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Of
Royal Arch Masons
Of Alberta

2009
PROCEEDINGS

of the

Grand Chapter of
Royal Arch Masons of Alberta

at the

NINETY-FIFTH
Annual Convocation

2009

held in the

City of Camrose, Alberta
May 8 & 9, 2009
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Grand First Principal
2009-2010
James A. Lore

Biographical Sketch

M.Ex. Comp. James A. Lore was born at Bassano in 1931 and attended a one-room school at Lathom for grades 1 to 9. He took his grade 10 in North Carolina and grades 11 and 12 at Crescent Heights in Calgary. He obtained a B.Sc. in Agriculture from the University of Alberta in 1954.

M.Ex. Comp. Lore married June Oel in 1953 and they have 5 children and ten grandchildren. They developed a 1,100 acre farm in Carstairs where they still live and are active in the farming operation. In 1968 Jim was active in forming the first agricultural consulting firm in the province. In 1984 he set up Jim Lore and Associates. His consulting practice included research on the effects of gaseous emissions on agriculture. He has published a number of scientific papers and was often called on for expert testimony before a number of boards and courts in Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Jim has been active in professional and scientific agriculture. He was a member and Past President of the Alberta Institute of Agrologists, the Agricultural Institute of Canada and was a Chartered Arbitrator of the Arbitrator’s Institute of Canada.

James Lore was on the Board of Governors of Olds College for six years where he served as President for three of those years. His awards include: the Alberta Institute of Agrologists Professional Award 1987, Canadian Consulting Agrologists Association Fellowship 1988, Agriculture Institute of Canada Fellowship 1989, University of Alberta Faculty of Agriculture Distinguished Professional Achievement Award 1990, Honorary Applied Degree in Horticultural Technology Olds College 1999 and the University of Alberta Alumni Honor Award 2004.

Masonic History

Initiated into Acme #60, GRA June 16, 1966
Banff Spring Workshop theme-speaker 1980
Past District Deputy Grand Master
Grand Lodge Finance Committee 1980-89
Grand Treasurer 1987-88
Board of General Purposes 1982-85 & 1987-92
President of Board of General Purposes 1991-92
Theme Speaker All Canada Conference 1995
Exalted in Royal Arch Masonry in 1998
Served as Z in 2001 & 2006
Grand District Superintendent 2003-4
Assistant Grand Lecturer 2004-5
Grand Joshua 2006-7
Grand Haggai 2007-8
Grand Zerubbabel 2008-9

Installed as Knight Companion in the Red Cross of Constantine Feb. 23, 2005
Initiated into Al Azhar Shrine June 2008

Lady June and M.Ex. Comp. James A. Lore
GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS
2008-2009

Front Row: REC C. Powell, Dist. 5; REC D. Switzer, Dist. 3; REC B. Hall, Dist. 1. REC R. Glasgow, GH; MEC J. Lore, GZ; REC D. Boone, GJ; REC W. Grainger, GDS Dist. 2; REC E. Balleine, GDS Dist. 4; REC D. Murray, G.Treas.


GRAND DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT’S 2008-2009

REC’s Brian Hall (Dist. #1), Wayne Grainger (Dist. #2), David Switzer (Dist. #3), Ed Balleine (Dist. #4) and Chuck Powell (Dist. #5)

GRAND COUNCIL 2008-2009

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALBERTA
Incorporated under the Statutes of the Province of Alberta
Dated May 10, 1973

NINETY-FIFTH ANNUAL COVOCATION PROCEEDINGS


OFFICERS PRESENT
M.Ex. Comp. James A. Lore ........................................... Grand First Principal
R.Ex. Comp. Richard G. Glasgow .................................... Grand Second Principal
R.Ex. Comp. David E. Boone .......................................... Grand Third Principal
R.Ex. Comp. Brian Hall .............................................. Grand Superintendent District #1
R.Ex. Comp. Wayne Grainger ....................................... Grand Superintendent District #2
R.Ex. Comp. David C. Switzer ...................................... Grand Superintendent District #3
R.Ex. Comp. Edward F. Balleine .................................. Grand Superintendent District #4
R.Ex. Comp. Charles S. Powell ................................... Grand Superintendent District #5
R.Ex. Comp. Donald H. Murray .................................. Grand Treasurer
R.Ex. Comp. Maryn R. Rogers ...................................... Grand Scribe Ezra
R.Ex. Comp. Gordon P. Berard ..................................... Grand Scribe Nehemiah
R.Ex. Comp. Dan W. Eidt .............................................. Grand Registrar
V.Ex. Comp. Earle S. Sharam .................................... Grand Chaplain
M.Ex. Comp. Donald A. Gillies ................................ Grand Lecturer
R.Ex. Comp. George B. Tapley .................................. Grand Historian
V.Ex. Comp. Robert W. Sanders, Sr. ............................. Grand Senior Sojourner
V.Ex. Comp. F. Byron Birch ................................... Grand Sword Bearer
V.Ex. Comp. J. Garth Border .................................... Grand Director of Ceremonies
R.Ex. Comp. D. J. Olofson ........................................ Grand Pursuant
V.Ex. Comp. Clayton C. Stobbs ................................ Grand Tyler
R.Ex. Comp. Robert O. Beirnes .................................. Grand Executive Committee
R.Ex. Comp. David E. Boone ...................................... Grand Executive Committee
V.Ex. Comp. Jack Drebil ............................................ Grand Executive Committee
R.Ex. Comp. Donald L. Dygert ................................... Grand Executive Committee
R.Ex. Comp. G. Richard Kampjes ................................. Grand Executive Committee
R.Ex. Comp. Robert MacDougall ................................ Grand Executive Committee
V.Ex. Comp. J. Alexander Milne ................................ Grand Executive Committee
R.Ex. Comp. Kenneth M. Mingo ................................ Grand Executive Committee
R.Ex. Comp. Walter J. Watts ..................................... Grand Executive Committee
R.Ex. Comp. Kenneth E. White ................................ Grand Executive Committee
R.Ex. Comp. Neil G. White ........................................ Grand Executive Committee
V.Ex. Comp. C. K. James Wilson ................................. Grand Executive Committee

PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS IN ATTENDANCE
M.Ex. Comp. M. R. Harper ........................................... 1979
M.Ex. Comp. J. R. Crawford ...................................... 1986
M.Ex. Comp. E. J. Carr ............................................ 1991
M.Ex. Comp. P. Fairbridge ....................................... 1994
M.Ex. Comp. A. C. Edstrom ..................................... 1996
M.Ex. Comp. L. C. Dowdell ...................................... 1999
M.Ex. Comp. S. Harbin ............................................. 2000
M.Ex. Comp. D. B. Russell ................................. 2001
M.Ex. Comp. D. A. Gillies ....................................... 2004
M.Ex. Comp. T. A. Drolet ........................................ 2006
M.Ex. Comp. E. W. Weigelt ................................ 2007

FIRST PRINCIPALS IN ATTENDANCE
Ex. Comp. N. E. Downs ........................................... No. 1
Ex. Comp. A. Kennedy ............................................ No. 2
R. Ex. Comp. R. D. Astell ........................................ No. 4
Ex. Comp. G. Bonnell ............................................ No. 5
Ex. Comp. D. A. Strachan ...................................... No. 9
V. Ex. Comp. S. A. LeVoguer ................................ No. 17
Ex. Comp. J. D. Roberts ........................................ No. 21
Ex. Comp. M. W. R. Jones ...................................... No. 24
Ex. Comp. N. Richardson ....................................... No. 26
R. Ex. Comp. J. C. Stroud ........................................ No. 27
V. Ex. Comp. B. S. Oberg ....................................... No. 36
Ex. Comp. G. D. Hodge ........................................ No. 38
Ex. Comp. K. G. South ......................................... No. 41
**CEREMONIAL OPENING OF GRAND CHAPTER**

Grand Chapter was declared Open Without Form at 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, May 8, 2009

**CHAPTER PRINCIPALS AND PAST FIRST PRINCIPALS PRESENT**

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<th>Chapter No.</th>
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<th>Companions</th>
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| Alberta No. 1 | N. E. Downs…Z  
E. F. Balleine | D. A. Gillies  
R. E. Nelson | H. F. F. Wicke |
| North Star No. 2 | A. Kennedy…Z  
R. Lemmens…H  
T. Campbell  
A. D. Frado | I. Gledhill  
C. Gordon-Craig  
T. D. Gould  
D. Roth | E. S. Sharam  
C. Slater  
R. Taylor  
1 Companion |
| Assiniboia No. 3 | D. H. Murray |  |
| Shekinah No. 4 | R. D. Astell…Z  
C. Stobbs | E. W. Weigelt | 1 Companion |
| Golden West No. 5 | G. Bonnell…Z  
L. R. Dirks | D. A. Gillies  
R. Nelson | G. B. Tapley  
H. F. F. Wicke |
| Otuskwan No. 9 | D. A. Strachan…Z  
D. E. Boone  
J. G. Border  
L. C. Dowdell  
R. J. MacDougall | V. J. Ramsbottom  
B. P. Robison  
D. B. Russell  
W. L. Seifert | C. F. A. Smith  
W. J. Stinson  
C. K. J. Wilson  
2 Companions |
| Capital City No. 13 | R. J. Hayes…H  
T. A. Bremner  
P. Fairbridge  
B. Hall | G. R. Kampjes  
M. R. Rogers  
J. A. Schoonmaker | G. W. White  
K. E. White  
N. G. White…Acting Z |
| Hillvue No. 15 | No Representation |  |
| Mount Olivet #17 | S. A. LeVoguer…Z  
J. R. Crawford  
T.A. Drolet | S. Harbin  
K. M. Mingo | D. J. Olofson  
2 Companions |
| Norwood #18 | R. C. Enerson | L. A. Johnston | W. J. Watts |
| Strathmore No. 21 | J. D. Roberts…Z  
L. Watson…H  
C. O. Anderson  
H. D. Anderson  
R. O. Beirnes | G. L. Bruce  
K. W. Chiew  
J. K. Church  
J. W. Kopp | J. A. Lore  
P. J. Proudlock  
D. C. Switzer  
2 Companions |
| Crescent No. 24 | M. W. R. Jones…Z  
H. Young…H  
F. B. Birch | L. R. Dirks  
L. C. Dowdell  
R. W. Freeborn | A. R. Moses  
1 Companion  
R. W. Freeborn |
| Harmony No. 26 | N. Richardson…Z  
C. Sturgeon…H | R. J. MacDougall | D. H. Murray |
| Eheyeh No. 27 | J. C. Stroud …Z | R. W. Sanders, Sr. |  |
| Edson No. 30 | B. Poltorak…H  
S. Dafoe | J. Drebit  
D. W. Eidt | E. McKay  
H. A. Robinson |
The Grand Council entered the Hall and assumed their stations. M.Ex. Comp. J. A. Lore welcomed everyone to the 95th Annual Convocation of the Royal Arch Masons of Alberta and thanked them for showing their support through their attendance.

**RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

**British Columbia and the Yukon**

**Saskatchewan**

**Manitoba**
M.Ex. Comp. Victor Brill, GZ and R.Ex. Comp. J. Barratt, GSE

**Montana**
M.Ex. Comp. Nelson Bland, GHP

**Illinois**
M.Ex. Comp. Carl Palow, PGHP

**General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International**
M.Ex. Comp. Jay Leonard, Dep G.G.H.P., Northwest District

**Cryptic Rite Masons of Western Canada, Royal and Select Masters**
M. Ill. Comp. Donald McDonald, Grand Master

**Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, Knights Templar**
Em. Kt. George B. Tapley, Secretary to the Provincial Prior for the Alberta District

**Red Cross of Constantine, Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada**
R.Ill. Knight Comp. Kenneth E. White, Past Grand Intendant General, Alberta Division

**York Right Sovereign College of North America**
R.Em. Dist. Bro. G. Richard Kampjes, Grand Governor of Alberta

**Knights of the York Cross of Honour**
Em. Donald H. Murray, Prior, Western Canada Priory #35

**Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests**
R. Ill. Kt. Priest Ronald O. Beirnes, Grand Superintendent, Canada Prairies
Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada  
Ven. Bro. R. John Hayes, Sovereign Master, Yellowhead Council #220

Order of the Eastern Star  
Sister Irene Allan, Worthy Grand Matron

International Order of Job’s Daughters  
Miss Anastasiya Kryzhanivska, Miss Alberta Job’s Daughter  
Ms. Annette Findlay, Grand Guardian of Alberta  
Mr. Gary Semian, Associate Grand Guardian of Alberta

Daughters of the Nile  
Queen Patricia Thachuk, Al Amira Temple #157

Order of DeMolay  
Bro. Steven Petruk, Northern Representative, Alberta DeMolay Association  
Dad James Plamondon

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Canada  
III. Bro. Elmer Bly, 33°, Valley of Edmonton

Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine  
III. Sir Barry Gogal, Potentate, Al Shamal Shriners, Edmonton

Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia  
V. Worthy Frater E. John Parry, Celebrant, Aurora Borealis College #44

City of Camrose  
Ina Nielsen, Deputy Mayor

Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.  
M.W. Bro. John Hart, Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Brian Shimmons, Deputy Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Jerry Kopp, Grand Secretary

PRESENTATION OF COLOURS

The flags of Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States of America were piped in by piper W. Bro. Rod Small and were presented by the Colour Party of members of the Northern Alberta Veterans’ Degree Team from Edmonton under the direction of Comp. Howie Canning.

The Canadian Flag

We present our Flag – the symbol of unity and sovereignty. Between the bars of red on a field of white, it blazons forth in all its autumn glory, the Canadian Maple Leaf, whose eleven points represent the ten Provinces and the Territories, which comprise our great Country. To Freemasons, the red symbolizes the dauntless courage of our forefathers whom we emulate; the white, that blameless purity of life, to which we aspire; and the points, the eleven knightly virtues of which patriotism is the greatest and to which we are dedicated. This emblem forcefully reminds us that on these moral qualities our great Nation was founded, and on their preservation, its future greatness depends. Finally, it inspires in us reverence for Him to whom we ever fervently pray. God Save our Queen and heaven bless the Maple Leaf forever. Long may it wave.

“O Canada”

The Flag of the United States of America

We now present the Stars and Stripes, the Flag of the United States of America. Its stripes represent the thirteen original States, its stars, the original thirteen and the additional thirty-seven States which have been successfully united within that great Republic. In its respect for the freedom of the nations throughout the world, and its support of freedom throughout the world, the Stars and Stripes blazon forth as a sure pledge of liberty, equality and fraternity. In unity of that pledge – long may it wave.

“Star Spangled Banner”

The Flag of the United Kingdom

We now present the Union Jack, the emblem of freedom and democracy. As its component crosses were successfully combined to symbolize the voluntary union of free peoples, so may it continue to typify the greater unity of the free world. May the red, the colour of the sacrificial blood of the martyrs, the white, like the snowy lambskin of Masonry and the blue, like the changeless vault of the sky symbolically depicting courage, purity and truth. Whenever it floats wide world round, it blazes forth a sure pledge of liberty, equality and fraternity for all people everywhere. Long may it wave.

“God Save the Queen”

The Colour Party consisted of Neil Lonsbury, Mahlon Weir, Don Corness, Howie Canning, Jack Johnston, Bob Cameron and Piper, Rod Small. The Colour Party were thanked for their attendance and for their contributions to this ceremony. (Applause)
INVOCATION

V.Ex. Comp. E. Sharam, Grand Chaplain: God of all seasons and ages, as we gather for this Annual Convocation of our beloved Royal Craft, we give you thanks for this past year: for those who have led us and those who journeyed with us, for the time we shared with one another as Companions on the journey of life. We pray for your guidance in these days. Grant us attentiveness in our listening, wisdom in our speaking, sound judgment in our decision-making. These things we ask as your beloved people, in the power of your beloved Name. Amen. So mote it be.

