



**GRAND CHAPTER OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA AND YUKON**

**ADVANCE PROCEEDINGS for the
103rd Annual Grand Convocation**

At Saanichton, BC

September 18, 2021

MEC Phillip Robinson

Grand First Principal

2021 GRAND CHAPTER ADVANCE PROCEEDINGS

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ADDRESS OF THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL

Report of the Grand First Principal

M.E.C. Phillip Robinson 2020-2021

Companions, thank you for your attendance today, the past year has not been easy for any of us this pandemic has made it impossible to meet in person. We have now gone 19 months without a tiled meeting and we may have a few more to go, but don't lose heart we will get there eventually. In September we may see some light at the end of the tunnel.

As you can well imagine I have not made any official visits this year, which is very disappointing for me, I very much enjoyed all my visits prior to Covid, and I thank those Chapters who welcomed me into their meetings, I shall not forget your hospitality. I will enjoy the coming years' visits all the more because of the lost opportunity in 2020-21, I will try to reach every Chapter, and if you give some notice, I'll attend your special occasions also.

It was a sad occasion to see the wrap up of the Royal Arch Foundation during my term, but it afforded me the special privilege of presenting cheques to three deserving charities, the Royal Arch Masonic Homes Society; the Key Stone of Life Society; and the Prostrate Cancer Society; each cheque approximately \$ 22,000,00.

All grand Chapter officers, having served this jurisdiction well and faithfully will be entitled to the rank of their various office's, my thanks to each and everyone of you for your two years of service. My sincere thanks to all of you.

I looked at the statistics of our membership over the years, the growing years, and the shrinking years, while I do not want situation to occur again, I do note that in the years shortly after major conflicts our ranks have swelled, while after a long period of stability we have shrunk. Perhaps we can find what those men were seeking after the horrors of war and find a way to bring it in a time of peace.

It is usual, in the final paragraph, to thank all those who's advice; guidance; dedication; and support has allowed me to complete this term of office, the thought of missing a name frankly terrifies me, and there are many who's service to this Grand Chapter, and to me has kept the organization together and me, more or less, on the straight and narrow.

The chairs of our various committees, with particular note of the Constitution and Jurisprudence Committee. This committee has been kept quite busy during the year MEC., Pickell, who has served many years as its chair, and will retire from that office in September. Maybe I put to many questions to him, and wore him out, he will remain a member of the committee for now, and REC. Sawchuck will take the reins as Chair. I will also thank MEC. Pickell for his many years as a friend, and advisor, who has often guided, and counseled me through my masonic journey, and support when needed in my private life. I could not have survived without our Grand Scribe Ezra, both MEC. Overy, for his patience, guidance and support for the years from my election as Grand Principal Sojourner to September 2020, when he had to step down having completed his five years, and to take an ever more important role in Grand Lodge. He did not desert us though, he took on the role of Grand Scribe Nehemiah to assist REC Guichon stepping into his new job as GSE. REC Guichon also deserves mention one for taking on the duties and being a fast learner. VEC. Akehurst who stepped in as Grand Chaplain for the needed period.

Finally, I must make a note of sad remembrance of VEC. “Big D” Stangowitz, our Chaplain until his untimely death shortly after our Official visit to Whitehorse, it was a great trip. So, if you are in Squamish drop in to the “Chef Big D” restaurant, say hi to the family and enjoy a burger. MEC Robinson thank you for your service to this Grand Chapter, two terms as Grand Z, and by the time you escape the yoke, you chose, you will complete four terms as GIPZ. If I missed you off the “Thank you”, my sincere apologies.

Permanent rank will be conferred of those officers who have attended both annual convocations, and I will confirm them during the convocation. Again, to those companions who have served on our various committees I thank you for your dedication, all committees have an essential part in the running of Grand Chapter

Respectfully submitted
Phillip Robinson.

Report of the Grand Second Principal (Haggai)

2021

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

After the Grand 1st Principal asked me to fill in as the Grand 2nd Principal for the rest of the year I accepted.

It has been a quiet year due to Covid and no meeting have taken place. But zoom came along and we were able to meet as the executive and discuss what plans could we make or not make due to Covid . As the Grand 2nd principal I was in charge of running these meeting but it was decided to give the Grand 3rd Principal REC Jimmy Catala a chance to run the meetings.

He has done a great job and I want to thank him for that.

Looking forward to returning to chapter and renewing the friendship of the companions.

MEC David Grange

Acting Grand Second Principal.

REPORT OF THE GRAND THIRD PRINCIPAL (JOSHUA) – 2020/2021

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Grand Council, Grand Officers and Companions of our great Jurisdiction.

It has been my pleasure and honour to serve as your Grand 3rd Principal again this year with the restrictions imposed on us due to Covid-19. Even being unable to meet face to face, today's technology gave us the opportunity to see each other and communicate and keep in touch.

Over the past 12 months, I had the opportunity to virtually visit several Chapters within most of the District, as well as representing our Great Jurisdiction at the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan and to virtually accompanying our Grand First Principal at the Grand Chapter of Washington State.

Once again my biggest regret was not to have the opportunity to visit Chapters within our great Jurisdiction. I sincerely hope COVID-19 and any variants are behind us with some minor restrictions to keep us safe and healthy, so that visiting and Fellowship can resume.

During this year even with all restrictions imposed on us, I participated virtual monthly Grand Council meetings and monthly Grand District Superintendent's communications sessions.

A second year as your Grand Joshua gave me the opportunity to better learn the working of our Grand Chapter. I thank our Grand First Principal Companions who has provided us with wisdom and guidance during this pandemic, and look forward to serve you as your Grand 2nd Principal in the upcoming year.

Kindest regards and submitted for approval

REC Jimmy Catala,

Grand 3rd Principal

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

For the Year-ended 31st December 2020

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

Companions All:

I have presented a summary report of the finances for the year 2020 which has been reviewed by the finance committee. Received income for the year has been only \$83 off the budgeted estimate from 2 years ago which is remarkable, and shows the efforts the membership have put in on maintaining membership. Expenditure though have been \$2,762 lower than estimate, most of this is directly due to Covid-19 in that travel and grand communication expenses have been almost non-existent.

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

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020**

INCOME	ACTUAL 2,019	ACTUAL 2,020	PLAN 2,020	VARIANCE to Plan 2020
Capita Dues	21,219	21,492	21,574	-82
TOTAL INCOME	24,079	22,672	22,589	83
EXPENDITURE				
TOTAL EXPENSES	19,857	20,968	23,730	2,762
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	\$4,222	\$1,704	-\$1,141	\$2,845

Going on to the financial position , our net assets for Grand Chapter has increased from \$16,533 to \$18,237 an increase of \$1,704 due to, as explained above to the covid19 caused reduction in expenses.

