



# CENTRAL SD MASONIC MESSENGER



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## DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

Rumor has it that Spring is about to launch itself. However, we need to get by the State Tournaments. Again, a big THANK YOU in your participation in the One day. From my view point it went well and I am anticipating a return of this event next year. Reports from my sources indicate that events have been occurring in the District. Oyster stew, prime rib, chili, cherry pie and homemade ice cream together with fellowship. This is good news. I would like to remind you that if you have a special event, don't hesitate to go to contact me or to go directly to the Grand Lodge and have your event placed on the calendar. There are some inquirers' nights coming and as of this note, will have been completed. Gettysburg on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>, Mobridge Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup>. At both of these events a Fifty year presentation will be made.

I have talked to the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge office concerning medal or pin presentations. I was concerned about presentation of medals or pins and visited with the Grand Master. I had been informed that in the event a Brother was not within the jurisdiction of South Dakota the Trustees would see that the medal or pin was mailed to the address of the Brother. This does not satisfy me. These Brothers regardless of where they reside are entitled to have their respective awards presented to them in proper presentation. Not by the mail person. I will not disrespect the Brothers' wishes if they want it mailed to them; however, contact should be made by the District Master or the Master of the Lodge of which the Brother is a member. The District Master in conjunction with the home Lodge should and can make arrangements to guarantee proper delivery. I have made a request to have all presentations mailed to me to which I will make contact with the Master of the Lodge to determine the best method in which to address the presentation to out of jurisdictions recipients.

Mark in your calendar Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM. There will be a District 13 tiled meeting held at the Gettysburg Lodge. The present agenda will be a Lodge of Instruction present by PGM Delbert Ripley. Followed by a general discussion of potential issues for discussion at Grand Lodge. We will be done by 4:30PM with a light lunch afterwards. Unless weather is an issue, I do anticipate at least the Lodge principal officers to be present. This meeting is very important to the District.

Mentioning Grand Lodge, we are scheduled to convene in Sioux Falls on June 18, 19 and 20 at the downtown Holiday Inn. Again, the Master, Senior and Junior Wardens by their installation are to attend if at all possible. I would like to see a strong representation of the District officers at the Grand session. As Lent begins reflect on those blessings we have received and prepare ourselves for Easter. Remember, it is not what you give up, but what you give.

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Charles H. Walker, District Master #13

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## PIERRE LODGE #27

Greetings from the east,

We here at lodge are getting a spring in our step with spring soon to be here. We have set a date for central South Dakota for the C.H.I.P. (CHild Identification Program) on April 11<sup>th</sup>. The M.M.S.A.T.P. (Masonic Model Student Assistances Training Program) Baked Steak dinner will soon follow.

Pierre lodge also nominated Charles H. Walker for the Junior Grand Warden in the upcoming Grand Lodge elections this June in Sioux Falls.

Congratulations to the Job's Daughters for another fabulous King of Hearts dance. The Kids had lots of fun, with over 600 attending they had their work cut out for them. Thank you to all the lodge members that assisted in helping the Jobs to have another great King of Hearts dance.

Steven Walker, Master

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## LILY LODGE #62

The regular meeting was opened in due form on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009. Possible candidates for the non-mason outstanding community member were discussed and possible dates to honor the person were also discussed. Finalization of this matter is planned for the March meeting. WB Erwin Feller gave an informative educational lecture concerning Masonic Bodies (other than the Blue Lodge). A lodge of Instruction by MWB Delbert Ripley and WB Dean Ritter was held. Strengths and weaknesses of our "Work" were discussed. I very much welcome this instruction to keep our "Work" similar to that done through the ages. WB Dave Ramsey and WB Dean Ritter provided a fine lunch, cherry Pie and Homemade ice cream. Our next scheduled meeting is March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009. We gladly invite any Masons to attend.

