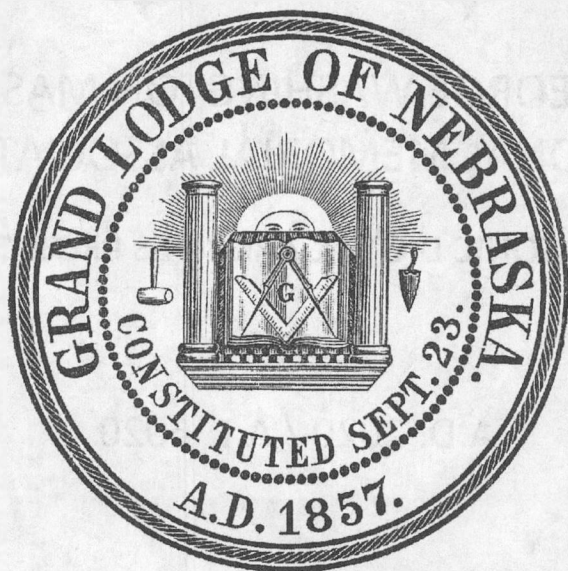


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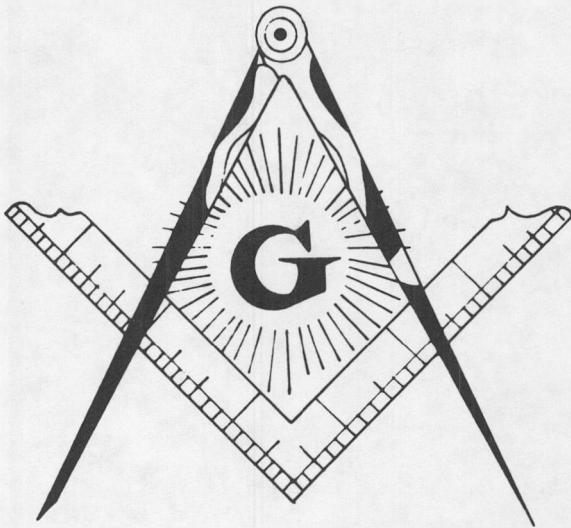
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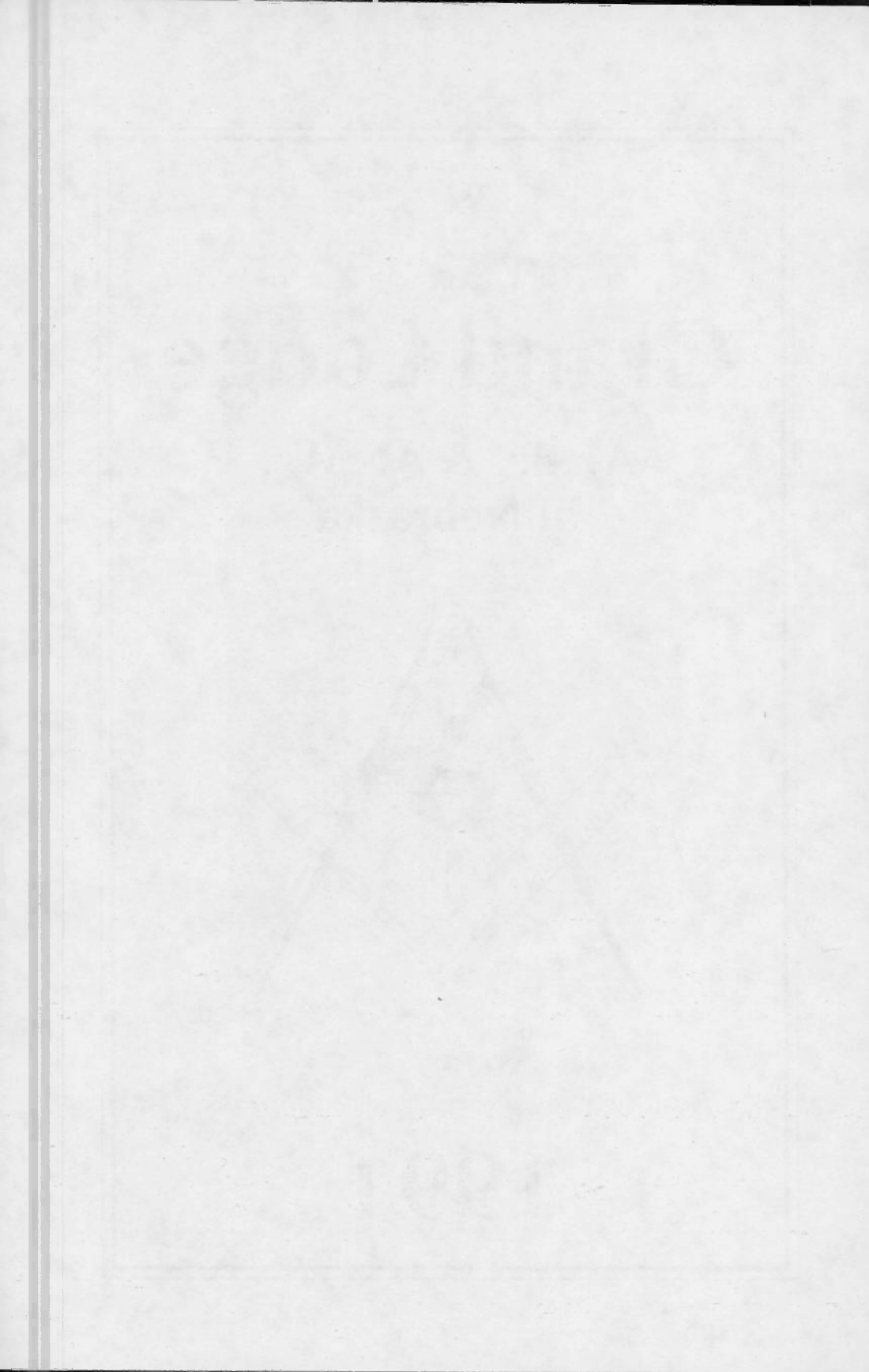
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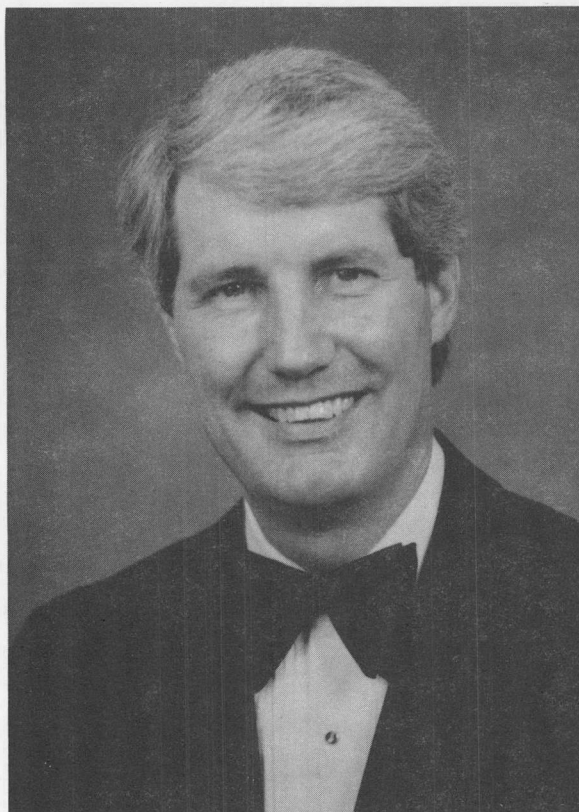
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**John M. McHenry**  
**Grand Master of Masons of Nebraska**  
**1990-1991**

## Masonic History of the 1990 Grand Master *John M. McHenry*

**Ancient Craft Masonry** — Initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason on April 16, 1974; passed to the Degree of a Fellowcraft Mason on May 21, 1974; and raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on September 17, 1974; all in Minden Lodge No. 127, Minden, Nebraska. Served as Master of Lincoln Lodge No. 19, Lincoln, Nebraska, in 1982.

**Grand Lodge** — Appointed Grand Junior Deacon in June, 1984, by M.:W.: Robert Metcalf. Elected M.:W.: Grand Master on February 2, 1990, and installed in Lincoln, Nebraska, on February 11, 1990. Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey near Nebraska. Served as Chairman of the Grand Lodge Office Committee, 1985-1987. 1991 appointed to the Board of Directors of the Nebraska Masonic Home. 1991 appointed to the Board of Directors of the Nebraska Masonic Home Foundation.

**Capitular Masonry** — Became a Royal Arch Mason in Capstone Chapter No. 64 on February 16, 1980.

**Cryptic Masonry** — Received the Degrees of the Cryptic Rite in Lincoln Council No. 4, on February 18, 1980.

**Chivalric Masonry** — Dubbed a Knight Templar on March 10, 1980, in Mt. Moriah Commandery No. 4, Lincoln, Nebraska.

**Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite** — Lincoln Consistory since November 12, 1976. Coroneted as a Knight Commander Court of Honor on December 6, 1985.

**Shrine** — Member of Sesostris Temple since November 13, 1976.

**Order of Eastern Star** — Initiated at Grand Chapter in 1990, sponsored by Lincoln Chapter No. 148.

**Other Masonic Bodies** — Member of National Sojourners Omaha Chapter No. 19 and Hero of '76. Secretary of the Nebraska Masonic Foundation. Appointed to the Masonic Renewal Committee of North America, a standing committee of the Conference of Grand Masters.

# Masonic History of the Grand Master-Elect

## *James N. DeMoss*

**Ancient Craft Masonry** - Initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason on June 9, 1964; passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft Mason on September 15, 1964; and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason on October 17, 1964, all in Centennial Lodge No. 326, Omaha, Nebraska. Served as Master of Bellevue Lodge No. 325, Bellevue, Nebraska in 1986.

**Grand Lodge** - Appointed Grand Chaplain in June, 1980 by M.:W.: Byron C. Jenkins. Appointed Grand Orator in June 1981 by M.:W.: Harold C. Wurdeman, in June 1982 by M.:W.: Paul R. Pierce, in June 1983 by M.:W.: Bevin B. Bump, and in June 1984 by M.:W.: Robert A. Metcalf. Appointed Grand Junior Deacon in October 1985 by M.:W.: Charles W. Amidon. Appointed Grand Senior Deacon in December 1986 by M.:W.: Wayne G. Luenenborg. Elected and installed as Grand Junior Warden under M.:W.: Paul R. Eveland in February 1988. Elected and installed as Grand Senior Warden under M.:W.: Thomas W. Tye in February 1989. Elected and installed as Deputy Grand Master and Grand Master-elect in February 1990 under M.:W.: John M. McHenry. Installed as the 125th Grand Master of Masons on February 10, 1991. In 1976 was appointed and served as a member of the Grand Lodge Youth Committee under M.:W.: T. Leo Stines. Since that time has also served as a member and/or chairman of the following Grand Lodge Committees: Fraternal Dead, Statue of Liberty Centennial, Finance, and Grand Lodge Offices. Was appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nevada, F.:&A.:M.: near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska in 1980. In February 1990 at Salt Lake City, Utah, was elected Chairman of the Conference Committee of the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America, to serve in that capacity through the close of the Conference to be held in San Diego, California on February 17-19, 1991.

**Capitular Masonry** - Made a Royal Arch Mason in Florence Chapter No. 61, at Omaha, Nebraska, on February 29, 1980.

**Cryptic Masonry** - Made a Royal and Select Master in Omaha Council No. 1, at Omaha, Nebraska on March 8, 1980.

**Chivalric Masonry** - Dubbed a Knight Templar in Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1, at Omaha, Nebraska on March 15, 1980.

**Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite** - Received the 4th through the 32nd Degrees in the Valley of Omaha, Orient of Nebraska, on April 25-28, 1966. Elected as Class Orator on April 28, 1966. Served as Wise Master, Omaha Chapter of Knights Rose Croix in 1977. Elected a Knight Commander of

the Court of Honor on December 7, 1973. Coroneted a 33° Inspector General Honorary on December 9, 1977.

**Shrine** - Member since 1985 of Tangier Temple of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in Omaha, Nebraska.

**Order of the Eastern Star** - Member of Alpha Chapter No. 325 in Bellevue, Nebraska, since 1968. Served as Worthy Patron in 1973. Served as Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska in 1977-1978. Elected and served as a member and/or chairman of the Grand Trustees of Nebraska Grand Chapter from 1978 through 1988. Presently serving the Grand Trustees as Investment Manager.

**International Order of Job's Daughters** - Served as Associate Bethel Guardian of Bethel No. 68 in Bellevue, Nebraska from June 1971 through June 1975. Served as Associate Grand Guardian of the Grand Guardian Council of Nebraska, June 1975-June 1976. Past member and chairman of the Grand Guardian Council Finance Committee.

**Order of Rainbow for Girls** - Past Rainbow Dad of Athena Assembly No. 24 in Bellevue, Nebraska. Past member and Chairman of the Nebraska Rainbow Grand Advisory Committee on Finance, June 1978-June 1981. Holder of the Grand Cross of Colors.

**Order of DeMolay** - Past member of the Advisory Board of Robert A. Chandler Chapter in Bellevue, Nebraska. Served as State Membership Director of the Nebraska Chapter of DeMolay, April 1979-May 1980.

**Other Masonic Bodies** - Served for seven years as a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska Masonic Home at Plattsmouth, Nebraska. Presently serving, and has since 1984, as Investment Manager for the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children in Fremont, Nebraska. Member of Chapter No. 19, National Sojourners, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska. Member of Joseph Warren Camp, Heros of '76, Omaha, Nebraska. Member of Court No. 19, Royal Order of Jesters, Omaha, Nebraska.

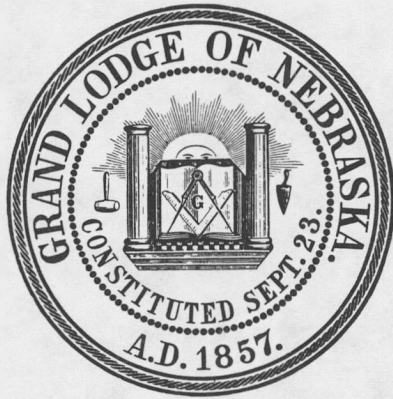
**Honorary Memberships** - Numerous Honorary Memberships in various Masonic and Masonic-related bodies in Nebraska and other Grand Jurisdictions.

**Military Service** - Retired from the United States Air Force on August 1, 1971, as a Chief Master Sergeant, after period of service of 21 years.





**James N. DeMoss**  
**Grand Master-Elect of Masons of Nebraska**  
**1991-1992**



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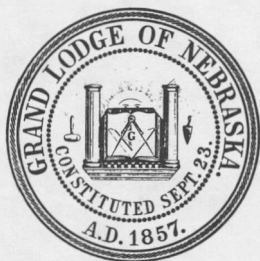
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# Certification of Authenticity

Attest:

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a full, true and complete record of the the Proceedings of the One Hundred Thirty-Fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, held at Grand Island, Nebraska, January 31 – February 1st & 2nd, 1991, and printed under my direction.

Witness my hand and the Seal of the Grand Lodge  
A.:F.: & A.:M.: of Nebraska this 25th day of July, 1991.



*Don E. Rasmussen*

Don E. Rasmussen  
GRAND SECRETARY

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*First Day — Opening Session*  
*Friday, February 1, 1991*

Preceding the formal opening of the Annual Communication, the Grand Lodge of Masons of Nebraska held public opening ceremonies at the Holiday Inn, Grand Island, Nebraska, 9:30 a.m. Friday, February 1, 1991.

Right Worshipful James N. DeMoss, Deputy Grand Master, presided.

Following the Presentation of the Colors by the Grand Island Knights of Columbus, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, John M. McHenry, was presented and given Grand Honors.

Dignitaries from visiting jurisdictions were presented to the Grand Lodge.

**REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

- Jerold J. Samet . . . . . Deputy Grand Master of the District of Columbia
- William Kamalalawalu McKee, Jr. . . . . Grand Master of Hawaii
- Greg Winther . . . . . Junior Grand Deacon of Idaho
- L. Wayne Blair . . . . . Senior Grand Warden of Illinois
- Lowell Wagoner . . . . . Grand Master of Iowa
- Don E. Robinett . . . . . Grand Master of Kansas
- Norman C. Hall . . . . . Grand Master of Prince Hall in Nebraska
- William M. Clark, Jr. . . . . Deputy Grand Master of Maryland
- Wayne E. Turton . . . . . Grand Master of Michigan
- Warren K. Clark . . . . . Junior Grand Warden of Minnesota
- Frank A. Arnold . . . . . Senior Grand Warden of Missouri
- Arv Burvee . . . . . Grand Master of North Dakota

- Robert L. Morrow . . . . . Grand Master of South Dakota
- Fred E. Allen . . . . . Grand Master of Texas
- Benjamin F. Detroy . . . . . Deputy Grand Master of Wisconsin
- Richard Cooper . . . . . Grand Senior Warden of Wyoming

Next to be introduced by the Deputy Grand Master were representatives of the appendant bodies.

**REPRESENTATIVES OF THE APPENDANT BODIES  
of the GRAND LODGE of NEBRASKA**

- Bonnie Evans . . . . . Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star
- Lester Webb . . . . . Worthy Grand Patron of the Order of Eastern Star
- Allison Petersen . . . . . Grand Worthy Advisor  
of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls
- Berneice Breland . . . . . Supreme Inspector  
of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls
- Julie Townsend . . . . . Grand Bethel Honored Queen  
of the International Order of Job's Daughters
- Kori Else . . . . . Miss Nebraska Job's Daughter
- Doris Edwards . . . . . Grand Guardian of the Grand Guardian Council  
of Nebraska of the International Order of Job's Daughters
- Ivan Vrtiska . . . . . Associate Grand Guardian of the Grand Guardian Council  
of Nebraska of the International Order of Job's Daughters
- Scott Graves . . . . . State Master Councilor of the Nebraska State Chapter  
of the International Order of DeMolay
- David Smith . . . . . State Senior Councilor of the Nebraska State Chapter  
of the International Order of DeMolay
- Don R. Monnette . . . . . Regional Deputy General Grand Master  
of the North Central Region of the General Grand Chapter of Cryptic Masons
- Viron Baxter . . . . . Deputy Grand High Priest  
of the Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska
- James R. Erixon . . . . . General Secretary of the Scottish Rite Bodies  
of the Valley of Omaha Orient of Nebraska
- John R. Kerr . . . . . Potentate of Tehama Temple, Ancient Arabic Order  
of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine
- Don W. Madsen . . . . . Past Potentate and Personal Representative of the Potentate  
of Tangier Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine
- Rollie Johnson . . . . . Chief Rabban of Sesostris Temple,  
Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine
- Gerald Verbeek . . . . . Regional Representative for Iowa and Nebraska  
of National Sojourners

The distinguished guests were properly honored and the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska were presented.

**PRESENTATION of PAST GRAND MASTERS**

- M.:W.: Herbert A. Ronin . . . . . 1961



Sovereign Grand Inspector General Emeritus of the Southern  
Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite

M.:W.: Harry A. Spencer . . . . .	1964
President of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home/Plattsmouth, 50-year board member	
M.:W.: Frank J. Mattoon . . . . .	1973
M.:W.: Donald R. Swanson . . . . .	1974
M.:W.: T. Leo Stines . . . . .	1976
M.:W.: Warren D. Lichty, Jr. . . . .	1979
Deputy in Nebraska of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the Southern Jurisdiction	
Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons in Nebraska	
M.:W.: Byron C. Jenkins . . . . .	1980
M.:W.: Bevin B. Bump . . . . .	1983
M.:W.: Robert A. Metcalf . . . . .	1984-85
M.:W.: Charles W. Amidon . . . . .	1986
M.:W.: Wayne G. Luenenborg . . . . .	1987
M.:W.: Paul R. Eveland . . . . .	1988
M.:W.: Thomas W. Tye . . . . .	1989

Very Worshipful Michael E. Jones, Grand Chaplain, invoked the blessing of Deity, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following words of greeting from Ms. Debra Bell of the Holiday Inn and Mayor Dobesh of Grand Island, two very special Masonic award recipients were presented.

**GRAND MASTER'S HUMANITARIAN AWARD**

M.:W.: Grand Master John McHenry made the following remarks as he presented the 1990 Grand Master's Humanitarian Award recipients:

*"Two years ago, Most Worshipful Brother Tom Tye instituted a new award called the Grand Master's Humanitarian Award. This is presented not more than twice a year to an individual Mason in Nebraska that has to meet some rather stringent criteria. First of all, he must have been a Master Mason for thirty years. He must have been active in at least three of five community activities. He could have been active either in his church, denoted as a civic leader because of his involvement on boards of directors for local hospitals, nursing homes, financial institutions, foundations, something in the way of community service. He could have been a charitable volunteer for organizations such as the Lions, Sertoma, Kiwanis, Rotary. Lastly, he must also have been active in his Masonic fraternity. This year it was our pleasure to present that award to Brother W. Neil Colerick and Brother James Fegley."*

M.:W.: Grand Master John McHenry greeted the Grand Lodge body on behalf of the 24,000 Masons in Nebraska, and thanked the Holiday Inn for

the hospitality shown to all delegates.

### **Rock Maul**

The Rock Maul was presented to M.:W.: Byron C. Jenkins by the Omaha Area Past Masters of 1966 to be used as a Traveling Trophy. It is a mallet sixteen pounds in weight with a bronze head. The Rock Maul has been used for its original purpose in a stone quarry, and has been beautifully refurbished and a square and compass worked into the metal.

It is to be presented to *one lodge each year* by the Grand Master, a lodge which, in the opinion of the Grand Master, represents the best all-around lodge in the jurisdiction of Nebraska. The lodge selected will hold the gavel for one year, and return it to the Grand Lodge prior to the next Annual Communication.

Guidelines for awarding the Rock Maul include Officer Leadership, attendance, bulletin or newspaper, ritual, enthusiasm, fellowship, temple appearance and condition; secretary reports, and programs other than regular meetings.

The Grand Master presented the 1990 Rock Maul Award to Corinthian Lodge No. 83, Wakefield.

### **Gold Pan Award**

The award known as the Gold Pan is awarded annually to the Nebraska lodge showing the greatest improvement or the most significant contributions to Masonry in Nebraska. The Gold Pan was presented to Nebraska in 1987 by the Grand Lodge of Alaska, and is an authentic twelve inch Alaska gold pan originally used for the purpose of panning for gold. The Gold Pan is symbolic of Alaska's gratitude to Nebraska's Grand Lodge, which was the first Grand Jurisdiction to extend fraternal recognition to the Grand Lodge of Alaska.

The Grand Master presented the 1990 Gold Pan Award to Mosaic Lodge No. 55, Norfolk.

### **Degree Team Awards**

In the fall of each year, Ritual Degree Team competitions are held in Fremont and North Platte. Teams are divided into two groups: those lodges with over 125 members, and those lodges with less than 125 members. They are judged by the Committee on Nebraska Work on the floor work, the wording, and the overall impressiveness of the presentation.

The 1990 Degree Ritual Competition award for lodges with over 125 members was presented to Frank Welch Lodge No. 75, Sidney. The award for lodges of 125 members and less was presented to Comet Lodge No. 229, Ceresco.

### Masonic Service Association Service Award

A special award was presented by the Grand Master to Brother Robert A. May, who for the past ten years has been a very faithful representative in the Masonic Service Association's hospital visitation program at the VA Hospital in Omaha. Brother May received a plaque recognizing ten years of service and many hours of devotion in this charitable cause.



The Deputy Grand Master introduced the Grand Senior Councilor of the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay, Brother Jerold J. Samet, who presented DeMolay State Master Councilor Scott Graves. Mr. Graves expressed his gratitude to the Masonic body, and informed the grand session that the Nebraska jurisdiction of DeMolay is in the top five nationally.

R.:W.: Brother Samet read a letter he had received from a young DeMolay serving in the Persian Gulf, written six days before Operation Desert Storm began.

*Dear Dad S.:*

*I was glad to receive your package and letter in the mail. I hope you're having a great time as Deputy Grand Master. You seem to be a busy body. Things are starting to heat up out here in the Gulf. I think we'll see war this time. I often wonder what's going to happen to me, and if I'll ever see home, my friends and family again. I felt as if I have left everyone behind. I just want to see all you guys again. I never thought I would ever be in a war. DeMolay has taught me so much these past seven years. It has helped me grow up, and learn to accept times like these.*

*I remember all the good times I've had and the friends I've made. It helps me in times like this. I can't pay back what DeMolay has given to me. I can only help it for the future. By the time I'm out of the Navy, I'll be 22, and I won't be an active DeMolay anymore. I just have to enjoy the time now, and make it last. Well, I must go for now, but I will keep in touch, now that I have your address. Write back when you have time. Thanks for taking the time to write.*

*Mark Wando*

At the conclusion of the letter, R.:W.: Samet, Scott Graves and David Smith, assisted by Most Worshipful Grand Master McHenry and "Dad" Walter Miller, executed the *collaring* of William G. Hurst as the new

Executive Officer for DeMolay in Nebraska.



R.:W.: Deputy Grand Master James DeMoss presented keynote speaker Dr. Arthur O. Lee, professor of History at Bemidji State University in Minnesota for more than twenty-five years, who has published several books on Scandinavians in America and life in a Norwegian-American town. Dr. Lee regaled the audience with historic humor, enticing them to hear more at the evening banquet.

M.:W.: Grand Master McHenry followed Dr. Lee's address with a presentation to W.: Grand Historian Ben Harvey. In appreciation for Brother Harvey's work, the Grand Master presented him with a copy of an historic newspaper, the WAR ENDS issue of the Fremont Tribune, November 11, 1918.

The Grand Master closed the informal public opening ceremony and excused all who were not Master Masons.



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M.:W.: John McHenry, Grand Master, requested the Grand Secretary to determine if a constitutional number of lodges were present and represented. After requesting all Worshipful Masters of Nebraska lodges present to stand, R.:W.: Don E. Rasmussen, Grand Secretary, reported that a sufficient number of lodges were represented to more than adequately constitute a quorum.

The Grand Master then called on V.:W.: Michael E. Jones, Grand Chaplain, to invoke the blessing of Deity.

Following the prayer, M.:W.: John M. McHenry proclaimed the 134th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, opened in ample form. The Grand Marshal, W.: Kenneth G. Fleming, was directed to make proclamation thereof.

R.:W.:Don E. Rasmussen, Grand Secretary, moved that the Report of the Committee on Business and Rules be adopted. The motion was seconded and carried.

R.:W.:James L. Eatmon, Grand Senior Warden, moved to approve the printed proceedings of the 1990 Grand Lodge Session. The motion was seconded and favorably carried.

M.:W.:John M. McHenry announced the appointment of M.:W.:Bevin B. Bump as Parliamentarian for this 134th Annual Communication. The Grand Master then appointed W.:Gene Sibley, Deputy Grand Custodian, as Chairman of Tellers, and further appointed all other Deputy Grand Custodians present as Tellers for the ensuing elections, and declared that these individuals would constitute and comprise the counting committee for the purposes of counting the ballots for election of officers and all other ballots to be taken during this 134th Annual Communication.

The Grand Master then directed that delegates cast their ballots for the election of the offices of Deputy Grand Master/Grand Master-Elect, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Junior Warden and Grand Secretary. All ballots were then collected by the Tellers.



### **Preliminary Report of the Appropriations Committee**

*John D. VerMaas, 256, Chairman*

Thank you, Most Worshipful Grand Master John. On behalf of the Appropriations Committee, I would like to present the Appropriations as was printed in your packet on pages 13, 14 and 15. The total expenses that we're requesting for Appropriations is \$389,106, which exceeds the revenue by \$36,996. Thank you.

### **Greetings from Prince Hall Grand Lodge**

*M.:W.: Norman C. Hall, Grand Master*

The Grand Master introduced Most Worshipful Brother Norman C. Hall, Grand Master of the Prince Hall Masons of Nebraska, who extended greetings from the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nebraska F.:&A.:M.:.

"To my good friend and my good brother, John McHenry, Worshipful Grand Master of A.:F.:&A.:M.: Nebraska Jurisdiction, to the members of this Grand Lodge, to visiting Grand Masters and Grand Lodge Officers, I bring you greetings from the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nebraska, F.:&A.:M.:. I thank God for this opportunity to be in this place at this time. God in His wisdom picks certain people for certain jobs. Why He chose me to be Grand Master I do not know. There are Masons more knowledgeable than I. There are Ma-

sons more worthy than I. But I do thank Him.

During this past year in the State of Nebraska, I can honestly say that God has truly smiled on the Masonic family. Nebraska has been bold enough; Nebraska has been filled with courage to step out on untested land. It's not easy to change tradition. It's not easy to say I may have been wrong. But it takes a certain type of man to say we must do the things that are right.

We celebrate now one year of recognition between the Prince Hall family and the family of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. One year. John McHenry and myself, we have had the honor to be the Grand Masters when this historic event took place. We happened to be Grand Masters at that particular time. We did not lay the foundation for what has been accomplished here in this great State of ours. It's amazing that we as Masons have always recognized each other as Masons. But through no fault of our own, our Grand Lodges were under two separate banners.

But it doesn't make any difference whether the word Mason is preceded by F.:&A.:M.:, or A.:F.:&A.:M.:. Probably most of us in this room at one time or another, were A.:F.:&A.:M.: or F.:&A.:M.:. The history of Prince Hall which will be presented to you later on this afternoon on a national and jurisdictional level will explain to you the first Prince Hall lodge in the State of Nebraska was an A.:F.:&A.:M.: lodge. So, the bottom line is, not the letter that precedes the name, but the man that stands behind the name.

I look back on my times here in this state, and I can just imagine the trials and tribulations that Masons had to deal with when we took upon ourselves at the sacred altar the oath of obligation that made us the proud bearers and wearers of the name of Mason. We started to ask ourselves, are we really what we profess to be? If so, why are there no Black Brothers among us? Why are there no Native American Brothers among us? Surely God must have created some good men in these other nationalities. It has been a struggle. But you dealt with that struggle. History will reveal in the Grand Lodge of Nebraska that you have had brothers in your lodges who are not Caucasian. That tells you what you're made of.

If I could leave you with one thought, and especially my visiting brothers from other Jurisdictions, that thought would be: God gives you an opportunity. You don't have to take it. It's like His grace. It's there for you. You can accept it, or walk away from it. But I know and you know that if this Masonic fraternity of ours is to be the great institution that it was designed to be, we must somehow learn to accept all men as brothers and as

Masons.

You know, it's ironic that at this particular time as we meet blood is being shed in the Persian Gulf for a just cause. We as a nation have not elected to be — God has destined us to be the leader among this world. And being a leader calls for great sacrifice. My brethren, I would ask of you, how can we be the world leader that God has destined us to be, if we cannot resolve the differences that we have among us? Especially as Masons? We, as Masons, have an opportunity to make an impact on this nation. There is no other organization that I know that, when men come together, they are accepted on one accord. If we are to truly be Masons, and if we are to truly travel on the same level of time, then we must surely spread that cement of brotherly love and affection that unites us. Brethren, the opportunity is here, but the decision is yours.

Let me wish this great jurisdiction a most harmonious and successful session. Let me again pledge to you, John McHenry, and Grand Master Elect, Jim DeMoss, that we of the Prince Hall family will continue to support your every endeavor, and we will only hope that the fellowship and the brotherly love that exists between us today will be here for time immemorial. Thank you."

R.:W.: Deputy Grand Master James DeMoss took the gavel at the Grand Master's request and instructed the delegation in the logistics of the afternoon's workshops. The six sessions to be presented were:

- Leadership
- Lodge Programs
- Prince Hall
- Member Recruitment
- Proficiency
- Community Involvement

A Workshop for Lodge Secretaries was scheduled separately.



**Report of Ballot**

Chairman of Tellers Eugene Sibley made the following election report:

“Most Worshipful Grand Master, the following are the results of the ballots for the officers.”

<i>OFFICE</i>	<i>NAME</i>	<i>BALLOTS</i>
Deputy Grand Master and Grand Master-Elect	James L. Eatmon	269
Grand Senior Warden	Donald L. Pohlman	266
Grand Junior Warden	Steven F. Mattoon	273
Grand Secretary	Don E. Rasmussen	268

The Grand Master elicited acceptance from the Mason elected to each post.

The R.:W.: Deputy Grand Master called the Grand Lodge from Labor to Refreshment until 9:00 a.m., Saturday, February 2, 1991.

**1991 Proceedings**  
*of the*  
**Grand Lodge of the**  
**Most Ancient & Honorable**  
**Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons**  
**of Nebraska**

*One Hundred Thirty-Fourth*  
*Annual Communication*  
*Held in Grand Island, Nebraska*  
*January 31, February 1st & 2nd 1991*

*Second Session*  
*Saturday, February 2, 1991*

The R.:W.: Deputy Grand Master called the 134th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska from Refreshment to Labor at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 2, 1991.

V.:W.: Grand Chaplain Michael E. Jones invoked the blessings of Deity.

**Report of the Credentials Committee**

*Norris L. Rusmisell, 46, Chairman*

"To the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska. A few items that I might bring to you as a matter of information only before we get down to the report on the lodges are: At the present time there are 200 chartered lodges in Nebraska. The opening session held Friday morning was attended by 625 people. The Table Lodge held Thursday evening drew 272 Masons, which I understand may be one of the largest Table Lodges ever held out here in the Midwest. The membership banquet last evening was attended by 343 people.

All current Grand Lodge officers are present, as well as sixteen Past Grand

Masters of Nebraska. Seventeen other Masonic-affiliated dignitaries are present, representing the bodies of DeMolay, the Eastern Star, Rainbow for Girls, Job's Daughters, Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Scottish and York Rite bodies, Tangier, Sesostris and Tehama Shrine Temples. Twenty-five out-of-state representatives are present. From Nebraska, there are also twenty-nine Deputy Grand Custodians, and two hundred thirty-seven other registered Masons that are non-delegate or non-officer.

Those jurisdictions represented, other than Nebraska, are Wyoming, Wisconsin, Texas, South Dakota, North Dakota, Missouri, Minnesota, Michigan, Maryland, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Idaho, Hawaii, and the District of Columbia.

With three or four changes that we have made within just the last hour this morning, there are currently thirty-one lodges not represented at this Communication. Those lodges are No. 14, 23, 35, 38, 51, 64, 68, 91, 103, 124, 138, 161, 165, 167, 173, 209, 217, 225, 233, 235, 236, 241, 254, 266, 274, 277, 279, 286, 298, 308, and 320. If there is any brother present who is a member of one of those absentee lodges, we might ask that you report to the registration desk with the proper credentials, and perhaps that can be corrected. Lodges not represented for two consecutive years — there are only four, one of the lowest numbers we've had for years: Lodges No. 91, 124, 266, and 286. The only lodge not present for three consecutive years is No. 266 at Silver Creek, however, information has been given to us that at the present time there is consideration in that lodge to either offer to surrender their charter or consolidate with Lodge No. 65 at Osceola.

At this 1991 Grand Lodge Communication there are one hundred twenty-seven Masters registered in person, and twenty-six by proxy. Seventy-nine Senior Wardens in person, forty-three by proxy. Forty-seven Junior Wardens in person, and forty-eight by proxy. The total number of delegate and non-delegate Mason registrations during this Communication is seven hundred fifteen.

I wish to thank Most Worshipful Brother John McHenry for the appointment to serve as Chairman of the Credentials Committee, and at this time also thank the other brothers that helped on that committee: Doyle Berg, Omaha, Bill Hurst, Lincoln, Delmar Jones, Kearney, Frank Dougherty, Lincoln, Wesley Suggs, Papillion, and Herb Taylor, Bellevue. And last, but by no means least, thanks to Chris and Tish."

Respectfully submitted,  
Norrie Rusmisell, Chairman

The report was accepted by the delegates present.

### Necrology Ceremony

V.:W.: Grand Chaplain Michael E. Jones, 51

"Good morning. This morning I want you to have the proper perspective. We are going to do the Necrology somewhat differently than in the past. However, we are not changing the intent. I am going to read to you part of an excerpt to pay respect to the departed brethren. And then we have a slide tape that we hope you will find equally as fitting and enjoyable.

Again we are called to mourn the loss of brother Masons. Information submitted indicates that Nebraska lost seven hundred eleven brother Masons this year, who entered into that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Notably, on July 14th, we mourned the loss of Past Grand Master Lewis R. 'Dick' Ricketts. This quiet giant put his stamp of eloquence on not only Nebraska Masonry, but family, friends and business associates. Embodied in his life were the tenets of brotherly love, relief and truth. His devotion to God, his family, and his profession, remained steadfast throughout. Truly, during his earthly life, he was a builder. How appropriate for us to recognize, as we remember this brother Mason. Undoubtedly, he has heard the welcome words, *"Well done, good and faithful servant."*

Now let us change our focus to a global perspective. Although not members of the fraternal dead, we do have many brothers presently occupying the Persian Gulf. These fellow Masons, together with many other brothers and sisters, need our diligent prayers as they stand squarely in harm's way. As they fight in defense of truth, let us pray the resulting freedom of Kuwait will allow the rebirth of brotherly love and relief. Let us hope that at last the Holy Land will receive its namesake in the practice of those tenets we as Masons hold so dear. God Bless America, and the principles it defends. In honor of our service personnel abroad and at home, we are proud to offer the following tribute."

(At this point in the Necrology, a presentation of slides accompanied by the stirring music of "America the Beautiful" was viewed.)

"In the end, may brotherly love prevail."



The Grand Master requested the Deputy Grand Master to preside while the Address of the Grand Master was given.



## Address of the Grand Master

*Most Worshipful John M. McHenry*

"As is required by our bylaws, forty-five days before this Annual Communication, I sent the printed copy of the Address of the Grand Master to the Jurisprudence Committee, all the Grand Lodge officers, and all the Past Grand Masters; and in addition, I sent the address to all of the lodges. Yesterday at the Jurisprudence Committee meeting I submitted a supplementary report for the forty-five day period day between submission of the report and the start of this Grand Lodge Session. I can tell you that the supplemental report merely contains documentation of bylaw changes on moving regular meeting dates, and also a number of dispensations to allow installation of officers in February rather than in January. There were a couple of reinstatements, and I also waived jurisdiction on two individuals to Iowa."

The printed address of the Grand Master is as follows:

*TO THE MOST WORSHIPFUL, THE GRAND LODGE, ANCIENT FREE AND  
ACCEPTED MASONS OF NEBRASKA —*

*My Brethren:*

In accordance with Article X, Section 2 (b), I am submitting my written address to this 134th Annual Communication. Said address includes my official acts; general conditions of Masonry; and recommendations for such legislation as is deemed expedient for the welfare of the Masonic Fraternity. As the bylaws were amended last year, this address must now be sent to the Jurisprudence Committee, Past Grand Masters, and Grand Lodge Officers, forty-five days prior to the opening of Grand Lodge. As we did last year, we are also sending this address to all the current Senior Wardens, Junior Wardens, and two copies to the Secretary, one being for him and one to be given to the newly-elected Junior Warden of each Lodge, forty-five days prior to the opening of Grand Lodge. This is in keeping with the Grand Lodge Officers' philosophy of keeping our delegates to Grand Lodge informed of the acts, doings, and proposals to come before them, and to give them sufficient time to give thoughtful consideration to the Recommendations on which a vote will be taken on Saturday, February 2, 1991.

It has been a tremendous honor and privilege to have served each of you as Grand Master. The experiences will always be treasured and the individuals I had the opportunity to meet were fantastic. I am deeply grateful for having been allowed to be Grand Master.

We have furthered the accomplishments gained over the last several years because of the unselfish work of the hundreds of Masons throughout the State. Proof that the various programs and hard work are succeeding can

be seen in our membership rolls; but more importantly, we can see the fruits of our labors in the visible activity of our Lodges in their communities and the respect and esteem those members garner because they have practiced the tenets of Masonry outside the Lodge room.

You know you are having an impact when the local school board asks the Lodge to build the playgrounds at the elementary schools, or the widow reports to her neighbor that she has nothing to fear, because she can always call upon the Masons. Each of you are applauded for your contribution to the important work of Freemasonry.

Nebraska has assumed a role of National leadership among the Grand Lodges of this Country. We thank Most Worshipful Brother Thomas W. Tye for his diligent work and leadership last year in propelling us into the limelight. We were given the opportunity to present our modern proficiency program, for two hours, at the Conference of Grand Masters of North America. We were invited to St. Louis to participate in the planning session of the Committee formed at the Grand Masters Conference to report on the Masonic Renewal Task Force. Present were the committee members; representatives of the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions of the Scottish Rite; and Dudley Davis, author of Phase I and II of the Masonic Renewal Task Force. We have gone to many places around the Country and provided numerous jurisdictions, at their request, with information on what worked and didn't work in revitalizing the Masonic Fraternity in Nebraska. At this year's Grand Masters Conference, our Grand Master Elect, James N. DeMoss, was appointed to serve as Chairman of the Conference Committee for the Grand Masters Conference of North America to be held in February, 1991, in San Diego, California.

We are pleased to welcome the dignitaries who are visiting our Grand Lodge from the other Grand Jurisdictions. At the time of preparation of this address, we have yet to send out invitations; so I am unable to, specifically, name each Jurisdiction present. We do extend to each of you our hospitality and greetings and we hope that you have an enjoyable stay. We invite you to participate in our Table Lodge and workshops and to make yourselves known among our Grand Lodge, as we will only have one formal introduction.

To each of the delegates, we have again structured this Grand Lodge Session with your primary concerns in mind. We believe that the Table Lodge, which will be opened in the Entered Apprentice Degree at the Grand Master's Banquet on Thursday evening, and the workshops, to be held on Friday afternoon, will be of great interest and benefit to you as Lodge Officers and for the good health of the Masonic Fraternity. We have some far-reaching decisions to make on Saturday, and we ask for your thoughtful consideration.

## NECROLOGY

During this past year, a great number of our Brothers have been called home to the Great Architect of the Universe. To date, five hundred brethren have died but their memories and contributions to their families, communities, Country, and their God shall always be cherished and never forgotten. We also lost, in 1990, our 101st Grand Master, Lewis R. Ricketts. I know that the Committee on Fraternal Dead will be presenting a suitable tribute to our departed brethren on Saturday morning, February 2, 1991.