CIVIC AND FRATERNAL GREETINGS

Greetings and best wishes were extended to the Companions and visitors by:
City of Camrose: Ina Nielsen, Deputy Mayor
Order of the Eastern Star: Sister Irene Allan, Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Alberta
Daughters of the Nile: Queen Patricia Thachuk, Al Amira Temple #157
International Order of Job’s Daughters: Miss Anastasiya Krychanivska, Miss Alberta Job’s Daughter
Order of DeMolay: Bro. Steven Petruk, Northern Representative, Alberta DeMolay Association
Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Canada: Ill. Bro. Elmer Bly, 33°, Valley of Edmonton
Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the M. Shrine: Ill. Sir Barry Gogal, Potentate, Al Shamal Shriners
Royal Order of Scotland: Terry A. Drolet, Provincial Grand Master
Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia: V.Worthy Frater E. John Parry, Celebrant, Aurora Borealis College #44
Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada: Ven. Bro. R. John Hayes, Sovereign Master, Yellowhead Council #220
Cryptic Rite Masons of W. Canada, Royal and Select Masters: M. Ill. Comp. Don McDonald, Grand Master

M.Ex. Comp. Lore: Thanked all of the guests for taking the time to be with us this evening and for their kind words of encouragement and best wishes.

THANKSGIVING AND MEMORIAL SERVICE

R.Ex. Comp. D. E. Boone – Grand Third Principal
V.Ex. Comp. E. Sharam – Grand Chaplain
Sister Carol McDermott – Guest Organist
Bro. Rod Small – Piper

IN MEMORY

OF THE DECEASED COMPANIONS
OF OUR OWN AND OTHER JURISDICTIONS
2008 A.D., 2538 A.L.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Gathering and Musical Prelude
Sister Carol McDermott

Opening Remarks
R.Ex. Comp. D. E. Boone

Invitation to Worship
V.Ex. Comp. E. S. Sharam: We call on God, who is as near as our next breath. God is the saviour of all who seek refuge, the One who hears our cries and meets our deepest needs. Come, let us worship.

Opening Hymn:

“Faith of Our Fathers”
Words by Frederick W Faber (1849)
Tune ‘St Catherine’ by Henri Hemy (1864)

Faith of our fathers! living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy
When’er we hear that glorious word;
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Responsive Reading:

From Psalms 24 and 34
V.Ex. Comp. E. S. Sharam: The 24th Psalm is a processional psalm which was used when transporting the Ark of the Covenant from one destination to another during the time the Israelites were a nomadic people. It is a hymn calling people to recognize God and God’s glory, and to welcome God into our midst.
Grand Chaplain: The earth is the Lord’s, and all that is in it; the world, and those who live upon it.

Grand Chapter: for God has founded it upon the seas and planted it firm over the waters.

Grand Chaplain: Who may ascend the mountain of God? Who may stand in God’s holy place?

Grand Chapter: Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who have not set their minds on what is false.

Grand Chaplain: They will receive blessing from the Lord, and be vindicated by God their saviour.

Grand Chapter: Such is the company of those who seek God, who seek the presence of the God of Jacob.

Grand Chaplain: O taste and see that the Lord is good!

Grand Chapter: Blessed are those who take refuge in the Most High God.

Grand Chaplain’s Address: “The Roll Call of Light”

“Love one another…hold fast to what is good…rejoice in hope…persevere in prayer…live in harmony…take thought for what is noble in the sight of all … live peaceably with all…overcome evil with good” [from Romans 12: 9-21]

V.Ex. Comp. E. S. Sharam: In an old Peanuts comic strip, Charlie Brown is busy one day with a woodworking project when Lucy walks by: “How’s the birdhouse coming along, Charlie Brown?” she asks. Charlie Brown replies, “Well… I’m a lousy carpenter. I can’t nail straight. I can’t saw straight and I always split the wood. I’m nervous, I’m stupid, and I lack confidence. I have poor taste and absolutely no idea about design.” Then in the last frame he concludes, “So, all things considered, it’s coming along just fine.” Nobody would ever claim Charlie Brown was perfect. But one thing we notice about him is that he never gives up. He always tries his best. And there is something about his life that speaks to our own.

And so we gather this evening for the moment in the life of our Royal Craft when we celebrate the Companions of this Jurisdiction who have passed from our mortal sight – Companions whose life and work and faith spoke to our own, who inspired us by their example and helped us on our journey of life and faith; Companions who were, if you will, among the saints of the Craft.

So who or what is a saint? When we think of ‘saints’, we usually think of men and women of such dazzling, paralysing virtue that they never thought a nasty thought or did an evil deed their whole lives long. As a definition of ‘sainthood’, that’s nowhere near adequate. The best definition I’ve ever heard came from a little boy who attended a church that had exquisite stained glass windows. The windows depicted the great characters of the faith: Abraham and Sarah, David and Solomon, Saints Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul, and all the rest.

One day, the little boy was asked, “Robbie, what is a saint?” He thought about it a minute and then he remembered all the beautiful stained glass windows. He replied, “A saint is someone who the light shines through.”

And believe it or not, that makes me think of my old View-Master! Remember View-Masters, with their little cardboard reels which gave you the most wonderful 3D images? Unless you had one of the expensive ones with its own battery-operated light, you couldn't use it in the dark. You had to hold it up to the light in order to see the pictures inside.

You and I are called – as you will remember from a line in the ritual of our MEM Degree – to “let celestial light illumine us”. We are called to let Light shine into us and through us so that others can view the Most High in the way we live our lives. When we do that, we become true servants of the Most High. In short, we become the saints of God.

In his letter to the Romans (a little snippet of which is printed in the leaflet you have before you), yet another saint, Paul, describes a bit of what that life looks like. Here’s more of that passage:

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ... Rejoice in hope…persevere in prayer…live in harmony…take thought for what is noble in the sight of all … live peaceably with all…overcome evil with good” [from Romans 12: 9-21]

Sounds like a pretty tall order doesn’t it? If we were using the language of ‘Starbucks’ or ‘Tim Horton’s’, this would be the ‘Venti Extra-Large Double-Double’ list of what it means to live in the light of God! It’s as bad as the General Charge!

So how do we do it? How do we live a life that lets the Light shine through that way? How do we live up to the grand ideal of a Freemason?

A lot of people have a false impression about us, you know. Even Masons themselves. A lot of us think that if we aren’t perfect, if we aren’t measuring up to the ideal of a Mason in the General Charge, we have no business being here. If that’s the case, I sure wouldn't be standing here this evening either! I'm about the farthest thing from perfection that there is! (Just ask my family!)

So who does qualify? On our own merit – no one, not one of us. The Biblical witness makes it clear that none of us is qualified for perfection. At some point in our lives, even though we may not be aware of it, we have said ‘No’ to God and to other people and to our own better nature and chosen to live in the shadows instead of in the light.

But the Biblical witness is equally clear that nothing can stop God from loving us! When our kids misbehave, when their brains descend into their backside, it disappoints us, hurts us, maybe even alienates us. Do we give up on them? Do we quit loving them? Never! That’s because there’s more than a bond of flesh and blood. There’s a bond of love and spirit.
It's the same with God. We are children of the Most High, those who “walk before God with all our hearts”, as it says in our ritual. And (contrary to our old friend Dan Brown!) that's the real ‘secret’ of the Craft – that bonds which unite us in the love of God and which empower us to shed light in the world!

So who qualifies to be a saint? Every one of us! Because we don't have to do it on our own! We have the help of God–and we have each other. And frankly, the fact that we’re not perfect yet is the best possible reason for being together in our Lodges and Chapters and Preceptories and Councils and Conclaves and Colleges!

A Canada Customs officer at the US/Canada border tells about a man who came to the border crossing one day with his four- or five-year-old son. The Customs official asked the man whether he had anything to declare. “No,” said the man, but looked nervous so the officer pressed on. “Are you carrying cigarettes or other tobacco products?” “No”. “How about alcohol? Are you carrying any alcohol?” “No”. “Do you have electronic devices?”

Again the man answered no.

But at that point, the little boy looked up at his father and said brightly “But he is getting warmer, isn’t he, Daddy?”

Being a saint isn't about paralyzing, humour-less virtue and religiosity. Being a saint is about being an ordinary person like you and me whose life is being transformed, day-by-day, into something quite extraordinary. Being a saint is about living, day-by-day, in the presence of God a life that gets warmer and brighter as the Light of the Most High shines through it. Being a saint is about living in a way that makes it easier for others to have faith and to become more alive.

That's what Paul meant when he wrote that portion of his letter to the Romans. That's what this passage – and the General Charge – is about. That is why we're members and friends of this Fraternity! And that is the great gift we have to share with the world around us.

A few weeks ago I was privileged to preside over the memorial service for our late Ex Comp Bill Boone – who at the time of his death was the First Principal of Capital City 13, one of those names we will hear read shortly. At the service itself and at the lunch afterwards, one person after another spoke of the life and faith of this man. Many of them talked about how his life had affected their own. Bill never became famous or wealthy – but his life touched hundreds of people across this Jurisdiction and far beyond it. And though he would have been the last person to think this, he truly was a View-Master: the Light of the Most High shone through all he did.

Bill’s story, and that of all the names we are about to hear, reminded me how badly we need saints in the world today – people whose very lives are radiant with the good news which lies at the heart of the Craft. We need them because their life and their presence amongst us assure us of how active and alive God is amongst us. We need them because they inspire us to a closer walk with God. We need them because they remind us that we too, are called to let the Light of God shine through us.

ROSE CEREMONY

Placing Roses on the V.O.T.S.L. in Memory of Our Companions

V.Ex. Comp. E.S. Sharam: And so we gather in this moment to remember the ‘saints’ – the members of this our fellowship who have journeyed this past year from our jurisdiction to that of the Grand Chapter Above. They were good men whose lives influenced ours, men whose wisdom and loyalty will be missed. We give thanks for their life and for the light they shed around them. In a confident and certain hope, we now recall them with reverence and affection in our Rose Ceremony.

DEATHS – GRAND CHAPTER OF ALBERTA – 2008

Alberta #1
Robert Lefley Costigan
Samuel James Parr

North Star #2
William Harry Caine
James Russell Sinclair Kelly
Stiegfried Klotsche

Shekinah #4
C. David Burgess
Hyman Culman

Golden West #5
Robert Lefley Costigan
Angus Arthur Murray
Albertus Teuling

Otuskwan #9
Robert Lefley Costigan
Vernon Ray Kreye
William Clyde Leuchner
Donald Hall Lounsbury
Peter Stadola

Capital City #13
Edmund George Dobson
Robert P. Hertzberg
John Henry Johnson

Mount Olivet #17
Rayment, Kenneth Bryan

Norwood #18
David Thomas Clarke

Strathmore #21
Woodrow E. Nelson

Crescent #24
James Allen Lawrence
Bjorn Kristian Gjertsen

Harmony #26
Hugh George William Brown
Edward Graham Ferguson

Edson #30
Clarence L. Wilkins

Parklands #31
Heinz Grube
Lennie Donald Heinemann

Lebanon #38
Charles Wilfred Newton

Cold Lake #39
C. David Burgess
DEATHS IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

J. D. (Buddy) Baccus .................................. Texas ........................................ PGHP ........................................1989-1990
Burmah Carpenter ...................................... North Carolina .................................. PGHP ........................................2001-2002
Robert E. Melear ....................................... Texas ........................................ DGHP .........................................2008-2009

Silence for Remembrance
(Silent Prayer for the Fraternal Dead)

Piper’s Lament
Bro. Rod Small

Prayer of Commendation (Said by all): Into your hands, merciful God, we commend these your servants. Receive them into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of eternal peace. And grant to us faith that, by day and by night, in all times and all places, we may, without fear, entrust those who are dear to us to your never-failing love, in this life and the life to come. Amen. So Mote it Be

Closing Hymn: “Day is Done, but Love Unfailing Dwells ever Here”
Words by James Quinn, SJ (1969)
Tune ‘Ar Hyd Y Nos’: Welsh (1784)

Day is done, but love unfailing dwells ever here; shadows fall, but hope, prevailing, calms every fear.
God, our Maker, none forsaking, take our hearts of Love s own making, watch our sleeping, guard our waking, be always near.
Dark descends, but light unending shines through our night; you are with us, ever lending new strength to sight: one in love, your truth confessing, one in hope of heaven s blessing, may we see, in love s possessing, love s endless light!
Eyes will close, but you unsleeping watch by our side: death may come, in love s safekeeping still we abide.
God of love, all evil quelling, sin forgiving, fear dispelling, stay with us, our hearts indwelling, this eventide.

WORDS OF BLESSING
Grand Chaplain: Go in peace. And may the God of Love and Light everlasting be your comfort and your strength; your hope and your support; your light and your onward way this day and all days for evermore. Amen. So mote it be.

ADJOURNMENT
M. Ex. Comp. Lore: I would like to express my appreciation to those who took part in this moving ceremony in memory of those Companions have been called to higher services.
This concludes the Ceremonial Opening of the 95th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta and I invite everyone to join us next door for light refreshments and a social hour. I remind the members of this Grand Chapter that we will open tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m. sharp. Once again, I would like to thank everyone for being present this evening, in particular, our distinguished visitors who are sitting in the East, all of our other visitors, and most importantly, our ladies. Thank you and good evening.
RESOLUTION OF LOYALTY

The following Resolution, Moved by R.Ex. Comp. David E. Boone, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. Richard G. Glasgow and Carried:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:  The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta, assembled for this Ninety-fifth Annual Convocation on this Ninth day of May, A.D. Two Thousand and Nine, reaffirm our most sincere loyalty and our dearest affection to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second. May the Most High protect her and guide her.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:  A true copy of this Resolution be forwarded to His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta, Norman L. Kwong, for transmittal to Her Majesty, by way of the Honourable Secretary of State of Canada, under the Seal of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta.

We certify this to be a true copy of the Resolution passed at the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta, on the Ninth Day of May, A.D. Two Thousand and Nine, in the City of Camrose, Alberta.

Signed:

James A. Lore, Grand First Principal

Marvyn R. Rogers, Grand Scribe Ezra
The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9:00 a.m. by the Grand First Principal, M.Ex. Comp. James A. Lore.

**MOTION:** Moved by R.Ex. Comp. R. Glasgow, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. D. Boone that the Grand First Principal be given the authority to change the order of business as required throughout the Session. **CARRIED.**

**INVOCATION**

V.Ex. Comp. E. S. Sharam: Most Holy God, you call us together to reflect on your Word, and our life in your world. Be with us now as we do the work of this Jurisdiction, that we may hear your voice and understand your way. Amen. **So Mote It Be**

**READING OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Moved by R.Ex. Comp. Marvyn Rogers, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. Richard Glasgow that the minutes of the last regular Convocation held in the Norsemen Inn, Camrose, May 9 – 10, 2008 be adopted as printed in the 2008 Proceedings. **CARRIED.**

**RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

Many of the distinguished guests that were introduced last night were again introduced, welcomed and given Grand Honours.

- Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon
- Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan
- Grand Chapter of Manitoba
- Grand Chapter of Montana
- Grand Chapter of Illinois
- General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International
- Concordant Bodies: Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, Knights Templar
  - Red Cross of Constantine
  - York Rite Sovereign College of North America
  - Knights of the York Cross of Honor
  - Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests

**CORRESPONDENCE**


Greetings from the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, Knights Templar

Em. Kt. George B. Tapley, Secretary to the Provincial Prior for the Alberta District, extended the best wishes of the Sovereign Grand Master and the Provincial Prior to the members of Grand Chapter.

