



Proceedings

Of

GRAND CHAPTER

Of

British Columbia & Yukon

97th Annual Convocation

Chilliwack, B.C.

2015

(Organized June 18th, 1919)

MEC Jeremy Gomersall
Grand First Principal

REC Les Robinson
Grand Scribe Ezra



MEC Jeremy Gomersall
Grand First Principal
2014-2015

MEC. Gomersall was initiated in 1971 in Germany, whilst serving with the British Army, and was Exalted in 1974 in England. On moving to B.C., he affiliated with Composite Chapter No. 24 and was its First Principal in 2005. He is a Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Zaud Council No. 1; a Preceptor of Columbia Preceptory No. 34; and a member of the Red Cross of Constantine, York Rite College, the Order of the Secret Monitor and St. Thomas of Acon. He married Debbie in 1985; has a son and daughter from a previous marriage; and three grandchildren. He is a director of two charities, and enjoys golf, woodworking, sailing and choral singing.

I, MEC Ken Overy, Grand Scribe Ezra of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon do hereby certify that the following pages contain a true and accurate transcript of the proceedings of the **Ninety-Seventh** Grand Convocation held in Chilliwack, B.C. on **September 18th & 19, 2015** and authorized to be published.

SEAL

The ninety-seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia & Yukon was held on **September 18th – 19th, 2015** at the Best Western Inn, Chilliwack, B.C.

OFFICERS ELECTED/APPOINTED 2013/2014

MEC Jeremy Gomersall

REC Antony D'Eramo
REC Godfrey Onyemaobi
MEC Kenneth Overy
REC Peter Guichon
MEC Les Robinson
REC Ronald Smith
REC Norm Bruce
REC Phillip Robinson
REC John Paterson
REC Harry Von Czarnowski
REC Kerry Whitefoot
REC Richard Miller
REC Kevin Guest
REC Bob Hart
REC Bryan Rodger
REC Norm Carreck
REC Rick Sheldon
REC James Bennie
VEC Chuck Chamberlain
VEC Rick Dawson
VEC Peter Edwards
REC Dieter Endruchat
VEC Eric Hanson
VEC Misha Radoman
VEC Bruce Allan
REC Bill Hogewoning
VEC Alan Ackhurst
VEC Brian Johnstone
VEC Peter Boddy

Grand First Principal

Grand Second Principal
Grand Third Principal
IPGZ
Grand Treasurer
Grand Scribe Ezra
Grand Pr. Sojourner
Grand Sr. Sojourner
Grand Jr. Sojourner
Grand Supt. Dist. 1
Grand Supt. Dist. 2
Grand Supt. Dist. 3
Grand Supt. Dist. 4
Grand Supt. Dist. 6
Grand Supt. Dist. 7
Grand Supt. Dist. 10
Grand Supt. Dist. 11
Grand Nehemiah
Grand Historian
Grand Sword Bearer
Grand Standard Bearer
Grand Dir. Of Ceremonies
Grand Marshal
Grand Pursuivent
Grand Steward #1
Grand Steward #2
Grand Steward #3
Grand Chaplain
Grand Organist
Grand Tyler

18 September 2015

1. INFORMAL OPENING OF GRAND CHAPTER

The informal opening of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of B.C. & Yukon was held in the normal manner on **Friday, September 18, 2015**. The companions and guests were welcomed to the session. The Grand Council and IPGZ were piped in and assumed their respective chairs in the East. The Grand First Principal then declared the Informal Grand Chapter open at **7:30 pm**. He welcomed all to the Grand Convocation.

2. RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following distinguished guests and visitors were each introduced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies, REC Norm Carreck and then received and welcomed by the Grand Council and seated.

Alex Reid – Brother – OES BC & Yukon

Len Pickel – Rt Ill Kt. Priest – Gr. Supt KTP

Norm Munro – V Worthy Bro – Order of the Secret Monitor

Larry Atkinson 33* - Ill Bro – Hon Inspector-General – Scottish Rite AASRF

Wayne Reese – Ill Sir – Potentate – Gizeh Shrine Center

Garry Gordon – V Wor Bro – RCC

Godfrey Onyemaobi – Sovereign Master – Allied Masonic Degree's

Alex Hart – V Dist Bro – Dep Gr Governor - York Rite College

Joseph Cassidy – Prophet – Past Monach – Van Zor Grotto

David B. Turner – Rt Worthy Bro – Imm. Past Prov. Gr. Master – Royal Order of Scotland

Marvyn Rogers – MEC – Gr. Z - G.C. of Alberta

James Taylor – MEC – Past Gr. Z - G.C. of Nova Scotia

Herb Weaver – MEC - P Gr. H.P. – G.C. of Washington

Douglas Collins – M Wor. Bro – Grand Master – Grand Lodge
of B.C.and Yukon

3. FLAG CEREMONY

The flag ceremony was conducted by MEC Ken Overy.

The flags were carried in by members of the local Royal Canadian Legion. John Helie carried the Canadian flag, Walter Webster carried the American flag, Don Gallagher carried the Yukon flag and Chris Johnson carried the British Columbia flag. The ceremony ended with the singing of “*O Canada*” and “*The Star Spangled Banner*”

4. MEMORIAL SERVICE

Companion and guests we have come together at this time to remember before God the lives of our Companions who have passed to the Grand Chapter above, to commend them in God’s keeping and to comfort those who mourn with our sympathy and our love; in the hope that we share through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Hear the words of our Savior

I am the resurrection and the Life:
Even in death, anyone who believes in me will live.

Set your troubled hearts at rest.
Trust in God always; trust also in me

Come to me all who labour and are heavily laden
And I will give you rest

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have Eternal Life

Our Companions have completed their labours and gone to their rest in the Grand Chapter above, where we dwell with the Great Architect of the Universe.

There for let us remember that, although we have been parted from these our Companions, none of us need ever be separated from the Love of God.

Scripture reading Mathew 11: 25 – 30

At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father. Lord of Heaven and Earth, because thou has hidden these things from the wise and prudent, and has revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.

Come unto me ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your Souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

SERMON

Let us Pray.

God of our life there are days when the burdens we carry chafe our shoulders and weigh us down; when the road seems dreary and endless, the skies grey and threatening, when our lives have music in them, and our hearts are lonely, and our souls have lost their courage,. Flood the path with light, turn our eyes to where the skies are full of promise; turn our hearts to brave music; give us the sense of comradeship with heroes and Saints of every age; and quicken our spirits that we may be able to encourage the souls of all who journey with us on the road of life, to your Honor and glory:

Amen

ROLL CALL OF FRATERNAL DEAD (Rose Ceremony)

District No. 1.

REC. John Paterson

Columbia No. 1

REC. Robert Vincent Cleaver 10 May/2014
Comp. Ronald Walmsley Smith 24 Oct/2014

Tzouhalem No. 26

Comp. Arthur Chesters 12 Nov/2014
Comp Ken McKenzie 15 Jun/2014

Pacific Rim No 44

E.C. Robert Stanley Forman 09 May/2014

District No. 2.

REC. Harry Von Czarnowski

Chilliwack No. 19

Comp. Robert E. Lee 08Mar/2014

Composite #24

REC. Thomas Bligh 03 Sept/2014
Comp. James George Clouston 27 Dec/2014

Semiahmoo No. 34

Comp. Wilfred De La Mere 04 May/2014
Comp. Ronald Leslie Harris 11 Dec/2014
E.C. John Roderick MacDonald 25 Dec/2014

District No. 3.

REC. Kerry Whitefoot

Kelowna No. 17

REC Hugh Leveret Ferster 03 Oct/2014

Kamloops No. 18
Comp. John Edward Burns 29 Jan/2014
Comp. William Fowler 03 Mar/2014

Penticton No. 22
REC. Hugh Everet Ferster 03 Oct/2014

Granite No. 29
REC. Marvin Lundeen 2014

District No. 4. REC. Richard Miller

Rossland No. 4 None Reported

Rocky Mountain No. 7 None Reported

District No. 6. REC. Kevin Guest

Kaien No. 13 None Reported

Kalum No. 37 None Reported

District No. 7. REC. Bob Hart

North Vancouver King Solomon No. 16
Comp. Julio Escudero 11 Jun/2014

Joppa No. 31
REC. Vernon Halverson 06 May/2014
EC. Grant Wardlaw 07 May/2014

Georgian No. 39 None Reported

Simon Fraser #40 None Reported

District No. 10. REC Bryan Roger

Fort George No. 36 None Reported

Yukon No. 38 None Reported

Dawson Creek No 41
Comp. John Wallace Gentiles 17 Aug/2014

Caribou No. 43 None Reported

District No. 11. REC Norm Carreck

Keystone No. 8 Non Reported

North Island No. 10

VEC Bruce Allan McLean
Comp. Charles John Figuerido

20 Aug/2014
Unknown

Majuba No. 33 None Reported

Cathedral No. 35

Comp. A.J.C. Olson

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AND for all Companions who may have been inadvertently omitted as well as all the men and women serving overseas to protect this great nation.

One red rose was placed on the altar by the Grand Superintendent of the District or in his absence by another Companion for each District and for all those serving overseas.

The A/Chaplain: "They shall not grow old as we are left to grow old. Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun, and in the morning."

RESPONSE: "***We shall remember them!***"

We commend to God our companions as they have journeyed beyond our sight

God of all consolation, in your unending love and mercy you turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life. Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by dying for us, conquered death, and by rising again restored life. May we not be afraid of death but desire to be with Christ and after our labours on earth are done be united with our companions and loved ones, where every tear will be wiped away and all things made new. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

LORDS PRAYER

BLESSING

Be steadfast in faith, joyful in hope and untiring in love all the days of your life and the blessing of The Great Architect of the Universe be with you this day and always.
AMEN

5) ADDRESSES BY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The Grand First Principal invited those guests who will not be here on Saturday to address the assembly

6) INFORMAL CLOSING OF GRAND CHAPTER

This Informal Opening was closed by the Grand First Principal at 9:20 pm with a reminder that the Convocation would commence tomorrow at **8:30 am on September 19th 2015**

September 19, 2015

7) FORMAL OPENING OF GRAND CHAPTER

The Grand Convocation was formally opened by the Grand First Principal in ample form at **8:35 am**. The Grand Scribe Ezra confirmed that **22** Chapters were represented and so constituting a quorum.

8) RECEPTION OF GUESTS/VISITORS AND REGRETS

All the guests who did not have occasion to speak at the Informal Opening were welcomed back and advised they would be provided the occasion to address the session at some time during the day.

Regrets Received:

M.Ex. Comp. Hilliard Claire

M.Ex Comp. Tony Brown

M.Ex. Comp. Alistair Ross

R.Ex.Comp. Percy Harkness

V.Ex.Comp. Norm W. Bruce GS Sojourner

R.W.Bro. Bill Headen Royal order of Scotland

M.Ex.Comp. Brian Van Sickle. Grand Chapter of Canada

M.Ex.Comp. Ian A. Murray. Grand Chapter of Nfld. and Lab.

9) CHANGE OF SIGNING AUTHORITY

No Change in Signing Authority

10) RESOLUTION OF LOYALTY

The following Resolution of Loyalty, duly **MOVED** by Right Excellent Companion Tony D'Eramo and duly **SECONDED** by Right Excellent Companion Godfrey Onyemaobi was unanimously adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED that this, the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon assembled at their ninety-second Annual Convocation in the City of Penticton, British Columbia, Canada this 18th day of September, 2010, reaffirm the loyalty of all its members to Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Canada; His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, Charles the Prince of Wales, Prince William and Prince Harry.

WE TRUST AND PRAY Her Majesty will continue to enjoy good health and strength fulfilling the duties of her high and important office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a true copy of this Resolution will be forwarded to Her Majesty through the Honorable Secretary of State for Canada under the signature and seal of this Most Excellent Grand Chapter.

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY of the Resolution passed at the Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon on **Saturday, September 19th, 2015.**

“GOD SAVE THE QUEEN”

MEC Jeremy Gomersall
GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL

REC Les Robinson
GRAND SCRIBE EZRA

**11. MINUTES OF GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATION
2014.**

Motion by Grand Scribe Ezra M.E.C. Les Robinson.

I hereby move that the minutes of the ninety-sixth annual Grand Convocation of Royal Arch Masons of B.C. & Yukon, held in the city of Parksville, British Columbia and as published in the annual proceedings of 2014 be hereby adopted.

Seconded by Bruce Allan

Carried

**12) ADDRESS OF GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL (Z)
MEC JEREMY GOMERSALL**

R.Ex. Comp. Tony D'Eramo assumed the chair

Welcome to the Ninety-Seventh Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon held, as on many previous occasions at the hospitable Best Western Rainbow Country Inn in Chilliwack. I trust that you have already enjoyed our Informal Opening of Grand Chapter and have had a peaceful night.

I should like to thank the Companions of this Grand Chapter for entrusting me with the Office of Grand First Principal for the past twelve months and, in particular, to thank my sponsors for their faith in me. Also, at this moment, I am very conscious of the influence which my proposer into Freemasonry has had in my life; he eventually became Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Freemasons in Germany and the First Grand Principal of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in that jurisdiction. He died too early, but he, and many others in this Royal Art, have set the highest examples of Companionship and dedication which I have, in all humility, attempted to emulate.

As your Grand First Principal I now have the honour to address you, and give you not only a report, but my belief in what we should all be striving to achieve.

Last year, at this time, I said that it would be my aim to attend the Annual Installations of all Chapters in this Jurisdiction. In so doing, I was hoping to experience that “family feeling” which is usually present at all anniversaries and by installing the First Principals myself, to provide a personal link between Grand Chapter and all twenty-six Chapters in the Jurisdiction.

I have achieved my aim, with one exception, which was due to a flight cancellation owing to bad weather, but subsequently re-arranged as a delightful and almost perfect conferral of the Royal Arch Degree at a later date. Wherever I have been I have been met with the most generous hospitality and warm friendship, for which I sincerely thank every Companion who made these visits most enjoyable, and for the hospitality given to me and to my wife when she accompanied me. Yes, there is a really good “family feeling” in the Chapters of British Columbia and Yukon.

The Grand Superintendents have made their prescribed visits to the Chapters on their Districts, and you can judge the state of the Jurisdiction from their formal Reports, when they are given later at this Grand Convocation.

Grand Masters of the Veils have no function in the operation of Grand Chapter, and our Constitution allows the Grand First Principal to decide on whether or not to make such appointments for his term of office. I did not appoint Grand Masters of the Veils at this time last year, but I reserved the right to do so during my term if a deserving Companion should be brought to my notice. I am very pleased to say that such an occasion presented itself, and I appointed a Grand Master of the Fourth Veil in January.

Whilst on the subject of Grand Officers, I should like to thank those who found time from their busy lives to join me on my visits to Chapters in this Jurisdiction. I very much enjoyed their presence which was, I hoped, not to take a Ritual part in the Installation proceedings, but to cement that bond which exists between Grand Chapter and its individual Chapters. I also thank those Companions who joined me in visiting other Jurisdictions.

As far as my visits to other Jurisdictions are concerned, I had hoped to attend the Grand Convocations of as many Grand Chapters in Canada as possible, as well as the Grand Chapter of the State of Washington. Unfortunately, because I was committed to the dates of Chapter Installations here in BC and Yukon, I could only attend the Grand Convocations of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Newfoundland and Labrador. In all these visits, I gave the greetings of our Grand Chapter, which were extremely well received; and the hospitality shown to my wife and me was outstanding. However, I was particularly sad to have had to miss my visit to Washington, and I look forward to attending on a future occasion.