## CORNERSTONES

The Grand Lodge Officers were privileged to begin the year with the laying of the cornerstone for the International Center for the International Order of Job's Daughters, in Papillion, Nebraska, on March 3rd. All fifteen Grand Lodge Officers were present and did a magnificent job. There were numerous dignitaries present on behalf of the Job's Daughters and there were many in attendance.

On June 9, 1990, we had the privilege of laying the cornerstone for George Washington Lodge Number 250 in Lincoln. This was for their new Lodge Building, and we were ably assisted by the members of the Lodge.

On August 12, 1990, we laid the cornerstone for the McCook Community College in McCook. They had expanded a dormitory on their campus. St. John Commandery in McCook presented a check for \$10,000.00 to the College, which check was the final gift of a total of \$30,000.00 given by them to the College for the dormitory. The Commandery makes numerous contributions to the McCook community, and the members of the Commandery should be saluted for living the tenets of Masonry in their community.

On September 1, 1990, we laid the cornerstone for the Gering Municipal and Retail Center in Gering. The building is to house all the City administrative offices and Police Department. That evening, we enjoyed a Table Lodge which was hosted by Scotts Bluff Lodge Number 201. We certainly appreciated the hospitality shown to us by the Masons of the area.

Our Grand Marshal, Worshipful Brother Kenneth G. Fleming, did an outstanding job of arranging these cornerstone ceremonies and the Lodge dedications performed this year. His attention to detail and his dedication to perfection is much appreciated.

## DEDICATIONS

On September 9, 1990, fourteen of the fifteen Grand Lodge Officers were in Wakefield to dedicate the new Temple of Corinthian Lodge Number 83. At the same time, the Grand Senior Deacon, together with five of our Past Grand Masters, was in Beatrice representing the Grand Lodge in the

removal of a cornerstone laid by the Grand Lodge one hundred years ago. The new Lodge facility is a tremendous credit to the hard work and determination of the members of the Corinthian Lodge. As usual, we very much appreciated the hospitality shown to us by all the Masons and Eastern Star Members from Wakefield and the surrounding area.

On October 13, 1990, the Grand Lodge Officers were in Lincoln to dedicate the new Temple of George Washington Lodge Number 250. The new Lodge facility is one of the few Lodge buildings in Nebraska that have no stairs which the members have to negotiate. As was true when we laid the cornerstone for this Temple, we were shown a great deal of hospitality by the members of the Lodge, Eastern Star, and the Job's Daughters.

### **CONSOLIDATIONS AND EXTINCTIONS**

On February 28, 1990, I approved the consolidation of Alpha Lodge Number 316 in South Sioux City into Omadi Lodge Number 5 of Dakota City. Most Worshipful Tom Tye had granted to Omadi the right to move their Charter to the South Sioux City Lodge building. The Omadi Lodge is now housed at the temple in South Sioux City.

On April 27, 1990, I approved the consolidation of Shelton Lodge Number 99 in Shelton into Cement Lodge Number 211 in Wood River.

On June 18, 1990, I approved the consolidation of Nehawka Lodge Number 246 in Nehawka into Western Star Lodge Number 2 in Nebraska City.

On August 28, 1990, I approved the consolidation of Anselmo Lodge Number 258 in Anselmo into Custer Lodge Number 148 in Broken Bow.

On August 28, 1990, I approved the consolidation of Globe Lodge Number 113 in Madison into Mosaic Lodge Number 55 in Norfolk.

On November 28, 1990, I approved the consolidation of Harmony Lodge Number 321 into Frank Welch Lodge Number 75 in Sidney.

### **BYLAWS APPROVED**

On February 28th, I approved a bylaw change for Atkinson Lodge Number 164. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On March 24, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for St. Johns Lodge Number 25. This was for the purpose of changing their regular communication to provide for different days when their regular meeting falls on a holiday or conflicts with annual communication.

On April 12, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Garfield Lodge Number 95. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On April 12, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Fremont Lodge Number 15. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.



On May 10, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Lily Lodge Number 154. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On May 22, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Centennial Lodge Number 326. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On May 22, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Northern Light Lodge Number 41. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On June 8, 1990, I approved numerous bylaw changes for North Star Lodge Number 227. They have rewritten their bylaws and a copy is on file at the Grand Lodge Office.

On June 21, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Western Star Lodge Number 2. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On June 21, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Plainview Lodge Number 204. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On July 27, 1990, I approved bylaw changes for Falls City Lodge Number 9. The first bylaw change was for the purpose of increasing the fees for the three Degrees from \$56.00 to \$65.00. The second bylaw change was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On July 27, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Victory Lodge Number 310. This was for the purpose of changing the hour of its meeting time.

On September 11, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Beatrice Lodge Number 26. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On October 2, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Meridian Lodge Number 188. This was for the purpose of raising their dues.

On October 2, 1990, I approved bylaw changes for Arcana Lodge Number 195. They have rewritten their entire set of bylaws, and a copy is on file at the Grand Lodge Office.

On October 12, 1990, I approved bylaw changes for Hickman Lodge Number 256. They have rewritten their entire set of bylaws, and a copy is on file at the Grand Lodge Office.

On October 12, 1990, I approved eight, separate bylaw changes for Mosaic Lodge Number 55. I didn't approve two bylaw changes that created a Jurisprudence Committee, for the reason that the bylaw limited the right of a member to present legislation in the Lodge. One of the bylaw changes was for the purpose of increasing their dues.

On October 17, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Falls City Lodge Number 9. This was for the purpose of changing their Committee on Endowments.

On November 6, 1990, I approved two bylaw changes for Shiloh Lodge Number 327. The first was for the purpose of increasing their dues. The second was for the purpose of changing their meeting time from 8:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

On November 6, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Nebraska Lodge Number 1. This was for the purpose of providing that, with the 1993 dues, 20% of the dues assessed, excluding the Grand Lodge per capita, would be transferred to the Building Funds.

On November 27, 1990, I approved bylaw changes for Charity Lodge Number 53. These changes provided for the addition of a Chaplain as an officer; deleted language that had restricted payment of funds by the Treasurer; provided that the Master and Wardens became ex-officio members of the charity committee; raised the compensation for the Secretary; and raised their dues.

## REINSTATEMENTS

The following men were reinstated during the year:

- 1). Rickie Goochey of Silver Cord Lodge Number 224.
- 2). William S. Merklin of Custer Lodge Number 148.
- 3). Ernest B. Mumby of Fairmont Lodge Number 48.
- 4). David Wagner of Beatrice Lodge Number 26.
- 5). John P. Vogel of Nebraska Lodge Number 1.
- 6). Joseph Hampton Langhammer of Nebraska Lodge Number 1.
- 7). Richard Collinson of Doniphan Number 86.
- 8). Jack Mignery of Custer Lodge Number 148.
- 9). George W. Knight of North Star Lodge Number 227.
- 10). Melvin Ernest Thomas of Shiloh Lodge Number 327.
- 11). Richard W. Maseman of East Lincoln Lodge Number 210.
- 12). Murray E. Stewart of Wymore Lodge Number 104.
- 13). Christian W. Worm, Jr. of John J. Mercer Lodge Number 290.
- 14). Jack E. Mindrup of Mizpah Lodge Number 302.
- 15). John W. Klumpp, Jr. of Lancaster Lodge Number 54.
- 16). William J. Schuman of Lincoln Lodge Number 19.
- 17). William F. May of Covert Lodge Number 11.
- 18). Frank Cirksena of Mid West Lodge Number 317.
- 19). Leonard E. Campbell of Mosaic Lodge Number 55.
- 20). Randy A. Gould of Hickman Lodge 256.
- 21). James F. Eno of North Star Lodge Number 227.
- 22). Edward J. Karlik of Papillion Lodge Number 39.
- 23). William E. DuVall of Papillion Lodge Number 39.
- 24). Lloyd Earl Neal of East Lincoln Lodge Number 210.
- 25). John K. Walker of Grand Island Lodge Number 318.
- 26). James Cyprus Passolt, Jr. of Mizpah Lodge Number 302.
- 27). Robert P. Burger of North Star Lodge Number 227.
- 28). Donald L. Gerry of York Lodge Number 56.
- 29). Mitchell Eyer of Fairbury Lodge Number 35.
- 30). James W. Strong of Omaha Lodge Number 288.
- 31). Donald W. Brehm of John J. Mercer Lodge Number 290.
- 32). Raymond Vinsonhaler of Falls City Lodge Number 9.
- 33). James R. Overfield of Mizpah Lodge Number 302.
- 34). Ivan G. Abdouch of Mizpah Lodge Number 302.

## WAIVER OF JURISDICTION

I waived Nebraska jurisdiction over the following men:

- a). Nolan Paulsen to Mt. Nebo Lodge Number 297 of Iowa.
- b). Chris Saltzman to Landmark Lodge Number 103 of Iowa.
- c). Charles Conley to Landmark Lodge Number 103 of Iowa.
- d). William F. Abbe to Landmark Lodge Number 103 of Iowa.
- e). Steven L. Mydland to Landmark Lodge Number 103 of Iowa.

## DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS

At the request and recommendation of our Grand Custodian, Worshipful Brother Gus Scolaro, I commissioned the following Deputy Grand Custodians:

LeRoy Crye	District Number 3
Ronald D. Grass	District Number 5
Scott Krieger	District Number 20
Richard W. Linnemeyer	District Number 25
Keith B. Leibhart	District Number 27
Gordon L. Carley	District Number 31
Gerald D. Verbeek	District Number 34

In the past, we asked the Deputy Grand Custodians to be emissaries of the Grand Master in bringing to the Lodges the programs developed by Grand Lodge and in helping the Lodges in any way possible. Your Deputy Grand Custodians have enthusiastically carried out all the requests made by the Grand Lodge Officers and we appreciate all their very hard work this past year.

## DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS EMERITI

During this year, I was privileged to appoint Worshipful Brother Alfred V. Peltzer of Lodge Number 148 and Worshipful Brother W. Dale Page of Lodge Number 15 as Deputy Grand Custodians Emeriti. On behalf of all the Brethren of Nebraska, we thank Worshipful Brother Peltzer and Worshipful Brother Page for their many years of service to Nebraska Masonry.

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**

During the past year, I have recommended to other Grand Jurisdictions near Nebraska the appointment of the following individuals:

<u>Brother's Name</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
Robert C. Thackery (180) RR 2 • Benkelman, Ne 69021	New South Wales, Australia
Fernando Siores (55) 1100 Terrace Road • Norfolk, Ne 68701	Brazil, Goais
Leslie Smith (198) 803 Shopp Drive • Imperial, Ne 69033	Brazil, Para
William G. Woeppel (75) 1427 Jackson Drive • Sidney, Ne 69162	Honduras
William C. Conway (195) HC 91, Box 54B • Gordon, Ne 69343	Illinois
Augustine S. Scolaro (3) 801 5th Street North • Bellevue, Ne 68005	Italy
T. Leo Stines (36) 2464 21st Avenue • Central City, Ne 68826	Missouri
William R. Zalman (201) 1725 T Street • Gering, Ne 69341	Netherlands
Robert A. Metcalf (210) 1440 Imperial Drive • Lincoln, Ne 68520	Ohio
Dean Taylor (59) 7931 Maplewood Drive • Lincoln, Ne 68510	Switzerland

**GRAND MASTERS CONFERENCE**

The conference of Grand Masters of North America began on February 17, 1990, in Salt Lake City, Utah. This conference concluded on the evening of February 20, 1990. It was the privilege of your Grand Master and James DeMoss, Deputy Grand Master; Sonny Eatmon, Grand Senior Warden; Donald Pohlman, Grand Junior Warden; Jerry Rittenburg, Grand Junior Deacon; Don Rasmussen, Grand Secretary; and Steve Jones, Deputy Grand Custodian; to represent Nebraska at the conference. We made a one and one half hour presentation to the entire conference on what we have been doing in Nebraska; and, in particular, we gave them a demonstration on Modern Proficiency. This presentation was well received, and we obtained numerous orders for the workbook that we had used at our 1990 Grand Lodge Session in Kearney, Nebraska. Also present at the conference were Warren D. Lichty, Jr., Past Grand Master and Major Charles A. Folsom, Past National President, National Sojourners.

Of great significance to those of us attending the conference was the reaction of the various jurisdictions to our recognition of The Prince Hall

Grand Lodge of Nebraska, Inc. The Grand Lodge of Connecticut had also recognized their Prince Hall organization and their Grand Master gave a well informed presentation on the Prince Hall issue. Through many informal sessions with representatives of the jurisdictions at the conference, we were informed that no jurisdiction would withdraw recognition from us.

A second significant report received at the conference was the Phase II Report of the National Task Force. The Masonic Renewal Task Force was commissioned in 1988 to first study and report on the age groups and attitudes of the American male who would compose the pool of men wanting to join our great Fraternity. This year, phase two of that study was presented. This study pinpoints the attitudes and composition of the members of our Fraternity. One of the most important conclusions made by this study is that Masons steadfastly refuse to believe in the importance of time as a reason for dissatisfaction; even though, last year's study showed that, if new members could not find satisfaction in an active, involved and relevant organization in under five hours a month, they would resign. Secondly, the study confirms that Masons across the Country are satisfied with the status quo, while the pool of potential members want, and demand, an organization that addresses the needs of our society. That is, we cannot remain behind our four walls, but must take the tenets of Masonry into our communities and live Masonry's precepts.

The Phase II Report proposes three courses of action. We can, of course, do nothing; we can make tactical changes in certain areas; or, we can make strategic changes in the fundamental meaning and practice of Masonry. We in Nebraska are achieving fundamental change, and we are creating a great and thriving organization. Through the workshops and activities presented at the 1990 Grand Lodge Session, we can see that our Lodges are reaching out into their communities. Copies of this study are on file in the Grand Lodge office.

Nebraska demonstrated, at this year's Conference, that we are leaders in Masonic thought and education throughout the United States. Our presentation at the Conference was very successful, and we have been inundated with requests on information on what we are doing to revitalize our Fraternity.

## **AWARDS**

In 1989, the Grand Lodge Officers created a Special Awards Committee. This committee is responsible for selecting the recipients of the Rock Maul, the Gold Pan Award, and any other awards or special recognition. This committee makes the selection, after consultation with the Grand Lodge Officers, Deputy Grand Custodians, and Masons, generally, throughout the State. These awards will be given at the public opening of our Grand Lodge Session to be held on Friday Morning, February 1, 1991. This committee is comprised of V. Kaye Ramsey, Chairman; Jerry Sievers of Hickman Lodge

Number 256; Steven K. Jones of Mitchell Lodge Number 263; Arthur S. Dye of Mid-West Lodge Number 317; Michael E. Jones of Fidelity Lodge Number 51; and Marvin Colson of Omadi Lodge Number 5.

## CENTENNIALS

Your Grand Master attended and presented Centennial Certificates to Highland Lodge Number 194 in Cortland on June 16, 1990; Purity Lodge Number 198 in Imperial on June 23, 1990; and Arcana Lodge Number 195 in Gordon on June 24, 1990. Minnekadusa Lodge Number 192 in Valentine celebrated their Centennial on September 29, 1990, and was presented their certificate by the Deputy Grand Master, James N. DeMoss. Crystal Lodge Number 191 in Scotia celebrated their Centennial on October 14, 1990, and was presented their certificate by the Grand Senior Warden, James L. Eatmon.

## GRAND MASTER'S ACTIVITIES

Although, I was not installed until February 11, 1990, the Grand Lodge Officers decided that the Grand Master would be reimbursed for expenses only during the calendar year. In that regard, we also decided that, during the month of January, the Deputy Grand Master would be responsible for the majority of public functions, on behalf of the Grand Master. I, therefore, am including in my Grand Master's activities those functions attended by me during the month of January 1990.

### *January, 1990*

- 5 Lincoln Valley of the Scottish Rite Installation of Officers — Lincoln
- 6 Installation of Don Rasmussen as Commander — McCook
- 10 Board of Directors Meeting — Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children — Fremont
- 10 Installation of Officers of North Star Lodge Number 227 — Lincoln
- 11 Joint Installation of Officers of Lincoln Lodge 19, Lancaster Lodge 54, and Liberty Lodge 300 — Lincoln
- 13 Installing Master for Joint Installation of Hastings Lodge Number 50 and Mid-West Lodge Number 317 — Hastings
- 14 Grand Lodge Session Committee Meeting — Kearney
- 14 Grand Lodge Office Committee Meeting by telephone conference call — Lincoln
- 18 Grand Lodge Office
- 20 Installation of Officers of Oliver Lodge Number 38 Installing Marshal — Seward
- 23 Annual meeting of the Nebraska Masonic Home Board — Representative of the Grand Master — Lincoln
- 23 Meeting of the Nebraska Masonic Foundation — Lincoln
- 23 Meeting of the Grand Lodge Trustees — Lincoln
- 30 Meeting of the East Lincoln Lodge 210 Foundation — Lincoln

- 31 133rd Grand Lodge Annual Communication – Kearney

*February, 1990*

- 1 133rd Grand Lodge Annual Communication – Kearney
- 2 133rd Grand Lodge Annual Communication – Kearney
- 3 133rd Grand Lodge Annual Communication – Kearney
- 9 Nebraska Masonic Foundation Meeting with Harris House Preservation Associates at Grand Lodge Office
- 10 Line Officers Meeting – Officers Meeting – Officers Dinner – Lincoln
- 11 Installation of Officers and Reception – Scottish Rite Cathedral Lincoln
- 13 Plattsmouth Home Board Meeting – Plattsmouth Meeting with Chandler & DeMoss – Omaha
- 17 Grand Masters Conference – Salt Lake City, Utah
- 18 Grand Masters Conference – Salt Lake City, Utah
- 19 Grand Masters Conference – Salt Lake City, Utah
- 20 Grand Masters Conference – Salt Lake City, Utah
- 21 Grand Masters Conference – Salt Lake City, Utah
- 21 Grand Lodge Office – Lincoln
- 27 Lincoln Lodge Number 19 – Senior Deacon\First Craftsman in three Master Mason Degrees and Second Section Lecture – Lincoln

*March, 1990*

- 1 East Lincoln Lodge Number 210 – Lincoln
- 2 Nebraska Masonic Foundation Meeting – Lincoln
- 3 Cornerstone Laying in Papillion for International Center for the International Order of Job's Daughters
- 8 John J. Mercer Lodge Number 290 – Central School of Instruction in the Entered Apprentice Degree – Omaha
- 13 Hickman Lodge Number 256 – Central School of Instruction in the Entered Apprentice Degree – Lincoln
- 14 Board of Directors Meeting – Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children – Fremont
- 14 Sesostris Shrine Business Meeting – Presentation of Grand Master's Fez – Lincoln
- 22 Lincoln Lodge Number 19 – Central School of Instruction First Section of the Master Mason Degree – Lincoln
- 24 Grand Lodge Office Committee Meeting – Lincoln
- 24 Initiation of Claire McHenry into Bethel Number 63 International Order of Job's Daughters – Scottish Rite Temple – Lincoln
- 25 Scottish Rite Foundation Annual Meeting – Lincoln
- 26 Florence Lodge Number 281 – Central School of Instruction Second Section of the Master Mason Degree – Omaha
- 31 Joint meeting of Grand Lodge, Scottish Rite, York Rite and Shrine – Lincoln
- 31 Sesostris Temple Potentate's Ball – Lincoln

April, 1990

- 3 Grand Lodge of Connecticut – Cromwell, Connecticut
- 4 Grand Lodge of Connecticut – Cromwell, Connecticut
- 5 Grand Lodge of Connecticut – Cromwell, Connecticut
- 6 Installation of Officers – Naphis Temple – Daughters of the Nile – Lincoln
- 8 Presentation of Bronze Jordan Medal to Harry A. Spencer – North Star Lodge Number 227 – Lincoln
- 11 Attend Membership Committee Meeting – Grand Lodge Office
- 14 Joint Receiving of Norman C. Hall, Grand Master of Prince Hall, and myself at Lincoln Lodge Number 19 – Presentation of Second Section of Masters Degree by Comet Lodge Number 229 – Lincoln
- 19 Meeting with Tom Tye – Kearney
- 20 Frank Welch Lodge Number 75 – Central School of Instruction in the Second Section of the Master Mason Degree – Sidney
- 21 Presentation of Grand Master's Humanitarian Award to Neil Colerick Alliance Lodge Number 183 – Alliance
- 22 Grand Lodge Officers Meeting – Alliance
- 24 Mosaic Lodge Number 55 – Central School of Instruction in the Second Section of the Master Mason Degree – Norfolk
- 27 Planning and Social Committee Meeting for Grand Lodge Session – Lincoln

May, 1990

- 1 Table Lodge Papillion Lodge Number 39 – Papillion
- 4 Daughters of The Nile Welcome Home Banquet for Karen Everett, Supreme Queen – Lincoln
- 5 Prince Hall Grand Lodge initiation of nine Fellowcrafts into Master Mason Degree – Omaha
- 8 Nebraska Masonic Home Board of Trustees Meeting – Plattsmouth
- 8 Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star – Lincoln
- 9 Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star initiation of Grand Master – Lincoln
- 16 Board of Directors Meeting – Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children – Fremont
- 17 Membership Committee Meeting – Lincoln
- 23 Shiloh Lodge Number 327 – Conferred two Master Mason Degrees—Omaha

June, 1990

- 1 Attend Lincoln Scottish Rite Preservation Foundation Meeting – Lincoln
- 7 Stella Lodge Number 105 – Senior Deacon in Fellowcraft Degree – Stella
- 8 Line Officers Meeting – Grand Lodge Office
- 8 Western Star Lodge Number 2 – Senior Deacon in Fellowcraft Degree – Nebraska City



- 9 Cornerstone Laying for the Masonic Temple of George Washington Lodge Number 250 – Lincoln
- 9 Caring Club Charter Member Dinner – Nebraska Masonic Home – Plattsmouth
- 10 Saint John The Baptist Day Celebration – Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F.: & A.:M.: – Bethel A.M.E. Church – Omaha
- 11 Nebraska Masonic Foundation Meeting – Grand Lodge Office
- 12 Nebraska Masonic Home Board of Trustees Meeting – Plattsmouth
- 12 Jurisprudence Committee Meeting – Plattsmouth
- 16 Highland Lodge Number 194 – Centennial Celebration – Cortland
- 16 Grand Assembly of Rainbow for Girls Banquet and Presentation of Grand Lodge Scholarships – Crete
- 19 Grand Lodge Trustees Meeting – Omaha
- 21 Grand Bethel of International Order of Job's Daughters and Presentation of Grand Lodge Scholarships – Lincoln
- 22 Justice Lodge Number 180 – Presentation of Fifty-and- Sixty-Year Pins – Benkelman
- 23 Purity Lodge Number 198 – Centennial Celebration and Presentation of Bronze Jordan Medal to Paris Morris – Imperial
- 24 Arcana Lodge Number 195 – Centennial Celebration – Gordon
- 25 Travel from Gordon
- 29 Scottish Rite Grand Commander's Workshop – Omaha
- 30 Scottish Rite Grand Commander's Workshop – Omaha

July, 1990

- 1 Imperial Shrine – Chicago
- 2 Imperial Shrine – Chicago
- 3 Imperial Shrine – Chicago
- 4 Imperial Shrine – Chicago
- 5 Grand Lodge Retreat – Okoboji
- 6 Grand Lodge Retreat – Okoboji
- 7 Grand Lodge Retreat – Okoboji
- 8 Grand Lodge Retreat – Okoboji
- 17 Funeral for PGM Lewis R. Ricketts – Lincoln
- 17 Grand Lodge Trustees Meeting – Lincoln
- 18 Nebraska Masonic Foundation Meeting –Telephone Conference
- 19 Crescent Lodge 143 –Table Lodge – Cedar Rapids
- 20 Prince Hall Grand Lodge Annual Communication – Omaha
- 22 Consolidation Party at Shelton for merger of Shelton Lodge 99 into Cement Lodge 211 – Shelton
- 31 Shrine Hospital visit with North and South Shrine Bowl Teams – Minneapolis

August, 1990

- 4 Shrine Bowl Parade and Game – Lincoln
- 8 Practice for Joint Degree with Prince Hall – Papillion Lodge Number 39 – Papillion

- 12 Cornerstone laying for McCook Community College Dormitory – Presentation of Deputy Grand Custodian Commission to Richard Linnemeyer – McCook
- 26 Achievement Day, Dedication of Truman Cottage, and 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children – Fremont
- 31 Grand Lodge Office – Nebraska Masonic Foundation Meeting

*September, 1990*

- 1 Cornerstone laying for Gering Municipal and Retail Center
- 1 Table Lodge hosted by Scotts Bluff Lodge Number 201 – Gering
- 2 Travel from Gering
- 8 All Masonic Bodies Task Force Meeting at Grand Lodge Office – Lincoln
- 9 Dedication of Corinthian Lodge Number 83 – Wakefield
- 10 Grand Lodge Publication Committee Meeting – Omaha
- 10 Practice for Joint Conferring of Master Mason Degrees A.:F.: & A.:M.: and Prince Hall Candidates – Bellevue
- 13 Travel to Grand Lodge of Hawaii
- 14 Grand Lodge of Hawaii
- 15 Grand Lodge of Hawaii
- 16 Grand Lodge of Hawaii
- 25 Joint Conferring of Master Mason Degrees on A.:F.: & A.:M.: and Prince Hall F.: & A.:M.: Candidates – Papillion
- 28 Grand Lodge Line Officer's Meeting – Telephone Conference Call
- 30 Meeting with Art Sharp and Tom Tye of Nebraska Masonic Home by Telephone Conference Call

*October, 1990*

- 9 Nebraska Masonic Home Board of Trustees Meeting – Plattsmouth
- 12 Grand Lodge Office Committee Meeting – Grand Lodge Office
- 13 Nebraska DeMolay Foundation Board of Directors Meeting in Lincoln
- 13 Dedication of George Washington Lodge Number 250 – Lincoln
- 14 Planning and Social Committee Meetings for Grand Lodge Session – Grand Island
- 15 International Friendship Night at Otter Tail Lodge Number 284 – Pelican Rapids, Minnesota
- 16 Travel from Pelican Rapids
- 19 Visit Veterans Hospital with Scottish Rite – Lincoln
- 20 Grand Lodge Line Officers Meeting – Lincoln
- 20 Nebraska Masonic Foundation Dinner with Prince Hall Grand Lodge Officers – Lincoln
- 23 Grand Lodge Trustees meeting – Lincoln
- 24 Table Lodge hosted by Lebanon Lodge Number 323 and Master Mason Degree\First Craftsman\Second Section Lecture – Columbus
- 26 Grand Lodge Office
- 28 DeMolay Grand Master's Class – Lincoln

November, 1990

- 2 Grand Masters Conference Masonic Renewal Committee — St Louis
- 3 Grand Masters Conference Masonic Renewal Committee — St Louis
- 4 Grand Masters Conference Masonic Renewal Committee — St Louis
- 5 Grand Lodge Session Committee meeting — Grand Island
- 8 Presentation of 50-year-Pin to Robert A. Norris, Worshipful Master of Wymore Lodge Number 104 — Wymore
- 9 Nebraska Masonic Foundation Meeting — Conference Call
- 10 Nebraska Masonic Task Force Meeting — Grand Lodge Office
- 12 Friendship Dinner at Albion Lodge Number 78 — Albion
- 14 Job's Daughters Bethel Number 62 Initiation and Explanation of Masonry — Lincoln
- 16 Nebraska Masonic Foundation Meeting — Lincoln
- 19 Plattsmouth Lodge Number 6 — Conferred the Master Mason Degree — Plattsmouth
- 24 Presentation of the Grand Master's Humanitarian Award to James Fegley of Omadi Lodge Number 5 — South Sioux City
- 27 Lincoln Lodge Number 19 — Lincoln
- 28 Nebraska Masonic Home Committee Meeting — Ashland

December, 1990

- 1 Appropriations Committee Meeting — Omaha
- 1 All Grand Lodge Officers Meeting — Omaha
- 4 Lincoln Lodge Number 19 — Lincoln
- 6 Grand Lodge Office — Meeting with Art Sharp — Lincoln
- 11 Nebraska Masonic Home Board of Trustees Meeting — Plattsmouth
- 11 School of Instruction — Grand Island
- 12 Masonic Eastern Star Home for Children Board Meeting — Fremont
- 16 Job's Daughters Installation — Bethel Number 63 — Lincoln
- 18 Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia — Washington D.C.
- 19 Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia — Washington D.C.
- 20 Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia — Washington D.C.

January, 1991

- 4 Lincoln Valley of the Scottish Rite Installation of Officers — Lincoln
- 5 Installing Master for Fremont Lodge Number 15 — Fremont
- 10 Joint Installation of Officers of Lincoln Lodge Number 19, Lancaster Lodge Number 54, and Liberty Lodge Number 300 — Lincoln
- 12 Installing Master for the Joint Installation of Hastings Lodge Number 50 and Mid-West Lodge Number 317 — Hastings
- 13 Installation of Officers for Papillion Lodge Number 39 — Papillion
- 16 Hiram Club Guest Speaker — Lincoln
- 26 Nebraska Masonic Task Force Meeting — Grand Lodge Office
- 30 To Grand Island for the Grand Lodge Session — Grand Island
- 31 134th Grand Lodge Annual Communication — Grand Island

February, 1991

- 1 134th Grand Lodge Annual Communication — Grand Island
- 2 134th Grand Lodge Annual Communication — Grand Island
- 10 Installation of Officers - 125th Grand Master — Omaha

**PERMISSIONS AND DISPENSATIONS**

1. February 12, 1990, granted permission to Hickman Lodge Number 256 to move their Charter from 4641 Cooper, Lincoln, Nebraska to the Scottish Rite Temple, Lincoln, Nebraska for the purpose of having a Past Masters Night on April 7, 1990.
2. March 12, 1990, granted dispensation to Papillion Lodge Number 39 to install their Chaplain, Senior Steward, and Junior Steward at their regular business meeting on March 13, 1990.
3. April 13, 1990, granted permission to Corinthian Lodge Number 83 to move their Charter to the location of their new Lodge building at 226 Main, Wakefield, Nebraska.
4. April 27, 1990, granted permission to Culbertson Lodge Number 174 to move their Charter to a high hill about one mile south and two miles east of Culbertson on July 28, 1990 for the purpose of conducting an open-air Master Mason Degree.
5. May 23, 1990, by telephone call, granted dispensation to Lincoln Lodge Number 19 to install their Senior Warden, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, and Junior Steward at a special communication on May 29, 1990. Written permission was sent upon receipt of written request.
6. June 29, 1990, granted permission to Crescent Lodge Number 143 to move their Charter to the Community Building in Cedar Rapids for the purpose of holding a Table Lodge on July 19, 1990.
7. July 11, 1990, granted permission to George Washington Lodge Number 250 to move their Charter from their old Lodge Building at 6038 Havelock Avenue, Lincoln, Nebraska to their new Lodge Building at 70th and Platte Streets, Lincoln, Nebraska. They have sold their old building and were required to move before the new site could be dedicated. The permission was granted for the period of July 11, 1990, until such time as the Grand Lodge Officers could dedicate the new facilities.
8. July 16, 1990, granted permission to Frank Welch Lodge Number 75 to move their Charter to the Elwood Lostroff farm, approximately two miles northwest of Sidney, Nebraska, on July 24, 1990 for the purpose of conducting an Entered Apprentice Degree.
9. August 13, 1990, granted permission to Scotts Bluff Lodge Number 201 to move their Charter to the Panhandle Shrine Club building on September 1, 1990, for the purpose of conducting a Table Lodge in the Entered Apprentice Degree.
10. August 28, 1990, pursuant to Section 2-612, granted permission to Ashlar Lodge Number 33 to solicit the Lodges within 100 miles of Grand Island to participate with them in their annual food truck to the Nebraska Masonic Home.

11. September 11, 1990, granted permission to Composite Lodge Number 81 to move their Charter to Fidelity Lodge Number 51 Lodge Room on October 2, 1990, for the purpose of receiving Norman C. Hall, Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons of Nebraska.
12. November 15, 1990, granted permission to Grand Island Lodge Number 318 to move their charter to the Midtown Holiday Inn in Grand Island on February 1 and 2, 1991, for the purpose of opening the Grand Lodge Session and to conduct Grand Lodge Business.

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### 1. *Grand Master's Humanitarian Award.*

The success of the Grand Master's Humanitarian Award cannot be emphasized enough; and, again, two new honorees were selected and honored during 1990. The purpose for this award is to publicly and openly honor an individual in his community who has been an outstanding citizen, as well as an outstanding Mason.

The criteria established in order to be qualified to receive the Grand Master's Humanitarian Award is as follows:

He must first be a Master Mason for thirty years. Secondly, he must have been active in at least three of the following five community activities. He could have held a political office such as mayor, city council member, county board member, natural resource district board member, school board member, or such other political office as may be available. He could have been active in his Church, either as an elder, a vestry member, Deacon, lay reader, or such other similar office. He could have been denoted as a civic leader because of his involvement on boards of directors for local hospitals, nursing homes, financial institutions, or foundations. He could have been a volunteer for such charitable organizations as the YMCA, United Way, or Scouting. He could have been involved in such service organizations as the Lions, Sertoma, or Rotary. Lastly, he must have been active in the Masonic Fraternity.

We ask that, if you know of a worthy Brother, you please contact a Grand Lodge Officer or the Grand Lodge Office with your nomination.

On April 21, 1990, we were honored to present the Grand Master's Humanitarian Award to W. Neil Colerick of Alliance Lodge Number 183. Neil Colerick exemplifies all the attributes of Masonry in his service to his community and to his Lodge. He is active in the First Presbyterian Church of Alliance; he makes numerous hospital and nursing home visits; he served as Mayor and City Councilman; he has been, and continues to be, active on various administrative boards—especially, the Alliance City Park Foundation; and he has been dedicated to Blue Lodge and Scottish Rite Freemasonry.

On November 24, 1990, we presented the Grand Master's Humanitarian Award to James W. Fegley of Omadi Lodge Number 5 in South Sioux City. James Fegley has been a pioneer and a founder of Masonic ideals in his community; because, he has not been one to just sit on the sidelines, but rather, he has been a doer of Masonic deeds. He has been a Deacon, Trustee, Elder, and a tireless fund-raiser for the First Presbyterian Church of South Sioux City. He has been active in Boy Scouts, Kiwanis, the Public School System, Chamber of Commerce, United Way, his insurance associations; and he has been dedicated to his Blue Lodge and Scottish Rite Masonry.

## *2. Nebraska Masonic Renewal Task Force.*

During this past year, we have had three combined meetings with representatives of the three Shrine Temples, the four Scottish Rite Valleys, the three York Rite Bodies, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Job's Daughters, the Rainbow for Girls, and the DeMolay. We have a fourth meeting set for January 26, 1991.

The purpose of these meetings revolved around the current status of membership as it relates to the entire Masonic family. It was felt by the Grand Lodge Officers that the findings in Phases I and II of the Masonic Renewal Task Force, as reported the last two years at the Conference of Grand Masters of North America, dictated that all the Masonic family needed to work together to improve communication and cooperation between the Masonic bodies. In addition, it was of extreme importance to find solutions to our common problems and to have a coordinated effort in implementing those solutions.

The members of the task force met and came to a consensus regarding common issues. The result of these meetings has been a formulation of those issues that transcend and affect all the Masonic bodies and for which all members agreed a common solution was needed. The areas of concern are youth, membership, public relations and communications, and leadership training. In each area of concern were developed priorities of action and a chairman for each area was assigned. It is the chairman's responsibility to have his committee address the subjects of his area, and to present to the entire group a plan of implementing their solutions by all the Masonic family.

The first area is Youth. Chairman is Will Hurst with Doug Anderson and Elaine Jung as committee members. The effort of this committee will focus on five concerns. They will develop a process whereby members of the Blue Lodges will visit meetings of our youth organizations to educate the youth about Masonry. They will develop a program on sponsoring local youth activities. They show how organizations can promote family involvement in the Masonic family. They will develop a method to coordinate and exchange membership lists and prospects among the Masonic bodies. Their

last area concerns the Masonic family education for our youth groups.

The second area is Membership. Chairman is Dennis Brydl with Dan Roth and James Brown as committee members. It is the mission of this committee to devise and disseminate methods of developing lists of potential members and reward programs for recruitment. They are responsible for assisting in explaining and promoting standard proficiency. They are to develop a speakers' bureau of outstanding individuals and develop a brochure for Friendship dinners. Their last area of concern is to define the method to closely follow up on demits and suspensions.

The third area is Public Relations and Communications. Chairman is John McHenry. It is the task of this committee to present a public relations program to the Masonic bodies and to show how we can develop a better relationship with the news media. We are to develop methods and guidelines for contacting persons in the media. We are to develop a State-wide brochure. We are to develop a united image of Masonry and to implement the Educators Awareness Program.

The fourth area is the Training of Our Leaders. The Chairman is Charles Amidon with Don Pohlman and Jay Speck as committee members. They are to tackle the areas of leadership training, communication between organizations, and programs for our stated business meetings of all bodies.

### *3. Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nebraska F.: & A.:M.:*

At the 133rd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge held in Kearney, Nebraska on February 3, 1990, we adopted the Grand Master's Recommendation which mutually extended fraternal recognition between the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Nebraska F.:&A.:M.: and the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.:F.:& A.:M.: of Nebraska. This was done in the true spirit of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, and accorded to each, all Masonic rights and privileges.

The Grand Lodge Officers and numerous Masons of our Grand Lodge have had an opportunity to visit, Masonically, with the Prince Hall Grand Lodge and its members. We have had the unique privilege of participating in each other's Degree work, and have truly practiced the teachings of Brotherly Love. In our Monitor, we are instructed in the Third Section Lecture that, by the exercise of Brotherly Love, we are taught to regard the whole human species as one family. This last year, we have taken a large step in fulfilling this tenet of our great Fraternity.

On April 14, 1990, my Lodge, Lincoln Lodge Number 19, hosted the joint receiving of Norman C. Hall, Grand Master of Prince Hall, and myself. As part of the joint reception, Comet Lodge Number 229 presented the Second Section of the Master's Degree. This meeting was historic in that it was the first time members of Prince Hall and Nebraska F.: & A.:M.: Masons met as Brothers in an Open Lodge in the State of Nebraska.

On May 1, 1990, I was privileged to be received with Norman Hall at Papillion Lodge Number 39. The purpose of the meeting was a Table Lodge, and the members of both Grand Lodges had a memorable evening with exchanges of toasts. Four days later, on May 5, 1990, a number of Grand Lodge Officers and A.:F.:&A.:M.: Masons were present at the Prince Hall initiation of nine Fellowcrafts into the Master Mason Degree. Both our Deputy Grand Master, James N. DeMoss, and I had the chance to be Jubalum; and to later raise a Prince Hall Candidate to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. This is truly an experience I shall never forget.

In June, I had an opportunity to participate in the Prince Hall Saint John the Baptist Day Celebration in Omaha at the Bethel A.M.E. Church. In July, a number of Grand Lodge Officers attended their first-ever meeting of The Prince Hall Grand Lodge Annual Communication. It was fortunate that the Grand Masters of both the Iowa and Kansas Prince Hall Grand Lodges were present and could see that true brotherhood prevailed in Nebraska. In August, our Deputy Grand Master represented me at the installation of officers of Prince Hall.

The highlight of the year came in September when Papillion Lodge Number 39 hosted a joint conferring of the Master Mason Degree on an A.:F.:&A.:M.: candidate and Prince Hall candidate. In the First Section, we alternated every other station and place, and I had the pleasure of conferring the Degree. In like manner, we alternated duties in the Second Section, with Norm Hall and myself raising the candidates. The lectures were also alternated between members of both Grand Lodges.

We, especially, welcome Norman Hall and the other Prince Hall Grand Lodge Officers and members to this Annual Communication. We thank Norman for the presentation of the workshop on Prince Hall Masonry.

#### *4. Monitor Revision.*

The special committee on revising the Monitor presented to last year's Grand Lodge its resolution to adopt a revised Monitor and Ceremonies for Nebraska. The Committee was comprised of the three members of the Committee on Work, Charles Amidon, T. Leo Stines, and Wayne G. Lunenburg; Jerry L. Rittenburg, who was then Grand Custodian and is now Grand Junior Deacon; James L. Eatmon, Grand Senior Warden; Kenneth G. Fleming, Grand Marshal; and Augustine S. Scolaro, present Grand Custodian. Those revisions were sent to the Lodges in September. We will be voting on the adoption of these revisions on Saturday, February 2, 1991, when we vote on the report of the Committee on Nebraska Work. I ask for your support in approving these changes.

#### *5. Scholarship Program.*

We have continued the Masonic Scholarship program this past year. These



scholarships are given to deserving students and one hundred eighty-five students received Masonic Scholarships this year. These scholarships ranged from one hundred dollars to one thousand dollars and totaled twenty five thousand one hundred sixty dollars. Special note should be made of two items. The Pierce Lodge, prior to its extinction, established a special fund with the Nebraska Masonic Foundation for scholarships for individual students from the Pierce area. The first scholarship was awarded this year in the amount of five hundred dollars. The goal is to increase the principal amount in this fund so that future scholarships will be in the amount of one thousand dollars. Secondly, the Omaha lodges should be commended for their excellent scholarship program that they coordinate through the Omaha Masters and Wardens Club. Through their cooperation, the Grand Lodge Office will be making available to all lodges the program used by them.

#### *6. Annual Retreat.*

The annual brainstorming of the Grand Lodge Officers was held at Lake Okoboji in Okoboji, Iowa. The future directions of the Craft were reviewed and modified where necessary. The planning details for this Grand Lodge Session were finalized and the meeting was a great success. The ideas and directions of this Grand Lodge Session are under the supervision of James N. DeMoss; as, it is the duty of the Deputy Grand Master to be in charge of the workshops, as well as the overall planning and organization, for his Grand Master. Jim has done an excellent job for this session and each of you will be beneficiaries of the plans so ably executed by Jim and his committee members.

#### *7. Directorate Leadership.*

Last year, through the vision and sacrifice of Thomas W. Tye, as Grand Master, the Grand Lodge Officers instituted what we call "Directorate Leadership." This process has provided much-needed continuity of leadership these last two years and will continue to provide that continuity in the many years to come. Even though this concept was reported in detail in last year's Address of the Grand Master, it is of such importance that it needs to be repeated. It is the hope and desire that the officers of each subordinate Lodge adopt a similar method of leadership in their own Lodge to insure their survival and to provide continuity of Masonry into the future.