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

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

As at December 31 2020

	<u>2,019</u>	<u>2,020</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
<u>CURRENT</u>		
Bank Account - Chequing	4,312	6,713
Inventories (note 1)	2,370	2,074
Prepaid Expenses	1,600	1,200
Due from Royal Arch Masonic Society	8,250	8,250
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	16,533	18,237
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>16,533</u>	<u>18,237</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
<u>CURRENT</u>		
Convocation Loan Acct	907	907
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	907	907
<u>CAPITAL & EQUITY</u>		
Prior years Surplus	12,748	15,626
Current years Surplus/(Loss)	1,722	1,704
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	15,626	17,330
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>16,533</u>	<u>18,237</u>

So far in 2021 we have received most of the per capita with a total deposit in 2021 so far of \$17,090 and expenses of \$6,143.86. With a current bank balance of \$17,719.37 and no travel in 2021 despite the significant drop in per capita we are currently experiencing a profit of \$11,006.14 as of June 30. By the end of 2021 the remainder of the year's expenses will result in about \$8,271 profit for the year, instead of the slight loss of \$1,685 as previously budgeted.

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

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

As at June 30 2021

	<u>2,020</u>	<u>2021 June 30</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
<u>CURRENT</u>		
Bank Account - Chequing	6,696	17,719
Inventories (note 1)	2,074	2,074
Prepaid Expenses	1,200	1,200
Due from Royal Arch Masonic Society	8,250	8,250
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	18,220	29,243
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>18,220</u>	<u>29,243</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
<u>CURRENT</u>		
Convocation Loan Acct	907	907
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	907	907
<u>CAPITAL & EQUITY</u>		
Prior years Surplus	15,626	17,313
Current years Surplus/(Loss)	1,688	11,023
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	17,313	28,336
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>18,220</u>	<u>29,243</u>

Looking to the future two budgets for the years 2022 and 2023, we anticipate some drop in membership. However we have also reduced expenses to match. Currently we are anticipating a slight profit of \$1,605 for 2022 and \$605 for 2023. As a result we are not anticipating any change to the \$25 per capita for next year, nor looking forward to 2023 unless things change.

Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon												
Statement of Expenses - BUDGET												
January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 and Budget 2021-2023												
EXPENSES	Bud	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	duplicate	due spring 20	Estimate	due spring 21	Actual	due spring 22
	2018	2018	2018	2019	2019	2020	Budget	approve sept 20	2021	approve sept 21	2021	approve sept 22
							2020	Budget		Budget	2021	Budget
Bank Charges	-	25	47	25	-	25	25	25	4	10	-	10
Grand "Z" Travel B.C.	4,800	4,800	3,200	4,800	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Travel Yukon	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	-	700	-	700
Allowance	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	8,400	-	8,400
Grand Treas. Allowance	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	-	500
Travel	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	-	250	-	250
Rent incl Security	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	-	-	-	-
District 10 Travel	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	-	600	-	600
Regalia purchases/repairs	1,656	250	250	250	95	250	250	250	100	250	-	250
Postage	178	500	149	500	45	500	500	500	100	200	-	200
Telephone/IT & Internet	840	1,125	840	1,125	768	1,125	1,125	1,125	1,125	1,000	-	1,000
Stationary and Computer Supplies	341	500	235	500	887	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
Website Maintenance					1,250	600	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,000	-	1,000
Miscellaneous	417	300	56	300	-	300	300	300	300	150	-	150
Regalia Cases		180	180	180	180	180	180	180	-	180	-	180
Grand Z./Reciprocal Jurisdiction		700	700	700	700	700	700	500	-	500	-	500
Operating Expenses	22011.49	23,480	19,858	23,480	20,688	23,730	23,030	23,030	12,729	19,740	-	19,740
Grand Chapter Expenses	30,850.06	31,480.00	19,858	23,480	20,688	23,730	23,030	23,030	12,729	19,740	-	19,740
TOTAL INCOME	34,506	31,815	21,642	22,589	22,672	22,589	21,345	21,345	21,345	21,345	-	20,345
per capita fees							25	25	25	25		25
per capita ave members	#####		922.00		880.00		800.00	840.00	800	800		760
per capita revenue							20000	21000	20000	20000		19000
Expenses as above							23030	12,729	19740	19740		19740
Profit/(loss) for the year							-1,685	8,271	1,605	1,605		605

For the Royal Arch Masonic Society of BC & Yukon

For the Companions present, the society is to maintain the Grand Chapter and Bursary Investments for the benefit of the recipients of the profits, that being our charities, and not the Grand Chapter operational budget.

I have presented a summary report of the finances for the year 2020 which has been reviewed by the finance committee. Received income for the year has been consistent with other years only \$478 off the budgeted estimate. Income is mostly long term dividends and fixed income which do not vary much. Expenditures include our annual charitable donations, any special projects and any capital losses. Interesting in 2020 we have had a book loss of \$2,295 from the General Fund, yet a capital profit of \$9,851 from the Bursary fund. The General Fund was more invested into Oil based securities and the Bursary Fund more into Technology. The variability is why we budget a \$1,000 each year for each fund for a potential loss.

**ROYAL ARCH MASONIC SOCIETY OF BC & YUKON
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENTS**

For the Year Ended December 31 2020

	<u>2,019</u>	<u>2,020</u>
Income		
<i>Bursary Fund</i>		
Investment Interest	5,635	6,797
Total	<u>5,635</u>	<u>6,797</u>
<i>General Fund</i>		
Investment	10,843	10,526
Total	<u>10,843</u>	<u>10,526</u>
Income for year	16,680	17,324
Expenses		
<i>Bursary Fund</i>		
Investment Loss(Profit)	-2,177	-9,851
Total	<u>-2,177</u>	<u>-9,851</u>
<i>General Fund</i>		
Investment Loss(Profit)	-12,046	2,295
Total	<u>-12,046</u>	<u>2,295</u>
<i>Other</i>		
Total	<u>9,468</u>	<u>8,382</u>
Expenses for the Year	-4,755	826
Profit for the year	21,435	16,497

**ROYAL ARCH MASONIC SOCIETY OF BC & YUKON
STATEMENT of FINANCIAL POSITION**

AS AT December 31, 2020

	<u>2,019</u>	<u>2,020</u>
ASSETS:		
<i>Current</i>		
Bank Account Coast Capital	7,029	16,186
Bank Account -Shares	5	5
Investment - Cash Bursary	1,914	3,268
Investment - Cash Main	3,221	5,271
	<u>12,168</u>	<u>24,729</u>
<i>Investments - At Cost</i>		
Odlum Brown - Holdings at Cost -Bursary Note 1	173,327	188,596
Odlum Brown - Holdings at Cost - General Note 2	274,526	270,694
	<u>447,853</u>	<u>459,290</u>
	<u>460,021</u>	<u>484,019</u>
LIABILITIES:		
<i>Current</i>		
Due to General Account - Regalia Replacement Fund	15,750	15,750
Due to General Account - Donation	-7,500	7,500
<i>Equity</i>		
Bursary Fund	167,429	167,429
General Fund	262,908	262,908
RAMS profit	21,435	30,432
	<u>451,771</u>	<u>460,769</u>
	<u>460,021</u>	<u>484,019</u>

Budget for the rest of 2021 should be unchanged as we should have enough income to pay for the \$7,500 donations and have enough to handle a moderate correction. As of June 30,2021, in addition to the

donations we are positive for \$1,471.13.