In British Columbia and Yukon we have a special place in our hearts for the Companions to the immediate South of us, and I was glad to see a fair number of our Companions at the Peace Arch Affirmation Day last year. It is held annually on the last Sunday in October, and I strongly recommend this mid-day event to every Companion who can possibly fit it into his Masonic calendar; our Washington Companions are hosts and it is a very enjoyable occasion, and our Ladies are most welcome to join us. Companions, when you go to lunch

today, put the date of October 25th into your iPhone, Blackberry, or whatever-you-use, as a reminder of Peace Arch Affirmation Sunday.

However, not all of our meetings have been enjoyable occasions, as most of us have attended memorial services of Companions who have been Exalted to the Grand Chapter Above. In February we were saddened by the untimely death of Most Excellent Companion David Turner. As well as being our beloved Grand First Principal in 2001, David had been District Deputy Grand Master in the Craft and Supreme Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada. He was also active in other Masonic Bodies including the Royal Order of Scotland, the Scottish Rite, and the Shrine. He will be missed by all who met him, and our condolences go to Joan and his family for the loss in their lives. David was one of those to whom I referred at the beginning of this Address, as being an exemplary Freemason and Companion.

Whenever we refer to a "Companion" we use an old English word which means "someone with whom we share bread", that is to say, someone in whom we trust. We as Companions of the Holy Royal Arch should, therefore, be "Trusted and Trusty Freemasons", and this was the intention of the "Ancients" Grand Lodge almost three hundred years ago, when it started what has developed into our "Royal Art" and who gave us the name of "Companions". Today, we are the inheritors of this beautiful Order. With our inheritance come certain obligations to preserve what is the foundation of the York Rite, and to hand it "pure and unsullied" (to borrow a familiar phrase) to future generations. We should not look just for numbers to ensure its future, but we must attract those Freemasons who look to us as Freemasons of distinction.

A Chapter is like a team: it has leaders and it has members, just as a football team has coaches and players. In order for a football team to be successful, all, coaches and players, must speak and understand the same language- so it is with a successful Chapter, with the Principals and members, all being fully acquainted with the Ritual and history of Royal Arch Masonry. Such a Chapter will automatically attract Craft Masons who will see that here is something special about these Brethren who call themselves "Companions".

If we allow petty problems to disturb our convocations, it will show. If we don't take the trouble to learn about our Order, it will show. If we don't practice in our lives what we are encouraged to practice in our Chapters, it will show.

Therefore, if we exhibit loyalty and unity; if we are committed to give support for, and show interest in, our Order, and above all, if we actually do what we say we believe; then, it will also show. In short, we must be prepared to be "good ambassadors" for the Royal Arch if we expect to have any hope for its survival. It's as simple as that, and, if we follow these precepts, although Candidates may not come beating down our doors, the right ones will make the appropriate knock.

Think about it, Companion: be quick to encourage and slow to censure.

It is now my great pleasure to recommend for Permanent Rank those Grand Officers who have served Grand Chapter during these past twelve months.

I therefore recommend that the permanent rank of Right Excellent Companion be granted to the following with effect from the end of this Grand Convocation:

REC John Paterson (44), as Past Grand Superintendent of District No. 1
REC Harry von Czarnowski (19) as Past Grand Superintendent of District No 2
REC Kerry Whitefoot (17), as Past Grand Superintendent of District No. 3
REC Richard Miller (7), as Past District Superintendent of District No. 4
REC Kevin Guest (37), as Past District Superintendent of District No. 6
REC Bob Hart (40), as Past District Superintendent of District No. 7
REC Bryan Roger (43), as Past District Superintendent of District No. 10
REC Norm Carreck (33), as Past District Superintendent of District No. 11

I also recommend the permanent rank of Very Excellent Companion be granted to the following with the effect from the end of this Grand Convocation.

VEC Chuck Chamberlain (16), VEC Rick Dawson (48), VEC Dieter Endruschat (35), VEC Erik Hansen (29), VEC John Young (16), and VEC Misha Radoman (24).

Who have served the Offices of Grand Sword Bearer, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Marshal, Grand Pursuivant, Grand Master of the 4th Veil, and Grand Steward respectively.

Furthermore I recommend that the permanent rank of Very Excellent Companion be granted to Comp. Peter Boddy (40) on him becoming Immediate Past First Principal of his Chapter, for his service as Grand Tyler.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my year as your Grand First Principal, due, in most part, to the manner in which I have been welcomed and looked after, in all my visits. I thank the Officers and the Committees who agreed to serve with me on this part of my 'Masonic Journey', and I am particularly grateful to Most Excellent Companion Les Robinson for his support, and for extending his duties as Grand Scribe Ezra to include being my "wheels" when I visited Chapters on Vancouver Island. I wish him a long and peaceful retirement.

However, I owe my utmost gratitude to my wife, Debbie. I would not have had this opportunity to serve if it had not been for her total support in everything that I've done during our thirty years of marriage. It is not an exaggeration to say that she has always been the finest companion (small c) that a Companion (capital 'C') could hope for.

I wish my successor in office, Right Excellent Companion Tony D'Eramo an enjoyable and successful twelve months, and I will give him whatever support and encouragement he may require.

I move the Acceptance of this Address and the Adoption of the recommendations which it contains. It will be seconded by Most Excellent Companion Les Robinson.

Carried:

Most Excellent Companion Jeremy Gomersall

Grand Zerubbabel

**13) ADDRESS OF THE GRAND 2nd PRINCIPAL
REC ANTONY “TONY” JAMES D’ERAMO**

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon.

It has been my honour and privilege to serve as Grand Second Principal Haggai in this Grand Jurisdiction for the 2014-2015.

These last few years have been an exciting and interesting sojourn. Not only for personal growth, but as an opportunity to travel around our province to meet others and share experiences with our Companions.

I had the opportunity to invest eight Second Principals and two Scribe Ezra’s, as well as participate in various Degrees. I had the privilege to experience our North Island Chapter Dinner Lodge, which I must say was memorable and recommend it to all Companions. I was invited to Alberta to attend a 50th yr. anniversary on Settler, as well as numerous Alberta Chapter visits. It was also my pleasure to support the District Superintendent of District #1 on his Official visits whenever possible.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend Spring Board due to illness and would like to thank our Third Principal, R.E.C. Godfrey Onyemaobi for stepping up to the plate and taking control of the situation. Spring Board is the occasion for our Companions to voice their views about the direction their Grand Chapter is heading. This is a great opportunity for all Companions to get acquainted with their Grand Line, renew and strengthen friendships, and meet new Companions. I encourage all Companions to attend if possible.

It has been a pleasure as well as an honour to have served as Grand Second Principal Haggai in our Grand Jurisdiction this year, and I would like to thank all of those who have guided me and offered me their tutelage during the past year.

I am looking forward to my upcoming term as Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon.

Thank you once again for the privilege of serving as Grand Second Principal this year.

Respectfully Submitted

REC Antony ‘Tony’ James D’Eramo

Moved by REC Antony D’Eramo and Seconded by MEC Les Robinson that the report be accepted.

Carried:

**14) ADDRESS OF THE GRAND THIRD PRINCIPAL (J)
REC GODFREY ONYEMAABI**

To the Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon:

Companions:

A year has passed since I was installed as Grand Third Principal and it has been my pleasure to serve you all with much satisfaction and also participating in a number of official activities with our Grand First Principal. M.E. Companion Jeremy Gomersall.

My first duty was to invest the Grand Sword Bearer and Grand Steward at the earliest opportunity as delegated by the Grand First Principal as they were unavoidably absent at Grand Chapter. This task was duly performed at North Van-King Solomon No. 16 on October 9th.

On October 14th I accompanied the Grand First Principal to Semiahmoo Chapter No 34 where he presented a 50 year Jewel to a deserving Companion of the Chapter, V.E. Companion Cyril Davison.

On Sunday, October 26, I and many Companions from this Grand Jurisdiction were at the Peace Arch Affirmation Day celebrations with Companions from Washington State. This was a well-attended event with most of the Grand Line from both Jurisdictions properly represented; I would urge all those that haven't attended to do so in subsequent years.

I also accompanied our Grand First Principal on eight of his official visits to Chapters within this Grand Jurisdiction and I had the privilege of installing the Third Principals in their various Chapters.

A memorable highlight of my term was the Spring Board of General Purposes held in Delta on April 4th. On this occasion I was called upon to Chair the meeting due to the unavoidable absence of the Grand Second Principal. The meeting was well attended and productive with majority of the Companions in attendance favouring the one day format as adopted this year. This is an idea that might likely be explored for the Spring Board in 2016 which would take place in Abbotsford.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all those that guided me and offered their support. The past year has been a wonderful experience for me and I really enjoyed serving this Grand Chapter. I look forward to serving in various capacities in the coming years.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted:
REC Godfrey Onyemaobi

Moved by REC. Godfrey Onyemaobi and **Seconded** by MEC. Les Robinson that the report be accepted.

Carried:

15) REPORT OF THE MERIT AWARD COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers, and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon.

Your Merit Award Committee was presented with the name of one Companion to receive this prestigious Award.

We are pleased to recommend and confirm the presentation of the Merit Award to Companion Karl Mass of Pacific Rim Chapter No. 44.

Your Merit Award Committee reminds the Companions that there are Companions within our Chapters who have devoted much time and effort for their Chapters without any recognition. Do not forget them.

There is an Application for Merit Award form along with a note of explanation. Fill out the Application as per the format and especially "for the following reasons".

Fraternally submitted:

M.E.C. Denis S. Carriere, Chairman

M.E.C. Antony Brown

M.E.C. Joseph Marshall

Moved by MEC Dennis Carriere and **Seconded** by MEC. Les Robinson to accept this report.
Carried

16) RECEPTION OF PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS 2015

1989	Most Excellent Companion	Thomas O. Mickey
1997	Most Excellent Companion	Leonard G.B.Pickell
1998	Most Excellent Companion	Joseph R. Marshall
2002	Most Excellent Companion	Norman K. Monro
2004	Most Excellent Companion	George W.Eaton
2006	Most Excellent Companion	A.Leslie Robinson
2009	Most Excellent Companion	David Grange
2010	Most Excellent Companion	Joel Chiri

2011 Most Excellent Companion Norman McEvoy

2013 Most Excellent Companion Kenneth Overy

Grand Honours under the direction of REC Norm Carreck, Grand Director of Ceremonies, were accorded. Each Past Grand First Principal was welcomed by the Grand First Principal.

MEC Mickey offered a few words on behalf of the assembled Past Grand Z's. Thanked Grand Chapter for courtesies extended and reminded that they are always available to offer advice and assistance wherever needed.

17) RECEPTION OF FIRST PRINCIPALS

Roll Call 2015

Columbia # 1	EC Jimmy Catala	P
Rossland # 4	EC Doug Peters	
Rocky Mountain #7	EC Fred Blunden	
Keystone #8	EC Tim Findlay	
North Island #10	EC DanMcCoy	
Kaien #13	EC Chris Proctor	
N.Vancouver – King Solomon #16	EC Antony Dodd	
Kelowna #17	REC Kim Wilmer	P
Kamloops #18	EC Don Fisher	
Chilliwack #19	EC Ivan Hamilton	
Penticton #22	EC Barry Robinson	
Composite #24	EC Bong Bunagan	
Tzouhalem #26	EC Arnie Krenz	P
Granite #29	EC Noel Plummer	
Joppa #31	EC John Laing	P
Majuba #33	EC John Phalen	P
Semiahmoo #34	EC Nick Serna	
Cathedral #35	EC Dieter Endruschat	
Fort George #36	EC Randy Osmond	
Kalum #37	EC Dennis Lahue	
Yukon #38	EC Don Frizzell	
Georgian #39	EC Randy Sorenson	P
Simon Fraser #40	EC Peter Boddy	P
Dawson Creek #41	REC John Murphy	
Caribou #43	EC Jeffrey Blodquett	
Pacific Rim #44	EC Doug Henderson	

P = Present

A = Absent

The attending First Principals were received and welcomed by MEC Jeremy Gomersall. The First Principals were accorded Grand Honours under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies.

18)

**REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER
For the Year-ended 31st December 2014.**

To the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon.

Companions All:

I now present the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2014. The Accounts of your Grand Chapter have been reviewed by REC D. Lewis and Ex. Companion J. Laing, to which they have signed the Reviewers Report and accepted the Financial Statements for the year 2014.

These Statements comprise the following reports:-

General Account.

1. Statement of Financial Position
2. Income & Expenditure Statement
3. Notes to Financial Statements
4. Statement of Cash Flows

Bursary Account:-

1. Statement of Financial Position – Capital Fund
2. Income & Expenditure Statement – Capital & Annual Fund
3. Statement of Cash Flows – Capital Fund

As in prior years, your Grand Chapter Officers continue to explore avenues of improving the bottom line of your Grand Chapter, and with the close cooperation of the Finance Committee we strive for further improvements and efficiencies. So for the year ending December 31, 2014, the operating costs of Grand Chapter declined from approximately \$35,000 in 2013 to approximately \$21,200 in 2014. The largest decreases resulted from an decreases in donations. However, as a result of your Grand Scribe's continued efforts in streamlining the administration costs of the Grand Chapter office, the actual operating costs of Grand Chapter remained approximately the same as in 2013, once the increase in donations was taken into account.

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

1. How did we do last year - to summarize - In the General Account we had Income of \$ 32,026 and Expenses of \$ 21,840 (these numbers exclude the Donation income and Donations expenses) ending up with a Net Income of \$ 12,060.
2. Compared to the 2014 planned results our Actual Net Income was \$2,069 more than Plan, the major variance in income being greater than planned investment income of \$2,517 as well as capita income greater than planned by \$118. Regarding the expenses, there was investment income of \$5,554, from sale of investments where the plan had a \$1,000 loss. Donations from the investment income to the three Grand Chapter supported Charities totaling \$3,680. Your Grand Chapter Executive this year authorized a distribution of 35% of the investment income earned beginning in the fiscal year ending 2013 to the Charities.
3. In reviewing the Expenditures for last year compared to Plan they were favorable by \$ 4,194 in total. Individually, the major variances (items over \$250) were as follows:-

Unfavorable	\$
Telephone	(\$437)
Favorable	\$.....
Jewels, regalia, pins	468
Regalia repairs	250
General	500
Miscellaneous	261
Computer supplies	566
Amortization	511
Investment loss	6,554

Note that for purposes of this discussion, I have not included any of the donations, as they are unplanned items and they were received and paid out on a net basis.

INVESTMENTS:-

Our Total Investments at year end 2014 stood at \$245,035 at cost (market value \$ 271,462) from 2013 yearend total of \$ 228,662 at cost (market value \$ 244,856).

My Companions, what I have just outlined to you, sums up the financial position of the General Account for last year – 2014.

If you have any questions or need additional explanations to my presentation of the General Account fund, I will gladly accept them now, before I move to the presentation of the Bursary Fund.

BURSARY ACCOUNT:-

Regarding the Bursary Account we awarded \$ 3,000 in Bursaries last year, and had a \$ 2,464 net increase in our Capital Account, and our total Investment Holdings at year end 2014 increased to \$ 135,348 from \$134,802.

With regard to Donations received for last year, I would like to thank all those Companions and Chapters who generously made donations, one item to note is that the amount received in the Capital Fund for 2014 of \$NL down significantly from 2013 by \$200, whilst the Donations made to the Annual Fund were \$ 3,835.

Companions don't forget that if and when you send in a Donation to the Bursary Fund please specify whether it is applicable to the Capital or Annual Fund.

If there are any questions I would be glad to answer them, now or please feel free to talk to me anytime during the day.

2015 OUTLOOK:-

General Account

How are we doing so far in 2015? Again, this year 2015, our expenditures are within budget to date. Our Grand Scribe has to be commended for his continued diligence in reducing costs where he has., Your executive and finance committee continue to monitor the financial position of Grand Chapter and any recommendations for any possible changes to the per capital will be made at Grand Chapter.