Directorate leadership, as practiced by the Grand Lodge Officers, requires the Grand Master to voluntarily relinquish to his Line Officers the powers and authorities normally granted by the constitution and bylaws to that particular office. The policy is to make decisions; appointments to the line, committees, and boards; and major policy decisions with reference to our Fraternity; after presentation of those matters to the Line Officers, and after gaining one hundred percent approval. The result, of course, is to gain the

full commitment of each Line Officer to the full support of those projects and those individuals agreed upon by the group. This method dictates that the philosophy and programs instituted in one year will have a chance to come to fruition and not be demised after a particular Grand Master is gone from the scene. Allegiances, truly, belong to our fraternity, rather than to an individual; and duties and responsibilities are executed because of the position, rather than for personal glorification. Much has been accomplished using this form of leadership, and Masonry and the entire Craft has benefitted enormously.

#### *8. Grand Lodge - 134th Annual Communication.*

It is impossible to thank all the people who have been involved with this 134th Annual Communication. James N. DeMoss is directly responsible for the management and organization of the workshops and the Grand Lodge Session. He has put together all the committees and workers, who have done an expert job of preparing the workshops, the various banquets and meals, and the order of business. You should take the opportunity to thank him and the Masons who have worked with him to make this session a tremendous success.

On Thursday afternoon, there will be a leadership workshop presented by our Membership Committee. On Friday, the Grand Secretary will conduct a workshop for the Secretaries, reviewing the Secretaries' Workbook that was introduced at last year's session. Also, on Friday, we will have workshops for the delegates and they are entitled:

1. Recruitment
2. Community Involvement
3. Prince Hall Masonry
4. Proficiency
5. Lodge Programs
6. Leadership

I have had an opportunity to crisscross the State on several occasions, and I have visited a number of Lodges located in our smaller communities in Nebraska. I can say that there is a tremendous amount of activity and enthusiasm in our Lodges and in Masonry in this State. We are seeing that Masons are taking up the challenges of our great Fraternity and moving out into their communities to live its precepts. We are seeing that Masons are seeking out the needs in their communities and finding solutions to the problems presented. We are seeing that Masons who are active in all the bodies of the Masonic Family are cooperating and promoting the welfare of the Fraternity. There are still some among us who prefer to offer a negative attitude and a disparaging word; however, the Masons of Nebraska have been willing to expand their horizons. They have been willing to try new and innovative approaches to practicing the tenets of Masonry. They have been willing to practice patience with the new programs and they have the insight to accept that which works for the good of the order.

The condition of the Craft is good. The condition of the Craft is exciting. The condition of the Craft is enthusiastic.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

In accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 2 (b) of the Constitution, I do make the following recommendations, which, in the opinion of the Grand Lodge Officers, are deemed necessary and expedient for the welfare of the Fraternity.

**Recommendation Number 1.** The financial health of the Fraternity is, and will continue to be, of major importance to the leadership of Nebraska Masonry. The decline in membership over the past ten years, together with the constant rise in inflation, strains the financial well being of the Masonic Fraternity. The Phase II study done for the Grand Masters Conference concludes that, on a National basis, if we are left to our own devices, our Fraternity will be half its present size in the year 2000 and half again in the year 2010. That would mean that, in Nebraska, by the year 2000, we will have 12,000 members; and, by the year 2010, we will have 6,000 members. The financial consequences of this magnitude of decline are staggering and are the most paramount in importance. The Grand Lodge Officers, with the tremendous support and assistance of the membership, has instituted a number of programs and changes which are combating the decline in membership. In fact, we have shown a positive membership position all year long, even though we have had 561 deaths, 48 demits, and 25 suspensions. We started the year with 24,107 members on our roles; and, today, we have that same number. We have shown that the programs can and do work. That the decline in membership can and will be stemmed. These programs and the constant work of the Grand Lodge Officers and Blue Lodge Masons across the State costs money. In order to win the war against extinction, the per capita for Grand Lodge must increase to offset the effects of past membership declines and the ravages of inflation.

At last year's Grand Lodge Session, the delegates adopted a budget which provided for a potential deficit of \$50,000.00. Fortunately, it appears, at this writing, that the budget deficit will be approximately \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 because of the diligence of the Grand Lodge Officers and the efficiency of the Grand Lodge Office Manager and staff. However, with continual rising costs of operations; expanded services to the lodges; and with the newly attained stable membership numbers; we will continue to face budget deficits if we do not raise the per capita assessment to each member. If we do not meet this financial challenge, the gains we have made in membership and in motivating the members of our Lodges to live the tenets of Masonry in their communities will be lost.

I recommend that the first sentence of the 3rd paragraph of Section 2-601-DUES AND ASSESSMENTS be changed to read:

*"Each lodge shall pay annually to the Grand Lodge on or before the 10th day of April, for each initiation during the preceding calendar year, the sum*

of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), and for each member, the sum of Twelve Dollars (\$12.00) as a per capita Tax."

At the same time, I recommend that Section 1-406-ALLOCATION OF FUNDS be changed to read:

*"The per capita Tax of \$12.00 shall be divided as follows:*

*To the Nebraska Masonic Home.....\$ 2.00*

*To the General Fund.....\$ 10.00*

The Initiation Fee of \$10.00 and all affiliation fees shall be allocated to the General Fund."

**Recommendation Number 2.** The Membership Committee has requested that I place before the Delegates a recommendation to change the date on which a member is delinquent in the payment of his dues. Our current regulations on this matter are extremely lenient and it is the feeling of the committee that this is an extremely destructive situation for the Lodges. I therefore recommend that Section 2-605 of the Grand Lodge Bylaws be changed to read as follows:

*"Section 2-605 - LODGE DUES - The dues assessed by all chartered subordinate lodges shall be payable on January 1st of the year for which they are assessed and shall become delinquent on March 31 of the same year if not paid by that date.*

*On April 1 of each year, it shall be the duty of the secretary to notify in writing each member that is in arrears for dues for the current year of such fact and request payment thereof before April 30 of that year. If such member fails to pay his dues on or before April 30 of such year he shall automatically stand suspended for nonpayment of dues and entry thereof shall be made in the minutes of the lodge at the first subsequent stated meeting. It shall also be the duty of the secretary to notify, in writing, each member automatically suspended for nonpayment of dues. Such notice shall be deemed properly given when mailed by first class mail to the last known post office address of such suspended individual."*

**Recommendation Number 3.** The Finance Committee has presented to the Grand Lodge Officers a recommendation that the bylaw pertaining to their committee be amended. It is their position that it is physically impossible for their committee to check every voucher as could be required by a very strict reading of the present bylaw. In the past, the Committee has adopted a procedure in which they check and verify vouchers and expenditures in the amount of \$500.00, or more, and they check every fifth item for those amounts less than \$500.00. All items of receipt are verified. In addition, there has been some divided opinion over whether this committee should concern itself with whether an expenditure is appropriate, even though the expenditure is within the budgeted amount. The committee determined that the appropriate place for determination of this issue is with the Appropriations Committee who initially appropriated and submitted the

proposed budget to the Grand Lodge for approval. The Finance Committee submitted a proposed amendment to the Grand Lodge Officers, setting forth new language addressing these issues. I recommend that Section 1-318 Finance be amended to read as follows:

*"Section 1-318 Finance - The Committee on Finance shall consist of five members, each to serve a period of five (5) years and who shall be appointed for such terms as shall retire one member annually. In case of a vacancy on the committee, the Grand Master shall immediately appoint a member to fill the unexpired term. It shall be the duty of the committee to examine the books and vouchers of the Grand Lodge, vouchers of officers and committees for whom appropriations have been made. The committee shall determine if such vouchered expenditures are within the scope of the appropriation and report to the Grand Lodge any expenditures which it deems to have been improperly paid from the appropriation made. It shall examine expenditures from each appropriated fund and report the amounts of any unexpended balance to be returned to the proper fund of the Grand Lodge. It shall determine and report the actual condition of all funds and accounts of the Grand Lodge, consider matters relating to revenue and its expenditure, and report such recommendations as it may deem for the financial benefit of the Grand Lodge. It shall examine all accounts and certify the results thereof to the Grand Lodge in its annual report. If doubt should arise as to a certain expenditure, its appropriateness or its proper category, said matters shall be referred to the Committee on Appropriations who, with the advice of the Committee on Jurisprudence, shall determine the appropriateness of said expenditure or the appropriate category into which said expenditure shall be placed. The committee shall have authority to employ a certified public accountant at the expense of the Grand Lodge, if in the judgement of the committee and the Grand Master it shall be deemed necessary."*

**Recommendation Number 4.** The amount of the per diem for the representatives to Grand Lodge has not changed since, at least, 1977. Although the amount is a token amount, compared to the actual cost of attending the Grand Lodge Session, we should recognize the effects that the changes of time have wrought, and increase the amount of the per diem. I therefore recommend that Section 1-105 - Mileage and Per Diem be changed, to delete the words: "an amount of ten dollars per day for each day's attendance," as the amount of the per diem; and that, in place of such words, the following be substituted:

*"an amount per day for each days attendance to be set annually by the Grand Lodge Office Committee to be presented to this Grand Lodge in the report of said committee for approval or modification by the Grand Lodge"*

## CONCLUSION

It has been a great honor and a privilege to have served the members of the Masonic Craft as Grand Master. I have had the opportunity to meet with many of the Brethren, these past six years, and had the pleasure of

discussing with them the opportunities and avenues in which we could revitalize our Fraternity. I ask for your consideration and approval of the recommendations presented to you. We each know that we must all vote in that manner which we believe best serves the interests of the Fraternity.

I, as well as my officers, have attempted to lead by example. We have made the effort to be visible and accessible. I am eternally grateful for the support they have given to me. I am extremely proud of their dedication to the Fraternity and the number of hours they have devoted to the success of our programs. I know that these officers, and the ones to come in the future, will serve the Craft extremely well.

In the last several years, we have made great strides because we had the vision that our members lived the Three Great Masonic Tenets; because we dared to innovate and seek new answers to perplexing problems; and because we believed in the will of the membership to reach the greatness that is ours. I would close with this quote from Frank Herbert's Dune: "*The eye that looks to the safe course is closed forever.*"

Fraternally,

*John M. McHenry*  
Grand Master

### **Supplemental Report of the Grand Master**

*Most Worshipful John M. McHenry*  
*February 1, 1991*

To the Committee on Jurisprudence and the Grand Lodge Officers of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska.

Brethren, since the preparation of my address, which was presented to you for your consideration forty-five (45) days prior to the opening of this 134th Annual Communication, I have been called upon, as your Grand Master, to consider the following action.

#### **Reinstatements**

1. William R. Westerman of Thistle Lodge No. 61
2. William Villont of Covert Lodge No. 11
3. Ralph Seger of Garfield Lodge No. 95
4. Frank Suda of Palisade Lodge No. 216

#### **Waiver of Jurisdiction**

1. Rickey Palmer to Landmark Lodge No. 103 of Iowa
2. Douglas M. Darrah to Triangle Lodge No. 643 of Iowa

### Bylaw Changes

1. On December 17, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Zion Lodge No. 234 in Hyannis, NE. The purpose of the change was to create a trust fund in which memorials, bequests, gifts, and donations could be made. The changes also provided for the management and investment of said fund.
2. On December 28, 1990, I approved a bylaw change for Craftsmen Lodge No. 314 in Lincoln. The purpose of the change was to provide that the lodge could designate their regular communication as a Table Lodge to be conducted in the Entered Apprentice degree. All business except balloting on candidates could be conducted. The starting time would also change to 6:30 o'clock p.m.
3. On January 21, 1991, I approved a bylaw change for Porter Lodge No. 106 in Loup City. The purpose of the change was to move the regular business meeting from the second Monday of each calendar month to the second Tuesday of each calendar month.
4. On January 29, 1991, I approved a bylaw change for Platte Valley Lodge No. 32 in North Platte. The purpose of the change was to move the regular meetings of the lodge from the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month and the festivals of St. John the Evangelist and St. John the Baptist to the second Tuesday of each month and the two festival days.

### Grand Representatives

R.:W.: Brother A. S. Johnson of the Grand Lodge of Quebec  
Brother Kenneth W. Smith of the Grand Lodge of Illinois

### Dispensations and Permissions

On January 10, 1991, I granted dispensation to John S. Bowen Lodge No. 232 of Kennard, NE, the right to hold their election of officers on January 17, 1991.

On January 19, 1991, I granted dispensation to Minnekadusa Lodge No. 192 to install their Junior Warden on January 29, 1991 or February 19, 1991.

On January 21, 1991, I granted dispensation to Miloma Lodge No. 328 to move its charter to the West Omaha Lodge for the purpose of installation of officers.

On January 29, 1991, I granted dispensation to Mosaic Lodge No. 55 to install their Junior Steward and Junior Warden at their regular meeting in February.

On February 4, 1991, I granted dispensation to John J. Mercer Lodge No. 290 of Omaha, NE, to install their Junior Warden and Junior Steward on February 5, 1991.

On February 4, 1991, I granted dispensation to Nebraska Lodge No. 1 of

Omaha, NE, to install their Junior Deacon on February 4, 1991.

On February 4, 1991, I granted dispensation to Fidelity Lodge No. 51 of David City, NE, to install officers on February 5, 1991.

On February 7, 1991, I granted dispensation to Pomegranate Lodge No. 110 to install their Junior Deacon at their next regular communication on March 4.

On February 7, 1991, I granted dispensation to Scribner Lodge No. 132 to install their Treasurer out of time.

Respectfully submitted,

*John M. McHenry*  
Grand Master

The Address and supplementary report of the Grand Master were approved and accepted by the delegates present.

### **The Grand Oration**

*Virgil L. Tubach, 54, Grand Orator*

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, my fraters all; so far this morning we have had a word of prayer, but I think before we get too much further along, we need at least one joke to loosen up with. I am not a comedy person, really, but I have one that I think that you might like to loosen you up before you listen to my pointed, barbed remarks.

This little, red MG Midget, going down the street, comes up to a stoplight and stops next to this great big silver Silver Ghost Rolls Royce. Looks at the guy sitting behind the driver's wheel with the windows all rolled up, he knows the air conditioning is on. Beep, beep, beep. The guy doesn't look at him. Beep, beep, beep. The guy doesn't look at him. The third time he lays on the horn "Beeeeeep." The guy looks at him and rolls down the window on his Rolls Royce and the guy in the Midget says, "Say, I'm just curious...do you have a double bed in the back of that Rolls Royce?" The driver says, "No". So the guy says, "Hm, that's strange, I thought all Rolls Royces came standard with a double bed." With that the light changes and the little MG goes on down the street. The guy in the Rolls Royce says, "Hm," and thinks about that as he goes to his office building and has the attendant park his car, and he goes up to his office still thinking about it. He picks up the telephone and he calls his dealership and he says, "Rolls Royces come with double beds in the back of them?" and the guy at the dealership says, "Well, yeah, we can put one in." So he says, "I want you to come get my car. I want one put in yet this afternoon." The guy says sure, so he comes



and gets the car. So now, this guy in this Rolls Royce, as he goes back and forth to work for the next two or three days, keeps looking for this little red MG Midget. One morning, as he goes in, he happens to see it parked over here at the side of the road, next to the park. The windows are all fogged up. There's a little bit of fumes, whiffs of stuff coming out of the windows, so he pulls in behind it. He goes up and raps on the window. Finally the window cracks down a little and here are the eyes and nose sticking out of the window, and the guy says, "Hey, I just wanted to let you know that I've got a double bed now in the back of my Rolls Royce." And the guy in the Midget says, "What, you got me out of the shower to tell me that?"

So much for jokes. I would like to now take you to a lodge of Fellowcraft Masons. To the Entered Apprentice Mason being brought to the altar in a Fellowcraft Mason's lodge, and the Worshipful Master from the East says five words. *Masonry is a progressive science*. For the purposes of my remarks this morning, I want to take those five words, but instead of having it as a statement, let's put a question mark behind it. *Is Masonry a progressive science?*

I would venture a guess here that there are a few Masons about this room and about the lodge when they heard that who might not snicker under their breath at hearing it. Progressive? A science? Undoubtedly there are some who have never even bothered to understand what the words were. It never registered in their mind. A few will wonder for a few seconds what the Master is actually meaning. These five words handed down from some dark, dusty, unknown past. And then, bless God, there are those who over the years have listened, considered and thought about the phrase and understand what is being imparted to this new Fellowcraft brother.

Now, to make sure that I get off on the right foot in my discussion, I went to that good old standby, the dictionary, and I had to dig down to the sixth definition of the word progressive to find the meaning that I wanted. It says, "Of, relating to, or influenced by a theory of education characterized by emphasis on the individual needs and capacities of each person and in formality of curriculum." Now looking up the word science, we take the last definition given, which is, "knowledge, especially knowledge gained through experience from the Middle English learning." So we take these two definitions and put them together, and how did we ever acquire in our Masonic ritual this thought of learning through experience at our own rate of understanding, and only to that degree of need based upon our own requirements?

To answer that, I would like to introduce you to a universally recognized scholar of Masonic Jurisprudence and Philosophy, one of Nebraska's own, a Past Master of Lancaster Lodge No. 54...ah, you've guessed already...yes, you're right...Worshipful Brother Roscoe Pound. In his writings he tells us that our rituals, our beliefs, are influenced by four great Masonic scholars. Each of them have given us a Masonic philosophy; two are intellectual, and two are spiritual systems. Now, for the purpose of this discussion this

morning, I will stay with the intellectual system as put forth by William Preston, whose key word and thought was *knowledge*, rather than Frederick Krause, whose key word and thought was *morals*.

This is 1991. Two hundred and twenty-four years ago, William Preston was then but 25 years of age, and the new Master of a newly chartered lodge in London. Now, as the Master of a newly constituted lodge, he began to make a thorough study of the Masonic institution as it then existed. Here we step aside for one quick word about Preston and his background. He was taken out of school at an early age due to the death of his father, and in school he was a quick mind and did well in Latin and only fairly good in Greek. He was apprenticed to a printer, and at the age of 18 he went to London and joined the King's printer, where he remained for his entire working life. However, since he did not have personally the education that he so desperately wanted, he studied everything that he set in print, and gained a reputation as a judge and a literary critic.

Now, heretofore in the lodges, the old charges had been read to the initiate, and from this there had grown up a practice of orally expounding their contents and comments. And the person giving this would dwell for some length of time on those points that he himself liked, and sort of passed up points of the old charges that he didn't care too much about. Preston decided that he wanted to standardize this, and turn it into a system of fixed lectures. So he composed these lectures, and presented them before a group of close friends, who met sometimes as often as twice a week, to listen and criticize and learn the lectures as Preston put them together.

For seven years he labored, and in 1772 he interested the Grand Officers of the Modern Grand Lodge in his work, and delivered an oration at which they approved the lectures. Two years of refining then took place, and in 1774 his system was complete, and through schools of instruction, his lectures were taught throughout England.

It is said that the 18th century was an era of pure intellectual philosophy, and that knowledge was regarded as the cure-all. With public education for the masses unknown, knowledge, that priceless solvent, was out of the reach of the common man, and the common man needed it the most. So, to Preston, the Masonic Order existed to propagate, disperse, and spread this great body of learning. By making the lectures representative of all the great branches of learning, the Masonic lodge would be made a school in which all men might acquire knowledge. Preston thought that if all man had knowledge, then all human, all social problems would be, could be, solved.

Thus we have today, in the American ritual, three major lectures, depicting what to William Preston, some 217 years ago, was a means by which common man could acquire knowledge in general. This leads us now to the question, "Was Preston wrong?" I say to you this morning that William Preston, for his day, was 'in the money'. He was on top of his times. He was a leader without exception. But today is not 1774. It's 1991. This is the day of supersonic air travel. Atomic power. Space flight. Pictures from the outer

bounds of our galaxy. Television. Television we can see instantly pictures from the Middle East of the War, which, unfortunately, almost makes this war look like we're in a movie. Looks like movietone news. We have the ability to send data, FAX data, from New York to Tokyo, quicker than you can pick up your telephone, whether it's rotary, whether it's touchtone, whether it's cellular, and call the neighbor next door.

But today there is no less a need for a special kind of knowledge. For all the advancement made in education and science, society is sharply divided in classes that understand each other none too well, and hence are getting totally and wholly out of synch. What nobler Masonic lecture could there be undertaken in which we could teach fundamentals of social science, and spread that knowledge of Masons all around the world. Such a lecture composed as Preston's were, by delivery in lodge after lodge, and after criticism and changes as a result of years of labor, could be taught to Master Masons. Would not our lodges shine out with real light in the community and state, and take a great step forward in the work of making for human perfection? We can no longer think and act in small geographical terms. We must look at things from a worldwide perspective. Sports, art, science, economics, labor, and even fraternal organizations have become international. People are thinking more of the world society than focusing their vision entirely on the individual.

My brothers, the time has come for us as Masons to get out of our rut and begin to plan and set goals for the new century. Public education is a fact. We have children in middle schools today with more knowledge than the top educators of Preston's day. We as Masons must seek to understand the background, traditions, institutions, and modes of thinking of the rest of this world. In order to do this, we had better first learn who we are, and what we stand for. Permanent peace upon this planet could well be set in motion by a concerted effort of all Masonic organizations worldwide. This fact has never been more apparent than now with the struggle taking place in the Persian Gulf. As Preston, that great innovator, put education in the hands of common man through his lectures, so it is time that Masons of today determine what the progressive science of that new century just nine years away will be.

I refuse to believe that no new Preston will arise to take up the conception of knowledge as an aid to the fraternity, and present to the Masons of today the up-to-date, modern knowledge which we must possess in the new century. Thank you.



The Grand Master presented for introduction Most Worshipful Brother William K. McKee, Jr., Grand Master of Hawaii, who made his remarks and greetings to those assembled.

**Final Report of the Appropriations Committee***John VerMaas, 256, Chairman***1991 Grand Lodge Appropriations**

The final report of the Appropriations Committee was submitted to the voting delegates of Grand Lodge and adopted by vote of the delegates assembled.

**— REVENUE —****LODGE INCOME**

2105.000	Dues - Masonic Home	\$ 48,214
2106.000	Dues - George Washington Memorial	1,800
4100.000	Membership Dues	120,535
4175.000	Perpetual Membership Mgmt. Fee	150
4200.000	Initiation Fees	3,500
4300.000	Surety Bond Premium	2,735
4350.000	Liability Insurance Premium	14,946
4600.000	Reinstatement Fees	1,120
	Sub-total	\$ 183,000 *

**SALES INCOME**

4400.000	Supplies	12,000
4620.400	Banquet Tickets	5,600
4625.400	Other Meal Tickets	4,040
4630.400	Ladies Luncheon	1,020
	Sub-total	\$ 34,500 *

**PARTICIPATORY INCOME**

4650.000	NE Masonic Home - Admin. Svcs.	10,000
4655.000	NE Masonic Home - Newspaper	12,500
4660.000	OES & Fremont Home - Newspaper	12,000
	Sub-total	\$ 34,500 *

**INVESTMENT INCOME**

4700.000	Int & Div FNB - Omaha	10,000
4750.000	Int & Div - FirstTier Lincoln	400
4800.000	Gain on Sale of Investments	0
4875.000	Miscellaneous Income	550
	Sub-Total	\$ <u>100,950</u> *

Total Revenue \$ 352,110

\* Denotes Appropriation Item. Other items shown for information purposes only

**— EXPENSES —****ANNUAL COMMUNICATION**

5xxx.400	Annual Communication	\$ 39,200
	Sub-total	\$ 39,200 *

## INSTALLATION

5xxx.425	Grand Lodge Installation	5,250
	Sub-total	\$ 5,250 *

## TRAVEL &amp; RELATED

52xx.000	Office Staff	1,300
52xx.100	Grand Master	15,000
52xx.150	Deputy Grand Master	6,900
52xx.200	Grand Secretary	3,325
52xx.250	Grand Custodian	2,300
52xx.300	Deputy Grand Custodians	8,900
52xx.350	Other Officers	9,700
	Sub-total	\$ 47,425 *

## SALARIES &amp; RELATED

5210.250	Grand Custodian	6,300
5320.000	Office Staff - Full Time	47,000
5320.100	Grand Master Staff	0
5330.000	Office Staff - Temporary	6,000
5340.000	FICA Taxes	4,535
5350.000	Federal Unemployment Taxes	270
5360.000	Nebraska Unemployment Taxes	87
5370.000	Employer's Share - 401 (k)	940
5380.000	Office Staff Training	1,500
	Sub-total	\$ 66,632 *

## OCCUPANCY &amp; RELATED

5400.000	Office Rent	22,560
5410.000	Utilities	2,400
5415.xxx	Telephone	10,600
5420.000	Equipment Maintenance	2,500
5425.000	Equipment Rental	600
5430.000	Equipment Purchase	4,000
5435.xxx	Postage	7,550
5440.xxx	Printing & Copying	5,500
5445.xxx	Office Supplies	4,800
5450.000	Office Maintenance	1,500
5455.000	Computer Supplies	1,500
5460.000	Computer Repairs & Maintenance	3,500
5465.000	Computer Software Support	500
5470.000	Dues & Subscriptions	400
5475.000	Publication of NE Mason	17,000
5480.000	Bank Service Charges	1,700
5485.000	Professional Fees	4,250
5490.000	Legal Fees	100
5500.000	Supplies for Lodges - Printed	9,000
5505.xxx	Supplies for Lodges - Other	3,650
5510.000	Supplies for Lodges - Year Pins	1,750
5515.000	Publication of Secretary's Desk Book	3,000
5525.000	Grand Lodge Jewels, Aprons & Collars	2,800
5550.000	Retirement - Carl Greisen	4,650
5555.000	Retirement - Alice Lallman	3,360
	Sub-total	\$ 119,170 *

## INSURANCE &amp; ADMINISTRATIVE

5600.000	Worker's Compensation	350
5605.000	Grand Lodge Staff Medical & Hospitalization	7,300
5610.000	Surety Bond	2,750
5620.000	Directors & Officers Liability	4,300
5625.000	Blanket Liability	14,900
5635.000	Office Contents & Equipment	425
5650.000	Other General Administrative Expenses	1,000
	Sub-total	\$ 31,025 *

## COMMITTEES

xxxx.450	Masonic Education	1,000
xxxx.500	Leadership	2,000
xxxx.525	Committee on Work	200
xxxx.550	Relief	300
xxxx.600	Trial Commissions	0
xxxx.650	Grand Lodge Offices	100
xxxx.700	Public Relations	4,250
	(Cornerstones	\$2,000)
	(Grand Marshal's Exp.	\$1,200)
xxxx.750	Youth	2,500
xxxx.800	Membership	600
xxxx.825	General Session & Social	500
xxxx.850	Grand Trustees	100
xxxx.900	Awards	600
xxxx.925	Charters & Dispensations	40
xxxx.950	Lodge Advisory	100
xxxx.975	Credentials	250
	Sub-total	\$12,540 *

2105.000	NE Masonic Home Dues	48,214
2106.000	Geo. Washington Memorial Dues	1,800
5800.000	Masonic Service Association Dues	1,500
5810.000	NE DeMolay Donation	3,500
5820.000	MSA Hospital Visitation Fund	2,500
5830.000	Other Masonic Promotion	0
5835.000	Masonic Relief Association	350
5850.000	Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children	10,000
	Sub-total	\$ 67,864 *

Total Expenses \$ 389,106

Total Revenue Less Total Expenses \$ (36,996)

\* Denotes Appropriation Item. Other items shown for information purposes only

### Report of the Committee on Nebraska Work

*M.:W.: Charles Amidon, 281 and 327*

On October 27 and November 10, 1990, the Committee on Work, with the assistance of W.: Brother Arnold Mains (15), conducted and judged presentation of the Second Section of the Master Mason Degree at Fremont No. 15 and Platte Valley No. 32, respectively. The following Lodges entered degree teams:

Centennial Lodge No. 326  
 Frank Welch Lodge No. 75  
 Lancaster Lodge No. 54  
 Bartley Lodge No. 228  
 Comet Lodge No. 229

Excellent work was presented by each of these lodges and their efforts in the competition were a credit to the Fraternity.

Following action taken by the delegates at the February 1990 Grand Lodge Communication, the Committee on Work drafted a revision of the requirement for delivery of the qualifying statement prior to the taking *each* of the degree obligations. A formal letter was issued to each subordinate Lodge clarifying that this qualifying statement would be required only *once* and then during the preparatory address given to *each* candidate *prior* to receiving the *Entered Apprentice Degree*.

A clarification of the specific Questions and Answers to be used during proficiency examinations in each degree was also issued by the Committee with the approval of the Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,  
 M.:W.: Chas. W. Amidon, PGM, 281 & 327, Chairman  
 M.:W.: T. Leo Stines, PGM, 36  
 M.:W.: Wayne G. Luenenborg, PGM, 32 & 39

Following the acceptance of the report of the Committee on Nebraska Work, and in view of the fact that Resolution #4 had been adopted by the delegates, M.:W.: Charles W. Amidon, Chairman of the Committee on Nebraska Work, moved that the proposed revision of *The Monitor* and the proposed revision of *Standard Ceremonies for the Authorized Ceremonial Work*, previously furnished to all subordinate lodges for comment and review, be adopted, and that the review committee be authorized to proceed with publication thereof as expeditiously as possible. Motion was seconded and adopted by vote of the delegates assembled.

## Report of the Nebraska Masonic Foundation

Steven F. Mattoon, 75

During the year 1990, the Nebraska Masonic Foundation, which was incorporated in 1985, continued to adhere to its goal of promoting, supporting and maintaining the principals of freemasonry and benefiting the public at large.

The Nebraska Masonic Foundation sponsored the presentation at the 1990 Grand Master's Conference held in Salt Lake City, Utah, with regard to Nebraska's new Proficiency and in particular the instructions to be given to the candidate, by paying the expenses of the two presenters at the Conference.

As all Brethren know, during the 1990 Grand Lodge Session reciprocal fraternal recognition was granted between the Grand Lodge of Nebraska A.·F.·&A.·M.·. and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge F.·&A.·M.·.. The Nebraska Masonic Foundation continues to promote and foster the principals of freemasonry by establishing a joint committee of the two Grand Lodges which will be providing financial support from the Nebraska Masonic Foundation to the Drug Awareness Resistance Education Program (D.A.R.E.), which is coordinated by the Nebraska State Patrol and provides educational programs to students in fifth and sixth grade classes across the state by uniformed police officers.

The Nebraska Masonic Foundation continues to administer funds from trusts, gifts, and bequests for scholarship purposes. Funds are made available to every Lodge in the state to give Masonic Scholarships in their community. Individual Lodge or personal scholarships are and can be administered by the Foundation. More than \$30,000.00 in scholarships are given each year to Nebraska students.

The Foundation has been successful in purchasing a building site for a Building which will house the Grand Lodge Offices, Museum and Library. This site is located at the corner of 11th and J in Lincoln, Nebraska, on the Lincoln Mall, which is a very prominent and accessible location between the State Capitol Building and the City County Building. The Foundation has established separate committees for finance/legal, program/fund raising and design, all of which will be extremely active during the 1991 calendar year. The Nebraska Masonic Foundation hopes to finance and complete the proposed building on the site for a total cost of \$750,000 (which includes the lot acquisition), which is greatly reduced from the prior building plans of \$2,500,000.

The Nebraska Masonic Foundation thanks all Brethren and friends who have made donations and contributions to the Nebraska Foundation and in particular would like to recognize and acknowledge the extreme generosity of Carl H. Nolde, donated through the Carl H. Nolde Estate and the Grand Chapter of Eastern Star.

Submitted by Steven F. Mattoon



## Report of the Jurisprudence Committee

M.:W.: Harry A. Spencer, 227

Most Worshipful Grand Master, I first would like to agree with the R.:W.: Deputy Grand Master, that you were in error in saying that you had not worked this year. The Jurisprudence Committee received quarterly reports from you as to the progress of your work, so that our work was made much easier because we had much more time to review your report, and I would like to say to the brethren here that this report, and if you haven't read it I urge you to read it, and I call to your attention the fact that our Grand Master has spent considerable hours in labor for the benefit of the Craft, and the Jurisprudence Committee wants to commend him on a job well done.

We have considered the dispensations and permissions granted by the Grand Master and included in his written report, and they were all unanimously approved. As to Recommendation #1 in the Grand Master's report, the committee found this recommendation to be in proper form for submission to the Grand Lodge. As to Recommendation #2, the committee found this recommendation to be in proper form. As to Recommendation #3, the committee found this recommendation to be in proper form. As to Recommendation #4, the committee found this recommendation to be in proper form.

Now, as to the Resolutions on which the vote has been taken, we found all but Resolution #3 to be in proper form. As to Resolution #3, as the Grand Master has advised you, it presented problems to the committee as to its content and possible misinterpretation. It possibly conflicted with Section 2-601. It was vague in outlining its full intent. And while we understood its intent, the Codification Committee would have had some problems. So, we recommended that this resolution be given careful study, be rewritten in such form as to make its full intent perfectly understood, and then to be resubmitted.

As to the other resolutions, we found them to be in proper form, and as the Grand Master has advised you, as to the resolution on the Grand Lodge budget recommendation, he had reported the recommendation of the committee.

The committee this year consisted of Most Worshipful Brother Charles W. Amidon, Most Worshipful Brother Robert A. Metcalf, Most Worshipful Brother Bevin B. Bump, and Most Worshipful Brother Jack Hendrix, and myself, and all recommendations made were by a unanimous vote of the Jurisprudence Committee. And, as I suggested, the entire committee commends the Grand Master on his excellent performance and duty and his service to the fraternity.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry A. Spencer, 227

The Report of the Committee on Jurisprudence was accepted by vote of the delegates present.

The Deputy Grand Master was directed to preside while the Recommendations of Grand Master John M. McHenry were put to discussion and voted upon.

### Grand Master's Recommendations

**Recommendation Number 1. Per Capita Tax.** The first sentence of the 3rd paragraph of Section 2-601-DUES AND ASSESSMENTS shall be changed to read:

*"Each lodge shall pay annually to the Grand Lodge on or before the 10th day of April, for each initiation during the preceding calendar year, the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), and for each member, the sum of Twelve Dollars (\$12.00) as a per capita Tax."*

Section 1-406-ALLOCATION OF FUNDS would be changed to read: *"The per capita Tax of \$12.00 shall be divided as follows:*

*To the Nebraska Masonic Home \$2.00*

*To the General Fund \$10.00*

*The Initiation Fee of \$10.00 and all affiliation fees shall be allocated to the General Fund."*

Report of the ballot:

For: 149

Against: 149

With a two-thirds majority required, the ballot failed. In the discussion that ensued, the Grand Master's Recommendation was amended to a \$3 increase. By general consent, the rules were suspended and the vote taken by a show of hands. Recommendation Number 1 as it was amended passed.

The per capita tax of \$10.00 shall be allocated \$8 to the general fund, \$2 to the Home.

**Recommendation Number 2. Date of Delinquent Dues.** Section 2-605 of the Grand Lodge Bylaws would be changed to read as follows:

*"Section 2-605 - LODGE DUES - The dues assessed by all chartered subordinate lodges shall be payable on January 1st of the year for which they are assessed and shall become delinquent on March 31 of the same year if not paid by that date.*

*On April 1 of each year, it shall be the duty of the secretary to notify in writing each member that is in arrears for dues for the current year of such fact and request payment thereof before April 30 of that year. If such member fails to pay his dues on or before April 30 of such year he shall automatically stand suspended for nonpayment of dues and entry thereof shall be made in the minutes of the lodge at the first subsequent stated meeting. It shall also be the duty of the secretary to notify, in writing, each member automatically suspended for nonpayment of dues. Such notices shall be deemed properly given when mailed by first class mail to the last known post office address*

of such suspended individual."

Report of the ballot:

For: 194

Against: 103

The required two-thirds majority of 198 was not met and the recommendation failed.

**Recommendation Number 3. Finance Committee.** Section 1-318 Finance would be amended to read as follows:

*"Section 1-318 Finance - The Committee on Finance shall consist of five members, each to serve a period of five (5) years and who shall be appointed for such terms as shall retire one member annually. In case of a vacancy on the committee, the Grand Master shall immediately appoint a member to fill the unexpired term. It shall be the duty of the committee to examine the books and vouchers of the Grand Lodge, vouchers of officers and committees for whom appropriations have been made. The committee shall determine if such vouchered expenditures are within the scope of the appropriation and report to the Grand Lodge any expenditures which it deems to have been improperly paid from the appropriation made. It shall examine expenditures from each appropriated fund and report the amounts of any unexpended balance to be returned to the proper fund of the Grand Lodge. It shall determine and report the actual condition of all funds and accounts of the Grand Lodge, consider matters relating to revenue and its expenditure, and report such recommendations as it may deem for the financial benefit of the Grand Lodge. It shall examine all accounts and certify the results thereof to the Grand Lodge in its annual report. If doubt should arise as to a certain expenditure, its appropriateness or its proper category, said matters shall be referred to the Committee on Appropriations who, with the advice of the Committee on Jurisprudence, shall determine the appropriateness of said expenditure or the appropriate category into which said expenditure shall be placed. The committee shall have authority to employ a certified public accountant at the expense of the Grand Lodge, if in the judgement of the committee and the Grand Master it shall be deemed necessary."*

Report of the ballot:

For: 240

Against: 42 One ballot invalid.

Achieving a two-thirds majority, Grand Master's Recommendation Number 3 was accepted.

**Recommendation Number 4. Representatives to Grand Lodge per diem.** Section 1-105-Mileage and Per Diem would be changed to delete the words "an amount of ten dollars per day for each days' attendance," as the amount of the per diem, and replace them with the following:

*"an amount per day for each days' attendance to be set annually by the Grand Lodge Office Committee to be presented to this Grand Lodge in the report of said committee for approval or modification by the Grand Lodge."*

Report of the ballot:

For: 147

Against: 112 with 1 abstention

The required two-thirds majority of 173 was not met and the recommendation failed.

The Deputy Grand Master returned the gavel of authority to the Grand Master.

### Presentation of Resolutions

#### Resolution #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution to add the following language to Section 1-325:

*Be it resolved:* That after adoption of this resolution, the appropriations committee must submit a proposed budget not to exceed the anticipated revenues of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

The resolution was put to ballot with the following results: 293 ballots cast; FOR 210, AGAINST, 83. With a required two-thirds majority of 195, the resolution passed.

#### Resolution #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution: Sec 2-408

On a plural membership there will be no Per Capita tax or Special assessments

Page 34. Paragraph beginning: *"No Fee shall be charged by a lodge electing.."*

The Jurisprudence Committee reviewed the resolution and determined that it was not in proper form, that it conflicts with several of the other sections of the code, specifically Section 2-408, subparagraphs 3 and 2-601; that it was vague and indefinite. Consequently, the resolution was not presented.

**Resolution #3**

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Chapter IV, Sec. 2-402 shall be amended by inserting after the first full sentence of the existing By-law the words:

*"Such examination shall be defined by the individual subordinate lodge, and shall consist of what proof of proficiency the individual lodge deems appropriate."*

The resolution was put to ballot with the following result: 299 ballots cast; FOR 101; AGAINST 198. 199 favorable votes for a two-thirds majority was not met, and the resolution failed.

**Resolution #4**

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*BE IT RESOLVED*, that the Section 1-314 of Grand Lodge By-Laws be revised to include a new paragraph 1-314 (h) to read as follows:

*"It shall be the responsibility of the COMMITTEE ON NEBRASKA WORK to prepare STANDARD CEREMONIES for the authorized CEREMONIAL WORK for all subordinate Lodges within this Jurisdiction subject to approval by the Grand Lodge."*

The resolution was put to ballot with the following result: 297 ballots cast; FOR 267; AGAINST 26; 4 Abstentions. The ballot exceeded a favorable two-thirds majority and the resolution passed.

**Report of the Grand Secretary**

*R.·W.· Don E. Rasmussen, 135 and 82*

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska:

I have just completed my first full year as Grand Secretary, having been elected to this position at our Annual Communication in Kearney in February, 1990. I am truly enjoying this position and especially enjoy visiting with the secretaries across the state. I am sure most of you realize that I am not a full-time working Grand Secretary. The routine and daily work is handled by the office staff in Lincoln. However, I do answer questions I receive by phone or mail, also correspondence I receive, and I correspond with other Grand Secretaries from across the nation. This work is truly very enjoyable.

**Grand Secretary's Office**

Our Grand Lodge Office in Lincoln is managed by Chris Rudder, and Tish DeMoss is our Administrative Secretary. They are assisted on a part time basis by Mary Alice Rittenburg. These ladies are all very capable in their duties, and by their performance, they bring credit to themselves and honor to the fraternity. I am sure many of you have visited with them on the phone.

**Secretary's Handbook**

At our Annual Communication held in Kearney in February, 1990, we held a workshop on the new Secretary's Handbook. This handbook was well received, and all the secretaries accepted the handbook with a great deal of enthusiasm. We will hold another workshop this year, to see if there are any problems with the handbook, or any changes that need to be made.

**Conference of Grand Secretaries of North America**

It was my pleasure to attend this conference held in Salt Lake City, Utah, on February 18th - 20th, 1990. All the meetings were held in the Little American Convention Center. I acquired much valuable information, and enjoyed meeting my brother Grand Secretaries from across the nation and around the world. The 1991 Conference will be held on February 18th - 20th at San Diego, CA. I have accepted an appointment to serve on the Memorials Committee for 1991.

**Consolidations**

Consolidations were covered in the Grand Master's Report.

**Honor Awards**

Pins presented during this fiscal year are:

50 Year Pins presented . . . . .	138
60 Year Pins presented . . . . .	.95
70 Year Pins presented . . . . .	.22

**Proficiency**

The new Standard Form of Proficiency, which was adopted August 12, 1989, continues to do positive things for the number of brothers raised to the Master Mason Degree each year. As a result of this Proficiency, many lodges have been doing considerable work. These are the results of the number raised, using the last three years for comparison purposes:

1990 . . . . .	452 raised
1989 . . . . .	434 raised
1988 . . . . .	325 raised

**Cornerstones**

As Grand Secretary, it was my pleasure to serve, as such, at the cornerstone laying at the International Center, Order of Job's Daughters, located in Papillion, NE. This event was held on March 3, 1990, and was well attended by Masonic and Job's Daughter dignitaries from across the state and nation. On June 9, 1990, the Grand Lodge laid a cornerstone for George Washington Lodge No. 250 in Lincoln, Nebraska. This cornerstone was for their new lodge building. On August 12, 1990, the Grand Lodge laid a cornerstone for a new dormitory at McCook Community College, McCook, NE. It was also my pleasure to present to the college the final \$10,000 check, completing our contribution of \$30,000 from St. John Commandery #16 of McCook.