Duane Schmautz, Master

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## BLUNT LODGE #72

Greetings from Blunt #72,

This month of February being George Washington's birthday, our education officer Brother Gerald Johnson PGM, gave an informational talk on our 1<sup>st</sup> President. Brother Randy Pool handed out applications for the Blunt Masonic Scholarship. The Lodge decided to donate \$100.00 to the Sharon Kleinsasser Children's Fund, may God have his hands on them.

We will be honoring the Wives and Widows, and an Outstanding Citizen on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 at 2:00PM at the Blunt Senior Citizens' Center. Wayne and Randy Pool are on the lunch committee for our regular meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

Fraternally, Brian Schultz, Secretary

(605)-280-3836

## IONIC LODGE #83

Ionic Lodge #83 is excited with new Brother J D Long and Brother Cory Beetsch who are eager to become involved in Lodge activities. We thank Pierre Lodge and all the Brothers in District 13 for their contributions to the one-Day Conferral.

We need our Brothers who have been members for years to come back. It is more enjoyable when friends get together to share memories.

Our Inquirers' event and 50 year pin presentation to Ep Sieler will be history; when you read this. Worshipful Brother Ep is a Past Master, Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner. We are very proud of his contributions to Masonry and to this community and State.

Larry Madsen, Secretary

(605) 765-2746

## HIRAM LODGE #123

Greetings from the JW,

Let me say thanks to all of the Brothers who showed up at the February meeting. Thanks WB Dean Ritter from Harrold for visiting with us it is always great to see you in lodge and to get to chat with you. I am going to keep this article Brief as I am hearing negative feedback from a certain few about some of the things that I write in our article, IE birthdays and anniversaries so I will stick to business, the Cooking apron Campaign that we started is going great, we have sold around 20 aprons and not just to Hiram lodge, so I thank the brothers who purchased one and for the ones who haven't please consider it as it is going to help our Book Scholarship fund, the cost is \$25 for the apron and the sewing on it. We held our first annual Breakfast on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February and a big thanks to the Brothers who came out to help, many hands make for little work, so please pick a Saturday and come down and lend a hand as we raised \$191.00 for the Scholarship fund. We are in the negotiations with the Casey Tibbs people to possibly put on a breakfast for their Grand Opening in August, will put out more in the upcoming articles. If you haven't paid your 09 dues or 08 for that matter lets get

them into the secretary, as they are due by the 1<sup>st</sup> of January and if not in your are delinquent and can be suspended. So if you are in question as to your status please contact me either by email or phone. Until the next meeting lets us support or youth and other lodges.



Fraternally, Doug Runge JW (605) 945-1049

### MOBRIDGE LODGE #164

BreTHREN,

If I belabor the pronouncing of that word it is because when I here "brothron or brothrun", which you won't find in the dictionary, it is particularly embarrassing when we have guests. Many thanx, again, to the members who have donated to the Lodge Building Grant Fund. We're getting there!!! Also, thanx to those of our 78 SD members and 14 out of state bros. who have contributed to the MSAP, MAS, etc funds. It was a VERY high percentage of our membership and we've almost received enough for three \$200.00 scholarships to deserving students in our area for the 2009-2010 school year. Our big Inquiry Night and Dinner is on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, so it will be "hit or miss" as to when you receive this epistle from the Mother Ship. Frerers Ripley and Walker to speak (time limits noted in the program). As an "Aside", I will be returning to Saudi Arabia for a reunion trip with about 525 former employees, teachers, and students in March. Coffee time Bros. have scraped up a one-way ticket for me. In an earlier MM, I had asked out-of-town, out-of-state members for news. Bros. Larry Henry of New Virginia, IA and Paul Swenson in Huron are the onlies, so far, and I know Bro. Al Gorham has to be causing trouble down south. C'mon, what's happening???