Bursary Account

Donations to the Annual Fund so far in 2015 as a result of the solicitations by the Bursary committee has proved successful, however Companions, unless the Chapters and members continue to support the Bursary Fund, it will become harder to support the worthy students asking for support that they are asking for.

I **move** the adoption of this Report and Statements, which will be **seconded** by MEC. Les Robinson.

Carried:

Fraternally Submitted

REC. Peter Guichon – Grand Treasurer

**GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
of
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON**

“BURSARY ACCOUNT”

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31st 2014

*Financial Reviewers Report
Statement of Financial Position
Statement of Income & Expenses
Statement of Cash Flows*

*REC. Peter Guichon
Grand Treasurer*

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON
“BURSARY ACCOUNT”

To: All Companions

FINANCIAL REVIEWER’S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31st 2014

We the undersigned, have examined the records of “The Grand Chapter of British Columbia & Yukon – “Bursary Account” for the year ended December 31st 2014, and in our opinion, the Financial Statements present a true and correct view of the affairs of the Grand Chapter Bursary Account as at that date, and conform to Standard Accounting procedures.

However, we did not perform a Statutory Audit as defined by Law.

Fraternally,

.....
REC. D. Lewis

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EX. Comp. J. Laing

Dated2015

AS AT DECEMBER 31st,2014

“CAPITAL FUND”

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
ASSETS:		
<i><u>Current</u></i>		
Bank Account HSBC	\$ 3,535.42	\$ 2,732.33
Investment – Cash Account	<u>1,950.57</u>	<u>417.08</u>
	5,485.99	3,149.41
<i><u>Investments – At Cost</u></i>		
Odlum Brown – Holding at Cost	\$ 135,347.92	\$ 134,385.03
FUND ASSETS	\$ 140,833.91	\$ 137,534.44
	<u><u>=====</u></u>	<u><u>=====</u></u>
LIABILITIES:		
<i><u>Current</u></i>		
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -
Investment Loss Provision	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
<i><u>Equity</u></i>		
Prior Years Surplus	\$ 137,534.44	\$ 131,329.50
Current Years Surplus	<u>\$ 3,299.47</u>	<u>\$ 6,204.94</u>
Total Equity	\$ 140,833.91	\$ 137,534.44
FUND LIABILITIES	\$ 140,833.91	\$ 137,534.44
	<u><u>=====</u></u>	<u><u>=====</u></u>

Approved.....Grand 1st Principal

Approved.....Grand 2nd Principal

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS – “BURSARY ACCOUNT”

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENTS

For the YEAR ENDED – DECEMBER 31st, 2014

“CAPITAL FUND”

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<i>Income</i>		
Donations	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00
Investment Interest	\$ 6,174.44	\$ 5,982.24
Total	\$ 6,174.44	\$ 6,182.24
 <i>Expenses</i>		
Transfer to Annual Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Investment Loss (Profit)	\$ 3,709.97	\$ 62.25
Total	\$ 3,709.97	\$ 62.25
 NET CAPITAL		
Income	\$ 2,464.47	\$ 6,119.99

“ANNUAL FUND”

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<i>Income</i>		
Donations	\$ 3,835.00	\$ 6,084.95
Investment Transfer	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 3,835.00	\$ 6,084.95
 <i>Expenditures</i>		
Bursary Awards	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Total Expenses	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
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Net Income (Loss)	\$ 835.00	\$ 84.95

Grand Chapter Royal Arch – Bursary Account

Grand Treasurer’s Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31st, 2014

“CAPITAL FUND”

Net Capital Income		\$	3,299.47
Source of Funds:			
Investment – Cash Account			
Investment - Sold			
Source Total			3,299.47
Application of Funds:			
Investments Purchased		\$	962.89
Investment – Cash Account		\$	1,533.49
Application Total			2,496.38
Net Cash Flow		\$	803.09
 Opening Bank Balance Jan 1st, 2014		\$	<u>2,732.33</u>
 Closing Bank Balance Dec 31st, 2014		\$	<u><u>3,535.42</u></u>

<u>Investments – Odlum Brown</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
	\$	% Return	\$
Odlum Brown –			
Cominar Reit	11,440.22	4.23%	11,389.03
Northern Savings GIC – 3.8%	11,287.00	3.80%	11,287.00
Northern Savings GIC – 2.1%	15,900.00	2.1%	15,900.00
General Motors	8,402.03		8,109.59
Brookfield Asset	6,326.04	4.75%	6,516.00
Rogers Communications	8,272.46		7,904.75
Fortis Inc. – 4.9%	9,574.60	4.90%	9,988.00
RBC Common Shares	5,980.46		12,838.40
George Weston – 5.20%	6,395.40	5.20%	7,479.00
Bell Canada	7,192.15	5.00%	7,440.15
ALTM Hi Int Cash	7,907.71		8,238.74
BCE INC New	7,579.31		9,057.60
Kraft Food Common Shares	9,278.06		14,555.92
CIBC Common Shares	6,466.50		11,980.80
NTL Oilwell Varco Inc	8,453.65		8,372.44
BMO Common Shares	4,892.33		5,752.60
Total	<u><u>\$ 135,347.92</u></u>		<u><u>\$ 156,810.02</u></u>

GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON
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REC Peter Guichon
Grand Treasurer

GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
of
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON

To: ALL COMPANIONS

FINANCIAL REVIEWERS REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2014

We the undersigned, have made examination of the records of “The Grand Chapter British Columbia and Yukon – General Account” for the year ended 31st December 2014, and

In our opinion, the financial Statements present a true and correct view of the affairs of the Grand Chapter – General Account as at that date, and conform to standard accounting procedures.

However, we did not perform a Statutory Audit as defined by Law.

Fraternally,

.....
REC. D. Lewis

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EX. Comp. J. Laing

Dated....., 2015

**GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON**

**STATEMENT of FINANCIAL POSITION
“GENERAL ACCOUNT”**

DECEMBER 31st 2014

	<u>2013</u>		<u>2014</u>	
<u>ASSETS</u>				
<u>CURRENT</u>				
Bank Account – Chequing	8,498.77		4,881.14	
Cash – Investments	1,906.56		2,052.19	
Inventories (note 1)	1,990.10		2,519.98	
Prepaid Expenses	1,000.00		0.00	
	-----	\$13,395.43	-----	\$9,453.31
 <u>INVESTMENTS (at Cost)</u>				
Odlum Brown – Holdings (note 2)	228,661.80		245,035.29	
		\$228,661.80	-----	\$245,035.29
 <u>FIXED</u>				
Regalia etc	14,993.34		14,993.34	
Accumulated Depreciation	(13,372.00)		(13,780.00)	
Computer Equipment	3,344.53		4,315.59	
Accumulated Depreciation	(3,344.79)		(3,425.71)	
Office Equipment	1,380.88		1,380.88	
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,380.88)		(1,380.88)	
	-----	<u>\$1,621.08</u>	-----	<u>\$2,103.22</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		\$243,678.31		\$256,591.82
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>				
<u>CURRENT</u>				
Accounts Payable	3,327.00		3,681.00	
Convocation Loan Acct.	906.68		906.68	
Provision Regalia Replacement	14,500.00		15,000.00	
	-----	\$18,733.68	-----	\$19,587.68
 <u>CAPITAL & EQUITY</u>				
Prior Years Surplus	218,210.93		224,944.63	
Prior Years Adjustment	0.00		0.00	
Current Years Surplus/(Loss)	6,733.70		12,059.51	
	-----	<u>\$224,944.63</u>	-----	<u>\$237,004.14</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$243,678.31		\$256,591.82
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Approved.....Grand 1st Principal

Approved.....Grand 2nd Principal

**GRAND CHAPTER of Royal ARCH MASONS
British Columbia & Yukon**

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT – “GENERAL FUND”
For the Year Ended December 31st 2014**

INCOME	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>2013</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>PLAN</u> <u>2014</u>	<u>VARIENCE</u> <u>to Plan 2014</u>
Capita Dues	21,506.00	20,518.00	20,400.00	118.00
Bank Interest	197.74	85.49	150.00	(64.51)
Investment Interest	9,506.05	10,517.63	8,000.00	2,517.63
Proceedings	0.00	10.00	-	10.00
Certificates	680.00	190.00	500.00	(310.00)
Donation	9,271.12	1,204.70	0.00	1,204.70
Misc. Income (note 3)	<u>598.66</u>	<u>704.88</u>	<u>1,310.00</u>	<u>(605.12)</u>
TOTAL INCOME	41,759.57	33,230.70	30,360.00	2,870.70
EXPENDITURE				
Bank Charges	5.20	45.00	0.00	(45.00)
Grand “Z” – Travel-B.C.	4,800.00	4,800.00	4,800.00	-
Travel Yukon	700.00	700.00	700.00	-
Grand “E” - Travel	500.00	474.69	500.00	25.31
Honorarium	8,400.00	8,400.00	8,400.00	-
Grand Trea. Honorarium	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
Travel	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Rent	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	-
District 10 Travel	151.42	448.38	600.00	151.62
Jewels/Pins/Regalia	179.20	32.00	500.00	-
Regalia Repairs	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Regalia Replacement Fund	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
Printing – Proceedings	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
- General	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Postage	324.15	359.47	500.00	140.53
Telephone	961.51	1,122.16	685.00	(437.16)
Stationary/Office Supplies	290.82	422.07	500.00	77.93
Cases – Regalia	0.00	96.30	180.00	83.70
Miscellaneous	319.62	38.92	300.00	261.08
Computer Supplies	773.87	34.04	600.00	565.96
Repairs – Computers	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
Amortization	701.11	488.92	1,000.00	511.08
Convocation Costs Net	665.36	728.70	700.00	(28.70)
Donation	12,597.64	4,885.00	0.00	(4,885.00)
Investment Loss (Profit)	<u>5.97</u>	<u>(5,554.46)</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>6,554.46</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	35,025.87	21,171.19	25,365.00	4,193.81
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	\$ 6,733.70	\$ 12,059.51	\$ 4,995.00	\$ 7,064.51

**GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
NOTES to FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

at December 31st 2014

Capital Assets are recorded at Cost. Amortization is calculated using the Straight-line
Basis at the following annual rates:-

Computer Equipment – 33% Office equipment – 20%

Note 1 Inventories

	\$
Printed Materials	1,155.84
Pins & Jewels	1,364.14
Total	2,519.98

Note 2 Investments (Long Term at Cost)

	Cost	%	Market Value
	\$	Return	\$
Bank of New York Mellon	7,344.20		11,780.51
Weherhaeuser Co. - shares	6,184.42		12,505.87
Trans Alta Corp. – shares	8,933.16	6.40%	8,881.59
Nestle AS Spons ADR	8,379.70		8,473.14
Cominar REIT	8,253.76	4.23%	8,282.93
First West GIC	10,300.00	2.10%	10,300.00
First West GIC	13,000.00	2.00%	13,000.00
Chevron Corp.	9,145.25		8,469.31
Fortis Inc.	8,045.71		9,155.60
H&R Real Estate Trust	11,302.50	5.20%	11,025.33
H&R Real Estate Trust	11,512.82	4.78%	11,442.21
Hollis Investment Savings	7,769.36		7,818.29
Bell Canada	21,070.14	5.00%	22,320.44
Fairfax Financial Holdings	7,716.30	5.00%	7,701.00
Power Financial Corp.	6,303.60		7,959.60
BCE Inc. Cum Red Pfd.	5,773.20		6,150.00
Granite Real Estate Inc.	6,794.02		7,426.80
NTHN Savings GIC	7,000.00	3.00%	7,000.00
NTHN Savings GIC	20,000.00	2.1%	20,000.00
Reliance LP	11,768.95	4.57%	11,436.78
CU Inc. Preferred	6,909.48		6,756.00
GE Shares	5,972.79		9,392.35
Toronto Dominion Bank	8,770.37		8,881.60
Emera Inc.	8,127.05		10,432.80
Transdigm	8,649.45		12,543.33
BMO Common	10,009.06		12,327.00
Total	\$ 245,035.29		\$ 271,462.48

Note 3 Analysis of Misc. Income

Dispensations	90.00
Jewels 50/60 yrs.	26.00
Consolidation – North Island	250.00
Rituals	303.88
Apron Crests	15.00
Bylaw change fee	20.00
Total	\$ 704.88

**GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS – “GENERAL ACCOUNT”
For the Year Ended DECEMBER 31st, 2014**

NET INCOME (EXPENDITURES)	\$ 12,059.51
 SOURCE of FUNDS	
Amortization Net	488.92
Regalia Reserve Fund	500.00
Accounts Payable	354.00
Prepaid Expense Decrease	<u>1,000.00</u>
Source	\$ 2,342.92
 Sub Total	
	\$ 14,402.43
 APPLICATION OF FUNDS	
Inventory	529.88
Computer Increase	971.06
Net Investment Increase	<u>16,373.51</u>
Application	<u>\$ 17,874.45</u>
 Net Cash Flow	
	\$ (3,472.02)
 BANK BALANCE at January 1st 2014	
	<u>\$ 10,405.33</u>
BANK BALANCE at December 31st 2014	
	<u><u>\$ 6,933.31</u></u>
 COMPOSED OF	
Cash – Chequing account	\$ 4,881.14
Cash Investments	<u>2,052.19</u>
	<u><u>\$ 6,933.33</u></u>

Report of Grand Scribe Ezra

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M.E.C. A. Les Robinson

To the Most Excellent Grand First principal, Officers and Companions of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon.

Companions this is the end of my tenure as Grand Scribe Ezra, and I hope that over The past five years I have completed my duties satisfactorily.

One of the many things that I have tried to accomplish is to reduce the costs of the office And in many respects I think I have achieved that and I am sure my successor will Carry on in the same theme.

To the Chapter Scribes, do not forget our records at Grand Chapter are only as good as the ones you have, please send a complete list of all your members, their address's e-mail and telephone number etc. to my successor so he can start on the right foot, and most important please get those annual returns in as soon as possible in the new year it will make his life a lot easier.

Once again I thank you for the privilege of being your Grand Scribe for the past five years and I hope you give my successor the same cooperation you gave to me.

Respectfully Submitted

M.E.C. A. Les Robinson
Grand Scribe Ezra

Moved by MEC Les Robinson and **Seconded** by REC Peter Guichon that the report be accepted.
Carried

Annual Summary

Chapter	No.	Ttl. Mem.							Ttl. Mem. Dec. – 14	Expel	\$ +/-
		Jan – 14	Exhalt	Rest.	Affil.	Decd	Susp	Demit			
Columbia	1	114	5	1	1	2	6	13	99	0	-
Rossland	4	26	1	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	158.00
R. Mount.,	7	30	2	0	2	0	1	1	32	0	1,359.74
Keystone	8	28	0	0	1	0	0	0	29	0	-305.91
N. Island	10	92	0	0	1	2	7	4	80	0	1,048.89
Kaien	13	27	2	0	0	0	4	0	25	0	-
NV – KS	16	69	4	0	2	1	0	0	74	0	-
Kelowna	17	36	0	0	0	1	0	3	32	0	1,371.53
Kamloops	18	45	2	2	0	2	2	0	44	1	-122.00
Chilliwack	19	50	0	0	1	2	6	2	41	0	-791.76
Penticton	22	35	0	0	1	1	0	1	34	0	144.05
Composite	24	68	3	0	1	2	0	3	67	0	-
Tzouhalem	26	40	1	0	0	2	1	1	37	0	278.34
Granite	29	29	1	0	7	3	1	3	30	0	-
Joppa	31	46	6	1	0	3	1	3	46	0	-
Majuba	33	19	0	0	2	0	0	0	20	0	-133.00
Semiahmoo	34	56	3	0	0	3	1	4	51	0	236.74
Cathedral	35	30	1	0	0	1	0	0	30	0	15.00
F.George	36	70	0	0	0	0	0	4	66	0	-1,243.34
Kalum	37	54	1	0	0	0	0	2	53	0	-514.20
Yukon	38	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	795.00
Georgian	39	19	0	0	0	0	0	1	18	0	-875.11
S.Fraser	40	43	0	0	1	0	0	2	41	0	-20.46
D. Creek	41	63	3	0	1	1	6	1	59	0	-
Caribou	43	33	0	0	0	0	0	3	30	0	320.00
P.Rim	44	25	1	0	2	1	0	0	27	0	4.89
Totals		1178	36	4	23	27	36	50	1123	1	

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Report of Finance Committee

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**CONSTITUTION & JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE
REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
GRAND CHAPTER OF BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON**

Most Excellent First Principal and Companions

We are pleased to submit a brief report. We have received and reviewed two proposals.

