



CENTRAL SD MASONIC MESSENGER



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DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

(Nothing was received.)

LeRoy Freimark, District Master #13

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PIERRE LODGE #27

Though Christmas is past, it is still the Christmas season of Advent and from Pierre Lodge to all it is our sincere wish that you experienced a wonderful Christmas. And as the New Year approaches a prosperous 2008.

As mention in the November messenger, Pierre Lodge like all the lodges in South Dakota was faced with the mandate to raise the dues. This measure was referred to a committee chaired by WB Richard Decker, together with Brothers Jason Glodt and Duane Schmutz. The recommendation of the committee was to raise the dues effective January 2008 to \$40 with an additional increase of \$5.00 on January 2009 for a total increase to \$45.00. This was to cover the increase in Grand Lodge per capita of \$5.00 for the Masonic year of 2008 and the additional \$5.00 increase for the Masonic year of 2009. At the December meeting this measure was approved and is effective January 1st.

On Sunday December 9th, there was a gathering of Mason, Eastern Star, Jobs and DeMolay for the Christmas dinner. Ham and scalloped potatoes with corn for the main course. Those attending brought a variety holiday desserts, cookies, salad and cakes. The meal was served at 3:15 and good fellowship and conversation lasted for about 2 hours. I want to thank all who came and enjoyed our time together to begin the Christmas season.

The One day will be fast approaching January 26th at 8:00AM. There will be a cleaning session on Friday evening tentatively set for 7:00PM. I would like to see all the officers present to help get the Lodge in readiness for Saturday. Breakfast will begin at 7:00AM Saturday morning and lunch at noon. Mobridge Lodge will present the EA, Gettysburg the FC with the Grand Lodge Officers presenting the MM. This should be an exciting event and encourage all that can, come and enjoy the day. Pierre Lodge will open and call down and up with the Grand Lodge Officers closing. In the event the weather doesn't cooperate, February 9th is the alternate date. Same schedule will apply.

As Pierre Lodge begins the New Year, our regular meeting on January 14th will be a preparation for the One day. We will have a petition for balloting as well as an educational session which should be interesting.

Again, belated Merry Christmas with continued blessing for a great New Year, HAPPY 2008.
Charles H. Walker, Master.

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LILY LODGE #62

Lily Lodge held its regular meeting December 3rd. A dues increase of \$10.00 per year was approved. PGM Delbert Ripley gave a talk on the Child Identification Program (CHIP). WB Charles Walker gave a short educational talk on the "traveling gavel" and presented it to the Lodge. Reports, talks, discussion and participation by visiting brothers are always appreciated and we thank you all for coming.

Thank you to Brothers Hemminger and Johnson for the excellent oyster stew they served. We all look forward to this treat. Lunch committee for the January 7th meeting will be Marvin and Ronnie Jessen.

I hope to see you at our first meeting in 2008. On behalf of the Lodge, we wish you all a Blessed Holiday and a Happy Healthy New Year.

Erwin Feller, Master

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BLUNT LODGE #72

Blunt lodge held its regular meeting on December 10th. A discussion was held about the Child Identification Program (CHIP) that was to be done in the school gym. That event has

now been done and was considered a success. Those from the Blunt community were paid for by the Blunt Lodge and those from Harrold were paid for by the Harrold Lodge.

It was noted that Gerald Johnson will not be able to cook oyster stew in January so the annual oyster feed will be done at a later date. We will keep you informed.

The secretary was unable to be at the December meeting so I may have missed some of the news that should be in this issue.

The lunch committee for January will be Doug Day and hopefully a helper.

Roland Kleinschmidt, Secretary

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IONIC LODGE #83

We completed some yearend business and are ready for 2008. Brothers, have you paid your 2008 Masonic dues? Your dues card should say 2008. Our Treasurer Fred Soule is spending a few weeks in Omaha with his daughter and son-in-law.

Our Parade of Lights and CHIP events were both successful.

Thanks to Larry Zebroski and David Shields for a fine meal before the meeting.

