



# CENTRAL SD MASONIC MESSENGER



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## DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

Seasons greetings from your District Master,

I have almost completed my official visits. Due to weather Blunt canceled and if the weather cooperates, will meet with them on January 12<sup>th</sup>. I have been told that Chef Gerald Johnson will be preparing his favorite dish. May want to attend to check this out. I have heard rumor that stew will be in order on the 8<sup>th</sup> of January at Gettysburg. Might mark this on your list of things to do.

A reminder that the District One-day is scheduled for January 24<sup>th</sup> at Pierre Lodge. Breakfast will be available at 7:00AM. Lunch at noon and wrap up by 3:30. Mobridge will present the EA, Gettysburg the FC and Fort Pierre the MM. Please let me know if you will be bringing a candidate by Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup>. Also a reminder that you will need to have a Mentor present for each candidate together with garment and hoodwink.

A reminder to the District that PGM Delbert Ripley will present a Lodge of Instruction upon invitation. Keep him busy by letting him know when you would like him to come.

I would also ask that you keep WB Florin Hemminger in your prayers, as he is scheduled for surgery at the Sioux Falls Heart hospital. Cards would also be in order. He reports January 5<sup>th</sup> with a possible procedure that week.

By the time this has been published Brother Harold Bolyard will have been presented his 50 year pin. I am in the process of scheduling a 60 year Palm presentation for Brother Horace Ellis, which could be soon. As I receive these awards it is my intention to present them as soon as possible.

Have a wonderful Christmas and may the new year Bless you.

Charles H. Walker, District Master #13 (605) 224-5259

## PIERRE LODGE #27

Greetings from the East,

Merry Christmas and to all happy new year from Pierre Lodge #27. I would like to start off with congratulations too Bill Alexander and Quinton Johnson for becoming our newest members. They were raised in the third degree on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December.

With the one day scheduled for 24<sup>th</sup>, snow date the 7<sup>th</sup> of February, we at Pierre lodge are looking forward to seeing every one there. and again I would like to wish a very Merry Christmas and happy new year to all.

Steven Walker, Master (605) 224-8988

Dear Brothers:

As this will arrive in your mail on or about Christmas Eve, I will start by wishing each of you and your family a Very Blessed Christmas Season. I do not recall when the Christmas Season was ushered in with such cool temperatures and I further trust that this is not a sign of global warming.

The two new brothers that were raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason are Captain Quenten Johnson and Bill Alexander. It was a great evening with great degree work, a meal and even greater fellowship. Thanks to all the Brothers that participated. It is most sincerely appreciated.

Most importantly please note that we have scheduled a One Day Festival on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 with the following schedule. breakfast starts at 7:00AM and the EA Degree will be conferred at 8:00AM by the Mobridge Lodge. It will be followed by the EA Degree conferred by the Gettysburg Lodge, and there will be a scrumptious lunch served and we will go into the Master Mason Degree that will be conferred by the Ft. Pierre Lodge and all Grand Officers will be attending. The storm date is February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 with the same schedule.

Our next stated meeting will take place as stated, on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and I would urge all officers to be present and hopefully as many members as can. Please get any petitions that you might have to the Secretary immediately.

What a great Joy it is for me to serve as your Worshipful Master and in that note of joy I must admit that Winter came before we were ready for it. May the star of the East brighten

your cold winter days and may the blessings of the Christ Child be abundant in your life in the coming months. God Bless you all  
Most sincerely, Matt Schatz, Sec. for the Master (Requested by E. Collett)

## LILY LODGE #62

The regular meeting was held on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008. This meeting being the annual Oyster Stew feed provided by brothers Johnson and Hemminger had a very good attendance, one of the few meetings where visitors outnumbered Lily Lodge members. I would like to extend a sincere "THANK YOU" to all those who attended. RWB Richard Decker Grand JW of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota addressed the lodge bringing "Seasons Greetings" from the Grand Lodge of South Dakota. PGM Delbert Ripley addressed the Lodge and discussed possible dates for a Lodge of instruction. This is scheduled for our next regular meeting January 5<sup>th</sup> 2009.

Duane Schmautz, Master (605) 224-7861

## BLUNT LODGE #72

Dear Bothers,

We did not have a regular meeting in December due to bad weather; however, WM Roland Kleinschmidt would like to invite everyone to our annual oyster stew feed on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The feed will follow our regular meeting at 8:00PM.

