette Cartee			
1880	*Henry E. Prickett (2-7)	*John Hallanbeck	*F. Campbell	*Richard S. Haws	*Thomas E. Logan	*Lafayette Cartee			
1881	*Francis E. Ensign (2-7)	*Lafayette Cartee	*Theo W. Randall	*Joseph C. Gross	*Thomas E. 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	
1891	*John H. Myer (3)	*A.O. Ingalls	*George D. Golden	*James A. Pinney	*Charles Himrod	*J.H. Wickersham	
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	
1894	*Adelbert B. Clark (30)	*Isidor S. Weiler	*G.M. Waterhouse	*Charles S. Doan	*Charles Himrod	*Jonas W. Brown	
1895	*Isidor S. Weiler (2)	*G.M. Waterhouse	*A.W. Talkington	*L.P. Anderson	*Charles Himrod	*C.C. Stevenson	
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	
1898	† George H. Storer	*John C. Muerman	† James Criswell	† Finis C. Gordon	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Frank E. Beal
1899	*John C. Muerman (17)	† James Criswell	† Finis C. Gordon	*George F. Wall	*Charles Himrod	*Theo. W. Randall	*Jere W. Robinson
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
1938	*Clyde I. Rush (31)	*W. Wade Wilson	*Asa A. Vealey	*Wm. D. Farnham	*Roy N. Gilbert	*Curtis F. Pike	*Frank Knox
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	Harry C. Black	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. Triplett	Stanley E. Barker	Vernon E. Patrick	Paul E. Alexander
2007	*Robert B. Cargill (10)	Richard E. Kaiser	David C. Triplett	David E. "Skip" Owen, Jr	Stanley E. Barker	Vernon E. Patrick	Paul E. Alexander
2008	Richard E. Kaiser (19, 33)	David C. Triplett	David E. "Skip" Owen, Jr	Jay A. Leonard	Stanley E. Barker	Monte B. Bollar	Paul E. Alexander
2009	David C. Triplett (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)	James A. Hensley	James A. Hensley	William "Bill" Curtis Jr.	N. Randall King	Monte B. Bollar	Thomas Gough
2015	John E. Warner	James A. Hensley	William "Bill" Curtis Jr.	Kent R. McCandless	N. Randall King	Monte B. Bollar	Thomas Gough
2016	James A. Hensley	William "Bill" Curtis Jr	Kent R. McCandless	Steven L. Hall	N. Randall King	Monte B. Bollar	John E. Warner

List of Grand Representatives

***Please note:** 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, 1898	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	Merged with Paradise #17 6/23/2017	
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	Merged with Caribou No.84 - January 2017	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.	7
1883		Idaho Historical Lodge	Idaho City	Boise	September, 2010		7
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, 2016

Name	Lodge No.	Members as of 12/31/2015	Initiated	Passed	Increases					Decrease					Gain / Loss	Members as of 12/31/2016	50-Year Members	TNM	Grand Lodge Dues 12/31/2015	Minus Contribution to Temple Relief Fund (\$0.50 Per Dues Paying Member)	Minus Contribution to Relief Fund (\$0.50 Per Dues Paying Member)	(Minus) Contributions to the Endowment Fund (\$1.00) per member	Lodge Dues	Fees for Degrees	Total Number of Degrees	
					Raised	Affiliated/Consolidated	Reinstated	Restored	Omitted in Past	Expelled	Suspended	Died	Withdrawn	Erroneously Reported												
Idaho	1	114	4	3	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	8	2	6	1	-9	105	25	80	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 200.00	9
Boise	2	157	2	3	4	2	0	0	1	0	3	7	2	2	1	-6	151	22	129	\$ 7,740.00	\$ 64.50	\$ 64.50	\$ 129.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 200.00	9
Placer	3	49	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	49	7	42	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 21.00	\$ 21.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 150.00	1
Mt. Idaho	9	52	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	52	20	32	\$ 1,920.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 120.00	2
NezPerce	10	122	1	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	-1	121	34	87	\$ 5,220.00	\$ 43.50	\$ 43.50	\$ 87.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 125.00	6
Lenthi	11	44	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	-1	43	6	37	\$ 2,220.00	\$ 18.50	\$ 18.50	\$ 37.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00	1
Silver City	13	73	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	75	13	62	\$ 3,720.00	\$ 31.00	\$ 31.00	\$ 62.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 150.00	4
Hailey	16	33	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	33	12	21	\$ 1,260.00	\$ 10.50	\$ 10.50	\$ 21.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 125.00	1
Paradise	17	95	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	1	0	0	-10	85	13	72	\$ 4,320.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	9
Portneuf	18	80	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	-2	78	26	52	\$ 3,120.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 52.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 250.00	2
Eagle Rock	19	198	1	5	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	5	8	3	9	-20	178	43	135	\$ 8,100.00	\$ 67.50	\$ 67.50	\$ 135.00	\$ 174.00	\$ 250.00	9
Coeur d'Alene	20	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	-1	26	5	21	\$ 1,260.00	\$ 10.50	\$ 10.50	\$ 21.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	-
Richfield	21	41	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	-3	38	7	31	\$ 1,860.00	\$ 15.50	\$ 15.50	\$ 31.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 100.00	3
Weiser	23	30	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	-4	26	6	20	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	3
Kootenai	24	169	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	7	2	0	0	-17	152	30	122	\$ 7,320.00	\$ 61.00	\$ 61.00	\$ 122.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 150.00	4
Shoshone	25	40	1	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	41	10	31	\$ 1,860.00	\$ 15.50	\$ 15.50	\$ 31.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 150.00	3
Washoe	28	47	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	-1	46	17	29	\$ 1,740.00	\$ 14.50	\$ 14.50	\$ 29.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 250.00	2
Ashlar	29	58	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	59	7	52	\$ 3,120.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 52.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 150.00	5
Elmore	30	105	7	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	-1	104	22	82	\$ 4,920.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 82.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 155.00	12
Salubria	31	23	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	23	6	17	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.50	\$ 17.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 300.00	2
Unity	32	48	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	-2	46	19	27	\$ 1,620.00	\$ 13.50	\$ 13.50	\$ 27.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 135.00	3
Grove City	33	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	1	4	5	5	-17	29	5	24	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00	-
Cataldo	34	42	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	43	8	35	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 17.50	\$ 17.50	\$ 35.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 120.00	3
Butte	37	70	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	70	20	50	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 250.00	2
Mt. Moriah	39	72	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	6	2	2	2	-12	60	14	46	\$ 2,760.00	\$ 23.00	\$ 23.00	\$ 46.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 75.00	2
Rathdrum	41	41	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	41	5	36	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 200.00	6

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DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONS

For the purpose of district organization, the State of Idaho is divided into thirteen districts as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT <i>Four Lodges</i> Lemhi No. 11 Arco No. 48 Mt McCaleb No. 64 Challis No. 92	SIXTH DISTRICT <i>Three Lodges</i> Elmore No. 30 Hagerman No. 78 Fidelity No. 80	ELEVENTH DISTRICT <i>Three Lodges</i> Nez Perce No. 10 Paradise No. 17
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
FOURTH DISTRICT <i>Three Lodges</i> Twin Falls No. 45 Burley No. 68 Paul No. 77	NINTH DISTRICT <i>Four Lodges</i> Weiser No. 23 Washoe No. 28 Salubria No. 31 Butte No. 37	
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	

TOTAL – Forty Nine Lodges

2017-2018

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Most Worshipful Grand Lodge
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho
Will be held at Lewiston, Idaho
September 20th 21st and 22nd, 2018