



CENTRAL SD MASONIC MESSENGER



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DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

(Nothing was received in time for the CSDMM.)

LeRoy Freimark, District Master #13 (605) 845-2984

PIERRE LODGE #27

Greetings from Pierre Lodge #27.

It's beginning to look like winter is attempting to stay on the plains. The day is getting earlier and the evenings are getting longer. Keep your fingers crossed and Spring may be just around the corner. However; we must remember State A & B still must pass.

I would like to report on our last meeting which was held in McClure Hall. I had made a statement that at the one day, that if Cal Potratz desired to attend Lodge, to make it easier on him we will meet in McClure Hall. Cal's son-in-law came to make his proficiency and brought Cal along. It was wonderful to have Cal seated amongst the Brothers. Just a note to those that don't like the stairs, we can meet and have met in McClure hall. Every Brother has a right to attend Lodge and I would enjoy your company.

As Pierre Lodge prepares to enter into Spring, some of the calendars are starting to fill up. By the time you receive this, Pancake breakfast on February 23rd will have passed. I should mention that our breakfasts are rather well known. We have had people from California and Minnesota come and join us for breakfast. We will be serving breakfast on: March 22nd and the final breakfast for this year will be April 26th. Intention is to begin again in September on the 4th Saturday. Come and join us for either pancakes or sausage gravy and biscuits.

On Saturday March 15th, beginning at 4:00PM we will be serving corned beef and cabbage or Mulligan stew until 6:00PM. I hope that some of the Brothers may provide assistance by baking some soda bread. Tickets will go on sale soon and available at the door. \$8.00 per couple and \$6.00 for a single. Children 8 to 17 \$5.00 and under 8 free. Coffee, iced tea, juice and water will be available.

The Masonic Model Assistance Training Program dinner will be April 12th. WB Perry Anderson is Chairman of the event and is going to rely upon the Brothers of the Lodge to assist in selling tickets, meal preparation, serving and of course the famous clean-up. Please contact Perry if you can assist in any of the areas. This a premiere event for Pierre Lodge in our support of this Grand Lodge program.

We are looking for petitions. If you have a prospect let us know and we can assist you in securing new members. With this in mind, Fort Pierre will be doing work in the Master Mason this coming Monday. Prior to degree work, WB Curt Mortenson will be preparing for our dining pleasure, his renowned Prime Rib. Come and support Masonry.

Wishing each of you a blessed Lent and a Happy Easter. Remember it is not what you give, but what you give.

Charles H. Walker, Master. (605) 224-5259

LILY LODGE #62

The regular meeting was held February 4th. We tentatively set the date of April 13th for honoring Masonic wives and an Outstanding Member of the community. Plans for this event will be finalized at our next meeting.

Our Lodge sponsored Harrold area youth who participated in the CHIPs program at Blunt and paid for their fees. We were pleased at our community participation.

All enjoyed the homemade cherry pie and ice cream in honor of President's Day.

March lunch committee: Brothers Arnold and Jerry Webb.
Erwin Feller, Master (605) 224-4421

BLUNT LODGE #72

We had no meeting in February because of a snow storm.

At our regular meeting on March 10th we will have oyster stew after the meeting by PGM Gerald Johnson.

Roland Kleinschmidt, Secretary (605) 875-3358

IONIC LODGE #83

Thank you to Bob and Nancy Clark for serving the Masonic/Eastern Star supper on February 24th. Thank You to Bill Lehman (and Peggy) for the soup and sandwich meal before our regular February meeting.

We draped the altar at our February meeting in memory of Brother James Jost. His smile and presence will be missed.

We look forward to a meal from our newest Brother Deryk Drew at our March meeting. We will eat about 6:30PM.