**Lodge Dedications**

On September 9, 1990, the Grand Lodge dedicated a new temple for Corinthian Lodge #83 in Wakefield.

On October 13, 1990, the Grand Lodge dedicated a new temple for George Washington No. 250 in Lincoln. Both of these events were well attended by the Grand Lodge Officers and the public.

**Lodge Centennial**

It was my pleasure, along with several other Grand Lodge Officers, to attend the Centennial celebration of Purity Lodge No. 198 of Imperial. Purity Lodge is to be congratulated on their achieving 100 years, and for the fine program they provided for all their guests.

**Returns**

The final tabulations from the annual returns for 1989, and the preliminary returns for the year 1990 are:

	Final 1989	Prelim 1990
Number of Lodges	207	200
Initiated	406	412
Passed	445	452
Raised	434	442
Affiliated	99	73
Dual Membership	37	48
Reinstatements	111	174
Consolidations	0	407
Other	12	19
Total Gains	693	1,163
Deaths	761	711
Demits	95	97 *
Suspensions	559	425
Withdrawals	15	23
Consolidations	0	407
Other	59	21
Total Losses	1,489	1,684
Net Membership Change	(796)	(521)
Membership 12/31/88	24,922	
Membership 12/31/89	24,107	
Preliminary Membership 12/31/90		23,586

\*97 demits includes 14 terminations of dual memberships

## Appreciation

I wish to thank the membership of this Grand Jurisdiction for electing and allowing me to serve as your Grand Secretary. It has been a rewarding experience, and I hope I have carried out my duties to the satisfaction of the Craft.

## Report of the Grand Custodian

*W.: Augustine 'Cus' Scolaro, 3*

To the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska.

The annual report of the Grand Custodian is hereby respectfully and fraternally submitted.

To date this year eighty-one lodges have received their certification of proficiency. As the final reports from the Deputy Grand Custodians come in, this number will undoubtedly increase.

Lodges which certified this year after a lapse of one or more years are:

Pawnee Lodge #23  
Camp Clark Lodge #285

These lodges and their officers should be congratulated for making the extra effort required to certify their lodges.

The following lodges have reached their fortieth year of consecutive certification. They are:

Papillion Lodge No. 39  
Frank Welch Lodge No. 75  
Waterloo Lodge No. 102  
Oasis Lodge No. 271

The following lodges have been certified for fifty or more years in succession:

Lancaster Lodge No. 54 (69)  
Nebraska Lodge No. 1 (67)  
Craftsmen Lodge No. 314 (67)  
Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6 (67)  
Hastings Lodge No. 50 (67)  
Wahoo Lodge No. 59 (66)  
Hooper Lodge No. 72 (66)  
Bee Hive Lodge No. 184 (65)  
Trestle Board Lodge No. 162 (65)  
Beatrice Lodge No. 26 (62)  
Fremont Lodge No. 15 (60)  
Lebanon Lodge No. 323 (60)  
Euclid Lodge No. 97 (60)  
John J. Mercer Lodge No. 290 (59)  
North Star Lodge No. 227 (58)  
Crete Lodge No. 37 (58)  
Pilot Lodge No. 240 (58)



Ashlar Lodge No. 33 (57)  
East Lincoln Lodge No. 210 (57)  
Lincoln Lodge No. 19 (56)  
Arcana Lodge No. 195 (55)

I congratulate all these lodges and their officers in the special effort they set forth in continuing this fine tradition.

As of the writing of this report: there are 374 certified Masons. Of this number, 12 have been certified for 50 years or more.

There are 5 new certified men this year. They are:

Robert Watkins of Miloma Lodge No. 328  
Donald L. Wolf of Midwest Lodge No. 317  
Richard Linnemeyer of McCook Lodge No. 135  
Robert M. Carter of Bellevue Lodge No. 325  
Steven F. Mattoon of Frank Welch Lodge No. 75

These Brethren are to be congratulated on the effort and time they have put forward to obtain this outstanding achievement.

This year 14 Brethren received their 20-year certificate of merit. They are:

Edgar A. Knox of Wahoo Lodge No. 59  
Donald H. Rood of Wahoo Lodge No. 59  
Donald Veskna of Wahoo Lodge No. 59  
Max E. Rothwell of Zion Lodge No. 234  
Tom H. Lutey of Kimball Lodge No. 294  
Keith L. Hatfield of North Star Lodge No. 227  
Jimmie L. Brown of College View Lodge No. 320  
Jens P. Nielsen of Superior Lodge No. 121  
Gladwyn A. Youngs of East Lincoln Lodge No. 210  
Duane Grave of Hickman Lodge No. 256  
Louis W. Epperson of Craftsmen Lodge No. 314  
Rolland R. Hardekopf of Craftsmen Lodge No. 314  
Dale E. Cube of Mosaic Lodge No. 55  
A. Russell Jensen of Pilot Lodge No. 240

It is a pleasure to report the achievement these Brethren have accomplished. They are indeed an asset to their lodge and masonry as a whole.

During the year, the Grand Master appointed two Deputy Grand Custodians Emeriti: Dale Page of District No. 34 requested to be replaced for personal reasons. Alfred Peltzer of District No. 27 also requested to be replaced for personal reasons. Both of these Brethren have devoted many years of fine and dedicated service to the lodges of their districts, and I am sure they will continue to be active in their respective lodges.

During the year, I have examined and recommended seven new Deputy Grand Custodians, all of which have met the approval of the Committee on Nebraska Work, and appointed by the Grand Master. They are:

LeRoy Crye to District No. 3  
Ronald D. Grass to District No. 5  
Scott J. Krieger to District No. 20  
Richard W. Linnemeyer to District No. 25

Keith Leibhart to District No. 27  
Gordon L. Carley to District No. 31  
Gerald D. Verbeek to District No. 34

Note: James Cornish was reassigned from District No. 5 to District No. 4.

As of this writing, the active Deputy Grand Custodians are:

- District No. 1 . . . . . Roy L. Smith
- District No. 2 . . . . . Don L. McCoy
- District No. 3 . . . . . LeRoy Crye
- District No. 4 . . . . . James E. Cornish
- District No. 5 . . . . . Ronald D. Grass
- District No. 7 . . . . . Lloyd F. Vrtiska
- District No. 8 . . . . . John C. Sierks
- District No. 9 . . . . . Lloyd I. Edwards
- District No. 10 . . . . . Steven A. Green
- District No. 11 . . . . . Eugene C. Sibley
- District No. 13 . . . . . Daniel E. Spearow
- District No. 15 . . . . . Justin F. Fauss
- District No. 16 . . . . . Lynn Doty
- District No. 17 . . . . . Victor D. Hunt
- District No. 18 . . . . . Arthur S. Dye
- District No. 19 . . . . . Mervin E. Ransom, Sr.
- District No. 20 . . . . . Scott J. Krieger
- District No. 21 . . . . . Wayne E. Beatty
- District No. 22 . . . . . A. W. Clark
- District No. 23 . . . . . D. Wayne Erickson
- District No. 24 . . . . . Ralph E. McNulty
- District No. 25 . . . . . Richard W. Linnemeyer
- District No. 26 . . . . . Arthur J. Ferguson
- District No. 27 . . . . . Keith Leibhart
- District No. 28 . . . . . Vince Rosenberger
- District No. 29 . . . . . Leslie A. Evert
- District No. 30 . . . . . Steven K. Jones
- District No. 31 . . . . . Gordon L. Carley
- District No. 32 . . . . . Roger L. Shillington
- District No. 33 . . . . . Harry L. Saum
- District No. 34 . . . . . Gerald D. Verbeek
- District No. 35 . . . . . Harold W. Noble
- District No. 36 . . . . . Deon D. Eberly
- District No. 37 . . . . . Ben D. Fussell
- District No. 38 . . . . . Robert M. Littrell

These fine men are one of the hardest working group of Masons in the state, and deserve the utmost courtesy and respect for their diligence and devotion to duty. They spend many evenings away from home and their families in order to perform their duties. It is indeed a pleasure to work with such a fine group of dedicated Brethren.

The current list of Deputy Grand Custodians Emeriti are:

- Louis V. Sylvester
- Delbert H. Pinkerton
- Sebert A. Stover
- Clifford D. Webster

Frank H. Smith  
T. Leo Stines  
Glenn W. Binder  
Curtiss J. Griess  
Arnold F. Mains  
Harold A. Tilton  
Willard I. Lewis, Jr.  
Walter S. Cork  
Paul D. Fleming  
Nelson W. Rittenburg  
Mannie O. Hansen  
Donald A. Kyckelhahn  
Herman O. Hansen  
Jens P. Nielsen  
Richard L. Mauch  
Everett K. Dappen  
Frank R. Harris  
W. Dale Page  
Alfred V. Peltzer  
Ralph Gerry (Grand Custodian Emeriti)

This year I, along with the Deputy Grand Custodians of various districts, held twenty-six schools of instruction. In traveling across the state, I find the Brethren have a strong interest in the ritual and all are following the same as set by the Committee on Nebraska Work.

At this time, I would like to thank the Deputy Grand Custodians and Worshipful Masters who made these schools possible.

In addition to the twenty-six schools of instruction throughout the state, a custodial school was held in Grand Island September 14th and 15th. It was well attended by Deputy Grand Custodians, Deputy Grand Custodians Emeriti, and Grand Lodge Officers. During the school, the judges for the degree competition explained what they look for while judging the various teams.

This year the Grand Lodge again sponsored **Degree Team Competition** among the lodges in the state. We had five teams take part and they performed their work to near perfection. The Committee on Nebraska Work again acted as judges and the winners will be announced at Grand Lodge. Again we had teams from lodges with more than and less than 125 members. At the competition held in Fremont Lodge on Saturday, October 27th, the following lodges participated:

Lancaster Lodge No. 54  
Centennial Lodge No. 326  
Comet Lodge No. 229

On November 10th, the degree competition was held in North Platte with the following lodges participating:

Frank Welch Lodge No. 75  
Bartley Lodge No. 228

Those who participated in the competition agree that it is a good activity for the lodge. Not only does it help improve the ritual, but gives the Brethren

an opportunity to work together and develop camaraderie that would not have happened otherwise. This is an excellent activity that I hope can be continued and that I hope will grow in the future.

This year I have had the honor and pleasure of working with W.: Brother Jerry Rittenburg, Grand Junior Deacon of Grand Lodge A.:F.: & A.:M.: of Nebraska and Russell Hobson, Grand Lecturer, Prince Hall Masons Nebraska Jurisdiction F.: & A.:M.:. Together we incorporated the ritualistic work of both Grand Lodges for the conferring of a joint Master Mason degree, which was held September 25th at Papillion Lodge No. 39. At this time I wish to thank the Grand Lodge Officers and Brethren for their assistance in making this historical event possible.

It has been a pleasure to work with the Committee on Nebraska Work this year. They have been very helpful and supportive of the efforts of the Grand Custodian.

This report is respectfully submitted.

Fraternally,  
Gus Scolaro

Following the Report of the Grand Custodian, W.: Brother Gus Scolaro presented the Deputy Grand Custodians for introduction, and presented a 25-year proficiency card to Ralph McNulty; 40-year card to Don McCoy; 30-year card to Arthur Dye; 10-year cards to Vince Rosenberger, Hemingford; Steve Jones, Mitchell; and Lloyd Vrtiska, Table Rock.



### **Report of the Grand Trustees**

*Frank V. Lawson, Jr., 1*

The primary responsibility of the Grand Trustees is the management of the investment funds of the Grand Lodge and of the Nebraska Masonic Home. This charge includes the annual hiring of auditors to examine the financial records of both the Grand Lodge and the Home.

For management and investment purposes there are three separate investment accounts: the Home Endowment and Bequest Fund, the Grand Lodge General Fund, and the Grand Lodge Special Funds. The last was created as of June 30, 1988, by combining the Emick Scholarship Fund and the Stephen C. Houghton Fund. This Special Funds account now also holds Perpetual Membership funds and can be used for other special funds provided they have similar investment objectives. While for investment management purposes these funds are combined in one account, a record of the separate interests of the various contributing entities is kept by the Grand Lodge Office.

With respect to the Grand Lodge's 1990 fiscal year the following are taken

from the auditor's *preliminary, yet to be finalized*, report. The final audit report should be available within a few weeks.

**For the Grand Lodge General Fund**

	Year Ended 12/31/90	Year Ended 12/31/89
Total Revenues	\$ 357,654	\$ 356,818
Total Expenses	\$375,247	393,530
	(17,593)	(36,712)
Fund Equity *	\$1,242,835	\$1,260,428

\* Excludes Restricted Donations — see discussion below.

Note: 1990 was second year of deficit operation.

**Restricted Funds for 1990**

These funds include the Emick Scholarship Fund and the Stephen C. Houghton Fund. Total 1990 income was \$27,251. Disbursements were \$14,841. Fund Equity at 12/31/90 was \$376,011.

**Endowment Funds (The Perpetual Membership Fund) for 1990**

Additions were \$26,150 and investment income was \$4,598. Fund balance at year end was \$68,964.

And repeating, the 1990 figures above are from the auditor's *preliminary* report.

The Nebraska Masonic Home has an April 30th fiscal year. The following are salient, selected figures from the April 30, 1990 Deloitte & Touche audit report.

**For the Home General Fund**

Years Ended April 30	1990	1989
Total Revenue before transfers from Endowment Fund	\$1,513,346	\$1,253,019
Total Expenses	2,667,471	2,202,019
(Deficit)	(1,154,125)	(949,000)
Transfers from E & B Fund	1,127,963	2,851,780
Fund Equity, Year End	3,995,553	4,021,715

**For the Endowment & Bequest Fund**

Years Ended April 30	1990	1989
Investment Income Net of Safekeeping Expenses	\$1,823,577	\$1,438,219
Gain on Sale of Investment	131,904	610,244
Endowments & Bequests Received	948,760	1,048,894
Fund Equity, Year End	20,410,507	18,634,229

When available, the audit reports for the Grand Lodge (12/31/90) and the Home (4/30/91) will be on file at the Grand Lodge Office.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Frank V. Lawson, Jr.  
Chairman  
Board of Grand Trustees

**Report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations**

*Lawrence J. Zwart, 11, Chairman*  
*V. Kaye Ramsey, 290 & 317*  
*Don R. Monnette, 105*

During this year we received two requests from State Grand Lodges of Brazil for recognition. They are the Grand Lodge of Amazonas — Gloman formed September 22, 1904, and the Grand Lodge of Roraima formed August 20, 1981. The committee finds that both of the Grand Lodges conform to the Standards of Recognition as enumerated in Sec. 1-306 of the By-Laws, and recommends recognition of the two Grand Lodges.

The committee also received a request from the Grand Lodge of Masons of Uruguay, however, at this time we are unable to determine whether or not the Standards of Recognition are met. We have requested more information and will report on the results at a future time.

As always, the Grand Representatives of Nebraska near other Grand Jurisdictions are urged to communicate with their counterparts; and, if possible, make arrangements to visit the jurisdictions they represent.

**Report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead**

*V.:W.: Michael E. Jones, 51 and 173, Chairman*

Again we are called to mourn the loss of Brother Masons. Information submitted indicates Nebraska lost 711 Brothers, who entered that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Notably, on July 14th, we mourned the loss of Past Grand Master, Lewis R. "Dick" Ricketts. This quiet giant put his stamp of eloquence on not only Nebraska Masonry but family, friends and business associates.

Although not members of the Fraternal Dead, we do have many Brothers presently occupying the Persian Gulf. These fellow Masons together with fellow human brothers and sisters need our diligent prayers as they stand in harms way. As they fight in defense of truth, let us pray the resulting freedom of Kuwait will allow the rebirth of brotherly love and relief. God Bless America and the principles it defends.

Respectfully and Fraternaly Submitted,  
Michael E. Jones, Chairman

### **Report of the Committee on Masonic Relief**

*Arnold F. Mains, 15, Chairman*

Your Committee on Masonic Relief had several requests this year for assistance, and both were for long term assistance, and one did not have any Masonic affiliation as far as we were able to determine.

The one with Masonic affiliation we recommended that they look into going to the Nebraska Masonic Home at Plattsmouth. The other we recommended they check on help through the local Social Services office.

We are proud to serve and thank the Grand Master for appointing us to this committee, and stand ready when requested to do so.

Respectfully submitted,  
Arnold F. Mains, Chairman

### **Report of the Committee on Masonic Education**

*B. Lynn Alexander, 54, Chairman*

For several years, it has been obvious to leaders of the Masonic Family, that Masonic Education is lacking within the Masonic community. This is true within the social community at large, as well as within the Masonic Lodge itself. Numerous Masonic writers have said that greater Masonic Education will result in larger numbers of candidates for Freemasonry, and will result in greater stability within the Lodges. Unfortunately, Masonic Education at the local Lodge level continues to be a significant challenge.

During the past year, the chairman of this committee was pleased to participate in discussions at scheduled meetings of the Membership Committee. These meetings were ably chaired by W.:. Brother Charles Folsom. As a result of these meetings, several innovative ideas were forwarded to the Grand Lodge and to several Grand Lodge Committees. It was clear to all of the participants at these meetings that there exist a variety of large and small problems relating to the strengthening and sustaining of lodges within this jurisdiction. Very often Membership and Education issues seem to go hand-in-hand.

At the lodge level, we find a need for a continuous program of Masonic Education. We know that our fraternity is the oldest fraternal institution in the western world; but also that the ideals of brotherly love and charity are as old as civilization itself. However, at the lodge level, we know that the average Mason does not receive significant Masonic education, nor does he understand the significance of our institution in his daily life. Although we believe that some progress has been made along these lines in recent years, we do not believe that Nebraska Masons appreciate, nor enjoy, the full benefits of a comprehensive Masonic Education program within his local lodge. The solution to this problem requires continued dedication and imagination on the part of every lodge officer in the jurisdiction.

During the past year, the Education Committee completed a project in association with the Nebraska Society for Masonic Research, which produced a revised and complete set of 35mm slides for all of the lodge degree lectures. With the help of the Society and of W.: Brother Ron Wallick, we examined hundreds of photographic slides as well as many antique glass plates. From this examination, a complete set of lecture slides was produced for Nebraska Work. These slides may be reproduced on a slide-by-slide bases, or the entire set may be reproduced at a reasonable cost. We think these slides make up the most colorful set that can be assembled for Nebraska Work. Lodges may contact the Grand Lodge Office for further information regarding these slides.

In the past year, we have begun to see a significant number of video tapes produced about Freemasonry. Some of these tapes are now available at the Grand Lodge Office. We think that this is an important step forward in Masonic Education, and all lodges ought to think about using video in their Masonic education programs. In future years, the Education Committee will be able to assist lodges directly in this area.

Thanks are extended to members of the committee who prepared works for publication in various Masonic publications, and to those that helped us respond to inquiries from foreign jurisdictions regarding Masonic Education and work in this jurisdiction. Thanks are also extended to the staff at the Grand Lodge Office for their cooperation and help during the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,  
B. Lynn Alexander  
Chairman

**Report of the Committee on the  
George Washington National Memorial**

*Warren Lichty, PGM, 314, Chairman  
Gayle Angus, 261  
Orval Cooley, 323*

The report of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Committee this year is: WE NEED YOUR HELP! Because of a shortfall in receipts,



your George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association is having temporary cash-flow problems. We therefore ask you to sit down right now and write a check in any amount to help the Association. Your check, whatever the amount, will be gratefully acknowledged. Please mail your check to:

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association  
101 Callahan Drive  
Alexandria, Virginia 22301

As we say, your check in any amount will be gratefully received and gratefully acknowledged. If you are able to give a larger amount, however, you may want to consider one of the following:

For a gift of \$100, you will receive a beautiful lapel button in the form of the Memorial building.

We still have windows for sale. For a gift of \$3,000, you can have your name plate attached to one of the smaller windows, and for \$7,500, your name plate can go on one of the large library windows. Please do not think, however, that we only want large gifts. We need *your* gift in any amount you can afford. Remember, this is a *Masonic* memorial to our distinguished Brother George Washington. Let's pitch in and help now, so that we, as Masons, can always be proud of this beautiful building we have erected in his memory.

We also ask that you disseminate and discuss this among your Lodge Brothers, so that as many of the Brethren as possible will know that their help is needed at this time.

Respectfully submitted,  
Warren Lichty, Chairman

#### **Report of the Committee on Finance**

*Thomas W. Tye, PGM, 46, Chairman*  
*Lawrence Chandler, 325, Ben Fussell, 79*  
*Don Monnette, 105, Donald R. Swanson, 54*

The Committee on Finance met several times throughout 1990 and early in 1991 to perform the duties as outlined in Section 1-318 of the By-Laws of Grand Lodge. At each of these meetings, the following audit procedure was followed:

1. A comparison of the canceled checks to the check register, as well as examination of endorsements.
2. Examination of support documents for disbursements and review of accounts to which the disbursements were charged selecting all items over \$500 and every fifth disbursement at random.

3. Review and reconciliation of bank statements.
4. Review of all income items and lodge assessment.
5. Review of the financial statements.

As of December 31st, there were checks outstanding which had not been cashed in the amount of \$7,765.85. Total revenues for the year 1990 were \$358,108.24, which was \$1,080.76 under the amount budgeted.

All subtotal categories of expense were under budget for the year 1990 with the exception of the category of insurance, which ran \$572.09 over budget. In accordance with Section 1-325, proper authorization to increase this subtotal budgeted amount was approved by the Appropriations Committee and the requisite number of Grand Lodge Officers. Overall, expenditures were \$41,507.41 under the amount budgeted for the calendar year 1990. Total expenditures for the calendar year were \$368,376.59, which exceeded revenue by the sum of \$10,268.35, rather than the anticipated deficit of \$50,695.00. Officers and staff should be commended for keeping the deficit at approximately one-fifth of the amount anticipated.

An interim report of this Committee was submitted to the Grand Trustees, Grand Lodge Officers, Appropriations Committee, as well as the Office Committee, wherein certain recommendations were made to those various individuals or committees.

It was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that the portion of the audit pertaining to the investments of Grand Lodge be included in the annual printed proceedings, as is contained on pages 217-218 of the 1990 Proceedings, on a regular basis. It is the understanding of your Chairman that this will be done.

We requested that the budget and the finance reports, which are generated in the Grand Lodge Office, coincide precisely and that Grand Trustees instruct the auditors to make their audit reports coincide with these same accounts and account numbers. If the auditors discuss different accounts or different account numbers, they should so indicate so that beginning with your appropriations for 1991, the account as set forth in the Grand Lodge Office can coincide with the auditors report which will be generated subsequent to the 1991 year. Hopefully, this would make everyone's job somewhat easier. This also has been requested of the Auditors whose reports should be complete and ready for distribution at Grand Lodge, February 1, 1991.

The Finance Committee recommended at their meeting in June that the Bylaw pertaining to the Finance Committee be amended. It is almost physically impossible for us to check every voucher and every expenditure as could be required by a very strict reading and interpretation of Section 1-318 of the By-Laws. For the past several years, the Finance Committee has adopted a procedure which we are following this year, which generally says that we check and verify all vouchers and expenditures in the amount

of \$500 or more, and that those of less amount, we check every fifth (5th) item for its accuracy and proper accounting appropriation. All items of receipt are verified. We do, however, think that the Bylaw would be clearer if many of the words "all" were stricken, and also if we were examining the books and vouchers of the Grand Lodge rather than the "Grand Secretary". Further, a considerable amount of discussion was spent at our first two meetings and some discussion at our third and fifth meetings with reference to the propriety of certain expenditures, even though they were within budget.

The Committee has been advised that there are no specific written or otherwise promulgated guidelines for the expenditure of Grand Lodge funds.

The extent of the internal control review responsibilities of the Committee on Finance has been questioned, and we have been informed that "It is the opinion of the Grand Lodge Officers that it is not the responsibility of the Finance Committee to determine the appropriateness of expenditures, but rather to determine only whether any expenditure does or does not exceed the appropriation as recommended by the Appropriations Committee and adopted by the delegates voting in Grand Lodge assembled."

Grand Lodge Officers and staff then are operating without any other directives or prescribed procedures for the expenditure of funds and there would be no designated committee authority to review the appropriateness of any expenditure.

It is the opinion of the members of the Finance Committee that the appropriate place for determination of these matters is with the Appropriations Committee, who initially appropriated and submitted the proposed budget to the Grand Lodge for approval.

The proposed amendment to Section 1-318 submitted by the Finance Committee to the Grand Master, has been approved by the Grand Master and is contained in his Address as Grand Master's Recommendation No. 3.

As a result of the interim report, it is the understanding of this Committee that the Grand Lodge Office Committee and the Appropriations Committee have been requested to provide guidelines of appropriateness of expenditures for the aid and assistance of this Committee in examining the expenditures of Grand Lodge as contemplated in Section 1-318.

If the Grand Master's Recommendation is adopted, the new Section will provide means to make these determinations whenever questions arise, and provide a procedure for their proper determination. We therefore recommend the adoption of the Grand Master's Recommendation No. 3.

We recommend that the Committee on Grand Lodge Offices be requested to establish written procedures for the expenditure of Grand Lodge funds, including a voucher system for establishing responsibility for authorization

and approval of expenditures and a designation of the appropriation from which to be paid. Members of the Committee on Finance should be consulted in the design of these procedures so as to facilitate their duties in the examination of expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas W. Tye, Chairman

### **Report of the Committee on Grand Lodge Offices**

*James L. Eatmon, 294, Chairman*

Your Committee on the Grand Lodge Offices has continued to be very active. We are pleased to report that we have enjoyed continuity of office personnel and this has resulted in several significant accomplishments.

At the 1990 Annual Communication in Kearney, the representatives to the Grand Lodge approved several capital expenditures in the budget, these amounted to nearly \$12,000. The use of this equipment in mailing, preparing and printing of proceedings, the Nebraska Mason, etc., have resulted in savings of nearly \$10,000 this year alone.

Our staff has continued to cooperate with the staff at the Home when requested to do so. During a recent illness of a key staff member at Plattsmouth our staff assisted during the recuperation. The Home provided that this would not be a financial burden to the Grand Lodge.

Our Auditors have complimented the Office in writing on the improved record-keeping and financial data that has been provided to them.

Your chairman wishes to take this opportunity to thank the members of his committee, all of whom were active in their duties, and especially our staff, Chris Rudder, Tish DeMoss and Mary Alice Rittenburg, who spent many hours above and beyond.

Finally, it is the recommendation of this Committee, as required under Section 1-105 of the By-Laws, that the mileage and per diem allowances remain the same as previously last set.

### **Report of the Committee on Public Relations**

*Donald L. Pohlman, 41, Chairman*

Although the Committee on Public Relations did not meet formally, there were several major things accomplished in the area of Public Relations during the year.

At the present time in Nebraska the major expenditure in Public Relations is the cost of publishing the *Nebraska Mason*. During the year we have reduced the cost of publishing this paper by changing the format to a tabloid type of publication printed on newsprint paper. We asked the Huse Publishing Co. of Norfolk and the Journal Star of Lincoln to furnish us quotes

for this type of publication. We switched to this system in our June-July issue with a savings of approximately \$4500.00 on that issue. Labeling, sorting and mailing is also being done by our own staff to further reduce our costs. With new computer software and a laser printer, we will also be able to work up the entire paper and produce "camera ready" material for the publishing company which will add additional savings for us in the future.

The total budget of the other portion of the Public Relations Committee amounted to \$700.00 during 1990. This amounts to less than three cents per member which does not allow for the implementation of major programs. One major accomplishment was the establishment of a Masonic Task Force consisting of key members of all Masonic bodies in Nebraska. This task force has met twice this year and has set up committees to develop programs in the following areas:

- Member Attitude
- Youth
- Membership
- Training our Leaders
- Public Relations & Communication

This year the Midwest Conference on Public Relations was held at Madison, Wisconsin. I attended this conference and had the opportunity to work with experts in the field of Public Relations. At this conference we developed unified programs which will benefit all Masons in the entire Midwest. One of the outstanding programs developed was "The Educators Image Awareness Program". This program would expand our existing scholarship program to include recognizing the parents of our recipients as well as honoring our teachers, and doing it at a public ceremony. The other program developed at this conference dealt with leadership training. This program is developed around area workshops similar to the Minnesota rally program.

This type of program would allow us to go into several geographical areas within the state to reach a greater number of Masons.

We have accomplished many things this year. The savings in the production of the *Nebraska Mason* will benefit us every year. The groundwork started by the Masonic Task Force and the programs developed by the Midwest Conference of Public Relations will give us a base of knowledge to work from in the future.

I feel that public relations has been neglected in the past by our fraternity, and I would hope that our membership will see the need to allocate funds for this purpose in the future.

### **Report of the Committee on Membership**

*Maj. Charles A. Folsom, 15, Chairman*

The 1990 actions of the Membership Committee were a continuation of those of 1989. We worked closely with the Education Committee whose

Chairman, W.: Brother Alexander, attended our meetings at the Grand Lodge offices. We were fortunate to have Grand Master McHenry in attendance at our meetings and his rapid responses to our recommendations were most gratifying to our committee and productive to the Fraternity.

One of our June recommendations to the Grand Master, that actions be taken to keep the right hand of fellowship on our Masons in other Grand Jurisdictions and attempt to identify their members residing in Nebraska met with immediate positive actions as reported in enclosure (1). The committee submitted this article and a somewhat similar one to the "Philaethes Magazine". Enclosure (2) contains information from Brother Pollard which indicates ours is the first successful effort to obtain action in this vital area. Brother Stew states "There have been many efforts over the years along the same vein, which for a variety of reasons have not gotten off the ground" and "The subject has been on the agenda of the conference of Grand Secretaries in North America many times in the past few years (1964, 66, 67, 71 and 74)." Stew indicates that a report of a similar successful program in Canada called COMELY will be presented at the Grand Masters' Conference in San Diego by the Manitoba Past Grand Master/Grand Secretary who developed it.

Other states' responses to our program ended at twelve, but your committee has initiated contacts with several states which indicate there will be renewed responses; we are confident that Grand Masters' Conference discussions will stimulate further interest and actions.

The committee worked closely with the Education Committee because we KNOW that Masonry MUST have maximum possible visibility and feel that the key is Masonic knowledge which instills pride in our members. This knowledge will prepare and inspire them to be our best salesmen. We must build continuously on the knowledge acquired by our young members who take the new Modern Proficiency. We are agreed that Masonry has a much better product than the Marine Corps feels it has, if only we could merchandise it half as well — enclosure (3) refers.

Enclosure (3) has generated the interest of Grand Commander Kleinknecht and the undersigned is scheduled to meet with him at the Grand Masters' Conference to discuss production of a vest pocket *History of Freemasonry* suitable for use by all Masons with prospects, potential prospects, the general public and for increasing the level of knowledge and pride of all our members.

The committee completed the final "Nebraska Table Lodge" draft, forwarded earlier, which will be utilized for our January 31 Table Lodge in Grand Island. Successful use there and Grand Lodge approval will allow this useful and valuable tool to increase interest and participation at the local Lodge level.

The committee submitted several articles for publication including that on

"Rock Maul/Gold Pan" included in enclosures (1). The idea was to stimulate Lodges to use programs other Lodges have found productive, reward those Lodges which excel and inspire others to strive for excellence.

Currently at the printer are drafts for quality 50, 60 and 70 year Mason certificates which should help make pin presentations easier and more meaningful to these most deserving recipients. A new "Grand Master's Citation" certificate is also in design as is a draft directive outlining suggested criteria therefor. These will be delivered directly to the Grand Master for his comments, actions or approval as appropriate.

The committee reproduced enclosure (4) complete with additional instructions for Nebraska Lodges. It has been delivered to the Grand Lodge office for inclusion in the Grand Island sessions workbook. We feel this program alone, if *effectively* applied in half of our Lodges, should be a major factor in increasing the total Nebraska membership next year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles A. Folsom  
Chairman

Enclosures:

- (1) Fall/Winter 1990 *Nebraska Mason* articles on Masonic Fellowship and Rock Maul/Gold Pan
- (2) Letter from Past MSA Executive Secretary Stewart M. L. Pollard
- (3) Letter to Grand Commander Kleinknecht, Scottish Rite
- (4) Copy of Masonic Service Association Short Talk Bulletin "Brother Bring a Friend"

Enclosure (3): To Charles A. Folsom from Stewart M.L. Pollard

26 December 1990

Dear Chuck:

*The blind copy of your exchange of correspondence regarding the challenge of getting a handle on the transient (sojourning) Mason, arrived today. 'Twas like a belated Christmas gift. Thanks so much for sharing it with this old has-been.*

*As you no doubt know, there have been many efforts over the years along the same vein, which for a variety of reasons have not gotten off the ground. When the membership figures were on the rise, there seemed to be a morbid fear that the jurisdiction to which the man had moved would try to proselyte...consequently, there was practically no efforts made to exchange such information. About ten or twelve years ago there was another proposal to exchange the information. I recall that one of the embarrassing results of that effort was the discovery that some Grand Lodges just had no way to extract the information. One, which has become involved with sponsoring "Masonic Cruises" found that their travel agent was the only one with an up-to-date and complete mailing list. Then, there was a reluctance among some Grand*

Secretaries to release the information.

The subject has been on the agenda of the Conference of Grand Secretaries in North America many times in the past few years, (1964, 1966, 1967, 1971 and 1974). In the Canadian Jurisdictions, there is a successful (but very involved) program used to maintain contact with sojourning brethren. It is called COMELY. It was developed by a Past Grand Master/Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. I understand he will be making a presentation regarding that program at the Conference of Grand Masters in San Diego.

For the past 20 years, I have been trying to get some interest in the District of Columbia to make a serious attempt to get the more than 3500 sojourning Masons in the D.C. area involved. It just goes to show what a poor salesman I am. I did get one lodge to hold a "Wisconsin Night", but then there was no follow thru.

I won't be going to the Conferences this year. The old ticker has been acting up; the high blood pressure just won't be controlled; and the medics are concerned about diabetes. You know me, I don't pay much attention to the sawbones.

Happy New Year!  
Stew

Enclosure (4): From Maj. Charles Folsom to Hon. C. Fred Kleinknecht, 33<sup>o</sup>  
Grand Commander, Southern Jurisdiction, Scottish Rite

*Illustrious Sir and Dear Brother Kleinknecht:*

Two subjects, if you please. First, as an involved Mason (Chairman, Nebraska Grand Lodge Membership Committee, etc.), I am absolutely delighted with recent issues of the Scottish Rite Journal! I knew the November issue was the finest in nearly thirty years — until my December copy arrived! It has become a fine magazine, and your messages have set the tone for the positive, upbeat, inspiring articles which have followed. The "new" magazine can help influence the revitalization of Masonry. I am a Marine, and I know what can be done if you have a good product, inspire your "salesmen" and merchandise properly. The "Masonic Renewal Task Force" report at the Grand Masters' Conference in Salt Lake City presented this fact well, which leads me to the second subject.

We need to reach all Masons, candidates, and the public at large with an information program not unlike that of the Marine Corps. I am aware that Masonry cannot afford a large, professional and expensive public information/recruiting program such as that which accounts for much of the Marine Corps' fine image and recruiting success (of course it shouldn't be too difficult to "sell" a fine sharp group of dedicated professionals with 215 years of exemplary performance). But, we can't afford not to have a strong, positive, professional, well coordinated program to increase our visibility and build our reputation.

How do we do it? Of course there is no simple solution to insure instant success, but we can start on the path that will get us there, sooner or later, depending on the amount of effort and leadership applied. We may do well to take another page from the Marine Corps' book and use the other, most effective part of their public information program, their best salesmen — individual Marines.

Our product is certainly as good as that of the "Corps", probably better in the big scheme of things, but most of our Masons don't really know or understand it so they



can't spread the word. When compared to the average Marine, Masons are woefully ignorant about our Fraternity. We don't teach our young (or old) Masons about our marvelous purposes, activities, service and record of performance. Most Masons are uninformed and afraid to talk with others, especially non-Masons, about Masonry. Compare our Masons with Marines, especially the youngsters who return home on leave after boot camp. They're clean, sharp, physically fit and proud; they know all about the Corps and, if you don't ask them about it, they'll tell you.

So, what do we do? The simple, and if properly done, very effective first step is a "SHORT HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY", complete with traditions, myths (properly identified/explained) and propaganda (historical facts which are favorable to us — the enclosed copy of National Sojourners "History-Lecture" contains examples). What I am suggesting is a 35-50 page, vest pocket booklet aimed at every Mason, his family and the population in general.

Nebraska's Grand Master John M. McHenry endorsed this concept — and informally appointed an action committee which includes your Deputy for Nebraska, Illustrious Brother Lichty, PGM. I have spoken to M.:W.:. Brother McHenry about the critical and long overdue need for this history to educate, inspire, and motivate our members and the public. We are agreed that the Scottish Rite (Northern and Southern Jurisdictions) and the Masonic Service Association are probably the best agencies to coordinate preparation, promotion, and distribution of an accurate, informative, esprit inspiring, false accusation exposing booklet.

You will recognize the enclosed article, "Freemasonry — Our Mortal Enemy") as a regularly occurring example of what our detractors are saying about us. People believe and repeat misinformation, distortions, half truths, and outright lies, if the sources seem legitimate and they hear them often enough, especially if there is no reasonable, creditable, understandable, and available information to the contrary. Over the years we have all seen disinterest by fine "prospects" and observed numerous good men leave the fraternity or, at best, become inactive because of our detractors' unanswered actions.

I understand that you will be meeting with Grand Commander Paul and M.:W.:. Brother Fletcher to coordinate a somewhat similar project on Masonic charities on December 12th. I hope that if you agree on the need, you will include discussion of a short "History of Freemasonry" booklet on your agenda.

Thank you again for the new look and thrust of "The Scottish Rite Journal".

Most sincerely and fraternally,  
Charles A. Folsom

### **Report of the Committee on Youth**

*J. L. Spray, 19, Chairman*

The Grand Lodge Youth Committee this year awarded scholarships of \$500 each to outstanding members of our three Masonic youth organizations. These scholarships were presented at the annual meetings of the youth groups by our Grand Master, John M. McHenry, and our Grand Senior Warden, James L. "Sonny" Eatmon.

Receiving the scholarship for the Order of DeMolay was Scott Graves of Omaha. Scott is Past Master Councilor and currently the State Master Councilor of the Nebraska State Chapter. He is presently attending the

University of Nebraska - Omaha. The scholarship for the Rainbow for Girls was awarded to Alicia D. Spangler of Weeping Water, Nebraska. Alicia is a Past Worthy Advisor of her Assembly and also was the recipient of the Rainbow Girl of the Year Award in 1986. As with all the scholarship winners, Alicia has an outstanding academic record. The scholarship for the International Order of Job's Daughters was presented to Heidi Sieck of Bethel #35 located in Oakland, Nebraska. Heidi is a Past Honored Queen and Past Grand Bethel Honored Queen. She is very active in her community and at the University of Nebraska - Lincoln.

Congratulations were extended for the past services rendered by these three outstanding young people; and the Grand Master extended their best wishes for a successful future.

Regrettably to all, we were advised this year of the resignation of Dad Walter Miller who has served as Executive Officer for the State of Nebraska since 1963. Dad Miller has been a member of the Order of DeMolay for almost 59 years. He was initiated into the J. Frank Foster Chapter in Chicago, Illinois, on April 26, 1932, later serving as their Master Councilor.

In 1957, Dad Miller was appointed a Deputy of the International Supreme Council by Frank S. Land, the founder of the order. He was elected an Active Member of the International Supreme Council Order of DeMolay on March 30, 1959, and continues to serve in that capacity. At the time of his resignation as Executive Officer in Nebraska, he was the last remaining Executive Officer appointed by Dad Land.

The International DeMolay Congress elected Dad Miller an Honorary Past International Master Councilor at the 1990 session and the Supreme Council adopted a unanimous resolution commending him for his 33 years of service as an Executive Officer in northern Illinois and Nebraska. He will be greatly missed by all, having devoted his life to inspiring boys to become great men.

He will be succeeded by Dad William G. Hurst whose investiture will occur at this Grand Lodge session.

There continues to be no greater service to the youth of our state than the perpetuation of these important Masonic organizations. Although many portions of Nebraska seem relatively unaffected by the great problems facing our young people today, these organizations still offer great hope to many and a great opportunity for Masons to practice the great virtues of brotherly love, relief and truth.

### **Report of the Committee on Grievances**

*Frank J. Mattoon, 75, Chairman*

*Bevin B. Bump, PGM, 158*

The Committee on Grievances reports that no appeals from actions of trial commissions have been reported to the Committee for review and no other matters were referred to this Committee.

We have made a request for an appropriation of \$200.00 in the budget for the coming year. This was our only action.

Frank J. Mattoon, Chairman

### **Report of the Committee on Doings of the Grand Officers**

*Everett K. Dappen, 265, Chairman*

The committee respectfully submits its report that the address of M.:W.: John M. McHenry, as printed in the advance proceedings, be referred in part as follows:

To the Committee on Jurisprudence:

... the section on General Consents and approvals

... the section on Decisions

... the section on Recommendations

To the Committee on Charters and Dispensations:

... the section on Consolidations

To the Committee on Grievances:

... the section on Reinstatements

... the section on Trial Commissions

To the Committee on Fraternal Dead:

... the section on Necrology

The address reflects the interest of the Grand Master on the future prosperity and vitality of Masonry in Nebraska. He has traveled many miles this past year and put in countless hours of service on behalf of the Craft. He and his fine staff of Officers are to be commended for their efforts on behalf of the Craft.

We recommend that all matters not herein specifically referred to committee be approved.

### **Review of the Report of the Grand Secretary**

We recommend the report be referred as follows:

To the Committee on Returns:

... the section on Returns

To the Committee on Charters and Dispensations:

... the section on Consolidations

... the section on Chartered Lodges

To the Committee on Grievances:

... the section on Grievances

To the Committee on Finances:

... all financial reports and schedules relating to funds.

The Grand Secretary has done an outstanding job and has earned the respect and gratitude of the entire craft for the fine manner he has helped the Subordinate Lodges the past year.

