



# CENTRAL SD MASONIC MESSENGER



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## DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

By now Scholarships have been done and election of new officers should be done also. The close of 2007-2008 lodge year is almost over for another year. Next month is Grand Lodge 19-20-21 of June in Mitchell. I am looking forward to seeing old friends again, be sure and get your Grand Masters Points Program done and in by the end of May. I am looking forward for our lodge #164 all family picnic in June.

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

## PIERRE LODGE #27

Greetings all from Pierre Lodge #27.

Well the year is just about completed and a new chapter to begin. At our last meeting we had elections with the following results. Steve Walker was elected Worshipful Master, Duane Schmautz elected Senior Warden and Jason Glodt elected as Junior Warden. Matt Schatz and Eugene Collett were elected Secretary and Treasurer respectively. At our June meeting Steve has indicated he will be announcing the appointive officers. If you are desiring of serving, contact Steve. Tentative installation is scheduled for June 29<sup>th</sup>.

Grand Lodge is fast approaching and is scheduled for Mitchell, South Dakota for June 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The big event is scheduled for Friday in Pierre which is the re-dedication of the corner stone laying at the Capital. All South Dakota Masons are encouraged to attend this event scheduled for 11:00AM on the 20<sup>th</sup>. After the dedication join your fellow Brothers at 201 West Capital, Pierre Lodge for a sandwich lunch prior to departing back to Mitchell or home. Lunch will be available for \$5.00 and all are welcome. Sandwiches are being prepared for those traveling to Pierre on the buses from Mitchell. This is a great opportunity to show case not only the Grand Lodge of Masons of South Dakota, but the Masonic family. This event is going to be filmed and will be a historic date for which will not be duplicated for another 100 years.

Also, at our next meeting, the retiring officers will be serving a spaghetti supper prior to the meeting. Come and be hungry and break bread with us. We will be balloting on two additional petitions and possibly scheduling some work.

As retiring Master, I want to thank my officers for this past year. We were busy and I believe did accomplish some good things. The one-day went well due to many hands pitching in and helping. I look for good things to come within our District (13) and will be seeking the assistance of the District Brothers in growing in our District. Wishing those that will be or have been elected in the District much success and anything I can do to help, please contact me.

Have a safe and wonderful summer.

Charles H. Walker, Master

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## LILY LODGE #62

The regular meeting was on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Election of officers was held with the following results:

Master – Duane Schmautz

Senior Warden – David Ramsey

Junior Warden – Gerald Schmautz

Secretary/Treasurer – Arnold Webb

The following officers were appointed:

Senior Deacon – Florin Hemminger

Junior Deacon – Dean Ritter

Senior Steward – Mike Volek

Junior Steward – Roland Kleinschmidt

Tyler – Erwin Feller

Chaplain – Gary Feller

Marshal – Gerald Johnson

Education Officer – Erwin Feller

PGM Gerald Johnson will install the new officers.

Our next meeting, before going dark for the summer will be held June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Erwin Feller will provide the lunch.

Erwin Feller, Master

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## BLUNT LODGE #72

Blunt lodge held its regular meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup> with ten members and three visitors present.

A report by Brother Dale July on the cost of a new stair glide was given. The old one is obsolete and parts are no longer available so it was voted to buy a new one with the order of Eastern Star sharing costs.

A letter was read from Grand Lodge pertaining to the coming convention in Mitchell, SD. Masons are urged to attend the rededication ceremony of the cornerstone laying at the capitol building on June 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM in Pierre. Please wear your apron as the badge of a Mason.

Election of officers for the coming year was held. A new slate of officers will take office on the first meeting after Grand Lodge meeting.

Cards were signed by all present for Gerald Johnson and La Von Kozel who were reported to be ailing.

The lunch committee for June will be Pierre Barnes and Roland Kleinschmidt. I hope everyone can attend so we can have installation of officers for the coming year.

Roland Kleinschmidt, Secretary

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## IONIC LODGE #83

Ionic Lodge presented two scholarships to High School seniors. This is a good time to thank a few families who help make this possible with their generous gifts through the years. Major contributors that I remember are the Sundergards, the Archie Spicers, the Britzens (from out of South Dakota, but a member here) and Mildred Ackerman. Our scholarship recipients are Shelby Lemler and Ashley Vincent. We wish them well in their college careers.

We enjoyed good fellowship at our Honors social and dinner. The Gettysburg Cub Scouts prepared a very nice meal. It was great to see young people pull together on a project. Our Mason of the year is Larry Zebroski and our Non-Mason of the Year is Dr. Steve Buechler. Examples of their leadership contributions to our community are the Parade of Lights and the Quas-quecentennial celebration.