Fraternally yours, Brian Schultz, Secretary (605)-280-3836

## IONIC LODGE #83

We enjoyed a good turn out on a cold night for our regular December meeting. Brother David Shields, Education Officer, reminded us of changes we have made during the past several years. We have become more active in the community by hosting a Children's Fund Day after the school homecoming parade, we have sponsored two Child Identification events (SDCHIPS), and we have joined with the Chamber of Commerce for a "Parade of Lights". We identified 36 children during our SDCHIPS event. We thank the Onida Brothers for their help. We served soup, sandwiches, and bars to nearly 100 people after the parade on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

The district One-Day conferral will soon be here. We may have 1 or 2 candidates. It depends on what we get done locally.

Norm Campo will be here for our regular meeting on January 8<sup>th</sup>. He is bringing the oysters and he is always fun to visit with. He may also be in South Dakota for the Harrold and Onida meetings.

Larry Madsen, Secretary (605) 765-2746

## HIRAM LODGE #123

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Brothers of Hiram Lodge 123. The December meeting was well attended, where the Brothers enjoyed Steve Likness' famous Walleye Chowder. The Brothers also discussed the possibility of the Ft. Pierre Lodge to host the Saturday morning Breakfast which the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday would be the Hiram lodge's Saturday for making and serving, further plans will be discussed at our next meeting, the brothers also came up with the plan of maybe start playing some cards or other activities between the time we eat and when our meeting starts, these ideas are in efforts to raise money for our book scholarship, so please come and support our efforts. Let me clarify something that I put in the November messenger, the aprons that we are talking about are for cooking meals and when we are to do fundraisers for the Lodge or mason's, and I have purchased 15 aprons and we are still checking to see what it will cost to have them embroidered and then we will set a price for them, if you are interested in getting one please let me know so we have an idea of how many more we will need to get. In other business the brothers presented the lodge with a Pre approval form for Jerad Geigle, and after some discussion the brothers gave a favorable vote and now he has to be given a petition, all indications are that he has accepted. With no further business from the lodge officers and members of Hiram Lodge 123 we wish you a Merry Christmas.

Fraternally, Doug Runge JW (605) 945-1049

## **MOBRIDGE LODGE #164**

Brethren:

A great time was had at our Annual Family Social and Caroling Party where the eggnog freed folly, I mean flowed freely, and the many and various hors d'oeuvres were a sight to behold!!! I particularly enjoyed the tiger meat. No social gathering should be without it.

It's my last PMM prep of 2008, (sniff) but I'll be back with more scintillating articles in the New Year. In spite of our new (2<sup>nd</sup> year) dues amount, donations to the various funds were SUPER!!! We already have \$519.00 in our Scholarship Fund and will again be able to give \$200.00 scholarships, each, to three deserving students.

More GREAT NEWS!!! Governor Rounds and the Deadwood SD State Historical Society has allowed us the Grant towards the needed work on the Lodge Building and our 50% Fund of it is growing, but more work and donations are needed. The Egyptian motif in the façade and walls of the Lodge is the only one in SD and likely in many states around. Help with our fund raising will be most appreciated.

Finally, keep sacred the inviolate, whoops. I mean, a little trivia for you. In one of his cartoon strips of Little Orphan Annie, Brother Harold Lincoln Gray, penned Annie as saying "With all his mines an' oil wells in the orient, Daddy's been there hundreds of times but he says one time he traveled to the East, and didn't make a dime, meant more to him than all th' other trips he'll ever make - I don't get it - do you?"

"Sah haht tah coom", "to your health", and have a SUPER, SAFE, 2009.

Brer Bob

(605) 762-3392

## **EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172**

We did not meet December 15<sup>th</sup> because of bitter cold temperatures. We are hoping for a January thaw so we can meet January 19<sup>th</sup>. Our lodge is supposed to host the District 14 meeting so we need to meet and get that scheduled!

Fraternally, Dan Booth, secretary

(605) 865-3726

## **ONIDA LODGE NO. 173**

Greetings! The Brothers of Onida Lodge# 173 wish everyone a Healthy Happy and Prosperous 2009.

Come join us for oyster stew and Past Masters night on January, 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00PM.