### **Review of the Report of the Grand Custodian**

We recommend that the report be forwarded to the Committee on Nebraska Work for their guidance. We can all be proud of the Grand Custodian and his Deputies for their efforts on behalf of the Craft during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Everett K. Dappen, 265  
Chairman

### **Report of the Committee on Awards**

*Kaye Ramsey, 290 & 317, Chairman*

The Awards Committee was instituted in 1989 by the then Grand Master, M.:W.: Thomas W. Tye. This committee is charged with the responsibility of determining guidelines and selecting recipients of major awards to be presented by the Grand Lodge.

In the fall, the committee solicits recommendations for the Rock Maul and Gold Pan Awards. The committee then meets and selects these recipients prior to their announcement and presentation at the Grand Lodge Session. At the 1990 Grand Lodge Session, Geneva Lodge No. 79 received the Rock Maul Award, and Crescent Lodge No. 143 (Primrose) received the Gold Pan Award.

In early 1990, this committee established guidelines for a new scholarship, called the Pierce-Evergreen Scholarship, which is funded by an endowment

established by the former Evergreen Lodge of Pierce. Carrie Peters of Pierce High School received the first annual scholarship award at the time of her graduation.

### **Report of the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children**

*Charles E. "Ched" House, 52, President, Board of Trustees*

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, Brethren All:

I am pleased to bring you greetings from the Children and Staff, and the Board of Directors of the Masonic Eastern Star Home for Children at Fremont.

The Board of Directors, a very dedicated group of Masons and Stars, meets monthly to review operations of the preceding month, approve payment of bills as presented by the Finance Committee with their approval, and take care of all items on the agenda at hand. We have committee sessions of at least 30 minutes each month, and the results of those meetings are presented to the board for discussion or action. This system keeps us all abreast of the past, current, and future activities of our Home. Ben Harvey, our fine Administrator, carries out any and all actions taken by the Board, and we appreciate his professional method of handling all matters with which he is confronted in the smooth operation of our Home.

The Home office is staffed by Gail Feye and her assistant Shirley Carlson, and is a very smooth efficient place in which to work only because they make it so. Fred Best, our Director of Child Care, makes all arrangements for a child to enter or leave the Home, and very efficiently and professionally carries out his task of keeping close track of each child in residence. He works very closely with the houseparents and spends as much time as is required in counseling each child. We strive to provide the best care and guidance possible.

Our 4-H Club, the Rawhide Wranglers, is a corner stone of the children's activity when they are not involved in studies, household chores, work on the grounds or at an off-campus job, or leisure. The Director of 4-H, Buildings and Grounds is Ron Meyer, who is constantly trying to improve upon our already fine program in 4-H. He works hard instilling a work ethic in our children at the same time they are experiencing a fun and rewarding program. He is assisted in some of these activities as well as with the grounds keeping by Marvin Lippincott. The children take great pride in doing their part in the upkeep of all of the Home property. They get hands on experience in all activities with close supervision.

Progress in our continuing program of major building renovations finds us in the process of review for approval and contract letting of the final plans and specifications for the Veazie Cottage, and an upgrade in the multi-purpose gymnasium heating, air conditioning, and lighting systems, in the Administration building. Our long range program is now several years in

progress, and as funds become available in the Building Fund, we will move on the next phase as it occurs. 1990 was our 75th year of operation in our present location, and while we are getting older, it is the Board's intention that the physical plant will always be maintained in the best of condition and presentation so as to make the care and guidance of the children easily accomplished.

I know that all Nebraska Masons should point with pride to their Childrens Home at Fremont, and to their Home for the Aging at Plattsmouth, for these are the two most important charities for our membership. Evidence that they do comes from the increased gifting to our Home. I would like to express appreciation to all of our Sisters and Brothers who have contributed so freely to support the Home with monetary, material, and labor gifts of love. 1990 will perhaps be recorded as the year of most gifts received when final data is recorded. Please be assured that every gift, no matter how large or small, is received, recorded and acknowledged, with the same care and appreciation.

I would like to thank R.:W.: James N. DeMoss, Deputy Grand Master, Past Grand Patron, and soon to be installed Most Worshipful Grand Master, for serving in the capacity of Financial Advisor to the Home. His unselfish service to the Finance Committee in guidance to wise investments keeps our funds performing at the best rate possible, and in a safe manner. We appreciate the sound advice we receive, and the fine record keeping.

Saying "Thank You" seems inadequate to express a feeling, but we do get a lot of help from the membership all across this great state, and we do greatly appreciate it. Again, we say "Thank You".

Our Home gives the children the best opportunity to re-organize their lives, and regain their self-respect, setting the new direction they so desperately need and seek.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles E. "Ched" House  
President  
Board of Trustees

### **Report to the Stockholders of the Nebraska Masonic Home**

*Harry A. Spencer, 227, President*

Once again, this time in absentia, it is my privilege to welcome you to the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Nebraska Masonic Home. When this is presented to you, I will be presiding at an Appellate Judge's Educational Seminar in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Before I begin my report, I pause to note our great loss in the passing of two dedicated Masons, who, as Trustees, were very active contributors to the growth of the Nebraska Masonic Home. Worshipful Brother Charles A. Rasmussen and Most Worshipful Brother Lewis R. (Dick) Ricketts. Trustee,

Worshipful Brother Charles, entered his eternal home May 30, 1990. He had served continuously as a Trustee since his appointment in January 1973. Most Worshipful Brother Dick, Trustee Emeritus, who retired from the Board last January, after 41 years of service as a Trustee, departed this life July 14, 1990. Even in death, he remembered the Home with a gift of \$35,000. We mourn the sudden passing of these two Brothers. They will be sorely missed. I ask each of you to observe a moment of silent prayer in their memory.

Trustee, Most Worshipful Brother Warren D. Lichty, Jr., who was elected Deputy of the Supreme Council in the State of Nebraska felt this added responsibility required him to tender his resignation as a Trustee. This, the Board accepted with regret. Most Worshipful Brother Warren gave ten years of dedicated service as a Trustee. His dedication is such that I can assure you he will continue to serve the interests of the Home.

Worshipful Brother David Knutson, was elected by the Board to replace Worshipful Brother Rasmussen. And Most Worshipful Brother John M. McHenry was elected to replace Most Worshipful Brother Lichty. The Board only has the authority to fill a vacancy until the next Annual Meeting of the Stockholders. Then an election must be held to fill the balance of the unexpired term. However, in both these instances the terms expired January 23, 1991. It is my earnest recommendation that both Most Worshipful Brother McHenry and Worshipful Brother Knutson be elected to three year terms on the Board of Trustees.

We have had another busy and eventful year working to maintain and to improve our fine facility. We moved into the Spencer Wing March 21, 1989. Now we are in the midst of an extensive remodeling of our 1952 facility. We are providing adequate administrative offices and twenty apartments which will be on the Second and Third floors. We are also providing two exterior fire stairs for the three floors on the east and west sides of the building as required by the Fire Marshal. We have also been required to install a new generator. The cost of these improvements and the remodeling is \$1,602,646. Krhounek and Povandra are the architects for this project.

As I advised you in my last report, the Board had hired Most Worshipful Brother Thomas W. Tye as Director of Development to start work when his term as Grand Master expired. While he previously had been active in that capacity, Most Worshipful Brother Tom joined our staff officially on March 1, 1990. I have felt for years Nebraska Masons did not know enough about or fully appreciate what they have in the Nebraska Masonic Home. Most Worshipful Brother Tom is now getting the message to them. Last year I mentioned the Nebraska Masonic Home Caring Club solicitation which Most Worshipful Brother Tom originated. You will be pleased to know our contributions from that source last year totalled \$43,000. As of our January Trustees meeting, we have received \$53,000 on this year's solicitation. Most Worshipful Brother Tom will give you a report on his activities including a report on the Caring Club banquet held last May.

The chief purpose of the Nebraska Masonic Home is to dispense Charity.

Charity is implicit in the charge that we love one another. Remember the words, "And the greatest of these is Charity". Remember also the message in First Corinthians, "Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not Charity I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of Prophecy and understand all mysteries and all knowledge; And though I have all Faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not Charity I am nothing."

We need to remind Nebraska Masons that the \$2.00 they are assessed in their dues does not fulfill or relieve them of their obligation to dispense further Charity.

In my last report I mentioned we were attempting to avoid any possibility of confusion on the tax deductibility of contributions to our Home. This has now been accomplished. The last Grand Lodge session adopted the amendments I told you Most Worshipful Brother Tye was proposing. This set the stage for the formation of a new foundation to be known as the Nebraska Masonic Home Foundation. Worshipful Brother Gary Radil set up this new 501(C)(3) Corporation. As soon as the IRS finally approves our exemption we will effect the transfer of our funds to it.

During the year we have reviewed the Articles of Incorporation, By-laws and Rules and Regulations of the Home. Many changes were necessitated by the removal of our Grand Lodge offices, the overhauling of our administrative staff and other improvements the passage of time has required. Notice has been given to you of suggested changes requiring your approval. Most Worshipful Brother Tye will present them to you for your consideration.

During the year the house at 1215 Avenue D was found to be uninhabitable without extensive remodeling. The cost of this remodeling was so great it would not justify the expense. The house was therefore demolished and the improvements removed from the tax roles.

Dale E. Bock, our Labor Attorney, accepted a position as Council for State Farm Mutual Insurance Company and moved to their home office. The law firm of Baird, Holm and McEachen has been retained as our Counsel and Mark Thiessen of that firm will serve as our Labor Attorney.

Our staff is doing an exceptional job in keeping our Home at a high level of efficiency. It takes many people with much dedication to keep our Home a leader in its field of care — quality care.

I commend our Executive Director, Brother Arthur R. Sharp, for the job he is doing. In his report, he will give you details of the operation of the Home and will cover areas and individuals where special recognition should be given. On staff I will only add that I also commend Brother Harold Flockhart, our Assistant Director, and Mary C. Stapp, Brother Art's Administrative Assistant, for the help they have given him during the past year. Brother Flockhart retired December 31, 1990. I wish for him many years of a pleasant and a fruitful retirement. He has earned it. Mary, who is now the



Assistant Director, will, I hope, continue to be the valuable and extra good right arm she has been for Brother Art.

I should also mention that Brother Art is taking an active interest in the Plattsmouth Community. We have approved his serving as a Director on the Plattsmouth Manor's Home Board. During this year Brother Art became a dual member of the Plattsmouth Blue Lodge. You should also know that last July, he was elected to the Board of Directors of the Lincoln Employee Assistance Program which furnishes counseling to troubled employees.

Our budget for 1990-1991 is \$2,923,400. I was alarmed at this figure. After its presentation at a higher figure, strenuous efforts were made by each Committee to pare the figures submitted in their respective areas. Costs are mounting. Equipment must be repaired, food, material, and labor costs are escalating. Additionally, the Fire Marshal required some extensive changes. Our salaries are barely competitive, and we have made some changes in our health program to keep those escalating costs within bounds. This budget figure includes \$50,000 we were required to add last September to meet additional nursing expense and care demands.

If our Home is to grow and achieve the level of care we want to provide, then we must work with our Development Director to secure the funding necessary to do the job. We all need to generate an awareness of what the Masonic Home is doing. We must keep before our members and friends that financial help is required to keep the wheels turning.

The Department of Environmental Control required the removal of our gas storage tanks and a check to determine there was no contamination of ground water by reason of leaks. This was done, and fortunately, there was no contamination.

During the year the Home lost its status as a large light and power user and our rate would be doubled if we continued to maintain two meter service. This required a major overhaul but our electrical metering is now on one meter.

Past Grand Master Ben Eyre, who will be 103 next May and who is a resident of the Home, was presented the Gold Jordan Medal at the last Grand Lodge session. Most Worshipful Brother Ben was also featured on the Today Show by Willard Scott to commemorate his 102nd birthday.

You will be pleased to hear that the Nebraska Masonic Home was honored this past year at a Chamber of Commerce dinner for significantly contributing to the economic development of the Plattsmouth Community.

As in the past, we will maintain a Masonic Home Information Table at the Grand Lodge session. Mary Stapp will be in charge. Stop by and visit with her.

I am pleased to inform you that the donations and bequests over the past three years have funded the addition of the Spencer Wing. We now are faced with task of raising the \$1,600,000 needed to fund the remodeling

of our 1952 addition. This is the challenge our Director of Development will be stressing.

In closing, I must admit I am inadequate to the task of adequately expressing my appreciation for the work done by our Trustees on their Regular and Special Committees. Each and every one of them has been faithful and equal to his task so I restrict myself to saying thank you for a job well done. To the Trustees present I say, each of you have given much time and attention to the problems of the Home. It has been a real pleasure for me to serve as your President. With your kind of dedication, the task has been much easier. You exemplify Masonic Charity and Brotherhood at its best. I hope your Brethren appreciate the effort you make in their behalf.

### **Report of the Executive Director of the Nebraska Masonic Home**

*Arthur R. Sharp, 54 and 6*

It is a pleasure for me to report to the Trustees and stockholders of your Nebraska Masonic Home that during the past year considerable progress has been accomplished toward our continuing goal of remaining the finest and most dedicated facility for care of the aging Nebraska population. It has not, however, been without its frustrations. With the cost of medical care outrunning the cost of inflation by more than double, it is a constant challenge to furnish the excellent care we have long been noted for, and still stay within a reasonable and affordable operating budget.

On December 29, 1990, our Assistant Director, Mr. Harold Flockhart retired after fourteen years of service to the Nebraska Masonic Home. I would like to thank Harold for all the assistance which he has given to me during the past three years in which I have been employed by the Home. Harold has been replaced as Assistant Director by Mrs. Mary Stapp, who has been a devoted employee of the Home for the past seventeen years. Mary was a staff nurse during her first fourteen years and since that time has been our Administrative Assistant. Her past knowledge and experience will be a valuable asset in the future administration of our Home.

During this past year, Mrs. Joan Novich, our Director of Nursing, resigned and was replaced by Mrs. Sonia Meredith. Mrs. Meredith comes to us as a highly qualified registered nurse, having obtained her R.N. degree from the University of Nebraska College of Nursing, and her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Bishop Clarkson College of Nursing in Omaha. She has been working as an R.N. for the past twelve years. Mrs. Meredith is proving to be a most competent director for our nursing department.

I would also be remiss if I did not commend the balance of our management staff: Mr. Monte Hackwith, Chief Engineer; Mrs. Glenda Seydlitz, House-keeping Supervisor; Mrs. Harriet Johnson, Dietary Supervisor; Mrs. Pat Jenson, Comptroller; and Mrs. Frankie Cotner, Secretary. Together we have inaugurated a team approach to the management of the Nebraska Masonic

Home which has resulted in greatly improved communication, as well as increased efficiency in all departments.

My special thanks must also go to Mrs. Pat Jensen, our Comptroller, and Mrs. Frankie Cotner, our Secretary, for the fine job they do and the many extra hours of work they devote to ensuring that the business of the Home is handled in an orderly and timely manner.

I would like to thank our Grand Master, M.:W.: John McHenry, and all of his officers for the guidance, assistance, and support which they have given our home. The staff of the Grand Lodge office have also been most cooperative in lending their expertise to the Home in order that our financial reports be completed.

It would be impossible to adequately thank the members of our Board of Trustees, who, under the leadership of the honorable Harry A. Spencer, have given literally thousands of hours of work and service to the end that our Nebraska Masonic Home be the finest care and living facility anywhere. Ours is truly a working board and they are constantly on call to answer questions and provide advice. Coming from many varied backgrounds and representing many professions, the Board of Trustees is a most valuable source of information in many areas. They, along with our staff, are constantly looking for ways to improve our operation and be of further service to the aging Nebraska Masonic population.

I would like to give a special thank you to the Order of Eastern Star Grand Chapter, their Worthy Grand Matron, Bonnie Evans, the Worthy Grand Patron, Lester Webb, and Grand Secretary Shirley Frink, for the most generous contribution presented to the Home at Grand Chapter. This contribution was given for the purpose of purchasing a patio set for the courtyard at the Home. In addition to this, the Eastern Star has been very supportive, not just in terms of financial contributions, but also in many other ways. The Home Chapter No. 189 in Plattsmouth has also been available to provide a delicious picnic dinner for our residents, as well as other help when needed.

Our gratitude also must go to the Lincoln and Omaha Valleys of the Scottish Rite Bodies. They have been most generous in their contributions of new wheelchairs for our residents. Mr. Bill Dean of the Omaha Valley, and Mr. Earl Stewart of the Lincoln Valley have provided these from their respective Almoners Funds. Our thanks also go to Mr. Mel Hatfield for coordinating these purchases at a very low cost.

Once again this year, we were very gratified by the hard work and dedication of Mr. Adolph Schlaman for all the effort he put into organizing and coordinating the Robert D. Boon Memorial Food Truck. This annual gift of food for the residents of the Home, from the Grand Island and Central Nebraska area, is certainly one of the more important contributions we receive each year.

Also, this year we have been one of the benefactors of the Heuermann

Charitable Trust. This contribution will allow us to update our computer software, as well as add some computer equipment for our system. Our thanks to the Heuermann Charitable Trust for this annual contribution.

We owe a great vote of thanks to all of the lodges in the state for their continuing interest and support. The Masters and Wardens Club also contributes more than we could ever expect. The furnishing of Christmas presents and poinsettias for all of our residents is most appreciated by them and in many cases, the only Christmas presents some of the members receive.

My thanks, and that of the Home staff, also go to M.:W.: Brother Tom Tye, our Director of Development. The excellent cooperation and good counsel he provides has made the integration of this new position a smooth and orderly operation. I look forward to many more years of association with Tom in this new endeavor. The fine results of his work are already becoming evident in the area of public relations and fund raising.

M.:W.: Brother Tye has also been very busy this year in heading up the By-Laws Revision Committee. This was a considerable undertaking, and required many long hours of work and research.

During this past year, under the capable direction of our Chief Engineer, Mr. Monte Hackwith, we have replaced our old two-meter electrical service with a more modern and more efficient one-meter service. This will result in a total savings to the Home of over \$6,000 annually. Our management staff at the Home have all become cost conscious and are now looking at other ways we can cut costs and/or improve the efficiency of our operation.

Needless to say, we feel our Nebraska Masonic Home is truly outstanding in the field of elderly health care. This would not be possible, however, without the hard work and dedication of our employees. They are truly what makes the Masonic Home the outstanding facility that it is.

Fraternally submitted,  
Arthur R. Sharp  
Executive Director

### **Report of the Committee on Codification of the Law**

*Steven F. Mattoon, 75, Chairman*

Your Committee on Codification of the Law respectfully submits its report relative to amendments or additions to the Bylaws of this Grand Lodge, as enacted at this communication.

That Section 2-601 of the Bylaws of this Grand Lodge be amended to read as follows, and that otherwise said Section shall remain unchanged:

Section 2-601—*Dues and Assessments*. Chartered subordinate lodges shall have discretionary power to assess annual dues and special assessments

upon its members who are Master Masons in good standing. Such dues and assessments shall be uniform upon such members. The amount of the annual dues shall include Grand Lodge dues and shall be designated in the By-Laws. Special assessments may be made payable in installments. A brother desiring to demit shall be required to pay dues only for the time he is a member of the lodge, that is, to the end of the month in which he is demitted, but he shall be required to pay in full all special assessments.

A subordinate lodge's floating debt does not rest pro rata on its members until so assessed. The dues owed by members to a lodge cannot be offset against any debts owed by the lodge to said members, except with the consent of the delinquent members.

Each Lodge shall pay annually to the Grand Lodge on or before the 10th day of April, for each initiation during the preceding calendar year, the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), and for each member, the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) as a per capita tax. In addition thereto, in the case of reinstatement of suspended members, the per capita tax for the year of suspension shall be paid to the Grand Lodge with the annual report for the calendar year of reinstatement. Before any subordinate lodge shall be consolidated with another lodge, the per capita tax for the year preceding the year of consolidation shall be determined and paid. Each subordinate lodge shall collect and transmit to the Grand Lodge with its annual returns the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for each Master Mason affiliating herewith during the year covered by these returns; provided, that this shall not apply to any Master Mason in good standing at the time he presents his petition for affiliation.

By the phrase "good standing" is meant one who has petitioned for affiliation within one year after receiving his demit, or having petitioned for affiliation and having been rejected, has renewed his petition as often as once in each six months after rejection.

The amount due the Grand Lodge may be sent in at any time between March 31st and April 5th, and the Grand Secretary shall add as a penalty one cent per day for each member on the rolls as shown in the table as printed in the preceding year's proceedings of the Grand Lodge, to all lodges that neglect to send in their returns complete as provided by Section 2-310, and pay their indebtedness to the Grand Lodge by the tenth of April.

When the complete returns of any subordinate lodge shall not have been received by the Grand Secretary by April 20th, he shall notify the Grand Master of that fact, and the Grand Master shall, by himself, the Grand Custodian, or an Assistant to the Grand Custodian, or some other brother appointed by the Grand Master, make personal investigations of such lodge, and secure returns as complete as may be. And the Grand Secretary shall charge, upon the books of the Grand Lodge, the expenses of such visitation, to the lodge, unless the Grand Master, being satisfied that good reason existed for such delay, shall order otherwise.

All settlements shall be made in accordance with the account of the Grand Secretary, who shall base the same upon the table as printed in the preceding year's proceedings of the Grand Lodge. Unaffiliated brethren formerly belonging to lodges now extinct shall annually pay the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) as Grand Lodge dues. Such dues, when paid, shall be used for the purpose of helping maintain The Nebraska Masonic Home.

That Section 1-406 of the Bylaws of this Grand Lodge be amended to read as follows, and that the original of said Section be repealed.

Section 1-406 — *Allocation of funds.* The per capita tax of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) shall be divided as follows:

To the Nebraska Masonic Home           \$2.00

To the General Fund                       \$8.00

The Initiation Fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and all affiliation fees shall be allocated to the General Fund.

That Section 1-318 of the Bylaws of this Grand Lodge be amended to read as follows and that the original of said Section be repealed:

Section 1-318 — Finance. The Committee on Finance shall consist of five members, each to serve a period of five (5) years and who shall be appointed for such terms as shall retire one member annually. In case of a vacancy on the Committee, the Grand Master shall immediately appoint a member to fill the unexpired term. It shall be the duty of the committee to examine the books and vouchers of the Grand Lodge, vouchers of officers and committees for whom appropriations have been made. The committee shall determine if such vouchered expenditures are within the scope of the appropriation and report to the Grand Lodge any expenditures which it deems to have been improperly paid from the appropriation made. It shall examine expenditures from each appropriated fund and report the amounts of any unexpended balance to be returned to the proper fund of the Grand Lodge. It shall determine and report the actual condition of all funds and accounts of the Grand Lodge, consider matters relating to revenue and its expenditure, and report such recommendations as it may deem for the financial benefit of the Grand Lodge. It shall examine all accounts and certify the results thereof to the Grand Lodge in its annual report. If doubt should arise as to a certain expenditure, its appropriateness or its proper category, said matters shall be referred to the Committee on Appropriations who, with the advice of the Committee on Jurisprudence, shall determine the appropriateness of said expenditure or the appropriate category into which said expenditure shall be placed. The committee shall have authority to employ a certified public accountant at the expense of the Grand Lodge, if in the judgment of the committee and the Grand Master it shall be deemed necessary.

That Section 1-325 of the Bylaws of this Grand Lodge be amended to read

as follows, and that the original of said Section be repealed:

Section 1-325 — *Appropriations*. The Committee on Appropriations shall consist of five members, each to serve for a period of five years, and who shall be appointed for such terms as shall retire one member thereof annually and in case of a vacancy on the Committee, the Grand Master shall immediately appoint a member to fill such unexpired term. It shall be the duty of the Committee to fix the amounts to be appropriated to carry on the funds of Grand Lodge; provided that the Committee must submit a proposed budget with appropriations which do not exceed the anticipated revenues of the Grand Lodge. Unless such amounts are changed by the Grand Lodge, they shall be final and binding, and shall be considered the financial limit of authority of the officers, person or committee in exercising the purpose of the appropriation. The officers, persons or committees requiring an appropriation of funds shall make a request therefor in writing. The committee shall hold open hearings on such requests at which any member of the Grand Lodge may appear and be heard. In case of an emergency, the committee may increase an appropriation between sessions of the Grand Lodge to the extent of the necessity, provided, however, that it has the approval in writing of a majority of the four ranking officers of the Grand Lodge.

That subparagraph (h) be added to Section 1-314 of the Bylaws of this Grand Lodge to read as follows:

Section 1-314 — *Nebraska Work*.

(h) It shall be the responsibility of the Committee on Nebraska Work to prepare Standard Ceremonies for the authorized Ceremony Work for all subordinate Lodges within the Jurisdiction subject to approval by the Grand Lodge.

The Chairman of the Committee on Codification of the Law then moved that the report be adopted. The motion was seconded and carried.

### **Report of the Committee on Business and Rules**

*Don E. Rasmussen, 82 and 135, Grand Secretary*

The business of an Annual Communication shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Part I of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Grand Lodge, A.:F.: & A.:M.: of Nebraska as amended. The order of business shall be as shown in the printed program for the Communication, or as may be revised by the Grand Master to expedite the business and procedure of the Grand Lodge.

The Committee further recommends:

1. The Grand Master shall appoint a brother to serve as Parliamentarian of the Annual Communication. The Parliamentarian need not be a member of the Jurisprudence Committee. It shall be the duty of the Parliamentarian to advise and consult the Grand Master regarding procedures.
2. Committee Reports shall be given by the Chairman or designated member from the East unless otherwise directed by the Grand Master.
3. Amendments, which have been brought to the floor for ballot: One of the signers of an amendment shall state the position of the signers prior to the ballot.
4. Officers speaking on any motion, resolution, committee report or other matter may speak from the East. Members of the Grand Lodge may speak from the main floor at the microphone near the altar or as directed by the officer presiding. Time permitting, other brothers may then speak to the issue. Prior to speaking, each brother shall be recognized by the officer presiding and shall state his name and lodge before addressing the Grand Lodge.
5. No brother shall speak more than twice on any motion, resolution, committee report or other matter unless special permission is granted by the officer presiding. Members shall be recognized to speak in the order they rise, unless the officer presiding shall otherwise direct. If more than one brother rises at approximately the same time, the officer presiding shall direct the order of speaking.
6. Time limits on speaking shall not be imposed unless the officer presiding shall announce time limits in order to expedite the business of the Annual Communication. Upon announcement, the officer presiding shall enforce the stated limits.
7. When the Grand Lodge is passing upon the decisions and formal recommendations of the Grand Master, the Grand Master shall first announce his position. The Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee will announce the position of the Committee. Discussion will then be permitted, with the Grand Master permitted to speak first, and the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee then permitted to speak. Members of the Grand Lodge shall then be permitted to speak to the issue. Time permitting, other brothers may speak, after which a vote will be taken.
8. When the voting method is not prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws, it shall be by the usual sign of a Mason while voting. The Grand Master, or other officer presiding, may prescribe voting by secret written ballot or other method at his discretion.
9. Questions of procedure not provided for in the Constitution, Bylaws, or these rules, shall be determined by the Grand Master.



## **Report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations**

*Don McCoy, 11, Chairman*

Most Worshipful Grand Master and all of the brethren who are assembled here at the Grand Lodge meeting at Grand Island, Nebraska. There were seven lodges reported delinquent for not having attended the Grand Lodge Session for two consecutive years. Those lodges were: Orient Lodge No. 13 at Rulo, NE; Hooper Lodge No. 72, Hooper, NE; Upright Lodge No. 137, Burchard, NE; Cambridge Lodge No. 150, Cambridge, NE; Gavel Lodge No. 199, Carleton, NE; John S. Bowen Lodge No. 232, Kennard, NE; and Silver Lodge No. 266 at Silver Creek, NE.

All except one lodge reported in to the Charters and Dispensations Committee yesterday and gave their reasons why they had missed the two years. The reasons were accepted. Silver Lodge No. 266 was the only lodge that did not report in. And I understand in talking to the Grand Secretary that they are in the process of consolidating with Osceola Lodge No. 65. Thank you.

R.:W.: James N. DeMoss, Deputy Grand Master, moved that all printed reports from various committees and entities which are contained in the delegate's packets and which have not previously been either accepted or adopted by the delegates be now accepted and approved. The motion was seconded and carried.



### **Presentation of the Past Grand Master's Apron and Past Grand Master's Jewel**

Past Grand Master M.:W.: Bob Metcalf made formal presentation of the Past Grand Master's Apron and Jewel to M.: W.: John M. McHenry.



V.:W.: Grand Chaplain Michael E. Jones led the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Nebraska in prayer.

*Oh most merciful Father and Supreme Architect of the Universe,  
we thank You for having been allowed to enjoy such a wonderful  
Annual Communication as we further Your work. We again thank  
You for the harmonious display of brotherly love and friendship  
that has been displayed throughout.*

*And now, as we prepare to depart to our separate ways, travel  
with us, and give us good counsel from now until we return again.  
For we ask it in Your name. Amen.*

Most Worshipful Grand Master John McHenry declared the Annual Communication closed in ample form, and directed the Grand Marshal to make proclamation thereof.

Worshipful Grand Marshal Kenneth G. Fleming proclaimed the 134th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons closed in ample form.



**Organization**  
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**A.:F.: & A.:M.:**  
**of Nebraska**



*Grand Island, Nebraska*  
*January 31 — February 1st and 2nd, 1991*

## Grand Lodge Officers

- M.: W.: John M. McHenry ..... Grand Master
- R.: W.: James N. DeMoss ..... Deputy Grand Master
- R.: W.: James L. Eatmon ..... Grand Senior Warden
- R.: W.: Donald L. Pohlman ..... Grand Junior Warden
- R.: W.: Don E. Rasmussen ..... Grand Secretary
- V.: W.: Michael E. Jones ..... Grand Chaplain
- W.: Virbil L. Tubach ..... Grand Orator
- W.: Benjiman H. Harvey ..... Grand Historian
- W.: Augustine S. Scolaro ..... Grand Custodian
- W.: Kenneth G. Fleming ..... Grand Marshal
- W.: Steven F. Mattoon ..... Grand Senior Deacon
- W.: Jerry L. Rittenburg ..... Grand Junior Deacon
- W.: Marvin M. Andersen ..... Grand Senior Steward
- W.: V. Kaye Ramsey ..... Grand Junior Steward
- W.: J. L. Spray ..... Grand Tyler

# Past Grand Masters

## Permanent Members of the Grand Lodge

### A.:F.: & A.: M.: of Nebraska

- BENJAMIN F. EYRE, 1 . . . . . (81st) . . . . .1946  
Nebraska Masonic Home, Plattsmouth 68048
- THOMAS J. ARON, 37 . . . . . (86th) . . . . .1951  
1013 Boswell, Crete 68333
- HERBERT A. RONIN, 210 . . . . . (96th) . . . . .1961  
4645 Bryan Circle, Lincoln 68506
- ERNEST O. VAN WEY, 249 . . . . . (97th) . . . . .1962  
Box 303, Gothenburg 69138
- HARRY A. SPENCER, 227 . . . . . (99th) . . . . .1964  
1500 Crestview, Lincoln 68506
- LOUIS V. SYLVESTER, 281 . . . . . (100th) . . . . .1965  
801 South 52nd, No. 2105, Omaha 68106
- HUGH W. EISENHART, 150 . . . . . (104th) . . . . .1969  
Box 250, Cambridge 69022
- FRANK J. MATTOON, 75 . . . . . (108th) . . . . .1973  
2613 El Rancho Road, Sidney 69162
- DONALD R. SWANSON, 54 . . . . . (109th) . . . . .1974  
1615 South 44th, Lincoln 68506
- HAROLD HULTMAN, 39 . . . . . (110th) . . . . .1975  
9 Whitwick Lane, Bella Vista, AR 72714
- T. LEO STINES, 36 . . . . . (111th) . . . . .1976  
2404 21st Avenue, Central City 68826
- JACK H. HENDRIX, 174 . . . . . (113th) . . . . .1978  
506 North Cherokee Drive, McCook 69001
- WARREN D. LICHTY, JR., 314 . . . . (114th) . . . . .1979  
P.O. Box 2559, Lincoln 68502
- BYRON C. JENKINS, 325 . . . . . (115th) . . . . .1980  
3523 Comstock Avenue, Omaha 68123
- PAUL R. PIERCE, 50 . . . . . (117th) . . . . .1982  
518 Oswego, Hastings 68901
- BEVIN B. BUMP, 158 . . . . . (118th) . . . . .1983  
Box 1140, Chadron 69337
- ROBERT A. METCALF, 210 . . . . . (119th) . . . . . 1984-85  
1440 Imperial, Lincoln 68520
- CHARLES W. AMIDON, 281, 327 . . (120th) . . . . .1986  
1706 Hillside Drive, Omaha 68114

- WAYNE G. LUENENBORG, 32,39 . . .(121st) . . . . .1987  
2202 West 'D', North Platte 69101
- PAUL R. EVELAND, 119 . . . . . (122nd) . . . . .1988  
RR 1, Ames 68621
- THOMAS W. TYE, 46 . . . . . (123rd) . . . . .1989  
21 Red Fox Lane, Kearney 68847
- JOHN M. McHENRY, 19 . . . . .(124th) . . . . .1990  
6940 'O' Street #326, Lincoln 68510
  
- CARL R. GRIESEN, 32 . . . . .(HONORARY) . . . . .1966  
Nebraska Masonic Home, Plattsmouth 68048

# 1990 Grand Lodge Committees

(Per Section 1-301 of Grand Lodge Bylaws)

## Standing Committees

### Jurisprudence (§1-304: 5 Past Grand Masters, 5 year term)

- Chm. Harry A. Spencer, 227 (1992) 1500 Crestview, Lincoln 68506, 402-489-4949
- Jack H. Hendrix, 174, (1991) . . . . . 506 N. Cherokee Dr., McCook 69001, 308-345-2158
- Charles W. Amidon, 281&327 (1993) 1706 Hillside Dr., Omaha 68114, 402-451-8222
- Bevin B. Bump, 158 (1994) . . . . . PO Box 1140, Chadron 69337, 308-432-4411
- Robert A. Metcalf, 210 (1995) . . . . . 1440 Imperial, Lincoln 68520, 402-474-6161

### Fraternal Relations (§1-305: 3 to 5 members)

- Chm. Lawrence J. Zwart, 11 . . . . . 7336 Lawndale Dr., Omaha 68134, 402-221-4806
- V. Kaye Ramsey, 290 & 317 . . . . . 14522 Patrick Ave., Omaha 68164, 402-498-2821
- Don R. Monnette, 105 . . . . . RR 2, Box 45, Humboldt 68376-9418, 402-862-2664

### Fraternal Dead (§1-307: 3 to 5 members)

- Chm. Michael E. Jones, 51 & 173 . . 222 5th St., David City 68632, 402-367-3674
- John F. Dale, 135. . . . . 2107 Northridge Dr., Fairbury 68352-1241, 402-729-2247
- Virgil Tubach, 54 . . . . . 2235 S. 57th St., Lincoln 68506, 402-471-7471

### Masonic Relief (§1-308: 5 members, 5 year term)

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- Joe P. Gonnerman, 56 (1991) . . . . . PO Box 65, York 68467, 402-362-7031
- Gary L. Martin, 46 (1993) . . . . . 1 Wedge Way, Kearney 68847, 308-236-9490
- Jerry Sievers, 256 (1994) . . . . . 3500 Prescott Ave., Lincoln 68506, 402-489-8408
- James W. Keebaugh, 183 (1995) . . . 1023 Yellowstone, Alliance 69301, 308-762-5107

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- Chm. Richard Nelson, Jr., 281 (1992) 10915 N. 62nd St., Omaha 68152, 402-457-4800
- Robert J. Piper, 6 (1991) . . . . . RR 3, Box 44, Plattsmouth 68048, 402-296-3170
- Ivan A. Vrtiska, 327 (1993) . . . . . 9411 Corby, Omaha 68134, 402-334-9333

### Masonic Education (§1-310)

- Chm. B. Lynn Alexander, 54 . . . . . 3701 "O" St., Suite B-2, Lincoln 68510, 402-435-6148
- J. Eugene Jorgensen, 210 . . . . . 1920 N. 53rd St., Lincoln 68504, 402-466-9571
- William G. Hurst, 54 . . . . . 450 S. 52nd St., Lincoln 68510, 402-489-3234
- Thomas F. Simpson, Jr., 54 & 326 . . 2556 S. 125th, Omaha 68144-7238, 402-391-1697
- Gary Steffens, 54 . . . . . RR 1, Box 98A, Firth 68358, 402-791-5817
- Don L. Jelinek, 54 . . . . . 311 Dale Drive, Lincoln 68510, 402-488-3976

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- Don R. Monnette, 105 . . . . . RR 2, Box 45, Humboldt 68376-9418, 402-862-2664
- Don L. McCoy, 11 . . . . . 3704 Gordon St., Omaha 68105, 402-556-5678
- Gladwyn A. Youngs, 210 . . . . . 3900 S. 39th St., Lincoln 68506, 402-483-7666
- Gerald Verbeek, 15 . . . . . 1550 N. Lincoln, Fremont 68025, 402-727-9296
- Ernest Lehmkuhler, 32 . . . . . 127 N. Allen, North Platte 69101, 308-532-2889
- Everette D. Hilfiker, 59 . . . . . 107 S. Elm St., Mead 68041, 402-624-3155
- Norman L. Coe, 98 & 46 . . . . . 920 W. 22nd, Kearney 68847-5049, 308-237-7665

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Marvin Colson, 228	509 Simpson St., Bartley 69020, 308-692-3448
Michael E. Jones, 51 & 173	222 5th St., David City 68632, 402-367-3674
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Benjiman Harvey, 119	PO Box 1327, Fremont 68025, 402-721-1185
Kenneth Beebe, 119	Route 1, North Bend 68649, 402-652-3380
Lloyd Vrtiska, 108	RR 1, Box 99, Table Rock 68447-9756, 402-839-2955
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Henry C. Beatty, 33	659 Faidley Plaza, Grand Island 68801, 308-384-0473
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Tom Elder, 198	RR 2, Box 16A, Imperial 69033, 308-882-5119
Steven R. Gilmore, 201	900 Armory Rd., Gering 69341, 308-436-5795
Bruce D. Cutiss, 204 & 248	Box 697, Plainview 68769, 402-582-3854
Richard L. Bretthauer, 263	7201 Buckingham #50, Lincoln 68506-1726, 402-483-1124
Lawrence D. Yost, 289	514 Padua, Ravenna 68869, 308-452-4470
Marvin Andersen, 5	1710 Mulberry, Box 26, Dakota City 68731, 402-987-3389
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Darryl Frerichs, 114	RR 1, Pilger 68768, 402-396-3241
Willotte Medow, 55	3404 Rolling Hills Dr., Norfolk 68701, 402-371-9539
Roderick Imm, 224	107 N. Cedar, Ainsworth 69210, 402-387-1422
Dale Whitefoot, 211	RR 2, Box 24, Shelton 68876, 308-647-6702
Harold (Joe) Rutter, 267	PO Box 464, Elm Creek 68836-0464, 308-856-4115
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Rick Saum, 79	1535 I St., Geneva 68361-1533, 402-759-3753

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Chm. Sanford H. Nelson, 210	6916 Old Post Place, Lincoln 68506, 402-488-5930
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Wayne G. Luennenborg, 39 & 32 (1991)	2202 West D. St., North Platte 69101, 308-532-0364
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Ivan Vrtiska, 327 (1991) . . . . . 9411 Corby, Omaha 68134, 402-334-9333  
Robert A. Carhart, 120 (1992) . . . . PO Box 430, Wayne 68787, 402-375-2976  
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Scott Eveland, 119 (1992) . . . . . Route 1, Ames 68621, 402-721-3298  
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Chm. Don L. McCoy, 11 ..... 3704 Gordon, Omaha 68105, 402-392-1752  
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### Entertainment of Distinguished Guests (§1-323: 3 to 5 members)

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Chm. Eugene Fischbach, 39 ..... 4914 Giles Rd., Omaha 68157, 402-733-6646  
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NAME APPOINTED

### District #1

**Roy L. Smith, 6, RR 1, Box 122, Plattsmouth, 68048, 402-298-8570 . . . 1989**  
Western Star #2, Nebraska City; Plattsmouth #6, Plattsmouth;  
Springfield #112, Springfield; Nehawka #246, Nehawka

### District #2

**Don L McCoy, 11, 3704 Gordon St., Omaha, 68105, 402-556-5678 . . . 1975**  
Solomon #10, Fort Calhoun; Covert #11, Omaha; Papillion #39,  
Papillion; Florence #281, Omaha; John J. Mercer #290, Omaha;  
Mizpah #302, Omaha

### District #3

**LeRoy Crye, 328, 13906 Hickory St., Omaha, 68137, 402-334-8991 . . . 1990**  
Capitol #3, Omaha; Bee Hive #184, Omaha; George W. Lininger  
#268, Omaha; Centennial #326, Omaha; Shiloh #327, Omaha;  
Miloma #328, Omaha

### District #4

**James E. Cornish, 31, RR 2, Box 102, Tekamah, 68061, 402-374-1135 . . . 1976**  
Washington #21, Blair; Tekamah #31, Tekamah; Oakland #91,  
Oakland; Landmark #222, Herman; George Armstrong #241, Craig

### District #5

**Ronald D. Grass, 31, 420 No. 13th, Tekamah, 68061, . . . . . 1990**  
Omadi #5, Dakota City; Jordan #27, West Point; Magnolia #220,  
Emerson; Pilot #240, Lyons; Olive Branch #274, Walthill

### District #6

**To Be Appointed**  
Corinthian #83, Wakefield; Wayne #120, Wayne; Relief #219,  
Coleridge; Golden Rule #236, Allen; Laurel #248, Laurel

### District #7

**Lloyd F. Vrtiska, 108, Table Rock, 68447, 402-839-2955 . . . . . 1988**  
Falls City #9, Falls City; Orient #13, Rulo; Pawnee #23, Pawnee City;  
Humboldt #40, Humboldt; Stella #105, Stella; Table Rock #108,  
Table Rock; Upright #137, Burchard

**District #8**

**John C. Sierks, 4, RR 1, Box 15, Brownville, 68321, 402-825-6061 . . . . 1969**  
Nemaha Valley #4, Brownville; Peru #14, Peru; Tecumseh #17,  
Tecumseh; Auburn #124, Auburn; Trestle Board #162, Brock