Larry Madsen, Secretary

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## HIRAM LODGE #123

Greetings from the secretary's desk,

Again our May meeting was small in number but large in support, thanks to all the brothers who showed up for the meeting. We held the election of officers, and the following Brothers will be serving Hiram lodge 123 as 2008-09 officers and they are WM Doug Runge, SW Levi Neuharth, JW Jeff Rheborg Sec. Dallas Thompson, and Treasurer Mike Kirkpatrick. Congratulations to the following Brothers and good luck. The low Vail will be held at Foster Bay on the 28<sup>th</sup> of June starting at 10 am, plan on attending that event, looks to be a good one. Also mark your calendar for the 30<sup>th</sup> of May as the Oahe Shrine Club will be holding a Screening Clinic at McClure Hall starting at 10am and going until 2 pm, we will have a nurse from the Twin Cities Shrine Hospital in attendance, and If you are a Shriner either NAJA or Yelduz please come and give a little bit of your time, after all that is what it's all about the kids...

We ask that you keep Brother James Hague in your thoughts and prayers as he is dealing with some health issues, and also to continue to keep Brother Leon Boren in your thoughts and prayers also.

Also as you have been hearing in lodge and others have been talking about the June 20th cornerstone laying rededication, the one comment I have to make is they are making coins to commemorate the event and if you are interested in one they are for sale at the cost of \$5 dollars apiece and you need to contact Richard Decker at 280-6650 to get your name on the list, so they know how many to get. Also plan on attending this event as many of us will never see it again. And Remember Grand lodge is just around the corner, with a Brother from Pierre lodge in the running for JGW Brother Decker, so we wish him well. And also Brother Charles Walker will be taking the reigns as the District Master of District 13 and we wish him well also.

Also mark your calendar for June 14th as that is the day the Hiram lodge 123 will be helping build the Habitat for Humanity house in Pierre, so please get a hold of Brother Steve for more details on the plans.

The Brothers also gave their thoughts and concerns on the issue of a new home for Hiram lodge 123, both pros and cons of the issue, we need to keep in mind that I have received an email from the Varmint hunters association and they are not having Hiram lodge cook for their Jamboree, that is a big fund raiser for the lodge and we should think of something else to replace that event for the upcoming year. And last but not least, there are several brothers who have not paid their 08 dues if you are not sure contact me and I will check for you. And I remind you to please come and attend lodge it's your lodge too, we need to keep it going.

Fraternally, Doug Runge, Secretary  
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### MOBRIDGE LODGE NO. 164

BreTHREN:

Well, our "Final Exposed" for the year. First of all, two of our brothers, Bill Rice and Sherm Parrott have retired to that Celestial Lodge above. The Lodge Charter was "Draped" in their honor and we will miss them. Brother Bill always took care of our widows and needy members endowment stipends and Brother Sherm (who was one of triplets, two sisters) always donated \$20.00 to our Scholarship fund. Both were Life Members.

Mucho gracias to our York Rite members who have sent in their dues and \$55.00 so far in KTEF donations. Reminder-KTEF treatment is for member related adults as well children (no cost).

Our Annual Shrine Club Game feed saw more than 50 in attendance enjoying the event. Our thanx to those Nobles from far and near who came.

Now, would you believe? Noble Tyler Hoffman from Rockham, who came, is also a "whether man". He confirms the procedures previously described and joins my list of "wethermen". And now, the final episode in the saga of "cast and docking" techniques (a job one could really sink his teeth into). Remember, the cap of the 2<sup>nd</sup> whetherman had to be turned around, (hence, that custom to this day, but don't ask the many who still do it as they've no idea). So, having done that, and having checked with his dentist, proceeded to use the only instrument handy to do the job- human mandibles!!! (the Lord said that there would be "great gnashing of teeth" but didn't He mean on the Day of Atonement?) Many Thanx to my secret "weathermen", Robert Rose of Eagle Butte, Carl Norby of Mobridge, and Tyler Hoffman of Rockham. Brother Robert said that he would be available for a demonstration. I would suggest in conjunction with the Cornerstone Celebration, but...

The lodge presented three \$200.00 scholarships this year. One each to Judon Mehlhaff-Eureka, Danielle Sieck-Selby, and Megan Steiger of Mobridge. We wish them the best of Luck!

Brer Bob

(605) 762-3392

### EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172

Eagle Butte#172 met Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> with 9 members and 1 guest from Billings, MT Lodge #29, in attendance. We had a FC degree with the help of Junior Grand Deacon Bruce Crisman serving as degree Master. He also gave a very informative presentation on the CHIP (CHild Identification Program).