We decided to hold an Masonic/Shrine Club/OES supper on February 23rd in place of a New Year's eve party. Too many of our Masons visit family out of town over the Holidays.

We sent "Thinking of you" cards to Brothers and widows who are not comfortable getting out at night in the winter. We extend our sympathies to Brothers Bill Lehman and Casey Lehman in the death of Bill's brother and Casey's uncle, Ed Lehman.

I just heard that Worshipful Master Larry Zebroski's younger brother in Wyoming died Thursday December 13th.

Don't forget our Oyster Stew on January 3rd before the meeting (Let's say 6:45 p.m.).

Larry Madsen, Secretary

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HIRAM LODGE #123

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year From Hiram Lodge 123, Our December Meeting was Busy one first of all we put on an EA degree for Brother Derek Runge, with a nice turnout of brothers from other lodges, and we thank them for coming and visiting with us. Brother Dereks FC degree will be on our regular meeting night in January which I believe is on the 21st of January with a meal starting at 6:00pm, which as I hear is being done by the Johnson boys Andy and Gered, and the FC degree at 7 followed by the regular meeting at 8 pm. I also need to make a correction and that is that I left a name out for the Brothers that helped with the Casey Tibbs meal and that brother was Charles Kirkpatrick and I am sorry for that, thanks for your help Brother Charles.

On December 10, several Brothers from the Lodge went to Eagle Butte and put on the Master Mason Degree, and did an outstanding Job, the brothers who went were Doug Runge, Curt Mortenson, Daryl Bjerke, Mitch Norman, TJ Gaberial, Todd and Jeff Mortenson, Larry Kirkpatrick, Darren Fischer, Kevin Neuhauser, Zay Norman, again Thanks brothers for Taking the Call and helping these brothers.

We also ask our Fraternal Family to please keep Brother Phil Norman and his Family in our thoughts and prayers over the Holiday season.

This is the hardest thing to write about and that is the event that takes place on the 30th of December, as I the secretary will turn 41, so happy birthday to me. And if you know of any birthdays that take place in the preceding months please let me know and we will make them known, also I want to Congratulate the following brothers Gene Groff, and Randy Neuhauser for being our newly made life members, and Congratulations.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Fraternally, Doug Runge, Secretary

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MOBRIDGE LODGE NO. 164

Our Annual Family Caroling/Christmas Social was well attended with great munchies, tiger meat, Tom & Jerrys et.al. The Nursing Homes and Assisted Living places also heard some fine Harmony Caroling as well. #164 will have two more candidates to Ballot on at our first meeting in January bringing to four to take to Pierre if work schedules etc. fall in place. So, our work is cut out for us and we really appreciate those Brothers from Gettysburg filling in where we lack expertise. Here's hoping we have a good roster of candidates to start our 2008 which speaking of, y'all have a great Christmas and Safe & Prosperous New Year.

Brer Bob

(ps, those pesky dues?)

EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172

December was a great month in Masonry for Eagle Butte Lodge #172. We held a special meeting on December 10th to confer a MM degree and were very fortunate to be assisted by 10 members of the very capable degree team from Hiram Lodge #123 and Larry Madsen from Ionic Lodge #83. It is very enjoyable to see the work performed with the proficiency and drama it deserves. The members of our Lodge were very grateful to them for driving so many miles to help us out (23 members were at this meeting). At our regular meeting, December 17th, we conferred an EA degree by our members that went very well. We also reinstated a member who had been out for 24 years. Plans for January include FC and EA degrees. Our next meeting is scheduled for January 21st.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

Fraternally, Dan Booth, secretary

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ONIDA LODGE NO. 173

Greetings:

Onida Lodge wishes Brothers all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A CHIP event is scheduled for February 10th, from 1:00-4:00PM at the Lodge in Onida.

A special thanks to all the Brothers who have returned their dues.

Come visit in 2008!

Doug Marsh, Secretary



YORK RITE NEWS

Greetings from York Rite:

I suppose everyone has enjoyed the holidays, I know Kathy and I have.

The new year brings new beginning and the York Rite journey will begin for some new masons in February. All you Yorker's dig out your rituals, it is time to begin initiations.

The Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of South Dakota will be at our January meeting for his official visit (that's me by the way) and all are encouraged to wear their purple coats. After the meeting we will discuss and practice for the Royal Arch Degree.

I am looking forward to working with my Masonic friends in the New Year.

Fraternally, Richard Decker

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CENTRAL SOUTH DAKOTA SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

Greetings from Scottish Rite:

Happy New Year everyone!!

Not much going on this time of the year. The director of the 21st Degree may call a practice to reorganize for the upcoming reunions. If anyone is interested in either a part or as a pro tem let me know and we will include you in the communications.

Looking forward to a great year.

Richard Decker



YELDUZ, OAHE SHRINE CLUB

The Club's December meeting was held on the 20th at the Masonic Temple with eleven members present. The first order of business was the presentation by the Chairman of the nominating committee of the proposed slate of Club Officers for 2008. They were Doug Runge-President, Darrol Bjerke-Vice President, James Allan-Secretary/Treasurer, and additional directors Curt Mortenson, Sherman Parrott, Don Sandal and Florin Hemminger. I would not suggest that the election was rigged, but the slate passed. Curt Mortenson is to continue as Circus Chairman. It won't be that long!

Richard Decker reported that the November 29th initiation dinner at Ramkota, attended by 52, went very well. Four new candidates were initiated over the cold sands into Naja Temple by their Divan. The new members were presented complimentary 2008 dues cards in Oahe Shrine Club.

Richard also reported that the CHIPS program, which develops identification packages on children and at-risk adults, held at Pierre Mall on November 22nd processed 104 children. In the following days 58 were processed in Gettysburg and 69 in Blunt. These packages are kept in the possession of the parents in the hope they are never needed. Many thanks to all who assisted.

The Club also voted to purchase two of the new round tables for use in the Club Room in McClure Hall.

January 24th Ladies' Nite Dinner and initiation of 2008 Club Officers will be at McClelland's in Ft. Pierre.

Jim Allan, Secretary

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PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD

The members of the Pierre Masonic Building Board wish for all of you a prosperous and Happy New Year. May you all be blessed with good health.

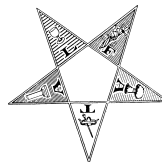
The great news we want to share is the fact that we now have a dozen new round tables in McClure Hall in the light weight material and they are working well. We wish to thank the following who donated the tables. WB Darrol Bjerke, WB Perry B. Anderson and the Oahe Shrine Club have each donated two tables. WB and Master, Charles H. Walker, Senior Warden, Steve Walker, Junior Warden, Duane Schmutz, WB Richard Decker, WB Gerald Johnson and the Ashley Chapter of DeMolay have each donated one table. I hear of one more coming in. Thanks to those wonderful brothers that have made the generous donations.

Please continue to take good care of our Masonic Temple and we always stress to keep the kitchen clean.

The annual meeting of the Masonic Building Board is slated for January 28th, at 7:00PM. Please all be there to vote on the by-law changes and to elect new representatives from the various bodies. The building Board meeting will take place immediately after the Annual Meeting.

Yours in the faith, Matt Schatz, Secretary

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CAPITAL CITY OES Stardust

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY: - January birthdays being celebrated this month are: Leona Buhler on the 9th, Deanna Hanson on the 11th, Evalin Wall on the 13th, Page Epele, Lori Ann Gibson, and Noreen Leao all sharing the 27th. We wish you all a Happy Birthday celebrations. The annual McClure Christmas party was held with near 200 in attendance. Santa was surrounded with very young people taking advantage of his presence with their wish lists.

We appreciate hearing from you with your notes attached to your Christmas greetings, of happenings in your lives during the year. Linda Dimmick has changed her address from her apartment to a senior friendly housing facility in Payson, Az. Leona & Merle Buhler have changed in Pierre, Eugene and Noreen Leao moved to Sioux Falls from Estelline for the same reasons. Patricia Greer is still actively traveling with her family members. Patricia Brancel from Okemos, MI., stopped here recently looks

great and is going strong. Pleasure to see you Pat. Rollie Page allows time for his grandchildren and care for his parents. Billie Jo and Billie Wright, Gustine, CA. just keep rolling along and enjoying life.