**ROYAL ARCH MASONIC SOCIETY OF BC & YUKON
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENTS**

	<u>year ending 2020</u>	<u>half year ending 2021 june 30</u>
<i>Income</i>		
<i>Bursary Fund</i>		
Investment Interest	6,797	5,275
Total	<u>6,797</u>	<u>5,275</u>
<i>General Fund</i>		
Investment	10,526	4,497
Total	<u>10,526</u>	<u>4,497</u>
<i>Coast Capital</i>		
Total	0	0
Income for year	17,324	9,772
<i>Expenses</i>		
<i>Bursary Fund</i>		
Investment Loss(Profit)	-9,851	911
Total	<u>-9,851</u>	<u>911</u>
<i>General Fund</i>		
Investment Loss(Profit)	2,295	-110
Total	<u>2,295</u>	<u>-110</u>
<i>Other</i>		
Total	<u>8,382</u>	<u>7,500</u>
Expenses for the Year	826	8,301
Profit for the year	16,497	1,471

Report of Grand Scribe Ezra

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

As you all know I took over the position of Grand Scribe Ezra, last September from MEC Ken Overy. To understate the situation this has been an extremely unusual year.

I cannot express enough thanks to MEC Overy for his unfailing assistance in “breaking in” the new Grand Scribe Ezra. The variety of tasks that need attending to are non-ending. And I wish to express my appreciation for all the patience that everyone in the Jurisdiction has shown.

Grand Chapter Website – www.grandchapter.ca

Since I began my tenure, our first major task was to build and implement our new Grand Chapter website. Our webmaster, Companion Steven Noble and MEC Ron Smith have shown exemplary talent in the design, building, implementation, and continued maintenance of the site. The whole idea is to have this site the “go to” site for information in the Grand Jurisdiction. To keep the site “fresh” is the goal, and any input that the Chapters have for their activities, zoom meetings, and information of interest, we welcome to put on the site. To that end, all you have to do is send the information to the Grand Scribe’s office and request it be posted. We have a calendar on the site, for which purpose is to be able to have each Chapter put its meeting nights and activities that they have. All requests for updates to the website are to be done through the Grand Scribe’s office, for control purposes.

To access the website you need to register, if you haven’t already done so, by contacting the webmaster at: webmaster@grandchapter.ca, ask for the registration form and it will be emailed to you. You also can email: grandscribee@grandchapter.ca and I will respond as well. There is a “member login” tab for you to log on.

Once logged on, you have access to the members section which has a number of subjects relevant to the Companions of the Jurisdiction.

Grand Chapter Administration

We are now moving our records to the “cloud”. We have subscribed to “Microsoft 365”, and by doing that we are storing our Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook records on the cloud. This is to accomplish several things. We now have automatic backup of all our data, secured by Microsoft. We are in the process of converting older paper records to electronic data for storage. This ensures the long – term access to the data and reduces the physical storage of historical documents. Above all, hacking, virus management and unauthorized access to our data is managed by Microsoft. Again I need to thank MEC Overy for his time and work for scanning the older paper documents and uploading them into the cloud.

Annual Reports

I want to thank all the Scribes for getting the annual reports from the Chapters to me and I want to thank them for supplying membership rosters also. MEC Overy did a significant amount of work in bringing our Grand Chapter main Membership Roster up to date. To maintain this Roster and to keep it current, it is imperative that the Chapters supply the Grand Scribe with a current Roster annually. We cross reference this each year to assist enquiries of our Companions.

So please Chapter Scribes, a reminder, when your Grand Scribe contacts you regarding your annual reports and to acquire a Chapter Roster, it is not to make work, but to assist in the proper administration of the Chapters and Grand Chapter. The downside of not filing the annual reports, is that your Chapter loses its voting privileges at Grand Convocation among other things.

Monthly Meetings

At this time your Grand Chapter Officers and Grand Superintendents are meeting on a monthly basis via Zoom.

They are working hard to continue to manage your Grand Chapter, and the jurisdiction.

In summary, I wish to thank the Scribes and Superintendents for their assistance, it has been an unusual year, and in some cases very trying. For the Jurisdiction in general, thank you for your patience in breaking me in.

Membership Statistics

You will note that for 2020, our membership has declined from 887 members to 818, a decline of 7.8 %, a significant portion representing suspensions and demits. A thought that each chapter could possibly consider is that once we are able to meet again, perhaps those Brethren could be approached to see if they could or would re-consider their decisions. These has been very tough times and perhaps contact with these individuals would be considered.

Sincerely and Fraternaly

REC Peter Guichon

Grand Scribe Ezra

Year End Membership Statistics
2020

Chapter	No.	20-Jan	Exhalt	Rest.	Affil.	Died	Susp	Demit	Expul	Care Home	20-Dec	Surplus/ (Loss)	Membership List
Columbia	1	67				1	8	3			55	(854.06)	55
Rossland	4	18			1	1		5			13	(623.33)	13
R. Mount	7	24				1					23	(306.83)	23
Keystone	8	22	1					4			19	74.00	19
N. Island	10	68				2		5		1	61	-	61
Kaien	13	18						1		2	17	2,922.62	
N.V.K.S.	16	41						1			40	(1,390.20)	40
Kelowna	17	30				1	1	2			26	(414.00)	26
Kamloops	18	27						1			26	(1,033.82)	26
Chilliwack	19	24		1		1			1		23	349.59	23
Penticton	22	22				1				1	21	1,788.26	19
Composite	24	24		1	1	2		1		4	23	(1,774.60)	30
Tzouhalem	26	29				1	1			4	27	(865.24)	27
Granite	29	16		1	1			2			16	680.00	16
Joppa	31	78			2	1	2			1	77	-	74
Majuba	33	24						3		1	21	694.01	21
Semiahmoo	34	50	3		1	1	5	2			46	(326.79)	46
Cathedral	35	20		1				2		2	19	765.00	19
Ft. George	36	60					11	1		3	48	(132.03)	44
Kalum	37	30				1					29	(339.00)	29
Yukon	38	21						1			20	8.00	20
Georgian	39	21									21	1,205.36	21
S. Fraser	40	43				2	1	1		1	39	-	40
D/ Creel	41	45					1	1			43	630.00	43
Caribou	43	30									30	140.00	30
Pac Rim	44	35								1	35	(98.84)	35
Total - 2020	2020	887	4	4	6	16	30	36	1	21	818		
Total - 2019	2019	939	32	6	11	38	24	39	0	28	887		800

Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon

Report of the Finance Committee

For the year 2020

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Companions:

Your Finance Committee has met during the past year and discussed the past, current and immediate future for the finances of the Grand Chapter.