Brer Bob (605) 762-3392

### EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172

We met February 16<sup>th</sup> with 9 members in attendance. Two petitions were approved and EA Degrees are scheduled for our March 16<sup>th</sup> meeting which will start one hour earlier at 6:00PM MDT. Remember the upcoming District 14 meeting is Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM MDT at Eagle Butte Lodge! We are counting on a good turn-out of local members and guests. It is an open meeting with wives, and anybody interested in finding out more about the Masonic Fraternity invited. (Lunch will be served.) Deputy Grand Master Jack Welker, from Rapid City will be the guest speaker.

Fraternally, Dan Booth, Secretary (605) 865-3726

### ONIDA LODGE NO. 173

Greetings from Onida Lodge #173,

Onida Chapter of Eastern Star will honor Masons on March 19<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30PM. All Brothers are invited to attend.

Lunch for March- Bro Jim Brink and Paul Eidsness.

Fraternally, Doug Marsh, Secretary (605) 258-2787



### YORK RITE NEWS

(Nothing was received.)

Charles H. Walker (605) 224-5259



### CENTRAL SOUTH DAKOTA SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

(Nothing was received.)

Charlie Walker (605) 224-5259



### YELDUZ, OAHE SHRINE CLUB

The untimely passing of Florin Hemminger has been a major impact on the York Rite Bodies, as on the many other bodies and activities in which he participated. We all shall sorely miss him.

As Florin would surely have wanted, we are busily continuing our labors. There are currently three candidates who have completed the Chapter and Council degrees and will be given the Red Cross, Knights of Malta and Order of the Temple degrees during the months of March and April.

This writer has been elected as Secretary and Treasurer of the York Rite Bodies to pick up where Florin left off. It is, at first glance, a major undertaking. Your assistance and patience will be appreciated.

Jim Allan, Secretary/Treasurer (605) 945-1832

### PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD

The Annual Meeting was held on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 with a quorum of 16. The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were approved as read. Total receipts this year were \$17,171.60 and total expenses were \$10,553.62. We established a door fund this year for a new entrance in McClure Hall that will divert traffic from the kitchen. Additionally an AED (automatic external defibrillator) fund was created and we are continuing to accept donations for both funds.

There are several individuals who contribute their time and effort into maintaining the building and providing their services at no cost to the body at large. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them for everything they do to keep our building in running order.

A new by-law amendment was passed this year stating that in the case of a board representative vacancy, the respective appendant body will vote on a replacement at their next stated meeting and allow for election to the board at the first board meeting following the appendant body vote.

Elections of a new slate of Building Board Officers is as follows:

- President – Darrol Bjerke
- Vice President – Mike Jones
- Treasurer – Perry Anderson
- Secretary – Sandy Vanneman

The board would like to remind everyone that the head of each appendant body or their designee should stay until the end of their respective functions to make sure that the trash has been removed, kitchen cleaned, lights are turned off and insure that the doors are locked. A checklist will be provided to ensure that everything is in order for the next calendar event.

Matt Schatz remains the booking agent for the building. He will continue to write all appropriate agreements and collect all donations turning them over to the Treasurer for deposit. As a reminder to all members, no items are to be removed from the building such as tables, chairs, cookware, etc.

The board will be investigating the cost of new chairs. The building is in possession of 143 chairs, not including the wooden folding chairs.

The board committees to continue or be established for the following year include: Kitchen; Bathroom; McClure Hall to including heating; Second Floor "Lodge Room"; Outside Building and Grounds; Temple Building; Heating and Electrical; Building Preservation; AED Fund; and Door Fund.

Sandy Vanneman, Secretary (605) 381-4423



### CAPITAL CITY OES Stardust

**FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY:** –Members observing birthdays during March are as follows: Lynda Paquette on March 7<sup>th</sup>, Sam Tidball on the 13<sup>th</sup>, Erma Mikkelsen the 20<sup>th</sup>, Sandra Vanneman the 24<sup>th</sup>, and Richard Decker on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Best wishes to you as you celebrate your day.

