



PIERRE MASONIC MESSENGER



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DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

Being February: 'tis Washington's Birthday and there should be table lodges for Washington's birthday. Also do not forget District 13th's "One Day All The Way" in Pierre Lodge #27 ~~February 24, 2007~~ March 3, 2007. Breakfast will be served and it will start at 7:00AM. Lodge will start at 8:00AM. Bring your candidates and two brothers with the candidate. It will be a great day again and hope to see each lodge at the one day all the way.

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PIERRE LODGE #27

Brothers,

I am sorry that we had to postpone the One Day Degree Festival until March 3rd, but the weather did not look good in the forecasts. We will be serving breakfast starting at 7:00AM and will have lunch after the Fellowcraft degree.

Our next regular meeting will be March 12th at 700PM. I am looking forward to seeing you there.

On March 17th Pierre Lodge #27 will have Irish fare and song from 5:00PM to 7:00PM. The Irish fare being corned beef and cabbage, and the song being the Yankton Consistory Double Eagle Chorus starting at 7:00PM.

There will be a pancake and sausage breakfast on March 24th at 7:00AM everyone welcome.
Darrol Bjerke, Master - 945-1921

LILY LODGE #62

Lily Lodge #62 is sorry to have to report that Brother Dan Gordon passed away. Masonic prayer service is at 4:00PM at Luze Funeral Home in Highmore **MONDAY** February 26th. Condolences to the family. Monday February 26th we are doing the Entered Apprentice degree at the Blunt Lodge hall in Blunt, SD at 6:30PM.

Lily Lodge will hold its regular meeting at Harrold on March 5th. Lunch
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BLUNT LODGE #72

Our February 12th meeting was canceled due to stormy weather; so I don't have much news to write about.

We had to postpone our annual oyster feed again. It is usually in January, but since we couldn't do it then we tried February. That got canceled so we plan on doing it at our regular March meeting on the 12th. It will be after the meeting.

The Harrold Lodge (Lily #62) will be doing an EA degree in the Blunt Lodge hall on Monday the 26th of February at 7:00PM. All masons are welcome. Please come and refresh your memory.

I would like to remind everyone that Blunt Lodge is planning on presenting Wayne Pool his 60-year pin on the 7th of April at the Blunt Senior Center at 2:00PM. This event was also postponed due to weather.

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IONIC LODGE #83

Ionic Lodge #83 held an Information/Inquirers supper on February 15th. There were 28 in attendance. We have 4 candidates who plan to receive their degrees at the One-Day Conferral in Pierre on ~~February 24th, 2007~~ March 3rd, 2007.

During our Information Supper the Eastern Star Ladies participated and told about their Chapter. It was a nice effort to inform those present of the benefits and opportunities of both organizations. We also mentioned the other affiliated bodies.

Worshipful Brother Douglas Torbert received his 50-year pin at a ceremony in Sioux Falls on February 20th. It was presented by MW Brother Ron Lockwood, Past Grand Master and Current District Master. Brother Torbert was Initiated, Passed and Raised in Tulare. He served as Worshipful Master of Ionic Lodge in Gettysburg 4 times. MW Brother Del Ripley and Worshipful Brother Larry Madsen attended the presentation.

Did you ever notice: When you put the 2 words "The" and "IRS" together it spells THEIRS!

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HIRAM LODGE #123

Greetings from Hiram lodge 123,

First let us Congratulate Brothers Todd Mortenson, Jeff Mortenson, Charles Kirkpatrick and Mike Kirkpatrick on purchasing a life membership in our lodge. If you are interested in purchasing a life membership please contact the Secretary. The Brothers of Hiram lodge put on the FC degree for Brother Dick Runge on the 12th of February with Don Sandal serving Chili before the Work began, and on the 19th the brothers gathered for the EA degree for Brother Andy Johnson, followed by a wonderful meal prepared by Brothers Gary Johnson and Dick Hermann. The March Meal will be served by Brothers Doug and Dick Runge. And last but not least 2007 Dues are due, so get them paid.