**RECEPTION OF GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS**

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M.Ex. Comp J. Lore thanked the Past Grand Principals for their continued support of this Grand Chapter and he thanked them for the work they continue to do. Congratulations and thanks for the reception were extend by M.Ex. Comp. J. Crawford on behalf of the Past Grand First Principals in attendance. **GRAND HONORS.**

**PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

V.Ex. Comp. C. K. J. Wilson: The Preliminary Report of the voting for this Grand Chapter Convocation was as follows with a total of 104 ballots as of 9:00 a.m.: District 1 – 27 ballots, District 2 – 14 ballots, District 3 – 26 ballots, District 4 – 15 ballots, District 5 – 21 ballots.

**REPORT OF THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL**

To the most excellent the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Alberta. My Companions:

I take great pleasure in welcoming you to this 95th annual Grand Chapter convocation. It is my special privilege to welcome our distinguished guests from other jurisdictions, and I hope you will take our best wishes back with you. Welcome to Camrose, Alberta.
It has been for me a year of great enjoyment for all of the fine people I had the opportunity to meet and work with. There are many very devoted and talented men in the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Alberta. It is the effort of these men which accounts for the success that we enjoy. I am indebted to you for the successes we have had in the past year. I will now report to the Grand Chapter a brief account of the year’s activities.

Dispensations:
The following list of dispensations were requested and granted:
- May 21: Shekinah #4, install and invest out of time
- May 26: Hangingstone #40 install without prerequisite
- June 6: Strathmore #21, move charter, ballot, MMM, MEM at same time
- June 11: Mount Olivet #17, Change time of meeting
- June 18: Bethel #36, Change time and date of meeting
- June 23: Hangingstone #40, invest out of time
- Aug. 15: Harmony #26, Move Charter, ballot, MMM, MEM, same time
- Sept. 5: Eheyeh #27, Move Charter, ballot, MMM, MEM, same time
- Oct. 3: Lebanon #38, Move Charter and change date
- Oct. 17: Hangingstone #40, wear RAM regalia
- Oct. 21: Stoney #41, install and invest out of time
- Oct. 28: Capital City #13, elect out of time
- Oct. 30: All Chapters to wear RAM regalia at reaffirmation services
- Nov. 5: Bethel #38, Change date and location of Dec. meeting
- Nov. 21: Mount Olivet #17, Change date and time of Dec. meeting
- Nov. 22: North Star #2, elect out of time
- Nov. 26: Lebanon #38, Change date of Dec. meeting
- Nov. 30: Alberta #1, install out of time
- Dec. 4: Hangingstone #40, elect and install out of time
- Dec. 15: Assiniboia #3, change date and location of installation
- Dec. 23: Strathmore #21, change date of Jan. meeting
- Dec. 29: Golden West #5, Change date of Jan. meeting
- Jan. 13: Alberta #1, invest out of time.
- Jan. 17: Otuskwan #9, change time of Jan. meeting
- Jan. 20: Capital City #13, install out of time and place
- Mar. 9: North Star #2, install out of time and place
- Apr. 16: Lebanon #38, Change meeting place

I was also asked informally if I would grant a dispensation to exalt an individual from a jurisdiction with which we do not have amity. He could produce membership cards but had no demit. I refused on the grounds that he could apply as though he had never been a member. The chapter could then investigate him, and if satisfactory could exalt him.

Visitations:
I was able to visit all the Chapters at least once. I found these visits pleasant and educational. I was hospitably received. I was accompanied by other companions on all occasions. My thanks go to all who made this effort. Each Chapter made me feel most welcome. I took a message to each Chapter. I promoted the Youth Endowment Fund, both in fundraising and in finding suitable recipients. Our Rural Chapters are ahead of the Urban ones in the latter activity. I encouraged the Chapters to examine their membership for candidates for both honors and awards and for Grand Chapter offices. I promoted the use of the Grand Lecturers as a source of programming and education. I encouraged the Chapters to use the excellent material put together by the Membership and Planning Committee. There are a few Chapters using some of the ideas with what appears to be good results. If your chapter is perfect, you don’t need any of this committee’s idea. Otherwise, you should take a look. On most visits I presented a Masonic Paper. A list of the visits is attached.

I brought greetings from the Grand Chapter of Alberta to the following:
- Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan, Regina, May 2008
- Grand Lodge of Alberta, Lethbridge, June 2008
- Grand Chapter of B.C. & Yukon, Courtney, Sept. 2008
- Knights Templar Christmas Observance, Edmonton, Dec. 2008
- George Washington Convocation in Great Falls, Mont. Feb. 2009 at this event, The RAM’s of Alberta . did the degree work for the exaltation. It was well received. Thanks to MEC David Hongisto and REC David Boone for the organization.
- Royal Arch Affirmation Service, Balzac United Church, Mar 29, 2009
- Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Apr. 2009
- RAM Reaffirmation Service, Holy Trinity Church, Edmonton, May 2009

Grand District Superintendents:
I attended the District 4 meeting in Calgary. Thanks to REC’s Richard Glasgow and David Boone for attending the others. I met with the GDS’s elect at the 2008 executive meeting in Lacombe. We discussed the tasks ahead. I asked them to tell it like it is in their reports as there is little avail in glossing over problems. Improvements can
only be made after a problem is recognized. The GDS’s were asked to promote the work of the Membership and Planning committee to assist chapters. The GDS’s did what they were asked to do. Some got some irate feedback, even though they pointed out that their critique was by way of assisting rather than criticism. I thank the GDS’s for their work. It always feels better to compliment rather than point out areas where improvement is needed. The GDS’s did a great job this year. The reports were well written and on time. I think the transition to 4 Districts went smoothly. I express my appreciation to the GDS’s and I recommend the rank of Right Excellent Companion on the following.

District 1 REC Brian Hall
District 2 REC Wayne Granger
District 3 REC David Switzer
District 4 REC Edward Balleine
District 5 REC Charles Powell

I confirm the elections of the Grand District Superintendents elect.

District 1 VEC Jack Drebit
District 2 EC R Vinton Weldon
District 3 REC Ronald O Beirnes
District 4 VEC Roy Freeborn

Appointments:
On the recommendation of the Fraternal Relations Committee, I have given approval of the following recommendations for appointment as representatives for:

British Columbia Eric Weigelt
Delaware Jack Drebit
Manitoba Lawrence Anderson
Nebraska Jeff Schoonmaker
Nevada Garth Border
Newfoundland Bryce Dougan
North Dakota Glenn White
Ohio James Stroud

Necrology:
Even though death is a natural outcome of life, we still mourn the loss of our companions who have passed to the Grand Chapter above. We express our condolences to the families of our departed companions. Thanks to REC David Boone and VEC Earl Sharam for the service last evening. We all miss MEC Robert Costigan. Few Masons have been as active in as many a aspects of Masonry as he was. I miss his person and his counsel.

Grand Council:
During the past year Grand H, J, Scribe E and Grand Treasurer met on 4 occasions, plus once with the finance committee. These meeting were very useful to me when I was Grand H and also as Grand Z. I think these meetings help prepare officers for their duties in future years, coordinate the efforts and keep a focus on the problems of the Grand Chapter. Three recommendations from Grand Council that should be pursued are:
1. A fund be established and maintained by the annual budgeted contributions for the upkeep and replacement of Grand Chapter regalia.
2. A coordinated effort made to establish new Chapters in those areas where none exist, e.g. Calgary Edmonton corridor.
3. The Grand Council continue to be active, at the pleasure of the Grand Z.

General:
There has been a slight decrease in membership again this year. I am disappointed but the decrease is less than in the past so I am optimistic that we have turned the corner. REC Switzer and other companions have visited at least two lodges to explain Royal Arch Masonry. These efforts have resulted in some petitions. I thank these companions for their efforts and recommend that it be continued. REC Boone has visited lodges between Calgary and Red Deer to spur some interest in forming a new Chapter. It is too early to tell if a new chapter will be formed but I am sure his efforts are beneficial to Royal Arch. Thank you David.

The Constitution and Jurisprudence committee have been busy reviewing and modernizing the constitution as per MEC Weigelt’s recommendation of last year. I understand that will be tabled and a vote taken next year so everyone has a chance to look at it.

The Grand Chapter web site suffered a set back due to the resignation of VEC Vallon Wolaniuk. I congratulate him for his work, and also for resigning when his personal situation would no longer allow him to continue. I have worked with REC Gould on ways and means by which the web site can continue to serve Royal Arch.

The membership and Planning committee continues to hone their presentation. I have added sufficient bodies to the committee to continue to get the message out to the Chapters. This work is critical to our survival! The Grand Chapter can only make information available. From there on it is up to the First Principal and his officers.

The Centennial is only 5 years away. The committee under the chairmanship of REC Watts has been working on programs. I hope every First Principal will listen carefully to his report and start the Chapter planning now.

The Grand Historian REC George Tapley has made the Royal Arch Libraries more accessible. He also has some recommendations for the Chapters to record their own history. I hope this Grand Chapter will listen carefully to his report and take some action in the near future.
There were several nominations for honors. The committee has made their selections. They are EC Ken South, Stoney 41, and VEC John Church, Strathmore 21. I congratulate the recipients for well deserved recognition. I also want to mention the work of the Finance Committee under the chairmanship of REC Neil White, who worked with a brand new committee when the committee was moved to Edmonton and had a budget ready for the Executive meeting.

**Concerns and Further Study:**
In reviewing the last three proceedings I found consistency. In 2006 MEC Hongisto noted, “...a few chapters are struggling with attendance...” In 2007 MEC Drolet said, “My biggest concern regarding our Grand Chapter is the lack of attendance by the companions at their chapter meetings.” In 2008 MEC Weigelt observed, “If we are to be entirely honest with ourselves we must recognize that there is considerable room for improvement for all our chapters. In my visitations I noted the attendance of members and visitors. The average turnout of members was 14.1, which is 27.2%. The larger chapters had the lowest percentage turnout. All were 20% or less. I therefore recommend that the Grand Council cause to be studied the impact of limiting the membership per chapter to 50 members. There are 9 out of 22 chapters with more than 50 members and 5 with more than 100. MEC Weigelt recommended that the constitution be posted on the website. I carry forward that recommendation.

**Appreciation:**
I thank all Grand Chapter officers and Committee chairs for the work, support, and diligence. I appreciate the efforts of the First Principals and their officers for making it all happen. I thank Grand Scribe E for keeping me on track, and all the work that he does. I thank you all for giving me the opportunity to be your Grand First Principal. I have tried to use my talents for the benefit of Royal Arch Masonry. Time will tell how successful I have been. I can only say, I tried.  

**Standing Ovation**

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Respectfully submitted,
Jim Lore, Grand First Principal

**MOTION:** Moved by R.Ex. Comp. R. Glasgow, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. D. Boone, moved that the Report of the Grand First Principal be referred to the Committee on the Grand First Principal’s Address. CARRIED.

**REPORT OF THE GRAND SECOND PRINCIPAL**

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, M.Ex. Companion James A. Lore:

When I was elected as Grand Third Principal and Grand Second Principal, I had intended to visit all Chapters in Alberta so I could get to know the Companions better and so they would know who I am. This, I did not accomplish. To those Chapters, I apologize. I planned to attend as many meetings when possible with the G.Z. Of this, I made quite a few. My intent was maybe to learn more from these visits - time will tell. I’m looking forward to my next year.

Events included:
- May 15th - I attended North Star #2 with the G.Z.
- May 21st - I attended Stoney #41 with the G.Z.
- May 26th - I attended Cold Lake #39, accompanied by Comp. Ed Jackson, where they preformed the Royal Arch Degree, which was very well done. I must add that I brought greetings from the G.Z. and the rest of the Grand Chapter.
May 29th.-31st. - My wife and I attended the Grand Chapter of Sask. along with M.Ex. Comp. Lore, R.Ex. Comp. Boone and other Companions of Alberta – a nice weekend.

May 5th.-7th. - Attended the Gr. Chapter of Eastern Star in Edmonton where I was welcomed in the East.

June 13th.-15th. - I attended Grand Lodge of Alberta.

June 18th. - I attended Mount Olivet Masonic B.B.Q. in Camrose accompanied by my lady and Comp. Ron Dempsey. I was welcomed at the Altar and introduced. I later brought greetings from the Grand First Principal and other members of Grand Chapter.

June 19th. - Attended joint installation of the Officers of Buffalo Park and Gratton-Connaught Lodges where I assisted as Installing Master.

June 20th. - Attended the Shrine Masonic Steak and Lobster Feast at Fossen’s farm at Forestburg.

June 23rd. – Attended the G.Z.’s Official Visit to Cold Lake Chapter along with other visiting Companions – a very nice visit.

June 23rd. - Attended Norwood #18 which was the G.Z.’s Official Visit as well as the installation of Officers – a very nice evening.

June 25th. - Attended a M.M.’s Degree at Forestburg Lodge - well done and a very nice evening with great fellowship.

June 26th. - Attended Consort School Awards Night where Bro. Ron Dempsey and I presented a very good student with a Masonic Bursary - a nice girl who well deserved the bursary.

June 27th. - Attended Hillvue Chapter in Frank where the G.Z., Jim Lore, paid a fraternal visit with other visitors in attendance.

Aug.8th. - Attended G.Z.’s visit to Forestburg which was preceded by a Grand Council meeting – a very nice evening as it always is.

Aug.16th. - Attended Cold Lake Masonic B.B.Q. accompanied by my Lady. I brought greetings from the Grand First Principal, Jim Lore, and the Grand Chapter. It was a very nice day.

Aug.25th. - Attended a MMM. Degree at Cold Lake Chapter where I was accompanied by Comp’s Ed Jackson and Ron Dempsey. We assisted in the degree. It was well done.

Sept.4th. - Attended the Official Visit of G.D.S. R.Ex. Comp. Wayne Granger to Eheyeh Chapter in Drumheller. M.Ex. Comp., Jim Lore and other visitors were in attendance.

Sept.6th. - Attended the Mini-Field Day at the Passion Play Site in Drumheller where I took part along with the Grand First Principal and many other Grand Chapter Officers and visitors. This was a very nice day - one to which all Companions should plan to attend.

Sept.11th. - Attended the Grand Chapter of B.C. in Courtney, along with Grand First Principal, our Ladies and other Companions from Alberta. This was a nice weekend and nice to see how other Grand Jurisdictions work.

Sept.24th. - Attended Lloydminster Chapter along with M.Ex. Comp. Merv Harper, R.Ex. Comp. Don Dygert and Comp. Ron Dempsey. Unfortunately, they didn’t have enough to conduct a business meeting. We talked it over coffee with no solutions and departed. I send them notice each month but haven’t received any response - not good.

Sept.25th. - Accompanied G.D.S of Dist. #5, Chuck Powell, to Lebanon Chapter #38 in Stettler.

Oct.15th. - Attended Grand First Principal’s Official Visit to Mount Olivet #17 in Camrose along with many other visiting Companions.

Oct.17th. - Attended Irma School Awards Night along with Comp. Ron Dempsey where we presented three worthy students with Grand Lodge Masonic Bursaries.


Oct.23rd. - Attended Parklands #31 for the Official visit of M.Ex. Comp. Jim Lore. This being my own Chapter it was nice to have Jim visit us.

Oct.25th. - Attended District #5 Annual Meeting held in Wainwright where R.Ex. Comp. Chuck Powell was the Grand District Supt. The attendance was not as good as it should have been, certainly less than past years.

Oct.26th. - Attended the Reaffirmation Service in Forestburg.

