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Of

GRAND CHAPTER

Of

British Columbia & Yukon

100th Annual Convocation

Nanaimo, B.C.

2018

(Organized June 18th, 1919)

MEC Ronald Smith
Grand First Principal

MEC Ken Overy
Grand Scribe Ezra



MEC Ronald Smith
Grand First Principal
2017-2018

MEC Ronald (Ron) R. Smith

Grand First Principal

Royal Arch Mason, BC and Yukon

2017 - 2018

Bio:

MEC Ron Smith was born on May 3rd 1968 in Manila, Philippines and immigrated to New Zealand in 1973. Educated in both New Zealand and England, he received degrees in Music Composition from the Royal Schools of Music and a MBA from Judge Business School, Cambridge University.

Immigrating to Canada in 1990, he started a successful group of companies specializing in web hosting services and online entertainment, selling out to WorldCom in 2000. He currently serves on the Board of Directors in various private companies, provides mentorship and angel financing for up and coming entrepreneurs.

Raised in Tuscan Lodge No.138 in 1993 and served as Master in 2000, 2004 and 2008; appointed DDGM of Dist. 28 in 2011-12; Charter member of Dimasalang Lodge No.196 and current District Education Officer Dist.13; Exalted as a RAM in Mission Chapter No. 28 in 1996; served as First Principal in 2001 and 2009-11 when the Chapter surrendered its Charter; appointed Grand Superintendent District No. 2 in 2007-08; affiliated member of Composite Chapter No.24, Semiahmoo No.34 and Bellingham Bay Chapter No.12 Grand Chapter of Washington.

MEC Ron Smith has also been involved in various other concordant bodies in York and Scottish Rites and Gizeh Shriners.

Married to Cindy for 26 years and they have two children, Jake 20 and Jena 16. His various passions include a good scotch and cigar, traveling, sailing and photography.... a combination of all these would be priceless

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 **One Hundredth** Grand Convocation held in Nanaimo, B.C. on **September 14th & 15, 2018** and authorized to be published.

In testimony whereof I have appended my official signature and have affixed the Seal of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon at the office of the Grand Scribe Ezra in the City of Nanaimo, B.C. this 13 day of November, 2018

(MEC Ken Overy – Grand Scribe Ezra)

SEAL

The one hundredth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia & Yukon was held on **September 14th – 15th, 2015** at the Coast Bastion Hotel, in Nanaimo, B.C.

OFFICERS ELECTED/APPOINTED 2017/2018

MEC Ronald Smith

MEC A. Leslie Robinson
REC Philip Robinson
MEC Godfrey Onyemaobi
REC Tom Balabanov
MEC Ken Overy
REC John Merryweather Laing
VEC Richard Trippel
VEC Preciocisimo Bunagan
REC Jeffery Woodburn
REC Peter Blagaic
REC Eric Hansen
REC Greg Constable
REC Paul Stevenson
REC Sonny Bond
REC Matthew Fletcher
REC Richard Sheldon
REC Richard Trippel

Grand First Principal

Grand Second Principal (appointed)
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

REC James Bennie	Grand Historian
VEC Steven Ackroyd	Grand Sword Bearer
VEC Richard Parker	Grand Standard Bearer
VEC Felip Ariel	Grand Dir. Of Ceremonies
VEC Madhu Vadgama	Grand Marshal
VEC William Duncan	Grand Pursuivent
VEC Timothy Findley	Grand Steward #1
VEC TBA	Grand Steward #2
VEC Chuck Chamberlain	Grand Steward #3
REC Aaron Harrison	Grand Chaplain
VEC TBA	Grand Organist
VEC Alphonse Quenneville	Grand Tyler

14 September 2018

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 14, 2018**. The companions and guests were welcomed to the session. The Grand Council was 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, VEC Felip Areil and then received and welcomed by the Grand Council and seated.

MEC. Keng-Wei Chew – Grand First Principal – Grand Chapter of Alberta and suite

MEC. Jack Fryatt – Grand First Principal.– Grand Chapter of Manitoba

MEC. Gary Spriggs – Past Grand High Priest - Grand Chapter of California

REC. Daniel Smith – Grand Captain of the Host, representing MEC J. Keith Green-
Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Ohio

Rt.Ill.Comp. Harold Hayes – Grand Inspector General for Vancouver Island- Cryptic Rite
Masons of Western Canada, Royal and Select Masters

Rt.Em.Kt. Bruce Allan - Prov. Prior -Representing Sovereign Great Priory of Canada Knight
Templar

Most Ill. Kt. Comp. Thomas Mortlock – Grand Sovereign.- Red Cross of Constantine

Rt. Em. Kt.Priest Alex Hart, Grand Supt.Canada West - Representing Grand College of the
Holy Royal Arch Kt. Templar Priests & Order of Holy Wisdom

Kt. Comp. Colin Hart –Representing Knights of York Rite Cross of Honour

Rt. Ven. Bro. Matt Fletcher, DDGM Dst #4 – Representing - Allied Masonic Degrees

Rt. Em. Dist. Br. Richard Armitage-Grand Governor of B.C. – York Rite Sovereign College of North America.

Worthy Knight Jeremy Gomersall – Past Grand Herald - Representing the Commemorative Order of St. Thomas of Acon.

Sister Sue Paugh, and Brother Jim Stephens – Grand Associate Matron and Grand Associate Patron– Representing Order of the Eastern Star

H.L. Donna lee McMurchie and S.K John McMurchie – Grand Royal Matron and Patron of the Grand Court of BC, Order of the Amaranth

Junior Past Queen Margaret Logan – Representing the Daughters of the Nile.

M. W. Master Ronald W. Yates- Immediate Past Grand Master of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of British Columbia and Yukon

3) FLAG CEREMONY

The flag ceremony was conducted by MEC Ken Overy.

The flags were carried in by Companions of our Grand Chapter. Companion Matt Jarvis carried the Canadian flag, Excellent Companion Mark Robinson carried the American flag, Very Excellent Companion Richard Parker carried the British Columbia flag and Companion Peter Van Der Lee carried the Yukon flag. The ceremony ended with the singing of “*O Canada*” and “*The Star Spangled Banner*”

4) MEMORIAL SERVICE

Presided over by V. Ex. Comp. Aaron Harrison:

Open and Welcome. (Chaplain)

Companions and guests, we have come together at this time to remember before God the lives of our Companions, to commend them in God’s keeping and to comfort those who mourn with our sympathy and with our love; in the hope we share that our souls too shall return to the One who gave them. **Amen.**

Prayer of Saint Francis

ALL: Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me bring love.

Where there is offense, let me bring pardon.

Where there is discord, let me bring union.

Where there is error, let me bring truth.

Where there is doubt, let me bring faith.

Where there is despair, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, let me bring your light.
Where there is sadness, let me bring joy.
O Master, let me not seek as much
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love,
for it is in giving that one receives,
it is in self-forgetting that one finds,
it is in pardoning that one is pardoned,
it is in dying that one is raised to eternal life.

Hymn: God, that Madest Heaven and Earth (all through the night)

**God, that madest earth and heaven,
darkness and light;
who the day for toil hast given,
for rest the night;
may thine angel guards defend us,
slumber sweet thy mercy send us;
holy dreams and hopes attend us,
all through the night.**

**Guard us waking, guard us sleeping,
and when we die,
may we in thy mighty keeping
all peaceful lie;
when the last dread call shall wake us,
do not thou, our God, forsake us,
but reign in glory take us
with Thee on high.**

Scripture Reading: Mark 12: 28-34

“The Greatest Commandment”

²⁸ And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all?

²⁹ And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:

³⁰ And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.

³¹ And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

32 And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but he:

33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love his neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.

34 And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And no man after that durst asks him any question.

John 14:1-6 King James Version (KJV)

14 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Sermon:

Would you join me in reciting the 23rd Psalm

ALL: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

ROLL CALL OF FRATERNAL DEAD (Rose Ceremony)

Deceased Members

District #1

REC. Jeff Woodburn

Columbia #1

Lionel John Brownsey

Jan. 04,2017

Tzouhalem #26

E.C. John Fenmor Collins

June 27,2017

Pacific Rim #44

REC Robert John Muir (Bob) Acreman

Sept. 24,2017

District #2

REC. Peter Blagiac

Chilliwack #19

NONE REPORTED

Composite #24

Comp. Ed Lilley

Aug.05,2017

Comp. Ernest Mayer

Unknown

Comp. Robert Kitchen

Apr. 27,2017

Semiahmoo #34

VEC Cyril (Dave) Davison

Jan. 07,2017

VEC Edward Lilley

Aug.05,2017

District #3

REC. Eric Hansen

Kelowna #17

Comp. Graham Oates George

Mar. 07,2017

Ex. Comp. George Alan Elliot

Sept. 26,2017

Kamloops #18

Comp. Vernon Jones

June 28,2017

Comp. James Barker

Sept. 05, 2017

Comp. Dean McLean

Nov. 16,2017

Comp. Frank Zimmerman

Mar.29, 2017

Comp. Christopher Seguin

Sept. 29,2017

Penticton #22

Comp. Harry Johnson

Jan. 15, 2017

Comp. Joseph Murray

May 06, 2017

M.E.C. Herbert Weaver

May 02, 2017

Ex. Comp. George Phillipson

July 01, 2017

Comp. Gordon Kickbush

Dec. 22, 2017

Granite #29

NONE REPORTED

District #4

REC. Greg Constable

Rossland #4

Comp. Andrew Cochran

Jan.01,2017

Comp Glenn Weatherhead

Nov.25.2017

Rocky Mountain #7
NONE REPORTED

District #6

REC. Paul Stevenson by REC Richard Armitage

Kaien # 13
Comp. William McIntyre
Kalum #37
NONE REPORTED

Jan.07.2017

District #7

REC. Sonny Bond

North Van. King Sol. #16
Comp. Ronald Clough
Joppa #31
NONE REPORTED
Georgian # 39
NONE REPORTED
Simon Fraser # 40
Comp. Stephen Mackenzie

Feb.04.2017

Nov. 09.2017

District #10

REC. Matt Fletcher

Fort George #36
NONE REPORTED
Yukon #38
E.C. Donald Fizzell
R.E.C. Seibert Oscar Hadvick
Comp. Norval Taylor
Comp. Lloyd Triggs
Comp. Arnold Vienott
Dawson Creek #41
Comp. Harry Beamer
E.C. Erin McKee
Caribou #43
Comp. Peter Raptis

June 25,2017
Aug.04,2017
Jan. 08,2017
Mar. 23,2017
May 01,2017

June 05,2017
Sept. 11,2017

Nov. 10.2017

District #11

REC. Rick Sheldon

Keystone #8
NONE REPORTED
North Island #10
Comp. Roland Alexander Mitchell
Comp. John (Jack) Clarke
Majuba #33
NONE REPORTED
Cathedral #35
NONE REPORTED

Feb. 12,2017
Aug. 08,2017

FOR all Companions from sister Jurisdictions, or those who may have been inadvertently overlooked as well as all those serving overseas protecting this great nation by M.E.C. Ron Smith

AND the laying of a white rose in remembrance of the departed spouses of all Companions everywhere by the wife of our Grand First Principal, Cindy Smith

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.

HOMILY;

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

All: We shall remember them.

Would you join me in the Lord's Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who art in Heaven,
hallowed be Thy name
Thy Kingdom Come,
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in Heaven
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
but deliver us from evil
for Thine is the Kingdom,
the Power and the Glory
for ever and ever Amen.

Blessing:

Be steadfast in faith. iovful 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.**

Closing Hymn

Abide With Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy Presence every passing hour;

what but thy grace can foil the temper's power? Who,
like thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through
cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's dark sting? where, grave, thy
victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows
flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

5) ADDRESSES BY DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The Grand First Principal invited those guests who would 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 15th 2018**

September 15, 2018

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. Tom Mickey

M.Ex. Comp. Alistair Ross.

M.Ex. Comp Norm McEvoy

V.Ex. Comp Jim Bennie – Grand Historian

M.Ex.Comp.Frederic Comtour. GZ. GCRAM Quebec

M.Ex.Comp. George Eaton

M.Ex.Comp. Norm Monro

M. Ex. Comp. Tony D'Eramo.

A moment of silence was observed to honour the memory of M.Ex.Comp. George Tillotson.

9)

CHANGE OF SIGNING AUTHORITY

No Change in Signing Authority.

10)

RESOLUTION OF LOYALTY

The following Resolution of Loyalty, duly **MOVED** by Most Excellent Companion Les Robinson and duly **SECONDED** by Right Excellent Companion Phillip Robinson 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 One Hundredth Annual Convocation in the City of Nanaimo, British Columbia, Canada this 15th day of September, 2018, 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, Prince Harry and Prince George.

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 15th, 2018.**

“GOD SAVE THE QUEEN”

MEC Ronald Smith
GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL

MEC Ken Overy
GRAND SCRIBE EZRA

Adopted

11)

MINUTES OF GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATION 2017.

Motion by Grand Scribe Ezra M.E.C. Ken Overy.

I hereby move that the minutes of the ninety-ninth annual Grand Convocation of Royal Arch Masons of B.C. & Yukon, held in the city of Chilliwack, British Columbia and as published in the annual proceedings of 2017 be hereby adopted.

Seconded by REC. John Laing

Carried as Presented

**ADDRESS OF GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL (Z)
MEC RONALD SMITH**

M.Ex. Comp. Les Robinson assumed the chair

My Companions, I extend to each of you a hearty and genuine welcome to The Harbour City of Nanaimo, the 100th Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, British Columbia & Yukon.

It is with the greatest of pleasure that I welcome all distinguished visitors from our sister jurisdictions and representatives of the concordant bodies who have all taken the time from their busy schedules to join us. Please take back our warmest fraternal greetings to your respective Grand Chapters and Bodies.

Convocations like this are special occasions not only for the purpose of conducting business but as an opportunity to renew friendships with those who you may not see that often, but that moment you reconnect feels like yesterday. To those of you who here with us for the first time a special word of welcome. Remember that this is your Grand Chapter, may you derive benefit and pleasure from meeting with us. Making friends is like a new adventure... the start of some wonderful memories.

Companions we become stronger together.

Preamble:

It hardly seems possible that it has been a year since I was installed as your Grand First Principal and that soon my term will be over. I am very grateful to have had the opportunity to serve you in this office. If I have any regrets, it is that my commitment to my sister's wedding in New Zealand and an unforeseen Craft Lodge matter prevented me from visiting our Chapters on more occasions. However, during my travels and visitations over the past six years since being elected to office, the friendship, generous hospitality, dedication and enthusiasm that I have witnessed in the Chapters in our Grand Jurisdiction is awe-inspiring.