The finances of your Grand Chapter are fundamentally sound. Our Grand Treasurer will provide the relevant details in his report.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the Grand Treasurer for implementing a new, cloud-based, accounting system.

As the report from our Grand Treasurer will show, we ended up with a surplus for the second year in a row for 2020 and are anticipating an even larger surplus for 2021. This surplus should carry the Grand Chapter into 2023.

Your Committee recommends that the per capita fee remain at \$25 for the 2022 fiscal year.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted:

EC Scott Wisdahl
Chairman

CONSTITUTION AND JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

Report of the Constitution and Jurisprudence Committee 2021

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

The Committee is pleased to report that they had only a few minor requests for assistance. These were resolved with satisfaction to those concerned.

There are eight Notices of Motion to be considered at this Grand Chapter. Of this number four are held over from 2020 due to the Grand Chapter being cancelled that year and the remaining four are for this current year.

Notice of Motion No. 1 has been withdrawn. The remainder of the resolutions are acceptable as to form and not objectionable as to their conflicting with Masonic custom and usage. The Committee offers no view as to the wisdom of the policies they advocate.

The Committee also made several editorial corrections to the Constitution pursuant to Section 26.3.1.3. These did not change the intent or the effect of the Sections addressed.

Fraternally submitted,
REC Greg Sawchuk,
REC Leonard Timmins,
MEC Leonard G. Pickell, Chair

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR RESOLUTIONS TO GRAND CHAPTER
CONSTITUTION FOR 2021**

1.

For Grand Convocation 2020 Notice to amend 26.2.1

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

26.2.1 - Before closing the annual convocation, the Grand First Principal announces the names of the members of Standing and Special Committees of Grand Chapter. These appointments take effect immediately. Each committee usually has three members or more, to whom are referred matters related to that committee. Four Committees consist of but one Companion each. These are the committees on Regalia and Printing and the appointees to the boards of the Keystone of Life Foundation and the Royal Arch Masonic Homes Society.

1. Exact wording and punctuation of the proposed New Section:

26.2.1 -Before closing the annual convocation, the Grand First Principal announces the names of the members of Standing and Special Committees of Grand Chapter. These appointments take effect immediately. Each committee usually has three members or more, to whom are referred matters related to that committee. Five Committees consist of but one Companion each. These are the committees on Regalia, Information Technology and Fund Raising and the appointees to the boards of the Keystone of Life Foundation and the Royal Arch Masonic Homes Society and the Royal Arch Charitable Foundation.

1. Reason for Change: Housekeeping. This change will bring the wording into conformity with the titles of the Committees in 26.1.

Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted: None

Notice of Motion:

(a) I will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.

(b) Rank & Name: R.E.C. John M. Laing

(c) Chapter: Joppa No.31 &/or Simon Fraser No.40

(d) Signature: Date: 2020 Month: Jan. Day:16

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

2.

**For Grand Convocation 2020 – Notice to amend 20.2.3 –
Reappointment (of Committee Member)**

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

26.2.3 Reappointment - A member of a standing committee may be reappointed, but no one serves more than five consecutive years on one committee.

1. Exact wording and punctuation of the proposed New Section:

26.2.3 Reappointment - A member of a standing committee may be reappointed, apart from the Bursary Fund Trustees (see 26.2.2). A member of a Committee cannot serve for more than 5 consecutive years as Chairman.

1. Reason for Change: We have companions on Committees who are dedicated and knowledgeable in the field of the Committees on which they serve. Further, it is proving more difficult to find Companions able, willing and competent to fill these important Committee positions.

1. Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted: None

Notice of Motion:

(a) I will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.

(b) Rank & Name: R.E.C. John M. Laing

(c) Chapter: Joppa No.31 &/or Simon Fraser No.40

(d) Signature: Date: 2020 Month: Jan. Day:16

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

3.

**For Grand Convocation 2020 – Notice to amend 26.4 –
Limit (of Committee Member)**

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

26.4 Limit - A member of Grand Chapter serves on no more than one Standing Committees, except where required by this constitution. A Director appointed by the Grand First Principal to the Board of Directors of a charity may also hold a committee appointment.

1. Exact wording and punctuation of the proposed New Section:

26.4 Limit - A member of Grand Chapter may serve on more than one Standing Committee. A Director appointed by the Grand First Principal to the Board of Directors of a charity may also hold a committee appointment.

1. Reason for Change: We have some on Committees who are dedicated and specialists in the fields of the Committees on which they serve. There is no such restriction imposed by the Grand Lodge of B.C. & Yukon. It is proving more difficult to find Companions able and willing and competent to fill these important Committee positions.

1. Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted: None unless the previous two resolutions are not adopted.

Notice of Motion:

(a) I will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.

(b) Rank & Name: R.E.C. John M. Laing

(c) Chapter: Joppa No.31 &/or Simon Fraser No.40

(d) Signature: Date: 2020 Month: Jan. Day:16

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

4.

For Grand Convocation 2020

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

20.20 - Grand Chaplain - The Grand Chaplain attends convocations of Grand Chapter and offers up prayer suitable to the occasion. When called upon he addresses any religious service attended by Grand Chapter. He chairs the standing committee on Benevolence.

1. Exact wording and punctuation of the proposed New Section:

20.20 - Grand Chaplain - The Grand Chaplain attends convocations of Grand Chapter and offers up prayer suitable to the occasion. When called upon he addresses any religious service attended by Grand Chapter.

1. Reason for Change: Housekeeping. There has not been standing committee on Benevolence since the reorganization of 26.1 in 2012.

1. Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted: None Notice of Motion:

(a) I will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.

(b) Rank & Name: R.E.C. John M. Laing

(c) Chapter: Joppa No.31 &/or Simon Fraser No.40

(d) Signature: Date: 2019 Month: Dec. Day:13

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

Under General Housekeeping (Ref.26.3.1.3)

Section: 26.3.3 Executive

The references to Senior and Junior Sojourners will be removed.

This should have been done in 2014 when the Sr. and Jr. Sojourners were changed from elected to appointed officers.

NOTE – ABOVE 4 NOTICES OF MOTION WERE BROUGHT FORWARD FROM 2020

THE FOLLOWING NOTICES OF MOTION ARE PROPOSED FOR 2021

5.