Nov.1st. - Attended the Battle River Masonic District Meeting in Irma.

Nov.8th. - Attended Districts 1&2 Annual Meeting in Highlands Hall, Edmonton where I was accompanied by R.Ex. Comp. Chuck Powell, G.D.S of Dist. #5. M.Ex. Comp. Lore and R.Ex. Comp. Boone were in attendance, as well as many other Grand Chapter Officers - a very good day.


Nov.27th. - Attended Parklands Chapter where R.Ex. Comp. Powell made his Official Visit.

Dec.2nd. - Accompanied R.Ex. Comp. Powell to Lebanon Chapter in Stettler where a joint Installation of Lebanon, Bethel and Mount Olivet Chapters was held. M.Ex. Comp. Lore was also in attendance. Attendance of the members was quite poor. Also, prior to that meeting, the Grand Council met in Camrose.

Feb.6th. - Attended a Finance Committee Meeting along with the Grand Council in Sherwood Park.

Feb.14th. - Grand Executive Committee meeting in Lacombe.

Feb. 21 - I attended the Red Cross of Constantine in Edmonton where I was installed as the Most Puissant Sovereign of Taylor Conclave #5. I consider this an honor which I will never forget.

Feb. 26th - I accompanied R. Ex. Comp. Powell to Capital City Chapter where they were honouring R. Ex. Comp. Ken White by presenting him with a 50-yr. jewel. M. Ex. Comp. Lore and R. Ex. Comp. Boone were in attendance along with many other Grand Chapter officers, District Superintendents and other visitors. This was a great tribute to a well deserving Companion - over all a great evening.

Mar. 19th - I attended Assiniboia Chapter #3 in Medicine Hat. I brought greetings from M. Ex. Comp. Lore and the Grand Chapter.

Early in 2009 I contacted Companions for the various appointed offices. Everyone said ‘yes’ that they would be very pleased to accept. There were two exceptions - one who was letting his name stand for an elected position and for this we congratulate him on achieving that position - and one other who said he would love to accept but work was just busy to fill the position properly. I can accept that and thanked him.

I have made up a proposed itinerary for my visitations for next year. If some dates are not suitable, feel free to let me know. We can usually arrange for another date. I do hope if any Chapter has any special events or presentations please contact me as I would like to attend.

It has been a pleasure serving as Grand ‘H’. My hope is that I can serve you well as Grand Z.

Respectfully submitted,
R. Ex. Comp. Richard G. Glasgow, Grand Second Principal

GRAND THIRD PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Companion James A. Lore:

As Grand Third Principal, my activities were largely in support of the visitations of the Grand First Principal and other Grand Chapter Officers. I accompanied MEC Lore on a number of official and fraternal visits to Chapters in Alberta. I also accompanied him on his visit to the Saskatchewan Grand Chapter Convocation in Regina. I represented the Grand Chapter of Alberta at the Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Montana in May 2008.

At the request of the Grand First Principal, I undertook to begin laying the ground work for a Royal Arch Chapter somewhere along Highway 2 between Calgary and Edmonton. I focused my efforts on the communities south of Red Deer and visited Lodges meeting at Crossfield, Didsbury, and Olds to initiate discussions and gauge interest. I discovered along the way that there once was a Chapter in Didsbury (Joseph Stauffer Chapter No. 22) that operated between 1919 and 1941 before amalgamating with Crescent Chapter. I also visited Lebanon Chapter at two of their meetings in Red Deer to keep them abreast of my discussions. This effort will continue in the 2009-2010 year as the process will take some time. I do believe that we will be able to garner enough support to get a Chapter started within the next two years. Support from some of the Calgary city Chapters will also be solicited, as required.

I supported the visitation and efforts of the District Superintendents of Districts 3 and 4 whenever possible and assisted with the organization of the Royal Arch Reaffirmation Church Service in Balzac. I had the pleasure of participating in a team that traveled to Great Falls, Montana to exemplify the Royal Arch Degree at their annual George Washington Convocation.

I attended all of the Grand Council and Executive Committee meetings held during the year as well as the Finance Committee meeting. I have assisted with the organization of some of the Grand Convocation activities.

I congratulate MEC Jim Lore for his leadership during his year. He made an effort to make the Grand Council an active executive body. This involvement helped me develop a much better appreciation of the workings of the Grand Chapter which I am sure will enhance my contribution to the Grand Chapter in the next two years and beyond. I also appreciated the opportunity to work with the other members of the Grand Council and the Grand Chapter officers and committees as a whole. We have a strong team that bodes well for our future success.

Respectfully submitted,
R. Ex. Comp. David Boone, Grand Third Principal

RECEPTION OF THE GRAND DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

R. Ex. Comp. Brian Hall ......................... District #1
R. Ex. Comp. Wayne Grainger ............ District #2
R. Ex. Comp. David C. Switzer ............ District #3
R. Ex. Comp. Gerald Fulton .............. District #5

M. Ex. Comp. Lore: I wish to offer my warmest and most sincere thank you for your efforts which you have given to this Grand Jurisdiction. Your time and labours have not gone unnoticed and we ask that you continue to support the Grand Chapter of Alberta with your expertise.

GRAND HONORS

Greetings from the York Rite Sovereign College of North America

To the M.Ex. Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta: I hereby submit my fifth report to you as your Grand Scribe “E”.

The Grand Scribe Ezra’s office has received all of the 2008 Annual Returns. But, even with the new forms for reporting, a number of chapters were well passed the deadline. The deadline for submission of Annual Returns is January 31st and as of that date in 2009, there were four chapters that had not filed on time. The Finance Committee determined that the Late Filing penalty is to be imposed on all those chapters who have not submitted their Annual Returns as of February 28 of each year. (See Constitution - Section 115). When the forms for the Annual Returns are forwarded to the chapters, there is a covering note that contains the deadlines and the warning about the Late Filing penalty. Reminder, that the First Principal of each chapter is ultimately responsible to see that all returns have been completed and submitted to the Grand Scribe E. as necessary.

If Chapters can plan for their future needs, they can save considerably in postage by having them delivered at the Grand Executive meeting and the Grand Chapter Convocation. Remember to recycle, in particular the mailing/delivery tubes that have been forwarded to chapters.

Chapters are requested to follow the directions of the Finance Committee that all required regalia as stated in the Constitution of Grand Chapter is to be purchased from the Office of the Grand Scribe E. Every Companion should note that it is the purchase of regalia through the Office of the Grand Scribe E that permits this Grand Chapter to keep its per capita amount at a reasonable rate. As soon as the current stock has been depleted, most of the regalia for the chapters will be supplied from a new supplier. The Grand Council and Grand Executive have approved the Royal Arch aprons and sashes which will result in some savings to the Chapters.

The Grand Chapter Office will also be purchasing some of the jewels from a different supplier which will result in considerable savings. More information on this matter will be forwarded to the chapters when the details have been finalized.

Reminder, if you are sending funds to the YEF, please ensure that they are made payable to the “Youth Endowment Fund”. It is a separate account from the regular Grand Chapter account.

Following this report, including the 2008 Statistics, there is the breakdown of membership by Chapter. I wish to take this opportunity to thank:

- M.Ex. Comp. J. Lore whose dynamic and inspired leadership has moved, and possibly shaken, the complacency of this Grand Chapter towards a new and more energetic fraternity
- R.Ex. Comp. D. Murray, Grand Treasurer, who has helped this non-accountant to be able to deal with financial matters without breaking out in a cold sweat. The Grand Treasurer has made many changes to the business aspects of Grand Chapter that makes it more efficient and timely.
- Grand Council who has for the second year, met a number of times to discuss the affairs of this Grand Chapter. This action has made the work of the GSE considerably less onerous and has helped to develop a sense of cohesiveness and continuity amongst the “Rulers” of the Order.
- M.Ex. Comp. J. Carr and R.Ex. Comp. V. Ramsbottom whose photographic skills and their willingness to share their pictures have helped grace the Annual Proceedings and will also be used in the future development of a “promotional brochure”
- To the Companions of Mount Olivet Chapter #17 for the continued use of their chapter furniture
- To. R.Ex. Comp. N. White for obtaining the organ from Highlands Hall.
- To Sister Carol McDermott for so willingly coming to our assistance as the Guest Organist for the Friday and Saturday evenings of this Convocation.
- And, with all of my love to Anne, for her continued support and understanding.

STATISTICS 2008

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Assiniboia #3 (Medicine Hat), Strathmore #21, Edson #30, Lebanon #38 (Stettler), Cold Lake #39, Hangingstone #40 (Fort McMurray) and Stoney #41 (Stony Plain) have shown an increase.
Crescent #24 (Calgary) and Wapiti #34 (Grande Prairie) have stayed the same.

All other Chapters, 15 in number, have shown a loss with the largest losses being experienced by North Star #2 (Edmonton), Otuskwan #9 (Calgary), Capital City #13 (Edmonton), Norwood #18 (Edmonton) and Wapiti #34 (Grande Prairie).

Lebanon #38 (Stettler), Hangingstone #40 (Fort McMurray) and Stoney #41 (Stony Plain) have shown an increase of 10% or more.

Respectfully submitted,

Marvyn R. Rogers, Grand Scribe Ezra

MOTION: Moved by R.Ex. Comp. M. R. Rogers, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. A. R. Moses, that this report be received. CARRIED.

RESTORATIONS - 2008

Edson #30
Gouthro, Bryan Norvel
Graham, Gordon Harold

AFFILIATIONS - 2008

Lebanon #38
Douglas, William
English, Glen
Hayhoe, Richard Milton
Hodge, Garry David
Williams, Charles Richard

Stoney #41
Comer, Robert

DELETIONS – 2008

Whitten, Robert Kenneth
Hillvue #15
Lindfield, David
Strathmore #21
Gerle, David Michael

Crescent #24
Christou, Evangelos
Martinot, Allan

Eheyeh #27
Telford, Dale Grant

Otuskwan #34
Abbot-Brown, John
Drewe, Daniel
Grounds, James Michael
Hansen, James
Miller, Trevor Paul
Syan, Pinday
Umbach, Edgar Raymond
White, Charles Calvin

DEMITS - 2008

Otuskwan #9
Child, William Gregory
Cormack, William John
Parkinson, Dale Edward
Sherris, Douglas Alexander

Capital City #13
Borowski, Ernest Paul Henry
Engelhardt, Glenn Arthur
Goodwin, David Wayne
Merrill, James Eugene
Paipals, John
Smit, Charles Richard
Stonehouse, Terrence Stanley
Greetings from the Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada, Red Cross of Constantine
R.Ill. Knight Comp. Kenneth E. White, Past Grand Intendant General, Alberta Division, extended the best wishes for a successful Convocation from the Grand Sovereign.

Greetings from the Knights of the York Cross of Honor
Em. Donald H. Murray, Prior, Western Canada Priory #35, brought the fraternal greetings of the Grand Master General of the Knights of the York Cross of Honor.

RECEPTION OF FIRST PRINCIPALS

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M.Ex. Comp. Lore: Expressed his sincerest thanks to each of the First Principals for the support they have shown through service to their individual chapters. In addition he thanked them for the hospitality shown by the Companions in each of the chapters over the past term.  GRAND HONORS

Greetings from the Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada

Greetings from the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests

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REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

R.Ex. Comp. Donald H. Murray: I would like to congratulate my predecessor, Rt. Ex. Comp. Arnold Moses and members of the finance committees over the past years for an excellent job. The Grand Chapter is in a very good position financially.

The Grand S. E., Rt. Ex. Comp. Marvyn Rogers has done an excellent job this year and the final income statement is within the budget.

Our investment account remains at $94,457.64. We have increased the investment total by 1087.44 this year. I estimate we will be able to invest another $5000.00 in the current year. Our investments will return us very close to 4%. All investments are in Guaranteed Investment certificates.

The youth Endowment Fund has an investment total of $163,377.61. This is an increase of $1,696.23 this year. This has provided $6,813.95 in interest so far this year. We have donated $9,200.00 this year. We still have a total of $11,681.68 for donation purposes. All of these investments are in Guaranteed Investment Certificates which should return almost 4% interest. The fund has received donations of $6,976.00 this year.

Thanks are also extended to V.Ex. Comp. J. Ratchford as Auditor and R.Ex. Comp. N. White, Chairman, Finance Committee.

Fraternally submitted,
R.Ex. Comp. Donald H. Murray, Grand Treasurer

MOTION: I move the reception of this report, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. M. R. Rogers. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT AND FINANCE

R.Ex. Comp. Neil White: To The Most Excellent Companion Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta:


The committee has reviewed the balance sheet of this Grand Chapter. The committee submitted the proposed balanced budget for 2009 – 2010 as prepared by Rt. Ex. Comp. Marvyn Rogers and Rt. Ex. Comp. Don Murray to the Grand Executive Meeting on February 14, 2009. The budget was approved at that meeting with no changes being made. There will be no increase in the per-capita fee for this fiscal year.

The committee has agreed that the following individuals will have signing authority on Grand Chapter accounts: Rt. Ex. Comp. Marvyn Rogers, Rt. Ex. Comp. Don Murray, Rt. Ex. Comp. Neil White. All cheques must be signed by two of the three individuals.

The committee has given permission to Grand S.E. to pay for Grand Chapter items by credit card. It was decided that there was no problem with this process, as Rt. Ex. Comp. Rogers would submit an expense account for payment accompanied by all the proper documentation/receipts.

The committee has recommended that Ex. Comp. James Ratchford remain as the Auditor for the 2009 – 2010 year. The Grand Executive at their meeting in February approved this recommendation.

The committee recommends the acceptance of the audited Financial Statements for 2008/09.

Respectfully submitted,
R.Ex. Comp. N. G. White

MOTION: Moved by R.Ex. Comp. N. G. White, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. R. Taylor, that this report be received and the audited Financial Statements for 2008-2009 be accepted. CARRIED.

MOTION: Moved by R.Ex. Comp. N. G. White, seconded by R.Ex. Comp. R. Taylor, that the proposed budget as recommended by the Grand Executive be approved. CARRIED.
# GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALBERTA
## BALANCE SHEET
### FEBRUARY 28, 2009

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### GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALBERTA
### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
### FEBRUARY 28, 2009

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SUPPLEMENTARY FEBRUARY 28, 2009
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MERCHANDISE ACCOUNT

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The Investment Account and Bank Accounts have been verified and found in order. The Financial Statements as presented represent the actual cash position of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta as of February 28, 2009.

James Ratchford, Auditor
March 31, 2009
GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALBERTA
TRUST FUND – YOUTH ENDOWMENT PROGRAM
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS MARCH 1, 2008 TO FEBRUARY 28, 2009
BALANCE SHEET

2009

Current Assets
Bank Account $11,190.12
Term Deposits 163,377.61
Total Current Assets $174,567.73

Liabilities
Retained Earnings 170,004.78
Current Earnings 4,562.95
Total Liabilities $174,567.73

Revenue
Revenue for Year 6,976.00
Investment Interest 6,813.95
Total Revenue $13,789.95

Expenses
Donations Expended 9,200.00
Bank Charges 27.00
Total Expense 9,227.00

NET INCOME $4,562.95

Term Deposits
Amount Maturity Date Term Rate
810511- #02 10,000.00 August 7 2011 5 Yrs 4.00%
#04 3,458.99 December 15 2010 2 Yrs 4.00%
#06 5,000.00 May 16 2012 5 Yrs 4.00%
#08 5,000.00 May 28 2010 3 Yrs 4.25%
#13 6,500.00 March 23 2010 2 Yrs 4.00%
#15 8,564.14 August 8 2010 2 Yrs 4.00%
#16 5,000.00 September 30 2010 2 Yrs 4.00%
#17 9,000.00 September 30 2010 2 Yrs 4.00%
#19 6,561.87 October 3 2010 2 Yrs 4.00%
#22 11,231.70 October 9 2010 2 Yrs 4.00%
#25 5,000.00 August 15 2011 5 Yrs 4.05%
#26 3,000.00 October 16 2011 5 Yrs 4.00%
#26 14,208.15 January 23 2010 2 Yrs 4.00%
#27 5,930.64 February 27 2014 5 Yrs 3.98%
#28 2,800.00 November 13 2011 5 Yrs 3.15%
#29 53,142.12 August 3 2010 5 Yrs 3.50%
#30 3,180.00 August 2 2010 5 Yrs 3.50%
#33 2,600.00 May 17 2011 5 Yrs 4.50%
#38 3,200.00 June 21 2011 5 Yrs 4.30%

TOTAL TERM DEPOSITS $163,377.61

The Bank Account and Investment Account of the Youth Endowment Program have been verified. As this Fund operates on a CASH BASIS, no accrued interest has been included. The above statement represents the Youth Endowment Fund as of February 28, 2009.