Necrology:

Before we continue with the business of the past year we have been marred with the passing of 32 Companions, who were called to the Grand Chapter above. In July we were saddened by the loss of MEC George Tillotson, Grand First Principal 2007. Last night we paid our last respects to these Companions with a solemn ceremony conducted by our Grand Chaplain, VEC Aaron Harrison.

The departed wives and families of our Companions were also remembered with the placing of a white rose by the Grand First Principal. We join you in feeling the loss of each and every one of them and celebrating the pleasure of having known them.

Visitations:

I have attached a copy of my itinerary including those where I have sought and received the assistance of Companions attending on my behalf. I attended 10 installations and had the honour of installing their First Principals. Some of these visits afforded me the privilege of participating as well as witnessing the various degrees being conferred on 15 new candidates. I was also thrilled to present eight certificates of Exaltation.

My first visitation was to North Island Chapter #10 for their Table Lodge in Campbell River. A delicious meal, good ritual and a warm welcome, it won't be my last.

With the border being so close we have a special relationship with the Companions of Washington State. On two occasions with good representation by both Jurisdictions we

attended the annual, International Night, hosted by Bellingham Bay Chapter #12 and on the last Sunday in October accompanied by our wives, Peach Arch Affirmation day ceremony.

Membership:

My Companions if we look at past reports, membership including retention continues to be of a concern and this year is no exception. I am not going to give a lecture as I'm sure we've all heard them before, nor do we need yet another committee.

I would however like to share some thoughts. Charles Holland Duell who was the head of the US Patent & Trademark Office is often misquoted as having said in 1899, that the US patent office should be closed because "everything that could be invented had been invented". As I said that is a miss-quote and left for another discussion. May I suggest that in the 1950's or 1960's at the height of our membership Freemasons stood back in our Grand Masonic Temples happy that they had done everything to make the craft prosper.... what they failed to do was plan for the future. An appropriate business quote; "If there is more change happening outside your business than inside your business, the end is near". I know this doesn't totally apply to Freemasonry, but I am talking membership not our landmarks. Millennials would have been eligible to join Freemasonry starting in 2003 and Gen-Z 2016, and I must ask "What plans have we in place to attract and retain the millennium generation to Freemasonry/Royal Arch, because they are our future – not the Baby Boomers, and not Generation X.

What we have going for us Companions, is that we are dedicated to Freemasonry and our Royal Art. Let us continue attracting more Craft Masons into Royal Arch Freemasonry, without detracting from craft freemasonry, better yet work closely with our Craft Lodges to increase membership. Becoming Stronger Together.

Spring Board:

Our 2018 Spring Board of General Purposes was also held in Nanaimo hosted by Keystone Chapter #8. A special thanks to the chair, MEC Les Robinson, Grand Haggai and to your lovely wife Brenda for preparing our delicious lunch. All went very well with some lively discussion and feedback.

Permanent Rank:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend that the Permanent rank of "Right Excellent Companion" be conferred on the following Grand District Superintendents;

Jeff Woodburn	District #1
Peter Blagaic	District #2
Eric Hansen	District #3
Greg Constable	District #4
	District #6
Sonny Bond	District #7
Matt Fletcher	District #10
Rick Sheldon	District #11

I would also take great pleasure in recommending that the permanent rank of "Very Excellent Companion" be conferred upon those appointed Grand Chapter officers of 2017-2018 who assisted and gave their support to me during my tenure in office, where applicable.

Appreciation:

Before concluding this report, it is only right that I should express my sincere and grateful thanks to the Grand Chapter Officers and Committees for the cordial support they have given me during the past year and the faithful manner in which they discharged their various duties.

MEC Ken Overy, thank for your patience, guidance and assistance during your years as Grand Scribe Ezra.

Companions at the risk of inevitably excluding someone, I specifically would like to thank my sponsors MEC's Len Pickell, George Eaton, Les Robinson, David Grange and Tony Brown. My travelling companions VEC Felipe Ariel, Grand D of C and VEC Aaron Harrison, Grand Chaplin.

MEC Les Robinson and your officers: I wish you a successful year and you can count on my continued support.

Once more thank you all most sincerely for the ready and willing assistance I received on all occasions, making my year in office so pleasant and enjoyable.

Finally, to my wife Cindy and children, Jake and Jena thank you for your Love, patience and understanding.

Respectfully Submitted
MEC Ron Smith
Grand First Principal 2017-2018

Address Received

**13) ADDRESS OF THE GRAND 2nd PRINCIPAL (H) 2018
MEC A. Les Robinson**

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal and the members of this Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon.

This year was a surprise appointment for me, as Grand Joshua declined to advance for personal reasons, we had to refer to the constitution which states that to be elected a member of Council you must have served in the office of Grand Principal Sojourner, and because only past Grand Firsts qualify one had to be appointed.

My Companions this past year I have not travelled far from the lower mainland, and have been preparing for next year, as your Grand First Principal. I will not necessarily be attending all the installations of Chapters but I will make every effort to visit as many Chapters as possible. Those Chapters out of the mainland can expect fall and spring visits when travel is better. My theme for next year is "Growing our Holy Royal Arch" and I have quite a few new ideas' to maybe help this along

I am looking forward to travelling once again and renewing some acquaintances and meeting some new Companions, when I am in your district try to have other Chapters attend, our Chapters thrive on Companionship. My itinerary will be available in the coming weeks.

Respectively submitted

**14) ADDRESS OF THE GRAND THIRD PRINCIPAL (J)
REC Phillip Robinson**

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

Thank you for the privilege of serving you this past year as your Grand Joshua. During my travels I have met many friends for the first time, and renewed many friendships also, a very rewarding experience. I am looking forward to my year (if elected) as your Grand Haggai, another learning, and enjoyable year ahead.

I attend, and in many cases took part in, several installations, on the lower mainland and on the island, I even managed to get to Kamloops. I will be travelling more in the coming year, as my new employer is also a RAM so I expect he will be allowing me time to visit more chapters. I also had the pleasure of attending the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan in May of this year, a small Grand Chapter, but big in hospitality.

I would like to thank those Past Grand Zerubbabel's who encouraged me to 'throw my hat in the ring' for election to the office, I would name them but if I miss any I shall be mortified. I was of the opinion that those shoes were too big for me to fill, to say nothing of a great fear of public speaking, (note I will not be reading this report). However I was persuaded that whatever help I needed it would be there, and it has been! M.E.C. Smith has always made me feel one of the team, M.E.C. Robinson has been steady support, and M.E.C. Overy has kept me close to the straight and narrow, and all have added humor and friendship to their lessons, thank you. I attended the Grand Lodge meeting in Prince George this year, and was pleased to see that our M.E.C. Ken Overy was elected as the Grand Junior Warden, then I thought "will I have a G.S.Ezra ?" Oops?

Finally, I would like to encourage all companions, but particularly Past First Principals, to carefully consider accepting Grand Chapter Office, it is not difficult, it will give you new insights to the workings of Grand Chapter, you will learn, you will meet new friends, and you will enjoy.

Respectfully submitted
Phillip Robinson
Grand Joshua

Report Received

15) Report of the Grand Chaplain

2018 Report of the Grand Chaplain.

My sincere appreciation and thanks to Most Excellent Companion Ron Smith for the appointment as Grand Chaplain during his term. MEC Ron Smith has been very supportive in many ways both within Chapter and outside. It was my absolute pleasure to serve in this capacity.

My thanks also go out to all the Companions who also supported me throughout this year. You help to make our Holy Royal Arch membership so meaningful. It was a pleasure to visit with and sit in Chapter with you during every visit.

I visited on most, if not all of MEC Ron Smith's Official Visits (Installations) throughout the Lower Mainland of B.C. We also travelled together up to Penticton Chapter No. 22 for their Installation. We attended Affirmation Sunday at Peace Arch Park, Blaine Washington, U.S.A. (the Service and experience was very moving for me). I attended MEC Ron Smith's OV to Columbia Chapter No. 1 in Victoria, B.C., I attended North Vancouver-King Solomon Chapter No. 16, Chilliwack Chapter No. 19, Joppa Chapter No. 31, Simon Fraser No. 40 and Spring Board. Every visit was enjoyable.

Christmas dinners at both Semiahmoo No. 34 and at North Vancouver-King Solomon No.16 were excellent.

I accompanied REC Sonny Bond on his OV to my Mother Chapter (Georgian Chapter No. 39) in Roberts Creek, B.C. and again with MEC Ron Smith for Georgian's Installation.

I believe I was Installing Chaplain at all of the Royal Arch Chapter Installations that I attended this past year (not including my being installed 2nd Principal of Composite Chapter No. 24). The scripture readings and prayers in our Installations are quite moving.

Most often, I was asked to grace during festive boards and meals.

Thank you MEC Ken Overy, Grand Scribe Ezra for your assistance with some fine details.

Once again, I am very thankful to have been given the trust and confidence placed in me to serve as Grand Chaplain.

In conclusion, may the Great Jehovah be with MEC Les Robinson and his incoming Officers during their year and may He continue to bless our Holy Royal Arch.

Respectfully Submitted,

VEC Aaron J. Harrison, Grand Chaplain

Report Received

16) REPORT OF THE MERIT AWARD COMMITTEE

NO REPORT SUBMITTED.

MEC. Ron Smith reminded the Companions of the importance of nominating faithful and hard working Companions who have no aspirations of becoming First Principal of their Chapter yet deserve recognition.

17) RECEPTION OF PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS 2018

1985	Most Excellent Companion	Hilliard Clare	
1989	Most Excellent Companion	Thomas O. Mickey	
1997	Most Excellent Companion	Leonard G.B. Pickell	P
1998	Most Excellent Companion	Joseph R. Marshall	
2002	Most Excellent Companion	Norman K. Monro	
2004	Most Excellent Companion	George W. Eaton	
2005	Most Excellent Companion	Brian A. Richman	
2006	Most Excellent Companion	A. Leslie Robinson	P
2008	Most Excellent Companion	Alastair Ross	
2009	Most Excellent Companion	David Grange	P
2010	Most Excellent Companion	Joel Chiri	
2011	Most Excellent Companion	Norman McEvoy	
2012	Most Excellent Companion	Antony (Tony) Brown	P
2013	Most Excellent Companion	Kenneth Overy	P
2014	Most Excellent Companion	Jeremy Gomersall	P
2015	Most Excellent Companion	Antony (Tony) D'Eramo	
2016	Most Excellent Companion	Godfrey Onyemaobi	P

Grand Honours under the direction of VEC Felip Areil, Grand Director of Ceremonies were accorded. Each Past Grand First Principal was welcomed by the Grand First Principal.

MEC Pickell 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.

P = Present

18)

RECEPTION OF FIRST PRINCIPALS

Roll Call 2017

Columbia # 1	EC Robert Jackson
Rossland # 4	EC Blaine Cantelope P
Rocky Mountain #7	EC B.Maslaniec P
Keystone #8	EC Ed Lamarche P
North Island #10	VEC Dick Sangster P
Kaien #13	EC Steven Finnigan P
N.Vancouver – King Solomon #16	EC John Ranking P
Kelowna #17	EC Danny Keen
Kamloops #18	MEC Antony Brown
Chilliwack #19	EC Rick Hunter
Penticton #22	EC Bob Hazell P
Composite #24	EC Kevin Fitzgerald P
Tzouhalem #26	EC Rick Mellson P
Granite #29	REC Eric B. Hansen P
Joppa #31	REC Alphonse Quenneville P
Majuba #33	EC Pat Fyffe P
Semiahmoo #34	EC Bill Duncan P
Cathedral #35	EC Dean Turnerl P
Fort George #36	VEC Rod Holmes P
Kalum #37	EC William Hickman
Yukon #38	REC Jaques Boily
Georgian #39	EC Jon Glencross
Simon Fraser #40	EC Darren Maughan
Dawson Creek #41	EC Scott Wisdahl
Caribou #43	EC John Tauber
Pacific Rim #44	EC Ron Fisher P

P = Present

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

19)

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

For the Year-ended 31st December 2017.

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 2017. The Accounts of your Grand Chapter have been reviewed by REC. Peter Guichon and REC John Laing to which they have signed the Reviewers Report and accepted the Financial Statements for the year 2017.

Companions, as you will note I redesigned the Statement of Income and Expenditure slightly in that I broke out the Investment Income and Donations made to our Charities from the Operating Income and Expenditures, as I believe it provides a more clear presentation.

Consequently with this presentation, you will note that the Operating Income for 2017 was \$20,871.61 (2016 - \$20,124.98) and Operating Expenditures for 2017 were \$22,293.73 (2016 - \$ 22,208.95) ignoring donations to the charities. The result is that your Grand Chapter had Operating losses for 2017 of \$1,422.12 (2016 \$ 2,083.84), a somewhat of an improvement.

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, 2017, the operating costs of Grand Chapter have remained relatively consistent with 2016.

The investment income for the year from investments totaled \$14,862.50 (2016 - \$ 23,736.26) and your Grand Chapter has donated in 2017 to our three Charities \$ 10,662.00 (2016 - \$ 5,000.00).

There is some concern that our performance of the bulk deposited with Odlum Brown dropped from 4.94% to 6.64% in 2016. If we dropped much more than we would have a decline in the investments. We should note that stock markets endured a correction at the beginning of February, this did not affect the current balance much, however it is a reminder that the returns are not guaranteed.

GENERAL ACCOUNT:-

1. How did we do last year, compared to the 2017 planned results our Actual Net Income was \$867 more than Plan, the major variance in income being the increase in Per capita relative to planned of \$688.
- 2 In reviewing the Expenditures for last year compared to Plan they were favorable by \$ 687 in total. Individually, the major variances (items over \$250) were as follows:-

Unfavorable

	\$
Jewels, pins and regalia	(1,136)
Favorable	
	\$.....
Grand Ezra travel	500
Jewels, Pins	500
Stationary-office	729
Investment loss	4,387

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 2017 stood at \$ 275,557.12 at cost (market value \$ 305,080.72) from 2016 yearend total of \$ 272,217 at cost (market value \$ 300,880).

My Companions, what I have just outlined to you, sums up the financial position of the General Account for last year – 2017.

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 \$ 3,500 in Bursaries last year, and had a \$ 8,677 net increase in our Capital Account, and our total Investment Holdings at year end 2016 increased to \$ 162,042 from \$159,359. The market value of the investments for the end of 2017 stood at \$ 196,142.