One to limit the term of the Grand Treasurer to five consecutive terms.

The other introduces procedures for approving payments to Grand line officers, which was withdrawn by the proposer for further clarification.

Therefore we recommend approval of the first resolution.

Respectfully Submitted

Most Excellent Companions George Eaton (chairman),
Leonard Pickell ,
Joel Chiri.

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon

**Form 21 – Notice of Motion
For Grand Convocation 2015**

1. Original Section (if any) Number and wording in full.

NEW SECTION

2. Exact wording and punctuation of the proposed New Section.

14.2.2 Term of the Grand Treasurer

No Companion shall be nominated or elected to serve the office of Grand Treasurer for more than 5 consecutive years.

3. Reason for Change

For the good of the Order, as in the existing cases of the standing committees and the office of the Grand Scribe.

Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted.

None

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Notice of Motion:

- (a) I will **move** or cause to be moved the above amendment.
- (b) M. Ex. Comp. A. Les Robinson
- (c) Keystone #8

Seconded by REC. Peter Guichon

Carried

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon

Form 21 – Notice of Motion For Grand Convocation 2015

1. Original Section (if any) Number and wording in full.

New section and delete sections 20.5.5 Honorarium (Grand Treasurer) and 20.6.1 Remuneration (Grand Scribe Ezra)

2. Exact wording and punctuation of the proposed New Section.

21.6.1 Expenses incurred by host chapter (district visit)

21.6.1.1 The expenses incurred by the host chapter for the convocation, as approved in advance by the Third Principals of the district chapters, are shared by all the chapters summoned, including the host chapter, in proportion to their membership.

21.6.2 Expenses incurred by Grand Z, visiting when invited by a chapter

21.6.2.1 A chapter will be expected to provide accommodation and reasonable meal expenses when the Grand Z. attends a convocation by written invitation. This may be hotel, motel or private residence of the Grand Z.'s choosing

21.6.3 Travel Expenses to District and Chapter Official Visits

21.6.3.1.1 An annual travel allowance for visits within the Grand Jurisdiction shall be made available to the Grand Z. The Grand Chapter Finance Committee shall determine and budget for this allowance prior to the Grand Convocation of the Grand Z.'s installation.

21.6.3.1.2 The Grand Z. shall receive monies from this allowance on the submission of receipts to the Grand Scribe Ezra on a frequency convenient to the Grand Z. but not more often than monthly.

21.6.4 Travel expenses to Yukon Chapters

21.6.4.1 A travel allowance for the Grand Z. and Superintendant (responsible for Yukon) shall be determined and budgeted for by the Finance Committee prior to the Annual Grand Convocation.

21.6.4.2 Payment shall be made to the Grand Officer upon the submission of travel receipts.

21.6.5 Chapter to not make additional payments or reimbursements

21.6.5.1 No payments or reimbursements will be paid, without prior agreement, by constituent chapters to Grand officers who incur travel, meal, or accommodation expenses to chapters they choose to visit.

21.6.6 Honorarium and Remuneration

21.6.6.1 The Grand Treasurer and Grand Scribe Ezra will receive on a monthly or annual interval such compensation as determined by the Finance Committee and approved at Grand Chapter in the proposed budget.

3. Reason for Change.

The authority or process of establishing and paying allowances for travel or other remuneration have not been formally established in the constitution. These sections will give authority to the Finance Committee to set amounts (in consultation with the Grand Executive presumably) for the inclusion in the budget and subsequent approval or amendment at the Grand Convocation.

4. Other Sections impacted of proposal adopted.

Table of Contents & possible renumbering

Notice of Motion:

- (a) I will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.**
- (b) Rank: *REC* Name: *James C. Whyte***
- (c) Chapter: *North Island No. 10***
- (d) Signature: *(E) James C. Whyte* Date: *2015* Month: *March* Day: *12***

Motion withdrawn by Proposer REC. James C. Whyte

22)

Forum for Candidates for Elected Offices.

Candidates to give short speech to Convocation

Candidates for office of Grand Scribe Ezra:

M.E.C. Joel Chiri

R.E.C. George Heggie

M.E.C. Ken Overy

Candidates for Grand Principal Sojourner:

R.E.C. Norm Bruce (withdrawn name)

R.E.C. Tim Yates

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Report of the Executive Committee

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GRAND HISTORIAN'S REPORT

Companions,

Before beginning my 11th report, let me thank M.Ex.Comp. J.M.Gomersall for requesting me to continue serving in this immensely enjoyable office. My only regret is, like many of us in the Craft, I've taken on so many Masonic commitments that I can't find time for everything. Thus I spent most of my time at the Lodge and DeMolay level and not in the Concordant Bodies.

My thanks as well to Scribes E. who e-mailed me their notices so I could try to glean historical items. A number of them still do not. It would be nice if they did.

North Vancouver No. 16

Last year, we promised a short report on the founding members of the first Chapter on Burrard Inlet's North Shore.

The Grand Chapter of Canada received a petition from 15 Royal Arch Masons to form North Vancouver Chapter: Frank Wheeler, A.S. Billings, W.J.Irwin, E.H.Bridgman, J.W.Donaldson, Thos. Hutchison, J.W. Fugler, J.B.Paine, T.S. Nye (all of Vancouver No. 98); W.J. Wilson, A.J. Tyson, (Prince Rupert's No.52, Winnipeg); J.B.Bennett, (Cyrus No.142, Cumberland); J.A.Scott, (Avondale, No. 156 Avondale, Ont.); O.A.Maybee,(Revelstoke No. 128); and Walter Hagger, (Antiquity No 91, Toronto). North Vancouver had two Lodges at the time, Burrard No.50 (1907) and Duke of Connaught No. 64 (1911).

FRANKLIN WHEELER was the Chapter's Z. while Under Dispensation. He was a contractor and bricklayer. Wheeler was born on October 26, 1859 to Charles and Carline (Lawrence) Wheeler and grew up in Tecumseth, in Simcoe County Ontario. HE was W.M. of Blyth No. 303 in Blyth Ont. in 1901-02. He arrived in B.C. in 1904, moved to the North Shore the following year and affiliated with Cascade No. 12 in 1906. He was the founding S.W. of Burrard Lodge. Ex. Comp. Wheeler was the Grand Senior Sojourner of the Grand Chapter of Canada in 1917, and Grand Superintendent when our Grand Chapter was formed in 1919. He was Presiding Preceptor of Columbia No. 34 in 1917 and the Provincial Prior two years later. He belonged to Gizah Temple and Court Capilano, Ancient Order of Foresters. R. Ex. Comp Wheeler also served several terms on North Vancouver Council. He died on November 19, 1922 in North Vancouver, with his funeral conducted by Burrard Lodge.

ARTHUR STANFORD BILLINGS was a director of Billings and Irwin Real Estate and served as the Chapter's fourth Z. He was born in Ontario in March 13, 1882 in the farming town of Clarke. He arrives in B.C. in 1903 and settled in North Vancouver in 1905. Ex. Comp. Billings was a charter member of Burrard Lodge and W.M. in 1912. He died in North Vancouver on April 29, 1955.

WILLIAM JOHN IRWIN was the other director of Billings and Irwin Real Estate and presided as Z. in 1915. Ex. Comp. was born in Tyrone, Ireland on November 24, 1868. He served with border and military police in South Africa, and moved to the United States in 1898 where he was chief dispatcher for the Los Angeles Railway. He married his wife in Los Angeles in 1905; the couple took a trip to North Vancouver for their honeymoon and never left. Ex. Comp. Irwin served for thirteen years on various city councils between 1907 and 1927, including a term as mayor in 1914. He organized the North Vancouver Board of Trade in 1906, and was its first secretary and vice-president.

He was a charter member of Burrard No. 50 and Duke of Connaught No.64 (W.M., in 1912); He died on November 10, 1958 in North Vancouver. Happily, his family is still very active in Masonic circles.

EDWARD HARRY BRIDGMAN was Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs at the time of his death. When the Chapter was started, he was an accountant and manager of the Lonsdale Estate, which had large property holdings along the Inlet. He was born in Castle-Bythem in Lincolnshire on February 6, 1876 and came to B.C. with his family in 1885. He was active in civic affairs and served as an alderman then as mayor of North Vancouver City in 1931-32. Bridgman Park in North Vancouver is named for him. His first job was a clerk with the CPR in 1894. He joined the provincial bureaucracy in 1934 as Supervisor of Municipalities before his promotion the following year. Less palatable is the revelation in Patricia Roy's *The Oriental Question* is he was involved, with the Union of B.C. Municipalities, in the White Canada Association, which existed mainly to provide speech material regarding hiring practices.

He joined the Craft in Burrard No. 50 and was the first Secretary of Duke of Connaught 64 and W.M. in 1914. He was a founding member of Lynn Valley No. 122. He died in Oak Bay on July 3, 1945.

JOHN WYLIE DONALDSON succumbed to a sad and unexpected death while the Chapter was Under Dispensation. HE was co-owner of Alex Smith and Co., Real Estate and Insurance (he went by his middle name) and secretary of the North Vancouver Board of Trade as of 1911. He was born on April 3, 1874 in Ferry Port on Craig, Fife, Scotland and moved to North Vancouver in 1909. He became a member of Burrard No. 50 and was the founding J.W. of Duke of Connaught No.64; he donated a set of tracing boards to the Lodge. The *Vancouver World* reported on April 9, 1913 the Comp. Donaldson had attended a Council meeting on the evening of the 7th then boarded a Lonsdale streetcar. When he didn't arrive home, a search began. He was found the next day lying on some property he owned, two hastily-scribbled notes attached to his overcoat, holding a heavy-calibre revolver and with a bullet wound to the head. An inquest ruled his death was due to temporary insanity, believed to be "over the strain of duties". He was S.W. of No. 64 at the time.

THOMAS HUTCHISON co-owned Hutchison, Compton and Co., brokers, retiring in 1930. He was born in Scoonie, Fife, Scotland on August 15, 1874 or 1875. He arrived in Canada with his family in 1880 and they settled for a time in Manitoba before arriving in North Vancouver in 1907. Hutchison joined Burrard No. 50 where he was W.M. in 1915. He was suspended NPD in the Chapter in 1917. He died on June 4, 1940 in North Vancouver.

JAMES WILLIAM FUGLER had a fairly good Masonic pedigree. His father-in-law was David Gemmell Dick, the founder of Burrard Lodge. He was the ninth Z. of the Chapter in 1922. Ex. Comp. Fugler was a building and plumbing inspector for the city. He was born in May 1864 in Turo, England and came to Canada in 1885 or 1888. He married Mary Frances Dick in Portland Oregon in 1891. Our Comp. was W.M. of Burrard in 194. He died in Seattle on June 9, 1949

JOHN BEMISTER PAINE was the Chapter's first Scribe E. He was to co-owner of Paine and McMillan which sold hardware, paints—and explosives. Paine was a member of the North Vancouver Police Board and active in the B.C. Conservative Association and the North Vancouver Yacht Club. His home at 217 Keith Road is a Municipal Heritage Site. He was born in Harbour Grace Nfld. on May 10, 1879. He moved to Canada in 1904 and to North Vancouver in 1906. He was suspended for NPD from the Chapter in 1917. He died on November 2, 1952 in North Vancouver.

THOMAS SAMUAL NYE worked as a contractor and broker, who constructed and operated the Garibaldi Lodge near Daisy Lake, 23 miles from Squamish up the PGE line. He was born in Brighton, England on November 8, 1874 and his family came to B.C. in 1890. Nye spent time in the Boer War and for a time was Secretary of St. John's Anglican Church in North Vancouver. He was initiated into Burrard Lodge while it was U.D. and was the first J.D. of Duke of Connaught. For a time, he was suspended for nonpayment of dues from the Lodge. He died in North Vancouver on November 11, 1938.

WILLIAM JOHN WILSON is a little tough to track down. North Vancouver had two William J. Wilsons listed in the City Directory when the Chapter was formed. Having no Chapter or Lodge records handy, I can only assume he was the W.M. J. Wilson who was an accountant, later with the Vancouver firm of Wilson and Perry, assignees. He was originally in Burrard Lodge and was elected the first Treasurer of Duke of Connaught, from which he demoted in 1917 about the time the form closed. He demitted from the Lodge in 1917.

ALBERT JOSEPH TYSON was a druggist, born in Ontario in January 1877, and grew up in Warton. He was living in Holland Manitoba in 1903. He curled and played hockey and lacrosse on local teams, was Secretary of the local turf club and Secretary of the School Board. There he was also a druggist and optician until 1909 when he came to North Vancouver, briefly co-owned a business and then bought the drug store across the street in June 1910. He became involved in the local Conservative association. Comp. Tyson sold his store around the end of 1913 and in 1921 we find him in business in Humboldt, Sask. He returned to Vancouver in 1937 and was running the Seaforth Pharmacy in Kitsilano. His wife died in Vancouver 1952 but I can find no record of his death. He had affiliated with Burrard No.50 as a P.M., from Holland No. 62 in 1910 and was suspended NPD from the Chapter in 1917.

JOHN BERTRAM BENNETT was the third Z. of the Chapter in 1916. He was principal of the Ridgeway School at the time of the founding. He was born in Brussels, Ontario on May 31, 1871; his family moved to Vancouver in 1889. He was teaching on the Comox area by 1891 and several years later became the principal of the school at Union (now Cumberland). In 1907, he ran in the provincial election for the liberals in Comox-Alberni, the same year he quit his teaching job (an attempt to convince him to stay failed). He received a formal farewell at City Hall on July 30, 1907 and moved to North Vancouver where he taught until he resigned in June 1936.

Ex. Comp. Bennett had some experience in fraternal orders before joining the Craft. He was a founding member and Treasurer of a court of the Independent Order of Foresters in Cumberland in April 1897. He joined Comberland No. 26 in 1904 and served as I.G. and J.D. in addition to joining the Royal Arch. He was the first Secretary of Burrard Lodge, installed as W.M. in 1911 and appointed DDGM in 1925. He died in North Vancouver on April 20, 1941.

JOHN ARCHIBALD SCOTT was one of two members of the Chapter to die while it was Under Dispensation. He was a broker employed by Comp. Tom Hutchison. He was born in Wentworth County, Ont. on August 17, 1860. He helped his father on the farm before coming to Manitoba in 1882 and settling near Manitou. He homesteaded near Carnduff (North West Territories, now Saskatchewan) for five years then, from 1888 to 1890, was based at Manitou where he ran a grain business. In the fall of 1890 he moved to Hartney then, from 1891 to 1897, he was located at Lauder but returned to Hartney in 1906. Comp Scott moved to North Vancouver in 1910. He died August 8, 1913. He didn't affiliate with a Lodge in B.C.

ORRIN ALBERT MAYBEE sold for the National Life Assurance Co. He was born on September 17, 1880 in Trenton, Ontario. He was made a Mason in Alta No. 29 in Sandon; at the time he was running a store in Nakusp. He was S.W. of the Lodge in 1907, a Grand Steward the following year (yes he was not a W.M. yet), then left for Vancouver, and was appointed as the first Sr. Steward of Kilwinning No. 59 in Vancouver in 1910. Comp. Maybee was running a boot and shoe store then tried his hand at selling insurance, next re-locating the following year to New Westminster where he briefly co-owned a hotel before going back into insurance. His residence in North Vancouver was short. He was installed as W.M. of Kilwinning in 1917. He moved to Merritt two years before he died on November 20, 1948.