James Ratchford, Auditor
March 31, 2009
### GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALBERTA
### BUDGET 2009-2010

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R. Ex. Comp. M. Rogers advised there is a nil report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Jim Lore, officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta.

The committee on the Condition of Capitular Masonry has received reports from all five District Superintendents for the year 2008-2009 and based on these summaries reports are as follows:

District # 1
Rt. Ex. Comp. Brian Hall, Grand District Superintendent of District # 1 reports that he has visited all the chapters within his district. Wapiti Chapter continues to struggle with its attendance at meetings although there is a very dedicated core of members who work diligently to maintain the chapter. Edson Chapter appears to have similar problems as Wapiti Chapter. The other chapters in the district are strong with good attendance and degree work. The district meeting was held at Highlands Hall in Edmonton on November 8, 2008 in conjunction with District # 2. All the chapters with the exception of Wapiti Chapter were in attendance. Rt. Ex. Comp. Jack Drebit of Edson Chapter # 30 was elected District Superintendent for the term 2009-2010.

District # 2
Rt. Ex. Comp. Wayne Grainger, Grand District Superintendent of District # 2 reports he has visited all the chapters in the district. He reports that Ehuyeh Chapter, Drumheller and Lebanon Chapter, Stettler struggle with attendance. Norwood Chapter is now holding their meetings quarterly and the companions are enthusiastic regarding this change. Some members from Strathmore Chapter are affiliating with Ehuyeh Chapter to provide added strength as this chapter has struggled with obtaining new members for many years. Hangingstone Chapter, Fort McMurray is a growing chapter with good attendance levels and activities. The district meeting was held in conjunction with District # 1 at Highlands Hall in Edmonton. There was no election for district superintendent at this meeting. Due to the realignment of chapters, the new superintendent was elected at District # 5 meeting as District # 5 will now be known as District # 2.

District # 3
R. Ex. Comp. David Switzer, Grand District Superintendent of District # 3 visited all of the chapters in the district. He reports that Strathmore Chapter and Otuskwan Chapter are in excellent shape while Harmony Chapter and Assiniboia Chapter are having difficulties with attendance. He attended the visits to the chapters in the district with the Grand First Principal. An educational workshop was held in conjunction with District # 4 in Calgary on February 28, 2009. The district meeting was held in Bassano Masonic Hall on October 4, 2008. Rt. Ex. Companion Ron Beirnes of Strathmore Chapter was elected District Superintendent for the term 2009-2010.

District # 4
Rt. Ex. Comp. Ed Balleine, Grand District Superintendent of District # 4 has visited all the chapters in the district. He has accompanied the Grand First Principal on his visits to the chapters in the district. He reports the chapters in the district are in good condition with the exception of Hillvue Chapter which is a small chapter, yet the work in the chapter as well as the enthusiasm of the companions keeps this chapter viable. He also commented that the education program at Golden West Chapter continues on a regular basis. Sometimes the topics can be overwhelming for some of the members. Two of the principal officers at Crescent chapter put little or no effort into their ritual work although this situation has begun to rectify itself with the input of the senior members of the chapter. An educational workshop was held in conjunction with District # 3 on February 28, 2009. The district meeting was held in Bowmont Hall in Calgary. V. Ex. Comp. Roy Freeborn of Crescent Chapter was elected District Superintendent for the term 2009-2010.

District # 5
Rt. Ex. Comp. Charles Powell, Grand District Superintendent of District # 5 has visited all the chapters in the district. He was accompanied by the Grand Second Principal, Rt. Ex. Comp. Richard Glasgow on all his official visits in which he appreciated the support. He reported that Cold Lake Chapter is in excellent shape. The other chapters in the district are small but have a good core group of support. Lebanon Chapter, Stettler as well as Hangingstone Chapter, Fort McMurray will be joining this district in 2009. This district will now be numbered District # 2. The district meeting was held in Wainwright on October 25, 2008. Ex. Comp. Vinton Weldon of Cold Lake Chapter # 39 was elected District Superintendent for the term 2009-2010. Lebanon Chapter and Hangingstone chapter were given full voting rights for the election of the District Superintendent.

Comments:
The committee noted that the reports gave much more information this year as opposed to other years. This improvement by the district superintendent’s reports was certainly appreciated. This committee recommends to the Grand First Principal that the title of Right Excellent Companion be conferred on:

Rt. Ex. Comp. Brian Hall
Rt. Ex. Comp. Ed Balleine
Rt. Ex. Comp. Wayne Grainger
Rt. Ex. Comp. Charles Powell
Rt. Ex. Comp. David Switzer


MOTION: M. Ex. Comp. M. Gillies moved the reception of the report, seconded by Ex. Comp. G. Border. CARRIED.
11:00 A.M. BALLOT NOW DECLARED CLOSED

FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

V.Ex. Comp. C. K. J. Wilson: M. Ex. Grand First Principal and Companions, There are no chapters with all three Principals in attendance. One chapter, Hillvue #15, has no representation at this Grand Convocation. Total ballots by District are:

- District #1 .................... 39
- District #2 .................... 16
- District #3 .................... 27
- District #4 .................... 29
- District #5 .................... 22

Total Ballots 154 plus 8 non-voting R.A. Comp.’s.

Additional information:
- 13 First Principals
- 8 Second Principals
- 0 Third Principals
- 14 Visitors

APPOINTMENT OF THE SCRUTINEERS

M.Ex. Comp. Lore: I would like to appoint the three Scrutineers: M.Ex. Comp. M. Petty, Grand First Principal, Saskatchewan, M.Ex. Comp. V. Brill, Grand First Principal, Manitoba and M.Ex. Comp. A. Ross, Grand First Principal, British Columbia and Yukon. Would you please retire and, when completed, inform us of the results of the ballot.

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

R.Ex. Comp. M. Rogers advised there is a nil report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND THE CONSTITUTION

ME Grand First Principal.

At the Convocation of 2008 the then Grand First Principal ME Companion Eric W. Weigelt recommended that the existing Constitution be reorganized along lines similar to that of the Grand Lodge with the Constitution and Regulations as separate parts and that the revised Constitution be presented to Grand Chapter at the earliest possible time. This recommendation was endorsed at a meeting of the Grand Council on 11 May 2008. The Jurisprudence Committee has made every effort to accommodate these directions and we are pleased to report that the draft of the Constitution has now been prepared and can be presented to Grand Chapter. It is to be noted that in order to meet the deadlines imposed, the draft has not been circulated among the members of Convocation, however, it should be pointed out that the at such time as the Constitution should be approved by Convocation, it will not immediately come into force and effect. The revised Constitution itself provides that it will come into effect upon the granting of permission by the Lieutenant Governor in Council (as required by our enabling statute) and upon proclamation by Grand Chapter, whichever is latest. The Committee anticipates that with wider circulation of the present draft among the members of Convocation, suggestions, or amendments, will be made, formulated and incorporated before it is proclaimed in force.

Respectfully submitted,
Ian Gledhill, Chairman

M.Ex. Comp. J. Lore: The report was declared received.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

R.Ex. Comp. D. E. Boone: The Committee has discharged its duties by conducting the Memorial Service last night with the assistance of V.Ex. Comp. E. Sharam, Grand Chaplain, Sister Carol McDermott, Guest Organist and Bro. R. Small, Piper. The report is contained in the Memorial Service and is in the hands of the Grand Scribe E.

Greetings from the Grand Chapter of Illinois
M.Ex. Comp. Carl Palow, Past Grand First Principal and Grand Representative of Alberta to Illinois, brought the best wishes of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Illinois.

Greetings from the Grand Chapter of Montana
M.Ex. Comp. Nelson Bland, Grand First Principal, took the opportunity to bring the greetings of the Companions of the Grand Chapter of Montana to their Alberta Companions.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS

Most Excellent Companion James A Lore, Grand first Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta.

This report contains only twenty two, (22) responses from a total of 83 Grand Representatives.

Again I was unable to attend the executive meeting in February and I thank Comp. J. Ratchford for giving the preliminary report.
Many jurisdictions do not have a representative due to individuals moving from the Province, requesting to be relieved or changed to a new jurisdiction, or passing to the Grand Chapter above, so we recommend the following to be appointed to some of the jurisdictions (excluding titles, we are all companions):

British Columbia  M. Ex. Comp. Eric Weigelt  Nevada  V. Ex. Comp. Garth Border
Delaware  Ex. Comp. Jack Drebit  New Mexico  M. Ex. Comp. Bryce Dougan
Manitoba  R. Ex. Comp. Lawrence Anderson  North Dakota  V. Ex. Comp. Ian Gledhill
Nebraska  Ex. Comp. Jeff Schoonmaker  Ohio  R. Ex. Comp. Jim Stroud

We still have a number of jurisdictions open for appointment, if anyone is interested in participating please contact one of the committee members or the Grand Scribe E.

Your committee consists of Comp. R.J. MacDougall, Comp. J. Ratchford, and Comp. G. Berard.

Many of our representatives still do not communicate with their committee, even if they have not been able to contact their counterpart. The committee is reviewing the list of representatives and will be recommending replacements for those companions who have not been in touch with their committee for the last 3 years, if you still wish to continue as a representative please let us know.

To those who have been communicating we thank you and sympathize with you if you have not heard from your counterpart but please do not give up, your committee will continue to do follow-ups with other Grand jurisdictions, even though they have trouble in obtaining a response as well.

**ALABAMA**  E.J. CARR
We have not been informed of a replacement for Comp. J. Stuffs.

**ALASKA**  C. SLATER — W. R. WILSON
We have not received a new address for Comp. Wilson at this time

**ARGENTINA**  J.W. ROJAS — B.M. BUTTS
Still require a new address for Comp. Butts. also Argentina has not settled down enough to contact anyone.

**ARIZONA**  A.C. EDSTROM — S. STANKOW
Comp. Edstrom contacted Comp. Stankow but he has not returned any communication.

**ARKANSAS**  J. CRAWFORD — D. BASSETT
Informed of Comp. Bassett being appointed, no communication between Comp. Crawford as yet.

**CALIFORNIA**  T.D. GOULD — C.M. SCANDRETT
Comp. Gould and Comp. Scandrett communicate regularly via E. mail. The Grand Chapter of California had 63 active chapters and 5,630 companions on record as of December 2007. This is a decline of 262 from 2006. deaths and SNPDP are the most causes. They are holding their 155th Annual Convocation in Bakersfield this year at the Marriott Hotel, where the room rate is $95.00/night. They have bundled the Cryptic Rite Masons. Knight Templars and Royal Arch Grand Convocations together, thus the lower hotel rate, (interesting). Some statistics forwarded are: the Grand High Priest's budget is $6,000/year, their per capita dues are $8 plus a .25 cent charge for the annual convocation expenses. their annual income was $91,529 (comprised of per capita dues of $44,019 and investment income). Their long term investments of $970,896 took a loss of $75,716 thus they suffered an operating loss of $46,470. They had 268 registered delegates at their convocation in 2008.

Their resolutions voted on last year were mostly administrative changes to their constitution, but of interest is how they present the motion. Two committees have to report. The first, the Committee on Capitular Jurisprudence reviews the written motion and confirms the form is proper and may proceed. The second is the Committee on Policy and Procedures, which is empowered to analyze the pros and cons and discuss the various issues arising out of the motion. They present their written report and their recommendations supporting the motion. The motion is then brought to the floor for the vote. Their focus over the years remains the long range planning committee and trying to address the problem of declining membership. Their concerns and efforts appear the same as our Grand jurisdiction.

**CANADA (ONTARIO)**  G.R. KAMPJIES — B.R. SIMPSON
Comp. Kampjies and Comp. Simpson have been communicating regularly, because of business commitments Comp. Simpson was unable to attend their annual assembly.

**CONNECTICUT**  D.D. THOMSON — R.W. READ
Comp. Thomson has attempted to contact Comp. Read but has not received a reply.

**FRANCE**  E. BLY — J. BARRIER
Comp. Bly contacted the Grand Chapter of France requesting Comp. Barrier's address, no reply as yet.

**GERMANY**  A.S. SMAKULA — A. McGHEE
Comp. Smakula and Comp. McGhee have been in contact with each other.

**INDIANA**  T. CAMPBELL — G.G. WYNE
Comp. Campbell forwarded our proceedings which was acknowledged. No proceedings received from Indiana.

**ISRAEL**  K. PAGNUCCO — E. AYALON
Comp. Pagnucco has written Comp. Ayalon but has not had any reply. He reports that the address he has is different than that in the proceedings.

**KENTUCKY**  D. STEWART — N.J. HARPER
Comp. Stewart forwarded a copy of our proceedings to Comp. Harper, has not heard back from him as yet. He spoke to Comp. Harper last year but not as yet this year.

**MICHIGAN**  M.R. ROGERS
Comp. Rogers has been communicating with the Grand Chapter of Michigan, they are going to appoint a new representative. The Grand High Priests theme of "chart a course for the future” has been quite evident throughout the chapters he visited.
MONTANA: N.G. WHITE
Still awaiting an appointment for Comp. Burgess replacement. The Grand Chapter of Montana has been contacted, no reply as yet.

NEW YORK: L. W. KLINE
Still no communication from the Grand Chapter of New York re: a counterpart.

NEW ZEALAND: C. GORDON-CRAIG – R.B. JORDAN
Have just recently received word of a new representative in Comp. Jordan being appointed. Comp. Gordon-Craig has not had time to contact him.

OREGON: L.C. DOWDELL – H.E. REID
Comp. Dowdell has been in contact with Comp. Reid and has forwarded the Alberta proceedings. Comp. Reid's son will be Grand High Priest next year.

RHODE ISLAND: H.A. SANDERSON – R. HARRIS
Having not heard from Comp. R. Harris Comp. Sanderson contacted the Grand Scribe E of Rhode Island who informed him that they lost contact with Comp. Harris several years ago, but did not say if they would appoint a new representative. Rhode Island has not published any proceedings for several years. since 1988. Rhode Island has gone to a two 1-year term for the top four elected officers, who have to be elected each year. This is for Chapter and Council.

SASKATCHEWAN: K. WHITE – J.A. HALL
Comp. White plans on attending the Grand Chapter sessions in Saskatchewan this year. They have been communicating regularly.

SOUTHWEST DAKOTA: W. SEIFERT – H. PETERSON
Comp. Seifert wrote Comp. Peterson, no response.

UTAH: J.W. KOPP
Still awaiting notification of an appointment.

VICTORIA: D. GILLIES – R. SHALLCROSS
Comp. Gilles has informed us that Comp. Shallcross passed away and he is not aware of a replacement being appointed. He has not received any proceedings from Victoria Grand Chapter.