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 2017 of \$NIL whilst the Donations made to the Annual Fund were \$ 5,062.

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.

2017 OUTLOOK:-

General Account

How are we doing so far in 2017? Again, this year 2017, 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 2018 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.

Thank you companions for your patience with me in a learning phase of this job. Whatever suggestions you would like to bring to me I would be pleased to hear.

Thank you again for all your trust in my tenure.

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

Fraternally Submitted

REC. Tom Balabanov – Grand Treasurer

September, 2018

Adopted

" GENERAL ACCOUNT "

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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*REC Tom Balabanov
Grand Treasurer*

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

TO: ALL COMPANIONS

**FINANCIAL REVIEWERS REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2017**

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 2017, 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. John Laing

.....
RECpeter Guichon

Dated.....,2018

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

**STATEMENT of FINANCIAL POSITION
" GENERAL ACCOUNT "**

DECEMBER 31st 2017

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
<u>CURRENT</u>		
Bank Account - Chequing	931.972	274.95
Cash - investments	5,309.95	3,979.69
Inventories (note 1)	1,450.84	2,011.91
Prepaid Expenses	2,100.00	2,100.00
	-----	-----
	\$9,792.76	\$8,366.55
 <u>INVESTMENTS (at Cost)</u>		
Odlum Brown - Holdings (note 2)	268,984.26	271,577.62
	\$268,984.26	-----
		\$271,577.62
 <u>FIXED</u>		
Regalia etc	14,993.34	14,993.34
Accumulated Depreciation	(14,568.00)	(14,780.67)
Computer Equipment	4,315.59	4,315.59
Accumulated Depreciation	(4,073.09)	(4,315.59)
Office Equipment	1,380.88	1,380.88
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,380.88)	(1,380.88)
	-----	-----
	\$1,385.53	\$667.84
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$279,444.86</u>	<u>\$280,156.84</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>		
<u>CURRENT</u>		
Accounts Payable	10,662.00	7,500.00
Convocation Loan Acct	906.68	906.68
Provision Regalia Replacement	1550.00	15,750.00
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	\$27,068.68	\$24,156.68
 <u>CAPITAL & EQUITY</u>		
Prior years Surplus	243,798.81	252,376.18
Prior years Adjustment	0.00	0.00
Current years Surplus/(Loss)	8,577.37	3,623.98
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	\$252,376.18	\$256,000.16
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$279,444.86</u>	<u>\$2809,156.84</u>

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 2017**

	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>2016</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>PLAN</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u> <u>to Plan 2017</u>
OPERATING INCOME				
Capita Dues	19,570.00	19,688.00	19,000.00	688.00
Bank Interest	2.65	68.81	85.00	(16.19)
Interest Investment	11,267.61	10,459.57	8,000.00	2,459.57
Proceedings	0.00	0.00		-
Certificates	330.00	230.00	200.00	30.00
Donation	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
Misc Income (note 3)	222.33	289.07	730.00	(440.93)
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	<u>31,392.59</u>	<u>30,735.45</u>	<u>28,015.00</u>	<u>2,720.45</u>
OPERATING EXPENDITURE				
Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00
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	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Honorarium	8,400.00	8,400.00	8,400.00	-
Grand Treas. Honorarium	500.00	500.00	500.00	-
Travel	250.00	145.00	250.00	105.00
Rent	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	-
District 10 Travel	600.00	600.00	600.00	-
Jewels/Pins/Regalia	2,054.180	213.92	500.00	286.08
Regalia Repairs	0.00	1,090.66	250.00	(840.66)
Regalia Replacement Fund	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Printing - Proceedings	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
- General	0.00	49.47	200.00	150.53
Postage	130.48	345.48	500.00	154.63
Telephone	975.08	975.08	1,125.00	149.92
Stationery/Office Supplies	420.89	421.11	1,000.00	578.89
Cases - Regalia	0.00	0.00	180.00	180.00
Miscellaneous	10.50	244.86	300.00	55.14
Computer Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
Amortization	717.69	455.17	500.00	44.83
Convocation Costs Net	0.00	1,408.06	700.00	(708.06)
Donation	10,662.00	7,500.00	0.00	(7,500.00)
Move - Grand Scribe Office	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
Investment Loss (Profit)	(10,055.60)	(3,387.23)	1,000.00	4,387.23
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>22,815.22</u>	<u>27,111.47</u>	<u>24,680.00</u>	<u>(2,431.47)</u>
TOTAL INCOME (LOSS)	<u>8,577.37</u>	<u>3,623.98</u>	<u>3,335.00</u>	<u>288.98</u>

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

at **DECEMBER 31st 2017**

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	828.12
	Pins & Jewels	<u>1,183.79</u>
	Total	<u><u>2,011.91</u></u>

Note 2 Investments (Long Term at Cost)

	Cost	%	Market Value
	\$	Return	\$
Bank of New York Mellon	4,994.06		11,513.92
Allied Properties	15,595.80	3.75%	15,282.30
ADSB Investment Savings A-NL	579.14		579.14
Weherhaeuser Co. - shares	4,122.95		8,867.89
Trans Alta Corp Shares	17,121.12	6.40%	16,872.00
Brookfield Property	7,379.70		6,684.00
Brookfield Off	24,952.80	4.00%	24,100.03
CGI Group Inc.	7,361.75		7,854.50
Cominar REIT	8,253.76	4.23%	8,079.06
Chevron Corp.	9,145.25		10,232.72
Fortis Inc	8,576.68		11,066.40
Home Trust GIC	10,000.00	2.00%	10,000.00
Fairfax Financial Holdings	11,614.30	5.00%	11,985.00
Mondelez International Inc.	10,412.74		9,149.57
Power Financial Corp	6,303.60		7,598.80
BCE Inc. Cum Red Pfd	10,442.20		12,168.00
Granite REIT 3.873% Nov23	11,296.23		11,030.43
Granite Real Estate Inc.	6,676.58		8,865.00
Reliance LP	21,593.40	5.19%	20,622.40
CU Inc Preferred	6,909.48		6,540.00
GE Shares	5,972.79		7,021.88
Toronto Dominion Bank	8,770.37		11,784.00
TransAlta Corp	15,337.50	5.00%	15,623.33
Visa	8,985.95		12,187.31
ING Group NV spons ADR	9,275.09		9,285.38
CME Group Inc.	9,895.32		11,019.47
BMO Common	<u>10,009.06</u>		<u>15,088.50</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 271,577.62</u></u>		<u><u>\$ 301,101.03</u></u>

Note 3 Analysis of Misc Income

Dispensations	164.00
Rituals	-57.76
Jewels	7.83
Misc.	<u>175.00</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 289.07</u></u>

**GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - "GENERAL ACCOUNT"
For the Year Ended DECEMBER 31st, 2017**

NET INCOME (EXPENDITURES)	\$ 8,577.37
 SOURCE of FUNDS	
Inventory	296.79
Amortization Net	717.69
Regalia Reserve Fund	250.00
Accounts payable	4,444.01
	Source
	\$ 5,708.49
	sub total
	\$ 14,285.86
 APPLICATION of FUNDS	
Prepaid expenses	1,600.00
Net investment increase	15,336.29
	Application
	\$ 16,936.29
	Net Cash Flow
	\$ (2,650.43)
 BANK BALANCE at January 1st 2016	\$ 8,892.35
BANK BALANCE at December 31st 2016	\$ 6,241.92
 COMPOSED OF	
Cash - chequing account	\$ 931.97
Cash - investments	5,309.95
	\$ 6,241.92

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

" BURSARY ACCOUNT "

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*REC Tom Balabanov
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 2017

We the undersigned, have examined the records of " The Grand Chapter of British Columbia & Yukon - Bursary Account " for the year ended December 31st 2017, 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,

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REC. J. Laing

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REC. P. Guichon

Dated.....2018

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH - BURSARY ACCOUNT

STATEMENT of FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT DECEMBER 31st, 2016

" CAPITAL FUND "

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
ASSETS:		
<i><u>Current</u></i>		
Bank Account HSBC	\$ 14,459.75	\$ 9,279.55
Investment - Cash Account	4,333.63	1484.25
	<u>18,793.38</u>	<u>10,763.80</u>
<i><u>Investments - At Cost</u></i>		
Odlum Brown - Holdings at Cost	158,340.06	149,766.62
 FUND ASSETS	 <u>\$ 177,133.44</u>	 <u>\$ 160,530.42</u>
 LIABILITIES:		
<i><u>Current</u></i>		
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -
Investment Loss Provision	0.00	0.00
<i><u>Equity</u></i>		
Prior Years Surplus	160,530.42	147,208.91
Current Years Surplus	16,603.02	13,321.51
<i>Total Equity</i>	<u>177,133.44</u>	<u>160,530.42</u>
 FUND LIABILITIES	 <u>\$ 177,133.44</u>	 <u>\$ 160,530.42</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 2017

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
"CAPITAL FUND"		
<i>Income</i>		
Donations	\$ -	\$ -
Investment Interest	6,498.56	6,247.91
Total	\$ 6,498.56	\$ 6,247.91
<i>Expenses</i>		
Transfer to Annual Fund	0.00	0.00
Investment Loss(Profit)	(5,025.46)	(6,411.66)
Total	\$ (5,025.46)	\$ (6,411.66)
Net Capital		
Income	\$ 11,524.02	\$ 12,659.57

"ANNUAL FUND"

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<i>Income</i>		
Donations	8,579.00	5,061.94
Investment Transfer	0.00	0.00
Total Income	\$ 8,579.00	\$ 5,061.94
<i>Expenditures</i>		
Bursary Awards	3,500.00	4400.00
Total Expenses	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 4,400.00
Net Income(Loss)	\$ 5,079.00	\$ 661.94

Grand Chapter Royal Arch - Bursary Account

Grand Treasurer's Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31st, 2017

" CAPITAL FUND "	\$
Net Capital Income	16,603.02
Source of Funds:	
Investment - Cash Account	2,849.38
Investment Sold	
Source Total	19,452.40
Application of Funds:	
Investments Purchased	14,272.20
Investment- Cash Account	-
Application Total	14,272.20
Net Cash Flow	5,180.20
Opening Bank Balance Jan 1st 2017	\$ 9,279.55
Closing Bank Balance Dec 31st 2017	\$14,459.75

<u>Investments - Odlum Brown</u>	Cost	Interest %	Market Value
	\$	Return	\$
Odlum Brown -			
Cominar Reit	11,440.22	4.23%	11,108.70
Laurentian Bank GIC	15,700.00	2.10%	15,700.00
Brookfield Asset	6,326.04	4.75%	6,693.00
Rogers Communications Inc	8,272.46		11,208.75
Fortis Inc - 4.90%	9,574.60	4.90%	9,620.00
RBC Common Shares	5,980.46		16,424.00
George Weston - 5.20%	6,395.40	5.20%	7,458.00
ALTM Hi Int Cash	13,061.41		13,061.41
BCE INC New	7,579.31		10,264.60
Carmax Inc.	8,083.17		9,274.00
Kraft Foods Common Shares	10,552.77		11,245.07
CIBC Common Shares	6,466.50		14,704.80
Microsoft	9,036.31		13,983.65
Reliance LP	19,434.06	5.19%	18,560.16
TransAlta Corp.	8,180.00	5.00%	8,332.44
COTY inc class A	7,365.02		7,128.33
BMO Common Shares	4,892.33		7,041.30
Total	\$ 158,340.06		\$ 191,808.21

BursyFinancials

CashFlow.xls

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**Report of Grand Scribe Ezra
M.E.C. Ken Overy**

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

Thanks to everyone for placing their trust in me for another year. With the help of the Executive we are finding more ways to cut down on our costs for another year even though we are battling with the loss of revenue from the steady decline in membership. Along this line I have, this year, endeavoured, with the help of the Chapter Scribes, to email the Advanced Proceedings to each of the Companions. This has a twofold win situation in that it cuts the cost of printing so many copies for Grand Chapter and gave each of the Companions a chance to peruse the reports before they are presented should they have any questions. I would like to acknowledge the fine work that the Chapter Scribes are doing in keeping me up to date with the local affairs of the Chapters, though a few still do not have me on their emailing list for notices. To these Scribes, please consider doing so. The annual proceedings with the exception of very few all made it to my desk by the March 31st deadline. This year a reminder to send in a list of your members with their particulars i.e. Rank Address and telephone number will be attached to the Annual Returns. There is nothing worse to any Secretary than being asked about someone and not being able to find the correct information about them, or even worse, not having them listed as being a member. This will create a lot of work for me, but will pay off tenfold in the long run. Thank you once again for the privilege of being your Grand Scribe. Attached you will find my usual report of the Status of the Chapters. I ask that this report be received.

Respectfully submitted

MEC Ken Overy

Grand Scribe Ezra

YEAR END REPORT 2017

Chapter	No.	Ttl. Mem		Affil.	Decd	Susp	Demit	Expel	Comp. In Care Homes	Total Mem. Dec -17	Surplus/ Loss	
		Jan - 17	Exhalt Rest.									
Columbia	1	76	2	1	1	0	7	0	6	72	\$97.05	
Rossland	4	22	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	20	-\$233.00	
R. Mount.	7	25	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	25	-\$145.33	
Keystone	8	27	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	24	No Report	
N. Island	10	70	1	1	2	0	2	0	5	69	No Report	
Kaien	13	20	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	19	-\$441.00	
NV - KS	16	49	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	45	\$1,270.31	
Kelowna	17	34	2	0	2	3	1	0	0	31	\$2,381.92	
Kamloops	18	32	0	2	0	5	0	2	2	27	\$945.17	
Chilliwack	19	34	0	0	0	4	4	0	1	26	\$1,387.10	
Penticton	22	32	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	32	\$208.29	
Composite	24	55	0	0	2	3	13	2	3	39	\$1,718.00	
Tzouhalem	26	36	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	33	\$56.29	
Granite	29	22	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	22	No Report	
Joppa	31	69	6	0	1	0	0	4	2	72	No Report	
Majuba	33	23	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	24	\$956.81	
Semiahmoo	34	50	1	0	1	2	2	1	2	47	No Report	
Cathedral	35	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	24	-\$93.08	
Ft. George	36	61	0	1	0	0	0	3	3	59	\$1,411.15	
Kalum	37	48	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	49	\$53.24	
Yukon	38	30	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	24	\$1,429.95	
Georgian	39	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	-\$146.85	
S. Fraser	40	38	7	0	1	1	2	1	0	38	-\$754.04	
D. Creek	41	55	4	1	0	2	3	1	0	42	No Report	
Caribou	43	30	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	28	\$64.00	
P. Rim	44	27	3	1	0	1	0	1	3	29	-\$589.72	
Totals		1022	50	2	25	32	25	55	0	32	964	Loss of 58 Comp.