Doug Runge Secretary

MOBRIDGE LODGE NO. 164

Brethren of the Mystic Tie:

We were #5 in the State with Life Members last year so our six new 2006 brothers should push us up another notch. Anyway, it is interesting to know that the Grand Lodge Life Membership Fund is sending \$17,496.00 in checks for its 1097 Life Members. This includes 86 new members for this year. **GOOD JOB Brothers!!!** That also means that we received our own pay back of \$475.00 which was much appreciated. However, members still in arrears need to send theirs in ASAP! MANY thanx to those who send in extra for our various funds. They totaled \$534.25, \$277.00 of which is our Scholarship Fund.

But enough of \$\$ talk. #164 will be presenting the EA degree at Pierre Saturday ~~February 24th~~ March 3rd in a One Day Event there. Yours Truly is cramming the Degree Master part into his head trying to shake the 28 years of Wisconsin Ritual our Saudi lodges used over there. There are just enough little differences that raise their heads at the d...st places that are really tough to shake. We will bring one candidate.

PAST MASTERS, we still need 5x7 nice pictures for our PM Wall. We're stuck at 11 from other Lodges and 19 from Mobridge. Go!Go!Go!
Yours in the Craft, Brer Bob

EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172

Lodge met February 19th, with eight brothers in attendance. Items discussed were the annual report, delinquent dues, bank balances, and pending degree work. The plan is to have a FC degree next meeting, March 19th, at 7:00PM. A MM degree is planned for the April meeting. Although few in numbers at the meeting, the fellowship was large following the meeting where we all enjoyed salmon chowder & cherry cobbler desert.

Fraternally,
Dan Booth, Secretary

ONIDA LODGE NO. 173

Greetings from Onida Lodge #173:

Please join us for Past Masters Night on our regular meeting night, Wednesday March 7th. Oyster Stew will be served after the meeting. Brother Maynard will be the cook!

The brothers served a pancake and sausage breakfast at the Onida AAU wrestling meet. Thank you to the all Brothers for a successful fund raiser for our Scholarship program.

Fraternally,
Doug Marsh, Secretary

YORK RITE NEWS

Greetings from the York Rite Bodies:

We continue to work through the initiation of four new members. The next degrees are the Cryptic degrees and they will be exemplified on March 8th. It also looks like we have a few more candidates waiting for future initiations. If any Blue Lodge member has an interest in learning more light in Masonry, I encourage you to contact a current member and get yourself on a list for the next class of York Rite Degrees.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Decker, Illustrious Master

YELDUZ, OAHE SHRINE CLUB

The monthly meeting was held on February 15th at the Masonic Temple with eleven members present. As usual, a fine lunch was served by Master Chef Matt Schatz and Head Waiter Perry Anderson.

Business was mostly routine. Then President Mortenson gave an update on circus preparations, handing out an initial roster of members and others who work the various concessions. Additionally listed were other members and Masons who might be enlisted to help. Also, the sponsors of the youth groups that vend the concessions will be added. The advent of having three performances in two days will require more planning and commitment to staff the concessions.

It was announced that there will be a corned beef and cabbage dinner in McClure Hall on St Patrick's Day from 5:00PM to 7:00PM, with the Yankton Consistory Men's Double Eagle Chorus performing at 7:00PM.

Then on April 14th in McClure Hall will be the ninth annual MMSATP (Masonic Model Student Assistance Training Program) Baked Steak Dinner for the benefit of teacher training to recognize and assist at-risk students. A truly worthy cause--plan to help, by attending the dinner.