WYOMING: D. RUSSELL – R. CHRISTIE
Comp. Russell and Comp. Christie have contacted each other, Wyoming has not put out their proceedings for several years.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WORK
R.Ex. Comp. K. E. White: M.E. Grand First Principal and Companions, at the request of the Grand Scribe, the Committee on the Work was required to speed up the reproduction of the 1990 (red cover) ritual, as approved by Grand Chapter in 2008. Rituals in the inventory have being reduced to a level of concern by the Grand Chapter office. The committee members were contacted and agreed that the information supplied by the Grand Scribe E was sufficient to proceed with the reprint of the ritual as noted above. Rituals should be available from the Grand Chapter office in the near future.

Respectfully submitted
Rt. Ex. Comp. Ken White, Chairman

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY, RESEARCH AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE
To M.Ex. Comp Jim Lore, Grand First Principal; Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta: This report describes the re-organization, after many years, of the Library, Research and Education Committee as well as enhancements to the educational resources available to all Companions.

Committee Terms of Reference
This Committee has existed for many years without a clear focus or any terms of reference. Its main function over the years has been to serve as a combination of librarian and archivist, with some education activities and promotion. Masonic research should not be a stand-alone activity, but rather a means of furthering our, or our Companions’, education; the only reason for having libraries is to support this research and education process. It is time for a change: to get back to basics and to plainly focus the efforts of the Committee towards effective and efficient Royal Arch education. At the 14 February 2009 Executive Committee meeting terms of reference for a re-organized Committee on Royal Arch Education were approved. Its purpose will be “to embed Royal Arch education in this jurisdiction, by encouraging, supporting, facilitating, and disseminating education resources, processes and outcomes at the personal, Chapter, District and Grand Chapter levels”.

Education is now all or part of the role of several Grand Chapter functions, Grand Chapter Committees and individuals. They all have something to offer to the overall education activity. Their buy-in to any plans and actions is vital for long-term success; they all should have the opportunity for input and involvement in the processes. The Committee will therefore include the Grand Lecturers, Grand Historian, District Education Coordinators, representatives from the Website and Membership & Long-range Planning Committees and the Committee on the Work, Library liaisons and a representative from the Edmonton Royal Arch Society (with the power to add members in the case of particular interest or expertise).

Libraries
Maintaining a combination of access and control for the current Royal Arch library facility in Calgary has been difficult. The library’s holdings of Royal Arch materials is not extensive – the majority of the books are Craft or
general Masonic books, most of which were acquired through gifts of miscellaneous libraries from individuals. Few books have been added in the last decade – the allotted budget for purchases was seldom used – and an updated list of the library’s holdings shows that a number of books have disappeared over the years. The Grand Lodge Library in Calgary already has a good collection of Royal Arch books, even though it is only a sideline to their main focus. An understanding has been reached with the Grand Lodge’s Executive Librarian to expand this collection by absorbing the Calgary Royal Arch library, to which the Executive Committee has agreed. Duplicate books can then be redistributed. We will gain more controls on the material and have easier access for our members to a larger collection of Royal Arch and Royal Arch-related material – the Library is open during week days, and staffed by volunteers week-day evenings – and we will be part of an up-to-date on-line catalogue. This Committee can then concentrate on filling in any gaps in the holdings. At the same time Grand Lodge will gain a larger user base, more books, hopefully more volunteers and wider advertising for the combined libraries. The Edmonton Royal Arch Society has also re-organized and re-catalogued the Royal Arch Library in Freemasons’ Hall, and a request will be made to restore funding in next year’s budget for the purchase of additional Royal Arch books for both Libraries. Many of the Lodge halls around the province have small libraries and collections of unique historic material. The tenants of these halls will be encouraged to catalogue their holdings so that a comprehensive list can be prepared.

**Grand Chapter Website**

Although the current website has some good material on it, so much more could be – and should be – done to establish it as an up-to-date, comprehensive, easy to use education resource, including re-organizing and enlarging both the Library and Link sections of the site. This Committee applauds the efforts of the Website Committee to modernize and update the website.

Respectfully submitted, R.Ex. Comp George Tapley, Chairman
R.Ex. Comp W. Seifert and Ex. Comp’s T.A. Bremner, A.D. Frado, and I.A. Hall, Members

**REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN**

To M.Ex. Comp Jim Lore, Grand First Principal; Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta: This report will cover my specific role as the Historian of Grand Chapter.

**Chapter Histories and Historical Records**

There has been only a sporadic effort over the years to maintain the histories of our Chapters. Our 100th Anniversary is approaching, and it is obvious that we have already lost much historical material. While this is particularly true of Chapters who have surrendered their Charters or amalgamated with other Chapters, few currently-active Chapters have complete historical records. One reason that this has come about may be that no officer is charged with maintaining the history and historical records of his Chapter. The only reference in the Constitution is in section 217(b): *Scribe E shall “...have the custody of the records and papers of the Chapter...”*. There are no references to “history” in the duties of the officers as presented in the Installation Ceremony or in the Ritual itself. The result is that histories are seldom or only partially written or updated. Records of historical importance are not properly stored or catalogued, and often end up in a file cabinet or boxes in a back room or someone’s basement or garage. When the Scribe is replaced or suddenly passes to the Grand Chapter Above the records may disappear. Grand Chapter has set no requirements to keep any sort of Chapter history, nor is reporting on the existence or condition of historical records part of anyone’s responsibilities.

At the 14 February 2009 Executive Committee meeting, a recommendation was put forward that these concerns be addressed either by creating a new position of Chapter Historian or by making this a duty of Scribe N. While this recommendation was accepted in principle, it will mean changes in the Installation Ceremony, in the Opening section of the Ritual and in the Constitution. Accordingly it was agreed to deal with this as part of upcoming revisions to the Constitution. However, a further recommendation that the existence/condition of a Chapter history or, at the very least, the presence of some historical records be added to the Grand District Superintendent’s reporting responsibilities, (which would include the revision of his reporting form) was accepted.

**Glenbow Museum and Archives**

In the mid 1980s the Library, Research and Education Committee made a number of attempts to collect the historical records of Chapters that had disappeared. It appears they were only partially successful, both as to the number of Chapters involved and the extent of these records. The material that was retrieved, along with some records from active Chapters and other Masonic items was then given to the Glenbow Museum to be housed in their Archives, where it now takes up about nine meters of shelf space. Unfortunately, no good record was kept of exactly what was donated, nor were the active Chapters reminded of the donation of their records. Since the material was donated “as is”, some of it may actually have little historical value. I will be working with the Glenbow staff to develop a detailed record of the material in the collection.

**100th Anniversary History**

In conjunction with the other efforts of the Centennial Committee, a 100th Anniversary history of Royal Arch Masonry in Alberta and the Grand Chapter of Alberta will be produced, with me as the lead author. A preliminary outline for the book was approved at the February meeting, recognizing that five years down the road the contents or arrangement of the final product may be slightly different. Decisions on the exact format, production methods, and quantities required (and therefore costs) will be the subject of further reports from the Centennial Committee as the project progresses. Over the coming months a variety of resource material will be
sought from the Chapters, including Grand Chapter of Canada Proceedings from the early 1900s; Chapter histories (or at least some information on their formation/amalgamation/surrender); photographs of specific Past Grand First Principals; “non-Masonic” biographies for Past Grand First Principals; suggestions and biographies for notable Companions; and photographs of historical interest.

**Proceedings of Grand Chapter**

There is not an up-to-date record of how many sets of the Proceedings of Grand Chapter exist, and thus how many volumes of Proceedings need to be bound. If you have a set (or partial set), or know where a set can be found, please let either the Grand Scribe E or me know so that a budget request can be prepared.

Respectfully submitted,
R.Ex. Comp. George Tapley, Grand Historian

**Greetings from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon**

M.Ex. Comp. Alastair Ross, Grand First Principal, extended the best wishes of the Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon to the Companions of Alberta.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE YOUTH ENDOWMENT FUND**

M.Ex. Comp. James Lore, Grand First Principal.

In addition to the $4500 committed before the Grand Chapter Communication in May 2008, the following requests totaling $4700 have been received and dealt with.

**The first request** is from Mt. Olivet Chapter in support of a donation of $1000 to a Child and Adolescent Program offered by the Camrose Mental Health Clinic. The money is used to provide supplies and library facilities for a specialized program for a group of children with anxiety disorders.

**The second request** is from Wapiti Chapter in support of a request for funding of $1500 for a family with two autistic boys. The money is directed towards the costs of a remedial reading/writing program for disabled children.

**The third request** is from Cold Lake Chapter in support of an application for funding for a specialized device which will allow a handicapped girl to walk without assistance. The girl was born prematurely and until now, at the age of nine years, is unable to walk unassisted and does not talk. She currently uses a specialized wheel chair and is attended by a full time Teaching Assistant. The proposed device will support her and allow her to develop the ability to walk. The total cost will be $1200.

**The fourth request** is in support of the We Can Help Program. A cheque for $1000 was presented at the Grand Master’s Levee on January 1, 09.

The total approved funding so far is $9,200. There is currently one outstanding request from Hangingstone Chapter for approximately $1000 but a more definite cost estimate has yet to be provided. There is also a request from Stoney Chapter that is pending.

In summary, the Youth Endowment Fund Investment of just over $160,000, generates average interest revenue of approximately $6,000 each year. Thus the $9,200 approved so far combined with anticipated requests will exceed current year’s interest revenue. However, approximately $12,000 of unallocated interest revenue accumulated during previous years will allow further requests to be considered.

As in the past, we request the local chapters to be aware of any needs that may be served by the Fund. The Committee thanks the local chapters for their efforts in raising funds to help the Fund grow and we thank the Grand Council for their help in promoting the use of the Fund.

Special thanks are extended to R.Ex. Comp. R. Astell and the Companions from Shekinah Chapter #4 for their support of the Y.E.F. through the conferral of the Widows’ Degree yesterday afternoon.

Respectfully submitted,
R.Ex.Comp. Richard Kampjes, Chairman Y.E.F.,
R.Ex.Comp. Ken Mingo, Ex. Comp. Bill Sheppard

**REPORT OF THE GRAND LECTURER**

To the Most Excellent Companion Lore and his officers: I was invited on five occasions to present lectures during this past year. I presented a lecture at the District # 3 and #4 joint workshop meeting at Bowmont Masonic Hall in Calgary. I also presented lectures at Golden West Chapter in High River, North Star Chapter in Edmonton and Alberta Chapter in Calgary. I was also asked to present a paper to the Scottish Rite Easter Breakfast in Lethbridge. This year for the first time, I was invited to give a presentation on behalf of the Royal Arch at the Masonic Spring Workshop in Kananaskis. As a result, two chapters have asked if the history of the Royal Arch could be presented to their chapters.

I would encourage the First Principals of the chapters that if they are aware that a meeting may require some Masonic education, please do not hesitate to call me and I will be more than pleased to present a paper. I would like to thank M.E. Comp. Lore for his encouragement to the chapters to involve Masonic education in their meetings. Remember, Masonic education is one way to help the members maintain their interest in the Craft in general and Royal Arch Masonry in particular.

Respectfully submitted,
M. Ex. Comp. Don Gillies , PGZ
Greetings from the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International
M.Ex. Comp. Jay Leonard, Deputy General Grand High Priest, Northwest Region, brought the greetings of the thousands of Companions who are a part of the General Grand Chapter and he reviewed a number of the programs being pursued by General Grand Chapter.

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEERS
M.Ex. Grand First Principal, the results of the election are:
Grand Scribe Nehemiah ............................................. R.Ex. Comp. Laurie Dirks
Grand Executive .................................................. R.Ex. Comp. Donald Dygert
Ex. Comp. Allan D. Prado
R.Ex. Comp. William Stinson
R.Ex. Comp. Walter J. Watts
R.Ex. Comp. Neil G. White (Applause)
M.Ex. Comp Lore: I wish to take this opportunity to thank M.Ex. Comp. Petty, M.Ex. Comp. Ross and M.Ex. Comp. Brill for their assistance. It is very much appreciated. The ballots have been submitted to the Grand Scribe E to be destroyed. Congratulations to those who were successful and to those who were unsuccessful this time, our thanks to you for allowing your names to stand for the offices that you contended. (Applause)

GRAND CHAPTER RECESSED AT 11:50 A.M. TO RESUME AT 1:15 P.M.

GRAND CHAPTER CALLED ON AGAIN AT 1:15 P.M.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HONOURS AND AWARDS
M.Ex. Comp. J. R. Crawford: M.Ex. Grand First Principal and Companions all.
The Honors and Awards met in Lacombe at the Grand Executive Meeting on February 14th, 2009 are now pleased to announce from the nominations received. The following companions have been selected to receive the two awards that are available, that of the Alberta Distinguished Service Award and the General Grand Chapter International Bronze Award.
This year the Grand Chapter Distinguished Service Award is to be presented to V.Ex. Comp. John K. Church, a member of Strathmore Chapter #21, Strathmore.
The General Grand Chapter International Bronze Award will be presented to Ex. Comp Kenneth G. South, a member of Stony Chapter #41, Stony Plain.
These awards will be presented this evening at our Annual Banquet. Those chapters that submitted names of a most deserving companion who has shown outstanding support for his chapter and has been active in his community are to be congratulated.
All chapters are requested to send their complete and thorough biographies to the Grand Scribe E’s office, so that your committee can make a correct and responsible decision on these nominations.
Respectfully submitted,
M.Ex. Comp. J. R. Crawford, Chairman

Greetings from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba
M.Ex. Comp. Victor Brill, Grand First Principal, brought the greetings of the Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba and took this opportunity to thank the Companions from Alberta for their hospitality.

REPORT OF THE LONG RANGE PLANNING AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
M. Ex. Comp. Grand First Principal, Distinguished East and Companions all,
Throughout the past year, your Committee met on two occasions, Friday December 12, 2008 at my home in Edmonton and on Saturday February 14th, 2009 prior to the commencement of the Executive Committee meeting in Lacombe.
I wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Committee for travelling long distances under unpleasant wintry conditions in order to attend. Thanks also to M.Ex. Comp. J. Lore for taking the time during his busy schedule to attend our December 12 meeting and for the contributions, which he made to our work.
During the year several changes have, taken place in the membership of your Committee R.E.Comp Johansen resigned in anticipation of moving from the Province and was replaced by R.E.Comp Chuck Powell. In order to include representation from the South of the Province R.E.Comp. John Maloney was invited by the GZ to join the Committee. We welcome the two mentioned Companions and look forward to their future participation.
The power point presentation entitled “Membership Development” was presented following requests for it, throughout the course of the year, to several District Meetings as well as to a number of Chapter Meetings. Indications are that it was and is being well received and delivers excellent food for thought and action as well as a sounding board for productive follow up discussion.
I encourage Chapters who have as yet not made use of it, to consider doing so during the upcoming months. Due to the tireless efforts of M.Ex.Comp Jesse Carr, the “Guidelines” for use by members of Grand Council have now been completed and are in the hands of the said Council members. This will be an ongoing work as additions and deletions will be necessary as the years unfold, based upon input and recommendations passed on from serving Grand Council members.

Chapter Officer’s “Guide to Duties and Responsibilities” has been produced and is pending approval by Grand Council, following which it will then be distributed by GSE to each Chapter. This is not a document cast in concrete but rather, as its title implies a guide for each individual Chapter to consider in building its own programs. It has been put together, by and large; using existing proven material drawn from Chapter’s already using much of its content.