**District #9**

**Lloyd I. Edwards, 110, 2642 Kendel Dr., Ashland, 68003, 402-944-7014 . 1960**  
Wahoo #59, Wahoo; Waterloo #102, Elkhorn; Pomegranate #110,  
Ashland; Comet #229, Ceresco; Victory #310, Valley

**District #10**

**Steven A. Green, 54, 2635 S. 12th St., Lincoln, 68502, 402-477-9055 . . 1988**  
Lincoln #19, Lincoln; Blue River #30, Milford; East Lincoln #210,  
Lincoln; Hickman #256, Lincoln; Cotner #297, Lincoln; Liberty #300,  
Lincoln; Roscoe Pound Research #329, Lincoln

**District #11**

**Eugene C. Sibley, 54, 5221 S. 67th, Lincoln, 68516, 402-421-2711 . . . . 1984**  
Lancaster #54, Lincoln; Mt. Moriah #57, Syracuse; Euclid #97,  
Weeping Water; Highland #194, Cortland; George Washington  
#250, Lincoln; Union #287, Palmyra; Craftsmen #314, Lincoln

**District #13**

**Daniel E. Spearow, 26, 112 N. 28th, Beatrice, 68310, 402-223-2465 . . . 1989**  
Beatrice #26, Beatrice; Fairbury #35, Fairbury; Wymore #104,  
Wymore; Barneston #165, Barneston; Gavel #199, Carleton

**District #14**

**To Be Appointed**

Garfield #95, O'Neill; Atkinson #164, Atkinson; Gilead #233, Butte;  
Bassett #254, Bassett; Ornan #261, Spencer

**District #15**

**Justin F. Fauss, 55, RR 1, Box 475, Norfolk, 68701, 402-565-4397 . . . . 1982**  
Northern Light #41, Stanton; Mosaic #55, Norfolk; Globe #113,  
Madison; Wisner #114, Wisner; Fraternity #235, Winside; Newman  
Grove #305, Newman Grove

**District #16**

**Lynn Doty, 251, Box 178, Wausa, 68786, 402-586-3241 . . . . . 1977**  
Ionic #87, Niobrara; Plainview #204, Plainview; Bloomfield #218,  
Bloomfield; Wausa #251, Wausa; Diamond #291, Orchard

**District #17**

**Victor D. Hunt, 62, RR 1, Box 9, Phillips, 68865, 402-886-2960 . . . . . 1976**  
Keystone #62, Phillips; Aurora #68, Aurora; Shelton #99, Shelton;  
Cement #211, Wood River; Friendship #239, Chapman; Hampton  
#245, Hampton

**District #18**

**Arthur S. Dye, 317, 910 Jefferson, Hastings, 68901, 402-463-2015 . . . . . 1964**  
Harvard #44, Harvard; Hastings #50, Hastings; Charity #53, Red  
Cloud; Minden #127, Minden; Guide Rock #128, Guide Rock;  
Franklin #264, Franklin; Mid-West #317, Hastings

**District #19**

**Mervin E. Ranson, Sr., 65, RR 1, Box 31, Osceola, 68651, 402-747-8481 . 1967**  
Fidelity #51, David City; Osceola #65, Osceola; Composite #81,  
Rising City; Mt. Zion #161, Shelby; Lebanon #323, Columbus

**District #20**

**Scott Krieger, 317, 810 No. Briggs, Hastings, 68901, 402-463-4491 . . . . 1990**  
Lone Tree #36, Central City; Albion #78, Albion; Cedar River #89,  
Fullerton; Solar #134, Clarks; Crescent #143, Primrose

**District #21**

**Wayne E. Beatty, 126, RR 2, Stromsburg, 68666, 402-764-3950 . . . . . 1984**  
York #56, York; Mount Nebo #125, Genoa; Stromsburg #126,  
Stromsburg; Silver #266, Silver Creek; Polk #311, Polk

**District #22**

**A.W. Clark, 318, 219 W. 15th, Grand Island, 68801, 308-382-9108 . . . . 1982**  
Ashlar #33, Grand Island; St. Paul #82, St. Paul; Porter #106, Loup  
City; Lotus #289, Ravenna; Grand Island #318, Grand Island; Cairo  
#324, Cairo

**District #23**

**D. Wayne Erickson, 146, 1010 Garfield, Holdrege, 68949, 308-995-4092 1970**  
Melrose #60, Orleans; Beaver City #93, Beaver City; Republican  
#98, Republican City; Rawalt #138, Oxford; Jachin #146, Holdrege;  
Monument #293, Arapahoe

**District #24**

**Ralph E. McNulty, 188, Box 83, Cozad, 69130, 308-784-3129 . . . . . 1975**  
Platte Valley #32, North Platte; Rob Morris #46, Kearney; Thistle  
#61, Lexington; Elwood #167, Elwood; Meridian #188, Cozad;  
James A. Tulley #267, Overton

**District #25**

**Richard Linnemeyer, 135, 1103 West 2nd, McCook, 69001, 308-345-3669..1990**  
McCook #135, McCook; Cambridge #150, Cambridge; Culbertson  
#174, Culbertson, Bartley #228, Bartley; Endeavor #262, Indianola

**District #26**

**Arthur J. Ferguson, 221, RR 2, Box 2, Wood Lake, 69221, 402-967-3361 . 1979**  
Long Pine #136, Long Pine; Minnekadusa #192, Valentine; Wood  
Lake #221, Wood Lake; Silver Cord #224, Ainsworth; Seneca #284,  
Thedford

**District #27**

**Keith Leibhart, 148, RR 1, Box 61-A, Merna, 68856-9735 . . . . . 1990**  
Ord #103, Ord; Custer #148, Broken Bow; Mason City #170, Mason City; Crystal #191, Scotia; Blazing Star #200, Burwell; Parian #207, Callaway; Cable #225, Arnold; Anselmo #258, Anselmo

**District #28**

**V. Rosenberger, 183, 320 Box Butte, Hemingford, 69348, 308-487-3965 . 1982**  
Alliance #183, Alliance; Zion #234, Hyannis; Mullen #282, Mullen; Camp Clarke #285, Bridgeport

**District #29**

**Leslie A. Evert, 195, 508 Ash St., Gordon, 69343, 308-282-0214 . . . . . 1984**  
Samaritan #158, Chadron; Hay Springs #177, Hay Springs; Arcana #195, Gordon; Sioux #277, Harrison

**District #30**

**Steven K. Jones, 211, 265, 1555 14th St., Mitchell, 69357, 308-623-2359 1988**  
Scotts Bluff #201, Gering; Mitchell #263, Mitchell; Robert W. Furnas #265, Scottsbluff; Oasis #271, Morrill; Minatare #295, Minatare; Bayard #301, Bayard

**District #31**

**Gordon L. Carley, 321, 75, PO Box 1, Dalton, 69131, 308-377-2511 . . . 1990**  
Frank Welch #75, Sidney; Golden Fleece #205, Chappell; Oshkosh #286, Oshkosh; Kimball #294, Kimball; Golden Rod #306, Lodgepole; Harmony #321, Dalton

**District #32**

**Roger L. Shillington, 180, RR 1, Box 13, Max, 69037, 308-423-2547 . . . 1976**  
Robert Burns #173, Stratton; Justice #180, Benkelman; Purity #198, Imperial; Palisade #216, Palisade; Wauneta #217, Wauneta

**District #33**

**Harry L. Saum, 308, PO Box 261, Grant, 69140, 308-352-4889 . . . . . 1979**  
Ogalalla #159, Ogallala; Wallace #279, Wallace; Sutherland #299, Sutherland; Perkins #308, Grant

**District #34**

**Gerald D. Verbeek, 15, 1550 N. Lincoln St., Fremont 68025, 402-727-9296 1990**  
Fremont #15, Fremont; Acacia #34, Schuyler; Hiram #52, Arlington; Hooper #72, Hooper; North Bend #119, North Bend; Scribner #132, Scribner; John S. Bowen #232, Kennard

**District #35**

**Harold W. Noble, 325, 2504 Sidney St., Bellevue, 68005, 402-733-9081 . 1987**  
Nebraska #1, Omaha; St. Johns #25, Omaha; Omaha #288, Omaha; Bellevue #325, Bellevue

**District #36**

**Deon D. Eberly, 314, 3765 B St., Lincoln 68510, 402-471-0490 . . . . . 1988**  
Crete #37, Crete; Blue Valley #64, Wilbur; Bennet #94, Bennet;  
DeWitt #111, DeWitt; Canopy #209, Elmwood; North Star #227,  
Lincoln; College View #320, Lincoln

**District #37**

**Ben D. Fussell, 79, 1610 "G" St., Geneva, 68361, 402-759-3506 . . . . . 1976**  
Oliver #38, Seward; Fairmont #48, Fairmont; Evening Star #49,  
Sutton; Friend #73, Friend; Geneva #79, Geneva; Utica #96, Utica

**District #38**

**Robert M. Littrell, 77, 290 S. Montgomery St., Nelson, 68961, 402-225-3521 1989**  
Hebron, #43, Hebron; Edgar #67, Edgar; Nelson #77, Nelson;  
Superior #121, Superior; Lily #154, Davenport; Chester #298,  
Chester

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| Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314 | 4732 So. 43rd St., Lincoln 68516                             |
| Sebert A. Stover, 281     | 4228 Larimore Ave., Omaha 68111                              |
| Clifford D. Webster, 321  | 5801 W. Crestridge Rd., #D302, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90274 |
| Frank H. Smith, 301       | Box 644, Bayard 69334  |
| T. Leo Stines, 36         | 2404 21st St., Central City 68826                            |
| Glenn W. Binder, 23       | Rt. 2, Pawnee City 68420                                     |
| Curtis J. Griess, 49      | 1215 No. Howard, Grand Island 68801                          |
| Arnold F. Mains, 15       | 2084 No. Lincoln, Fremont 68025                              |
| Harold A. Tilton, 71      | 7570 West Speedway 617, Tucson, AZ 85710                     |
| Willard I. Lewis, Jr., 9  | PO Box 272, Hornbrook, CA 96044-0272                         |
| Walter S. Cork, 75        | 2416 Steven Ave., Sidney 69162                               |
| Paul D. Fleming, 93       | RR 1, Box 48G, Beaver City 68926                             |
| Nelson W. Rittenburg, 210 | 5745 Baldwin, Lincoln 68507                                  |
| Mannie O. Hansen, 1       | 2531 Iowa St., Omaha 68112                                   |
| Donald A. Kyckelhahn, 210 | 2615 Randolph, Lincoln 68510                                 |
| Herman O. Hansen, 3       | 8521 California, Omaha 68114                                 |
| Jens P. Nielsen, 121      | 1355 Idaho St., Superior 68978                               |
| Richard L. Mauch, 254     | Box 10, Section 1, Bassett 68714                             |
| Everett K. Dappen, 265    | 602 W. 29th St., Scottsbluff 69361                           |
| Frank R. Harris, 77       | Box 3, Nelson 68961  |
| W. Dale Page, 15          | 1925 No. Platte Ave., Fremont 68025                          |
| Alfred Peltzer, 148       | RR 2, Box 225, Broken Bow, 68822                             |



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MASTER MASONS

## MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITY

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LODGE	Initiated	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990	Passed	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990	MEMBERSHIP	Raisings	Affiliations	Dual or Plural Member- ship	Reinstated	Consolidated	Other Causes	TOTAL	Deaths	Demit- ted	Suspended	With- drew	Termin- ation of Dual	Other Causes	TOTAL LOSS	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990
1 - Nebraska	3	0	3	0	422	4	0	0	3	0	0	7	15	0	29	0	0	0	44	385
2 - Western Star	5	3	3	1	225	4	0	1	2	58	0	65	9	5	9	0	0	3	26	264
3 - Capitol	4	0	8	0	211	7	0	0	10	0	0	17	9	0	4	0	0	1	14	214
4 - Nemaha Valley	4	4	2	1	42	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	43
5 - Omadi	0	2	0	0	67	2	2	1	2	151	0	158	6	0	5	0	1	0	12	213
6 - Plattsmouth	4	4	7	1	255	8	6	1	1	0	0	16	14	0	0	1	0	0	15	256
9 - Falls City	1	0	2	0	108	2	0	0	2	0	0	4	4	0	1	0	0	1	6	106
10 - Solomon	2	2	4	1	89	3	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	92
11 - Covert	5	1	6	0	736	7	1	0	12	0	1	21	29	2	29	1	1	0	62	695
13 - Orient	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	25
14 - Peru	2	0	3	4	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	52
15 - Fremont	5	3	5	2	451	5	1	0	5	0	1	12	12	1	8	0	0	0	21	442
17 - Tecumseh	1	0	2	0	83	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	82
19 - Lincoln	2	11	5	2	367	6	3	0	2	0	0	11	10	1	11	1	0	0	23	355
21 - Washington	0	0	1	0	98	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	7	0	0	0	9	91
23 - Pawnee	4	4	2	0	64	4	1	1	0	0	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	68
25 - St. Johns	1	0	1	0	334	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	11	0	0	0	16	319
26 - Beatrice	3	0	6	1	261	5	0	1	2	0	0	8	12	1	0	0	0	0	13	256
27 - Jordan	2	2	2	2	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	36
30 - Blue River	0	0	0	0	52	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	51
31 - Tekamah	6	3	6	1	165	7	0	2	0	0	0	9	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	169
32 - Platte Valley	4	7	4	2	389	5	2	1	7	0	4	19	10	1	0	0	1	0	12	396
33 - Ashlar	0	3	1	0	261	1	1	0	3	0	0	5	8	0	2	1	0	0	11	255
34 - Acacia	2	0	2	0	102	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	101
35 - Fairbury	2	1	1	1	131	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	8	0	3	0	0	0	11	122
36 - Lone Tree	0	0	0	0	99	1	2	0	2	0	0	5	5	0	2	0	0	0	7	97
37 - Crete	0	1	1	2	129	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	5	125
38 - Oliver	2	3	1	2	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	1	0	0	6	77
39 - Papillion	11	8	11	11	495	10	0	0	2	0	0	12	7	5	8	0	1	0	21	486
40 - Humboldt	4	2	4	0	56	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	2	0	0	0	3	57
41 - No. Light	1	0	1	0	63	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	62
43 - Hebron	2	0	2	0	64	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	63

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44 - Harvard	0	0	0	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	3	50
46 - Rob Morris	7	1	8	1	261	11	1	0	0	4	16	3	3	11	0	0	0	17	260
48 - Fairmont	1	1	0	0	39	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	40
49 - Evening Star	0	0	0	0	49	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	4	46
50 - Hastings	9	0	9	5	276	8	0	1	1	0	10	7	1	9	1	0	0	18	268
51 - Fidelity	5	4	3	0	64	3	0	0	0	2	5	4	0	0	1	0	0	5	64
52 - Hiram	0	0	0	0	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	50
53 - Charity	0	0	0	0	87	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	5	1	0	0	9	78
54 - Lancaster	9	12	10	3	660	7	3	0	8	0	18	22	3	17	1	0	0	43	635
55 - Mosaic	10	4	12	0	182	12	6	0	3	33	54	6	1	7	0	0	3	17	219
56 - York	3	0	3	0	175	3	1	0	2	0	6	4	0	11	0	0	0	15	166
57 - Mt. Moriah	1	1	1	2	51	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	52
59 - Wahoo	0	2	2	0	152	2	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	1	0	0	0	6	148
60 - Melrose	0	0	0	0	92	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	5	87
60 - Melrose	0	0	0	0	92	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	11	0	0	12	136
61 - Thistle	1	3	1	0	146	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	11	0	0	0	3	61
62 - Keystone	0	0	0	0	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	61
64 - Blue Valley	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	53
65 - Osceola	0	0	1	0	69	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72
67 - Edgar	0	0	0	0	39	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
67 - Edgar	0	0	0	0	39	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
68 - Aurora	1	1	1	0	64	1	1	0	0	0	2	3	0	2	0	0	1	6	60
71 - Trowel	0	0	0	0	69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	69	69	0
72 - Hooper	1	0	1	0	71	5	0	0	0	0	5	4	1	5	0	0	0	10	66
73 - Friend	1	0	1	0	45	2	0	0	0	0	2	6	0	2	0	0	0	8	39
75 - Frank Welch	1	0	1	0	201	2	0	0	0	35	37	6	1	0	0	0	0	7	231
77 - Nelson	3	1	4	2	84	2	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	5	81
78 - Albion	3	2	2	0	53	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	53
79 - Geneva	2	2	2	1	128	1	0	0	3	0	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	130
81 - Composite	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	53
82 - St. Paul	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	88
83 - Corinthian	6	5	4	0	41	4	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	2	0	0	0	3	42
87 - Ionic	0	6	0	2	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	47
89 - Cedar River	2	0	2	0	57	2	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	2	0	0	1	6	53

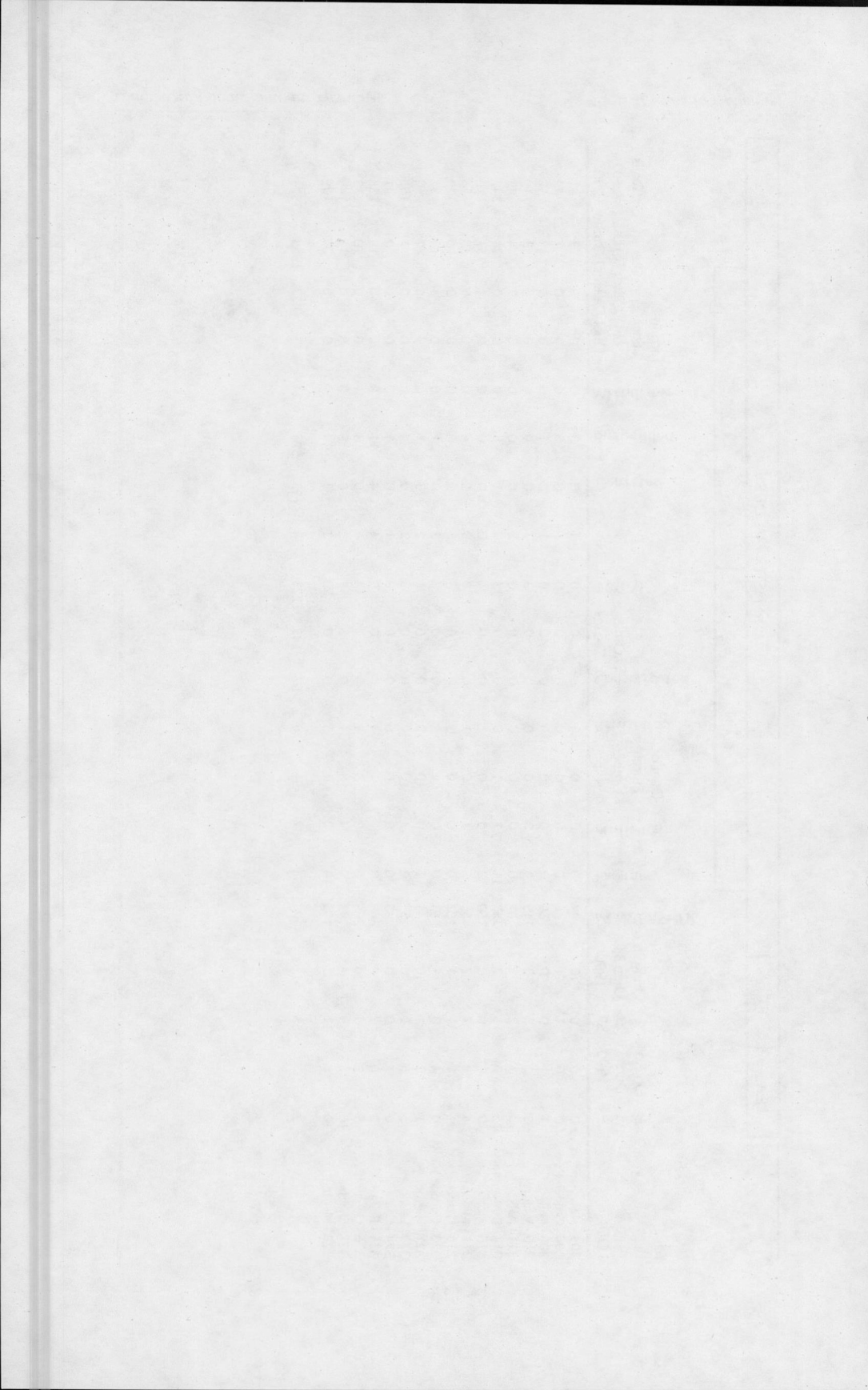
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91 - Oakland	0	0	0	0	70	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	66	
93 - Beaver City	4	0	0	0	43	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	2	0	2	0	0	41	
94 - Bennet	1	3	0	0	40	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	3	0	1	0	1	39	
95 - Garfield	1	2	0	1	76	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	75	
96 - Utica	0	0	1	1	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	40	
97 - Euclid	0	0	0	0	50	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	91	
98 - Republican	4	0	4	0	32	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	32	
99 - Shelton	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	27	0	
102 - Waterloo	2	4	2	4	131	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	4	0	2	123	
103 - Ord	0	2	2	1	63	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	2	0	0	0	60	
104 - Wymore	5	8	1	2	96	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	3	0	2	0	0	96	
105 - Stella	0	1	1	2	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	
106 - Porter	0	1	0	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	32	
108 - Table Rock	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	24	
110 - Pomegranate	1	2	2	0	172	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	1	0	0	171	
111 - DelWitt	0	0	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	16	0	0	20	
112 - Springfield	27	20	8	117	20	2	6	0	0	0	3	31	1	0	7	0	1	139	
113 - Globe	0	0	0	0	32	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	33	0	
114 - Wisner	1	0	2	2	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	63	
119 - North Bend	1	2	2	2	90	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	92	
120 - Wayne	6	2	5	1	134	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	1	0	0	0	134	
121 - Superior	5	0	8	0	116	5	0	0	1	0	0	6	6	0	2	0	0	114	
124 - Auburn	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	54	
125 - Mt. Nebo	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	
126 - Stromsburg	6	4	3	3	120	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	117	
127 - Minden	1	3	0	1	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	63	
128 - Guide Rock	0	0	0	3	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	62	
132 - Scribner	1	0	1	0	29	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	28	
134 - Solar	0	0	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	39	
135 - McCook	1	1	1	8	216	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	8	0	0	0	1	217	
136 - Long Pine	1	1	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	29	
137 - Upright	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	26	

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138 - Rawalt	1	1	1	0	34	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	34	
143 - Crescent	3	0	3	1	21	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	21	
146 - Jachin	0	3	2	0	124	2	0	0	0	0	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	119	
148 - Custer	1	0	2	0	149	2	1	0	2	34	39	7	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	179	
150 - Cambridge	0	0	0	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	34	
153 - Evergreen	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	
154 - Lily	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	
158 - Samaritan	3	0	3	1	151	3	0	1	0	0	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	147	
159 - Ogallala	5	4	3	0	122	5	0	0	0	0	5	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	120		
161 - Mt. Zion	0	0	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	24	
162 - Trestleboard	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	42	
164 - Atkinson	1	0	0	0	56	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	55	
165 - Barneston	0	2	0	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	23	
167 - Elwood	0	0	0	1	47	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	45		
170 - Mason City	0	0	1	1	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	25	
173 - R. Burns	0	0	1	1	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	
174 - Culbertson	0	0	1	0	57	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	
177 - Hay Springs	1	0	2	0	93	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	93	
180 - Justice	1	0	1	0	77	1	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	70	
183 - Alliance	7	3	9	1	222	9	3	0	1	0	13	13	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	19	216		
184 - Bee Hive	4	3	4	2	466	4	0	0	0	0	4	22	1	15	0	0	0	0	0	3	41	429		
188 - Meridian	0	0	0	0	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	85	
191 - Crystal	0	0	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	30	
192 - Minnekadusa	3	0	3	1	97	2	1	0	0	0	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	96	
194 - Highland	2	2	5	1	50	4	1	0	1	0	3	9	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	56	
195 - Arcana	1	0	1	0	92	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	87		
198 - Purity	0	0	0	0	71	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	69	
199 - Gavel	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	24		
200 - Blazing Star	1	0	1	1	50	1	1	0	0	0	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	48	
201 - Scotts Bluff	1	1	1	1	113	1	0	3	0	0	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	115		
204 - Plainview	2	2	1	0	129	2	3	0	0	0	5	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	10	0	124		
205 - Golden Fleece	0	0	0	0	97	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	91		

LODGE	E.A.		F.C.		MASTER MASONS										On Rolls Dec. 31 1990	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990			
	Initiated	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990	Passed	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990	MEMBERSHIP	Raisings	Affiliations	Dual or Plural Member- ship	Reinstated	Consolidated	Other Causes	TOTAL	Deaths	Deited			Suspended	Withdrew	Termin- ation of Dual Causes
207 - Parian	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
209 - Canopy	0	0	0	0	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	3	46
210 - East Lincoln	14	3	17	5	619	16	0	0	6	0	22	13	2	2	16	0	0	32	609
211 - Cement	0	2	0	0	61	0	1	0	9	27	37	7	0	0	6	0	0	13	85
216 - Palisade	0	0	0	0	58	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	3	1	0	0	0	4	57
217 - Wauneta	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	27
218 - Bloomfield	0	0	0	0	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	64
219 - Relief	0	0	0	0	50	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	4	47
220 - Magnolia	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	24
221 - Wood Lake	3	1	5	3	58	2	0	1	2	0	5	0	0	0	5	1	0	6	57
222 - Landmark	2	2	4	0	69	4	0	0	1	0	5	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	70
224 - Silver Cord	3	2	2	1	88	2	0	0	3	0	5	2	1	0	3	1	0	7	86
225 - Cable	0	1	0	1	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	47
227 - North Star	5	5	4	2	206	2	1	1	4	0	11	9	1	0	3	0	0	13	204
228 - Bartley	0	1	0	0	37	0	1	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	34
229 - Comet	2	0	3	1	92	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	3	0	1	7	87
232 - J. Bowen	0	0	0	0	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	32
233 - Gilead	0	0	0	1	25	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26
234 - Zion	1	1	2	2	58	0	1	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	58
235 - Fraternity	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	12
236 - Golden Rule	0	0	3	1	39	3	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	39
239 - Friendship	3	1	5	3	50	3	1	0	0	0	4	5	0	0	2	0	0	2	52
240 - Pilot	1	0	0	0	105	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	101
241 - G. Armstrong	2	0	2	0	36	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	36
245 - Hampton	0	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	21
246 - Nehawka	0	0	0	0	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	58	61	0
248 - Laurel	1	0	3	0	52	3	0	0	0	0	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	5	50
250 - G. Washington	2	0	2	0	139	2	0	0	1	0	5	3	0	0	2	0	0	5	139
251 - Wausa	1	2	0	0	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	57
254 - Bassett	0	0	0	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	7	46
256 - Hickman	13	1	12	1	139	19	1	0	9	0	2	1	1	1	3	1	0	3	167

LODGE	E.A.		F.C.		MASTER MASONS																
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						Raisings	Affiliations	Dual or Plural Member- ship	Reinstated	Consolidated	Other Causes	TOTAL	Deaths	Dismissed	Suspended	Withdrew	Termination of Dual		Other Causes	TOTAL LOSS	
258 - Anselmo	0	0	0	0	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	35	0
261 - Ornan	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	38
262 - Endeavor	0	1	4	2	46	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	3	1	0	0	8	40	40
263 - Mitchell	2	1	2	1	96	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	5	92	92
264 - Franklin	0	1	0	0	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	59	59
265 - R. Furnas	1	0	1	1	267	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	5	1	21	1	1	0	29	240	240
266 - Silver	0	0	0	0	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	0	1	0	8	31	31
267 - J. Tulleys	0	0	1	0	60	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	59	59
268 - G. Lininger	6	3	5	1	215	4	0	0	1	0	0	5	5	0	0	2	0	0	7	213	213
271 - Oasis	3	2	6	4	102	2	0	1	1	0	0	4	2	1	5	0	0	1	9	97	97
274 - Olive Branch	0	6	0	0	97	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	5	92	92
277 - Sioux	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	2	0	0	0	7	50	50
279 - Wallace	1	1	0	0	31	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	31	31
281 - Florence	5	2	3	1	372	2	0	1	2	0	0	5	20	2	10	0	0	1	33	344	344
282 - Mullen	2	2	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	29	29
284 - Seneca	0	3	1	1	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	4	0	0	0	4	36	36
285 - Camp Clarke	2	5	0	1	83	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	4	0	0	0	8	77	77
286 - Oshkosh	2	7	1	1	68	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	2	0	0	0	5	64	64
287 - Union	1	0	1	0	66	4	0	0	1	0	0	5	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	68	68
288 - Omaha	5	1	4	1	185	4	0	1	1	0	0	6	5	1	9	0	0	1	16	175	175
289 - Lotus	5	0	5	1	76	4	0	0	0	1	5	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	4	77	77
290 - J. Mercer	8	9	6	1	876	7	1	2	6	0	5	21	27	3	25	0	0	0	55	842	842
291 - Diamond	1	2	5	3	52	3	1	1	0	69	0	74	6	3	0	0	1	0	10	116	116
293 - Monument	0	0	0	0	43	9	0	1	0	0	0	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	51	51
294 - Kimball	3	1	7	0	123	7	1	1	2	0	0	11	3	1	0	0	0	0	4	130	130
295 - Minatare	7	0	7	0	43	7	0	1	0	0	0	8	2	0	2	0	0	0	4	47	47
297 - Cotner	6	3	5	1	212	4	2	0	2	0	0	8	3	0	4	0	0	0	7	213	213
298 - Chester	1	1	0	0	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	1	0	0	7	32	32
299 - Sutherland	0	2	0	1	61	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	60	60
300 - Liberty	5	4	2	1	230	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	2	7	1	0	0	14	218	218
301 - Bayard	0	0	0	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	34	34
302 - Mizpah	5	6	5	1	517	5	2	1	4	0	0	12	16	2	12	0	0	3	33	496	496

LODGE	E.A.		F.C.		MASTER MASONS															
					GAIN					LOSS										
	Initiated	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990	Passed	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990	MEMBERSHIP	Raisings	Affiliations	Dual or Plural Member- ship	Reinstated	Consolidated	Other Causes	TOTAL	Deaths	Demitted	Suspended	Withdrew	Termination of Dual	Other Causes	TOTAL LOSS	On Rolls Dec. 31 1990
305 - Newman Grove	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	41	
306 - Golden Rod	0	0	1	1	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	44	
308 - Perkins	1	1	0	0	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	57	
310 - Victory	3	2	5	3	119	3	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	119	
311 - Polk	3	1	2	2	47	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	43	
314 - Craftsmen	12	0	13	2	357	11	1	1	0	0	13	14	1	8	0	0	0	23	347	
316 - Alpha	0	0	0	0	150	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	151	151	0	
317 - Mid-West	4	8	7	2	456	5	1	0	1	0	8	19	5	14	0	0	0	38	426	
318 - Grand Island	1	1	1	1	183	0	0	0	3	0	3	8	2	6	0	0	0	16	170	
320 - College View	0	4	0	1	93	0	0	1	2	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	1	4	92	
321 - Harmony	1	0	1	0	41	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	1	0	0	36	42	0	
323 - Lebanon	3	5	2	0	157	2	3	0	0	0	5	3	0	4	0	0	0	7	155	
324 - Cairo	0	7	0	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	41	
325 - Bellevue	2	0	2	0	348	3	1	1	4	0	9	4	4	11	0	0	0	19	338	
326 - Centennial	5	2	5	0	269	6	2	3	2	0	1	14	6	3	1	0	0	10	273	
327 - Shiloh	10	5	9	4	143	9	4	0	1	0	3	17	2	9	0	0	0	11	149	
328 - Miloma	10	8	11	1	199	14	2	1	3	0	0	3	3	14	0	0	0	20	199	
	432		463		24107	458	82	51	179	407	45	1222	764	125	575	24	15	452	1955	23374





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## PAST GRAND MASTERS

YEAR	SERVED	NAME	LODGE
1st	1857-58-59	Robert C. Jordan . . . . .	.3
2nd	1860-61-62	George Armstrong . . . . .	.3
3rd	1863-64	Daniel H. Wheeler . . . . .	.6
4th	1865-66	Robert W. Furnas . . . . .	.4
5th	1867-68	Orsamus H. Irish . . . . .	.5
6th	1869-70	Harry P. Deuel . . . . .	11
7th	1871-72	William E. Hill . . . . .	12
8th	1873	Martin Dunham . . . . .	.3
9th	1874	Frank Welch . . . . .	27
10th	1875	Alfred G. Hastings . . . . .	19
11th	1876	George H. Thummel . . . . .	33
12th	1877	George W. Lininger . . . . .	.3
13th	1878	Edward K. Valentine . . . . .	27
14th	1879	Rolland H. Oakley . . . . .	.9
15th	1880	James A. Tulleys . . . . .	53
16th	1881	James R. Cain, Sr. . . . .	.9
17th	1882	Edwin F. Warren . . . . .	.2
18th	1883	Samuel W. Hayes . . . . .	55
19th	1884	John Jay Wemple . . . . .	50
20th	1885	Manoah B. Reese . . . . .	59
21st	1886	Charles K. Coutant . . . . .	11
22nd	1887	Milton J. Hull . . . . .	67
23rd	1888	George B. France . . . . .	56
24th	1889	John J. Mercer . . . . .	.4
25th	1890	Robert E. French . . . . .	46
26th	1891	Bradmer D. Slaughter . . . . .	89
27th	1892	Samuel P. Davidson . . . . .	17
28th	1893	James P.A. Black . . . . .	76
29th	1894	John A. Ehrhardt . . . . .	41
30th	1895	Henry H. Wilson . . . . .	19
31st	1896	Charles J. Phelps . . . . .	34
32nd	1897	John B. Dinsmore . . . . .	49
33rd	1898	Frank H. Young . . . . .	207
34th	1899	William W. Keysor . . . . .	25
35th	1900	Albert W. Crites . . . . .	158
36th	1901	Robert E. Evans . . . . .	.5
37th	1902	Nathaniel M. Ayers . . . . .	93
38th	1903	Frank E. Bullard . . . . .	32
39th	1904	Charles E. Burnham . . . . .	55
40th	1905	Melville R. Hopewell . . . . .	31
41st	1906	Zuingle M. Baird . . . . .	155
42nd	1907	Ornan J. King . . . . .	54

43rd	1908	William A. DeBord . . . . .	3
44th	1909	Michael Dowling . . . . .	119
45th	1910	Harry A. Cheney . . . . .	100
46th	1911	Henry Gibbons . . . . .	46
47th	1912	James R. Cain, Jr. . . . .	105
48th	1913	Alpha Morgan . . . . .	148
49th	1914	Thomas M. Davis . . . . .	93
50th	1915	Samuel S. Whiting . . . . .	54
51st	1916	Andrew H. Viele . . . . .	55
52nd	1917	Frederic L. Temple . . . . .	61
53rd	1918	Ambrose C. Epperson . . . . .	139
54th	1919	John J. Tooley . . . . .	258
55th	1920	Joseph B. Fradenburg . . . . .	3
56th	1921	Lewis E. Smith . . . . .	136
57th	1922	Edward W. Wellman . . . . .	1
58th	1923	Charles A. Chappell . . . . .	127
59th	1924	Robert R. Dickson . . . . .	95
60th	1925	John Wright . . . . .	19
61st	1926	Edwin D. Crites . . . . .	158
62nd	1927	Albert R. Davis . . . . .	120
63rd	1928	Frank H. Woodland . . . . .	25
64th	1929	Ira C. Freet . . . . .	56
65th	1930	Orville A. Andrews . . . . .	19
66th	1931	John R. Tapster . . . . .	119
67th	1932	Edwin R. Johnston . . . . .	33
68th	1933	Ralph O. Canaday . . . . .	50
69th	1933	Archie M. Smith . . . . .	203
70th	1934	Virgil R. Johnson . . . . .	26
71st	1935	William C. Ramsey . . . . .	268
72nd	1936	Chancellor A. Philips . . . . .	150
73rd	1937	William A. Robertson . . . . .	6
74th	1938	Walter R. Raecke . . . . .	36
75th	1939	William J. Breckenridge . . . . .	317
76th	1940	Earl J. Lee . . . . .	15
77th	1941	Edward F. Carter . . . . .	201
78th	1942	George A. Kurk . . . . .	54
79th	1943	William B. Wanner . . . . .	9
80th	1944-45	William C. Schaper . . . . .	148
81st	1946	Benjamin F. Eyre . . . . .	1
82nd	1947	Edward Huwaldt . . . . .	318
83rd	1948	Elmer E. Magee . . . . .	227
Honorary	1949	Roscoe Pound . . . . .	54
84th	1949	Ernest S. Schiefelbein . . . . .	59
85th	1950	John S. Hedelund . . . . .	268
86th	1951	Thomas J. Aron . . . . .	37
87th	1952	Edward M. Knight . . . . .	183

88th	1953	Fay Smith . . . . .	198
89th	1954	Charles F. Adams . . . . .	68
90th	1955	Herbert T. White . . . . .	11
91st	1956	Merle M. Hale . . . . .	54
92nd	1957	Roy I. Babbitt . . . . .	295
93rd	1958	John E. Beaver . . . . .	153
94th	1959	Joseph C. Tye . . . . .	46
95th	1960	John F. Futcher . . . . .	290
96th	1961	Herbert A. Ronin . . . . .	210
97th	1962	Ernest O. Van Wey . . . . .	249
98th	1963	Ralph M. Carhart . . . . .	120
99th	1964	Harry A. Spencer . . . . .	227
100th	1965	Louis V. Sylvester . . . . .	281
101st	1966	Lewis R. Ricketts . . . . .	19
Honorary	1966	Carl R. Greisen . . . . .	32
102nd	1967	John A. Bottorf . . . . .	49
103rd	1968	Norris W. Lallman . . . . .	72
104th	1969	Hugh W. Eisenhart . . . . .	150
105th	1970	John H. Brown . . . . .	1
106th	1971	Russell L. Fickes . . . . .	33
107th	1972	Howard J. Hunter . . . . .	59
108th	1973	Frank J. Mattoon . . . . .	75
109th	1974	Donald R. Swanson . . . . .	54
110th	1975	Harold Hultman . . . . .	39
111th	1976	T. Leo Stines . . . . .	36
112th	1977	Alfred B. Saum . . . . .	46
113th	1978	Jack H. Hendrix . . . . .	174
114th	1979	Warren D. Lichty, Jr. . . . .	314
115th	1980	Byron C. Jenkins . . . . .	325
116th	1981	Harold C. Wurdeman . . . . .	323
117th	1982	Paul R. Pierce . . . . .	50
118th	1983	Bevin B. Bump . . . . .	158
119th	1984-85	Robert A. Metcalf . . . . .	210
120th	1986	Charles W. Amidon . . . . .	281 & 327
121st	1987	Wayne G. Luenenborg . . . . .	32,39
122nd	1988	Paul R. Eveland . . . . .	119
123rd	1989	Thomas W. Tye . . . . .	46

## PAST GRAND SECRETARIES

- ★ GEORGE ARMSTRONG . . . September 23, 1857 to June 2, 1858
- ★ ROBERT W. FURNAS . . . . . June 2, 1858 to June 4, 1862
- ★ ROBERT C. JORDAN . . . . . June 4, 1862 to June 24, 1863
- ★ STEPHEN D. BANGS . . . . . June 24, 1863 to June 24, 1865
- ★ J. NEWTON WISE . . . . . June 24, 1865 to October 27, 1869
- ★ ROBERT W. FURNAS . . . . . October 27, 1869 to June 21, 1872
- ★ WILLIAM R. BOWEN . . . . . June 21, 1872 to May 6, 1899
- ★ FRANCIS E. WHITE . . . . . June 9, 1899 to June 11, 1925
- ★ LEWIS E. SMITH . . . . . June 11, 1925 to June 6, 1946
- CARL R. GREISEN . . . . . June 7, 1946 to June 6, 1968
- ★ ROBERT W. COOK . . . . . June 6, 1968 to April 5, 1969
- ★ NORRIS W. LALLMAN . . . . . June 4, 1969 to June 13, 1981
- RALPH W. GERRY . . . . . June 13, 1981 to June 15, 1985
- PAUL R. PIERCE . . . . . June 15, 1985 to December 6, 1986
- EDWARD M. CUMMINGS . . . . . December 6, 1986 to May 1987
- ALBERT T. REDDISH . . . . . May, 1987 to September, 1989
- ★ Deceased

## PAST GRAND CUSTODIANS

- Lee P. Gillette, 2 . . . . . 1882-1883, 1887-1894
- Benjamin F. Rawalt, 84 . . . . . 1884-1887
- James A. Tulleys, 53 . . . . . 1894-1900
- Robert E. French, 46 . . . . . 1901-1927
- Lute M. Savage, 3 . . . . . 1927-1948
- Raymond C. Cook, 6 . . . . . 1948-1965
- Robert W. Cook, 33 . . . . . 1965-1967
- ★ Ralph W. Gerry, 281 . . . . . 1968-1981
- Mannie O. Hansen, 1 . . . . . 1981-1984
- T. Leo Stines, 36 . . . . . 1984-1985
- Jerry L. Rittenburg, 210 . . . . . 1985-1990
- ★ Emeritus

## Grand Lecturers

George Armstrong, 3	. . . . .	1858, 1859, 1866
Lee P. Gillette, 2	. . . . .	1860, 1861, 1881
Sylvester S. Redfield, 2	. . . . .	1862
E.C. Adams, 6	. . . . .	1863
Henry Brown, 2	. . . . .	1864
William E. Hill, 2	. . . . .	1865, 1866, 1868, 1874 to 1877
Byron Reed, 3	. . . . .	1867
Charles T. Whitmore, 11	. . . . .	1869 to 1871
Charles F. Catlin, 11	. . . . .	1871 (Acting)
George H. Thummel, 33	. . . . .	1872, 1873
Hiram C. Rider, 37	. . . . .	1877 to 1880

## The Roll of Deputy Grand Custodians and Date of Appointment

The first reference providing for an "Assistant Custodian" was made in 1869. In 1870, the Committee on Work recommended the establishment of five districts and the appointment of an equal number of brethren. These, together with the Grand Lecturer, were to constitute a "Board of Custodians" to serve for five years. From that time until now, there have been appointed assistant custodians. It is the purpose here to list all that have, at any time, served the Grand Lodge. They are listed in terms of first appointment. The number following each name represents the lodge of which each was, or is, a member.