Larry Madsen, Secretary (605) 765-2746

HIRAM LODGE #123

Greetings from Hiram lodge 123, first off let me say thanks to all the Brothers who attend our meetings as some of them are small in number but big in spirit, and Ideas. Please come and attend a meeting and bring a brother with you. We will be doing the MM Degree for Brothers Dick and Derek Runge on the 25th of February with the meal starting at 6 pm and the degree work starting at 7 pm so come and support these 2 newly made brothers. At our February meeting Brother Derek Runge did his FC Proficiency and did a outstanding job, we also congratulate Brother Derek as he and a number of students from Stanley County participated in the state one act plays in Aberdeen and he was named the "Outstanding Male actor". As a reminder if you haven't paid your 2008 dues please get them in as they were due in January if you need help please contact the secretary and we can work something out.

Also at our February meeting we had a open discussion about our current Lodge meeting location and it was mentioned that we need to keep exploring all avenues for our future so if you have an idea please come and give us your idea or give it to a lodge officer and we will bring it to the lodge for you.

If you have anything you would like to have put into the PMM please contact me and I will make sure that I get it put into the PMM for you. And also if your address or any other information changes please let me know

Fraternally, Doug Runge, Secretary (605) 945-1049

Email: derunge@pie.midco.net (605) 222-7596

MOBRIDGE LODGE NO. 164

BreTHREN:

Meet our four new members of the Mystical Tie; Brothers Alan Schorg (from Selby), Jack Walth, Doug Heil, and Tony Larsen. Alan works at the Walworth County Imp. Shop; Doug is Mgr. State Farm Ins.; Jack keeps cars running at Beadle Ford; and Tony is on the Mobridge Police Force (now I can get those parking tix fixd) (I expect extra consideration for a fender bender from Doug and some extra Prestone for this d--- weather from Brother Jack (I had to check on spelling. Did you know that a "wether" is a "castrated lamb"??? I know, more information than necessary)) (don't you edit this out Eugene or Larry, who's ever handling this part nowadaze. The column needs more verve.) (Now, isn't this more recompence for that extra \$4.00 you included with your dues for the Masonic Messinger???)

Speaking of recomwhat? A hopeful last reminder of dues for those few still behind...then, more costs for postage, mailing, envelopes, etc. etc. not to mention the eye strain, carpul tunnel progress and back pain which comes with this job. (oofda)

Brer Bob (605) 762-3392

P.S. We thought we might have a problem with Brother Alan's petition. It's one that was dug up by his father-in-law, 50 year + Mason Brother Wayne Fletcher of Garden City who Raised Brother Alan. A "1936" version which states, "I am, am not, a proprietor of or a vendor at a place where spirituous liquors are sold as a beverage." Whew!!!! I know a few that are relieved that, that stipulation left the books. (Present co. included.)

EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172

Eagle Butte Lodge had a nice turn-out Monday, February 18th despite a cold evening. A petition was read and approved. Degree work is planned for next month (March 17th) food and fellowship following to conclude the evening.
Fraternally, Dan Booth, secretary (605) 865-3726

ONIDA LODGE NO. 173

Greetings from Onida Lodge,
Onida Lodge hosted a CHIPs event on February 10th. A special thank you to all of the Brothers who help make it a success.
An EA degree is scheduled for March 19th for two candidates.
As always visitors are welcome!
Doug Marsh, Secretary (605) 258-2787



YORK RITE NEWS

Greetings from York Rite:
We have begun the initiation process on two new companions and look forward to having them join us.
We have just found out that the Grand Commandery of South Dakota will be providing the honor guard for Centennial Celebration for the State Capitol Building on June 20, 2008. The Grand Lodge Officers will be reenacting the original ceremony which was done on June 25, 1908. There are big plans for a large Masonic gathering for this event and everyone should put it on their calendar. More information will be forthcoming.
Please enjoy the religious holiday that is upon and have a Blessed Easter.
Richard Decker MIGM, High Priest (605) 224-4514