For Grand Convocation 2021 Notice to amend 26.2.1

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

26.2.1 – Named at Annual Convocation

Before closing the annual convocation, the Grand First Principal announces the names of the members of Standing and Special Committees of Grand Chapter. These appointments take effect immediately. Each committee usually has three members or more, to whom are referred matters related to that committee. Four Committees consist of but one Companion each. These are the committees on Regalia and Printing and the appointees to the boards of the Keystone of Life Foundation and the Royal Arch Masonic Homes Society.

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

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3. Reason for Change.

The printing committee is not a standing committee, it has been replaced in Section 26.1.6 with the Information Technology and Fund Raising committee.

4. Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted.

Any other as may be determined in Section 26.3.1.3.

Notice of Motion:

(a) I, Peter Guichon, will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.

(b) Rank: REC Name: Peter Guichon

(c) Chapter: Semiahmoo Number: 34

(d) Signature: "Peter G.A. Guichon"; Date: 2020, January 2nd

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

6.

For Grand Convocation 2021 Notice to amend 27.

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

27 BURSARY FUNDS

27.1 Capital Fund

The Capital Fund is intended to operate in perpetuity, and is augmented by reinvestment of at least twenty percent (20%) of the interest earned on investments and also by donations specifically directed to the Capital Fund. Each year a portion of the interest earned in that year may be transferred to the Annual Fund but the amount to be transferred may not exceed eighty percent (80%).

27.2 Annual Fund

The Annual Fund is intended to be disbursed each year on bursaries, and is augmented by interest income from the Capital Fund and by donations. After the appropriate awards have been made any remainder may, at the discretion of the Trustees, be invested or carried over to the next year.

27.3 Funds Separate

The Bursary Funds are kept separate from other funds of Grand Chapter.

27.4 Custody of Funds

The bursary funds are in the custody of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Scribe Ezra.

27.5 Investment

The portion of these funds available for investment is invested by them in securities authorized by the Trustee Act. No investment is made in mortgages or real estate.

27.6 Bursary Awards

The Bursary Fund Trustees administer the awards of bursaries according to their duties as defined in this Constitution.

27.6.1 Awards

The Annual Fund is used to assist needful qualified students whose father or grandfather is, or at the time of his death was, a Royal Arch Companion in a Chapter in this Jurisdiction.

27.6.2 Tenure

Bursaries are generally tenable at a recognized Canadian University, the B.C. Institute of Technology, a regional or community college in British Columbia, any other B.C. technical school or school of nursing.

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

27 INVESTMENT FUNDS

27.1 All funds of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon which are intended for financial investment are to be immediately transferred to the Royal Arch Masonic Society of British Columbia and Yukon for management.

3. Reason for Change.

In September 24, 2018, the Royal Arch Masonic Society of British Columbia and Yukon was incorporated to manage the Bursary and General funds held by Grand Chapter.

4. Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted.

Any other as may be determined in Section 26.3.1.3.

Notice of Motion:

(a) I, Peter Guichon, will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.

(b) Rank: REC Name: Peter Guichon

(c) Chapter: Semiahmoo Number: 34

(d) Signature: "Peter G.A. Guichon" Date: 2021, January 17th

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

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7.

For Grand Convocation 2021 Notice to amend 38.6 and 38.7

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

38.6 Power to Discipline Members

A Chapter has the power, by a two-thirds vote, to discipline its own members, and Royal Arch Masons residing in its jurisdiction, and members of Lodges of Mark Master Masons or Most Excellent Masters held within the body of the Chapter as well as Mark Master Masons or Most Excellent Masters residing in its jurisdiction. Discipline consists of and is restricted to reprimand, suspension, or recommendation for expulsion.

38.6.1 Suspension Or Expulsion

When any Grand Lodge of Freemasons or one of its Lodges suspends or expels a brother who is a Royal Arch Mason in this jurisdiction, that action also suspends or expels him from his Royal Arch privileges while the Craft discipline continues in force. The Chapter of which the suspended or expelled brother is a member, forthwith records his suspension from membership in the Chapter and notifies the Grand Scribe Ezra.

38.6.2 Companion May Appeal

A companion may appeal his discipline, but not that of another companion, to Grand Chapter. Upon receiving notice of appeal, the Scribe Ezra transmits to the Grand Scribe Ezra a true copy of proceedings in connection with the discipline.

38.7 Proceedings on Expulsion

38.7.1 Chapter

When a Chapter recommends to Grand Chapter that a member be expelled, the recommendation together with a true copy of the proceedings thereof are forwarded by the Scribe Ezra to the Grand Scribe Ezra by recorded delivery within twenty days after the recommendation is made.

38.7.2 Grand Scribe Ezra

The Grand Scribe Ezra forthwith hands the copy to the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Petitions and Grievance.

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

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38.6.2 Companion May Appeal

A companion may appeal his discipline, but not that of another companion, to Grand Chapter. Upon receiving notice of appeal, the Scribe Ezra transmits to the Grand Scribe Ezra a true copy of proceedings in connection with the discipline.

38.6.3 Ad Hoc Petitions and Grievance Committee

The Grand Scribe Ezra will forthwith notify the Grand First Principal of the recommendation under section 38.6.1, or notice of Appeal under section 38.6.2, and the Grand First Principal shall immediately appoint an Ad Hoc Petitions and Grievance Committee in accordance with the

requirements of section 26.9. The Committee shall consist of three well qualified Companions with one named as Chairman. The Committee will be empowered to seek such advice from qualified professionals as required.

38.7 Suspension Or Expulsion by any Grand Lodge of Freemasons

When any Grand Lodge of Freemasons or one of its Lodges suspends or expels a brother who is a Royal Arch Mason in this jurisdiction, that action also suspends or expels him from his Royal Arch privileges while the Craft discipline continues in force. The Chapter of which the suspended or expelled brother is a member, forthwith records his suspension from membership in the Chapter and notifies the Grand Scribe Ezra.

3. Reason for Change.

There is no standing Committee on Petitions and Grievance.

4. Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted.

Any other as may be determined in Section 26.3.1.3.

Notice of Motion:

(a) I, Peter Guichon, will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.

(b) Rank: REC Peter Guichon

(c) Chapter: Semiahmoo Chapter Number 34

(d) Signature: "Peter G.A. Guichon" Date: 2021, January 26

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

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8.

For Grand Convocation 2021 Notice to amend 15.1

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

15.1 Past First Principals

Only Past First Principals, who are members of this Grand Chapter, hold Grand Offices. However, any member of a Chapter may fill the office of Grand Director of Music, Grand Chaplain or Grand Tyler. For the position of Grand First Principal, he must have served as a Grand Principal Sojourner and as a Grand Principal. (Rev. 2019)

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

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Only Past First Principals, who are members of this Grand Chapter, hold Grand Offices. However, any member of a Chapter may fill the office of Grand Director of Music, Grand Chaplain or Grand Tyler. For the position of Grand First Principal, he must have served in two of the following offices, Grand Principal Sojourner, Grand Third Principal or Grand Second Principal.