The chapter official visit is scheduled on March 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting is set to begin at 2:00PM with Janet Gruenig, Worthy Grand Matron who will conduct a school of instruction followed with an evening meal at 5:00PM. The evening meeting will begin at 7:00PM. You are invited to attend the afternoon session, the dinner, the evening session and do have your 2009 dues re-

ceipt with you. There will be lunch and fellowship following the day's activities.

We are sorry to report the loss of Louis Fratzke, our chapter member. He was a State Highway Trooper from April, 1958 to December 1982. Louie was initiated in Capital City Chapter #39, on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 1965 and was appointed to serve the chapter Sentinel station in 1966. He continued on to serve as the Associated Patron 1967, 1970, 1971 and again in 1972, then on to Worthy Patron in 1968, 1969, 1973, 1984 and in 1989. He served as the Chaplain in 1974 and as Marshal in 1987.

He gave the chapter of his time and energy. He was interested in chapter functions and generous with his contributions to the chapter's well being. One of his proudest times was the opportunity to initiate his daughters into the Order of Eastern Star, Charlene Kay on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1973, Paula Jean and Lori Ann on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1984. During the chapter banquet serving years, after his work hours, Louie was at the Masonic Temple to help with the potato mashing, vegetable preparation, heavy lifting or whatever duties were necessary in preparation for the large parties the chapter served in those years. He had a great sense of humor and was able to create bursts of laughter from the working crews when the times were the busiest to ease tensions. Chapter condolences are sent to his family, his wife Mary Lou, daughters, Charlene, Paula, Lori and son Scott, who is following his Dad's footsteps as a State Trooper. Louie, you were one of a kind, chapters need more like you. We thank you for your contributions.

The next regular chapter meeting is on March 10, 7:00PM, with Jack Fifield assisted by Marcy, taking charge of the refreshments.

Notes to remember: Daylight savings time begins on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Spring begins on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **GOOD-BYE WINTER**

### **WANETA CHAPTER #47**

We want to invite Eastern Star sisters and brothers to join us in our Official Visit March 20<sup>th</sup> in Faulkton. We will have a joint official visit with Faulkton and Mobridge.

Sister Janet Madsen has been honored by being appointed Grand Representative of Florida in South Dakota by Worthy Grand Matron Jan Greunig.

Larry Madsen, Worthy Patron

(605) 765-2746



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

Greetings from Job's Daughters,

First and foremost the Job's Daughters and the Council express their gratitude to all of the volunteers and event sponsors to help make the 61<sup>st</sup> King of Hearts event an enormous success! Although, the King of Hearts has always been very well organized event, this year the girls voted to involve the communities of Fort Pierre, Pierre, and Onida of where the kids who attend school to help with the annual event. The community involvement was awesome, due to the vast success of the event and the reputation Job's Daughters.

The girls also had decided on how to obtain the 2009 nominations for King. Bethel #10 received 31 recommendations from area schools and various organizations that were to be considered for candidacy which met the following criteria: a first-rate student of a senior class, have an outstanding character and be involved not only in school activities but the community also. After receiving the recommendations, the girls mailed questionnaires to each of the individuals and asked them to name their clubs, memberships and responsibilities in the community; how they have made a positive impact in their community, school, or church; and their honors and awards. From all the applications received only 10 individuals were selected. How? The Jobies decided to leave out the names and pictures of the applicants while deciding the top ten candidates. The girls had only the questions and the applicant's responses to review when selecting candidates and narrowed the selection down to 10, by secret ballot. So from the top ten the following meeting they selected the King and only one council member counted the ballot and knew who was chosen.

If you know any of these young men, please take the time to congratulate them, as it is an honor to be recommended as they stand out in each of their communities.

The candidates selected were: Matt Dosch, Josh Hartman, Gary Marrowbone III, Kyle Cichos, Patrick Gengler and Daniel Fry were from T.F. Rigg's High School. The Stanley County High School candidates were: Clayton Etkorn, Jason Cornelison and Steven Sweetman. The Sully Buttes candidate was Daniel Fields.