Eleanor & Don Armstrong, Astoria, OR, were subjected to flood damages this fall, now are making repairs. Helen Neuharth, Casa Grande sends warm sunny AZ greetings. Thank you all for sharing. Dolores Anderson had corrective shoulder surgery. Gladys Benson broke her hip from a fall. Also, Eunice Cory fell, has broken ribs. Mary Lou Fratzke had kidney surgery recently. Louie Fratzke is taking chemo treatments. Also Louie, our sympathies to you in the loss of your sister, recently.

You are all in our thoughts, prayers and we send you our Star Love.

The newly installed officers conducted their first chapter meeting for the ensuing year. Mary Ann Nielsen was installed and seated as Associate Matron. In this negative world, Worthy Matron Dolores has a plan to change that and honor our members in a positive way using the lottery fashion by drawing names of members during our stated meetings, for a "Who Are You" dialogue. She drew the names of Maxine (Micky) Thomsen, a sixty-two year member, initiated in Liberty Chapter #273, in Omaha, Nebraska, on April 19th, 1945. She joined Pierre on October 8th, 1954 and has been in the greenhouse business forever. Also named was Kathleen Valnes, a purchased life member, she was initiated March 2nd, 1991 in Pierre, has been a bank employee and now has been teaching school for a number of years. Eastern Star teaches us to act in a spirit of kindness and patience one toward another and to honor our God. This is a positive practice to follow. The next chapter meeting is scheduled on January 8th, 2008, 7:00PM. The appointed refreshment committee is Leona Buhler and Eunice Cory.

The chapter received an invitation to the installation of Bethel Honored Queen elect Katrina Brown on Saturday, December 29, 2007, at 3 pm, at the Pierre Masonic Temple.

HAPPY 2008 Wishes to you all.

REMINDER – it's 2008 dues time. These are past due after the end of December. Mail to Hertha Gross, Secretary, 623 N. Central, Pierre, SD 57501.

Waneta Chapter #47

We welcomed visitors from Mobridge. Brothers Marc Jackman and Bob Klein asked the possibility of participating in a joint Official visit with Waneta Chapter #47 on February 16th at Gettysburg. Our School of Instruction starts at 9:30AM with an afternoon Official Visit. Brother Marc will contact our Official visitors for approval.

OES Sisters presented Sister Dorothy Moul her 60 year pin on November 18th. We decorated a Christmas tree for the Gettysburg Christmas Tree extravaganza at the Dakota Sunset museum on December 2nd. We dedicated our gifts to ACTS at our Christmas party after our meeting on December 12th.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to ALL.

Sara Wuttke -Worthy Matron Larry Madsen -Worthy Patron



JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #10

Greetings from Bethel #10!

The month of December has been a busy one for Bethel 10 with regular meetings and activities. The annual Christmas party was held December 16th and was fun for the girls with food, games, and gift exchange. They also got to wear their favorite slippers instead of regular Jobie slippers at the meeting.

The installation and reception for Honored Queen Katrina Brown and all the officers is to be held December 29th at 3:00PM. Hope you all can make it.

The girls are busy making plans for our annual King of Hearts dance to be held in February. That is always lots of work but well worth the effort and something the girls look forward to every year. The votes are in for the 10 candidates, letters have been sent and soon we'll have the candidates' names and profiles in the paper. This year the dance will be held at the Community and Youth Center in Ft. Pierre on February 17th.

Merry Christmas! We wish you joy, fellowship and fun with family, and a happy and prosperous new year!