3. Reason for Change.

To ensure that in the event of a Principal Officer either dying, resigning or leaving the jurisdiction the Grand Line can be maintained.

4. Other Sections impacted if proposal adopted.

Any other as may be determined in Section 26.3.1.3

Notice of Motion:

(a) I, A. Les Robinson, will move or cause to be moved the above amendment.

(b) Rank: MEC Les Robinson

(c) Chapter: Keystone Number: 8

(d) Signature: "A. L. Robinson"; Date: 2021 Month February 20.

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

The C&J Committee has made technical amendments to the Constitution that do not change the intent of the Constitution but are housekeeping changes as per Section 26.3.1.3.

GRAND CHAPTER REPORT ON THE RAMHS ROYAL ARCH MASONIC HOME SOCIETY REPORT 2021

Companions,

As the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Royal Arch Masonic Home Society I thank the membership and the various donors that have assisted with the positive outcomes on several projects since I last reported in September 2019.

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.

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

The Home is considered by many to be the flagship among all the care homes in BC and those who have never visited the Home are welcome to take advantage of a tour of the Home and see for yourself how your money is being put to excellent use.

Where to start 2020 Covid-19 hit hard, we had a complete changes to our routine ie. No Visitors Home in complete lockdown. It meant no board meetings money being spent on PPE's Residents in lock down mode, meals in rooms with disposable cutlery.

In September each Director received a laptop to enable meetings to be held, continued by Zoom until present day August 2021.

On a more constructive mode a New Rooftop A|C Unit was installed in the Spring, little or no construction is done or will be done until we get a clearance.

Two AGM's were held via ZOOM that was a task in its self.

The last 6 Weeks have been keeping residents comfortable, cooling stations, Ice lollipops etc anything to keep them cool.

This report the first since 2019 is a little more optimistic as we go forward, every precaution is being enforced 2020 and 2021 has been an ordeal but we can see the end in sight.

At his point I must thank the staff for their commitment to the home, they have proved that courage and perseverance will win the day. What a great bunch.

Respectfully submitted by R.E.C. George Heggie,
Secretary RAMHS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND “Z’s” REPORT

NIL REPORT SUBMITTED

GRAND HISTORIAN'S REPORT

To the Companions of Grand Chapter,

To say Royal Arch Masonry in our Grand Jurisdiction has gone through a unique year is an understatement. There has never been a time where our Chapters have gone more than a full year without meeting, where a Grand Convocation has been cancelled, and where our fraternity has been hit with a destructive sneak attack by an anti-Mason.

Coronavirus

Chapters in the jurisdiction ceased convocations in March 2020 due to the potentially deadly COVID-19 virus. Health authorities in the province banned large indoor gatherings due to a possible spread. Our Grand Convocation last September was cancelled and Grand Chapter officers remained in their posts for another year.

The Spring Board meeting of April 3, 2021 was, of necessity, conducted on-line for the first time with about 55 Royal Arch Masons present. This would appear to be an ideal way to get participation from around the province with members not having to worry about expensive travel and hotel arrangements for what amounts to a 90-minute information session.

Some Chapters have been holding sessions on Zoom or other meeting apps. Your Grand Historian is pleased to have been asked to speak to Joppa, Simon Fraser and Composite Chapters, and assisted Dawson Creek with some research. Composite unexpectedly sent a gift in gratitude. Regularly-scheduled Zoom meetings are an excellent way for members to be together and for those living some distance from their Chapter to "attend." During a pandemic, we should be strengthening the bonds of fraternal union as much as we can, not untying them because of any discomfort with technology.

Arson Attack

North Vancouver-King Solomon No. 16 lost its home when the North Vancouver Masonic Hall on Lonsdale Avenue was burned to the ground on March 30, 2021 in a series of arsons that also caused major, but not irreparable, damage to the Lynn Valley Masonic Hall, and minor damage to the Park Lodge Hall. The records, regalia and paraphernalia at Lonsdale are all gone.

It was the Chapter's home when it began in 1913. A replacement building may not be ready for two years. Nevertheless, the Chapter plans to carry on in a temporary home.

As a side note, Composite No. 24 had decided before this to meet in New Westminster and removed its effects from Park Hall before the fire.

Consolidation

The intent of the law is sometimes more important than the letter of the law. With that in mind, a progressive and necessary decision was made to allow Rossland No. 4 of Castlegar and Rocky Mountain No. 7 of Invermere to vote on consolidation on-line, being unable by a provincial health edict to meet in person. Rossland's vote was on January 7th; Rocky Mountain's on February 13th.

The new Chapter will be Rocky Mountain No. 4, and meet in Invermere.

Both these Chapters pre-date our Grand Chapter and had different original homes. Rossland met, you won't be shocked to learn, in Rossland. It was instituted on Nov. 26, 1898 with 12 members and a charter was issued as No. 122 under the Grand Chapter of Canada the following January. The first Z. was Horace

James Raymer, police constable, originally from Prince Rupert No. 52 in Winnipeg.

Rocky Mountain was instituted in Fort Steele on October 9, 1900 with ten members and constituted as No. 125 on May 14, 1901. The Rev. C.A. Proconier was elected as the first Z. but moved to the Revelstoke area weeks before the institution. Ex. Comp. James Ferguson Armstrong, gold commissioner, took his place. Both had been members of Kootenay No. 120 in Kaslo.

Historical Profile: Chilliwack No. 19

This chapter is 100 years old this year and seems to have been organised very quickly. Its start was tracked in the pages of the *Chilliwack Progress*, viz:

March 24, 1921: "A meeting of Royal Arch Masons will be held in the Masonic hall, Chilliwack, on Friday, April 1st, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of organizing a Chapter and meeting the Grand Superintendent. Petition can be signed at Parker's clothing store."

April 14, 1921: "The first step toward the formation of Royal Arch Masons was taken on Thursday last. Another meeting will be held this, Thursday, evening to complete the organization."

June 16, 1921: "The institution of Chilliwack Chapter, Royal Arch Mason [sic], has been arranged for Saturday evening, June 18th, when a number of visiting Masons are expected from the coast."