21)

**Report of the Finance Committee
Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon
For the year 2017**

To the Most Excellent Grand 1st. Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon.

Companions:

Your Finance Committee has met several times along with the Executive in the past year. The finances of your Grand Chapter are fundamentally sound. Your Grand Treasurer will provide the relevant details in his report.

However, the membership continues to fall, and it is anticipated that for 2018/2019 we will be down to approximately 950 members.

Your Committee and Executive have been examining the expenses and feel that with some additional adjustments to the budget can hold the per capita to the current amount of \$23.00 for the upcoming year.

The 2018/2019 Committee will continue to monitor the finances for the upcoming year.

Respectfully submitted
REC Peter Guichon,
Chairman

22)

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

Report of the Constitution and Jurisprudence Committee 2018

To the Most excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Mason of British Columbia and Yukon We are pleased to report that only a few minor problems were reported to the committee. These were resolved with satisfaction to those concerned.

There were 12 notices of motion submitted with proposed changes to the Constitution of Grand Chapter.

Resolutions No.5 has been withdrawn.

The Committee found No.6 unacceptable in its present form and should **not** be dealt with.

The remainder of the resolutions are acceptable as to form. The Committee offers no opinion as to the wisdom of these proposals.

Fraternally submitted,

MEC Joel Chiri
MEC Jeremy Gomersall
MEC Leonard Pickell, Chairman

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS TO GRAND CHAPTER CONSTITUTION
FOR 2018**

1)

Original Section

- 55.1.1 Dispensation for a new Chapter \$100.00
- 55.1.2 Warrant of Constitution for a new chapter \$250.00
- 55.1.3 Every sundry dispensation \$10.00
- 55.1.4 Late submission of annual returns \$1.00 per day

Proposed New Section.

- 55.1.1 Dispensation for new chapter \$150.00
- 55.1.2 Warrant of constitution of new chapter \$300.00
- 55.1.3 Every sundry dispensation \$15.00
- 55.1.4 Late submission of annual returns \$1.00 per day

Reason for Change.

Updating fees to reflect actual cost.

Other Sections impacted.

None

Proposer. _____ M.E.C. Les Robinson. Keystone Chapter #8

Decision of C.& J. Committee. Acceptable as to form.

Moved –M.E.C. Les Robinson

Second – R.E.C. Phillip Robinson

Adopted:

2)

Original Section

- 55.2 Certificates
- 55.2.1 Past Grand Superintendent \$10.00
- 55.2.2 Past First Principal \$10.00
- 55.2.3 Royal Arch Mason \$10.00
- 55.2.4 Life Member \$10.00
- 55.2.5 Replacement of lost certificate \$10.00
- 55.2.6 Registration of affiliated companion \$5.00

Proposed New Section.

- 55.2 Certificates
- 55.2.1 Past Grand Superintendent \$15.00

- 55.2.2 Past First Principal \$15.00
- 55.2.3 Royal Arch Mason \$15.00
- 55.2.4 Life Member \$10.00
- 55.2.5 Replacement Certificate \$15.00
- 55.2.6 Registration of affiliate Companion \$10.00

Reason for Change.

Change of Fee structure to reflect current costs.

Other Sections impacted.

None.

Proposer. _____ M.E.C. Les Robinson. Keystone Chapter #8

Decision of C.& J. Committee. Acceptable as to form.

Moved: M.E.C. Les Robinson

Seconded: R.E.C. Phillip Robinson

Adopted:

3)

Original Section

- 55.3 Schedule C (Supplies)
- 55.3.1 60-year bar for 50-year jewel \$45.00
- 55.3.2 50-year jewel and certificate \$30.00
- 55.3.3 Constitution (in loose-leaf binder) \$10,00; binder alone \$5.00, insert alone \$5.00.
- 55.3.4 Ceremonies and Officers' Guide \$7.00
- 55.3.5 Ritual \$5.00
- 55.3.6 Proceedings of Grand Chapter \$7.00
- 55.3.7 Book of Marks \$10.00
- 55.3.8 Sheet for Porch Book \$1.00

Proposed New Section:

- 55.3 Schedule C (Supplies)
- 55.3.1 60-year bar for 50-year jewel \$60.00
- 55.3.2 50-year jewel and certificate \$175.00
- 55.3.3 Ritual \$15.00 (3 books per set)
- 55.3.4 Book of Marks \$25.00
- 55.3.5 Sheet for Porch Book \$1.00

Reason for Change:

To change fee structure to reflect current costs. To delete items downloadable from our website and no longer supplied by Grand Chapter.

Other Sections impacted:

None

Proposer. M.E.C. Ken Overy. Majuba Chapter #33

Decision of C.& J. Committee. Acceptable as to form.

Moved: - M.E.C. Ken Overy

Seconded: - R.E.C. Phillip Robinson

Adopted:

4)

Original Section

55.4.1 Registration of Companion Attending annual convocation \$20.00 registrations postmarked 30 days or less before the date of the annual convocation received less than 30 days before the convocation are \$40.00.

Proposed New Section.

55.4.1 Registration of Companion Attending annual convocation shall be determined by the organizing committee all registrations received less than 30 days before the convocation shall be surcharged \$10.00.

Reason for Change.

To reflect current expenses at the annual convocation.

Other Sections impacted.

None

Proposer. M.E.C. Les Robinson. Keystone Chapter #8

Decision of C.& J. Committee. Acceptable as to form.

Moved: - M.E.C. Les Robinson

Seconded: - R.E.C. Phillip Robinson

Adopted:

5)

Original Section.

New section

Proposed New Section.

23.1.6 A 2 inch by 1 inch patch with 1919 may be attached to the bottom left hand corner, a and a similar patch with 2018 may be attached to the bottom right hand corner of the lamb skin of all Royal Arch Aprons.

Reason for Change.

To show that the Grand Chapter of BC & Yukon is 100 years old

Other Sections impacted.

None

Proposer. M.E.C. Les Robinson. Keystone Chapter #8

Withdrawn by Proposer

Decision of C.& J. Committee. Withheld.

6)

Original Section.

11.3.2.6 Grand Sword Bearer

11.3.2.8 Grand Standard Bearer

Proposed New Section.

113.2.6 & 11.3.2.8 add “**May be appointed at the will of the Grand First Principal**”.

Reason for Change.

Not enough companions to fill all grand offices

Other Sections impacted:

None

Proposer. M.E.C. Les Robinson. Keystone Chapter #8

Decision of C.& J. Committee. **This Notice of Motion is not acceptable by reason of these officers having Ceremonial duties to perform at Grand Chapter.**

Motion Ammended to Read

Proposer R.E.C. Jim Whyte. North Island Chapter #10

11.3.2.6 & 11.3.2.8 add “**Will be appointed for Ceremonial Functions, Ad-Hoc by Grand First Principal**”.

Moved – R.E.C. Jim Whyte

Seconded - V.E.C. Felip Areil

Adopted;

7)

Original Section:

14.3.1 **Resume** A first time nominee for elected office shall submit a biographical resume of no more than one hundred (100) words, for inclusion in the advance proceedings of Grand Chapter, and a completed form of nomination; and he may be given three minutes to address the Grand Convocation prior to the ballot being opened.

Proposed New Section:

14.3.1 **Resume** A first time nominee for elected office shall submit a biographical resume of no more than five hundred (500) words, for inclusion in the Advance Proceedings of Grand Chapter, and a completed form of nomination; and he may be given three minutes to address the Grand Convocation prior to the ballot being opened.

Reason for Change:

Insufficient space for a well-qualified applicant to list his Masonic activities let alone any other relevant information about himself. Small capitalization typo in original corrected.

Other Sections impacted:

None

Proposer. R.E.C. John M. Laing Joppa Chapter #31/ Simon Fraser Chapter #40

Decision of C.& J. Committee. Acceptable as to form.

Moved: - R.E.C. John Laing

Seconded: - M.E.C. Ken Overy

Adopted:

8)

Original Section:

37.10.4.5 Notice

The Scribe Ezra sends the Notice issued for each convocation to the three Grand Principal , and the three Grand Sojourners at their home addresses, to the Grand Scribe Ezra at the Grand Chapter office, to each member of the Chapter and to the Grand Superintendent of the District.

Proposed New Section:

37.10.4.5 Notice

The Scribe Ezra sends the Notice issued for each convocation to the three Grand Principals, the Grand Principal Sojourner, the Grand Historian, the Grand Superintendent of the District, to each member of the Chapter at their home addresses or an e-mail address as is most convenient to the recipient; to the Grand Scribe Ezra at the Grand Chapter office.

Reason for Change:

This topic regarding the Grand Junior and Grand Senior Sojourners missed with the 2014 revision and updated to allow an electronic transmission of same.

Other Sections impacted:

None

Proposer. R.E.C. John M. Laing. Joppa Chapter #31/ Simon Fraser Chapter #40

Decision of C.& J. Committee. Acceptable as to form.

Moved: - R.E.C. John Laing

Seconded: - M.E.C. Ken Overy

Adopted:

9)

Original Section:

54.2 Interval – Date Set by Interval before Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

Proposed New Section:

54.2 Grand Chapter

Reason for Change:

Original 54.2 made no sense and, as a section title, and was not in bold typeface.

Other Sections impacted:

None.

Proposer.

R.E.C. John M. Laing. Joppa Chapter #31/ Simon Fraser Chapter #40

Decision of C.& J. Committee.

Acceptable as to form.

Moved: - R.E.C. John M. Laing

Seconded: - M.E.C. Ken Overy

Adopted;

10)

Original Section:

12.1 Annual. Grand Chapter holds its annual convocation at the time and place it chooses, three years in advance, by motion at an annual convocation.

Proposed New Section:

12.1 Annual. Grand Chapter holds its annual convocation at the time and place it chooses, three years in advance, from submissions by Host Chapters to the Grand Principal Sojourner prior to the Annual Convocation. The Grand Third Principal shall then select a venue immediately before the closing of the Annual Convocation. (see also 54.2.1)

Reason for Change:

The addition of defining the proposer indicates to all that a Host Chapter can become involved. The hope is that more and varied venues will add inclusivity and a feeling of participation about this Grand Jurisdiction.

Other Sections impacted:

None Apparent

Proposer.

R.E.C. John M. Laing . Joppa Chapter #31/ Simon Fraser Chapter #40

Decision of C.& J. Committee.

Acceptable as to form.

Moved: - R.E.C. John M. Laing

Seconded: - M.E.C. Jeremy Gomersall

Adopted:

11)

Original Section:

54. SUMMARY OF DEADLINES

The appropriate sections of the Constitution provide the detailed regulations.

54.1 Fixed Calendar Dates (On or before the stated date)

54.1.1 January 1 - Members' per capita fees payable

54.1.2 February 28 - Nominations for Grand Office

54.1.3 February 28 - Annual Dues to a Chapter, Payable in Advance

54.1.4 March 1st - Notices of Motion

54.1.5 to 54.1.17 inclusive. No changes.

Proposed New Section:

54. SUMMARY OF DEADLINES

The appropriate sections of the Constitution provide the detailed regulations.

54.1 Fixed Calendar Dates (On or before the stated date)

54.1.1 January 1 - Members' per capita fees payable

54.1.2 **March 1st** - Nominations for Grand Office

54.1.3 **March 1st** - Annual Dues to a Chapter, Payable in Advance

54.1.4 March 1st - Notices of Motion

54.1.5 to 54.1.17 inclusive. To remain unchanged

Reason for Change:

To streamline dates of deadlines instead of having two deadlines (54.1.2 and 54.1.3) on one date and another (54.1.4) the day after. Housekeeping.

Other Sections impacted:

14.2

Proposer. _____ M.E.C. Ken Overy. Majuba Chapter #33

Decision of C.& J. Committee. _____ Acceptable as to form.

Moved: - M.E.C. Ken Overy

Seconded: R.E.C. Phillip Robinson

Adopted:

12)

Original Section.

Section affected: Section 23 - new subsections added

Proposed New Section.

Add new Section 23.1.6 Past Grand Chapter Officers (Most and Right Excellent Companions)

The apron of an elected Past Grand Chapter Officer is of white lambskin (or white kidskin). It is sixteen inches deep and eighteen inches wide. It has an indented crimson and purple border four inches wide. The diamond parts of the border pattern will be crimson. The border of the flap is two inches wide. In the centre of the flap is a triangle of gilt metal or gold-spangled embroidery. Within this triangle is a triple tau. There are two gold tassels under the flap. The lining and string or belt are purple. The apron will be trimmed with gold fringe or bullion. In the centre of the apron is the emblem of his past office embroidered in gold within a wreath.

Add new Section 23.1.7 Past Grand Chapter Officers (Very Excellent Companions).

The apron of an appointed Grand Chapter officer is similar in every respect to that of a First or Past First Principal but with an emblem of his past office within a circle embroidered in gold in the centre of the apron.

Add new Section 23.1.8 Past Grand Chapter Officers (Companions)

The apron of an appointed Grand Chapter officer (Chaplain, Tyler, Organist) with the rank of Companion, is similar in every respect to that of a Companion but with an emblem of his past office within a circle embroidered in gold in the centre of the apron.

Reason for Change.

A Companion's apron is described in detail but there are variations in the Most, Right and Very Excellent Companions aprons that are not described but are in common use. These sections specify what is expected for these ranks.

Several variations currently exist amongst current past Grand Chapter officers. Their regalia shall be considered correct. All new aprons acquired shall be of the proposed specifications.

Other Sections impacted.

None.

Proposer. R.E.C. Jin Whyte. North Island Chapter #10

Decision of C.& J. Committee. Acceptable as to form.

Moved: R.E.C. Jim Whyte

Seconded: R.E.C. Phillip Robinson

Adopted:

23) Forum for Candidates for Elected Offices.

Candidates to give short speech to Convocation

No speech was deemed necessary as there was only one Candidate for each of the Offices.

Candidates for Grand Principal Sojourner:

V.E.C. Jimmy Serge Catala

24)

**Report of the Regalia Committee
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of BC & Yukon
Regalia Report 2018**

As reported in prior years it is difficult maintaining track and condition of inventory items when spread throughout the province with various companions.

