



PIERRE MASONIC MESSENGER



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DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

I received this in an e-mail a year ago and thought it worth sharing with you.

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I AM FREEMASONRY

I was born in antiquity, in the ancient days when men first dreamed of God. I have been tried through the ages, and found true. The cross-roads of the world bear the imprint of my feet, and the cathedrals of all nations mark the skill of my hands. I strive for beauty and for symmetry.

In my heart is wisdom and strength and courage for those who ask. Upon my altars is the Book of Holy Writ, and my prayers are to the One Omnipotent God, my sons work and pray together, without rank or discord, in the public mart and in the inner chamber. By signs and symbols I teach the lessons of life and of death and the relationship of man with God and of man with man. My arms are wide-spread to receive those of lawful age and good report who seek me of their own free will.

I accept them and teach them to use my tools in the building of men, and thereafter, find direction in their own quest for perfection so much desired and so difficult to attain. I lift up the fallen and shelter the sick.

I hark to the orphans' cry, the widows tears, the pain of the old and destitute. I am not church, nor party, nor school, yet my sons bear a full share of responsibility to God, to country, to neighbor and themselves. They are freemen, tenacious of their liberties and alert to lurking danger. At the end I commit them as each one undertakes the journey beyond the vale into the glory of everlasting life. I ponder the sand within the glass and think how small is a single life in the eternal universe. Always have I taught immortality, and even as I raise men from darkness into Light, I am a way of life.

I Am Freemasonry.
(Author Unknown)

PIERRE LODGE #27

Greetings from Pierre Lodge 27:

We have elected new officers for the ensuing year:

Worshipful Master – Darrol Bjerke
Senior Warden – Charles Walker
Junior Warden – Steve Walker
Secretary – Uncle Matt
Treasurer – Eugene Collett

The current year is about over and Grand Lodge will soon be here. Some goals have been accomplished and some still need a little work. I am particularly pleased in the participation of younger gentlemen in the officer line and helping with our Masonic work. The strength of our organization is how active the members are in continuing the good works of the fraternity and enjoying the fellowship as we gather.

We had another successful MMSAT dinner and special thanks go out to Perry and Dee Anderson for chairing that activity.

Look forward to seeing everyone at Grand Lodge!
Richard Decker, Master

LILY LODGE #62

Our last regular meeting was held in the Blunt Lodge Hall at 6:00PM on May 1st, 2006. A Lodge of MM was opened. The regular business was transacted. Elected officers for the coming year are:

Master – Florin Hemminger
Senior Warden – Erwin Feller
Junior Warden – Duane Schmautz
Secretary/Treasurer – Arnold Webb

The lodge was closed and opened at 7:00PM for the MM degree work for Daniel Gordon. Visiting Brothers from Onida, Blunt, Ft. Pierre, and Gettysburg helped with the degree work. At the close of the lodge a good lunch was furnished by Brothers Roger Husted and Gary Feller.

Our next meeting will be held at the Lodge Hall in Harold at 8:00PM June 5th, 2006 with Brothers Erwin Feller and Bud Beaström serving lunch.

Arnold L. Webb, Secretary

REE VALLEY LODGE #70

(Nothing was received.)

Elmer R. Johnson, Secretary

BLUNT LODGE #72

Blunt Lodge met in regular communication on May 8th with eight members and one visitor present. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and also those from the honors meeting held on April 30th.

To those who didn't make that meeting you missed some world class entertainment. We were entertained by Carol Skinner who is a two times world champion whistler. The meeting was followed by an excellent lunch of ice cream and cake.

We had a discussion about the proposed amendments to the Grand Lodge constitution; which are to be voted on at Grand Lodge in June.

At the June meeting we will hold our annual election of officers so please come. The lunch committee will be Wayne and Randy Pool.

A very good lunch was served by Brother Ray Salathe following our meeting.

Roland Kleinschmidt, Secretary

IONIC LODGE #83

Ionic Lodge #83 initiated 2 Entered Apprentices and presented scholarships to H.S. Seniors. The Seniors were: McKenzie Shields and Codi Diegel.

We have Road Ditch clean-up scheduled for May 28th and are making plans for attending Grand Lodge. It is close and we need to take advantage of this opportunity.

Thirty Masons and Ladies attended a Sunday afternoon dinner and program to honor our Ladies and Masons for their dedication and service. Fred Soule was presented with his 50-year pin. It was great to have Fred's cousin from Stillwater, Minnesota and one of his daughters from Omaha, Nebraska with us.