Just before midnight the candidates were escorted to the stage of the Georgia Morse Middle School gymnasium. At midnight Kyle Cichos was crowned the 61<sup>st</sup> King of Hearts! Congratulations to Kyle Cichos, and the Jobies for all of their hard work and dedication, the volunteers and all the sponsors for a dazzling 2009 King of Hearts event.

Bethel Co-Guardians Deb Gaetze (224-5956) or Ann Holzhauser (945-1601).



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

(Nothing was received.)

### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

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

Blunt Lodge #72:

\$10.00 – Williams, A J

Hiram Lodge #123, Fort Pierre:

\$10.00 – Jones, Max & Joyce

\$20.00 – Norman, Mitch

Onida Lodge #173, Onida:

\$10.00 – LaFave, Lonnie

\$124.39 – Oahe Shrine Club

OES #90 Ft Pierre:

\$10.00 – Doty, Eva

#### **Accounting:**

1. \$ 1,081.37 Previous balance

2. \$ 184.39 Receipts listed above

3. \$ 138.28 State Publishing – mailed 542 copies

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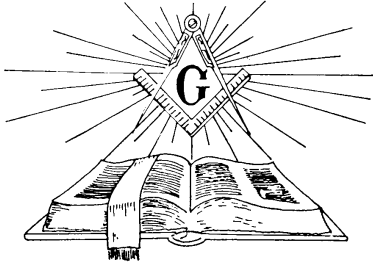
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Thanks in advance,

Fraternally your CSDMM officers & editor



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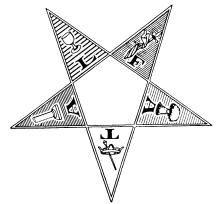
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## ***MASONIC TRESTLE BOARD***

### ***March 2009***



Sunday	1	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	2	7:00pm	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, regular meeting & lunch
	2	8:00pm	Lily Lodge #62 Harrold, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Wednesday	4	8:00pm	Onida Lodge #173, regular meeting & lunch
Thursday	5	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	5	7:30pm	Rising Sun Chapter #86 OES, Blunt, regular meeting & lunch
	5	8:00pm	Ionic Lodge #83 Gettysburg, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Saturday	7	7:00am	Breakfast at McClure Hall until 10:00AM - everyone welcome (Job's)
Monday	9	7:00pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting & lunch
	9	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, regular meeting and lunch
	9	8:00pm	Blunt Lodge #72, Blunt, SD, regular meeting and lunch
Tuesday	10	7:00pm	Capital City Chapter #39, O.E.S. regular meeting and lunch
Wednesday	11	6:15pm	York Rite, dinner and 7:00pm meeting
	11	8:00pm	Waneta Chapter #47 OES Gettysburg, regular meeting and lunch
Saturday	14	1:00 pm	District 14 meeting at Eagle Butte
	14	7:00am	Breakfast at McClure Hall until 10:00AM - everyone welcome (Hiram Lodge)
Sunday	15	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	16	<b>6:00pm</b>	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, Eagle Butte regular meeting and lunch (early start)
	16	8:00pm	Hiram Lodge #123, Ft. Pierre, regular meeting and lunch
Wednesday	18	7:00pm	York Rite Degree Work
Thursday	19	12:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club meets at the Masonic Temple
	19	7:00pm	Ashley Chapter of DeMolay, Pierre.
	19	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch
Saturday	21	7:00am	Breakfast at McClure Hall until 10:00AM - everyone welcome (DeMolay)
	21	noon	CSDMM articles due in Pierre
Monday	23	7:00pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, regular meeting and lunch
	23	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
	23	8:00pm	Ree Valley Lodge #70, Highmore, SD, regular meeting and lunch
Thursday	26	6:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club Ladies' Night dinner at ???
Saturday	28	7:00am	Breakfast at McClure Hall until 10:00AM - everyone welcome (Walkers)