Daniel H. Wheeler, 6	. . . . .	1870
John Reed, 2	. . . . .	1871
Robert W. Furnas, 4	. . . . .	1871
D. F. Powell, 3	. . . . .	1871
A. Atkinson, 3	. . . . .	1871
H. O. Hanna, 9	. . . . .	1872
Milton E. Pinney, 2	. . . . .	1873
William B. Wharton, 12	. . . . .	1875
Edward K. Valentine, 27	. . . . .	1875
Newton R. Persinger, 36	. . . . .	1876
David K. Hume, 3	. . . . .	1876
Hiram C. Rider, 37	. . . . .	1876
Frederick N. Dick, 32	. . . . .	1876

George W. Lininger, 3 . . . . .	1877
L. S. Moe, 15 . . . . .	1877
Roland H. Oakley, 19 . . . . .	1877
James R. Cain, 9 . . . . .	1877
Albert K. Marsh, 49 . . . . .	1877
Jess T. Davis, 21 . . . . .	1877
Charles H. Willard, 21 . . . . .	1878
Samuel W. Hayes, 55 . . . . .	1879
Marshall Smith, 2 . . . . .	1879
James McNaughton, 4 . . . . .	1879
Joseph H. McConnel, 32 . . . . .	1879
Edward F. Thorp, 2 . . . . .	1879
George W. Mowrey, 50 . . . . .	1880
Charles A. Holmes, 17 . . . . .	1880

Note: From 1880 until 1910, there were no recorded appointments of brethren to serve as assistants to the Grand Custodian. In 1910, Brother Robert E. French did hold special meetings to examine and instruct brethren who were willing to become "assistant" in the work. Thirteen brethren were nominated and approved for appointment as assistants. After 1917, these brethren were generally referred to as "assistant custodians". In 1925, the designation was "Deputy Custodian". The following brethren appeared in the records as "Assistant Custodians"; or, at times, as "Deputy Custodians".

★ John J. Mercer, 3 . . . . .	1910
★ Samuel S. Whiting, 54 . . . . .	1910
★ Walter W. Wells, 192 . . . . .	1910
★ Ensign J. Rix, 55 . . . . .	1910
★ James D. Phillips, 93 . . . . .	1910
★ Frederick L. Wolff, 135 . . . . .	1910
★ Ernest H. James, 1 . . . . .	1910
★ Fred A. Howe, 119 . . . . .	1910
★ Robert B. Walker, 170 . . . . .	1912
★ Frank W. Farrand, 36 . . . . .	1913
★ Ira C. Freet, 56 . . . . .	1913
★ Benjamin Wood, 210 . . . . .	1913
★ Edward M. Wellman, 1 . . . . .	1913
★ Charles A. Eyre, 268 . . . . .	1913
★ Robert A. Armstrong, 32 . . . . .	1913
★ Levi Pringle, 276 . . . . .	1913
★ Earl M. Bolen, 130 . . . . .	1914
★ Frank L. Haycock, 207 . . . . .	1914
★ George A. Stevens, 158 . . . . .	1914
★ Harry M. Jones, 46 . . . . .	1916
★ Levi D. Phipps, 31 . . . . .	1916
★ Alfred G. Hunt, 33 . . . . .	1916

★ Harry L. F. Proffitt, 50 . . . . .	1916
★ Barclay M. Hickman, 38 . . . . .	1916
★ Orville A. Andrews, 50 . . . . .	1917
★ Andrew H. Viele, 55 . . . . .	1917
★ Maro C. Shipherd, 15 . . . . .	1920
★ Jesse Lowther, 219 . . . . .	1920
★ Franklin C. Tym, 25 . . . . .	1920
★ Lute M. Savage, 3 . . . . .	1920
★ Frank M. Johnson, 188 . . . . .	1920
★ Lamont L. Stephens, 106 . . . . .	1922
★ Frances S. Robey, 19 . . . . .	1922
★ John B. Lichtenwallner, 275 . . . . .	1923
★ Harry R. Belville, 146 . . . . .	1923
★ George R. Patterson, 136 . . . . .	1923
★ William J. Birkoffer, 249 . . . . .	1923
★ D. Horace Schall, 307 . . . . .	1923
★ Stanley P. Bostwick, 3 . . . . .	1924
★ William D. Edson, 53 . . . . .	1926
★ Francis B. Rodwell, 224 . . . . .	1926
★ Edwin H. Gerhart, 305 . . . . .	1926
★ William McCormack, 268 . . . . .	1926
★ Harry L. Mantor, 306 . . . . .	1927
★ John R. Easley, 49 . . . . .	1927
★ L. Donald Huston, 65 . . . . .	1928
★ Elmer Surber, 95 . . . . .	1928
★ John M. Bennett, 19 . . . . .	1928
★ Earl Barnett, 146 . . . . .	1929
★ Jonathan Frye, 1 . . . . .	1929
★ Ernest R. Reynolds, 124 . . . . .	1930
★ Osborne P. Simon, 174 . . . . .	1930
★ Doc L. Redfern, 300 . . . . .	1930
★ Austin F. Whitmire, 306 . . . . .	1931
★ Henning C. Johnson, 171 . . . . .	1930
★ Carroll C. Raymer, 164 . . . . .	1932
★ Ward B. Schrack, 46 . . . . .	1933
★ Byron S. Peterson, 25 . . . . .	1933
★ Raymond C. Cook, 6 . . . . .	1933
★ Ray B. Bottorf, 33 . . . . .	1933
★ Wallace E. Linn, 1 . . . . .	1934
★ Jesse P. Entriiken, 295 . . . . .	1934
★ Harrold D. Weddel, 208 . . . . .	1937
★ Cecil C. Gates, 227 . . . . .	1938
★ Fred G. Christensen, 33 . . . . .	1938
★ Ross Van Sickle, 184 . . . . .	1938
★ S. William Beck, 43 . . . . .	1940
★ Stanley B. Fryar, 139 . . . . .	1940



★ Roy S. Planck, 15 . . . . .	1940
★ Buren P. Wells, 315 . . . . .	1940
★ Clarence G. McNamee, 55 . . . . .	1941
★ F. Ray Dilts, 83 . . . . .	1942
★ Ernest C. Purdy, 195 . . . . .	1942
★ Lewis E. Baker, 135 . . . . .	1943
★ Howard E. Bradstreet, 261 . . . . .	1943
★ George S. Schwab, 49 . . . . .	1946
Louis V. Sylvester, 281 . . . . .	1946
★ Irving S. Johnson, 148 . . . . .	1946
★ LaVerne A. Walker, 55 . . . . .	1946
★ Ernest E. James, 1 . . . . .	1946
★ Frank A. Anderson, 17 . . . . .	1949
★ Robert W. Cook, 33 . . . . .	1949
Paul D. Fleming, 93 . . . . .	1949
★ Charles M. Frederick, 136 . . . . .	1949
★ Sylvester Shumard, 227 . . . . .	1949
★ Ralph M. Carhart, 120 . . . . .	1950
★ Morris V. Balcom, 46 . . . . .	1950
★ William F. Flickinger, 56 . . . . .	1951
★ Forest A. Lape, 183 . . . . .	1951
Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314 . . . . .	1954
★ Harold M. Wilkerson, 54 . . . . .	1954
Willard I. Lewis, Jr., 9 . . . . .	1955
Clifford D. Webster, 321 . . . . .	1956
★ Matthias E. Mauel, 173 . . . . .	1956
Frank H. Smith, 301 . . . . .	1957
★ Ward V. Whitaker, 310 . . . . .	1957
★ Richard L. Ely, 138 . . . . .	1957
Asa J. Farnham, 106 . . . . .	1958
★ Robert B. Conrad, 125 . . . . .	1958
Winston C. Swanson . . . . .	1958
★ Lyle A. Van Arsdol, 210 . . . . .	1959
★ Edmund D. Shaw, 195 . . . . .	1959
★ Harry N. Ahl, 112 . . . . .	1959
★ Alfred R. Kenover, 148 . . . . .	1960
Lloyd I. Edwards, 110 . . . . .	1960
T. Leo Stines, 36 . . . . .	1960
★ Erwin J. Imig, 38 . . . . .	1960
Sebert A. Stover, 281 . . . . .	1960
★ Stanley E. Brunton, 222 . . . . .	1961
Glenn W. Binder, 23 . . . . .	1961
★ Richard L. Wait, 19 . . . . .	1962
★ Gordon Chard, 240 . . . . .	1962
Harold A. Tilton, 71 . . . . .	1962
Stuart A. Johnson, 169 . . . . .	1964

	Arthur S. Dye, 317 . . . . .	1964
★	W. Upton Dawson, 135 . . . . .	1964
	Donald R. Davis, 164 . . . . .	1964
★	Ralph I. Berry, 256 . . . . .	1965
★	Carl A. Johnson, 183 . . . . .	1965
★	Robert W. Boon, 33 . . . . .	1965
	Augustus W. Clark, 318 . . . . .	1965
★	Alton S. Mote, 183 . . . . .	1965
	Ralph W. Gerry, 281 . . . . .	1965
	Arnold F. Mains, 15 . . . . .	1965
	Nelson W. Rittenburg, 210 . . . . .	1965
★	Harold J. Oehlerking, 159 . . . . .	1966
★	Gwynne L. Neubauer, 258 . . . . .	1966
★	Ward L. McGlashan, 180 . . . . .	1966
	Curtis J. Griess, 49 . . . . .	1966
★	Walter Brown, 1 . . . . .	1967
★	John C. Nelson, 250 . . . . .	1967
	Mervin E. Ransom, Sr. . . . .	1967
	Donald A. Kyckelhahn, 210 . . . . .	1967
	Howard G. Whitmore, 161 . . . . .	1967
	Frank R. Harris, 77 . . . . .	1967
★	Gerald V. Inslee, 158 . . . . .	1968
	John C. Sierks, 4 . . . . .	1969
	Paul D. Jacobsen, 171 . . . . .	1969
	David O. Kipling, 281 . . . . .	1970
	Herman O. Hansen, 3 . . . . .	1970
	D. Wayne Erickson, 146 . . . . .	1970
	Walter S. Cork, 75 . . . . .	1970
	Richard L. Mauch, 254 . . . . .	1971
★	O. Wayne Thompson, 201 . . . . .	1971
	John A. Brandt, 26 . . . . .	1971
	Dale E. Kube, 55 . . . . .	1971
	Robert E. Kyes, 36 . . . . .	1972
	Mannie O. Hansen, 1 . . . . .	1973
	Richard O. Cowles, 217 . . . . .	1975
	Jens P. Nielsen, 121 . . . . .	1975
	Ralph E. McNulty, 188 . . . . .	1975
	Don L. McCoy, 11 . . . . .	1975
	Everett K. Dappen, 265 . . . . .	1975
	Alfred V. Peltzer, 148 . . . . .	1975
	Roger E. Shillington, 180 . . . . .	1976
	James E. Cornish, 31 . . . . .	1976
	Ben D. Fussell, 79 . . . . .	1976
	Victor D. Hunt, 62 . . . . .	1976
	Lynn Doty, 251 . . . . .	1977
	Marvin R. Weber, 202 . . . . .	1977

	W. Dale Page, 15 . . . . .	1977
	Harry L. Saum, 308 . . . . .	1979
	DeVern A. Engberg, 26 . . . . .	1979
	Michael L. Peterson, 227 . . . . .	1979
	Albert W. Watsek, 40 . . . . .	1979
	Douglas A. Thomas, 183 . . . . .	1979
	Arthur J. Ferguson, 221 . . . . .	1979
★	Leslie G. Weber, 204 . . . . .	1979
	Kenneth G. Fleming, 75 . . . . .	1980
	Augustine S. Scolaro, 3 . . . . .	1981
	David E. Menck, 15 . . . . .	1982
	Vincent Rosenberger, 183 . . . . .	1982
	Justin F. Fauss, 55 . . . . .	1982
	Augustus W. Clark, 318 . . . . .	1982
	Wayne E. Beatty, 311 . . . . .	1982
	Jerry L. Rittenburg, 210 . . . . .	1984
	Eugene C. Sibley, 54 . . . . .	1984
	Leslie Evert, 195 . . . . .	1985
	William Fogle, 135 . . . . .	1985
	Roscoe Malick, 297 . . . . .	1985
★	R. Winton Wilson, 199 . . . . .	1985
	Robert Kyes, 36 . . . . .	1985
	W. Dale Page, 15 . . . . .	1985
	Gordon E. Richards, 75 . . . . .	1986
	Harold Noble, 325 . . . . .	1987
	Deon D. Eberly, 314 . . . . .	1988
	Steven A. Green, 54 . . . . .	1988
	Steven K. Jones, 265, 263 . . . . .	1988
	Lloyd Vrtiska, 108 . . . . .	1988
	Robert M. Littrell, 7 . . . . .	1989
	Roy L. Smith, 6 . . . . .	1989
	Daniel E. Spearow, 26 . . . . .	1989
★	Deceased	

## Deceased Grand Masters

We have set apart these pages dedicated to the memory of the  
Past Grand Masters who have passed beyond the veil.

NAME	DIED	LODGE	YEAR	SERVED
Robert C. Jordan	Jan. 9, 1899	3	(1st)	1857-58-59
George Armstrong	Nov. 12, 1896	3	(2nd)	1860-61-62
Daniel H. Wheeler	Nov. 27, 1912	6	(3rd)	1863-64
Robert W. Furnas	June 1, 1905	4	(4th)	1865-66
Orsamus H. Irish	Jan. 27, 1883	5	(5th)	1867-68
Harry P. Deuel	Nov. 23, 1914	11	(6th)	1869-70
William E. Hill	Dec. 29, 1917	2	(7th)	1871-72
Martin Dunham	Feb. 18, 1915	3	(8th)	1873
Frank Welch	Sept. 4, 1878	27	(9th)	1874
Alfred G. Hastings	July 10, 1894	19	(10th)	1875
George H. Thummel	Feb. 5, 1932	33	(11th)	1876
George W. Lininger	June 8, 1907	3	(12th)	1877
Edward K. Valentine	April 11, 1916	27	(13th)	1878
Rolland H. Oakley	Feb. 2, 1904	19	(14th)	1879
James A. Tulleys	Jan. 31, 1901	53	(15th)	1880
James R. Cain, Sr.	Nov. 24, 1920	9	(16th)	1881
Edwin F. Warren	July 9, 1923	2	(17th)	1882
Samuel W. Hayes	Nov. 15, 1913	55	(18th)	1883
John Jay Wemple	May 28, 1943	50	(19th)	1884
Manoah B. Reese	Sept. 18, 1917	59	(20th)	1885
Charles K. Coutant	Aug. 23, 1910	11	(21st)	1886
Milton J. Hull	Sept. 18, 1923	67	(22nd)	1887
George B. France	Aug. 16, 1914	56	(23rd)	1888
John J. Mercer	Feb. 25, 1915	4	(24th)	1889
Robert E. French	Feb. 16, 1947	46	(25th)	1890
Bradmer D. Slaughter	May 8, 1909	89	(26th)	1891
Samuel P. Davidson	Dec. 8, 1928	17	(27th)	1892
James P.A. Black	Nov. 12, 1918	76	(28th)	1893
John A. Ehrhardt	Nov. 1, 1925	41	(29th)	1894
Henry H. Wilson	June 28, 1941	19	(30th)	1895
Charles J. Phelps	Aug. 24, 1915	34	(31st)	1896
John B. Dinsmore	Oct. 6, 1915	49	(32nd)	1897
Frank H. Young	Dec. 24, 1917	207	(33rd)	1898
William W. Keysor	Aug. 17, 1922	25	(34th)	1899
Albert W. Crites	Aug. 23, 1915	158	(35th)	1900
Robert E. Evans	July 9, 1925	5	(36th)	1901
Nathaniel M. Ayers	Nov. 19, 1913	93	(37th)	1902
Frank E. Bullard	Jan. 31, 1933	32	(38th)	1903
Charles E. Burnham	May 29, 1933	55	(39th)	1904
Melville R. Hopewell	May 2, 1911	31	(40th)	1905
Zuingle M. Baird	Dec. 17, 1916	155	(41st)	1906
Orman J. King	Dec. 26, 1927	54	(42nd)	1907
William A. DeBord	May 17, 1916	3	(43rd)	1908

NAME	DIED	LODGE	YEAR	SERVED
Michael Dowling	May 5, 1921	119	(44th)	1909
Harry A. Cheney	June 27, 1948	100	(45th)	1910
Henry Gibbons	Aug. 22, 1923	46	(46th)	1911
James R. Cain, Jr.	Sept. 3, 1950	105	(47th)	1912
Alpha Morgan	April 17, 1924	148	(48th)	1913
Thomas M. Davis	Aug. 12, 1919	93	(49th)	1914
Samuel S. Whiting	Aug. 11, 1931	54	(50th)	1915
Andrew H. Viele	May 9, 1941	55	(51st)	1916
Frederic L. Temple	Aug. 13, 1944	61	(52nd)	1917
Ambrose C. Epperson	Mar. 16, 1944	139	(53rd)	1918
John J. Tooley	July 31, 1934	258	(54th)	1919
Joseph B. Fradenburg	June 14, 1950	3	(55th)	1920
Lewis E. Smith	July 10, 1965	136	(56th)	1921
Edward M. Wellman	Aug. 31, 1922	1	(57th)	1922
Charles A. Chappell	Nov. 21, 1971	127	(58th)	1923
Robert R. Dickson	June 18, 1941	95	(59th)	1924
John Wright	Oct. 29, 1936	19	(60th)	1925
Edwin D. Crites	Nov. 7, 1953	158	(61st)	1926
Albert R. Davis	Mar. 7, 1929	120	(62nd)	1927
Frank H. Woodland	Oct. 23, 1940	25	(63rd)	1928
Ira C. Fleet	Oct. 13, 1944	56	(64th)	1929
Orville A. Andrews	Oct. 16, 1936	19	(65th)	1930
John R. Tapster	Mar. 21, 1954	119	(66th)	1931
Edwin R. Johnston	Feb. 11, 1933	33	(67th)	1932
Ralph O. Canaday	Oct. 7, 1970	50	(68th)	1933
Archie M. Smith	May 8, 1950	203	(69th)	1933
Virgil R. Johnson	Aug. 7, 1956	26	(70th)	1934
William C. Ramsey	May 19, 1938	268	(71st)	1935
Chancellor A. Philips	Sept. 12, 1968	150	(72nd)	1936
William A. Robertson	July 3, 1944	6	(73rd)	1937
Walter R. Raecke	April 9, 1960	36	(74th)	1938
William J. Breckenridge	Nov. 16, 1951	317	(75th)	1939
Earl J. Lee	Dec. 15, 1963	15	(76th)	1940
Edward F. Carter	Dec. 21, 1981	201	(77th)	1941
George A. Kurk	May 4, 1977	54	(78th)	1942
William B. Wanner	June 13, 1975	9	(79th)	1943
William C. Schaper	Feb. 12, 1977	148	(80th)	1944-45
Edward Huwaldt	Feb. 14, 1977	318	(82nd)	1947
Elmer Magee	Mar. 19, 1975	227	(83rd)	1948
Roscoe Pound	July —, 1964	54	(Honorary)	1949
Ernest S. Schiefelbein	April 20, 1959	59	(84th)	1949
John S. Hedelund	Jan. 30, 1962	268	(85th)	1950
Edward M. Knight	Mar. 3, 1983	183	(87th)	1952
Fay Smith	Oct. 2, 1968	198	(88th)	1953
Charles F. Adams	April 17, 1980	68	(89th)	1954
Herbert T. White	Oct. 12, 1975	11	(90th)	1955
Merle M. Hale	Feb. 23, 1988	54	(91st)	1956
Roy I. Babbitt	Feb. 13, 1971	295	(92nd)	1957
John E. Beaver	Sept. 20, 1965	153	(93rd)	1958
Joseph C. Tye	Feb. 14, 1989	46	(94th)	1959
Ralph M. Carhart	Nov. 10, 1965	120	(98th)	1963

NAME	DIED	LODGE	YEAR	SERVED
Lewis R. Ricketts	July 14, 1990	19	(101st)	1966
John A. Bortorf	Feb. 21, 1984	49	(102nd)	1967
Norris W. Lallman	Nov. 1, 1984	72	(103rd)	1968
John H. Brown	Feb. 2, 1978	1	(105th)	1970
Russell L. Fickes	April 18, 1989	33	(106th)	1971
Howard J. Hunter	May 6, 1975	59	(107th)	1972
Alfred B. Saum	Oct. 11, 1980	46	(112th)	1977
Harold C. Wurdeman	Jun 21, 1985	323	(116th)	1981

### Grand Lodge of Nebraska Rock Maul Award

Presented at each Grand Lodge Communication to a Lodge deemed to be the most outstanding Lodge that year by the Grand Master.

1981	Geneva Lodge	No. 79	Geneva
1982	Shiloh Lodge	No. 327	Omaha
1983	Culbertson Lodge	No. 174	Culbertson
1984	Scotts Bluff Lodge	No. 201	Gering
1984	Fremont Lodge	No. 15	Fremont
1985	Comet Lodge	No. 229	Ceresco
1985	Hickman Lodge	No. 256	Hickman
1986	Springfield Lodge	No. 112	Springfield
1987	Platte Valley Lodge	No. 32	North Platte
1989	Lancaster Lodge	No. 54	Lincoln
1990	Geneva Lodge	No. 79	Geneva
1991	Corinthian Lodge	No. 83	Wakefield

**GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA**

**GOLD PAN AWARD**

Presented at each Grand Lodge Communication to a Lodge deemed to have made the greatest contribution or most improvement towards Masonry that year by the Grand Master.

1987	Fremont Lodge	No. 15	Fremont
1989	Hickman Lodge	No. 256	Lincoln
1990	Crescent Lodge	No. 143	Primrose
1991	Mosaic Lodge	No. 55	Norfolk

**GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA**

**GRAND MASTER'S HUMANITARIAN AWARD**

Presented during the year to not more than two honorees.

This award is presented to publicly and openly honor an individual who has been an outstanding citizen, as well as an outstanding Mason. It is necessary that he has been a Master Mason for thirty years, and has been active in at least three of five designated activities in his community.

1989	Henry Rood	Wahoo Lodge No. 59	Wahoo
1989	Thomas Lutey	Kimball Lodge No. 294	Kimball
1990	W. Neil Colerick	Alliance No. 183	Alliance
1990	James Fegley	Omadi No. 5	South Sioux City

EXISTING LODGES  
 Roll of Existing Nebraska Lodges, with Locations, Dates Created and Chartered

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Nebraska	No 1	Omaha	Douglas	February, 1855	Oct. 3, 1855 •
Western Star	No 2	Nebraska City	Otoe	May 10, 1855	May 28, 1856 •
Capitol	No 3	Omaha	Douglas	January 9, 1857	June 3, 1857 •
• Formed Grand Lodge of Nebraska September 23, 1857 • Chartered by <sup>1</sup> Illinois, <sup>2</sup> Missouri, <sup>3</sup> Iowa					
Nemaha Valley	No 4	Brownville	Nemaha	December 15, 1857	June 2, 1858
Omadi	No 5	Dakota City	Dakota	January 18, 1858	June 2, 1858
Plattsmouth	No 6	Plattsmouth	Cass	January 18, 1858	June 2, 1858
Falls City	No 9	Falls City	Richardson	October 4, 1864	June 23, 1865
Solomon	No 10	Fort Calhoun	Washington	August 15, 1865	June 22, 1866
Covert	No 11	Omaha	Douglas	July 24, 1865	June 22, 1866
Orient	No 13	Rulo	Richardson	June 23, 1866	June 19, 1867
Peru	No 14	Peru	Nemaha	May 23, 1867	June 19, 1867
Fremont	No 15	Fremont	Dodge	July 3, 1866	June 20, 1867
Tecumseh	No 17	Tecumseh	Johnson	December 7, 1867	Oct. 28, 1868
Lincoln	No 19	Lincoln	Lancaster	May 4, 1868	June 25, 1868
Washington	No 21	Blair	Washington	February 24, 1868	June 25, 1868
Pawnee	No 23	Pawnee City	Pawnee	January 4, 1869	Oct. 28, 1869
St. Johns	No 25	Omaha	Douglas	May 28, 1869	Oct. 28, 1869
Beatrice	No 26	Beatrice	Gage	March 23, 1870	June 22, 1870
Jordan	No 27	West Point	Cuming	December 25, 1869	June 23, 1870
Blue River	No 30	Milford	Seward	April 25, 1870	June 23, 1870



LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Tekamah	No	31 Tekamah . . . . .	Burt . . . . .	August 19,1869	June 23,1870
Platte Valley	No	32 North Platte . . . . .	Lincoln . . . . .	January 15,1870	June 23,1870
Ashlar	No	33 Grand Island . . . . .	Hall . . . . .	August 11,1870	June 22,1871
Acacia	No	34 Schuyler . . . . .	Colfax . . . . .	July 18,1870	June 19,1872
Fairbury	No	35 Fairbury . . . . .	Jefferson . . . . .	June 30,1871	June 19,1872
Lone Tree	No	36 Central City . . . . .	Merrick . . . . .	August 9,1871	June 19,1872
Crete	No	37 Crete . . . . .	Saline . . . . .	January 8,1872	June 19,1872
Oliver	No	38 Seward . . . . .	Seward . . . . .	July 25,1871	June 18,1873
Papillion	No	39 Papillion . . . . .	Sarpy . . . . .	November 18,1872	June 18,1873
Humboldt	No	40 Humboldt . . . . .	Richardson . . . . .	December 16,1872	June 18,1873
Northern Light	No	41 Stanton . . . . .	Stanton . . . . .	January 20,1873	June 18,1873
Hebron	No	43 Hebron . . . . .	Thayer . . . . .	March 10,1873	June 18,1873
Harvard	No	44 Harvard . . . . .	Clay . . . . .	March 25,1873	June 18,1873
Rob Morris	No	46 Kearney . . . . .	Buffalo . . . . .	February 21,1873	June 26,1874
Fairmont	No	48 Fairmont . . . . .	Fillmore . . . . .	December 4,1873	June 26,1874
Evening Star	No	49 Sutton . . . . .	Clay . . . . .	December 22,1873	June 26,1874
Hastings	No	50 Hastings . . . . .	Adams . . . . .	January 3,1874	June 26,1874
Fidelity	No	51 David City . . . . .	Butler . . . . .	January 19,1874	June 26,1874
Hiram	No	52 Arlington . . . . .	Washington . . . . .	February 26,1874	June 26,1874
Charity	No	53 Red Cloud . . . . .	Webster . . . . .	March 2,1874	June 26,1874
Lancaster	No	54 Lincoln . . . . .	Lancaster . . . . .	April 20,1874	June 26,1874
Mosaic	No	55 Norfolk . . . . .	Madison . . . . .	October 1,1874	June 23,1875
York	No	56 York . . . . .	York . . . . .	October 1,1874	June 23,1875

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Mount Moriah	No	57 Syracuse	Otoe	November 7,1874	June 23,1875
Wahoo	No	59 Wahoo	Saunders	January 20,1875	June 23,1875
Melrose	No	60 Orleans	Harlan	March 10,1875	June 24,1875
Thistle	No	61 Lexington	Dawson	May 8,1875	June 21,1876
Keystone	No	62 Phillips	Hamilton	January 1,1876	June 21,1876
Blue Valley	No	64 Wilber	Saline	October 6,1876	June 20,1877
Osceola	No	65 Osceola	Polk	November 23,1876	June 20,1877
Edgar	No	67 Edgar	Clay	February 27,1877	June 20,1877
Aurora	No	68 Aurora	Hamilton	February 10,1876	June 19,1878
Hooper	No	72 Hooper	Dodge	March 19,1878	June 25,1879
Friend	No	73 Friend	Saline	May 4,1878	June 25,1879
Frank Welch	No	75 Sidney	Cheyenne	December 26,1878	June 25,1879
Nelson	No	77 Nelson	Nuckolls	March 15,1879	June 23,1880
Albion	No	78 Albion	Boone	August 1,1879	June 23,1880
Geneva	No	79 Geneva	Fillmore	November 24,1879	June 23,1880
Composite	No	81 Rising City	Butler	March 20,1880	June 22,1881
Saint Paul	No	82 Saint Paul	Howard	April 15,1880	June 22,1881
Corinthian	No	83 Wakefield	Dixon	April 22,1880	June 22,1881
Ionic	No	87 Niobrara	Knox	January 24,1881	June 20,1882
Cedar River	No	89 Fullerton	Nance	January 19,1882	June 20,1882
Oakland	No	91 Oakland	Burt	February 7,1882	June 19,1883
Beaver City	No	93 Beaver City	Furnas	May 3,1882	June 19,1883
Bennet	No	94 Bennett	Lancaster	May 5,1882	June 19,1883

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Garfield	No	95 O'Neill .....	Holt .....	June 28,1882	June 19,1883
Utica	No	96 Utica .....	Seward .....	July 14,1882	June 19,1883
Euclid	No	97 Weeping Water ...	Cass .....	July 21,1882	June 19,1883
Republican	No	98 Republican City ...	Harlan .....	July 27,1882	June 19,1883
Waterloo	No	102 Waterloo .....	Douglas .....	September 7,1882	June 19,1883
Ord	No	103 Ord .....	Valley .....	September 14,1882	June 19,1883
Wymore	No	104 Wymore .....	Gage .....	November 10,1882	June 19,1883
Stella	No	105 Stella .....	Richardson .....	December 4,1882	June 19,1883
Porter	No	106 Loup City .....	Sherman .....	December 9,1882	June 19,1883
Table Rock	No	108 Table Rock .....	Pawnee .....	January 24,1883	June 19,1883
Pomegranate	No	110 Ashland .....	Saunders .....	February 13,1883	June 19,1883
DeWitt	No	111 DeWitt .....	Saline .....	February 28,1883	June 19,1883
Springfield	No	112 Springfield .....	Sarpy .....	March 30,1883	June 19,1883
Wisner	No	114 Wisner .....	Cuming .....	February 12,1883	June 24,1884
North Bend	No	119 North Bend .....	Dodge .....	September 5,1883	June 24,1884
Wayne	No	120 Wayne .....	Wayne .....	September 26,1883	June 24,1884
Superior	No	121 Superior .....	Nuckolls .....	November 22,1883	June 24,1884
Auburn	No	124 Auburn .....	Nemaha .....	December 25,1883	June 24,1884
Mount Nebo	No	125 Genoa .....	Nance .....	January 1,1884	June 24,1884
Stromsburg	No	126 Stromsburg .....	Polk .....	January 16,1884	June 24,1884
Minden	No	127 Minden .....	Kearney .....	January 22,1884	June 24,1884
Guide Rock	No	128 Guide Rock .....	Webster .....	January 28,1884	June 24,1884
Scribner	No	132 Scribner .....	Dodge .....	July 9,1884	June 24,1885

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Solar	No	134 Clarks .....	Merrick .....	August 8,1884	June 24,1885
McCook	No	135 McCook .....	Red Willow .....	October 6,1884	June 24,1885
Long Pine	No	136 Long Pine .....	Brown .....	October 6,1884	June 24,1885
Upright	No	137 Burchard .....	Pawnee .....	November 14,1884	June 24,1885
Rawalt	No	138 Oxford .....	Fumas .....	November 15,1884	June 24,1885
Crescent	No	143 Primrose .....	Boone .....	January 24,1885	June 24,1885
Jachin	No	146 Holdrege .....	Phelps .....	July 13,1885	June 17,1886
Custer	No	148 Broken Bow .....	Custer .....	August 10,1885	June 17,1886
Cambridge	No	150 Cambridge .....	Fumas .....	March 31,1885	June 17,1886
Lily	No	154 Davenport .....	Thayer .....	November 28,1885	June 17,1886
Samaritan	No	158 Chadron .....	Dawes .....	March 17,1886	June 16,1887
Ogallala	No	159 Ogallala .....	Keith .....	August 14,1886	June 16,1887
Mount Zion	No	161 Shelby .....	Polk .....	August 25,1886	June 16,1887
Trestle Board	No	162 Brock .....	Nemaha .....	October 9,1886	June 16,1887
Atkinson	No	164 Atkinson .....	Holt .....	August 19,1886	June 21,1888
Barneston	No	165 Barneston .....	Gage .....	August 20,1886	June 21,1888
Elwood	No	167 Elwood .....	Gosper .....	June 21,1887	June 21,1888
Mason City	No	170 Mason City .....	Custer .....	August 1,1887	June 21,1888
Robert Burns	No	173 Stratton .....	Hitchcock .....	November 15,1887	June 21,1888
Culbertson	No	174 Culbertson .....	Hitchcock .....	November 16,1887	June 21,1888
Hay Springs	No	177 Hay Springs .....	Sheridan .....	February 20,1888	June 21,1888
Justice	No	180 Benkelman .....	Dundy .....	October 8,1888	June 20,1889
Alliance	No	183 Alliance .....	Box Butte .....	January 18,1889	June 20,1889

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Bee Hive	No	184 Omaha	Douglas	January 22,1889	June 20,1889
Meridian	No	188 Cozad	Dawson	February 4,1889	June 20,1889
Crystal	No	191 Scotia	Greeley	August 7,1889	June 20,1890
Minnekadusa	No	192 Valentine	Cherry	August 15,1889	June 20,1890
Highland	No	194 Cortland	Gage	September 21,1889	June 20,1890
Arcana	No	195 Gordon	Sheridan	October 17,1889	June 20,1890
Purity	No	198 Imperial	Chase	December 24,1889	June 20,1890
Gavel	No	199 Carleton	Thayer	July 20,1889	June 18,1891
Blazing Star	No	200 Burwell	Garfield	August 5,1890	June 18,1891
Scotts Bluff	No	201 Gering	Scotts Bluff	August 8,1890	June 18,1891
Plainview	No	204 Plainview	Pierce	September 1,1890	June 18,1891
Golden Fleece	No	205 Chappell	Deuel	September 2,1890	June 18,1891
Parian	No	207 Callaway	Custer	January 31,1891	June 18,1891
Canopy	No	209 Elmwood	Cass	September 4,1891	June 16,1892
East Lincoln	No	210 Lincoln	Lancaster	November 5,1891	June 16,1892
Cement	No	211 Wood River	Hall	November 27,1891	June 16,1892
Palisade	No	216 Palisade	Hitchcock	July 18,1892	June 15,1893
Wauneta	No	217 Wauneta	Chase	December 7,1892	June 15,1893
Bloomfield	No	218 Bloomfield	Knox	January 18,1893	June 15,1893
Relief	No	219 Coleridge	Cedar	January 19,1893	June 15,1893
Magnolia	No	220 Emerson	Dixon	January 21,1893	June 15,1893
Wood Lake	No	221 Wood Lake	Cherry	September 22,1892	June 21,1894
Landmark	No	222 Herman	Washington	March 1,1893	June 21,1894

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Silver Cord	No	224 Ainsworth	Brown	October 17,1893	June 21,1894
Cable	No	225 Arnold	Custer	November 17,1893	June 21,1894
North Star	No	227 Lincoln	Lancaster	July 28,1894	June 13,1895
Bartley	No	228 Bartley	Red Willow	November 23,1894	June 13,1895
Comet	No	229 Ceresco	Saunders	December 5,1894	June 13,1895
John S. Bowen	No	232 Kennard	Washington	February 6,1895	June 13,1895
Gilead	No	233 Butte	Boyd	November 22,1894	June 10,1896
Zion	No	234 Hyannis	Grant	July 19,1895	June 10,1896
Fraternity	No	235 Winside	Wayne	August 2,1895	June 10,1896
Golden Rule	No	236 Allen	Dixon	August 3,1895	June 10,1896
Friendship	No	239 Chapman	Merrick	October 7,1895	June 10,1896
Pilot	No	240 Lyons	Burt	November 29,1895	June 10,1896
George Armstrong	No	241 Craig	Burt	August 1,1895	June 17,1897
Hampton	No	245 Hampton	Hamilton	July 13,1899	June 7,1900
Laurel	No	248 Laurel	Cedar	February 12,1900	June 7,1900
George Washington	No	250 Lincoln	Lancaster	June 20,1900	June 6,1901
Wausa	No	251 Wausa	Knox	November 18,1900	June 6,1901
Bassett	No	254 Bassett	Rock	October 8,1902	June 4,1903
Hickman	No	256 Lincoln	Lancaster	December 7,1903	June 9,1904
Oman	No	261 Spencer	Boyd	March 5,1906	June 5,1907
Endeavor	No	262 Indianola	Red Willow	June 28,1906	June 5,1907
Mitchell	No	263 Mitchell	Scotts Bluff	July 5,1906	June 5,1907
Franklin	No	264 Franklin	Franklin	June 11,1907	June 10,1908

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Robert W. Furnas	No 265	Scottsbluff	Scotts Bluff	June 21,1907	June 10,1908
James A. Tulleys	No 267	Overton	Dawson	December 26,1907	June 10,1908
George W. Lininger	No 268	Omaha	Douglas	February 26,1908	June 10,1908
Oasis	No 271	Morrill	Scotts Bluff	June 14,1909	June 8,1910
Olive Branch	No 274	Walthill	Thurston	September 20,1909	June 8,1910
Sioux	No 277	Harrison	Sioux	June 10,1910	June 6,1911
Wallace	No 279	Wallace	Lincoln	February 25,1911	June 4,1912
Florence	No 281	Omaha	Douglas	January 17,1913	June 4,1913
Mullen	No 282	Mullen	Hooker	July 22,1913	June 9,1914
Seneca	No 284	Thedford	Thomas	September 29,1913	June 9,1914
Camp Clarke	No 285	Bridgeport	Morrill	October 16,1913	June 9,1914
Oshkosh	No 286	Oshkosh	Garden	November 25,1913	June 9,1914
Union	No 287	Palmyra	Otoe	December 15,1913	June 8,1915
Omaha	No 288	Omaha	Douglas	March 24,1914	June 8,1915
Lotus	No 289	Ravenna	Buffalo	June 11,1914	June 8,1915
John J. Mercer	No 290	Omaha	Douglas	November 21,1914	June 8,1915
Diamond	No 291	Orchard	Antelope	November 23,1914	June 8,1915
Monument	No 293	Arapahoe	Furnas	December 18,1914	June 8,1915
Kimball	No 294	Kimball	Kimball	June 10,1915	June 7,1916
Minatare	No 295	Minatare	Scotts Bluff	June 10,1915	June 7,1916
Cotner	No 297	Lincoln	Lancaster	June 15,1917	June 5,1918
Chester	No 298	Chester	Thayer	June 27,1917	June 5,1918
Sutherland	No 299	Sutherland	Lincoln	June 23,1917	June 5,1918

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Liberty	No	300 Lincoln	Lancaster	January 10,1918	June 5,1918
Bayard	No	301 Bayard	Morrill	January 19,1918	June 5,1918
Mizpah	No	302 Omaha	Douglas	November 12,1918	June 4,1919
Newman Grove	No	305 Newman Grove	Madison	January 14,1920	June 9,1920
Golden Rod	No	306 Lodgepole	Cheyenne	August 19,1920	June 8,1921
Perkins	No	308 Grant	Perkins	December 1,1920	June 8,1921
Victory	No	310 Valley	Douglas	December 27,1920	June 8,1921
Polk	No	311 Polk	Polk	January 4,1921	June 8,1921
Craftsmen	No	314 Lincoln	Lancaster	March 22,1922	June 5,1923
Mid-West	No	317 Hastings	Adams	January 8,1925	June 10,1925
Grand Island	No	318 Grand Island	Hall	April 1,1925	June 9,1926
College View	No	320 Lincoln	Lancaster	July 1,1927	June 6,1928
Lebanon	No	323 Columbus	Platte	November 14,1928	June 5,1929
Cairo	No	324 Cairo	Hall	January 16,1936	June 1937
Bellevue	No	325 Bellevue	Sarpy	March 5,1955	June 8,1955
Centennial	No	326 Omaha	Douglas	November 26,1955	June 6,1956
Shiloh	No	327 Omaha	Douglas	September 3,1965	June 10,1966
Miloma	No	328 Omaha	Douglas	January 19,1972	June 28,1972
Roscoe Pound	No	329 Lincoln	Lancaster		June 14,1985



CONSOLIDATED LODGES

- Joppa Lodge No. 76 . . . . . Bloomington with Franklin No. 264  
Franklin, October 18, 1934
- Parallel No. 152 . . . . . Liberty with Barneston No. 165  
Barneston, January 2, 1940
- Tyre No. 85 . . . . . Blue Springs with Symore No. 104  
Wymore, July 7, 1941
- Bradshaw No. 255 . . . . . Bradshaw with Hampton No. 245  
Hampton, May 21, 1942
- Level No. 196 . . . . . Stockville with Cambridge No. 150  
Cambridge, June 4, 1942
- Riverside No. 269 . . . . . Belgrade with Cedar River No. 89  
Fullerton, June 5, 1942
- Juniata No. 42 . . . . . Juniata with Kenesaw No. 144  
Kenesaw, July 15, 1942
- Palmer No. 315 . . . . . Palmer with St. Paul No. 82  
St. Paul, October 6, 1942
- Elk Creek No. 90 . . . . . Elk Creek with Tecumseh No. 17  
Tecumseh, November 11, 1944
- Riverton No. 63 . . . . . Riverton with Franklin No. 264  
Franklin, May 16, 1945
- Hildreth No. 252 . . . . . Hildreth with Grace No. 226  
Wilcox, October 11, 1945
- Hubbell No. 92 . . . . . Hubbell with Hebron No. 43  
Hebron, February 8, 1946
- Incense No. 182 . . . . . Ohiowa with Jewell No. 149  
Tobias, April 22, 1947
- Bee No. 259 . . . . . Bee with Oliver No. 38  
Seward, June 13, 1947
- Tuscan No. 130 . . . . . Surprise with Composite No. 81  
Rising City, February 9, 1963
- Delta No. 230 . . . . . St. Edward with Albion No. 78  
Albion, January 1, 1965
- Jewel No. 149 . . . . . Tobias with Geneva No. 79  
Geneva, September 9, 1966
- Valley No. 157 . . . . . Wilsonville with Beaver City No. 93  
Beaver City, March 8, 1966
- Ruskin No. 304 . . . . . Ruskin with Nelson No. 77  
Nelson, September 23, 1966
- Morning Star No. 197 . . . . . Gresham with Stromsburg No. 126  
Stromsburg, December 9, 1967
- Cornerstone No. 247 . . . . . Osmond with Plainview No. 204  
Plainview, December 12, 1967
- Kenesaw No. 144 . . . . . Kenesaw with Mid-West No. 317  
Hastings, January 13, 1968
- Blue Hill No. 129 . . . . . Blue Hill with Mid-West No. 317  
Hastings, February 9, 1968