CENTRAL SOUTH DAKOTA SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

Greetings from Scottish Rite:
We are busy planning for the Day of Remembrance Ceremony that we as Scottish Rite members gather for on Maundy Thursday (March 20th). Dinner will be served at the Pierre Masonic Temple at 6:30PM CST with the ceremony and business meeting following. Tickets are \$8.00 each and please let Gary Johnson know if you and a guest will be attending.
The 21ST Degree team had their first spring practice on March 13th and there is still time to participate before the Spring Reunion the last weekend of April. Let Dave McGruder or myself know if you wish to help.
Enjoy the Spring, Richard Decker



YELDUZ, OAHE SHRINE CLUB

The monthly luncheon meeting was held at the Masonic Temple February 21st with twelve members and two Yelduz Divan guests present. The usual fine lunch was prepared and served by Uncle Matt Schatz.
Discussions and preparations for the 2008 Oahe Shrine Circus have begun in earnest. It was decided that there will be one evening performance on Friday July 11th at 7:00PM and 2:00PM

afternoon and 7:00PM evening performances on Saturday July 12th. It was further decided that due to increasing costs that ticket prices will be raised to \$3.00 for children and \$8.00 for adults at the gate. These are the first increases in more than ten years. The prices for concessions are still being reviewed.

The expanded schedule will require expanded help, so please give some thought for signing up.

March Ladies' Nite Dinner will be at the St. Charles at 6:00PM.
Jim Allan, Secretary (605) 945-1832

PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD

The Annual Meeting of the Pierre Masonic Building Board was held on January 28th, 2008 with 18 present constituting a quorum. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM. The following association by-law amendments were amended and approved:

- Section 10 was amended to require the position Treasurer to be an elected member of the board of trustees;
- Section 18 was amended to delete wording that stated that the President would be the custodian of all bonds given to the Association;
- Section 21 was amended to change the Association membership to 13 in order to add 3 members from Ft. Pierre Lodge No. 123, and 1 member from the Oahe Shrine Club;
- Section 23 was amended to require the election of the Treasurer as provided in Section 10, provide a financial report at each regular meeting of the board, and to require three signatures on all accounts (Treasurer, President and Vice-President).

The minutes of last year's annual meeting were read and approved as read. The Treasurer's Report was presented by Perry Anderson and approved. It was suggested that we communicate to all members the importance of contributing to the Endowment Fund. This fund will pay a yearly dividend regardless of the interest rate and helps the board to plan for necessary repairs and improvements on the building throughout the year. Anyone desiring more information should contact Perry Anderson.

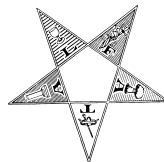
WB Charles Walker presented a list of items related to improvements of the building. These items were discussed and will be taken into consideration.

At the regular meeting of the Masonic Building Board the following new board members were welcomed and installed to serve for a period of three years: Mike Jones, Pierre Lodge #27; Mary Ann Nielsen, OES; and Matt Schatz, Temple Council #7.

The election of officers was held the following were duly elected to serve as officers: President, Richard Decker; Vice President, Mary Ann Nielsen; Secretary, Sandy Vanneman; and Treasurer, Perry Anderson. WB Matt Schatz will continue to serve as the booking agent and will present all bookings to the Secretary for inclusion on the calendar. Newly elected President Decker announced that he will be appointing committees to work in several project areas and will announce them at the next regular meeting.

The Board recognizes and thanks WB Rich Gloe for continuing to provide refuse service as a gift to all who participate in the use of our building.

Sincerely, Matt Schatz, retiring secretary (605) 224-4454



CAPITAL CITY OES Stardust

FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY: – March birthdays of members who will be celebrating: Roger Hoffman on 2nd, Lynda Paquette the 7th, Sam Tidball the 13th, Erma Mikkelsen the 20th, Louis Fratzke the 24th, Sandra Vanneman the 25th and Richard Decker on the 30th. Happy Birthday to you all.

The official visit is just around the corner scheduled on Saturday March 8th. A.M. Mary Ann Nielsen has arranged the luncheon plans at 11:30AM, for Teri Parlet who will be the special guest for this event, meeting to begin at 2:00PM W.M. Dolores Anderson has organized the meal at 6:00PM then the evening meeting will begin at 7:30PM.