WALTER HAGGER was listed in the 1913 City Directory as an auditor. It's likely he's Walter John Hagger, born December 18, 1855 in Middlesex, England, who arrived in Canada around 1898, moved to B.C. in 1911 and settled in Lynn Valley in 1920. At the time he was a special auditor with the Provincial Assessors Branch. He died March 28, 1933; Burrard Lodge conducted his funeral.

According to the records of the Grand Chapter of Canada, the Chapter was instituted in January 1913 and exalted 39 members in its' first year. It was granted a charter No.191 at the Grand Convocation in February 25, 1914 but the Proceedings don't state when the Chapter was Constituted. North Vancouver and the two Vancouver Chapters used to hold combined installations and it was at the joint ceremony on January 14, 1919 the idea was broached of taking steps to form our own Grand Chapter. North Vancouver became No. 16 when that happened the following June; there were 49 members on the roll.

Many fine Royal arch Masons went through the ranks in North Vancouver before consolidation with her daughter Chapter, King Solomon No. 30, in 2009.

Kelowna No.17

This Chapter will be celebrating her centenary in the coming year and we hope to hear a full report. A meeting of Royal Arch Masons in the Kelowna area was called on August 7, 1915 and an application was made to the Grand Chapter of Canada for permission to form a Chapter. It is interesting to note that the Yale-Columbia District's Superintendent that year was a Comp. who lived in Kelowna before the city even had a Chapter. We will have the story of the 11 founding members next year.

100 Years Ago

In 1915, our jurisdiction had 15 Chapters under Canada and one (Columbia) under Scotland. If you look elsewhere in these Proceedings, you will see the membership for each of our Chapters. Compare it to the numbers, at least for those Chapters which remain, as of December 31, 1914:

Vancouver No. 98, Vancouver, 305 members (down 11)

Kootenay No.120, Kaslo, 37 members (up 3)
Rossland No.122, Rossland, 106 members (up 2)
Nelson No.123, Nelson, 118 members (up 13)
Westminster No. 124, New West'r., 186 members (up 8)
Rocky Mtn. No.125, Cranbrook, 129 members (up 10)
Keystone No. 127, Nanaimo, 74 members (up 2)
Revelstoke No.128, Revelstoke, 84 members (down 9)
Crow's Nest No. 137, Fernie, 58 members (no change)
Cyrus No. 142, Cumberland, 51 members (no change)
Okanagan No. 157, Vernon, 68 members (up2)
Boundary No.174, Grand Forks, 44 members (up 5)
Kaien No.178, Prince Rupert, 82 members (up 6)
Camosun No. 182, Victoria, 68 members (up 7)
Pacific No.190, Vancouver, 98 members (up 4)
North Vancouver No. 191, N. Vancouver 63 members (up 11)

And Today

Growth numbers in possibly all Grand Chapters could be better, but one Chapter will see a spike in the coming year. Joppa No.31 has received more than 15 petitions and the Chapter has found itself in the unusual situation (recently, at least) of how to bring them all in with dignity and dispatch. In a way, it's reminiscent of what happened after Joppa consolidated with Pacific and Mount Horeb Chapters in 1989. M. Ex. Comp. Steve Redgrave, formerly Scribe E. at Mount Horeb, had moved to Whiterock where, quite coincidentally, there is a Joppa Lodge. He saw no reason that members of the Lodge shouldn't drive in to Vancouver once a month to attend a Royal Arch Chapter with the same name. M. Ex. Comp. Redgrave proved to be a fine salesman as a reasonable sized number of applications came in from Joppa Lodge, with two of them (Ex. Comp. William O. Woodman and R. Kirk Morrow) eventually presiding as Z.

Fraternally submitted,
V. Ex. Comp. Jim Bennie
Grand Historian

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REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon, your credentials committee offers the following report on the 2015 convocation.

Total Number of Chapters in this Jurisdiction		26
Chapters represented today		22
Chapters not represented today	4, 13, 37, 44.....	4
Total BC & Yukon Companions registered		85 *
Grand First Principals present		5
Grand Representatives present		17
Companions from other jurisdictions		16
Past First Principals attending		9
Number of Principals attending	Z 7	
	H 4	
	J <u>4</u>	
Number of Principals attending	15	Total..... 101

- **This will be the number of votes cast**

Certified correct: - Committee Chair -----John Laing
 Member -----Peter Boddy
 Member -----Calvin Jonas

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ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

There: Surname	Grand Chapter	Here: Surname	Chapter	Present
F GOYOGAVA	ARGENTINA	Anthony D'ERAMO	1	Y
E G MEHRTENS	AUSTRALIA – N.S. WALES	John MCINTOSH	8	
F S BELL	AUSTRALIA –QUEENSLAND	Ian CAMPBELL	38	
RJ STEWART	AUSTRALIA – S	Ed Wilson	19	
K L PAROISSIEN	AUSTRALIA – VICTORIA	Jeremy GOMERSALL	31	Y
G F WALDER	WEST AUSTRALIA			
G ULICH	AUSTRIA	Tony Brown	24	
P NOEL	BELGIUM			
	BRAZIL			
D BRUCE	CANADA - ALBERTA	George TILLOTSON	6	
D.W OVERY	CANADA - CANADA –ONTARIO	Joseph R MARSHALL	31	Y
G STEWART	CANADA - MANITOBA	David B. TURNER	8	
C W WEBBER	CANADA – NEW BRUNSWICK	Colin HART	16	

O J WHITE	CANADA – NEWFOUNDLAND & LAB.	Jeremy Gommersall	24	Y
J.E. TAYLOR	CANADA - NOVA SCOTIA/ PEI	James R ELTON	30	Y
T JOHNSON	CANADA - QUEBEC	George W EATON	21	Y
H E HILL	CANADA –SASKATCHEWAN	LGB (Len) PICKELL	34	Y
J TUONINEN	FINLAND			
B CHARPENTIER	FRANCE			
A MCGHEE	GERMANY	R F E (Dick) SCHAEFER	16	
E ASPIOTIS	GREECE			
H P MATHUR	INDIA			
M S BEATTY	IRELAND	JohnYoung	16	Y
G BERKOW	ISRAEL	Isaac BROWERBIRKHOVEN	6	
F BONAFE	ITALY			
O J SALINAS E	MEXICO	Kenneth W GIBSON	33	
J J HANRATH	NETHERLANDS	Norman K MONRO	27	Y
H R LIGHTWOOD	NEW ZEALAND	Donovan O TYERS	6	
H S GONZALEZ	PHILLIPINES	William F FOOKS	19	
S T GEDDES	SCOTLAND	Alastair M ROSS	6	
F C SCHUMACHER	SWITZERLAND	Larry L LOWDEN	8	
HO WILLIAMS, Jr.	USA - ALABAMA	David F LEWIS	21	
J HOUTCHEN	USA - ALASKA	R. Hilliard CLARE	36	
J J ROLLE	USA - ARIZONA	Gordon KICKBUSH	22	
D O WHITE	USA - ARKANSAS	Michael P RAYNOR	31	
R D KELLY	USA - CALIFORNIA	Alexander S ROLLO	21	
J E ERICKSON	USA - COLORADO	Alexander McGREGOR	34	
CB FOWLER, JR	USA - CONNECTICUT			
R N BIGGS	USA - DELAWARE	16		
K D FULLER	USA - DIST OF COLUMBIA	Wm O WALLS	31	
R E BURLESON	USA - FLORIDA	Denis S CARRIERE	18	
B L JOHNSON	USA – GEORGIA	Joel CHIRI	33	Y
RW PATE	USA - HAWAII			
A G SUCH	USA - IDAHO	Edward SCOTT	40	
M U BALDING	USA - ILLINOIS			
E R GRAHAM	USA – INDIANA	Anthony BROWN	24	
CROUCH	USA - IOWA	Arnold BURCHILL	21	
D B HANSON	USA - KANSAS			
T FRASER	USA - KENTUCKY	Donald LEISCHNER	26	
J P DAVIS	USA - LOUISIANA	B J MASLANEIC	20	
D P COATES	USA - MAINE	John MCBAIN	34	
J A RAFINE	USA - MARYLAND	Les ADAMS	8	
M E HOST	USA - MASSACHUSETTS			
G P SIVERTSON	USA - MICHIGAN			
J E MELANDER	USA - MINNESOTA			
J W HAMIL	USA - MISSISSIPPI	Hugh FERSTER	17	
J W STAFFORD	USA - MISSOURI			
GROTTS	USA - MONTANA			
MULHOLLAND	USA - NEBRASKA	Rae HUMESTON	11	
D GAUCH	USA - NEVADA	Roy FRASER	19	
H M CHASE JR	USA - NEW HAMPSHIRE			
R S MIDDLETON	USA - NEW JERSEY	Neil MARSH	34	Y
E S RICHMOND	USA - NEW MEXICO	Les ROBINSON	8	Y
P M DESAUTEL	USA - NEW YORK	Ron GLOVER	8	
R L PARKER	USA - NORTH CAROLINA	Douglas BURKE	39	
N KNUDSON	USA - NORTH DAKOTA	A R (Kurt) WENSLER	19	
A D HART	USA - OHIO	Steve MCVITTIE	31	
E L BERRYMAN	USA - OKLAHOMA			
J MUCEUS	USA - OREGON	WR (Bill) SHIPPAM	21	
E G REESE	USA - PENNSYLVANIA	Vernon M HALVERSON	31	
R L MANDERVILLE	USA - RHODE ISLAND	Harold HAYES	45	
J T DICKSON	USA - SOUTH CAROLINA	Brian A RICHMAN	28	
M CHRISTENSEN	USA - SOUTH DAKOTA	Doug PAUGH	8	Y

R J COATES	USA - TENNESSEE	Thomas O MICKEY	38	Y
HD MOORE	USA - TEXAS	JS DREVER	24	Y
R H SIMMONS	USA - UTAH	Brian HEMINGWAY	45	
L G PHELPS	USA - VERMONT	David GRANGE	34	Y
D E WETTSTONE	USA - VIRGINIA	Robert E DOIGE	40	
JT STEPHENS	USA - WASHINGTON	Norman F MACDONALD	11	
J DALLAS	USA - WASHINGTON (P.H.)	Norman F. McEVOY	1	Y
W E BIRD	USA - WEST VIRGINIA	Donald H. McMILLAN	19	
G JOLIVETTE JR	USA - WISCONSIN	Lionel BROWNSEY	1	
A R CORBERG	USA - WYOMING	Frank WARREN	13	

27) FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The final report of the Credentials Committed on this Grand Session was presented as follows:

Total Number of Chapters this jurisdiction.....	26
Chapter represented today.....	22
Chapters NOT represented (4,13, 37,44)	4
Comp's registered this jurisdiction.....	85
Comp's registered other jurisdictions.....	16
Grand representatives present.....	17
Past Grand First Principals present.....	5
TOTAL Companions registered.....	101
Number of Principals attending (Z = 7, H = 4 J = 4).....	15
Grand Chapter Officers – (34 offices)	17
TOTAL ATTENDING	116
Submitted by Committee Chairman	

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

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When only one nomination is received for any office in Grand Chapter, and the nominee accepts the nomination, that companion is declared elected by acclamation without any ballot being taken.

It is not proper to declare the election unanimous.

There are eight elected offices in Grand Chapter. As of the close of nominations on March 31st 2014, the following nominations have been received:-

Grand First Principal REC Tony D'Eramo	Acclamation
Grand Second Principal REC Godfrey Onyemaobi	Acclamation
Grand Third Principal REC Ron Smith	Acclamation
Grand Treasurer REC Peter Guichon	Acclamation
Grand Scribe Ezra M.E.C. Joel Chiri	
R.E.C. George Heggie	
M.E.C. Ken Overy	
Grand Principal Sojourner R.E.C. Norm Bruce	
R.E.C. Tim Yates	

R.E.C. Norm Bruce having withdrawn his nomination R.E.C. Tim Yates was then declared Grand Principal Sojourner by Acclamation.

A ballot was cast for the Office of Grand Scribe Ezra. A first ballot was indecisive and caused M.E.C. Chiri to be dropped from the second ballot. When the second Ballot was cast M.E.C. Ken Overy had the majority of the votes and was declared Grand Scribe Ezra. The Grand First Principal ordered the ballot destroyed.

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HONORARY MEMBERSHIP CARDS

M.E.C. Gomersall presented Honorary Membership Cards to the following visiting Companions;

M.E.C. Lenard Cole, Grand Z., from Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan,

M.E.C. Neil McMillan, Grand Z., from Grand Chapter of Manitoba.

He then thanked them for attending our Grand Convocation.

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GRANDCHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON

BURSARY COMMITTEE REPORT to the 2015 ANNUAL CONVOCATION

The Bursary Committee makes educational financial awards to the children of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia & Yukon.

The ability of the Bursary Committee to make awards depends upon the generosity of individual Companions and Chapters. This year, donations were received from the following Chapters – Rocky Mountain #7, Tzouhalem #26, Joppa #31, Semiahmoo #34, Yukon #38 and Simon Fraser #40. We thank these Chapters and those individuals who also donated, for their generosity and especially thank Semiahmoo Chapter #34 for their usual substantial donation.

We encourage all Chapters to consider contributing to this worthwhile cause. A small contribution from each Chapter will greatly help us in our ability to assist deserving students.

This year a total of 6 applications were received which was substantially down from the number received last year. We ask that all Chapter Scribe Ezras inform their Companions of the availability of this bursary. The application form, conditions and submission deadline is available on the Grand Chapter website.

Of the 6 applications received, one was rejected since there was no Royal Arch connection and another was rejected since the applicant had received a Grand Lodge bursary.

Considering the funds available for distribution and the needs of the applicants, the Committee awarded two grants of \$1,200, one grant of \$1,000 and one grant of \$800 for a total of \$4,200. The beneficiaries came from Black Creek, Golden, Surrey and North Vancouver.

This year, with the exception of REC peter Guichon, the members of the Bursary Committee are all new. The new members are VEC John Young, E.C. Andrew Law and Companions Cole Harvey and Alphonse Quenneville.

I wish to thank the committee members for their time and efforts given to this committee. I would also like to especially thank REC Peter Guichon and the previous Chairman REC Ed Wilson for their assistance and guidance to the new members of this committee.

Respectfully submitted:

V.E.C. John Young – Chairman

19th July 2015

31) REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Our Grand First Principal, Jeremy Gomersall is to be congratulated on his address to Grand Chapter and his for vigor in performing all the duties of his office as Grand First Principal of this Grand Chapter.

We have pleasure in noting that his wife Debbie was able to accompany him on many of his travels both within this jurisdiction and to other sister jurisdictions.

We concur with his personal thanks to all those companions who accompanied him during the year.

We concur with his thanks to all the committees and their Chairmen for a job well done.

We also concur with his recommendations of permanent rank on the Grand Chapter Officers named in his report.

Finally, we extend our best wishes to Most Excellent Companion Gommersall and his wife Debbie for

good health and happiness in the future.

Respectfully submitted :
MEC Norman McEvoy, Chairman
MEC Norm Monro
MEC Alistair Ross

Moved by MEC. Norman McEvoy and **Seconded** by MEC George Eaton that the report be received.
Carried:

32) REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE R.A.M.H.S.

ROYAL ARCH MASONIC HOME SOCIETY REPORT Grand Convocation September 18th 2015

Companions,

As the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the R.A.M.H.S., I would like to present an update on our activities this year.

Funded to a large extent, by the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, it is still very dependent on the financial support of the Royal Arch Masons of BC & Yukon.