Other projects are ongoing, with our next major consideration as an item within our terms of reference, being New Membership. A challenge to say the least. A great challenge for all members of our jurisdiction to shoulder, your Committee would therefore welcome any thoughts and ideas, which you have on the subject, and I hereby challenge all Chapters to “brain storm” the subject and submit the results to this Committee, to assist us in our work. Let us say by November 01st. Perhaps submissions should be sent through the GSE office.

Companions I feel that progress is being made in the face of obvious problems, problems which when examined usually stem in one way or another from issues pertaining to membership.

The material which this Committee is producing, is the result of much research and work by its members, I implore you to take it into consideration, no doubt much of it is and has been in use for many years, however its study produces food for thought and generates ideas. Always remember that all good things that happen, are the result of an idea.

Finally, I repeat that we will endeavor to respond to all suggestions and ideas, which you send our way and at this time I wish to apologize to anyone who has perhaps submitted a suggestion to myself or another member of the Committee and has not received an appropriate response, any such failure was unintentional.

I ask once again that you reflect for a moment upon a recent quote made by President Obama, “Our times of standing pat, of protecting narrow interests and putting off unpleasant decisions – that time, has surely past.

Respectfully submitted,
M.Ex.Comp Peter Fairbridge, Chairman, PGZ

Greetings from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan
R.Ex. Comp. John Leyshon, Grand Second Principal, thanked the Companions of Alberta for the warm welcome received and offered the best wishes of the Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan for a successful Convocation.

REPORT OF THE REGALIA COMMITTEE

R.Ex. Comp. Marvyn Rogers: To the M.Ex. Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta:

Upon reviewing the various reports of the various past Grand Chapter officers, it was decided to begin a program that would ensure that the regalia worn by the Grand Chapter officers would be more closely monitored and, as needed, replaced or refurbished.

With a somewhat limited budget for 2008-9, the Grand Council decided to:

Replace the regalia of the G.J.
- the GSE initiated discussions with our new supplier who is currently checking on costs and design requirements
- the G.J.’s collar will be refurbished
- the G.J.’s apron and sash will be replaced

Four sashes have been purchased and will be (or have been) distributed to:
- M.Ex. Comp. J. Lore - Grand Director of Ceremonies
- Grand Scribe Nehemiah - Grand Tyler

With a considerably improved budget allotment for 2009-10, the priorities will be:

Actual purchase and refurbishment of the G.J.’s regalia

Five sashes to be purchased for
- Grand Sword Bearer - Grand Junior Sojourner
- Grand Scribe E - Grand District Supt. (Dist. #4)
- Grand Historian - Grand District Supt. (Dist. #4)
- Grand Registrar - Grand Webmaster
- sash, collar and case - sash, collar and case

Respectfully submitted,

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ROYAL ARCH WEBSITE

The Committee is comprised of: R. Ex. Comp. Terry Gould (Chairman, Treasurer and acting Webmaster)
E. Comp. Bill Glover and E. Comp. John Cosgrove

As reported at the Executive meeting in February 2009, in December 2008 V.Ex. Comp. Wolaniuk formally resigned as Webmaster which was accepted by M. Ex. Comp. Jim Lore and the committee. All passwords and
controls were transferred to the undersigned who is acting as webmaster until a successor is appointed. I would like to formally thank V. Ex. Comp. Vallon Wolaniuk for his work over the years creating and maintaining the website. His work has allowed a firm foundation to proceed into the next level of website design and promotion.

At the executive committee, the committee presented their recommendation to move the website to a new URL host/platform company called Adnet Communications Inc. (Adnetinc.com) Adnet’s office is in Vancouver and is owned by a Canadian whose grandfather is a member of the craft. They will incorporate a free software package for us called Joomla to allow us to manage the site. Joomla is an open-source technology that is widely used throughout the world by thousands of websites, is easily portable and has a control feature that allows multiple users at different levels to facilitate the work of editing and loading information on the site by more than one person. You do not have to be an advanced webmaster to manage this software. Grand Chapter can take comfort in the fact that if no companions were available to work on the site, Adnet could be hired to load and edit any information the Grand Chapter may require.

It was therefore moved by Rt. Ex. Comp. Terry Gould, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Gerry Tetzloff that the Website Committee arrange relocation of the website to Adnet Communications Inc. and transfer all effective management control and surplus funds of the website committee to the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta. Future costs of maintaining the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta website are to be paid within the annual operating budget of the said Grand Chapter. That motion was passed and to date we have been working with Adnet to update the site to a crisp new format wherein more videos will be made available to ensure quick and effective communication. At the time of this report, the transition is almost complete and it is expected the new website will be up and operational by the middle of May 2009. The website committee will be expanding their numbers to a core group of 5 to 6 Companions who would be trained and controlled by the webmaster to assist with editing and loading specific areas of responsibilities within the website.

The website has experienced a noticeable decline of hits by individual computers from an average per day of 219 in March/2008 to 110 in January/2009. While at an all time low, this volume is expected since no new additional information has been provided. With the move and enhancements to the website now underway, it is expected the exposure of this Grand Chapter will be greatly enhanced when the new site is operational.

Financial statement as of March 31, 2009

Jan 1/08 Opening balance: .................................................................$1,298.98
Income Donations received .................................................................$ 200.00
Sub-total......................................................................................$1,498.98
Expenses:..........................................................................................none
March 31/09 Closing Balance: ..........................................................$1,498.98
Since inception of the website committee, the cash on hand was raised by free will donations from the Chapters and was allocated to the annual costs for the website platform and the registration of our domain name. The committee expresses sincere appreciation to the following donations received since December 31, 2007:
• Chapters who donated $100 each were Stoney Chapter #41 and North Star #2.

Therefore based upon the cash on hand, the initial $1,000 cost for conversion plus the 2009 annual cost for our domain name of approx. $30 can be accommodated without any burden on the 2009 budget of Grand Chapter. The website committee will transfer the expected surplus funds of approximately $470 to Grand Chapter to assist with future operating costs. The funds should cover the next two years operating costs.

Finally, on behalf of the committee, we express our apologies to M. Ex. Comp. Jim Lore for our inability to post his videos, messages and log book record over the past year. We will ensure his information is kept on our historical records within the site. Our efforts in the past year should ensure this situation never occurs again.

Fraternally submitted:
Rt. Ex. Comp. Terry Gould, Chairman and Acting-Webmaster

REPORT OF THE CENTENNIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta:
The Centennial Committee is pleased to report that good progress is being made toward meeting our goals to have a successful Centennial Celebration.

The committee has increased its membership with the development of two sub-committees. The sub-committees are: Centennial Historical Book Sub-committee headed by REC George Tapley, and Funding and Research Sub-committee headed by REC Colin Reichle

The Centennial Historical Book Sub-Committee has developed a outline for the Centennial Historical Book, which was submitted and approved by the executive committee. REC George Tapley has identified, that to meet our schedule’s key milestones, some of our activities need to happen sooner than the Centennial Committee originally thought.

The Funding and Research Sub-Committee has identified that the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation and the Other Initiatives Programs may be potential sources of funding for some of our Centennial Objectives. The Committee is investigating further if we may qualify for support from either of these groups.

The Committee also is looking at developing funding through various activities and events such as silent auctions, memorabilia sales, an evening of Scotch tasting, etc. These will all be subject to the approval of the Grand Chapter executives.
The Centennial Committee has commenced its Marketing and Information Sharing Program through utilization of the Grand Chapter Officers during their visits to the individual Chapters. This will continue through to the Centennial Celebrations. In addition we are also working with our Web Master to determine how we can take advantage of the internet to publicize the 100th Anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Alberta and the planned activities.

The Centennial Committee is progressing on schedule, however to ensure we continue to do so we will be looking among our Companions for further specialized skills

Respectfully submitted  
R.Ex. Comp. Wally Watts, Chairman  
Centennial Committee

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL’S ADDRESS

My Companions, it has been again my privilege to critique the Grand First Principal’s address. I think that I am running out of superlatives. We join with him in welcoming those from sister jurisdictions, guests and members of this Grand Jurisdiction at this ninety-fifth annual convocation. The dispensations granted by our Grand First Principal have been reviewed and we find them all within his authority and for the good of Royal Arch Masonry. His informal advice has also been for the benefit of Royal Arch Masonry. He is to be commended on fulfilling his obligation to visit all Chapters at least once, some several times, and on the messages he delivered to them. District Superintendents We approve his granting the title of Right Excellent Companion to his Superintendents and his confirmation of those elected for the coming year. Although late in arriving we do approve of his nominations to the position of Grand Representative, and wish them well in corresponding with their counterparts. Necrology - We concur with the Grand First Principals remarks and also thank REC Boone and VEC Sharam for the Memorial service last evening. We too shall miss MEC Costigan. It is felt that the Grand council operated well together and concur with their recommendations. They exemplified the principles of “We Three” very well. It is hoped that the optimism regarding membership is realized and that effort put forth in finding an area for a new Chapter bears fruit. With our centennial only five years away it is indeed time we all started planning for this event. We are looking forward to great things with the appointment of REC George Tapley as Historian/Librarian. This committee congratulates the recipients of the honors awards and urges all Chapters to look at their membership and see if there is not someone who deserves this recognition. Concerns and Recommendations - Membership and attendance continue to be of much concern. The suggestions put forward would certainly merit further study. There are many things, including age & geography, that would have to be taken into consideration. M.Ex. Comp. James Lore is to be commended for the effort, time and dedication he has given to his position of Grand First Principal. I trust that I speak for all members of the Grand Chapter of Alberta when I say how much we have appreciated his efforts. We look forward to his joining our ranks later this afternoon. We wish the Grand First Principal Elect, REC Richard Glasgow, every success in the coming year. Respectfully submitted;  
M.Ex. Comp. Donald B. Russell  
On behalf of all Past Grand First Principals of Alberta.  
Motion: Moved by MEC D. Russell, seconded by MEC D. Gillies. Carried.

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL’S CERTIFICATES


PRESENTATION OF HONORARY MEMBERSHIP CARDS


GENERAL BUSINESS

No further general business was brought forward.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Installation of Grand Chapter Officers commenced under the direction of M.Ex. Comp. Lyle Dowdell, with the following Past Grand First Principals assisting:
Installing GZ .......... M.Ex. Comp. L. C. Dowdell
Installing GH .......... M.Ex. Comp. J. Crawford
Installing GJ .......... M.Ex. Comp. D. B. Russell
The Grand District Superintendents were obligated and installed by M.Ex. Comp. Alvin C. Edstrom.
District #1 .... R.Ex. Comp. Jack Drebit
District #2 .... R.Ex. Comp. Vinton Weldon
District #3 .... R.Ex. Comp. Ronald O. Beirnes
District #4 .... R.Ex. Comp. Roy Freeborn
The following Grand Officers are remaining in office and were confirmed:
Grand Treasurer ......................... R.Ex. Comp. Donald H. Murray
Grand Scribe Ezra ....................... R.Ex. Comp. Marvyn R. Rogers
Grand Registrar ......................... V.Ex. Comp. Dan Eidt
Grand Chaplain ......................... V.Ex. Comp. Earle S. Sharam
Grand Lecturer ......................... M.Ex. Comp. Donald A. Gillies
Grand Asst. Lecturer ................. M.Ex. Comp. Gerry Tetzloff
Grand Historian ....................... R.Ex. Comp. George B. Tapley
Grand Organist ......................... V.Ex. Comp. Douglas R. Wilson
The following Grand Officers were invested:
Grand Scribe Nehemia .................. R.Ex. Comp. Laurie Dirks
Grand Principal Sojourner .......... R.Ex. Comp. Keng-Wei Chiew
Grand Senior Sojourner ............ V.Ex. Comp. Edward McKay
Grand Junior Sojourner ............. V.Ex. Comp. Donald McPhail
Grand Sword Bearer ................... V.Ex. Comp. Nicholas Richardson
Grand Director of Ceremonies ...... V.Ex. Comp. Allan D. Frado
Grand Pursuivant ...................... V.Ex. Comp. Glenn White
Grand Webmaster ..................... V.Ex. Comp. John Cosgrove
Grand Tyler ................................ V.Ex. Comp. Jack Webster
The General Charge was then delivered by M.Ex. Comp. James Crawford.
M.Ex. Comp. Glasgow: M.Ex. Comp’s, R.Ex. Comp’s and Companions all.
Being installed as your Grand First Principal of this Grand Chapter, I find myself overwhelmed and humbled
with this honour. I hope that I will meet all expectations.
First I would like to thank M.Ex.Comp. Dowdell and all Companions for their most efficient manner in which
they conducted the installation this afternoon. A special thank you to M.Ex.Comp. Dowdell for installing me as
Grand First Principal.
Congratulations to all of the elected officers and thank you to all appointed officers. I know you will all be an
asset to this Grand Chapter and I’m looking forward to working with you in the coming year.
These past two years have gone by quite quickly. My intention was to visit all Chapters but this I did not
accomplish and to those I missed, I apologize. I would like to express a sincere thank you to M.Ex.Comp. Lore
for his guidance as well as to R.Ex. Comp. Rogers for his valuable assistance.
It is my intention to “PROMOTE VISITATION and ATTENDANCE” during my travels as this is a very
important factor for all Chapters as well as a subject very near and dear to me.
In closing , to the visiting Companions who chose to join us for this Grand Convocation, I thank you. The
visitors always add to any special gathering. Again, I would like to thank the Companions for giving myself and
the other Grand Chapter Officers your trust and support for the coming year.
May God Bless Us in all our endeavors. Thank you,
Richard Glasgow, GZ

CLOSING INVOCATION

V.Ex. Comp. E. Sharam: Eternal God, our meeting is ended, but life in you begins anew. You call us to
journeys of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through joys and perils yet unknown.
Give us faith to go with courage, knowing that your hand is leading us, and your love supporting us. Amen So
Mote it Be.