The next meeting is scheduled for June 16<sup>th</sup> (8:00PM MDT) for election of officers and possibly more degree work.  
Fraternally, Dan Booth, secretary (605) 865-3726

### ONIDA LODGE NO. 173

(Nothing was received.)  
Doug Marsh, Secretary

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### YORK RITE NEWS

Greetings from York Rite:

Ladies and Gentlemen there are two new Knights Templar amongst you. Greg Starr and Steve Walker have been dubbed Knights by their Grandfather and Father respectfully. I know both want to carry on the family tradition.

Our next meeting is in September and we will be installing the newly elected officers.

Please have a safe and fun summer and see you at the Capitol Dedication on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Richard Decker, MIGM

(605) 224-4514



### CENTRAL SOUTH DAKOTA SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

(Nothing was received.)



### YELDUZ, OAHE SHRINE CLUB

The Club's May meeting was held at the Masonic Temple on May 15<sup>th</sup> with nine members present. Perry and Dee Anderson substituted for Uncle Matt in the preparation of lunch.

The main topic was preparation for the July circus. Manager Curt Mortenson reported on the latest planning. The primary outstanding issue is the scheduling of help for the four events. We urge any and all who will help to contact Curt Mortenson or President Doug Runge. Our ability to successfully staff these events will affect any future circuses. Costs are rising sharply.

The packages for the children's ticket routes are in final preparation for an early June start. We have several routes that still need nobles to sell.

We are also entering the parade season with upcoming events at Highmore June 21<sup>st</sup>, Gettysburg June 28<sup>th</sup> and Ft. Pierre July 4<sup>th</sup>. We urge nobles to support these events. It is our best opportunity to be seen in the communities.

There is to be a Screening Clinic for children on May 30<sup>th</sup> at the Masonic Temple McClure Hall from 10:00AM to 2:00PM. There will be a nurse from the Twin Cities Hospital in attendance.

Note that the June Club Meeting will be at the Temple on WEDNESDAY JUNE 18<sup>th</sup> rather than Thursday, due to Grand Lodge.

Twenty One members and ladies gathered at the VFW Club for the May Ladies' Nite Dinner. The June 26<sup>th</sup> Ladies' Nite will be at Spring Creek.

We are all greatly saddened by the passing of Noble Sherman Parrot. See below for details of memorial service.

#### Sherman Parrott Service

There will be a Masonic Graveside service for Sherman at 11:00AM Monday June 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Spring Valley Cemetery in Pollock, SD, sponsored by his Mobridge Lodge. Delbert Ripley will conduct the service.

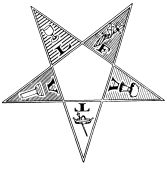
Jim Allan, Secretary

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### PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD

(Nothing was received.)  
Sandy Vanneman, Secretary

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## CAPITAL CITY OES Stardust

**FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY:** –The members are celebrating birthdays during these next months are - Jessica Richardson on the 12<sup>th</sup>, Harriet Brown 15<sup>th</sup>, Clinton Nielsen 17<sup>th</sup>, Deborah Van Balen the 18<sup>th</sup>, and Jon Gonsor the 30<sup>th</sup>. During July – Faye Ellis the 6<sup>th</sup>, Eleanor Armstrong the 17<sup>th</sup>, Marcy Fifield the 20<sup>th</sup>, Thomas Piersol the 23<sup>rd</sup>, Lillian Myers the 26<sup>th</sup>, and Maxine Thomsen on the 27<sup>th</sup>. During August - Horace Ellis on the 1<sup>st</sup>, Kathleen Valnes on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, Marleane Jensen on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Georgene Bjerke the 5<sup>th</sup>, Cindy Paul the 7<sup>th</sup>, Elinor Meeker the 9<sup>th</sup>, Ron Lutz the 10<sup>th</sup>, Alice Wright the 23<sup>rd</sup>, Samantha Witte and Keith Miller share the 24<sup>th</sup>, Palmer Hanson and Samantha Gaetze share the 26<sup>th</sup>, Shelly Reeder the 29<sup>th</sup>, Perry Anderson on the 30<sup>th</sup>, and Ruth Ann Furze the 31<sup>st</sup>. We wish you each and all the happiest time on your days and throughout the years.

**REMINDER** - The Eastern Star picnic is on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. The doors of the Pierre Masonic Temple McClure hall will open by 11:00AM. There is a devotional time planned and the picnic meal will be served at High Noon. Refreshments are being provided. Come with your family, friends, a dish to pass for all to enjoy the day.

At the last chapter meeting two names were drawn from the membership box to be honored this month. One name drawn was Betsy Valnes. She was initiated into membership during the 2001 Grand Chapter session held in Sioux Falls and is a purchased life member. She graduated with honors from Augustana Lutheran College, Sioux Falls. She was in several stage plays with the Pierre Players and in high school productions, played the French horn, piano accompanist and soloist. She received the honor to represent the SD college vocalists to participate in the surrounding State's competition held in Minneapolis. Betsy was the 1997 Pierre entry to participate in the Junior Miss contest in Sturgis where she was named the South Dakota 1998 Junior Miss to participate in the national competition in Mobile, Alabama. Betsy keeps busy with her work on a national basis to improve the interests of those young folks with special needs.