The home is considered by many to be the flagship among all the care homes in BC and those of you who have never visited the Home are welcome to take advantage of a tour (our regular monthly tour is scheduled for the 1st Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm – contact Reception at 604-437-7343 ext.221 to confirm) and see for yourself how your money is being put to excellent use.

I would complement the members of the Board of Directors; they are all dedicated, hard working Royal Arch Masons and, to those who have left the Board we thank them for a job well done. If anyone is interested in becoming a Board Member, you must apply in writing to the Secretary of the Royal Arch Masonic Home Society using the RAMHS application for Board Membership. The RAMHS Board Nominating Committee must receive your application later than May 1st of the current year.

During the past year, the Board has completed the following projects:

Care Home:

- * Complete roof replacement for Care Home \$700,000
- * 100% compliance for - Vancouver Coastal Health Licensing report
- * 100% compliance for – Vancouver Coastal Health – Nutritional Licensing report

Apartments:

- * Repairs to buildings due to water leaks

Funding for the following items was approved by the Board for the comfort and safety of the residents.

(Please note funded by the Royal Arch Funding Society).

* **Electric Beds** **\$32,000. (18 units)**

I strongly urge all Chapters to participate and each Companion of those Chapters to become a life member of the Society. Personal donations, as well as bequests, are other ways of providing financial support.

Your support is also imperative at our Annual General Meeting as the numbers attending reflect on the viability of the Society.

I will close by thanking every Companion who has donated the year, both in time and energy to this Charity. You have made a difference in another person's life through your support. My request is that we continue to be the Flagship of care and charity in Royal Arch Masonry

Respectfully submitted by R.E.C. George Heggie.

2) ROYAL ARCH MASONIC HOME SOCIETY REPORT 2015 Communications September 19, 2015

Companions,

As the President of the Board of Directors of the Royal Arch Masonic Home Society I would like to present an update of our activities this year.

Funded to a large extent, by the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, it is still very dependent on the financial support of the Royal Arch Masons of BC & Yukon.

The home is considered by many to be the flagship among all the care homes in BC and those of you who have never visited the Home are welcome to take advantage of a tour (our regular monthly tour is scheduled for the 1st Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm – contact Reception at 604-437-7343 ext.221 to confirm) and see for yourself how your money is being put to excellent use.

I would complement the members of the Board of Directors; they are all dedicated, hard working Royal Arch Masons and, to those who have left the Board we thank them for a job well done. If anyone is interested on becoming a Board Member, you must apply in writing to the Secretary of the Royal Arch Masonic Home Society using the RAMHS application for Board Membership. The RAMHS Board Nominating Committee must receive your application later than May 1st of the current year.

During the past year, the Board has approved funding to:

Replacement of the windows on the 2nd floor, replacing with attractive, energy-efficient windows that guard against fall out of the windows.

Replacement of the entire roof, both the new and old sections safeguarding potential leaks.

We have approved the changing of the care provider, to Pro Vita, enabling us to maintain one of the highest care providers to resident ratios, improving the care as well as reducing the costs, and at the same time bringing in modern efficient care processes.

June 23rd was the Annual General MEETING of the Society, and 23 Companions who were members of the Society attended to see the results of this well run organization, the retirement of Bill Meagher and Arthur Howard. I would encourage all Companions to join the Society, and be involved in the annual meeting. There is such a thing as a free lunch at the Annual meeting.

Membership:

0 Annual

206 Life Members

10 of 25 Chapter paid the 2015 dues

Respectfully submitted by R.E.C. Tom Balabanov,
Current President RAMHS

Moved by R.E.C. George Heggie and **Seconded** by R.E.C. Tom Balabanov to accept this report.

Carried:

33) REPORT OF THE KEYSTONE OF LIFE FOUNDATION

KEYSTONE OF LIFE FOUNDATION

REPORT FOR 2015 GRAND CONVOCATION COVERING PERIOD
AUGUST 2014 TO AUGUST 2015

The Keystone of Life Foundation (KLF) is a registered non-profit organization, and a charity supported by the Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and the Yukon.

The KLF was founded in 1975 as a means to provide small value grants to hospitals throughout the region for much needed primary care equipment.

In the past 12 months, KLF has been delighted to deliver and / or approve over \$50,000 of grants. These grants include:

Aug. 2014	Eagle Ridge Hosp.	\$3,860	Recumbant Bike
Dec. 2014	Burnaby Hosp.	\$7,301	Blanket Warmer
Jan. 2015	Cowichan District Hosp.	\$9,820	Portable Patient Lift
Feb. 2015	Peace Arch Hosp.	\$8,500	Echo Flea Stretcher
Mar. 2015	Fraser Canyon Hosp.	\$8,905	Bariatric ER Stretcher
May, 2015	Saanich Penninsula Hosp.	\$4,188	BP Machine and Chair
May, 2015	Mackenzie District Hosp.	\$7,800	IV Pumps

The KLF acquires its funds for grant awards from donations, membership dues, and bequests together with income from vested assets. Although to date almost \$600K of grants have been awarded, downturns on both investment returns and Particularly donations / members dues over the past years continue to restrict the Foundation's ability to award regular grants.

Our "operating funds", i.e. the money we have available for distribution as grants, is still largely derived from the generous donations and membership dues from our Fraternity. Sadly, despite a concerted publicity drive over the past three years, our annual membership amongst Royal Arch Masons and their families has dwindled from a hundred or so 10 years ago, to a handful last year (2014/2015).

Donations from some individual Masons, Chapters and other Masonic organizations do continue to be received, and for those we are very grateful. However we are encouraging the message of KLF's needs to be spread by all Grand Chapter officers whilst visiting, and in their own Chapters, to try to resurrect the same level of enthusiasm and financial support your KLF charity enjoyed a decade ago. The KLF Board particularly encourages gifting through planned regular giving, bequests and non-monetary donations such as insurance policy and securities transfers. Any Companion or friend of the Foundation can contact any Board member of KLF to set up a simple process of making such donations. Tax receipts are always available against donations from individuals.

KLF continues to extend its reach using the internet and current technology. We have increased our presence on the KLF webpage on the Grand Chapter website, and will be launching our own KLF website in the near future.

KLF is registered with "CanadaHelps", a national website database of all Canadian charities that allows potential donors to make an on-line donation using a credit card.

Much work is still to be done to encourage more individual membership from RA Masons and their families throughout the region. Our aim is for each and every Royal Arch Mason throughout the jurisdiction to become a member of KLF!

The Foundation thanks all donors and members for their continuing support of this Royal Arch Charity.

The KLF Board is committed to increase awareness of the Foundation amongst all Chapters in the jurisdiction and to increase membership in the coming year.

The Keystone of Life Foundation encourages Chapters, through their members, to locate hospitals in their geographic area (particularly those smaller establishments with smaller budgets), who may like to apply for a KLF grant and to put them in touch with a KLF Director.

The KLF Board continues to work hard to raise money for this important charitable cause, and to distribute grants to needy hospitals whilst keeping the Foundation's operating costs to an absolute minimum.

Peter Edwards
KLF President
August 2015

I **move** the acceptance of this report. **Seconded** by M.E.C. Les Robinson.

Carried:

**34) ROYAL ARCH CHARITABLE FOUNDATION
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia & Yukon**

Report to Grand Chapter, at the Annual Convocation held in Chilliwack on September 19, 2015

To all Foundation Members & Companions,

This Report has been prepared to update both Life Members of the Foundation & the Companions of Grand Chapter of progress made since our formal inception at Grand Chapter in September 2007.

Membership

We are very pleased to inform you that we now have approx. 50 Voting Members and 10 Non Voting Members and we continue to solicit for New Members.

Should anyone be interested in membership, we have “Membership Packages” available on request.

Finance

Our Treasurer R.E.C. Peter Guichon, informs us that as at July 31, 2015 we have \$54,481.04 in iur account, which has been accumulated by way of Membership Fees; Interest on Investments & a very special donation of approx \$45,000 from Comp. Jim McMillan of Kamloops Chapter NO.18.

We also note that all the funds within are endowed to the Foundation’s General Endowment Fund. No expenses have been incurred since our last Annual meeting.

Federal Income Tax Status.

We are delighted to inform you that we are a **FULLY REGISTERED CHARITY** and authorized to issue Tax Receipts under Registration Number #841684152-RR 001

Donations & Activity

Since inception, we have received numbers of enquiries and requests for information and are pleased to note that we have prepared information folders which are available from our Secretary. A number of these folders will be available at Grand Chapter.

What is the purpose of the Foundation and HOW do we differ from our other Charities

This Foundation was established in 2007 for the purpose of acting as the recipient of Un-Designated donations & Bequests and generating an Endowment Fund the earnings of which would be distributed annually & equally to the following Charities:-

Royal Arch Masonic Home Society
Keystone of Life Society
Canadian Prostate Cancer Society

It should be noted that the Royal Arch Bursary Fund is missing from this list.

This is due to the fact that, in that they do not accept bursary applications from other than those within the Royal Arch Family of BC & Yukon, they do not qualify for Canada Revenue Tax Exempt Status and as such cannot issue Income Tax receipts.

The Canadian Prostate Cancer Society has been included in that the Canada Revenue Agency required an OUTSIDE beneficiary to be included.

It was the Foundations opinion that that body had close affinity to our Masonic Body and would make an excellent selection for.

The difference of the Foundation is that by acting as an **UMBRELLA** it eliminates the need for the Donor to specifically select any one of our Charities well knowing that all will benefit equally from the earnings of the Foundations Endowment Funds.

It is anticipated that as Donations & Bequests continue to be received the support we are able to provide will show steady increases over time.

We believe this is only the beginning and ask each and every companion to consider this opportunity to say “**THANK YOU**” to this great organization in which we are privileged to be members. I hear this as being referred to as “**PAYING IT FORWARD**”.

Disbursements

It was, and continues to be, the intention to distribute the earnings from the Foundations Investments to our Charities on an annual basis.

At this Convention we are pleased to present cheques in the amount of \$400.00 to each of our Charities.

Summary

This is your Foundation and its success is totally dependent on your support.

We sincerely suggest that each and every Companion consider making a Life Donation &/or a Bequest to the Foundation and thereby leave a lasting benefit to Royal Arch Masonry in BC & Yukon and the Charities that fall under our umbrella.

We thank you all for your support and encouragement along the road, we still have a long way to go, so let's all get on the wagon and move forward.

Have a wonderful day & God Bless You and Yours.

MEC Norman McEvoy Interim Chairman

MEC Les Robinson Director and Secretary

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Moved by MEC. Norman McEvoy and **Seconded** by REC. Peter Guichon to accept this report.

Carried:

35)

REPORT OF GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

As the direct representative of the Grand First Principal, the District Grand Superintendent is responsible for the supervision of the Chapters in his District. He is to ensure there are no deviations from the Constitution, Rites or Ceremonies of Grand Chapter.

At the beginning of his term each District Grand Superintendent took an Obligation that he would fulfil the duties of his office and assist this Grand Chapter to the best of his abilities. We are pleased to report that most Grand Superintendents have visited their constituent Chapters in accordance with that obligation.

As we the committee having read all the reports received it was found that most Superintendents fulfilled their duties.

They had completed all the official visits including the installation of officers and the visits from MEC. Jeremy Gomersall to all the chapters.

Once again the reports show attendance at meetings tend to go up and down according to weather and other circumstances.

Overall things are getting better as the reports show an increase of candidates thru out the area.

This year the chapters held the following degrees:

MMM 6

MEM 12

HRA 13

District 4 & 6. We have not received interim of final reports from the Superintendent's.

We the committee thank all the Superintendents for the time they took to prepare the reports required.

Respectfully submitted

MEC David Grange

REC. Jim Elton

Grand Superintendent's Reports 2014/2015

District #1 REC. John Paterson

Columbia #1

Chapter doing well with new members (affiliations & candidates). Using the Columbia #1 ritual 4 candidates received the M.E.M. degree with 35 companions in attendance. The installation and regular meetings are well attended.

Tzouhalem #26

This chapter's membership remains stable but with a new candidate in June, things are starting to improve. Also having a joint installation with Pacific Rim will help with membership.

Pacific Rim #44

The chapter has had an increase of membership with the addition of 2 new candidates exalted to the Holy Royal Arch degree. Joint installation with Tzouhalem Chapter.

District #3 REC. Kerry Whitefoot

Kelowna #17

REC Kerry Whitefoot was 1st principal until the election of officers in November 2014. REC Kim Willmer was elected as 1st principal, he was an affiliated companion who has never served as 1st principal in BC & Yukon. In October 2014, 4 new candidates had the M.M.M. conferred followed by the M.E.M. in January 2015. With this start to the year things are looking up.

Kamloops #18 & Granite #29

Both chapters are having consolidated meetings. This seems to be working ok as they exalted 3 candidates to the Holy Royal Arch with both chapters involved.

Penticton #22

At the official visit by the MEC Jeremy Gomersall, 20 companions were in attendance but other meetings had only 13. With having no new candidates and low attendance I hope the chapter can do something to turn it around.

District # 7 REC Bob Hart

Joppa #31

During the year the chapter has conferred (1) M.M.M., (2) M.E.M. and (2) Holy Royal Arch degrees. This chapter has strong membership with highly experienced companions and the ritual work was done from memory.

Georgian #39

Having only 1 Lodge to get members from they are having attendance problem. The warmth & congeniality from the companions is truly outstanding for such a small group. The officers know their parts with no ritual books open. They also have great support from King Solomon/ North Vancouver chapter.

King Solomon/ North Vancouver #16

This chapter has great attendance and enjoys assisting Georgian chapter with degrees and installations. The ritual work is done without books and the musical parts are excellent.

Simon Fraser # 40

Good membership in this chapter but would benefit from new candidates. All major positions filled at the last election.

District #10 REC. Bryan Rodger

Fort George #3

This chapter is the largest in the district with over 70 companions. The joint installation between Fort George & Caribou chapter was well attended with MEC. Jeremy Gomersall on his official visit. All meetings were well organised with a few officers having to read the ritual.

Yukon #38

Small chapter but well run with all the officers positions filled. Superintendent will visit for the installation on 25th August, 2015.

Caribou #43

The chapter having moved from Quesnel to Williams Lake has paid dividends with improved attendance. Also had a joint installation with Fort George in December 2014. Hopefully some new candidates in the near future.

District #11 REC Norm Carreck

Keystone #8

Is still struggling for new members and officers. They have to be helped out at times with visitors assisting. Hoping to receive some petitions for new candidates in the fall.

North Island #10

With growing pains due to the amalgamation of 2 chapters things are now getting better. This new chapter has a solid membership base to grow on. On the official visit I was honored by being the 1st candidate for the exemplified M.M.M. degree. This work was excellent. Looking good for the future.

Majuba #33

Even with the increase of companions they continue to have problems with filling the chairs. But things are looking up with a M.M.M. degree to be held on 2nd June, 2015.

Cathedral #35

Hoping to have new candidates in the fall. Could also do with help on assisting with filling the chairs.

Having travelled to all the chapters on Vancouver Island in both Dist. #11 and Dist. #1 (REC John Paterson), I have seen a resurgence in membership to show that Royal Arch Masons are alive and well on Vancouver Island.

District #2 REC Harry Von Czarnowski

Semiahmoo #34

Well attended meetings. MEC Jeremy Gomersall on his official visit presented VEC. Dave Davidson with his 50 year jewel.

The Grand Superintendent on his official visit presented 2, 25 year jewels. This chapter conferred the HRA degree on 6 candidates from Semiahmoo, Composite and Simon Fraser chapters. Festive board well done.

Composite #24

Conferred MEM degree with 2 candidates during the year. All meetings supported by both companions and visitors.

Chilliwack #19

All officers were installed but the chapter could use new younger companions.