THIS GRAND CHAPTER CLOSED IN PEACE AND HARMONY AT 2:40 P.M.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

NEWT REGUALR CONVOCATION MAY 7 AND 8, 2010 IN THE NORSEMEN INN
6505 – 48 AVENUE, CAMROSE, ALBERTA

Marvyn R. Rogers, Grand Scribe Ezra

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GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS SINCE ORGANIZATION
May 29, 1914

* S.Y. Taylor ................................. 1914
* J.N. Ranking ................................ 1915
* F.S. Watson .................................. 1916
* R. Patterson .................................. 1917
* A.R. Dickson .................................. 1918
* M.M. Downey .................................. 1919
* N.T. MacLeod .................................. 1920
* H. Darling .................................... 1921
* G.B. MacLeod .................................. 1922
* W.T. Coote .................................... 1923
* J.E. Johnson ................................... 1924
* S.H. Middleton ................................ 1925
* E.G. Ironside .................................. 1926
* W.M. McNab ................................... 1927
* F.S. Selwood ................................... 1928
* R.J. Flan ....................................... 1929
* J.W.G. Morrison ................................. 1930
* J.A. McGhee .................................... 1931
* J.V. Follett .................................... 1932
* A. West ........................................ 1933
* A. Davison ..................................... 1934
* W.E. Mercer .................................... 1935
* H. Sandilands .................................. 1936
* C.H. Minchin ................................... 1937
* A.B. McCurdy ................................... 1938
* W.H.B. Bell .................................... 1939
* W.H. Scott ..................................... 1940
* W.B. Way ....................................... 1941
* J.E. Rannard .................................... 1942
* E.G. Ellerton ................................... 1943
* F.J. Hand ....................................... 1944
* T.J. Cumberland --------------------------- 1945
* R.M. Lambertson ................................. 1946
* W.A. Irving ..................................... 1947
* A.L. Williams ................................... 1948
* J.L. Innes ...................................... 1949
* H.E. Bentley ................................. 1950
* A. Peart ........................................ 1951
* F. Mayer ........................................ 1952
* F. Acton ........................................ 1953
* G. Grieve ....................................... 1954
* C.W. Lilley ..................................... 1955
* F.L. Colwell .................................... 1956
* B.C. Jakeman .................................... 1957
* A.F. Lissack ................................... 1958
* C.M. Laverty .................................... 1959
* H.B. Wilkes ..................................... 1960
* L.C. McCoomb ................................... 1961
* N. Scheer ...................................... 1962
* W.N. Martin .................................... 1963
* L.J. Daniels ..................................... 1964
* W.B. Huff ....................................... 1965
* H.J. McCoy ...................................... 1966
* G.D. Chattaway .................................. 1967
* A.C. Gunning .................................... 1968
* A.J. James ....................................... 1969
* A. Haines ....................................... 1970
* C. Duthie ....................................... 1971
* O.P. Thomas .................................... 1972
* F.R.E. Mulder .................................... 1973
* P.J. Kendal ...................................... 1974
* J.R. Doherty .................................... 1975
* C. Farvolden .................................... 1976
* E. Tyler .......................................... 1977
* J.C. Hildebrandt ................................ 1978
* M.R. Harper ..................................... 1979
* D. Purnell ...................................... 1980
* J.D. Lee ......................................... 1981
* S.H. Scott ....................................... 1982
* E.L. Boyd ....................................... 1983
* A.L. Wadstein ................................... 1984
* M. Gushaty ...................................... 1985
* J.R. Crawford ................................... 1986
* J.M. Bremner .................................... 1987
* R.L. Costigan .................................... 1988
* N.F. Osland ..................................... 1989
* A.O. Aspenslet .................................. 1990
* E.J. Carr ........................................ 1991
* D. Neill ......................................... 1992
* W.A. Brown ...................................... 1993
* P. Fairbridge ................................... 1994
* L.A. McDermer ................................... 1995
* A.C. Edstrom .................................... 1996
* D.A. Bruce ...................................... 1997
* W.W. Patton ..................................... 1998
* L.C. Dowdell .................................... 1999
* S. Harbin ....................................... 2000
* D.B. Russell .................................... 2001
* G.E. Tetzloff .................................... 2002
* D.B. Dougan ..................................... 2003
* D.A. Gillies ..................................... 2004
* J. D. Hongisto ................................... 2005
* T. D. Drolet ..................................... 2006
* E. W. Weigelt ................................... 2007
* J. A. Lore ....................................... 2008

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

* J. Cowey ....................................... 1952
* S. Bridges ...................................... 1953
* L. Jouvenat ..................................... 1954
* W. Hill .......................................... 1955
* J. Hird .......................................... 1956
* W.G. Ward ....................................... 1957
* T. Watt .......................................... 1958
* L.E. Helmer ...................................... 1959
* C. McCormik .................................... 1960
* W. Marcellus .................................... 1961
* J.H. Cochran .................................... 1962
* E.O. Cox ......................................... 1963
* E.H. Mack ....................................... 1964
* J. Cleave ....................................... 1965
* A. Nichol ....................................... 1966
* J.W. Smith ...................................... 1968
* J.D. Tufford ..................................... 1968
* H.B. Rogers ...................................... 1969
* H.B. Stitt ........................................ 1970
* E. Searle ........................................ 1971
* M.R. Harper ..................................... 1973
* J.S. Irving ....................................... 1974
* F. McNiven ..................................... 1975
* H.C. Nissan ..................................... 1976
* M. Solberg ...................................... 1978
* D.A. Bartlett .................................... 1982
* J.C. McMaster .......................... 1983
* W.E. Riome .............................. 1985
+ R.A. Bond .............................. 1988
+ J.C. McQuaig ........................... 1989
+ R.A. Lazzarotto, Sr. ..................... 1990
+ W.J. Nicol ................................ 1991
* E. Bell .................................. 1993
* G. Whidden .............................. 1994
+ L.E. Larcombe ........................... 1995
+ K. Holmes ................................ 1997
S.G.B. Pearson ............................ 1998

* Deceased + Demitted

ALBERTA GRAND CHAPTER SPECIAL AWARD

* W. Hill ................................. 1969
* J. Odell ................................ 1970
* W.D. McAllister ......................... 1978
* H.F. Boag ............................... 1985
* R. Pigeon ................................ 1986
* E.H. Johnson ............................. 1987
* A.L. Ginter .............................. 1988
* W.A. Woodrow ........................... 1989
* L.R. Webb ................................ 1990
+ W.G. Hay ............................... 1991
+ J. McKee ................................ 1992
+ L.A. Strandberg ........................... 1993
+ L.C. Dowdell .............................. 1994
E.R. Strandquist ........................... 1995

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER SILVER MEDAL

* P.J. Kendal ......................... 1993

GRAND SCRIBE EZRAS SINCE ORGANIZATION

* M. Downey .............................. 1914-1916
* J.E. Johnson ............................ 1917-1921
* E.G. Ironside ............................ 1922-1924
* C.R. Wentzell ............................ 1925-1932
* C.A. McPherson .......................... 1933-1945
* H. Bentley ............................... 1946-1948
* F.J. Band ................................. 1949-1950
* H. Bentley ............................... 1951-1952
* F.J. Band ................................. 1953-1971
* C.E. Glover .............................. 1972-1973
* L.J. Daniels ............................. 1973-1981
* M. Gushaty ............................... 1981-1983
S.H. Scott ................................ 1983-1992
S.H. Scott ................................ ...1992 – Emeritus
L.C. Dowdell .............................. 1992-2004
L.C. Dowdell .............................. 2004 – Emeritus
M.R. Rogers ............................... 2004 –

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

R.Ex. Comp. David E. Boone ...................... Grand Second Principal, Chairman
M.Ex. Comp. Richard G. Glasgow .................. Grand First Principal
R.Ex. Comp. Jerry W Kopp ......................... Grand Third Principal
R.Ex. Comp. Donald H. Murray .................. Grand Treasurer
M.Ex. Comp. Stanley H. Scott .................. Grand Scribe Ezra, Emeritus
M.Ex. Comp. Lyle C. Dowdell .................. Grand Scribe Ezra, Emeritus
R.Ex. Comp. Marvyn R. Rogers .................. Grand Scribe Nehemiah
R.Ex. Comp. Laurie Dirks ...................... Grand Principal Sojourner
R.Ex. Comp. Keng-Wei Chiew .................. Grand Superintendent District #1
R.Ex. Comp. Jack Drebit ...................... Grand Superintendent District #2
R.Ex. Comp. Ronald 0. Beirnes ............... Grand Superintendent District #3
R.Ex. Comp. Roy Freeborn .................. Grand Superintendent District #4

All Past Grand Z’s by virtue of their Office.
ELECTED BY GRAND CHAPTER TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COUNCIL

R Ex. Comp. Ronald O. Beirnes ......................................................... One year
R Ex. Comp. G. Richard Kampjes .................................................... One year
V Ex. Comp. James Ratchford .......................................................... One year
R Ex. Comp. Kenneth E. White .......................................................... One year
R Ex. Comp. Donald L. Dygert ............................................................ Two years
R Ex. Comp. Allan D. Frado ............................................................... Two years
R Ex. Comp. W. (Bill) J. Stinson ......................................................... Two years
R Ex. Comp. W. (Wally) J. Watts ....................................................... Two years
R Ex. Comp. Neil G. White ............................................................... Two years

APPOINTED TO THE GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL

R Ex. Comp. Robert MacDougall ...................................................... Otuskwan #9
R Ex. Comp. Kenneth M. Mingo ........................................................ Mount Olive #17
R Ex. Comp. Chuck S. Powell ............................................................ Parklands #31
R Ex. Comp. David C. Switzer ........................................................... Strathmore #21
V Ex. Comp. C. K. James Wilson ........................................................ Otuskwan #9

APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS

Grand Registrar ............................................................. R Ex. Comp. Dan W. Eid ................................................. Edson #30
Grand Chaplain .............................................................. V Ex. Comp. Earle S. Sharam .......................................... North Star #2
Grand Lecturer ............................................................... M Ex. Comp. Donald A. Gillies .................................... Golden West #5
Asst. Grand Lecturer ...................................................... M Ex. Comp. Gerry E. Tetzloff .................................. North Star #2
Grand Historian ............................................................ R Ex. Comp. George B. Tapley .................................. Golden West #5
Grand Senior Sojourner .................................................. V Ex. Comp. Edward McKay .................................. Edson #30
Grand Junior Sojourner .................................................... V Ex. Comp. Donald M. McPhail .................................. Lebanon #38
Grand Sword Bearer ...................................................... V Ex. Comp. Nicholas Richardson ...................... Harmony #26
Grand Director of Ceremonies ..................................... V Ex. Comp. Allan D. Frado ...................................... North Star #2
Grand Organist .............................................................. V Ex. Comp. Douglas R. Wilson .................................. Capital City #13
Grand Pursuivant .......................................................... V Ex. Comp. Glenn W. White .................................. Capital City #13
Grand Webmaster .......................................................... V Ex. Comp. John Cosgrove ........................................ Norwood #18
Grand Tyler ................................................................. V Ex. Comp. W. J. (Jack) Webster ............................................. Stoney #41

CHAPTERS BY MASONIC DISTRICTS

DISTRICT No. 1
Grand District Superintendent, R Ex. Comp. Jack W. Drebit
P.O. Box 116, Niton Junction, T0E 1S0
Phone 780-712-1103

No. 2 North Star ................................................................. Edmonton
No. 13 Capital City ............................................................... Edmonton
No. 18 Norwood ................................................................. Edmonton
No. 30 Edson ................................................................. Edson
No. 34 Wapiti ................................................................. Grande Prairie
No. 41 Stoney ................................................................. Stony Plain

DISTRICT No. 2
Grand District Superintendent, R Ex. Comp. R. Vinton Weldon
#306, 1705 – 7th Avenue, Cold Lake, T9M 0A6
Phone 780-639-3951

No. 17 Mount Olive ............................................................... Camrose
No. 31 Parklands ................................................................. Wainwright
No. 36 Bethel ................................................................. Forestburg
No. 38 Lebanon ................................................................. Stettler
No. 39 Cold Lake ............................................................... Cold Lake
No. 40 Hangingstone .............................................................. Fort McMurray

DISTRICT No. 3
Grand District Superintendent, R Ex. Comp. Ronald O. Beirnes
27 Pensacola Close, S.E., Calgary, T2A 2K5
Phone 403-273-1057

No. 3 Assiniboia ................................................................. Medicine Hat
No. 9 Otuskwan ................................................................. Calgary
No. 21 Strathmore ................................................................. Strathmore
No. 26 Harmony ................................................................. Bassano
No. 27 Eheyeh ................................................................. Bassano
MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS BY CHAPTER

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ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD

The Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood in the Province of Alberta assembled in Annual Convention in the city of Camrose at the Norsemen Inn, 6505 - 48 Avenue, on May 8, 2009 at 1:35 p.m. with forty-three (43) members, thirteen (13) visitors and six (6) candidates present.

The Grand Council was opened in Ample Form with the following Officers present:

M. Ex. President .................. Robert J MacDougall
Ex. Vice President ........ Terry D. Gould
Ex. Chaplain ............ Donald A. Gillies
Ex. Treasurer .............. Donald H. Murray
Ex. Recorder .............. Marvyn R. Rogers

M. Ex. President MacDougall welcomed all to this meeting and had the visitors introduce themselves.

MOTION: Moved by R.Ex. Comp. M. Rogers and seconded by R.Ex. Comp. R.C. Enerson that the minutes of the last meeting held in Camrose May 9, 2008 at the Norsemen Inn, 6505 - 48 Avenue be adopted as printed in the 2008 Proceedings. CARRIED.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Applications for membership were received from the following:
Norman Edward Downs .................. Alberta #1
Martin Walter Roy Jones .............. Crescent #24
Robert Alexander J. D. Kennedy .. North Star #2
Edward James McKay .................. Edson #30
Charles Spencer Powell .............. Parklands #31
Duncan Alexander Strachan......... Otuskwan #9

MOTION: Moved by R.Ex. Comp. M. Rogers and seconded by R.Ex. Comp. D. Murray that there be a collective ballot. CARRIED.

MOTION: Moved by R.Ex. Comp. M. Rogers and seconded by R.Ex. Comp. T. Gould that the above ballot on the candidates be by a show of hands. CARRIED.

The ballot on the candidates being in favour, M.Ex. President MacDougall declared the candidates to be eligible for membership in this Order by anointing, consecration and setting apart.

The above candidates were duly anointed, consecrated and set apart. After which, each candidate was presented with his jewel and membership certificate and card by the three members of the Council.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION: Moved by R.Ex. Comp. R. Taylor and seconded by M.Ex. Comp. E. Weigelt that the Officers move up on station with the exception of the Recorder and Treasurer and that the President appoint the Sentinel for the coming year. CARRIED.

M.Ex. President then advised the Officers that if they did not wish to move up would they please advise the new President. R.Ex. Comp. T. Gould announced that the Sentinel would be R.Ex. Comp. M. Rogers.

ELECTED OFFICERS

M. Ex. President................................. Terry D. Gould
Ex. Vice President............................. Donald A. Gillies
Ex. Chaplain .................................... Charles M. Slater
Ex. Treasurer .................................... Donald H. Murray
Ex. Recorder ..................................... Marvyn R. Rogers
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HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

M.Ex. President MacDougall introduced M.Ex. Comp. James A. Lore, Grand First Principal of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta. M.Ex. Comp. Lore brought the greetings of the Grand Chapter and invited all to be present for this evening’s Ceremonial Opening of the Ninety-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, Royal Arch Masons.

M.Ex. President MacDougall reminded everyone that the meeting next year will be on May 7th, 2010 and will be held in the Norsemen Inn here in Camrose.

The M.Ex. President-elect presented M.Ex. President Robert MacDougall with a Past President’s jewel and thanked him for his work. M.Ex. President MacDougall thanked all for their support and wished the Officers for 2010 a rewarding session.

Nothing further to come before this Convention, it was closed in full form at 3:15 p.m.

Robert J. MacDougall, M. Excellent President | Marvyn R. Rogers, Excellent Recorder

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MASONIC CALENDAR

Ancient Craft Masons –
  Commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it Anno Lucis (A.L.) “in the year of light”.

Royal Arch Masons –
  Date from the year the second Temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, Anno Inventionis (A.I.) “in the year of discovery”.

Order of High Priesthood –
  Date from the year of blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchisedek, Anno Benefacia (A.B.) “in the year of blessing”.

Royal and Select Masters –
  Date from the year in which the Temple of Solomon was completed, Anno Depositionis (A. Dep.) “in the year of deposit”.

Knight Templar –
  Commence their era with the organization of their Order, Anno Ordinia (A.O.) “in the year of the Order”.

Scottish Rite –
  Same as the Ancient Craft, except the Jewish Chronology is used, Anno Mundi (A.M.) “in the year of the world”.

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

Ancient Craft Masons –
  Add 4000 years to common era:
  Thus 2009 + 4000 = 6009

Royal Arch Masons –
  Add 530 years to common era:
  Thus 2009 + 530 = 2539

Order of High Priesthood –
  Add 1913 years to common era:
  Thus 2009 + 1913 = 3922

Royal and Select Masters –
  Add 1000 years to common era:
  Thus 2009 + 1000 = 3009

Knights Templar –
  Subtract 1118 years from common era:
  Thus 2009 - 1118 = 891

Scottish Rite –
  Add 3760 years to common era:
  Thus 2009 + 3760 = 5769
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALBERTA

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