Fraternally, Doug Marsh, Secretary

(605) 258-2787



## **YORK RITE NEWS**

York Rite met Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:15PM. A nice meal was served by Stan Schwellenbach and Mike Jones. They donated \$58.00 to the McClure door fund.

On Wednesday we practiced for the Mark Master & Past Master Degrees and Thursday December 11<sup>th</sup> we initiated three good Master Masons into the Mark Master and the Past Master Degrees. That is real good news.

Wednesday January 14<sup>th</sup> is our next regular meeting with a meal at 6:15PM to be served by Richard Decker and helper. We plan to practice Most Excellent and Royal Arch Degrees and on Thursday January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM we will put on the Most Excellent and Royal Arch Degrees. We urge all York Rite members to be there both nights, if possible.

You should have this to read before Christmas, so everyone have a good Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Reminder: Dues are due for 2009.

Pierre Chapter #22 = \$20.00

Temple Council #7 = \$20.00

Capital City Commandery #21 = \$27.00

For a total = \$67.00.

Make checks payable to: Pierre York Rite Masons and mail to: Florin W. Hemminger; Pierre York Rite; 119 S Central; Pierre, South Dakota 57501.

Florin W. Hemminger, Recorder, Secretary, and Treasurer



## **CENTRAL SOUTH DAKOTA SCOTTISH RITE CLUB**

Greeting Brothers. May the Lord be with each of you.

When you receive this Hanukkah will have begun. It is a period that we should take time to remember along with the heralding of the Birth of Christ who has been described as the Light of the World. Hanukkah is the most widely celebrated American Jewish holiday, possibly because it is a fun, child-centered occa-

sion. It is celebrated with excellent food, an exchange of gifts, and the lighting of beautiful menorahs (special Hanukkah candelabras) filled with brightly colored candles. Unlike some of the other Jewish holidays, which require intense spiritual reflection or elaborate preparation, it is easy to celebrate.

Many Jewish holidays commemorate events invested with historical and religious meaning, and Hanukkah is no exception. It commemorates the re-dedication of the Temple in Jerusalem after its desecration by foreign forces. The celebration also reaffirms the continuing struggle to live by God's commandments and to lead Jewish lives. When all is said and done, perhaps the most important message of Hanukkah may be found in the name of the holiday itself: Dedication. When Jews have dedicated themselves, through faith and action, to the pursuit of high religious and human ideals, Judaism has been strong. That imperative, to strengthen our religion and our people, remains an important challenge at this season, in every generation. Hanukkah begins every year on the 25<sup>th</sup> of the Hebrew month of "Kislev." This year, the 25<sup>th</sup> of Kislev corresponds to the evening of December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008.

As we begin a New Year, let us rededicate ourselves to participating as practical to furthering our Scottish Rite. It will not be long and we will be preparing for the Maundy Thursday program. Let us each plan to attend this special occasion. May your Christmas be bright and your New Year filled with Blessings.

Charlie Walker

(605) 224-5259



## **YELDUZ, OAHÉ SHRINE CLUB**

Greetings from the President,

Our December meeting was moved from Thursday to Wednesday, as I had a Dr. Apt in Sioux Falls, so I thank Nobel Schatz for changing his work schedule to make our lunch, and he did a wonderful job. The business of the day was our nominating committee who brought the name of Charles Walker to the table for the vice presidents seat and was accepted whole heartedly and will do a fine job, also accepting were Daryl Bjerke as president, and Doug Runge to the trustees. At the writing of this article the Nobles of the club made their annual nursing home visit, and had a wonderful turnout, and the residents of the various facilities really look forward to us doing that, and I would also like to thank Richard Decker's two granddaughters for coming and giving us a hand. Our January Ladies night will be held at the Cattlemen's Club where we will hold our installation of our new officers, and we are also in the process of holding a cold sands, the date is the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January and the activities will start at 6:30PM, and as of the writing of this article we have one new Novice, and rumors we might have a few more. In closing let me again say thank you to a few Nobles and members of the Oahe Shrine Club, that throughout my year as president have helped me or given me advice or guided me in the right direction, or made our meals or helped in parades. Thank you very much and keep up the work of the club and the Shrine.