March Ladies' Nite Dinner will be held on the 22nd at 6:00PM at the D & K Outpost in Highmore, right on Route 14.
Jim Allan, Secretary

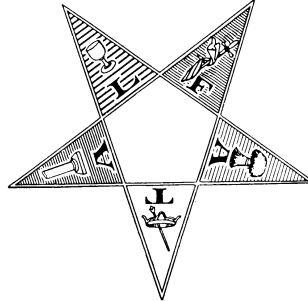
PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD

March 1st certainly got here quickly. Everything seems to be going fine with the Building Board. There are several improvements and that is that Mary Ann Nielsen chaired the renovations of the "Ladies" bathrooms and we hope that she will now visit the "Men's" rooms. We are all most thankful as the hard work of Mary Ann shows very well.

Our new President, Sandy Vanneman wants all to be reminded to always leave the temple in as good or better condition than you found it. Those that use the dishtowels should always wash and return them. Please keep things in their place. If you take chairs upstairs, please return them. We are grateful to Steve Walker, who cleaned the temple recently and he did a fine job. It is requested that the bodies that use the Temple make sure that it is kept clean.

The Board members, consisting of Sandy Vanneman, Richard Decker, Uncle Matt, Perry Anderson, Mary Ann Nielsen, Florin Hemminger, Joie Bjerke, Leon Friend and Steve Walker meet at 7:00PM on the 4th Monday of each month and anyone is at liberty to join any of the board meetings.

Submitted by Matt Schatz, Secretary



CAPITAL CITY OES

Stardust

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY: – The birthdays for March are as follows: Roger Hoffman on the 2nd, Lynda Paquette on the 7th, Erma Mikkelsen on the 20th, Louis Fratzke the 24th, Sandra Vanneman on the 25th, and Sam Tidball on the 31st. Are you all celebrating? First, our chapter is honored to announce and congratulate Marian Hemminger, a 58 year plus member, being named the Grand Representative to Australia in South Dakota. Marian enjoy, you earned it. To continue with the correspondence received during the holidays, Maureen Edwards, Sun City, AZ, wrote that she and husband Gordon celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this past year. They had a wonderful time joined with their family. She says "it was heavenly." They are proud of the two great grandchildren and like spending time with them. Viva and Billy Jo Wright, Gustine, CA., sent us their Christmas letter which noted they had been busy this past year. Their extended family include them with their activities and they enjoy being a part of the excitement. You are fortunate to be able to participate with their functions. Also, heard from Erma Mikkelsen, she had not included her Christmas letter and is doing well. All, like most of us, suffered some pain during the year. But, we are all still here and that's what is important. We appreciate you all keeping us informed. Today (2/17) our official visit for 2007 with AGC Pat Sweaney, is now history. Following our forenoon meeting, the Past Matrons and Patron's club provided a noon luncheon for the group, there was time for socializing, then, an initiation ceremony concluded the afternoon. The day began with the weather being a bit mean spirited, but after all were indoors, moods changed and it then became an enjoyable day. The sun had appeared, to start taking care of problems. Those of us who participated moved slower as the day went on, and expect most are now enjoying a soft easy chair with their feet up. If you note a discrepancy of any kind, your name, birth date, etc., do not hesitate to contact your chapter secretary, it can be corrected. March could be an interesting month. Don't miss it.

Waneta Chapter #47

(Nothing was received this month.)
Marsha Osier, Worthy Matron
Larry Madsen, Worthy Patron

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JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #10

Job's Daughters meets every 1st and 3rd Sunday at 3:00PM

Up-coming events:

- Next meeting March 4th and Official visit there will be a potluck/prospect party after the meeting.

In the Up-coming Months Events:

- Jobies are going to work at the Horse Races on April 14th.
- Rummage/Bake Sale at the McClure hall on April 28th 8:00AM-2:00PM. If you have donations for the sale, please contact Dallas or Nadene Thompson at 224-5409 or Nancy Gonsor 224-0270 or any of the council members.
- Supreme is July 22nd-29th in Merrillville, Indiana.