We will be electing officers for the new year at our June 1st, Regular meeting. We look forward to a good turnout.

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HIRAM LODGE #123

Greetings from Hiram Lodge #123,

The brothers met at the hall in Ft. Pierre on the 15th of May with a very busy schedule of events took place, first being the election of officers with brother Steve Likness being elected to the Worshipful Master seat, Jeff Reborg as Senior Warden, Levi Neuharth as the Junior Warden, and Doug Runge as Secretary for the ensuing year. Also elected was Kevin Neuhauser to the board of trustees for Hiram lodge, he replaces Don Sandal whose term expires this year. Congratulations to the brothers who were elected.

The brothers also picked scholarship winners and they are Will Mortenson, Natalie Likness, and Serena Norman. They will be presented with their scholarship at our next stated meeting in June at 7:00PM after the dinner, which is a pot luck meal so bring a dish to pass. Also taking place that same evening is a 50-year presentation for brother Clarence Mortenson at the lodge, beings there is no candidate for the low vail it was decided on to make the presentation at the lodge.

The brothers are going to prepare pancakes and sausage for the Kirley B-B gun club at the Kirley hall on 14th of June, all the proceeds will go to the B-B gun club, so come out and support these young people.

Hats off to brother Don Sandal for preparing the May meal. Again the June Meal will be a potluck meal so bring a dish and to pass.

The brothers will also be gathering to do a little cleanup at the Cedar Hill Cemetery. Contact brother Kevin Neuhauser if you are interested in helping and for a date and time.

Also if you owe dues please get them caught up, or make arrangements by calling Doug Runge at 945-1049.

Fraternally,
Doug Runge, Secretary

MOBRIDGE LODGE NO. 164

Per our District Master, "Our prayers go out to Bob Klein, secretary of the Mobridge Lodge, who recently had a heart attack and is being treating in Bismarck." I am sure all our prayers won't hurt.

EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172

Eagle Butte Lodge met May 15th with 11 members in attendance. Election of officers was held & Grand Lodge attendance was discussed. Brother Charles Mader is scheduled to receive his 50-year pin on Saturday, June 24th at 1:00PM. Refreshments will follow the open meeting presentation. All area Brothers, friends, and their families are invited to attend. Brother Chuck has raised all 4 of his sons in Eagle Butte Lodge!

Fraternally,
Dan Booth, Secretary

ONIDA LODGE NO. 173

Greetings from the Brothers of Onida Lodge:

At our May meeting the Brothers awarded 2 scholarships to students of Sully Buttes. Grand Lodge items were discussed and reviewed.

Elections for Lodge officers will be held at the June meeting.

The Lodge welcomes Brother Ed Carr who raised a MM on April 26th.

Brothers Leo Weischedel and Ed Carr will furnish lunch for June.

Fraternally,
Doug Marsh, Secretary

YORK RITE NEWS

Uncle Matt just got back to town and isn't feeling well. Hopefully he will be feeling better tomorrow.

YELDUZ, OAHE SHRINE CLUB

The May meeting was held at the Ramkota on the 18th with twelve members present. After the routine business, the up-coming Circus was the main topic of discussion. All areas seem to be coming together, but it ain't done yet.

The layout and support of concessions will be much different in the Expo Center. Circus Manager Mortenson is coordinating with the several concession leads to ensure supply.

It was also decided that the Club will participate in the Yelduz Shriners Hospital Applications Clinic June 16th from 10:00AM until 2:00PM in McClure Hall at the Masonic Temple in Pierre. Anyone knowing of a child in need please advise them.

Preparations were made for the flag trailer and calliope to attend the annual Highmore Old-Timers Parade on June 17th. As usual, the date conflicts with Grand Lodge, so our forces must be split. This is essential, as the Highmore area is a strong supporter of our Circus.

June Ladies' Nite dinner will be on the 22nd at the new McClelland's Restaurant on Highway 1806 in Ft. Pierre.

Jim Allan, Secretary

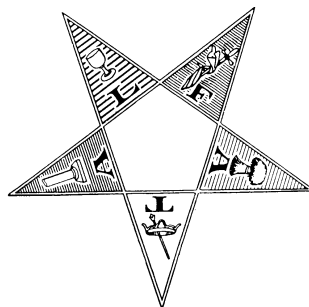
PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD

Hopefully all the Pierre Masonic bodies have reported their inventory to the Building Board Secretary. We are trying to make sure we have a good report should there be a fire or the like.