Doug Runge, President

(605) 945-1049

## **PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD**

I am happy to report that the Masonic Temple is getting a lot of use. It also is great to see that almost everyone is trying to clean up after their function.

We have about a third of what we need to pay for the new doors in the McClure Hall. It will be nice not to have all the traffic coming through the kitchen. I would encourage everyone to try to send something to help defer the cost and get the project completed.

Don't forget the annual meeting the fourth Monday in January for the election of officers and discussion about any bylaw changes. We will also be discussing putting our building on the National Registry of Historic Buildings. If you have any agenda items, get them to Sandy Vanneman. We begin at 7:00PM.

Hope everyone has had a great holiday season.

Richard Decker, President

(605) 224-4514



## **CAPITAL CITY OES Stardust**

**FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY:** - It is a new year and the following members are celebrating their 2009 birthdays this January: Leona Buhler on the 9<sup>th</sup>, Deanna Hanson the 11<sup>th</sup>, Evalin Wall and Sally Richardson sharing the 13<sup>th</sup>, Page Epele the 14<sup>th</sup>, Lori Ann Gibson and Noreen Leao both on the

27<sup>th</sup>. The weather may be blustery and cold but let your celebrations be forth lively and having fun.

At the December Chapter meeting, Linda Schwartz was presented for installation, was seated to serve the Chapter Star Point Adah Station for the ensuing year. Santa Claus made his presence at the annual McClure Children's Christmas party held on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, which drew school age children to take part of the activities at the Pierre Discovery Center. After Santa Claus made his presence, the children were eager to give him their expected wish lists on Christmas Eve. There were drawings and treats available to those present. A note from Mildred Miller, indicated that her family is planning an open house celebration for her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday, the 29<sup>th</sup> of December in Sioux Falls.

Worthy Matron Donna Newman has accepted the date for the Capital City Chapter #39, Order of Eastern Star official visit to be conducted on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. The chapter will entertain the Worthy Grand Matron Jan Gruenig who will be our visitor on that date and it has been placed on the Pierre Masonic calendar. More details will be available in this February issue.

Please remember your dues are past due after January 1<sup>st</sup>.

The next chapter meeting date is on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009. LaDonna Wagner and Hertha Gross were appointed refreshment hosts.

A happy new year for good health to you all.



## **JOB'S DAUGHTERS** **BETHEL #10**

Good tidings to all,

The fun event bowling party with no turkey to be had was held on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Honored Queen Michelle James thought that the girls have been so busy lately, she organized an afternoon of fun for the girls. However, the bowling was anything but "typical" with awards for bowling backwards, through the legs, laying down, spinning and others.

On December 21<sup>st</sup> the Jobies had a regular meeting followed by a Christmas party and gift exchange. For a change of pace, the girls wore their favorite slippers – with everything from dogs to bears! They have worked very hard to learn their parts and have all done an amazing job this term.

Honored Queen Michelle James will pass her crown to Calla Holzhauser. You are all invited to the installation ceremony at 2:00PM on Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Come and visit us and congratulate our outgoing Honored Queen, Michelle, and incoming Honored Queen Calla. Semi-formal attire is requested and a reception will follow in McClure Hall. Other newly elected officers are Senior Princess Gena Burley, Junior Princess Lisa Jenssen, Guide Brooklyn Young, and Marshal Merideth Keeler.

Our thanks to all who attended our first ever Jobie pancake feed on December 6<sup>th</sup>. With the funds raised the girls were able to adopt a family for Christmas. The girls had the fun of playing elves, shopping, and wrapping gifts, not to mention all the tasty treats that were donated. It was a wonderful opportunity for the girls to learn the meaning of Christmas. Thank you all again for your support! Given the success of the first pancake feed, the girls have decided to hold another on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. However, a few things will be changed in order to improve the service provided to our customers: the serving times will be changed to 7:30AM to 11:00AM and the Jobies will be seating guests, taking orders and serving the food – all with a big welcoming smile. A real bargain for \$3.00 for all you can eat!

Preparations are underway for the King of Hearts dance on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The Job's are asking for volunteers to help as chaperones for the event. More details will be coming soon. If you are willing to help, please contact Mike Holzhauser at 945-1601. **Happy New Year!** Bethel Co-Guardians Deb Gaetze (224-5956) or Ann Holzhauser (945-1601).