Sincerely, Nancy Gonsor, Bethel Guardian (605) 224-0270



ASHLEY CHAPTER OF DEMOLAY

Greetings,

The DeMolay chapter in Pierre wishes everybody a happy new year! First let me announce that on January 19th at 2:00PM Ashley Chapter Order of DeMolay will be putting on the DeMolay degree at the Pierre Masonic Temple for Rapid City DeMolay and Huron DeMolay. We want to welcome any Mason, Eastern Star to come and watch this work being put on. I would hope each and every one of you can make a trip to help support the DeMolay in the community. Our next meeting is on the 3rd of January at 7:00PM. Also we would like to thank all that came and supported the chili feed. We had a great turn out and also for the people who donated chili. We would like to announce that Larry Kirkpatrick was recognized the winner this year. Great Job Larry!!! Also the Brothers in DeMolay would like to congratulate Brother Derek Runge as he has started his Journey in the Fort Pierre lodge having been through the Entered Apprentice degree and moving forward! Good luck!!

Fraternally,

Brother Derek Runge, PMC, Senior Deacon

GENERAL COMMENTS

Donations received since the last CSDMM printing:

Blunt Lodge #72 donations of \$184.00 was accidentally put under Eagle Butte Lodge #172 in the December issue.

From **Onida** Lodge #173: \$25.00 – Bouchie, Eileen
\$10.00 – Buol, Bill \$10.00 – LaFave, Lonnie
\$10.00 – Marsh, Doug

From Donald & Eleanor Steptoe \$10.00

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1. \$1286.90 Previous balance
2. \$ 65.00 Receipts listed above
3. \$ 142.44 State Publishing mailed out 569 copies
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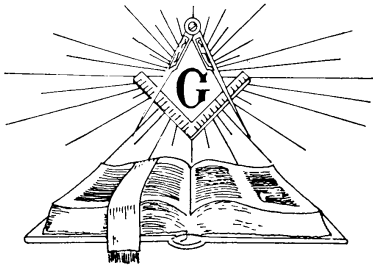
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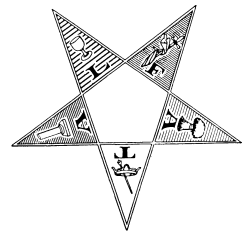
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Wednesday	2	8:00pm	Onida Lodge #173, regular meeting & lunch
Thursday	3	6:45pm	Ionic Lodge #83 Gettysburg, SD, Oyster Stew then regular meeting
	3	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	3	7:30pm	Rising Sun Chapter #86 OES, Blunt, regular meeting & lunch
Sunday	6	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	7	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, regular meeting & lunch
	7	7:30pm	Ft. Pierre Chapter #90 OES
	7	8:00pm	Lily Lodge #62 Harrold, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Tuesday	8	7:00pm	Capital City Chapter #39, O.E.S. regular meeting and lunch
Wednesday	9	6:15pm	York Rite, dinner and 7:00pm meeting
	9	8:00pm	Waneta Chapter #47 OES Gettysburg, regular meeting and lunch
Monday	14	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, regular meeting and lunch
	14	7:30pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting & lunch
	14	8:00pm	Blunt Lodge #72, Blunt, SD, regular meeting and lunch
Thursday	17	12:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club monthly meeting at the Masonic Temple
	17	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	17	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch
Saturday	19	2:00pm	Ashley DeMolay chapter will do degree work for young men from Rapid City and Huron at Pierre Lodge.
	19	4:00pm	Then Brother Kevin Neuhauser will be receiving the Legion Of Honor award, Brother Dallas Thompson will be receiving the Honorary Legion of Honor , and other DeMolay awards will be presented.
Sunday	20	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	21	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, Eagle Butte regular meeting and lunch
	21	6:00pm	Hiram Lodge #123 , Ft. Pierre, meal, FC degree, and regular meeting
Thursday	24	6:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club Ladies' Night dinner at McClelland's in Fort Pierre
Friday	25	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27 readiness and opening for the "One day all the way"
Saturday	26	7:00am	Breakfast (\$3.00) at McClure Hall until 10:00AM - everyone welcome
	26	8:00am	District 13 "One day all the way"
Monday	28	7:00pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting and lunch
	28	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
	28	7:30pm	Ft. Pierre Chapter #90 OES (January-April only)
	28	8:00pm	Ree Valley Lodge #70, Highmore, SD, regular meeting and lunch