We also would like to invite the DeMolay and Jobs Daughters leaders to attend the board meetings. Hopefully you have received a letter from our secretary making it official.

We also have furnace problems we need to attend to before the winter months.

Please remember the Endowment and Elevator funds. These and using the building help with growing expenses.
Eugene Collett, President



CAPITAL CITY OES

Stardust

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY: – This is the last publication before going dark during July and August, These are members celebrating birthdays through the next three months. Those celebrating in June are: Harriet Brown on the 15th, Clinton Nielsen on the 17th, and Deborah Van Balen on the 18th. During July - Faye Ellis on the 6th, Eleanor Armstrong the 17th, Marcy Fifield the 20th, Thomas Piersol the 23rd, Lillian Myers the 26th, and Maxine Thomsen the 27th. In August, Horace Ellis on the 1st, Kathleen Valnes the 3rd, Marleane Jensen the 4th, Georgene Bjerke on the 5th, Cindy Paul the 7th, Elinor Meeker on the 9th, Ronald Lutz the 10th, Judy Ove the 17th, Alice Wright the 23rd, Samantha Witte and Keith Miller share the 24th, Palmer Hanson, the 26th, Shelly Reede the 29th, Perry Anderson the 30th, and Ruth Ann Furze on the 31st. We wish you all a happy time on your day, a relaxed fun-filled summer, and to all our good wishes for many more years of birth anniversaries.

We received a cheery note and a current Casa Grande chamber of commerce directory from Helen Neuharth. She is its director and edited the publication. If anyone is in the Arizona area, contact Helen for helpful information. A communication from Laura Lee and Clyde Nutsch informed us that Clyde had been hospitalized, is now recuperating in a health assistance facility. They reside in Omaha, NE. Mary and Richard Carr from Flagstaff, AZ,

send their greetings and are as busy as always. Thanks for your communications, we like to hear from all of you.

Our last meeting was dedicated as friendship night. The Worthy Matron had promised a short meeting which allowed the extra time for entertaining visitors and members. The Worthy Patron called card bingo and prizes were available for everyone. Then all enjoyed a selection of pies, supplied by the officers, served with ice cream or whipped toppings and other goodies. It was a great way for our chapter to celebrate an evening of friendship for this year. At this meeting, Leona Buhler received her 50-year certificate and pin. The officers did a short addenda in her honor. Records show she joined the Order of Eastern Star, was initiated in Lily Chapter in Beresford on April 17th, 1956. She, husband Merle and family moved to Pierre, petitioned and was elected to affiliate in our chapter on November 25th, 1986. Leona served as associate conductress in 1988, and filled in as a pro tem for officers, as needed. For years, she was a committee of one to organize the refreshment details. At that time, we met twice a month. It was Leona who made the arrangements to have someone available to provide nourishing provisions to those in attendance at our meetings. Congratulations Leona. And to all the members who have received their longevity membership awards. You are all a special group.

Enjoy the summer months, stay comfortable, Pray for at least a quarter inch of rain twice a week, (we don't ask for much just enough to get by) and stay well. You have all heard the story of the forty days and forty nights of rain?

Pierre then received nearly a quarter inch!

Cheers. We will see you all in September. STAR LOVE.

Waneta Chapter #47

Waneta Chapter OES hosted the May Birthday Party at the Oahe Nursing home. Entertainment was Bingo with prizes given to the winners. Those with May birthdays received a balloon and haircut or shampoo & set. Angel food cake, strawberries and cool whip were served.

\$500 hundred scholarships each were presented to H.S. Seniors, Theodore Holzwarth and Kaylee Ware at the Gettysburg High School Award's Day.

At our May meeting, the Altar was draped in memory of our deceased members of the past year.

The Chapter plans to enjoy a Pot Luck dinner at the Lodge on 6:30PM before their June 14th meeting.

The committee plans to survey the condition of the Cemetery memorial wreaths and place them on past member's graves over the Memorial Day period.

Marsha Osier 713 E Custer
Worthy Matron Gettysburg, SD 57442



JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #10

Jobie Love to All,

Our next meeting will be Tuesday May 30th at 6:00PM at the Masonic Temple. It will be Initiation. We hope to see you there.

We will be going to Grand in Sioux Falls on June 6th - 10th.

On June 16th and 17th there will be a rummage sale at the Masonic Temple from 5:00PM-8:00PM on the 16th and on the 17th from 8:00AM-3:00PM. If you would like to donate anything please call Nancy Gonsor at 224-0270 or Dallas Thompson at 224-5409.