The following items are on the Regalia Inventory:

Grand 1st Principal apron	New	2
Past Grand 1 st Principal Collar & Jewel		3
Grand 2 nd Principal apron	Poor	1
Grand 3 rd Principal apron	Poor	3
Grand Officers collars	Poor	5
Grand Superintendent of Districts	Refurbished	1
	Poor	1
Grand Principal Sojourner Collar	Poor	1
Grand Chaplain apron	Poor	1
Gr. Director of Ceremonies Collar	Fair	1
Brief Case Large [vinyl]	New	1
Brief Case Leather	New	1
Brief Case Leather	Used	3
Brief case [foldover]	Used	5

We will be monitoring the regalia at Grand Convocation in September and replacing any collars or aprons we feel are in bad or poor condition.

Submitted by REC Neil Marsh Chairman

Regalia Committee

25)

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

Another year as your Grand Historian is in the books, and I would sincerely like to thank M. Ex. Comp. Ron Smith for re-appointing me to this very enjoyable office for the past year. And I again express my apologies to him and the Comps. of my own Chapter for limiting my Royal Arch activities to these annual reports due to Craft Lodge commitments.

Our Early Records

When Grand Chapter moved out of the Masonic Centre on 8th Avenue in Vancouver, it abandoned all our proceedings, returns, minutes, surrendered warrants, etc. at the building. This precious material was then stuffed into what had been Vancouver No. 2's locker. As you know, the building is being torn down. I made arrangements with R.W. Bro. Trevor McKeown to have it temporarily stored with the Grand Lodge archives while the new Centre is being built. What will happen after that, I have no idea. The Royal Arch will not have met on the site for over 30 years at that point, so we're not exactly entitled to free storage space there. Our records should be digitised, but it would take an incredible amount of labour and I don't think anyone would be willing to do it, even if we had the necessary software and hardware.

The Original Chapter in Fernie

The Grand Chapter of Canada warranted 17 Chapters in British Columbia (one by affiliation) before our Grand Chapter was founded in 1919. Only 16 of those Chapters were involved in the formation. The 17th sputtered along and finally gave up before our Grand Chapter was created. It was Crow's Nest Chapter in Fernie. It was plagued with problems—fires, a transient population, a lack of knowledge and apathy.

A dispensation was granted on February 10, 1904 after an application was received from 13 Companions to form a Chapter in Fernie, where Elk Valley Lodge had been warranted almost three years earlier. A fire that destroyed the business district of the townsite at the end of April put Royal Arch activities on hold. The Chapter was instituted on November 8th, followed by a sumptuous banquet at the Napanee Hotel. The Grand Chapter proceedings list the names of only 11 petitioners. One name noticeable by its absence is that of the first Z., Ex. Comp. Thomas H. White. The Chapter does not appear to have had any Past Principals among its ranks at the founding. The founders were:

JAMES ALEXANDER RENNIE, Rocky Mountain No. 125, Ft. Steele, was born on June 22, 1863 in Scotland. He arrived in Canada in 1887. He was an accountant and also the city clerk, assessor and secretary of the school board. He was the first Secretary of Elk River Lodge, and served as W.M. in 1902-03. He died in New Westminster on January 11, 1925.

WILLIAM JAMES TIMLICK, Rocky Mountain No. 125, was born Aug. 9, 1875, in Pakenham, Ont. In October 1905, he announced he was moving to Olds, Alberta to open a hotel. In 1911, he was living on Sumas Prairie, employed as a walking boss on a railway construction site. By 1920, he was a hotel bookkeeper in Vancouver, but by the mid-'20s he was the secretary for a contracting company, eventually taking a job with Columbia Bitulithic. He died in New Westminster on January 23, 1964. He was not a member of a Lodge at the time.

DUNCAN ALEXANDER McRAE, Rocky Mountain No. 125, born Jan. 1854 in Scotland and arriving in Canada in 1860. He was a sawyer living in Sparwood at the time the Chapter was formed. He and Timlick were partners. In 1911, he was employed on a Road Camp near Riondel. He was suspended for immoral and Unmasonic Conduct on February 8, 1907 for reasons lost to time.

ARTHUR WELLESLEY BLEASDELL, Rocky Mountain No. 125, was the first H. of the Chapter, and served as Z. in 1906. He was born on Sept. 2, 1852 in Ontario. BleasdeLL was a druggist, first in Hamilton, Ontario, then MacLeod, Alberta, followed by stops in Ft. Steele and Fernie. He was a founding member of North Star No. 30 in Ft. Steele, and was exalted in the Royal

Arch in Kootenay No. 120 in Kaslo. He had signed the dispensation to start Rocky Mountain Chapter. Bleasdell was active in civic affairs, being the second mayor of Fernie and was one of the city's coroners. He died in Fernie on Sept. 21, 1920 of acute alcoholism.

SAUL BONNELL, Rocky Mountain No. 125, was the first J. of the Chapter and Z. in 1907. He born in Petit, Newfoundland on Dec. 29, 1872, and moved to Canada in 1880. He graduated in Medicine from McGill University in 1896 and in 1898 trekked to British Columbia to work for the CPR, which was constructing through the Crowsnest Pass. He walked into the middle of typhoid epidemic and was treating as many as sixty patients lying on straw. During World War One, he served as a Captain with the No. 5 Canadian General Hospital. He defeated Bleasdell for mayor in 1907 (then immediately was criticised for trying to cut spending) and was the Conservative member of Parliament from 1918 to 1922 for the newly-created riding of East Kootenay. Dr. Bonnell was a founder of UBC, having moved to the coast in 1923. He was the first Senior Steward of Elk Valley Lodge and W.M. in 1905-06. He died in Vancouver on March 21, 1973, age 100.

GEORGE GILL JEWELL, Rocky Mountain No. 125, born in Pickering, Ont. on March 17, 1866. He operated a sawmill in Jaffray at the time the Lodge was founded and was later the postmaster at Caithness before moving to Vancouver. He was a founder of Elk River Lodge, W.M. in 1904-05 and a PDDGM. He died in Vancouver on May 22, 1942.

DAVID CARRUTHERS, Rocky Mountain No. 125, was a coal miner, born Jan. 24, 1844 in Nova Scotia. He was the first Master of Elk River Lodge, demitting in 1907. He moved to Nanton, Alberta in 1906.

DAVID T. WILLIAMS, Rocky Mountain No. 125. He joined the Lodge in Fernie in 1902. I can find no more information about him other than his Masonic membership ended in 1908.

WALTER HERBERT SWITZER, Wawanosh No. 15, Sarnia, was the Chapter's first Scribe E. He was born in East Garafraxa, Ontario on September 17, 1871 and raised in Guelph. Switzer was an accountant with the Bank of Commerce in Sarnia at the turn of the century and then in Fernie when the Chapter was started. He received a promotion in July 1905 to manage its Princeton branch and a fund-raising dinner was thrown by his friends in his honour. He soon returned to Ontario where he was employed at the Commerce branch in Woodstock. He left in fall of 1909 to find a place where his health would improve, but died of a heart attack in Evanston, Ill. on March 10, 1910.

LAWRENCE MANNING PROCTOR, Ogdensburg No. 63, New York, born Aug. 16, 1865 in the U.S. and graduated from Phillips Academy in 1884. He came to Canada in 1897. Proctor was the Secretary-Treasurer of the Fernie Lumber Co.; his father was a lumberman in New York. He left Fernie in 1908 after the city's second fire destroyed his mill and moved to Vancouver, setting up a building and contracting company. He served as a sergeant with the Royal Engineers in World War One, then worked for the CPR in Vancouver as a clerk until he retired. He was a Founder of Elk Valley Lodge. Proctor died in Vancouver on May 25, 1935; he no longer belonged to a Lodge.

JOSIAH HERBERT BRICKER, Tecumseh No. 24, Stratford, Ont. He was born Nov 13, 1871 in Ontario. He was a dry goods merchant with Comp. Rennie in the Crow's Nest Trading Co. and announced he was leaving the city at the end of 1905 to join his family back east. Evidently he took a wrong turn, as he affiliated with Acacia No. 22 in Vancouver in 1910. He was a real estate broker in Vancouver. Proctor was the first J.D. of Elk River Lodge and served as its W.M. in 1903-04. He died in New Westminster on November 23, 1931.

The first Z. of the Chapter was Comp. THOMAS HENRY WHITE. He doesn't appear to have stayed in Fernie very long. He joined Elk River Lodge in 1904 but never held an office. When the Chapter was formed he was the grocery manager for Trites-Wood Co., a department store, and chairman of the school board. The end of his term as Z. must have been interesting. He was quarantined from his home when his daughter came down with diphtheria. Almost immediately after leaving the East in Chapter, he was installed as Noble Grand of the Mt. Fernie Oddfellows No 47. He received his Past Principal's jewel in 1907 and

moved on. The Oddfellows, of which he had become a District Deputy, threw a goodbye party for him in August. White demitted from the Lodge that year, affiliated with Cascade No. 12 in 1908 and become the founding S.W. of Victory No. 94 in 1920. Harry White worked as a grocer while in Vancouver, where he died on Nov. 13, 1956. He was born in Ontario on March 29, 1868, living for a time in Collingwood. He is buried in the Masonic Cemetery. He was not a member of any Chapter when he died.

The Chapter received a charter dated January 25, 1905 as No. 137. It was busy at the start. It admitted six members in 1904 and 14 in 1905. It also received an official visit from the Grand Z., M. Ex. Comp. Roaf, on September 7, 1905. The officers were almost completely overhauled at the next installation on January 9, 1906. Only three of the founders (the H., J. and IPZ) were in chairs; the rest were all new Companions. Then things fell apart. Annual returns weren't sent in. Grand Superintendents didn't pay official visits. Fernie was engulfed in another fire in August 1908, destroying all the Chapter's effects and charter. The Grand Scribe E., R. Ex. Comp. G.J. Bennett, journeyed from Ontario and met with Fernie Companions in 1909; it's unclear if he attended a meeting. Then came the war and members of the Chapter performed their duty for King and Country far away from Fernie. Meetings stopped. In January 1917, some of the Companions of Rocky Mountain Chapter tried to revive Royal Arch Freemasonry in Fernie. The following month, a petition was sent to Grand Chapter, signed by every resident Crow's Nest member except two. The Grand Chapter Proceedings don't say what the petition was for—but they do mention the two holdouts were in favour of surrendering the warrant. The Grand Superintendent was of no help; he had moved to Saskatchewan. Finally, the Grand Superintendent the following year wrote the Grand Scribe E. on January 29, 1918 that the charter had been voluntarily surrendered.

However, the end of the war brought large numbers of men knocking on portals of the Lodges, and the Royal Arch benefitted, too. A letter was sent to our Grand Chapter in 1921 asking to revive the Crow's Nest charter, but the Grand Z. declined, since it had been issued by another Grand Chapter. So, a number of Companions applied for a new warrant, requesting the name "Cyrus." As that was already in use, the Grand Z. suggested "Mt. Moriah" instead. The new Chapter was instituted in Fernie on February 7, 1922 and received a charter that September 14th. It carried on until 2006.

Let me close this report by thanking those Scribes E. who have been e-mailing me their Chapter notices so I may keep abreast of historic events. The Island Chapters have always been especially good. However, there are some I have never heard from in the 13 years I have been Grand Historian. It takes nothing to add my e-mail address to a distribution list, and to ensure the address gets passed on to their successor.

Fraternally submitted,

V. Ex. Comp. Jim Bennie, Grand Historian

Report Received

27)

ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

There: Surname	Grand Chapter	Here: Surname	Chapter	Present
F GOYOGAVA	ARGENTINA	Anthony D'ERAMO	1	
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	Y

P NOEL	BELGIUM			
	BRAZIL			
D BRUCE	CANADA - ALBERTA	George TILLOTSON	6	
D.W OVERY	CANADA - CANADA -ONTARIO	Joseph R MARSHALL	31	
G STEWART	CANADA - MANITOBA			
C W WEBBER	CANADA - NEW BRUNSWICK	Colin HART	16	Y
O J WHITE	CANADA - NEWFOUNDLAND & LAB.	Jeremy Gomersall	24	Y
J.E. TAYLOR	CANADA - NOVA SCOTIA/ PEI	James R ELTON	30	Y
T JOHNSON	CANADA - QUEBEC	George W EATON	21	
H E HILL	CANADA -SASKATCHEWAN	LGB (Len) PICKELL	34	Y
J TUONINEN	FINLAND			
B CHARPENTIER	FRANCE			
A MCGHEE	GERMANY			
E ASPIOTIS	GREECE			
H P MATHUR	INDIA			
M S BEATTY	IRELAND	JohnYoung	16	Y
G BERKOW	ISRAEL	Isaac BROWERBIRKHOVEN	6	
F BONAFE	ITALY	Tony D'Eramo	1	
O J SALINAS E	MEXICO	Kenneth W GIBSON	33	Y
J J HANRATH	NETHERLANDS	Norman K MONRO	27	
H R LIGHTWOOD	NEW ZEALAND			
H S GONZALEZ	PHILLIPINES			
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			
D O WHITE	USA - ARKANSAS			
R D KELLY	USA - CALIFORNIA			
J E ERICKSON	USA - COLORADO			
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			
B L JOHNSON	USA - GEORGIA	Joel CHIRI	33	
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	Y
CROUCH	USA - IOWA	Arnold BURCHILL	21	
D B HANSON	USA - KANSAS			
T FRASER	USA - KENTUCKY			
J P DAVIS	USA - LOUISIANA	B J MASLANEIC	20	
D P COATES	USA - MAINE			
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			
J W STAFFORD	USA - MISSOURI			
GROTTS	USA - MONTANA			
MULHOLLAND	USA - NEBRASKA	Rae HUMESTON	11	
D GAUCH	USA - NEVADA	Ken Overy	33	Y
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 D HART	USA - OHIO	Steve MCVITTIE	31	
E L BERRYMAN	USA - OKLAHOMA			
J MUCEUS	USA - OREGON			
E G REESE	USA - PENNSYLVANIA			

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	
HD MOORE	USA - TEXAS	JS DREVER	24	
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			
J DALLAS	USA - WASHINGTON (P.H.)	Norman F. McEVOY	1	
W E BIRD	USA - WEST VIRGINIA	Donald H. McMILLAN	19	
JOLIVETTE JR	USA - WISCONSIN			
A R CORBERG	USA - WYOMING	Frank WARREN	13	

The attending Grand Representatives were received and welcomed by MEC Ronald Smith.

28) 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 2017 convocation.