## **ASHLEY CHAPTER OF** **DEMOLAY**

Greetings,

Well by the time this article is published the Chili feed will be history. A good turnout it was kind of good due to the weather and area sports that went on. But thanks to all who showed up and donated chili and came and enjoyed the feast. The Chili Feed winner was Richard Runge.

The DeMolay met and had their Christmas party Saturday December 20<sup>th</sup> at the Masonic temple. There was a good turnout! One new prospect and the Jobies showed up. Thanks girls.

At the last meeting elections were held. Brother Jared Gible was elected to the Master Councilor Chair, Cory Russel to Senior Councilor, Johnathon Hollard as Junior Councilor. Installation will take place next meeting. If you know of any young man that is a good person and is looking to better himself in his community and wants to have FUN! DeMolay is for him. Contacts are Doug Runge 945-1049 or Dallas Thompson 224-5409.

Fraternally, Brother Derek Runge, PMC, Chevalier, Sr. Deacon

## **GENERAL COMMENTS**

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

From Pierre Lodge #27: ..... \$ 20.00 – Anderson, Perry  
From Blunt Lodge #72: ..... \$176.00 – membership  
From Hiram Lodge #123: ..... \$ 10.00 – Kirkpatrick, Charles  
From Mobridge Lodge #164: ..... \$104.00 – membership  
From Onida Lodge #173: ..... \$ 15.00 – Jensen, Dave  
From Gettysburg Lodge #183: .... \$200.00 – membership

### **Accounting:**

1. \$ 864.35 Previous balance
2. \$ 525.00 Receipts listed above
3. \$ 46.24 Case of Paper (Sam's Club. thanks Larry K.)
4. \$ 138.03 State Publishing – mailed 539 copies
5. \$ 47.06 Best Business Products (Copier Rent)

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Please send your **comments** to Florin W. Hemminger, 119 S CENTRAL, PIERRE SD 57501. fwhehm@MSN.com

Please send your **contributions** to Larry Kirkpatrick, 328 N GRAND, PIERRE SD 57501-2114.

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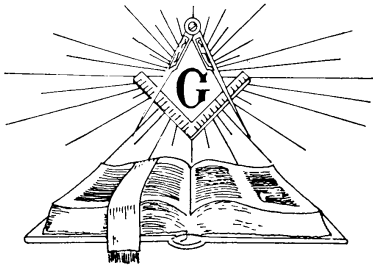
The new South Dakota Masonic Grand Lodge AF&AM web site is: **mygrandlodge.org**

### **From the CSDMM Officers:**

Please be advised that our expenses for 2008 were \$3.90 per member to copy/mail out to our membership, therefore we ask that each Lodge continue paying \$4.00 per member. We will again send out a midyear list of donations to each Lodge, so that each Lodge can see how their contribution are doing.

Any questions or concerns, please direct them to Pres. Florin Hemminger or Sec./Treas. Larry Kirkpatrick.

### **Happy Holidays.**



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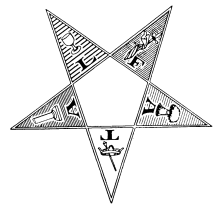
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## ***MASONIC TRESTLE BOARD***

# ***January 2009***



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
Saturday	3	7:30am	Breakfast at McClure Hall until 11:00AM - everyone welcome (Job's)
Sunday	4	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10 (installation of officers)
Monday	5	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, regular meeting & lunch
	5	7:30pm	Fort 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	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting & lunch
	12	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, regular meeting and 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 (degree practice)
	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	Oahe Shrine Club, Most Excellent and Royal Arch degrees
15	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch	
Saturday	17	7:00am	Breakfast at McClure Hall until 10:00AM - everyone welcome (DeMolay)
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	6:30pm	Oahe Shrine Club Ladies' Night dinner at Cattlemen's Club (installation...)
Saturday	24	7:00am	Breakfast is available.
		8:00am	Start <b><u>One-Day All-the-Way to Master Mason.</u></b>
		Noon	Lunch is served. Should be done by 3:30PM
	24	noon	CSDMM articles due in Pierre
	Monday	26	7:00pm
	26	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
	26	7:30pm	Fort Pierre Chapter #90 OES (January-April only)
	26	8:00pm	Ree Valley Lodge #70, Highmore, SD, regular meeting and lunch