The second name drawn was Velma Becker. She was affiliated with the Pierre chapter on October 13, 1998. She was initiated on March 15, 1963 in the Star of the North Chapter #122 in Columbia, SD. When her family moved to Wisconsin, she joined the Medford Chapter #254, in Medford on February 13, 1978. Although she was inactive for a bit she was elected to the station of associate conductress several times and has served all Star point stations numerous times except the station of Ruth, which is her future goal. She taught middle school Math in Medford for 27 years, and has been substitute teaching in Pierre since moving here. Velma enjoys working with her UCC church activities, an active member of the Pierre Senior Citizens Center and Capital City Chapter #39. Velma and husband Elwin, have one son. She is a gardener and enjoys fishing trips with her husband especially in the Black Hills where they have family.

Congratulations to Jacqueline Van Balen Johnson on the birth of baby girl, Evian.

We are saddened to report the loss of two chapter members recently, Roger Hoffman and Judy Ove. Judy Ove's Eastern Star grave site rites are scheduled to be held at the Pierre City cemetery on Saturday, June 28, at 11:00 am.

The next chapter meeting is on June 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00PM, to honor 50 plus year members with Mary Lou and Louis Fratzke on the refreshment committee. Capital City chapter #39 is DARK during July and August to resume on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Stay well, enjoy these vacation months with family, friends, or just to do as you wish. Star Love to all Eastern Stars.

### Waneta Chapter #47

(Nothing was received.)

Sara Wuttke -Worthy Matron      Larry Madsen -Worthy Patron



## JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #10

Greetings from Bethel # 10!

(Nothing was received.)

Nancy Gonsor, Bethel Guardian

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## ASHLEY CHAPTER OF DEMOLAY

(Nothing was received.)

Brother Derek Runge, PMC, Senior Deacon

### GENERAL COMMENTS

#### **Donations received since the last CSDMM printing:**

From Onida Lodge #173:

\$10.00 – Weischedel, Leo

From OES #39: \$100.00

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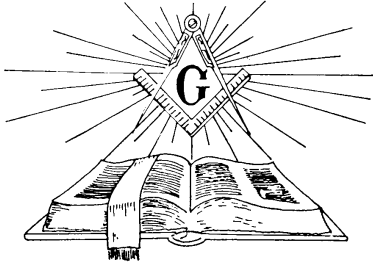
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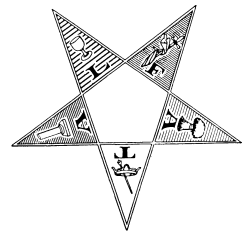
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## ***MASONIC TRESTLE BOARD***

### ***June 2008***



Sunday	1	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	2	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, regular meeting & lunch
	2	8:00pm	Lily Lodge #62 Harrold, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Wednesday	4	8:00pm	Onida Lodge #173, regular meeting & lunch
Thursday	5	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	5	7:30pm	Rising Sun Chapter #86 OES, Blunt, regular meeting & lunch
	5	8:00pm	Ionic Lodge #83 Gettysburg, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Monday	9	6:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, spaghetti supper then regular meeting
	9	7:30pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting & lunch
	9	8:00pm	Blunt Lodge #72, Blunt, SD, regular meeting and lunch
Tuesday	10	7:00pm	Capital City Chapter #39, O.E.S. regular meeting and lunch
Wednesday	11	8:00pm	Waneta Chapter #47 OES Gettysburg, regular meeting and lunch
Sunday	15	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	16	8:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, Eagle Butte regular meeting and lunch
	16	8:00pm	Hiram Lodge #123, Ft. Pierre, regular meeting and lunch
Wednesday	18	12:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club meets at the Masonic Temple
Thursday	19	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	19	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch
Friday	20	11:00am	Re-dedication of the corner stone laying at the Capital
Saturday	21	10:00am	Oahe Shrine Club Highmore Old-timers' Parade
Monday	23	7:00pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting and lunch
	23	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
	23	8:00pm	Ree Valley Lodge #70, Highmore, SD, regular meeting and lunch
Thursday	26	6:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club Ladies' Night dinner at Spring Creek
Saturday	28	7:00am	Breakfast at McClure Hall until 10:00AM - everyone welcome
	28	10:00am	Oahe Shrine Club Parade in Gettysburg
	28	noon	PMM articles due in Pierre
Friday- July	4	10:00am	Oahe Shrine Club Parade in Ft. Pierre