Total Number of Chapters in this Jurisdiction	.....	26	
Chapters represented today	.....	22	
Chapters not represented today	...#4, #22, #29, #38.....	4	
Total BC & Yukon Companions registered	.....	85 *	
Grand First Principals present	.....	7	
Grand Representatives present	.....	12	
Companions from other jurisdictions.....		6	
Past First Principals attending	.....	60	
Number of Principals attending	Z..... <u>9</u>		
	H..... <u>5</u>	Total.....	89
	J..... <u>5</u>	Companions Attending	

Principal Officers Attending **Total** 19

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

Certified correct:- Committee Chair -----	E.C. Edward Lamarche
Member -----	E.C. Mark Robinson
Member -----	

Report Received

29) REPORT OF THE ROYAL ARCH CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Report to Grand Chapter, being held in Nanaimo BC on Sept 14 &15, 2018

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

30) REPORT OF EDUCATION AND ADVENCEMENT COMMITTEE

**Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of B.C. & Yukon
Ad-Hoc Committee on Education & Advancement.**

**Report to Grand Chapter of BC. & Yukon, being held in Nanaimo BC on Sept 14-15,
2018.**

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

31) HONORARY MEMBERSHIP CARDS

M.E.C. Ronald Smith presented an Honorary Membership Cards to the following visiting Companions;

R.E.C. Richard Sellers, Grand Third Principal, Grand Chapter of Alberta

R.E.C. Daniel Smith, , Grand Captain of the Host, Grand Chapter of Ohio

He then thanked each of them for attending our Grand Convocation.

32) 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 six elected offices in Grand Chapter. As of the close of nominations on March 31st 2016.

The following nominations have been received:-

Grand First Principal **MEC A.Leslie Robinson**

Acclamation

Grand Second Principal REC Philip Robinson	Acclamation
Grand Third Principal REC John Merryweather Laing	Acclamation
Grand Treasurer REC Thomas Balabanov	Acclamation
Grand Scribe Ezra M.E.C. Ken Overy	Acclamation
Grand Principal Sojourner V.E.C. Jimmy Catala	Acclamation

M.E.C. Ron Smith stated that there being only one nomination for each of the elected Offices, he therefore declared them elected by Acclamation.

33) REPORT OF THE BURSARY COMMITTEE

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia & Yukon Bursary Committee Report to the 2018 Annual Convocation

The Bursary Committee make educational financial awards to close relatives of Companions of Chapters under the jurisdiction 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. To date, in the 2017/2018 year, donations have been received from the following Chapters – Composite #24, Joppa #31, Semiahmoo #34 & Simon Fraser #40. We thank these Chapters for their generosity and especially thank Semiahmoo Chapter #34 for their substantial regular annual donation. This year Joppa #31 also gave a substantial donation and Composite #24 gave a large donation which was allocated to the Endowment Fund, the interest from which will continue to contribute to Bursary Funds distributed for many years to come. In 2017/18 \$5,525 in total donations was received from individuals and Chapters.

This year a total of 9 applications were received which was up from 7 received last year. Of the 9 applications received, two were rejected as there was no Royal Arch connection.

The Royal Arch Companion relatives of this year's grant beneficiaries came from Invermere, Fort St. John, Penticton, Prince Rupert, Surrey, Victoria & West Vancouver.

Considering the funds available for distribution and the needs of the applicants, the committee awarded 5 grants of \$1,200, one grant of \$1,000, and one grant of \$500 for a total of \$7,500. The difference between the funds raised for distribution in the current year and the grants distributed - \$4,975 came from interest earned by the Bursary Endowment Fund. During the period 2008-2018 the Bursary Fund has distributed educational grants totalling \$54,900.

In 2018 seven grants have been given compared to four in the previous year. Due to increased donations, the average grant this year was able to be increased to \$1,071 from an average of \$875 last year. The average grant in 2015 was \$1,050. After two years of low grants in 2016/17 of \$785/\$875 respectively, this year we have been successful in our goal to increase our average grant to be in more than \$1,000. This was mainly achieved by increasing our donations by \$3,578 over 2017, however we must not be complacent in our fund raising efforts.

The other charities operated under the umbrella of Grand Chapter are worthy charities which deserve our support. However, not being a Registered Charity, unlike our other charities, donors to the Bursary Fund do not benefit from receiving a tax deductible receipt. For this reason, Companions may be more likely to donate to our other charities rather than donate to the Bursary Fund. Chapters, not being able to use a charitable tax receipt means that the Bursary Fund, our only charity which directly benefits Companions, is suited to donations from Chapters.

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

We ask that all Scribe Ezras inform the companions of their Chapters of the availability of these bursary funds. The application form, conditions and submission deadline is available on the Grand Chapter website.

We wish to thank the committee members for the time and efforts given to this committee.

Respectfully submitted:

REC John Young – Chairman

REC Tom Balabanov

REC Peter Guichon

REC Andrew Law

VEC Alphonse Quenneville

EC Cole Harvey

29th August 2018

Report Received

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

To the Grand Officers and members of this Grand Chapter.

Having read the report of the Grand First Principal we will not recap it, except to say that our Grand First Principal has fulfilled his duties this year with dignity. He has visited many of the Chapter in our jurisdiction and attended to some of the Installation of Officers of the Chapters.

It was also noted that his principal officers attended at many of his official visits, M.E.C. Ronald Smith also made visits to our neighboring jurisdictions and represented our Grand Jurisdiction at these events.

We concur with MEC Smith that all his elected and appointed officers named be granted permanent rank having completed their duties to his satisfaction.

We thank him for his dedication over the past year and wish him well in his future endeavors in our noble craft.

Respectively submitted

MEC David Grange - Chairman

MEC Len Pickell

MEC Tony Brown

Report Received

35) REPORT OF INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Report of Information Technology Committee 2017

Companions:

The past year has been largely routine in nature and minimal updates to the web site have been made. This has been due to the lack of time to dedicate to the site.

The Grand Chapter information was originally posted on Cyrus Chapter No. 10's web site and had a very modest mention. The distribution of information e-mails of reports received from MEC D.D.S. Anderson evolved into the concept of an "official" Grand Chapter of B.C. & Yukon web site. MEC Anderson approved the registration of the domain name in the year 2000. The web site was envisioned as a source for information, forms and photo galleries of the constituent Chapter activities. The Grand First Principal's Official Visit itinerary, biography and seasonal messages were also published. Site activity, information and e-mail updates depends wholly on reports received from the principal officers including Grand Scribe Ezra. The site has evolved into a "work horse" for the office of Grand Scribe Ezra with several report forms, current Book of Constitution and Annual Proceedings. This Grand Chapter has saved considerable money by using the web site to disburse this information.

Proposal

At the request of M.E.C. Norman McEvoy, chairman of the Education and Advancement Committee, has proposed "I am hopeful that the matter of Grand Chapter having its own website, will be on the floor for approval" (extract from his e-mail).

I may not have fully understood what he said to me at the time but our Grand Chapter already has its own website. A separate and distinct website for education and Royal Arch information would add additional costs to the operating budget and unknown benefit to this Grand Chapter.

I suggest that the website and all that is proposed be taken up by the Executive Committee for a review of the goals and purpose of the web site can be adjusted if found necessary.

Jim Whyte
John McIntosh
IT Committee.

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

GRAND CHAPTER REPORT ON THE RAMHS ROYAL ARCH MASONIC HOME SOCIETY REPORT Grand Convocation September 14th 2018

Companions,

My name is George Heggie, the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the R.A.M.H.S. I would like to present an update of our actives 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 compliment 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 no later than May 1st of the current year.

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

Apartment:

· Kitchen faucet replacement (75 suites)	\$25,800
· Exterior building trim – painting	\$35,900
· Security camera upgrade	\$4,500
· New front door – Enterphone system	\$5,544
· Electric wall safe for emergency services	\$915
· Parking lot lighting	\$5,059
· Bathroom sink/faucet/fan (75 suites)	\$58,320
· Hot water storage tank replacement	\$9,475

	\$145,513

Care Home:

· Specialized ceiling lift – resident room	\$10,000
· Parking lot lighting	\$14,778
· Security camera upgrade	\$4,845
· Recreation./ music therapy computer upgrade	\$7,348
· Resident room refurbishing/wall guards	\$69,000
· New bus (January 2019) – Funding Society	\$125,497
· Kitchen duct work	\$ 54,705
· Laundry equipment replacement	\$80,688

	\$366,861

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

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 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 this 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 Senior Care* and charity of Royal Arch Masonry.

Respectfully submitted

R.E.C. George Heggie

Secretary R.A.M.H.S.

Report Received

**37) REPORT OF THE KEYSTONE OF LIFE FOUNDATION
KEYSTONE OF LIFE FOUNDATION**

REPORT FOR 2018 GRAND CONVOCATION
COVERING PERIOD August 2017 to August 2018

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. KLF actively seeks out smaller hospitals in the region where needs for such grants are greater.

In the past 12 months, KLF has been pleased to deliver and /or approve over \$37,000 of grants. These grants include:

September 2017	Interior Health	\$10,471
September 2017	Castlegar & District	\$ 5,292
May 2018	Bella Coola Hospital	\$10,960
May 2018	Surrey Memorial Hospital	\$11,084

The KLF acquires its funds for grant awards from donations , membership dues, and bequests together with income from invested assets. Although to date almost \$600K of grants have been awarded, downturns in both investment returns and particularly donations / members dues over the past few 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.

KLF does not seek to build large monetary assets, which benefits only investment companies and monetary markets in the short term, but attempts to disburse grants as frequently and broadly as prudently feasible, so that the residents of this jurisdiction may benefit as soon as possible from the acquisition of the essential hospital equipment that these grants make possible.

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 the simple process of making such donations. Tax receipts are always available against donations from individuals.

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.

Work is still ongoing to encourage more individual membership from RA Masons, Craft 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 and Lodges in this 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.

Wherever possible, representatives from Chapters local to the grantee hospital are invited to be present at formal grant cheque presentations so that Royal Arch Masonry is more broadly promoted as a charitable institution and receives significant press publicity as a result.

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.

KLF recognizes that there are many worthy causes deserving of a Freemason's charitable support and that we all have limited resources to donate to these causes, but we earnestly encourage all Royal Arch, and indeed Craft Masons, to consider this Foundation a prime object for your charity.

Thank you for your support!

Peter Edwards
KLF President
September 2018

38) REPORT OF GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

Report of Grand Superintendents 2017-2018

2018 Summary Report on GDS

2018 GDS Committee report, final

We the committee on reports of the Grand District Superintendents have received interim reports in April & a final reports in July. One District Superintendent did not send in a final report. These reports are important as they give Grand Chapter an insight as to the state of affairs in our Royal Arch jurisdiction. The GDS's mandate is to make comments on a wide range of issues from the quality of the ritual work, to attendance, finances, & the administration of the Chapters.

It may be helpful if the appointed GDS's received more instruction as to what is expected from them. There were no comments made by any of the GDS's as to Chapters running a deficit, 7 out of 26 Chapters did run a deficit, & 6 Chapters did not file an annual report at all.

The GDS reports could be more informative.

To this end, those proposed Companions, as incoming GDS should understand their duties and agree to comply. The GSE should provide this information and receive agreement before appointment is confirmed by the incoming GZ.

The following duties are suggested for such agreement:

- 1) Represent the GZ in their district and accompany the GZ when present in the district.
- 2) Attend both incoming and outgoing Grand Chapter Convocations
- 3) Visit all chapters in their district, particularly at (a) election of officers and (b) installation of officers
- 4) Make an official visit to each Chapter
- 5) Consider the quality of Chapter ritual work and encourage improvement when required.
- 6) Assess the Chapter's track record and future plans to conduct degrees
- 7) Examine the adequacy of Chapter accounts and financial stability
- 8) Ensure the Chapter minute book, book of Marks and membership register are up to date
- 9) Assess Chapter membership and membership development plans
- 10) Make an interim report to the GSE, outlining activities to date and a final report before July 15th covering the above points for each Chapter in their District

Generally, the GDS's, not wanting to offend, often use innocuous platitudes when commenting on correct ritual for receiving Grand Officers, handling of funds, receipts, updated Treasurers books & records, & all the various books & records the SE's are charged with maintaining. It would be beneficial to all, to make a constructive comment on a subject rather than obfuscating or glossing over the subject at hand.

There were a lot of comments in the reports on membership & attendance. It may be appropriate for this committee to comment that our membership in the jurisdiction has been slipping over the past 2 decades or more; the membership was 3171 in Dec 1998 & 964 in Dec 2017. We have lost 2/3 of our membership in 19 years. Too often chapters have to rely on visiting Companions to fill-in positions for opening & closing & conducting degrees. There is a lot of enthusiastic visitation between Chapters who are happy to help out each other, but not so much between some other Chapters.

There are a growing number of Companions who read from the book, even for opening & closing. How do we change that?

Last year this committee asked if Grand Chapter would allow Chapters to conduct a MMM degree in a regular craft lodge? We haven't heard anything on that.

Education, done well, is a great addition to a meeting & should be encouraged.

All in all, membership, ritual & finances are areas that need addressing in a meaningful way, by individual Companions & Grand Chapter.

We thank the Grand Superintendents for their dedication to this our Royal craft & recommend the permanent rank of Right Excellent Companion to be conferred on those Companions who full filled their responsibilities last year.

Committee on GDS reports, General Summary

State of the craft – We have lost 2/3 of our membership from 3171 in Dec 1998 to 964 in Dec 2017.

Ritual – The standards of Ritual needs to be improved, some reading is creeping into our Work & should be addressed or it may well become the norm.

Membership – is wanting in many Chapters but is growing & healthy in many other Chapters; generally, membership is decreasing at about 4 or 5% a year.

Finances – it's difficult to comment on but if dues are increasing to the point that there is resistance from the membership, or if operating expenses are covered by drawing from Capital

accounts or building equity, the members should recognize that as a warning sign that the viability of the Chapter may be questionable. **Report Received**

SUPERINTENDENTS AWARD 2017/2018

The winner of "Facing the Challenge" Award 2017/2018

We the committee have unanimously chosen Right Excellent Companion Matt Fletcher of District #10 be awarded the **Facing the Challenge Award** for his dedication and proper reporting on his district. REC. Fletcher is a member of Dawson Creek Chapter #41.

Respectfully submitted

REC Roy Friis

REC Ian Thompson

REC Jim Elton Chairman

Received

Grand Superintendents Reports 2017/2018

District # 1, REC Jeff Woodburn

Columbia Chapter # 1

The Chapter is in good shape and attendance is good. Candidates are coming into the Chapter, growth is slow but steady. Many of the senior members are active leaders in the Chapter and work closely with newer members in a mentoring role. Some newer members are taking various offices or degree parts.

Pacific Rim Chapter #44

The Chapter is in a very good position; the members and officers are very supportive of the Royal Arch Chapters on the Island, assisting with degrees and installations.