ASHLEY CHAPTER OF DEMOLAY

Greetings,

The year is just about over and we are doing great the Pierre DeMolay Chapter got ninth place for net growth world wide. That's something to be proud of. The last meeting we went up to the YMCA and went swimming and just hung out. Our next meeting is the 1st of March and we would like to invite any mason or eastern star member to attend. Also it was discussed at the last meeting about an idea about bringing in young Masons and taking them through the DeMolay initiation. So basically a young mason who does not know about DeMolay or what it is about. We believe doing this it would help promote the order and let masons know what DeMolay is. And possibly give them the opportunity to be an advisor but further information on the next article. But we would also like to ask if any of you know of a young man that is looking to belong to a great organization or wants to gain friendships and have a good time then let use know please. DeMolay is a very great organization and we need to make South Dakota alive as it once was we are getting there and we will be we would like your help. If you know of any young guys give Dad Dallas a call at 224-5409 or Dad Doug a call at 945-1049.

Fraternally,

Brother Derek Runge, PMC

GENERAL COMMENTS

Receipts: in last name order within lodge number.

Members from Pierre Lodge #27:

- \$25.00 – Allan, James
- \$50.00 – Beal, Harold L
- \$25.00 – Carr, Richard
- \$ 5.00 – Edwards, Gordon

Members from Ionic Lodge #83, Harrold:

- \$20.00 – Sieler, Ephriam

Members from Hiram Lodge #123, Fort Pierre:

- \$200.00 – from the lodge members
- \$25.00 – Kirkpatrick, Charles

Members from Onida Lodge #173:

- \$25.00 – Brink, Jim

\$375.00 was received. Expense list:

1. \$141.23 for addressing and mailing the PMM
2. \$ 40.66 for copier lease

\$181.89 spent for February's PMM

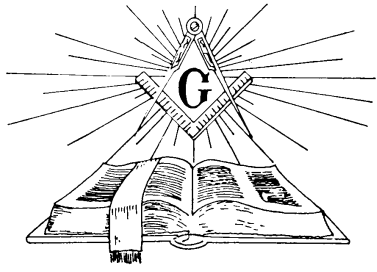
If you enjoy the PMM, please thank the people who pay for it and consider making your own donation. **I thank you!**

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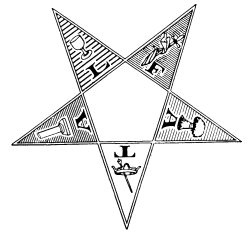
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MASONIC TRESTLE BOARD

March 2007



	1	8:00pm	Ionic Lodge #83 Gettysburg, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Thursday	1	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	1	7:30pm	Rising Sun Chapter #86 OES, Blunt, regular meeting & lunch
Saturday	3	7:00am	Breakfast at 7:00AM – Start at 8:00AM at Pierre Lodge.
			District #13 “One Day All the Way”
Sunday	4	3:00pm	Pierre Job’s Daughters Bethel #10 (Official visit)
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 (Oyster stew)
Thursday	8	???	Pierre York Rite, Cryptic degrees
Monday	12	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, regular meeting and lunch
	12	7:30pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting & lunch
	12	8:00pm	Blunt Lodge #72, Blunt, SD, regular meeting and lunch
Tuesday	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
Thursday	15	12:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club meets at the Masonic Temple
	15	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	15	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch
Saturday	17	5:00pm	Pierre, Irish fare with Yankton Consistory Double Eagle Chorus
Sunday	18	3:00pm	Pierre Job’s Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	19	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, Eagle Butte regular meeting and lunch (FC degree)
	19	8:00pm	Hiram Lodge #123, Ft. Pierre, regular meeting and lunch
Thursday	22	6:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club Ladies' Night dinner at D & K Outpost in Highmore, right on Route 14
Saturday	24	7:00am	Pierre Lodge #27, pancake and sausage breakfast
	24	noon	PMM articles due in Pierre
Monday	26	7:00pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting and lunch
	26	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
	26	7:30pm	Ft. Pierre Chapter #90 OES
	26	8:00pm	Ree Valley Lodge #70, Highmore, SD, regular meeting and lunch
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