- Pioneer No. 322** . . . . . Lyman with Oasis No. 271  
Morrill, April 10, 1969
- Compass & Square No. 212** . . . . . Sumner with Thistle No. 61  
Lexington, April 20, 1969
- Hope No. 29** . . . . . Nemaha with Nemaha Valley No. 4  
Brownville, September 9, 1969
- Elm Creek No. 133** . . . . . Elm Creek with James A. Tulleys No. 267  
Overton, March 17, 1970
- Napthali No. 206** . . . . . Diller with Fairbury No. 35  
Fairbury, March 23, 1970
- Alexandria No. 74** . . . . . Alexandria with Hebron No. 43  
Hebron, September 10, 1970
- Pythagoras No. 156** . . . . . Ewing with Diamond No. 291  
Orchard, December 4, 1970
- Grace No. 226** . . . . . Wilcox with Jachin No. 146  
Holdrege, May 11, 1971
- Wolbach No. 292** . . . . . Wolbach with St. Paul No. 82  
St. Paul, December 23, 1971
- Tyrian No. 243** . . . . . Oak with Nelson No. 77  
Nelson, June 9, 1972
- Mystic Tie No. 166** . . . . . Tilden with Trowel No. 71  
Neligh, June 12, 1972
- Roman Eagle No. 203** . . . . . Pender with Bancroft No. 145  
Bancroft, April 20, 1973
- Amethyst No. 190** . . . . . Stapleton with Cable No. 225  
Arnold, April 20, 1973
- Prudence No. 179** . . . . . Beaver Crossing with Utica No. 96  
Utica, April 20, 1973
- Fairfield No. 84** . . . . . Fairfield with Clay Center No. 139  
Clay Center, January 24, 1974
- Ramah No. 275** . . . . . Bertrand with Elwood No. 167  
Elwood, February 14, 1974
- Sterling No. 70** . . . . . Sterling with Tecumseh No. 17  
Tecumseh, March 20, 1974
- Mt. Hermon No. 231** . . . . . Cook with Tecumseh No. 17  
Tecumseh, March 15, 1974
- Winnebago No. 309** . . . . . Winnebago with Olive Branch No. 274  
Walthill, December 3, 1974
- Temple No. 175** . . . . . Filley with Tecumseh No. 17  
Tecumseh, March 26, 1975
- Beemer No. 253** . . . . . Beemer with Wisner No. 114  
Wisner, June 17, 1975
- Signet No. 193** . . . . . Leigh with Northern Star No. 41  
Stanton, February 20, 1976
- Plumblin No. 214** . . . . . Adams with Beatrice No. 26  
Beatrice, October 1, 1976
- Cubit No. 237** . . . . . Douglas with Union No. 287  
Palmyra, December 13, 1977
- Bancroft No. 145** . . . . . Bancroft with Olive Branch No. 274  
Walthill, December 17, 1978

**Litchfield No. 278** . . . . . Litchfield with Mason City No. 170  
Mason City, July 1, 1979

**Hartington No. 155** . . . . . Hartington with Relief No. 219  
Coleridge, August 10, 1979

**Creighton No. 100** . . . . . Creighton with Plainview No. 204  
Plainview, May 17, 1980

**Star No. 88** . . . . . Decatur with Pilot No. 240  
Lyons, January 22, 1981

**Gladstone No. 176** . . . . . Ansley with Custer No. 148  
Broken Bow, November 4, 1981

**Eminence No. 223** . . . . . Giltner with Keystone No. 62  
Phillips, October 26, 1981

**Antelope No. 276** . . . . . Elgin with Trowel No. 71  
Neligh, January 1, 1982

**Bladen No. 319** . . . . . Bladen with Charity No. 53  
Red Cloud, May 6, 1982

**Oak Leaf No. 312** . . . . . Lynch with Ornan No. 261  
Spencer, April 22, 1983

**Crofton No. 273** . . . . . Crofton with Wausa No. 251  
Wausa, April 17, 1984

**Harlan No. 116** . . . . . Alma with Melrose No. 60  
Orleans, April 17, 1984

**Hardy No. 117** . . . . . Hardy with Superior No. 121  
Superior, April 17, 1984

**Merna No. 171** . . . . . Merna with Custer No. 148  
Broken Bow, April 17, 1984

**Lee P. Gillette No. 272** . . . . . Dunbar with Western Star No. 2  
Nebraska City, January 18, 1985

**Occidental No. 215** . . . . . Cedar Bluffs with Fremont No. 15  
Fremont, March 28, 1985

**Siloam No. 147** . . . . . Stuart with Atkinson No. 164  
Atkinson, November 20, 1985

**Ponca No. 101** . . . . . Ponca with Alpha No. 316  
South Sioux City, June 1986

**Boaz No. 185** . . . . . Danbury with McCook No. 135  
Danbury, September 1986

**Curtiss No. 168** . . . . . Curtiss with McCook No. 135  
McCook, February 15, 1986

**Clay Center No. 139** . . . . . Clay Center with Mid-West No. 317  
Hastings, March 5, 1986

**Unity No. 163** . . . . . Greenwood with Pomegranate No. 110  
Ashland, December 1986

**Gothenburg No. 249** . . . . . Gothenburg with Platte Valley No. 32  
North Platte, January 1987

**Granite No. 189** . . . . . Gibbon with Cement No. 211  
Wood River, April 1987

**Amity No. 169** . . . . . Rushville with Hay Springs No. 177  
Hay Springs, May 1987

**Golden Sheaf No. 202** . . . . . Randolph with Plainview No. 204  
Plainview, December 31, 1987

**Faith No. 181** . . . . . Crawford with Sioux No. 277  
Harrison, December 1987

- Potter No. 313** . . . . . Potter with Frank Welch No. 75  
Sidney, October 1988
- Western No. 140** . . . . . Western with DeWitt No. 111  
DeWitt, December 1988
- Zeredetha No. 160** . . . . . Reynolds with Fairbury No. 35  
Fairbury, December 1988
- Right Angle No. 303** . . . . . Omaha with Papillion No. 39  
Papillion, December 1988
- Trowel No. 71** . . . . . Neligh with Diamond No. 291  
Orchard, January 1990
- Alpha No. 316** . . . . . South Sioux City with Omadi No. 5  
South Sioux City, March 1, 1990
- Shelton No. 99** . . . . . Shelton with Cement No. 211  
April 27, 1990
- Nehawka No. 246** . . . . . Nehawka with Western Star No. 2  
June 20, 1990
- Anselmo No. 258** . . . . . Anselmo with Custer No. 148  
August 28, 1990
- Globe No. 113** . . . . . Madison with Mosaic No. 55  
August 28, 1990
- Harmony No. 321** . . . . . Dalton with Frank Welch No. 75  
November 28, 1990

**LODGES ORGANIZED IN TERRITORIES  
OTHER THAN NEBRASKA**

- Summit No. 7                      Parkville, Colorado — Instituted May 6, 1861.  
Chartered June 5, 1861. Transferred to Grand  
Lodge of Colorado, August 2, 1861.
  
- Rocky Mountain No. 8            Gold Hill, Colorado — Instituted May 21, 1861.  
Chartered June 5, 1861. Transferred to Grand  
Lodge of Colorado, August 2, 1861.
  
- Central City, U.:D.:              Central City, Colorado — Instituted 1860 or 1861.
- Bannack City, U.:D.:              Bannack City, Idaho — Instituted April 1863 or  
June 21, 1863.
  
- Monitor Lodge, U.:D.:            United States Army — Instituted July 30, 1863.  
Became extinct prior to 1867.
  
- Idaho Lodge, U.:D.:              Nevada City, Idaho — Instituted November 17, 1863.  
Became extinct June 23, 1864.
  
- Wyoming Lodge No. 28            South Pass City, Wyoming — Instituted November 24,  
1869. Chartered June 23, 1870. Transferred to Grand  
Lodge of Wyoming, December 15, 1874.

**EXTINCT LODGES**

NAME & LOCATION . . . . .	DATE OF BECOMING EXTINCT
Decatur No. 7 — Decatur . . . . .	June 18, 1873
Columbus No. 8 — Columbus . . . . .	June 25, 1868
Nebraska City No. 12 — Nebraska City . . . . .	March 10, 1903
Eureka No. 16 — Arago . . . . .	December 23, 1875
Ashland No. 18 — Ashland . . . . .	August 17, 1881
Rock Bluff No. 20 — Rock Bluff . . . . .	July 16, 1884
Macy No. 22 — Plattsmouth . . . . .	December 31, 1877
Lafayette No. 24 — Lafayette Pct. (later Grant) . . . . .	March 27, 1877
Palmyra No. 45 — Palmyra . . . . .	November 20, 1901
Salem No. 47 — Salem . . . . .	June 18, 1891
Lebanon No. 58 — Columbus . . . . .	June 6, 1928
Livingstone No. 66 — Firth . . . . .	June 5, 1907
Fortitude No. 69 — Ulysses . . . . .	June 14, 1887
Waco No. 80 — Waco . . . . .	January 31, 1885
Doniphan No. 86 — Doniphan . . . . .	May 12, 1966
Steele City No. 107 — Steele City . . . . .	August 13, 1902
Arapahoe No. 109 — Arapahoe . . . . .	June 8, 1904
Brainard No. 115 — Brainard . . . . .	September 5, 1903
Doric No. 188 — Dorchester . . . . .	June 4, 1930
Jasper No. 122 — Odell . . . . .	April 24, 1901
Indianola No. 123 — Indianola . . . . .	June 8, 1904
Ark & Anchor No. 131 — Ainsworth . . . . .	September 2, 1890
Summit No. 141 — Johnson . . . . .	February 5, 1900
Anchor No. 142 — North Loup . . . . .	June 5, 1901
Square No. 151 — Valparaiso . . . . .	October 9, 1962
Evergreen No. 153 — Pierce . . . . .	September, 1989
Grafton No. 172 — Grafton . . . . .	December 31, 1948
Hesperia No. 178 — Shickley . . . . .	September 9, 1905
Plumb No. 186 — Grant . . . . .	November 15, 1897
Israel No. 187 — Ulysses . . . . .	December 18, 1956
Gauge No. 208 — Arcadia . . . . .	May 29, 1965
Square & Compass No. 213 — Miller . . . . .	June 6, 1918
Ithmar No. 238 — Crab Orchard . . . . .	February 9, 1903
Orion No. 242 — Ravenna . . . . .	July 6, 1904
Sincerity No. 244 — Battle Creek . . . . .	June 6, 1928
Holbrook No. 257 — Holbrook . . . . .	June 11, 1959
Springview No. 260 — Springview . . . . .	August 6, 1920
Huntley No. 270 — Huntley . . . . .	June 7, 1939
Swastika No. 280 — Sargent . . . . .	December 31, 1988
Exeter No. 283 — Exeter . . . . .	December 16, 1952
Cowles No. 296 — Cowles . . . . .	December 31, 1946
William E. Hill No. 307 — Otoe . . . . .	December 15, 1964

### MASONIC CALENDAR

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it ANNO LUCIS (A.:L.:) "in the year of light."

A.:A.:S.: RITE, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish Chronology is used, ANNO MUNDI (A.:M.:) "in the year of the world."

ROYAL ARCH MASONS date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, ANNO INVENTIONIS (A.:I.:) "in the year of the discovery."

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS date from the year in which the Temple of Solomon was completed, ANNO DEPOSITIONIS (A.:Dep.:) "in the year of the deposit."

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR commence their era with the organization of their Order, ANNO ORDINIS (AO) "in the year of the Order."

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD dates from the year of the Blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchizedek, ANNO BENEFACTO (A.:Beo.:) "in the year of the Blessing."

### RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

ANCIENT CRAFT	Add 4000 years to the common era. Thus, 1909 and 4000 = 5909.
A.:A.:S.: RITE	Add 3760 to the common era. Thus, 1909 and 3760 = 5669. After September add another year.
ROYAL ARCH	Add 530 to the common era. Thus, 1909 and 530 = 2439.
ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS	Add 1000 to the common era. Thus, 1909 and 1000 = 2909.
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR	From the Christian era take 1118. Thus, 1118 from 1909 = 791.
ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD	To the Christian era, ad 1913, the year of the Blessing, B.C. Thus, 1909 and 1913 = 3822.

## REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES

LODGE	WORSHIPFUL MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
1 - Nebraska	Cleo W. Robinson	Robert R. Eckwall	Jack L. Pohl*
2 - Western Star	Thomas W. Ramage	Andrew J. Lagerstrom	David Wetrosky
3 - Capitol	Lawrence J. Courtnage	John W. Kelley, Jr.*	Ray Bally*
4 - Nemaha Valley	Stephen C. Kennedy*	—	—
5 - Omadi	James E. Buttermore	Thomas Reed*	Ward E. Culbertson*
6 - Plattsmouth	John C. Ostrander	Donald D. Jeanneret	Stephen S. Vallery
9 - Falls City	Gary D. Spencer	Elsworth L. Abbott	—
10 - Solomon	Larry R. Halford	Morton Steyer*	Roger Andreason
11 - Covert	Roger T. Nicholson	John C. Popejoy*	Bruce Ginsburg*
13 - Orient	—	Marvin E. Yoessel	—
14 - Peru	—	—	—
15 - Fremont	Charles A. Folsom	John M. Dick	Virgil R. Schiermeyer*
17 - Tecumseh	—	Warren D. Brown	—
19 - Lincoln	Robert E. Olson	Wayne J. Pauley	Mark L. Heimbouch
21 - Washington	Bobby L. Hardy	Gary D. Finn	Rodney M. Hansen*
23 - Pawnee	—	—	—
25 - St. Johns	Karl Hoffman	Albert Goble*	Victor Brown*
26 - Beatrice	Paul Redwine	Donald Davidson*	Ralph Reedy*
27 - Jordan	Ronald DeSutter	Murry Schmechel	—
30 - Blue River	Gary Brhel	Lowell Hudson	—
31 - Tekamah	Don M. Neary	Terry Schroeder	—
32 - Platte Valley	Marvin L. Nelson	Donald E. McFarland	Kent D. Priest*
33 - Ashlar	Ronald M. Emery	Daniel J. Emery	Dennis E. Garrels
34 - Acacia	Gerald Hamata	Ben Vrana	Douglas Matthes*
35 - Fairbury	—	—	—
36 - Lone Tree	Marvin G. Kyes	—	—
37 - Crete	Lee Svatos	James A. Clark	Rick Wienke
38 - Oliver	—	—	—
39 - Papillion	Ronald R. Stwinski, Jr.	Dana E. Fischbach*	Roy S. Autry*
40 - Humboldt	William E. Martin	—	—
41 - Northern Light	Robert Chilcoat, Jr.	—	Robert Schellpeper
43 - Hebron	Jack L. McLaughlin	Lyle McLaughlin	Steve Meyer*
44 - Harvard	—	Kenneth G. Bieck	Marvin L. Carriker
46 - Rob Morris	Leighton H. Kesselring	—	Timothy E. Lowe
48 - Fairmont	Nelce Martinsen*	Eugene Henning*	—
49 - Evening Star	Duane S. Majors	Merrill D. Barnell	—
50 - Hastings	Keith A. Penrose	Michael R. Sidlo	William D. Morrow
51 - Fidelity	—	—	—
52 - Hiram	Sydney Clausen*	—	—
53 - Charity	Marlin K. Hoffman	Kenneth P. Schwartz*	—
54 - Lancaster	James F. Brown, Jr.	William E. Hokanson	Carl C. Plants
55 - Mosaic	Wilbur L. McNally	Kenneth R. Krupicka*	Alan Croson*
56 - York	Ernest Stern*	Earl T. Hart	Harry W. Gordon
57 - Mt. Moriah	David Pearson	—	—
59 - Wahoo	Edgar F. Knox	John R. Miyoshi	—
60 - Melrose	George Davis	Donald O. White*	Lawrence D. Walker
61 - Thistle	Lauren F. Daberkow	Waldron G. Heany	Rex S. Hunt*
62 - Keystone	Robert C. Mabon	—	Robert D. Jensen*
64 - Blue Valley	—	—	—
65 - Osceola	Mitchell J. Coffin*	Edwin L. Willhoft, Jr.	Bruce J. Bugbee

LODGE	WORSHIPFUL MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
67 - Edgar	Robert W. Crumbliss	—	Rollo E. Gass
68 - Aurora	—	—	—
72 - Hooper	Kevin Larson	John O. Liston*	—
73 - Friend	Warren Weber	Wayne Yokel*	Charles A. Cogswell
75 - Frank Welch	Kent Talich	K. James Cook*	—
77 - Nelson	Earl W. Ferguson	Allan D. Sole	Scott W. Corman*
78 - Albion	E. Lee Howell	Ron Coakes*	Lester J. Martin
79 - Geneva	Richard D. Oliva	Bradley W. Stephens	Terry L. Domeier
81 - Composite	William D. Potter	Clarence L. Rost	—
82 - St. Paul	—	Robert C. Brehm	—
83 - Corinthian	Thomas M. Gustafson	Robert A. Jones	—
87 - Ionic	Howard W. Mayberry	Robert E. Ganz	Theodore A. Branstiter*
89 - Cedar River	Donald L. Cox	Dennis E. McCoig	—
91 - Oakland	—	—	—
93 - Beaver City	Robert J. Gardner	Glenn W. Cornell*	Leroy L. Dixon*
94 - Bennet	Stuart B. Erickson, Sr.	Stuart B. Erickson, II	Kirk D. Loos
95 - Garfield	Chester Frisch*	—	—
96 - Utica	Mark L. Eberspacher*	Dale Carr*	—
97 - Euclid	Phillip W. Rhodes	Willie C. Kunz	Michael L. Spohr*
98 - Republican	Norman L. Coe	—	—
102 - Waterloo	Roger W. Cooley	Lawrence C. Pfister	Jan J. Hamer
103 - Ord	Charles P. Zangger	Clarence E. Fox*	Oak Glenn*
104 - Wymore	Alfred G. Tatro*	—	—
105 - Stella	—	—	James Findlay*
106 - Porter	Roy D. Wooden	Jack A. Charlton	Albert L. Smith
108 - Table Rock	David A. Pope*	Gary Bedea*	Melvin B. Wenzbauer*
110 - Pomegranate	Joe L. McManis	Thomas Mitchell*	James F. Bryant*
111 - DeWitt	Max L. Waldo	—	—
112 - Springfield	Hugh W. Ellenberger	Joseph G. Syslo	Edward L. Palmer*
114 - Wisner	Dean T. Dinklage	—	—
119 - North Bend	Andrew J. VonRein	Steven E. Grueber	—
120 - Wayne	Richard A. Brown	Luther Sensenig*	Robert D. Jordan
121 - Superior	Mason F. Ely	James E. Harvey*	Benjamin G. Disney
124 - Auburn	—	—	—
125 - Mt. Nebo	V. Keith Olsen	—	—
126 - Stromsburg	Wayne Brehm*	Willis Waller*	Kip Allison*
127 - Minden	—	Tim J. Burke*	John M. Fitzsimmons*
128 - Guide Rock	Wendell W. Ord	—	—
132 - Scribner	Paul Morris*	—	Charles E. Holtz
134 - Solar	—	Philip E. Foulk	—
135 - McCook	Kenneth R. Martin	Kent E. Augustine	Marshall D. Grant
136 - Long Pine	—	—	Norman Johnson
137 - Upright	Ronald Leitschuck	Marvin Stake	—
138 - Rawl	—	—	—
143 - Crescent	Roy L. Kiser	James V. Cornwell	James L. Cox
146 - Jachin	James E. Mote	Bruce G. Raddatz	Gordon L. Brown
148 - Custer	Robert L. Hostick	—	—
150 - Cambridge	—	Bernard Corder	—
154 - Lily	Russell D. Pfeifer	—	—
158 - Samaritan	John Thompson*	—	—
159 - Ogallala	David P. Sheldon	Dana J. Lindauer	William D. Redinger*
161 - Mt. Zion	—	—	—
162 - Trestleboard	—	Ival Schmuher	—



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164 - Atkinson	James Widfeldt	—	—
165 - Barneston	—	—	—
167 - Elwood	—	—	—
170 - Mason City	Clifford P. E. Moore*	—	—
173 - R. Burns	—	—	—
174 - Culbertson	Kurt D. Harrison*	—	Ronald L. Wertz*
177 - Hay Springs	Terry L. Michaelson*	Alan J. Ferrel	—
180 - Justice	—	Lance C. Antonson*	—
183 - Alliance	Gary L. Schafer	Peter Pugliano*	Sam S. Ushio
184 - Bee Hive	Elmer L. Spencer	Gerald W. Robinson	William Covey
188 - Meridian	Grant Junior Dishman	Dallas Nichols*	Billy Stevenson*
191 - Crystal	Darrel L. Vance	Charles E. Beebe*	Raymond W. Toogood
192 - Minnekadusa	Fred Perrett	Jerry L. Kerr*	Greg L. Gass*
194 - Highland	Arnie Rudder	Norman DeVries*	—
195 - Arcana	Edward L. Prentice	—	—
198 - Purity	Douglas Ohlson	—	Scott Osler
199 - Gavel	Deroy Miller*	—	—
200 - Blazing Star	Donald R. Field	Charles W. Haskell	Paul Anderson*
201 - Scotts Bluff	Byron L. Lane	Frank G. Weiss	—
204 - Plainview	—	—	Robert K. Baird*
205 - Golden Fleece	Jack D. Woodman	—	Michael D. Talbott*
207 - Parian	Roy W. Litchenberger	—	Richard D. Coons
209 - Canopy	—	—	—
210 - East Lincoln	Jeffrey S. Wunder	LeRoy H. Rosenthal, Jr.	Ted McNeese
211 - Cement	Timothy E. Thienel	Donald E. Miller	Maurice J. Paulk*
216 - Palisade	Richard L. Baxter*	—	—
217 - Wauneta	—	—	—
218 - Bloomfield	Herb E. Bose	Ervin Nickels	Alfred Koops*
219 - Relief	Richard H. Lentz	Arnold Anderson*	Milo Patefield*
220 - Magnolia	Paul Fuchser*	—	—
221 - Wood Lake	John C. Gross	Otto W. Micheel	Kenneth Marlatt*
222 - Landmark	Allen R. Trumble	Brent I. Thone	Randall L. Hart*
224 - Silver Cord	William B. Cassel	—	—
225 - Cable	—	—	—
227 - North Star	Jerry Mrkvicka	Paul Carpenter	Stephen J. Evans
228 - Bartley	Thomas P. White*	Gary A. Newcomb*	—
229 - Comet	B. Richard Basel	Kevin L. Rittenburg	—
232 - John S. Bowen	Arnold M. Matzen	Robert L. Anderson*	—
233 - Gilead	—	—	—
234 - Zion	Max E. Rothwell	—	Dan Manning*
235 - Fraternity	Robert D. Jensen*	—	—
236 - Golden Rule	—	—	—
239 - Friendship	Dale N. McMillan	Emil Ceplecha	Thomas G. Nuss
240 - Pilot	Mark A. Siecke	Lester W. Shaw	—
241 - George Armstrong	—	—	—
245 - Hampton	Alvin L. Gordon	—	—
248 - Laurel	Keith J. Jarvi	Herbert E. Bose*	Keith Volcker*
250 - Geo Washington	Larry Kirwan*	V. K. Krenk	Bryan Hester*
251 - Wausa	Bruce Jorgensen*	William Monson*	Tim Suhr*
254 - Bassett	—	—	—
256 - Hickman	Ronald W. Osborne	Darrell VerMaas	Gary W. Ryba*
261 - Ornan	Thomas E. Blake, Sr.*	—	—
262 - Endeavor	Leon Wright	—	—



## GRAND JURISDICTION REPRESENTATIVES

REPRESENTATIVE FROM	APPOINTED	GRAND JURISDICTION	REPRESENTATIVE TO	APPOINTED
Steven J. Brownfield	03/03/89	Alabama	Victor D. Hunt, 62	04/29/77
Wayne G. Coleman	03/30/82	Alaska	Byron C. Jenkins, 325	03/08/82
Jose Gonzalez	01/10/64	Argentina	Jerry L. Rittenburg, 210	06/12/87
Ralph P. Faulkner	08/22/83	Arizona	Robert E. Kyes, 36	09/03/76
Dennis H. Carmack	08/06/89	Arkansas	James L. Eatmon, 294	01/01/84
Gordon Ross Mallam	06/16/74	Australia, New S. Wales	Robert C. Thackery, 180	12/23/90
W. T. Neale	02/29/60	Australia, Queensland	Wayne J. Pauley, 19	07/18/77
G. T. Brice	....	Australia, South Aust.	Charles W. Goodwin, 25	05/04/85
Farrin Webb	03/23/46	Australia, Victoria	Wendell R. Wertz, 174	11/15/79
F. G. Hatcher	12/17/60	Australia, Western Aust.	Keith E. Winheim, 1	06/12/87
Hugo Barber	03/22/51	Austria	Randolph R. Eatmon, 294	12/31/89
Alfonso Reyes	08/13/63	Belgium	L. L. Haddix, 36	12/31/81
Raul Ballalai de Carvalho	09/19/36	Bolivia	G. Irwin Osterloh, 72	....
....	....	Brazil, Bahia	Frank J. Vlasak, 119	07/06/72
Adolpho Porta	01/04/88	Brazil, Brazilia	Albert G. Bates, 1	06/04/71
Aderlou F. Andrade	01/04/88	Brazil, Ceara	Clay W. Kennedy, 4	02/10/89
Francisco Bezrea Frota	10/25/73	Brazil, Goais	Fernando E. Siores, 55	12/23/90
Oscar de Paula Assis	08/01/69	Brazil, Maranhao	Kenneth D. Beebe, 119	....
Jose Cesario Horta	09/21/49	Brazil, Mato Grosso do Sul	Norris L. Rusmisell, 46	12/20/89
Luthgard Nobre	06/26/74	Brazil, Minas Gerais	Robert E. Richards, 205	11/17/78
Jose Aguilar E. Silva	10/22/68	Brazil, Para	Leslie Smith, 198	12/23/90
Joao Bento	10/23/57	Brazil, Paraiba	Benjamin F. Eyre, 1	01/03/36
Tutomo Sato	03/07/68	Brazil, Parana	Nelson W. Rittenburg, 210	03/07/68
....	....	Brazil, Pernambuco	Mannie O. Hansen, 1	06/12/74
....	....	Brazil, Rio Grande Do Sul	Wm. H. Beckenhauer, 19	07/01/74
Paulo Roberto Curi	10/17/89	Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Virgil L. Tubach, 54	02/10/89
Lirio Burigo Bez	09/22/76	Brazil, Santa Catarina	Mervin E. Ransom, Sr., 65	07/01/74
Jose de Vitis Silva	11/14/51	Brazil, Sao Paulo	Charles W. Amidon, 281	06/07/77
Harold Loewenthal	04/23/69	California	Eugene C. Sibley, 54	06/11/76
Cecil D. Holmes	08/06/89	Canada, Alberta	Edward H. Lockwood, 265	12/15/59
Barney R. Peatt	12/30/86	Canada, British Columbia	Thomas J. Aron, Sr., 37	07/10/47
Joseph S. Reynolds	03/29/80	Canada, Manitoba	Michael J. Tye, 46	12/31/89
Kenneth Nelson	10/21/55	Canada, New Brunswick	Frank H. Smith, 301	01/31/58
Gordon F. Conrad	11/30/90	Canada, Nova Scotia	Curtis J. Griess, 49	12/02/68
Kenneth N. Nesbitt	12/21/76	Canada, Ontario	Paul R. Eveland, 119	02/16/82
Allan C. Jenkins	04/08/71	Canada, Pr. Edward Island	Donald C. Smith, 1	01/17/45
A. S. Johnson	01/09/91	Canada, Quebec	Viron E. Baxter, 216	....
Edward L. Lee	03/11/87	Canada, Saskatchewan	Bruce L. Bump, 158	01/01/84
Rigoberto Jamett	08/22/83	Chile	Ben D. Fussel, 79	06/04/71
Dawson Kwauk	06/26/80	China	John D. Richardson, 50	06/10/83
Jacque N. Hampton	04/09/80	Colorado	Carl R. Greisen, 32	06/23/43
Jose Maria Serna	07/31/51	Columbia, Barranquilla	Kenneth P. Lott, 184	02/03/81
Rafael F. Moreno	....	Columbia, Bogota	Jack H. Hendrix, 174	08/07/69
Vincent Vernon	03/18/69	Connecticut	Arnold F. Mains, 15	12/13/68
Carlos Miranda	10/22/68	Costa Rica	Richard H. Scheef, 288	07/07/76
V. H. F. E. Garcia	11/05/52	Cuba	John F. Dale, 135	12/14/89

Grand Lodge of Nebraska

Grand Island

Leonard S. Strycharz	01/28/71	Delaware	Scott J. Krieger, 317	06/12/87
Soren Nielsen	07/02/90	Denmark	Frank Lawson, 1	12/21/89
H. Kenneth Kingsbury	09/24/82	District of Columbia	Herbert A. Ronin, 210	05/13/54
M. D. J. C. Navarro	08/25/69	Dominican Republic	Harry A. Tollander, 281	07/08/81
F. G. Araya	06/17/53	Ecuador	Richard O. Cowles, 217	11/07/78
Lord Mais	10/22/76	England	Harry A. Spencer, 227	12/02/68
Kalle Putkisto	12/15/69	Finland	Sebert A. Stover, 281	02/09/68
Wm. C. Mitchell	06/23/70	Florida	John Lippert, 323	08/08/66
Edward Jeanmonod	09/14/54	France	J. Dallas Gibson, 54	07/01/74
Marcel I. Magwangu	....	Gabon	Don E. Rasmussen, 135	02/10/89
Wm. H. McDaniel	08/06/89	Georgia	Raymond F. Evers, 6	08/03/60
Wolfgang Durst	09/24/75	Germany	Alfred G. Wurst, 59	07/06/72
Andreas Rizopoulos	02/12/89	Greece	Benjiman H. Harvey, 119	02/10/89
Angel G. Guzman	08/13/63	Guatemala	Roger L. Shillington, 180	06/08/77
Bjarne Bjarnason	01/07/53	Honduras	William G. Woepfel, 75	12/23/90
John R. Sheridan	12/17/86	Iceland	Dan W. Holmstedt, 314	05/20/80
Wiley F. Smith	08/06/89	Idaho	Bevin B. Bump, 158	01/01/84
Kenneth W. Smith	01/10/91	Illinois	William C. Conway, 195	12/23/90
H. J. Engineer	08/07/63	India	William Hurst, 54	09/17/77
Herbert Newman	12/04/74	Indiana	Ernest G. Lehmkuhler, 32	06/12/87
....	....	Iran (in exile)	Noel J. Lindquist, 1	06/04/71
John R. Sheridan	12/17/86	Ireland	Robert E. Comer, 239	10/10/77
Yehuda Ashkenazi	09/22/81	Israel	Leo Hill, 210	02/10/89
Giancarlo Boero	05/01/86	Italy	Augustine S. Scolaro, 3	12/23/90
Yasuhiko Ide	....	Japan	Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314	07/31/58
Richard K. Hart	01/06/64	Kansas	Wilbert W. Wittmuss, 39	06/12/87
O. J. Hyde	07/31/72	Kentucky	Wayne G. Lueningborg, 32, 39	06/12/87
Clifford A. Bradley	08/06/89	Louisiana	Thomas W. Tye, 46	01/01/84
Rene Gregorius	08/17/71	Luxembourg	Thomas W. Tye, II, 46	12/31/89
Royce G. Wheeler	08/30/76	Maine	Ralph W. Gerry, 281	08/07/69
John M. Baker, III	....	Maryland	Henry L. Rood, 59	07/06/72
Charles A. Lukas, Jr.	08/06/89	Massachusetts	Arthur R. Sharp, 54, 6	12/31/89
Juan L. Arocha	10/23/50	Mexico, Nuevo Leon	Doane O. Trail, 135	....
German Barrera	08/27/70	Mexico, Tamaulipas	Norman L. Coe, 46	12/31/89
George Sanfor	08/08/69	Mexico, York Grand Lodge	Gary Martin, 46	12/31/89
Willard Sauer	02/14/58	Michigan	Paul R. Pierce, 50	03/15/79
Frederick B. Vihovde	08/06/89	Minnesota	Donald L. Pohlman, 41	02/10/89
John T. Brown	01/16/53	Mississippi	Louis V. Sylvester, 281	09/08/53
William R. Robbins	07/23/63	Missouri	T. Leo Stines, 36	12/23/90
Ludvik H. Jun	08/18/88	Montana	V. Kaye Ramsey, 290, 317	12/31/89
J. F. A. Gravenberch	12/14/60	Netherlands	William R. Zalman, 201	12/23/90
Franklin L. Coonley	08/18/89	Nevada	James N. DeMoss, 325	01/08/81
Ellis W. Howard	06/14/62	New Hampshire	William Keller, 250	04/14/80
Robert W. Emery	09/15/72	New Jersey	John M. McHenry, 19	11/06/85
Andrew Krause	08/06/89	New York	Warren D. Lichty, Jr., 314	07/01/74
Raymond E. Dovey	02/14/79	New Zealand	Donald R. Swanson, 54	06/14/73
....	....	Nicaragua	Paul D. Fleming, 93	12/09/41
Nathaniel C. Dean	07/26/65	North Carolina	G. Richard Myers, 158	01/01/84
Calvin E. Rustad	09/07/55	North Dakota	Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150	04/28/64

Ivar Moe	04/24/75	Norway	Michael E. Jones, 51	02/10/89
E. L. Galbraith	04/23/69	Ohio	Robert A. Metcalf, 210	12/23/90
Aubrey R. Erhart	06/11/63	Oklahoma	Frederick E. Forsee, 288	....
Arthur E. Baird	09/16/80	Oregon	Frank J. Mattoon, 75	12/04/68
Elias S. Mizrachi	01/13/53	Panama	Arthur S. Dye, 317	07/28/65
Carlos Pena	09/01/72	Peru	Richard L. Mauch, 254	06/04/71
Antonia Espinosa	....	Philippines	Donald A. Kyckelhahn, 210	08/07/69
Luis S. Parrilla Castro	04/01/81	Puerto Rico	Herman O. Hansen, 3	06/04/71
Edward T. Hudson	08/11/78	Rhode Island	Edward A. Hoagland, 25	07/03/42
William F. S. Reid	11/19/86	Scotland	Steven K. Jones, 263, 265	06/12/87
A. Rhodie	08/18/89	South Africa	Delmar Jones, 46	12/31/89
Rhoden D. Batson	07/06/71	South Carolina	Steven F. Mattoon, 75	12/31/89
L. L. Kirkpatrick	03/29/80	South Dakota	U. Wesley Fox, 192	07/06/72
....	....	Spain	Albert T. Reddish, 183	01/05/88
Ollie Hellberg	10/23/78	Sweden	Kenneth G. Fleming, 75	06/12/87
Frederick J. Pruefer	06/21/78	Switzerland	Dean Taylor, 59	12/23/90
Leighton Gordon Scott	07/05/85	Tasmania	Lloyd I. Edwards, 110	09/08/60
M. D. Manning	09/14/81	Tennessee	George A. Iverson, 15	04/28/77
G. P. Stockwell	12/10/77	Texas	Donald A. Keys, 300	12/20/61
Attila Atli	12/29/71	Turkey	Melvin E. Johnson, 112	08/27/63
Tom Eastwood	01/10/90	Utah	Robert L. Little, 240	06/11/76
Wendell H. Chaffee	05/16/62	Venezuela	Paul A. Canaday, 51	06/12/87
....	....	Vermont	Steven W. Olson, 229	05/02/85
George W. Farley	08/06/89	Virginia	Ernest O. Van Wey, 32	01/28/52
Malcom L. Wilkinson	04/14/71	Washington	H. Gene Gustafson, 318	06/10/83
J. K. Ferguson	09/28/61	West Virginia	Gary W. Radil, 268	12/31/89
George J. Schreiber	03/23/46	Wisconsin	Harold Hultman, 39	06/12/74

## GRAND LODGE A. F. AND A. M. OF NEBRASKA

## SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF UNRESTRICTED FUND INVESTMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1990

<u>Description</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Face Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - RESTRICTED - U.S. GOVERNMENT			
MONEY MARKET FUNDS	<u>\$ 58,071</u>		<u>\$ 58,071</u>
BONDS:			
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES:			
U.S. Treasury Notes, 6.625%, 5-15-92	\$ 49,862	\$ 50,000	\$ 49,641
U.S. Treasury Notes, 9.75%, 10-15-92	56,941	50,000	52,063
U.S. Treasury Notes, 8.375%, 2-15-93	<u>99,565</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>102,125</u>
Total government securities	<u>206,368</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>203,829</u>
PUBLIC UTILITY BONDS:			
New England Power Company, 6.375%, 12-1-96	47,427	60,000	53,625
Northern States Power Co., First Mortgage (reg.), 6.75%, 5-1-98	25,000	25,000	22,156
Public Service of Colorado, First Mortgage, 6.75%, 7-1-98	21,813	25,000	21,938
Puget Sound Power and Light Co., First Mortgage, 10%, 9-15-94	50,500	50,000	50,438
Southern California Edison, First & Refunding Mortgage Bond, 6.125%, 8-15-91	21,000	25,000	24,750
Southern California Edison, First & Refunding Mortgage Bond, Series Z, 7.875%, 12-1-95	46,682	50,000	48,500
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company Debenture (reg.), 8.75%, 8-1-2007	25,105	25,000	23,750
Texas Electric Service Co., First Mortgage, 4.375%, 4-1-93	10,115	10,000	9,150
Virginia Electric & Power Company, First & Refunding Mortgage Bond, Series CC, 7.375%, 6-1-2002	<u>20,173</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>17,550</u>
Total public utility bonds	<u>267,815</u>	<u>290,000</u>	<u>271,857</u>
TRANSPORTATION, INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS BONDS:			
Chevron USA Inc., 5.35%, 6-15-91	73,112	100,000	99,125
The Dow Chemical Company, Debenture (reg.), 7.40%, 7-15-2002	15,000	15,000	13,050
Eastman Kodak Co., 9.125%, 3-1-98	48,687	50,000	49,375
Ford Capital Note, 9.875%, 5-15-02	51,462	50,000	49,750
Ford Motor Credit Co., 7.5%, 3-1-94	49,688	50,000	47,938
General Motors Corporation, 7.5%, 8-15-93	47,365	50,000	48,875
Georgia Pacific Corporation, 10.125%, 5-15-2000	49,874	50,000	48,750
Household Finance Corporation, Debentures (reg.), 7.5%, Series 1F, 8-1-95	15,000	15,000	14,025
International Paper Company, Shelf 2, 9/4%, 6-1-02	49,850	50,000	48,750
Nordstrom Credit Corporation, 8.75%, 3-20-95	48,500	50,000	49,725
Quaker State Oil Refining Corporation, (reg.), 9%, 8-1-95	29,886	30,000	29,888
Soco Mobil Oil Co., Inc., 4.25%, 4-1-93	25,079	25,000	22,656
Times Mirror Co., 8.25%, 4-1-96	47,313	50,000	49,063
Union Carbide Corporation, Sinking Fund Debenture (reg.), 5.30%, 3-1-97	<u>69,667</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>78,500</u>
Total transportation, industrial, and miscellaneous bonds	<u>620,483</u>	<u>685,000</u>	<u>649,470</u>
TOTAL BONDS	<u>\$1,094,666</u>	<u>\$1,175,000</u>	<u>\$1,125,156</u>

## GRAND LODGE A. F. AND A. M. OF NEBRASKA

## SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF RESTRICTED FUND INVESTMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1990

<u>Description</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>1990 Face Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - U.S. GOVERNMENT MONEY MARKET FUNDS	<u>\$ 96,035</u>		<u>\$ 96,035</u>
BONDS:			
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES:			
U.S. Treasury Notes, 8.875%, 2-15-99	\$ 24,378	\$ 25,000	\$ 26,117
Federal National Mortgage Association, 8.8%, 11-10-95	25,002	25,000	25,813
Federal National Mortgage Association, 8.95%, 7-10-97	<u>24,972</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,813</u>
Total government securities	<u>74,352</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>77,743</u>
CORPORATE:			
Dayton Hudson Corporation, 7.875%, 4-1-96	23,087	25,000	23,594
Eastman Kodak Co., 9.125%, 3-1-98	24,750	25,000	24,688
Ford Capital, 9.875%, 5-15-2002	24,866	25,000	24,875
General Telephone Co., 7.625%, 5-1-2003	21,903	25,000	22,375
IBM Credit Corporation, 8.65%, 7-15-94	24,750	25,000	24,920
International Paper Company, 9.7%, 3-15-2000	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Total corporate bonds	<u>144,356</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>145,452</u>
TOTAL BONDS	<u>\$218,708</u>	<u>\$225,000</u>	<u>\$223,195</u>
COMMON STOCKS:			
American General Corporation, 300 shares	\$ 8,198		\$ 9,225
Bristol Myers Co., 200 shares	9,045		13,400
Coca Cola, 200 shares	8,295		9,300
Exxon Corporation, 200 shares	9,095		10,350
Ford Motor Co., 150 shares	8,040		3,994
General Electric Co., 150 shares	8,795		11,475
International Business Machines, 70 shares	8,215		7,910
Eli Lilly and Co., 100 shares	9,135		14,650
Pacific Telesis Group, 200 shares	6,145		9,050
Teco Energy Inc., 300 shares	7,455		10,125
USX Corporation, 200 shares	5,520		6,100
U.S. West, Inc., 150 shares	8,790		11,663
Wal Mart Stores, 300 shares	8,520		9,075
Waste Management, Inc., 200 shares	8,245		7,000
Williamette Industries, 200 shares	<u>6,800</u>		<u>8,600</u>
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS	<u>\$120,293</u>		<u>\$141,917</u>

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