The membership continues to grow and has potential candidates in various stages of their degrees. The ritual work is very good and work is shared with other Chapters on the Island.

Tzouhalem Chapter #26

There were no applications or degrees this year. There is a dedicated membership that does good ritual work. Attendance is a little sparse. New members are needed and the Chapter will likely continue to grow slowly.

District #2, REC Peter Blagaic

Chilliwack Chapter #19

Attendance is a little low, at 16 to 18 per meeting. The GDS was received as was their custom, close enough to the ritual. The Companions in the District are generally as enthusiastic about visitation as in the recent past. The Books are in good order & kept up to date.

Composite Chapter #24

Attendance at meetings is generally very low and occasionally some officers may not be present. The ritual work and degrees are well done.

The Treasurer's books are in good order and the minutes are stored electronically on the computer.

Semiahmoo Chapter #34

The attendance at Installation, degrees and regular meetings is a little sparse but the work is well done. The inter-chapter visitations are fewer than in other districts. The first Principle resigned shortly after the installation of officers. We are not aware of how this was remedied. The work is properly done. The Treasurer's books are in good order and the SE minutes and other books are well kept.

District #3, REC Erik Hansen

Kelowna Chapter #17

The Chapters is in good shape, with steady attendance & an active membership. There are prospective Candidates from amongst the large Masonic base in the District. The ritual is well done.

Kamloops Chapter #18

There often is low attendance from the members, but there is good visitation from the members from Granite Chapter who fill-in the various positions needed.

The ritual is well performed & protocols are followed.

Penticton Chapter #22

The Chapter is healthy & well supported by its members.

The festive board is a full meal before the meeting & is looked forward to by all of the membership.

Granite Chapter #29

The Chapter works closely with Kamloops Chapter for regular meetings, Installations & degrees. The Chapter is struggling with membership & attendance, but continues to function. The festive board meal before the meeting is looked forward to by all the members.

District #4, REC Greg Constable

This District is spread over a wide area and driving, especially in winter, is often a problem. Several meetings had to be cancelled.

Rossland Chapter #4

The attendance is generally pretty low but, when they can, they meet at a local restaurant and enjoy each other's company before the meeting. The Treasurer's books and SE minutes and other books are well kept and receipts are carefully issued and received.

Rocky Mountain Chapter #7

The Chapter has five meetings a year and this year, three were cancelled for various weather reasons and unavailable officers and members. The First Principal took a demit and has moved out of the area but the Chapter continues to function with other officers filling in the various positions.

District #6, REC Paul Stevenson

No report submitted

Kaian #13 No report

Kalum #37 No report

District #, REC Sonny Bond

North Vancouver King Solomon Chapter #16

Attendance seems to be fairly steady at about 16-18 members per meeting.

There is too much reading from the ritual book. There are new applications "coming in" slowly and degrees are being conducted with all members participating in the work. The Treasurer's books are in good order and the various SE books are up to date and the minutes are kept in a binder and electronically. The Chapter has struggled with attendance and often relies on senior members for much of the degree work. The principals are determined to improve membership, attendance and ritual work.

Simon Fraser Chapter #40

The Chapter has “pretty good” attendance and several new members are taking offices. The chapter has had a successful year exalting eight new members. The ritual is well done. The Chapters in the district help each other with parts in the degrees.

Joppa Chapter #31

The Chapter is very healthy with good attendance, taking in 11 new members this year. The Treasurer’s books are in good order and “up to date”, SE minute book is “up to date”, detailed and in good order, as are the other books.

Georgian Chapter #39

The attendance is fairly good, considering the area’s population. The work is well done and with proper protocol. The Treasurer’s book and SE books are in good order and up to date. The Chapter is “having a tough time” with membership with only one local Lodge to draw on. There are a small number of prospective candidates and hopefully “things” will improve for the Chapter.

District 10, REC Matt Fletcher

Yukon Chapter #38

The Chapter lost 4 companions this year and is struggling to fill the officers’ positions. Attendance is very sparse, although meetings are held and degrees are conducted; 2 HRA degrees this year. There is a nucleus of skilled and dedicated members guided by a very skilled D of C. The atmosphere of the Chapter is warm despite the relatively low numbers; the standard of work has not suffered.

Fort George Chapter #36

The Chapter is very active and healthy and the members are pro-active in increasing their membership. The Chapter is doing very well in all aspects; the ritual work is of a “very high standard”. Attendance at meetings is about 12-15 each night. Treasurer’s books are in good order and the SE minutes and other books are also in good order.

Caribou Chapter #43

The Chapter has a smallish membership and is geographically wide-spread, resulting in long travel times and smaller attendance. They are maintaining a high standard of ritual and degree work and are supported by several other lodges and they will continue to remain viable. Attendance is usually about 10-12 members.

Dawson Creek Chapter #41

The Chapter is healthy and active with an engaged line of officers, with a strong focus on ritual excellence and growing their membership. Attendance is about 15-20 companions. There are regular visitations from members of Wapiti chapter from Alberta.

District #11, REC Rick Sheldon

Cathedral Chapter #35

The Chapter lacks membership and has trouble filling the officer’s positions; some of the work is read but still well done. The books are in order and receipts are issued to transfer funds.

Keystone Chapter #8

The 3 Southern Island Chapters have a good working relationship and assist each other with the degrees; many are members of all three Chapters. The work is well done and the books are very well kept. Receipts are issued for transfer of funds. At the last official visit, there was no First Principal, but we are sure that has been looked after.

North Island Chapter # 10

The attendance is about 18 to 20 at most of the convocations. 3 new affiliates have been accepted. The work is well done. The Treasurer’s books are in good order & the SE’s minute book & other books are in good order. Receipts are issued for the transfer of funds.

Majuba Chapter # 33

The Officers take pride in their ritual work & openings & closings are very well done. The position of 2nd Principal was not filled, no information. The various books are all in good order & up to date, & receipts are issued when transferring funds.

We thank the Grand Superintendents for their dedication to this our royal craft, and recommend permanent rank of Right Excellent Companion to be conferred on these companions of this year. We also recommend this rank to be conferred post humously upon REC. David McEachern of District #11.

C.S. Committee REC. J. Elton Chairman

REC. I. Thompson

REC. R. Friis

39) REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PAST GRAND "Zs" AWARD

To the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companion of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of BC and Yukon.

This is the report of the Grand First Principals Award committee for the greatest percentage increase in membership for 2017.

Last year we saw a decrease in membership again of 58 members which now leaves us with a total of 964 members. On looking at the statistics, we had 16 Chapters with a loss of members while 4 stayed static with 6 only showing a gain.

Our biggest loss of members (55) was due to demits and our question is; are we doing enough to keep these members? Suspensions amounted to 25 which was mostly due to nonpayment of dues. Once again are we doing enough to keep these members interested?

This year's award goes to **Simon Fraser Chapter #40** with an increase of 4 members, from 38 to 42 for a percentage of 10.4%.

I, move that this report be received.

M.E.C. A. Les Robinson

Respectfully submitted

M.E.C. Les Robinson – Chairman

M.E.C. Tony Brown

M.E.C. Ken Overly

40)

New Business

M.E.C. Ron Smith then called for a Representative of each the Royal Arch Charities to assemble in the East. When all present he then asked Grand Scribe Ezra, M.E.C. Ken Overy to present each of the Charities, the **Keystone of Life**, the **Royal Arch Masonic Home Society**, and the **Grand Chapter Bursary Fund** with a cheque for \$2,500 each from Grand Chapter.

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 13:00 hrs, for the purpose of installing the Grand Chapter Officers for the year 2018-2019.

41)

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2018

Installing Grand Z	MEC Tony Brown
Installing Grand D of C	MEC Jeremy Gomersall
Installing Grand Chaplain	MEC Ken Overy

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Installed By</u>
Grand Z	MEC Les Robinson	MEC Tony Brown
Grand H	REC Phillip Robinson	MEC Tony Brown
Grand J	REC John Laing	MEC Tony Brown
IPGZ	MEC Ron Smith	MEC Tony Brown
Grand Treasurer	REC Tom Balabanov	MEC Len Pickell
Grand Scribe Ezra	MEC Ken Overy.	MEC Len Pickell
Grand Principal Soj.	REC Jimmy Catala	MEC David Grange
Grand Senior Soj	VEC Dean Turner	MEC David Grange
Grand Junior Soj	VEC Peter Whitehead	MEC David Grange
G.Sup. Dist. #1	REC Paul Philcox	MEC Ken Overy
G.Sup. Dist. #2	REC Karl Elingsen	MEC Ken Overy
G.Sup. Dist. #3	REC Francis Latter	MEC Ken Overy
G.Sup. Dist. #4	REC Greg Constable	MEC Ken Overy
G.Sup. Dist. #6	REC	MEC Ken Overy
G.Sup. Dist. #7	REC Barry Chilton	MEC Ken Overy
G.Sup. Dist. #10	REC Leonard Timmins	MEC Ken Overy
G.Sup. Dist. #11	REC John Kelly	MEC Ken Overy
Grand Scribe N.	VEC Roy Friis	MEC Ken Overy
Grand Historian	VEC Jim Bennie	MEC Ken Overy
Grand Sword B.	VEC Steven Ackroyd	MEC Ken Overy
Grand Standard B	VEC Vacant	MEC
Grand D of C	VEC. Richard Trippel	MEC Ken Overy
Grand Marshall	VEC Vacant	MEC
Grand Pursuivant	VEC Vacant	MEC
Grand Steward #1	VEC Carsten Osterhold	MEC Ken Overy
Grand Steward #2	VEC TBA	MEC
Grand Steward #3	VEC TBA	MEC
Grand Chaplain	VEC Aaron Harrison	MEC Ken Overy

Grand Organist
Grand Tyler

Comp. **Vacant**
VEC **Vacant**

MEC
MEC

(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 Jeremy Gomersall. Proclamation, presentation of gavel and General Charge were all completed under direction of IGZ, MEC Tony Brown.

The Grand First Principal thanked all for attending the convocation and for supporting him during the previous years.

Pledged 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.

42) VOTE OF THANKS TO THE TO THE HOST CHAPTER
(Keystone Chapter #8)

It was **Moved** by MEC Len Pickell and **Seconded** by MEC David Grange, that a hearty vote of thanks be given to the host Chapter, Keystone Chapter #8, and to the organizing committee for an excellent facility and the running a successful Convocation.

26.1.1 Constitution and Jurisprudence				
Executive Representative:		Grand Second Principal		
MEC	Leonard Pickell	(5)	1-604-530-5937	leonardpickell@shaw.ca
MEC	Jeremy Gomersall	(4)	1-604-948-9278	gomersall@telus.net
MEC	David Grange	(1)	1-604-576-2205	davidgrange@telus.net
26.1.2 Finance				
Executive Representative:		Grand Principal Sojourner		
REC	Peter Guichon	(1)	1-604-530-3140	pguichon@telus.net
EC	Bob Coan	(3)	1-604-736-4646	rcoan@telus.net
MEC	Grand Scribe Ezra	(-)		
REC	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		
REC	James Elton	(5)	1-604-988-6704	nspainter@gmail.com
REC	Ian Thompson	(3)	1-250-650-3764	wian.thompson@gmail.com
REC	Roy Friis	(3)	1-604-990-0294	rfriis@telus.net
26.1.5 Regalia				
REC	Neil Marsh	(5)	1-604-888-8932	swampy@telus.net
REC	David Lewis	(5)	1-604-882-4942	nicada@shaw.ca
REC	Doug Sprague	(5)	1-604-858-8789	spragued@telus.net
26.1.6 Information Technology and Fund Raising				
Executive Representative:		Grand Principal Sojourner		
REC	Jim Whyte	(4)	1-250-218-9919	jewcom@gmail.com
VEC	John McIntosh	(3)	1-250-726-2620	johnmcintosh@ukeecable.net
26.1.7 Bursary Fund Trustees				
Executive Representative:		Grand Third Principal		
REC	John Young	(5)	1-604-602-2883	jyoung@fairmontshipping.com
REC	Peter Guichon	(7)	1-604-530-3140	pguichon@telus.net
REC	Andrew Law	(4)	1-604-988-7202	spongo33@shaw.ca
VEC.	Alphonse Quenneville	(4)	1-604-985-7748	alphonseq@gmail.com
Comp	Cole Harvey	(4)	1-778-386-3201	cole@dcharvey.com

26.1.8 Keystone of Life Foundation				
REC	Peter Blagaic	(5)	1-604-230-5732	blagaic@shaw.ca
26.1.9 Royal Arch Masonic Homes Society				
REC	George Heggie	(3)	1-604-946-0028	gheggie@telus.net
26.1.10 Royal Arch Charitable Foundation				
MEC	Norman McEvoy	(4)	1-250-658-4036	dnyboy@shaw.ca
MEC	Les Robinson	(4)	1-250-729-0190	robin5@telus.net
REC	Peter Guichon	(4)	1-604-530-3140	pguichon@telus.net
26.1.11 Address of Grand First Principal				
	Members selected by the Grand Scribe Ezra			
26.1.12 Merit Awards				
MEC	Anthony Brown	(5)	1-250-395-3722	tonysas@xplornet.ca
REC	Colin Hart	(3)	1-250-594-3553	cmhart@shaw.ca
REC	Robert Hart	(3)	1-604-682-8314	hartb@shaw.ca
26.1.13 Past Grand First Principals' Award				
MEC	Les Robinson	(4)	1-250-729-0190	robin5@telus.net
MEC	Ken Overy	(4)	1-250-714-0873	ken.overy@telus.net
MEC	Anthony Brown	(3)	1-250-395-3722	tonysas@xplornet.ca
26.1.14 Education and Advancement				
MEC	Norman McEvoy	(3)	1-250-658-4036	dnyboy@shaw.ca
Ad Hoc Committees				
26.1.15 Grand Chapter Of British Columbia & Yukon 100th Anniversary				
Executive Representative:			Grand First Principal	
MEC	Les Robinson		1-250-729-0190	robin5@telus.net
VEC	Tim Findley		1-250-667-1893	thorshaven@shaw.ca
Grand Scribe Ezra	Ken Overy		1-250-714-0873	ken.overy@telus.net
Grand Treasurer	Tom Balabanov		1-604-562-2855	lvtbal@gmail.com

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.

44) LOCATION OF FUTURE GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATIONS

A motion was called for the location of the Grand Convocation for the Royal Arch Grand Chapter to be held in Richmond in 2021 as put forward by REC John Laing.