All the chapters in district had good meetings and great festive boards.

Moved by MEC David Grange and **Seconded** by REC. Jim Elton that this report be accepted.

Carried:

This year the “Facing the Challenge Award” was awarded to REC. Norm Carreck , District Superintendent of District #11. The plaque was presented by M.E.C. Jeremy Gomersall and M.E.C. David Grange.

36) REPORT OF THE GRAND CHAPTER REGALIA COMMITTEE

An inventory was taken in May of the regalia we have on hand. It seems to be in good condition. Poled all Grand Officers in July as to the condition of their individual Collars and aprons and most report back their regalia is in good condition. We will be monitoring the regalia at Grand Convocation in September and replacing any collars or aprons which we feel are in bad or poor condition.

Submitted by REC Neil Marsh, Chairman

Moved by REC. Neil Marsh to accept this report. **Seconded** by MEC. Les Robinson.

Carried:

37)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PAST GRAND “Zs” REPORT

To the Most Excellent Grand First principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon.

During the year 2014 only 6 Chapters showed an increase in membership, 3 Chapters held steady while 17 Chapters showed a decrease in membership.

36 Companions were exalted which is 3.04% and 14 Chapters performed that Degree. On the other side we had 36 suspensions or 3.05% and 50 demits or 4.24%.

Overall we saw a decrease of 55 Companions or 4.66% of our membership.

The Past Grand “Zs” award this year goes to **North Vancouver – King Solomon #16**, who saw an increase in membership of 5 Companions or 7.24%.

These figures were derived from the annual returns of 2014.

Respectfully Submitted

M.E.C. Hilliard Clare (Chairman)
M.E.C. Alistair Ross
M.E.C. George Tillotson

Moved by M.E.C. Dennis Carriere and **Seconded** by M.E.C. Norm Monro that this report be received.
Carried:

38) VOTE OF THANKS TO THE TO THE HOST CHAPTER (Chilliwack #19)

Moved by MEC Tom Mickey and **seconded** by MEC A. Les Robinson that a hearty vote of thanks be given to The Host Chapter, Chilliwack #19 and to the organizing committee for the excellent facility and a successful Convocation.

Carried:

Grand Chapter was then called from Labour to Refreshment, but all to stay within hail to come on again at the sound of the gavel in the East at 13:30 hrs., for the purpose of installing the Grand Chapter Officers for the year 2015-2016.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2015

Installing Grand Z	MEC Tom Mickey
Installing Grand D Of C	MEC Ken Overy
Installing Grand Chaplain	MEC Joel Chiri

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Installed By</u>
Grand Z	Tony D'Eramo	MEC Tom Mickey
Grand H	Godfrey Onyemaobi	MEC Ken Overy
Grand J	Ron Smith	MEC Ken Overy
Grand Treasurer	Peter Guichon	MEC A. Les Robinson
Grand Scribe Ezra	Ken Overy	MEC A. Les Robinson
Grand Principal Soj.	Tim Yates	MEC David Grange
Grand Senior Soj	George Porter	MEC Joel Chiri
Grand Junior Soj	Tom Balabanov	MEC Joel Chiri
G.Sup. Dist #1	Doug Watson	MEC A. Les Robinson
G.Sup. Dist #2	Douglas Spague	MEC A. Les Robinson
G.Sup. Dist #3	Dale Townsend	MEC A. Les Robinson
G.Sup. Dist #4	Brian Stringer	MEC A. Les Robinson
G.Sup. Dist #6	Paul Pike	MEC A. Les Robinson
G.Sup. Dist #7	John Young	MEC A. Les Robinson
G.Sup. Dist #10	Ted Perry	MEC A. Les Robinson
G.Sup. Dist #11	Doug Paugh	MEC A. Les Robinson
Grand Scribe N.	Filipe Ariel	MEC Norm McEvoy

Grand Historian	Jim Bennie	MEC Norm McEvoy
Grand Sword B.	Chris Perry	MEC Norm Munro
Grand Standard B	Sonny Bond	MEC Norm Munro
Grand D of C	Brian Beech	MEC A. Les Robinson
Grand Marshall	John Laing	MEC A. Les Robinson
Grand Pursuivant	Robert McLellan	MEC Joel Chiri
Grand Steward #1	Bruce Allan	
Grand Steward #2	Bill Hogewoning	
Grand Steward #3		
Grand Chaplain	Philip Pigford	MEC George Eaton
Grand Organist	Bryan Johnstone	MEC George Eaton
Grand Tyler	Robert Carrol	MEC George Eaton

(Those officers **NOT INSTALLED** are to be installed at the earliest opportunity with advice to Grand Scribe Ezra when completed.)

Grand Honors were properly accorded under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies, MEC Ken Overy.

Proclamation, presentation of gavel and General Charge were all completed under direction of IGZ, MEC Tom Mickey.

The Grand First Principal thanked all for attending the convocation and for supporting him during the years. Pledge to carry out the work of his predecessors and would work diligently to ensure the continued success of the Holy Royal Arch in B.C. & Yukon.

GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEES FOR 2015-2016

26.1.1 Constitution and Jurisprudence				
Executive Representative:		Grand Second Principal		
MEC	George Eaton	(2)	1-604-266-6461	gweaton@telus.net
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26.1.2 Finance				
Executive Representative:		Grand Principal Sojourner		
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MEC	Grand Scribe Ezra	(-)		
MEC	Grand Treasurer	(-)		

26.1.3 Executive

Chairman: Grand Second Principal

	All Elected Officers	
	Immediate Past Grand First Principal	
	Chairman of Finance Committee	

26.1.4 Grand Superintendents' Reports

Executive Representative:		Grand Third Principal		
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26.1.5 Regalia

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Executive Representative:		Grand Principal Sojourner		
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26.1.7 Bursary Fund Trustees

Executive Representative:		Grand Third Principal		
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Comp.	Alphonse Quenneville	(1)	1-604-985-7748	alphonseq@gmail.com

26.1.8 Keystone of Life Foundation

EC	Peter Blagaic	(2)	604-230-5732	blagaic@shaw.ca
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26.1.9 Royal Arch Masonic Homes Society

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26.1.10 Royal Arch Charitable Foundation

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REC	Peter Guichon	(1)	1-604-530-3140	pguichon@telus.net

26.1.11 Address of Grand First Principal

Members selected by the Grand Scribe Ezra				
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26.1.12 Merit Awards				
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26.1.13 Past Grand First Principals' Award				
MEC	Hilliard Clare	(2)	1-250-562-4656	hilliard_clare@telus.net
MEC	Les Robinson	(1)	1-250-729-0190	robin5@telus.net
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Ad Hoc Committees				
26.1.14 Education and Advancement				
MEC	Norman McEvoy	(1)	1-250-658-4036	dnyboy@shaw.ca
26.1.15 Grand Chapter Of British Columbia & Yukon 100th Anniversary				
Executive Representative:		Grand First Principal		
TBA				
Grand Scribe Ezra	Ken Overy		1-250-714-0873	Ken.overy@telus.net
Grand Treasurer	Peter Guichon		1-604-530-3140	pguichon@telus.net

The number shown in parentheses () denotes the number of consecutive years of appointment to that committee. If a Chairman is not shown above, the first named is to chair his committee, Executive Representatives excepted.

LOCATION OF FUTURE GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATIONS

2016 Victoria BC
2017 Chilliwack BC

CLOSING

The Grand Z thanked MEC Tom Mickey and those you took part in the Installation of officers.

The 97th Grand Convocation of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon was closed in ample Form by MEC. Tony D'Eramo at 3:48 pm September 19th, 2015

Past Grand First Principals

1985	Most Excellent Companion	R. Hilliard Clare
1989	“ “ “	Thomas O. Mickey
1993	“ “ “	William S. Shippam
1997	“ “ “	Leonard G.B. Pickell
1998	“ “ “	Joseph R. Marshall
1999	“ “ “	Denis S. Carriere
2001	“ “ “	David B. Turner
2002	“ “ “	Norman K. Monro
2004	“ “ “	George W. Eaton
2005	“ “ “	Brian A. Richman
2006	“ “ “	A. Leslie Robinson
2007	“ “ “	George R.E. Tillotson
2008	“ “ “	Alastair M. Ross
2009	“ “ “	David Grange
2010	“ “ “	Joel Chiri
2011	“ “ “	Norman McEvoy
2012	“ “ “	Anthony “Tony” Brown
2013	“ “ “	Ken Overy
2014	“ “ “	Jeremy Gomersall

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CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS**COLUMBIA CHAPTER NO 1**

INST: Feb 1867 CONST: Jun 1867

REG MTG: 1st Tue ex May,Jul,Aug

TIME: 7:30 pm

LOCATION Masonic Temple, 650 Fisgard Street,
Victoria, B.C.

INST: 4th Sat of Nov.

SCRIBE E: VEC Bruce Allan,

650 Fisgard St., Victoria, BC V8W 1R6

Phone (250) 652-458

ROSSLAND CHAPTER NO. 4

INST: Nov 19, 1898 CONST: Jun 17, 1919
REG MTG: 3rd Thur. Emerg 4th Thur. ex Jan, Feb, Jul & Aug
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Temple, Castlegar, BC
INST: 3rd Thur. of Dec.
SCRIBE E: REC David B. Dudley,
25 Wilson Rd., Christina Lake, BC V0H 1E2
Phone (250) 447-6622

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER NO 7

INST: Oct 1900 CONST: Jun 17 1919
REG MTG: 2nd Sat ex July, Aug. Sept
TIME: 10:30 AM
LOCATION:
INSTALLATION: 2nd Sat In Jan
.SCRIBE E: Brian Stringer,
5137, Stringer Loop, Fairmont Hot Springs BC. V0B 1C1
Phone (250) 345-6495

KEYSTONE CHAPTER NO. 8

INST: Dec 16, 1891 CONST: Jun 17, 1919
REG MTG: 4th Fri. ex Mar, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sept, Dec.
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: 620 Morpeth, St., Nanaimo. B.C.
INST: 3rd Sat Mar (With 33 & 35)
SCRIBE E: MEC Les Robinson,
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NORTH ISLAND NO. 10

INST: Jul 30, 1904 CONST: Jun 18, 1919
REG MTG: 3rd Wed. ex January, February, June, July August, December.
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Temple, 361-5th St. Courtenay, BC
Masomic Temple 2905 N Isld Hwy Campbell River
INST: 3rd Wed of May
SCRIBE E: REC James Whyte, 5254 Langlois Rd.,
Courtenay, BC V9J 1S8 (250) 338-5566

KAIEN CHAPTER NO 13

INST: Aug 2, 1910 CONST: Feb.28, 1912
REG MTG: 3rd Wed ex Jul Aug Dec
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Temple 6th & Bowser Street Prince Rupert, BC
INST: 3rd Sat Nov

SCRIBE E: REC. Paul Pike,
423- 4th Avenue west, Prince Rupert, V8J 1P6,
Phone: (250) 627-1472

**NORTH VANCOUVER – KING SOLOMON
CHAPTER NO. 16**

INST: Feb 25, 1914 CONST: Jun 17, 1919
REG MTG: 2nd Thu ex Jul Aug
TIME: 7:30 pm
LOCATION: Masonic Temple, 1142 Lonsdale Ave.
North Vancouver, BC
INST: 4th Sat in Jan
SCRIBE E: Roy Friis,
975 Hartford Place .,North Vancouver, BC V7H 2J8
Phone (604) 990-0294

KELOWNA CHAPTER NO. 17

INST: 1916 CONST: Jun 17 1919
REG MTG 4th Tue ex Jun, Jul, Aug, Sept & Dec
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: St. George's Hall, 1564 Pandosy St.
Kelowna, BC
INST: 4th Tue Nov
SCRIBE E REC Bill Ferguson,
188 – 1201 Cameron Rd. Kelowna, BC V1W 3S2
Phone (250) 860-7627

KAMLOOPS CHAPTER NO. 18

INST: Aug 2, 1920 CONST: Jul 26, 1921
REG MTG: 3rd Tue ex Jun, Jul & Aug
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Temple, 351 Nicola Street, Kamloops, BC
INST: 2nd Sat Mar (With 11 & 29)
SCRIBE E: VEC Dave Ogilvie
PO Box 492, Ashcroft, BC V9K 1A0
Phone (250) 453-9431

CHILLIWACK CHAPTER NO. 19

INST: May 12, 1921 CONST: Jun 21, 1922
REG MTG: 2nd Thur.in Feb, Mar, Apr, May,Oct & Nov
TIME: 7:30 PM
INST: 2nd Thur Nov
SCRIBE E: REC Ed Wilson,
35188 Spencer St. Abbotsford, BC, V3G 2E3,
Phone (604) 684-0443

PENTICTON CHAPTER NO. 22

INST: Jun 18, 1923 CONST: Sept 9, 1924
REG MTG: 1st Thur ex Jan ,Jul Aug &Sept.
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Temple, 9536 Main St.,
Summerland, BC
INST: 1st Thur of Oct
SCRIBE E: EC Dean Box,
PO Box 1254., Summerland, BC V0H 1Z0
Phone: (250) 492-3087

COMPOSITE CHAPTER NO. 24

INST: May 29, 1925 CONST: Jun 7, 1926
REG MTG: 3rd Fri ex Jul, Aug. Sep &Dec
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Park Lodge Hall,
4474 Rupert Street., Vancouver, BC
INST: 3rd Fri Jan
SCRIBE E: Kevin Fitzgerald
305-7155 Hall Road, Surrey V3W 4X4
Phone (778) 593-5053

TZOUHALEM CHAPTER NO. 26

INST: Feb 28, 1928 CONST: Jun 20, 1928
REG MTG: 3rd Tue ex Jun, Jul, Aug & Dec
TIME: 6:30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Hall, 163 Canada Ave., Duncan, B C
INST: 3rd Tue Oct
SCRIBE E: Comp. Ron Coulter
1225Chapton Road, Cobble Hill, BC, V0R 1L0
Phone: (250) 748-3481

GRANITE CHAPTER NO 29

INST: Aug 8, 1946 CONST: Oct 10, 1947
REG MTG: 3rd Mon ex Jul, Aug & Dec
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Lodge Hall ,
270 Alexander St N.,Salmon Arm, BC,
INST: 2nd Sat Mar (With 11 & 18)
SCRIBE E; VEC Dale Townsend
51- 60th Ave, Salmon Arm, BC. V1E 3B3
Phone: (250) 832-2443

JOPPA CHAPTER NO 31

INST: Jan 3, 1949 CONST: Aug 1, 1949

REG MTG: 3rd Mon ex Jul, Aug & Dec.

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Kerrisdale Masonic Hall, 2146 W. 41st Ave., Vancouver

8486 Granville St., Vancouver, BC

INST: 3rd Mon Jan

SCRIBE E: George Heggie

5152 – 56th Street, Delta BC., V4K 3P9

Phone: (604) 946-0028

MAJUBA CHAPTER NO. 33

INST: Jan 13, 1951 CONST: Jul 14, 1951

REG MTG: 1st Tue ex Jul, Aug, Sep & Jan.