We would like to invite everyone to our spaghetti supper on June 24th at 4:30PM-7:00PM tickets are available at

the door or from any of the girls. Please come and help support your Jobs Daughters.

Installation will be June 25th at the Masonic Temple. The outgoing Honored Queen will be Linden Barber and the new Honored Queen will be Krista Olson. The time will be at 3:00PM.

Jobie Love,
Lindsey Thompson, Guide



ASHLEY CHAPTER OF DEMOLAY

Greetings yall,
(Nothing was received this month.)

Fraternally,
Derek Runge - MC

GENERAL COMMENTS

Receipts: in last name order within lodge number.

Members from Pierre Lodge #27:

\$20.00 – Jones, Mike

Members of Capital City OES in Pierre:

\$ 5.00 – Edwards, Maureen

\$10.00 – Furze, Ruth Ann

\$10.00 – Neuharth, Helen

\$20.00 – Carr, Mary & Richard

\$10.00 – Lutz, Ron

\$10.00 – Gruenig, Jan

\$85.00 was received this month. Expense list:

1. \$145.06 for addressing and mailing the PMM

2. \$ 43.29 for copier lease

\$ 188.35 spent for May's PMM

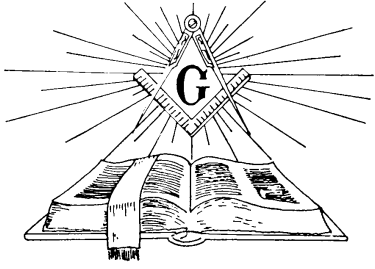
If you enjoy the PMM, please thank the people who pay for it and consider making your own donation. **I thank you!**

The PMM is \$412.70 in the good since August 1st, 2002 excluding June's PMM expenses (approximately \$190.00).

I would like to thank the brothers that made the PMM possible: Thank you authors that write the articles, print, and folded of the May PMM. Printers were: Don Sandal and Larry Kirkpatrick. Folders were: Don Sandal, Larry Kirkpatrick, Hertha Gross, Eldon LaFave, Jim Allan, Dale June, Gene Groff, Milt Oehlerking, Jim Brink, Harold Bolyard, Merle Buehler, Keith Miller and Sherman Parrott.

Please send address corrections and financial support to your secretary or directly to me. Thank you.

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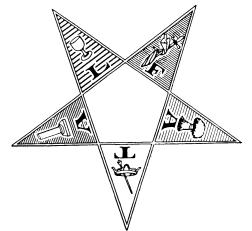
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Thursday	1	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.	
	1	7:30pm	Rising Sun Chapter #86 OES, Blunt, regular meeting & lunch	
	1	8:00pm	Ionic Lodge #83 Gettysburg, SD, regular meeting & lunch	
Sunday	4	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10	
Monday	5	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, regular meeting & lunch	
	5	7:30pm	Ft. Pierre Chapter #90 OES	
	5	8:00pm	Lily Lodge #62 Harrold, SD, regular meeting & lunch	
Wednesday	7	8:00pm	Onida Lodge #173, regular meeting & lunch	
	Monday	12	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, regular meeting and lunch
Tuesday	12	7:30pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting & lunch	
	12	8:00pm	Blunt Lodge #72, Blunt, SD, regular meeting and lunch	
	13	7:00pm	Capital City Chapter #39, O.E.S. regular meeting and lunch	
Wednesday	14	6:15pm	York Rite, dinner and 7:00pm meeting	
	14	8:00pm	Waneta Chapter #47 OES Gettysburg, regular meeting and lunch	
	14		Hiram Lodge #123, Pancake & sausage at Kirley B-B gun club	
Thursday	15	12:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club meets at Ramkota Inn	
	15	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.	
Friday	15	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch	
	16	10:00am -2:00pm	Shriners Hospital screening clinic at McClure Hall, Pierre	
Saturday	17	10:00am	Shriners Highmore Old-timers Parade	
	17	noon	PMM articles due in Pierre	
Sunday	18	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10	
Monday	19	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, Eagle Butte regular meeting and lunch	
	19	8:00pm	Hiram Lodge #123, Ft. Pierre, regular meeting and lunch	
Thursday	22	6:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club Ladies' Nite at the new McClelland's in Ft. Pierre	
Saturday	24	1:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, 50-year pin presentation to Charles Mader	
	Monday	26	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
	26	7:30pm	Ft. Pierre Chapter #90 OES (January-April only)	
	26	7:30pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting and lunch	