Moved : REC Philip Robinson. **Seconded:** MEC Ken Overy. **Passed:**

Future Locations of Grand Convocations:

2019 Kelowna BC

2020 Chilliwack Kelowna BC

45)

CLOSING

The Grand Z thanked MEC Tony Brown and all those who took part in the Installation of Officers.

The 100th Grand Convocation of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon was closed in ample form by MEC. Les Robinson at 3:52 pm September 15th, 2018

46) Minutes of the Order of the High Priesthood

Minutes of the order of the High Priesthood
Held at Nanaimo Sept 14.2018.

Called to order @ 14:30 by Ex President MEC Jeremy Gomersall

Welcome to visitors MEC Gary Spriggs, P.H.P. Grand Chapter of California : MEC Jack Fryatt, G.Z. Grand Chapter of Manitoba: MEC David Boone P.G.Z, MEC Keng Wei Chiew, G.Z. Grand Chapter of Alberta :REC Daniel Smith, G.S. (J)Grand Lodge of Ohio

Members present - 10, Guests - 5, candidates - 10, as per Porch book

In Memoriam. A moments silence was given for MEC George Tillotson who passed to the Grand Chapter above during the past year.

Confer Order. On EC. Robert Jackson, EC. Ron Fisher, EC.Pat Fyffe
EC. Darwin McKinnon, REC. Paul Pike, VEC. Alphonse Quenneville
EC. John Rankin, REC. Greg Constable, EC. Edward LaMarshe

The representative Candidate was EC Darwin McKinnon.

Prologue given by MEC Ken Overy
Obligation given by MEC Jeremy Gomersall
Prayer of Consecration by REC Godfrey Onyemaobi
Signs given by MEC David Boone of Grand Chapter of Alberta

Minutes of 2017 meeting. **Moved** by M.Ex. Recorder Ken Overy to be adopted as read.
Seconded by REC Phillip Robinson. **Carried:**

Correspondence None

Treasurers report Bank balance of \$2024.00
Motion to receive the report made by REC Tom Balabanov;
Seconded by MEC Ken Overy. **Carried:**

Unfinished business. Ex. President read out his appointed officers for 2018/19
Conductor REC Jimmy Catala
Herald
Steward
M.O.C.
Sentinel

New Business. MEC Ken Overy rose to explain that the reason that the fee charged this year was only \$60.00 and not the \$100.00 fee passed last year was that he was unable to locate a source of Bibles used for the degree anywhere. He indicated that he had also tried unsuccessfully to purchase the needed amount from the other Grand Chapters of Canada. MEC. Overy also stated that Companions were kind enough to return any extra jewels from around the province to be reissued amounting to a considerable savings.

Election of Officers for 2018/19

President MEC Godfrey Onyemaobi
Vice President MEC Ron Smith
Empty Chair MEC Les Robinson
Chaplain REC Phillip Robinson
Recorder MEC Ken Overy
Treasurer REC Tom Balabanov
Master of Ceremonies REC. John Laing
Conductor REC. Jimmy Catala
Herald TBA
Steward TBA
Sentinel TBA

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

Ex. Installing President. MEC Jeremy Gomersall
Ex. Chaplain. MEC Ken Overy
Ex. D. of C. MEC Ken Overy

Sick and Distress MEC George Eaton PGZ of Grand Chapter of BC & Yukon, MEC Alistair Ross, PGZ of Grand Chapter of BC & Yukon, and MEC Tony D'Eramo, PGZ of Grand Chapter of BC & Yukon, all expressed their regrets at not being able to attend due to Health issues.

Good of the order Honorary membership card was given to MEC Jack Fryatt, Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba.

Motion to change signing officers. Made by REC Peter Guichon . **Seconded** by MEC. Ken Overy. **Carried.**

REC. Greg Constable expressed his thanks to all those who helped with the Degree on behalf of all the Candidates.

The incoming President expressed his thanks to all those who attended and to all of the officers for helping out as well as those who will be assisting him next year.
Order of the High Priesthood closed in due form at 16:35 by Ex. President Godfrey Onyemaobi.

EX President

Ex Recorder

APPEND. 1

Living Past Grand First Principals

1985	Most Excellent Companion			R. Hilliard Clare
1989	“	“	“	Thomas O. Mickey
1997	“	“	“	Leonard G.B. Pickell
1998	“	“	“	Joseph R. Marshall
2002	“	“	“	Norman K. Monro
2004	“	“	“	George W. Eaton
2005	“	“	“	Brian A. Richman
2006	“	“	“	A. Leslie Robinson
2008	“	“	“	Alastair M. Ross
2009	“	“	“	David Grange
2010	“	“	“	Joel Chiri
2011	“	“	“	Norman McEvoy
2012	“	“	“	Anthony “Tony” Brown
2013	“	“	“	Kenneth Overy
2014	“	“	“	Jeremy Gomersall
2015	“	“	“	Antony “Tony” D’Eramo
2016	“	“	“	Godfrey Onyemaobi
2017	“	“	“	Ronald Smith

APPEND. 2

GRAND DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS 2018/2019

District #1

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District #4

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District #7

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District #10

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Prince George BC. V1H 1E9
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District #11

REC John Kelly
2835 Lanyon Road
Courtenay, BC V9N 9N5
250-338-9700

APPEND.3

CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS

COLUMBIA CHAPTER NO 1

INST: Feb 1867 CONST: Jun 1867
REG MTG: 1st Tue ex 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,
6310 Elaine Way. Victoria, BC V8Z 6A1
Phone 250-652-4584

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 except Dec. 6:00 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Temple, Castlegar, BC
INST: 3rd Thur. of Nov.
SCRIBE E: REC David B. Dudley,
25 Wilson Rd, Christina Lake, BC V0H 1E2
(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: Columbia Lodge, 1307-7th. Ave Invermere
INSTALLATION: 2nd Sat in Jan
SCRIBE E: Brian Stringer,
5137 Wilder 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 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,
5561 Turner Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 6B3
Phone (250) 729-0190

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: Alternating between Masonic Temple, 361-5th St. Courtenay, BC
& Masonic Temple 2905 N Isld Hwy Campbell River
INST: 3rd Wed of May
SCRIBE E: VEC Rob McLellen, 3108 Hellicar Road,
Courtenay, BC V9N 7J3 (250) 334-0637

KAIEN CHAPTER NO 13

INST: Aug 2, 1910 CONST: Feb.28, 1912
REG MTG: 3rd Wed ex Jul Aug
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, BC. 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: 2nd Thurs. in Jan
SCRIBE E: Goran Ivankovic,
304-1775 Bellvue Avenue, West Vancouver, BC. V7V 1A8
Phone (604) 328-2812

KELOWNA CHAPTER NO. 17

INST: 1916 CONST: Jun 17 1916
REG MTG 4th Tue ex Jun, Jul, Aug, & Dec
TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: St. George's Hall, 1564 Pandosy St.
Kelowna, BC
INST: 4th Tue Nov
SCRIBE E VEC Al Akehurst,
1755 Johnathan Court. Kelowna, BC V1P 1A9
Phone (250) 765-2883

KAMLOOPS CHAPTER NO. 18

INST: Aug 2, 1920 CONST: Jul 26, 1921
REG MTG: 3rd Tue ex Jun, Jul , Aug, Sept,& Dec.
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Kamloops Masonic Center, 351 Nicola Street, Kamloops, BC
INST: 2nd Sat Mar (With 11 & 29)
SCRIBE E: VEC Wolfgang Holly Schwieger
1206-343 Nicola St., BC V2C 5X6
Phone (250) 571-9058

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
LOCATION: Chilliwack Lodge 45905 Hocking Avenue
INST: 2nd Thur. Nov
SCRIBE E: EC Doug Davie,
8400 Upper Prairie Road. Chilliwack, BC, V2P 6H3,
Phone (604) 794-3383

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,
#145 – 805 Comox Street., Penticton, BC V2A 8G5
Phone: (250) 493-2417

COMPOSITE CHAPTER NO. 24

INST: May 29, 1925 CONST: Jun 7, 1926
REG MTG: 3rd Fri ex. Jul, Aug,Dec
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Park Lodge Hall,
4474 Rupert Street, Vancouver, BC
INST: 3rd Fri Jan
SCRIBE E: Tom Balabanov
3059 West 20th Avenue, Vancouver V6L 1H7
Phone (604) 562-2585

TZOUHALEM CHAPTER NO. 26

INST: Feb 28, 1928 CONST: Jun 20, 1928

REG MTG: 3rd Tue ex 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

1225 Chapton Road, Cobble Hill, BC, V0R 1L0

Phone: (250) 743-2117

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.E, Salmon Arm, BC,

INST: 2nd Sat Mar (With 11 & 18)

SCRIBE E; REC Dale Townsend

51- 60th St. N.W., 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

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 March (with 8 & 35)

Scribe E REC 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: Eureka Masonic Hall, 20701 Fraser Highway Langley, BC

INST: 2nd Tue June

SCRIBE E: REC Neil Marsh,
#80-21138- 88th Ave., Langley, BC V1M 2G7
Phone: (604) 888-8932

CATHEDRAL CHAPTER NO 35

INST: Jun 21 1956 CONST: Sept, 1956
REG MTG: 4th Tue ex Jan, Jun, Jul, Aug & Dec.
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Masonic Hall, 136 Memorial Ave.,
Parksville, BC
INST: 3rd Sat. Mar.(with #8 & #33)
SCRIBE E: VEC Dieter Endruchat,
646 Ericson Road, Cambell River BC V9W 5N9
Phone: (250) 504-0578

FORT GEORGE CHAPTER NO 36

INST: CONST: Sept 20, 1957
REG MTG: 3rd Wed ex Jul, Aug, & Dec.
TIME: 8:00 PM
LOCATION: Freemason's Hall, 450 Vancouver. Prince George, BC
INST: 1st Wed Dec (With 43)
SCRIBE E: VEC. Richard Dawson,
5018 Leslie Road, Prince George, BC V2N 6J7
Phone: (250) 964-0102

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
REG MTG: 4th Wed. ex Jul Aug Dec.
TIME: 7:30 PM
Location: Masonic Hall, 1501 Dogwood St.,
Whitehorse, YT
SCRIBE E: REC 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.
1st. Tue Apr.(elections)

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Roberts Creek Masonic Hall,
13190 Roberts Creek Road 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.3 Road Richmond, BC

INST: 1st Sat Feb

SCRIBE E: REC. John Laing,
6129 Briarwood Crescent. 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 Jan, Feb, Mar, Jul, Aug, & Dec.

TIME: 8:00 PM

LOCATION: Masonic Hall, 901-103rd Ave, Dawson Creek, BC

INST: 3rd Tue Sept

SCRIBE E: REC Don Stirling, 10012 – 94th Ave.,
Fort St. John, BC V1J 5J6
Phone (250) 261-0608

CARIBOU CHAPTER NO 43

INST: May 23, 1975 CONST: Sept 4, 1976
REG MTG: 1st Tues. ex Jan, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sept, &.Dec.

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: Centre Lodge #113, 130 - A Oliver Street., Williams Lake, BC

INST 1st Tues. May

SCRIBE E: EC. Joseph Bare,
PO Box 4551 Quesnel, BC, V2J 3J8
Phone: (250) 992-7937

PACIFIC RIM CHAPTER NO 44

INST: May 3, 1990 CONST: Apr 11, 1992
REG MTG: 3rd Thur ex Jan, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sept & Dec

TIME: 7.30 PM

LOCATION: Masonic Hall, 6544 Throup Road,
Sooke, BC

INST: 3rd Thur Oct(even years) 3rd Tues (odd years) (with #26)
 SCRIBE E: REC John Paterson,
 29 Knollwood Road, Victoria BC V9B 1E4
 Phone: (250) -381-3236

APPEND. 4

ELECTED PPINCIPAL 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. MacKinnon	*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	A.Leslie Robinson
2006	A.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	Norman McEvoy

2010	Joel Chiri	Norman McEvoy	Antony Brown
2011	Norman McEvoy	Antony Brown	Kenneth Overy
2012	Antony Brown	Kenneth Overy	Jeremy Gomersall
2013	Kenneth Overy	Jeremy Gomersall	Antony D'Eramo
2014	Jeremy Gomersall	Antony D'Eramo	Godfrey Onyemaobi
2015	Antony D'Eramo	Godfrey Onyemaobi	Ronald Smith
2016	Godfrey Onyemaobi	Ronald Smith	Norman Bruce
2017	Ronald Smith	A.Leslie Robinson	Phillip Robinson
2018	A. Leslie Robinson	Phillip Robinson	John Merryweather Laing

2018 AGENDA

No. Order of Business

Friday, September 14, 2018

- 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 15, 2018

- 7) Grand Chapter Formal opening. **8:35 am**
- 8) Reception of Visitors & Regrets.
- 9) Change of signing Authority
- 10) Resolution of Loyalty to Queen
- 11) Minutes of Grand Convocation of **2017**
- 12) Grand Z address
- 13) Grand H report
- 14) Grand J report
- 15) Report of Grand Chaplain
- 16) Report of Merit Award Committee
- 17) Reception of Past Gr. First Principals
- 18) Reception of First Principals
- 19) Grand Treasurer's report
- 20) Grand Scribe Ezra report
- 21) Report of Committee on Finance (2017 Budget)
- 22) Report of Committee on Constitution & Jurisprudence
- 23) Forum for Candidates
- 24) Report of Regalia Committee
- 25) Report of Executive Committee
- 26) Report of the Grand Historian
- 27) Roll Call of Grand Representatives
- 28) Report of Credentials Committee
- 29) Report of Committee on RA Charitable Foundation
- 30) Report of Education and Advancement Committee
- 31) Presentation of Honorary Memberships

- 32) Election of Officers for 2018/19
- 33) Report of Bursary Committee
- 34) Report of Committee on Grand Z address
- 35) Report on Information and Technology Committee
- 36) Report of Royal Arch Masonic Home Society
- 37) Report of Keystone of Life Foundation
- 38) Report of Committee on Grand Superintendents
- 39) Report of Committee on Past Z's Award
- 40) New Business
- 41) Installation of Officers for 2018/19
- 42) Vote of Thanks to Host Chapter
- 43) Scribe E. Reads Committees for 2018/19
- 44) Location of Grand Chapter for 2019, 2020, 2021.
- 45) Closing of Grand Chapter
- 46) Report (Minutes) of Order of High Priest
- Append. 1) Living Past Grand First Principals
- Append. 2) Grand District Superintendents
- Append. 3) Constituent Chapters
- Append. 4) Elected Grand Chapter Principals since 1919