The Grand Chapter *Proceedings* for 1921 state that the institution was delayed because of the illness of the incoming First Principal. R. Ex. Comp. John G. Gamon, Past Superintendent, went with 25 Comps. of Westminster No. 6 to take the chair for the institution and installation. There were 23 founders. Here are some notes about the first officers:

LOUIS AMES LaPIERRE, Z., was originally from Brant Chapter No. 115, Paris, Ont., where he was First Principal in 1911, then Scribe E. the following year. He was W.M. of St. John's No. 82, Paris, in 1914. He was born in Paris on Dec. 27, 1876. He found work as a broker, then in World War One he went overseas with 7th Regt. Canadian Mounted Rifles. In France, he was transferred to the 4th Regt. and rose to rank of Captain. He came to Chilliwack in 1919 as field supervisor for the Soldier Settlement Board and was transferred to Vancouver in 1928. He was Past President of the Chilliwack Board of Trade, a member of the local bowling club and a charter member of Chilliwack and Haney Royal Canadian Legions. R. Ex. Comp. LaPierre was a founder of Mt. Zion No. 120 in 1929. He was Grand Master of the Veil in 1924, Superintendent in 1925 and the first Z. of Mission Chapter No. 28 in 1930. He died at home in Vancouver on Oct. 9, 1937. Mt. Zion conducted his funeral.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER ROSE, H., was born in Lowell, Mass., August 5, 1857. As a young man, helped his father in the blacksmith business in Durham Co., Ont. He became a vet and practised in Ontario before coming to BC in 1880. In Chilliwack, he owned a drygoods store starting about 1893 and retired in 1918. He was a founder of the Chilliwack Board of Trade. He was W.M. of Ionic No. 19 in 1900. His installation Festive Board began with oyster soup and included a Toast to the Press. He was Scribe E. after serving as the second Z. and died Nov. 3, 1940 in Chilliwack. His home, built in 1891, survived the 1894 flood and was moved to Nowell St., where it sits today.

PERCY HAMILTON WILSON, J. served as an alderman on the municipal council from 1901-09 (excepting 1905) and was reeve from 1910-12. He was made a J.P. in 1913. Ex. Comp. Wilson was born in Liverpool, Oct. 9, 1875, came to Chilliwack at age 14 and worked on a farm; he was a founder of the Fruit and Produce Exchange of B.C. in 1907. Ex. Comp. Wilson was involved with the area's telephone business for 33 years, and was Secretary-Manager of the Chilliwack Telephone Co. from 1920 to his retirement in 1939. He was president of the Rotary Club in 1937-38. He joined Ionic No. 19 in 1899, was W.M. in 1904 and 1918 and made an honorary member in 1949. He came to Chilliwack Chapter from

Westminster No. 6. He died in Chilliwack on Nov. 21, 1952.

CHARLES BERKELEY REEVES, Treasurer, was on city council for 14 years starting in 1908 and had been an alderman on the municipal council from 1900-01 and 1904-06. He was born in St. Williams, Ontario on Feb. 8, 1859. He visited Chilliwack (Reeves Road is named for his father) in 1877-78, but didn't move to the town until 1891. Upon his arrival, he co-founded the *Progress* newspaper then opened a hardware store, retiring in 1918. He belonged to the Sons of England, was involved with the Chilliwack Agricultural Society (he raised apples), the local Conservative Party and a founder of the Chilliwack Gun Club. In the craft, he was a founding member of Ionic No. 19 from Walsingham No. 175 in Port Rowan, Ont., and was the Lodge's second W.M. in 1895 (his J.W. was his father-in-law and future MLA and MP Samuel A. Cawley). He was a Grand Steward in 1897-98 and a Shriner by 1915. He died in Chilliwack on June 21, 1941. Berekley Avenue is named for him and his stately home built in the 1890s, at 9915 Young Road, still stands.

CHARLES PARKER, Scribe E., spent time on municipal council in the 1930s and the Chilliwack School Board in the '30s and early '40s. He was born in Liskeard, Cornwall, England on Jan. 13, 1880 and came to Chilliwack from England in 1903. He opened a bake shop and ice cream parlour, then went the men's clothing business in 1907. He also raised Wyandottes for show. He and his brother had joint weddings in 1906 at their uncle's home. He joined Ionic No. 19 in 1910, was W.M. in 1919 and DDGM in 1945-46. He didn't belong to a Royal Arch Chapter in B.C. at the time Chilliwack Chapter was formed. He was also a member of the Orange Lodge No. 1470 at the time its hall was opened on Nowell Street in 1913, a charter member of the Chilliwack Lawn Bowling Club and taught Sunday school at the United Church. He died in New Westminster on March 22, 1949. His funeral was conducted by Ionic Lodge and he is buried in the Masonic plot at the IOOF Cemetery.

HAROLD GEORGE WADE, Scribe N., was born in Holborn, London, England, Jan. 13, 1879 and came to Canada with his family in 1898. His father was the first Grand D.C. of the Grand Lodge of Alberta and a newspaperman. Comp. Wade was in Edmonton by 1901 and got a job at the Edmonton Journal. He joined his father's Lodge, Jasper No. 78: initiated Nov. 13, 1905, passed Dec. 11, 1905 and raised Jan. 8, 1906. His father was Scribe E. of North Star Chapter No. 118 and it's suspected he was exalted there into the Holy Royal Arch. He also was Vice-Arch, Royal Canadian Oak No. 1, Ancient Order of Druids in 1905. He quit the Journal in 1907 to go to the West Coast and we find him in 1911 reporting for the *Columbian* in New Westminster. He was a founding member of Lewis No. 57 in 1909 and made an honorary member of the Lodge on March 15, 1940. Comp. Wade was installed as H. in Chilliwack Chapter in 1924 but moved to Vancouver where he worked for the public library, then as a stenographer for the city of New Westminster, and finally as a postal clerk. He died in New Westminster, August 25, 1953 and was no longer a member of any Chapter in B.C.

GEORGE CHARLES CARTER, P.S., was born in New Zealand on Feb. 13, 1872. When he came to Canada, he joined Lodge Southern Cross in Vancouver in 1906 and relocated to Chilliwack in 1908. He joined the Royal Arch in Westminster No. 6, affiliated with Ionic Lodge in 1908 and was W.M. in 1923. He was a tailor by trade, retiring in 1946. During the war he was a fire warden in the Columbia Valley. He was also President of the Chilliwack Fish and Game Protective Assn. in early '30s. He died in Chilliwack on March 24, 1956, and Masonic funeral was held for him.

JAMES MARSHALL TROTTER, S.S. was born in Cornhill-on-Tweed in Northumberland on March 23, 1865. He came to Vancouver in 1912 and Chilliwack in 1916. He raised horses and had a dairy farm on First Avenue. He was an Honorary Deacon of the Baptist Church, and oversaw renovations to the church in 1922. He had been a building contractor in England and in 1927, built a two-room school that is now Greendale Elementary for \$5,000. Comp. Trotter joined the Craft in Lodge De Loraine No. 541 in

Newcastle: initiated Nov. 16, 1906, passed Dec. 21, 1906 and raised March 8, 1907. He was a founding member of Novocastrian No. 3361 in Newcastle in 1909 and presumably joined the Royal Arch there. He was a member of Ionic Lodge when Chilliwack Chapter started and died in Chilliwack on Jan. 30, 1933. His funeral was conducted by Mt. Zion No. 120, of which he was a founding member in 1929.