In our last issue of this publication, we noted the misfortune of Elinor and Jack Meeker who lost their home on Christmas Eve. They have now resettled to 21234 1st Place So., De Moines, WA 98198. We wish them well in their new home and hope their lives again to return to some normalcy. From the Worthy Matron's magic chapter membership box there were two names drawn. The first was the name of Marleane Jensen, a fifty-two year member, initiated here in 1956. At the present time, she is being hospitalized in Pierre being treated for pneumonia in preparation to be admitted to the Heart hospital in Sioux Falls to receive a valve implant. Marleane we send you our very good wishes and prayers for a quick recovery to enable you to return to your regular life activities soon. The second name drawn was Richard Decker. He is a fairly new member of our chapter and is now serving the station of Marshal. Richard is a dual member coming from the Yankton chapter where he was initiated on June 15th, 1978. He is enthusiastic with lots of energy to get things done. Congratulations Marleane and Richard, you are our February chapter celebrities.

The next chapter meeting date is March 11th, at 7:00PM, to celebrate friendship night, to welcome and entertain other chapter members and friends. Refreshment hosts are Joanne and Horace Ellis. Again on Tuesday, March 25th, another fun night is scheduled. All are welcome to enjoy the fun. Bring a snack to share.

Please note: We have a few membership dues still outstanding. If you have not paid your dues for 2008, please do so as soon as possible by sending your remittance to the chapter secretary at 623 N. Central, Pierre, SD, 57501. Thank you.

During the month of March we have the opportunity to turn our clocks ahead, change winter into the season of spring, celebrate Palm Sunday, St. Patrick's day, Holy week, Good Friday and Easter. Make plans for these events and enjoy.

Waneta Chapter #47

Sisters and Brothers in attendance at our Official Visit enjoyed the guidance and fellowship of Associate Grand Conduress Teri Parlet. We were pleased to share the day with Ionic Chapter of Mobridge. There were 8 Sisters and Brothers from Mobridge in attendance. I believe that Gettysburg had about 14 Sisters and Brothers present. We also had visitors from Faulkton, Cresbard, Blunt and Harrold. The morning/afternoon Official Visit makes it easier for those who have problems traveling at night. We realize that it is also more difficult for those who are working a job that requires them to be on duty during the day.

We were honored to conduct a Funeral Ceremony for Sister Lola Maroney. Sister was a long time member of Waneta Chapter. She was residing recently at the Selby Nursing Home. She will be missed by family and friends.

Thank You to the Gettysburg Masons for inviting us to be a part of an information social and supper on February. Sara Wuttke -Worthy Matron Larry Madsen -Worthy Patron



JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #10

Greetings from Bethel #10!

The month of February found the Bethel 10 Jobies sending good wishes in Valentines to the Veterans in the VA hospitals in both Sioux Falls and Sturgis.

King of Hearts dance was also a fun February event for the girls. After many hours spent planning, preparing, selling tickets, and decorating, the dance date finally arrived on February 17th. This was our first year to hold the event at the Ft. Pierre Community and Youth Center and by all accounts it was a great success. The gymnasium became a beautiful ballroom with over 530 young people in attendance. So much steam was generated that the ceiling appeared to be leaking water. (Now that's some real serious dancing)! Thanks to all who helped chaperone!

March 2nd will be our first meeting of the month. Our second meeting, which is also Initiation, will be March 16th. We have 4 girls to be initiated. Two of the girls have been in our

Jobie to Bee program this past year and are anxiously awaiting their chance to be part of the Bethel.

Our annual rummage sale will be coming up soon, so please think of us if you are cleaning closets and have something you'd like to donate. The date will be decided on and announced later.

The girls are looking forward to having Secret Sisters (and brothers) in the Eastern Star. The names will be drawn at our first meeting in March.