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: St. John's Masonic Temple,

26 Gatacre St. Ladysmith, BC

INST: 3rd Sat (With 8 & 35)

Scribe E VEC Norm Carreck

104 Bertram Place Ladysmith BC. V9G 1T8

Phone; (250) 245-8089

SEMIAHMOO CHAPTER NO 34

INST: Sept 29, 1952 CONST: Jul 4, 1953

REG MTG: 2nd Tue ex Jan, Jul, Aug & Sep

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Masonic Hall, 20710 Fraser Highway Langley, BC

INST: 2nd Tue May

SCRIBE E: REC Neil Marsh,

4577-196A St., Langley, BC V3A 7G5

Phone: (604) 532-1732

CATHEDRAL CHAPTER NO 35

INST: Jun 21 1956 CONST: Sept, 1956

REG MTG: 4th Tue ex Jan, Jun ,Jul & Aug

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Masonic Hall, 136 Memorial Ave.,

Parksville, BC

INST: 4th Tue Apr

SCRIBE E: VEC Tim Yates,

1440 – 13th Street, Unit 16, Courtenay BC V9N 6C1

Phone: (250) 338-5114

FORT GEORGE CHAPTER NO 36

INST: CONST: Sept 20, 1957

REG MTG: 3rd Wed ex Jun, Jul, Aug & Dec

TIME: 8:00 PM

LOCATION: Freemason's Hall, 450 Vancouver. Prince George, BC

INST: 1st Wed Dec (With 43)

SCRIBE E: REC. R. Neil Weller,

4313 Granite Ave., Prince George, BC VC1 5C1

Phone: (800) 614-8933

KALUM CHAPTER NO 37

INST: May 26 1956 CONST: Sept 19, 1957

REG MTG: 3rd Tue ex Jul Aug

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Freemasons Hall, 4915 Lazelle Avenue
Terrace BC

INST: 3rd Sat Oct

SCRIBE E: REC Wolfgang Scholz,

64 Bittern Street, Kitimat BC., V8C 1R2

Phone; (250) 632-3900

YUKON CHAPTER NO 38

INST: Jan 30, 1950 CONST: Jan 30, 1951

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REG MTG: 4th Mon ex Jul Aug Sept.

TIME: 7:30 PM

Location: Masonic Hall, 1501 Dogwood St.,
Whitehorse, YT

SCRIBE E: EC Alan Hubley,

51 Finch Cres., Whitehorse, YT Y1A 5X5

Phone: (867) 663-6600

GEORGIAN CHAPTER NO 39

INST: May 25 1960 CONST: Sept 30 1961

REG MTG: 3rd Tue ex Jun, Jul, Aug & Dec
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TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Roberts Creek Masonic Hall, BC

INST: 1st Sat May

SCRIBE E: REC Douglas Burke,

2 – 4496 Sunshine Coast Hwy., Sechelt, BC V0N 3A1

Phone: (604) 885-7525

SIMON FRASER CHAPTER NO 40

INST: Mar 29, 1961 CONST: Jul 29, 1961

REG MTG: 2nd Tue ex July Aug Feb

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Richmond Masonic Temple,

6730 No. 3rd Richmond, BC
INST: 1st Sat Feb
SCRIBE E: EC. John Laing,
6129 Briarwood Cres., Delta B.C. V4E 2X1
Phone: (604) 590-4080

DAWSON CREEK CHAPTER NO 41

INST: Oct 15, 1960 CONST: Sept 1, 1962
REG MTG: 3rd Tue ex Jul Aug
TIME: 8:00 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Hall, 901-103rd Ave, Dawson Creek, BC
INST: 3rd Tue Sept
SCRIBE E: EC Don Stirling, 10012 – 94th Ave.,
Fort St. John, BC V1J5J6 Phone (250) 787-9659

CARIBOU CHAPTER NO 43

INST: May 23, 1975 CONST: Sept 4, 1976
REG MTG: 1st Tues. ex. Jan, Feb Jul, Aug, Sept
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Centre Lodge #113, 130 - A Oliver St., Williams Lake, BC
INST 2nd Tues May at 6:00 PM (With 36)
SCRIBE E: EC. Joseph Bare,
PO Box 4551 Quesnel, BC, V2J3J8 Phone: (250) 992-7937

PACIFIC RIM CHAPTER NO 44

INST: May 3, 1990 CONST: Apr 11, 1992
REG MTG: 3rd Tue ex Jan, Jun, Jul, Aug & Dec
TIME: 7.30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Hall, 6544 Throup Road,
Sooke, BC
INST: 3rd Tue Jan
SCRIBE E: REC John Paterson,
29 Knollwood Road, Victoria BC V9B 1C3
Phone: (250) 381-3236

ELECTED OFFICERS OF GRAND CHAPTER SINCE 1919

Year	Grand Zerubbabel	Grand Haggai	Grand Joshua
1919	*Harry H. Watson	*Daniel M Harrison	*Charles F. Sherwin
1920	*Edward B Paul	*Daniel M. Harrison	*Charles F. Sherwin
1921	*Daniel M. Harrison	*Charles F. Sherwin	*Vernon W. Stewart
1922	*Charles F. Sherwin	*Vernon W. Stewart	*Frank C. Bird
1923	*Vernon W. Stewart	*Frank C. Bird	*John G. Gamon
1924	*Frank C. Bird	*John G. Gamon	*Thomas H. Carey
1925	*John G. Gamon	*Thomas H. Carey	*Henry Giegerich
1926	*Thomas H. Carey	*Henry Giegerich	*Donald Adams
1927	*Henry Giegerich	*Donald Adams	*William T. Phillips
1928	*Donald Adams	*William T. Phillips	*Ernest P. Allen
1929	*William T. Phillips	*Ernest P. Allen	*Donald A. Stewart
1930	*Ernest P. Allen	*Donald A. Stewart	*Samuel Drake
1931	*Donald A. Stewart	*Samuel Drake	*Daniel W. Sutherland
1932	*Samuel Drake	*Alexander McDuff	*Alex M. Manson
1933	*Alexander McDuff	*Alex M. Manson	*William R. Trench
1934	*Alex M. Manson	*William R. Trench	*William R. Yule
1935	*William R. Trench	*William R. Yule	*George H. McKay
1936	*William R. Yule	*George H. McKay	*K.K. Reid
1937	*George H. McKay	*K.K. Reid	*W.P. Marchant
1938	* K.K. Reid	*W.P. Marchant	*Stanley Gordon
1939	*W.P. Marchant	*Stanley Gordon	*Thomas B. Goodall
1940	*Stanley Gordon	*Thomas B. Goodall	*George E. MacKinnon
1941	*G.E. McKinnon	*M.J. Little	*W. Coates Taylor
1942	*M.J. Little	*W. Coates Taylor	*.John. H. Morgan
1943	*W. Coates Taylor	*John H. Morgan	*F.A. Willis
1944	*John H. Morgan	*F.A. Willis	*Edward T. Searle
1945	*F.A. Willis	*Edward T. Searle	*Edgar B. Baker
1946	*Edward T. Searle	*Edgar B. Baker	*John MacLeod
1947	*Edgar B. Baker	*John MacLeod	*Gerald M. Sedger
1948	*John MacLeod	*Gerald M. Sedger	*A.E. Davidson
1949	*Gerald M. Sedger	*A.E. Davidson	*A. Roy Byrnell
1950	*A.E. Davidson	*A. Roy Byrnell	*Andrew Coutts
1951	*A. Roy Byrnell	*Andrew Coutts	*Charles E. Renecker
1952	*Andrew Coutts	*Charles E. Renecker	*Harvey P. Wyness
1953	*Charles E. Renecker	*Harvey P. Wyness	*Richard L. Williams
1954	*Harvey P. Wyness	*Richard L. Williams	*George M. Harmen
1955	*Richard L. Williams	*George M. Harmen	*Arthur Hamilton
1956	*George M. Harmen	*Arthur Hamilton	*T.W.H. Walker
1957	*Arthur Hamilton	*T.W. H. Walker	*Olaf Nelsen
1958	*T.W.H. Walker	*Olaf Nelsen	*James R. Mitchell
1959	*Olaf Nelsen	*James R. Mitchell	*Earl V. Bell
1960	*James R. Mitchell	*Earl V. Bell	*James S.E. Meiss
1961	*Earl V. Bell	*James S.E. Meiss	*J. Stanley Dyke
1962	*James S.E. Meiss	*J. Stanley Dyke	*R. Thomas Litt
1963	*J. Stanley Dyke	*R. Thomas Litt	*Thomas A. Dobson

1964	*R. Thomas Litt	*Thomas R. Smalley	*L.R. Gamey
1965	*Thomas R. Smalley	*L.R. Gamey	*Ewan E. Andrews
1966	*L. R. Gamey	*Ewan E. Andrews	*Mark H. Hannah
1967	*Mark H. Hannah	*Ewan E. Andrews	*Thomas Isbister
1968	*Ewan E. Andrews	*Thomas Isbister	*Alan E. Fleetham
1969	*Thomas Isbister	*Alan E. Fleetham	*Charles F. Armstrong
1970	*Alan E. Fleetham	*Charles F. Armstrong	*Evan H. Carl
1971	*Charles F. Armstrong	*Evan H. Carl	*W. Currie McCalpin
1972	*Evan H. Carl	*W. Currie McCalpin	*James A. Manzer
1973	*W. Currie McCalpin	*James A. Manzer	*William H. Young
1974	*James A. Manzer	*William H. Young	*Cyrus D. Biddulph
1975	*Cyrus D. Bidulph	*William H. Young	*Henry M. Dayton
1976	*William H. Young	*Henry M. Dayton	*George H. Coupland
1977	*Henry M. Dayton	*George H. Coupland	*William Blake
1978	* George H. Coupland	*William Blake	*R. Cedric Telford
1979	*William Blake	*R. Cedric Telford	*James Randall
1980	*R. Cedric Telford	*James Randall	*Stephen G. Redgrave
1981	*James Randall	*Stephen G. Redgrave	*Alvin P. Alexander
1982	*Stephen G. Redgrave	*Alvin P. Alexander	*F. Melvin Fulton
1983	*Alvin P. Alexander	*F. Melvin Fulton	R. Hilliard Clare
1984	* F. Melvin Fulton	R. Hilliard Clare	*Huie S. Lamb
1985	R. Hilliard Clare	*Huie S. Lamb	*Roderick A. Cutler
1986	*Huie S. Lamb	*Roderick A. Cutler	*Jack A. Laffling
1987	*Roderick A. Cutler	*Jack A Laffling	Thomas O. Mickey
1988	*Jack A. Laffling	Thomas O. Mickey	*Robert J. Gornall
1989	Thomas O. Mickey	*Robert J. Gornall	*Alexander S. Rollo
1990	*Robert J. Gornall	*Alexander S. Rollo	*H. James White
1991	*Alexander S. Rollo	*H. James White	William R. Shippam
1992	*H. James White	William R. Shippam	*Trevor O. Thomas
1993	William R. Shippam	*Trevor O. Thomas	*Leslie J. Tutt
1994	*Trevor O. Thomas	*Leslie J. Tutt	*William D. Jasper
1995	*Leslie J. Tutt	*William D. Jasper	Leonard G. Pickell
1996	*William D. Jasper	Leonard G. Pickell	Joseph R. Marshall
1997	Leonard G. Pickell	Joseph R. Marshall	Denis S. Carriere
1998	Joseph R. Marshall	Denis S. Carriere	*David D.S. Anderson
1999	Denis S. Carriere	*David D.S. Anderson	David B. Turner
2000	*David D. S. Anderson	David B. Turner	Norman K. Monro
2001	David B. Turner	Norman K. Monro	*Basil R. Hobbs
2002	Norman K. Monro	*Basil R. Hobbs	George W. Eaton
2003	*Basil R. Hobbs	George W. Eaton	Brian Richman
2004	George W. Eaton	Brian Richman	William Fooks
2005	Brian Richman	William Fooks	Leslie Robinson
2006	Leslie Robinson	George Tillotson	Alastair Ross
2007	George Tillotson	Alastair Ross	David Grange
2008	Alastair M. Ross	David Grange	Joel Chiri
2009	David Grange	Joel Chiri	Norm McEvoy
2010	Joel Chiri	Norm McEvoy	Tony Brown
2011	Norman McEvoy	Tony Brown	Ken Overy
2012	Tony Brown	Ken Overy	Jeremy Gomersall
2013	Ken Overy	Jeremy Gomersall	Tony D'Eramo

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Tony D'Eramo

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Minutes of the Order of the High Priesthood

**Minutes of the order of the High Priesthood
Held at Chilliwack Sept 18.2015.**

Called to order @ 1417 by Past ex President MEC George Eaton

Welcome to visitors MEC Lenard Cole,(Sask), MEC Donald Russell, MEC Robert Turner, REC Bob Taylor.

Members present 22, Guests 4, candidates 3, as per Porch book.

In memorium. A moments silence was given for MEC ex Companions David Bridges Turner and Michael Patrick Raynor who passed to the Great lodge in the sky during the past year.

Confer Order. On Ex Companions John Laing, VEC John Young and EC Jimmy Catela who was the representative candidate.

Prologue given by MEC Norm McEvoy

Obligation given by MEC Ken Overy

Prayer of Consecration by REC Tony D'Eramo

Signs given by MECs Ken Overy. Jeremy Gomersal, REC Tony D'Eramo.

Minutes of 2014 meeting. Adopted as read. With the correction that MEC Princ-Solveraji is from Ontario not Sk. Seconded by EC Philep Ariel.

Correspondence None

Treasurers report Bank balance of \$1378.37. Seconded by MEC Jeremy Gomersal

Unfinished business None

New Business Vice President read out his slate of officers for 2015/16

Election of Officers

President MEC Ken Overy
V/President MEC Jeremy Gomersall
Empty Chair REC Tony D'Eramo
Chaplain REC Godfrey Onyemaobi
Recorder EC Peter Whitehead
Treasurer REC Peter Guichon
Master of ceremonies REC Ron Smith
Conductor REC Tim Yates
Herald
Steward TBA
Director of ceremonies TBA
Sentinal TBA

All officers were elected by acclimation. The installing officers took their stations and proceeded with the installation.

Installing Ex. President. George Eaton
Ex. Chaplain. Jeremy Gomersall
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Sick and Distress We were sad to hear that MECs Alistair Rossand and Ken Ward. were unable to attend due health problems and we wished them all a return to good health.

Regrets from REC Donovan Tyers, Norman Brice.

Good or the order Honorary membership cards were given to MEC Lenard Cole Order of the High Priesthood closed in due form at 1605 by ex President Ken Overy.

Ex President

Ex Recorder

2015 AGENDA

Friday, September 18, 2015

No.	Order of Business
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- 1) Grand Chapter Informal Opening. **7:15 pm**
- 2) Admission/Reception of Distinguished guests
- 3) Flag Ceremony
- 4) Memorial Service
- 5) Responses of Civic/Concordant bodies.
- 6) Informal Grand Chapter closed.

Saturday, September 19, 2015

- 7) Grand Chapter Formal opening. **9:00 am**
- 8) Reception of Visitors & Regrets.
- 9) Invocation – Grand Chaplain
- 10) Resolution of Loyalty to Queen
- 11) Minutes of Grand Convocation of **2013**
- 12) Grand Z address
- 13) Grand H report
- 14) Grand J report
- 15) Report of Merit Award Committee
- 16) Reception of Past Gr. First Principals
- 17) Reception of First Principals
- 18) Grand Treasurer's report
- 19) Grand Scribe Ezra report
- 20) Report of Committee on Constitution & Jurisprudence
- 21) Unfinished Business
- 22) Report of Committee on Finance (2015 Budget)
- 23) Report of the Grand Historian
- 24) Report of Executive Committee
- 25) Roll Call of Grand Representatives
- 26) Report of Credentials Committee
- 27) Report of Committee on RA Foundation
- 28) Presentation of Honorary Memberships
- 29) Election of Officers for 2014/15
- 30) Report of Bursary Fund Trustees

- 31) Report of Committee on Grand Z address
 - 32) Report of Royal Arch Home Society
 - 33) Report of Keystone of Life Foundation
 - 34) Report of Committee on Grand Superintendents
 - 35) Report of Committee on Past Z's Award
 - 36) Good of the Order
 - 37) Vote of Thanks to Host Chapter
 - 38) Installation of Officers for 2014/15
 - 39) Committees for 2014/15
 - 40) Location of Grand Chapter for 2016, 2017
 - 41) Closing of Grand Chapter
- Report (Minutes) of Order of High Priest