Nancy Gonsor, Bethel Guardian

(605) 224-0270



ASHLEY CHAPTER OF DEMOLAY

Greetings,

Let me first off say that Pierre DeMolay has again been busy. In the process of setting up a DeMolay night March 15th and we are trying to get all the DeMolay in the State of South Dakota together for a night. Also we will be putting on the initiation ceremony. So if there is a young man that you think would make a good DeMolay and help the good of the Order, PEOPLE bring him to us!!!!

On other news I want to congratulate Brother Derek Runge who advanced to State One Act for School in Ft. Pierre and returned with a State Outstanding Performer award! Also to Brother Jared Gidle on making it to State Wrestling. We would like to welcome three new advisors to the Pierre DeMolay; Steve Walker, Charley Walker, and Kevin Neuhauser. Brother Derek will be taking his Master Mason Degree with his Father on Monday night; the brothers wish him the best and are very proud. As I have stated before if you know of a young man please, please get a hold of us! We need to build our Youth Organizations! We need the help of the other Masonic Bodies! Let's work together! If you know of a young man please get in touch with Dad Doug at 945-1049 Dad Dallas 224-5409.

Fraternally,

Brother Derek Runge, PMC, Senior Deacon

GENERAL COMMENTS

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From Capital City EOS Chapter #39:

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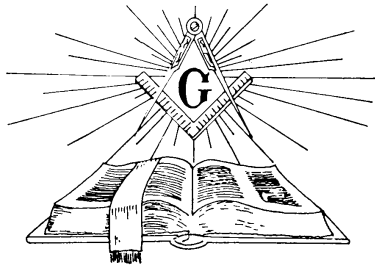
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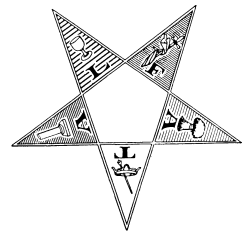
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Sunday	2	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	3	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, regular meeting & lunch
	3	8:00pm	Lily Lodge #62 Harrold, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Wednesday	5	8:00pm	Onida Lodge #173, regular meeting & lunch
Thursday	6	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	6	7:30pm	Rising Sun Chapter #86 OES, Blunt, regular meeting & lunch
	6	8:00pm	Ionic Lodge #83 Gettysburg, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Saturday	8		Capital City Chapter #39, Official Visit
Monday	10	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, regular meeting and lunch
	10	7:30pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting & lunch
	10	8:00pm	<u>Blunt Lodge #72</u> , Blunt, SD, regular meeting and <u>oyster stew</u>
Tuesday	11	7:00pm	Capital City Chapter #39, O.E.S. friendship night, regular meeting and lunch
Wednesday	12	6:15pm	York Rite, dinner and 7:00pm meeting
	12	8:00pm	Waneta Chapter #47 OES Gettysburg, regular meeting and lunch
Saturday	15		Statewide DeMolay night to be held in Pierre
Sunday	16	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	17	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, Eagle Butte degree work, regular meeting and lunch
	17	8:00pm	Hiram Lodge #123, Ft. Pierre, regular meeting and lunch
Wednesday	19		Onida Lodge #173, EA degree scheduled
Thursday	20	12:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club meets at the Masonic Temple
	20	6:30pm	Scottish Rite members gather for Day of Remembrance on Maundy Thursday at the Pierre Masonic Temple. Tickets are \$8.00 each and please let Gary Johnson know if you and a guest will be attending.
	20	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	20	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch
	22	7:00am	Pierre Lodge #27 is hosting a breakfast at McClure Hall until 10:00AM – <u>everyone welcome</u>
Saturday	22	noon	PMM articles due in Pierre
Monday	24	7:00pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting and lunch
	24	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
	24	8:00pm	Ree Valley Lodge #70, Highmore, SD, regular meeting and lunch
Tuesday	25	7:00pm	Capital City Chapter #39, O.E.S. fun night
Thursday	27	6:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club Ladies' Night dinner at St. Charles Hotel