GEORGE ALFRED REYNOLDS, J.S., was a Baptist minister, born in Maningtree, Suffolk, England Feb. 25, 1879. He served in the Boer War with the Postal Corps and came to Canada when hostilities ended. He trained for the ministry in Brandon, went to a theological college in Tennessee and served as a minister in the southern states. It would appear he is the George A. Reynolds who received his degrees in Western Star No. 24, Monroe, Louisiana. It is also the home of Monroe Chapter No. 18 but it's not clear if he was a member. Comp. Reynolds arrived in Pilot Mount, Manitoba from Louisiana in 1910, transferred to Emerson in late 1911, was the minister at Edmonds Baptist Church in Burnaby before arriving in Chilliwack in August 1917. He affiliated with Ionic No. 19 from Emerson No. 6 on May 28, 1920 and was Chaplain when the Chapter was formed. He demitted Dec. 1, 1922 having left for the Kerrisdale Baptist Church in April. He affiliated with Zion No. 77 on Nov. 6, 1923 and became the Lodge Chaplain, demitting June 1, 1937 and affiliating with Mt. Newton No. 89 in Saanich on Aug. 10, 1937. He spent 15 years at First Baptist Church in Victoria before retiring in 1945. During World War Two, he was Chaplain to the Canadian Scottish Regiment. Later he was Padre of the Britannia Branch of Legion and of the Victoria Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles. He was Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of B.C. in 1945-46. He died in Victoria on Jan. 20, 1953 but was no longer a member of the Royal Arch.

MARK HUFF, Tyler, was born in Napanee, Ont. on May 14, 1860. In 1881 he was working in his home town as a teamster. He came to B.C. during the C.P.R. construction, but took up farming in Chilliwack, retiring in 1921. He was initiated into Ionic No. 19 in 1903 and was a member of Westminster No. 6 when the Chapter formed. Comp. Huff died during an operation at St. Paul's on April 8, 1925. At the time he was one of four Shriners living in Chilliwack. A Masonic funeral was conducted by Ionic Lodge. His home is now Dayton's Pool.

Space prohibits much of a mention of the 13 other members listed in the 1921 *Proceedings*. Three became Z: Ex. Comp. Thomas Archibald in 1928-29, V. Ex. Comp. David Richardson in 1930-31 and Ex. Comp. Thomas Edward Law in 1940. Another founder was Comp. Thomas Bonnycastle, who ran the first taxi service in Chilliwack and later moved to the Vancouver area. He cut the "castle" off the name and opened Bonny's Taxi. Comps. James Wolfe Campbell (motorman) and John Stefan (conductor) ran the same B.C. Electric Railway dairy train on the interurban line between Chilliwack and Vancouver, and Comp. Campbell was absolved of blame in a fatal accident in 1927 when he hit a feed truck at a crossing. The last three named came from Westminster No. 6. John Henry Ashwell (he went by his middle name) arrived in the untamed area from New Westminster at age three in 1871 when his father—Ashwell Road is named for him—opened the first store. He worked in the store from 1892 to 1902 when he moved to Sardis and was named postmaster. He was a city alderman in 1908 and 1916, mayor from 1917 to 1923, an alderman again in 1925, then mayor again from 1926-28. He was Master of Ionic No. 19 in 1922 and became Grand Master of the Oddfellows in B.C. in 1927. Comp. Ashwell was also president of the Chilliwack Prohibition League. He built the family home in 1891 and it stands today.

Six petitions for exaltation were received at the first meeting. The first candidate exalted was Joseph Clarke Brannick, later the president of the Fraser Valley Milk Producers Association. The *Progress* reported on Sept. 21, 1922: "Mr. C.F. Sherwin of Riondel, B.C., accompanied by a number of prominent Royal Arch Masons, came up by a B.C.E.R. special on Monday evening to complete the organization of the Chilliwack chapter, Royal Arch Masons. The distinguished Masonic visitors were later entertained at an informal banquet by local members of the craft, and left for the Coast again some time after midnight."

One of the earliest additions to the Chapter was R. Ex. Comp. Thomas Bradbury Goodall. He was born in Lightcliffe, Yorkshire on April 25, 1876, immigrating to Alberta in 1905. He received his degrees in Britannia Lodge No. 23 in Lloydminster, Sask. in 1913. He arrived in the Valley about 1920 and took up fruit farming before becoming involved with the local Ford dealership. He joined Ionic No. 19 in March 1923, was the first S.W. of Mt. Zion Lodge in 1929 and its second W.M. Comp. Goodall was installed as Junior Sojourner in January 1923, became Z. in 1927, Superintendent in 1930-31 and rose to the rank of Grand H. in June 1940. Unfortunately, he never got to be installed as Grand First Principal as he died January 31, 1941.

The Last Veil

The passing of M. Ex. Comp. George Eaton on July 5th of this year at age 87 has been mentioned in other reports. He was our Grand First Principal in 2004-05 and had been installed as Z. in Joppa Chapter in 1993 before he became Master of a Lodge. To avoid repetition, the only thing I'll mention is that George kindly offered to donate his spare copies of old *Proceedings* to your Grand Historian. They have been of great help compiling these reports for the last several years.

Conclusion

My thanks to M. Ex. Comp. Phillip Robinson for re-appointing me to this office.

Fraternally,
J.G. Bennie, PZ No. 31, Grand Historian

KEYSTONE OF LIFE FOUNDATION

REPORT FOR 2021 GRAND CONVOCATION

COVERING PERIOD August 2020 to August 2021

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 need for such grants are greater.

Over the period covered by this report, KLF has been pleased to deliver and /or approve over \$38,000 of grants. These grants comprise:

<u>100 Mile House Hospital</u>	\$5,565	First Step Cirrus (Powered Low Loss Air) Mattress.
<u>Peace Arch Hospital</u>	\$7,700	Stryker Spirit Select Hospital Bed.
<u>Squamish Hospital</u>	\$11,051	Stryker Electric Imaging Stretcher.
Kooteney Trail Hospital	\$7,651	Resectoscope
Langley Lodge	\$4,000	Bariatric Bed
VI Health Auth	\$2,676	Wheelchair

Note: It can frequently take several months between the time a grant application is approved and the Health Authority's completion of procurement, and submission of receipt documents to KLF.

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, significant downturns in both investment returns and particularly donations / membership dues over the past few years continue to restrict the Foundation's ability to award regular grants.

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 their charity.

Some examples of the grants awarded to various hospitals can be seen on the Keystone of Life webpage of the Grand Chapter website.

Thank you for your support!

Peter Edwards
KLF President - August 2021

ROYAL ARCH CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia & Yukon

Companions, please be advised that the Royal Arch Charitable Foundation has been dissolved and all funds distributed to the Registered Charities listed in its Bylaws.

Royal Arch Charitable Foundation
c/o 43- 530 Marsett Place
Victoria, BC V8Z 7J2

16 June 2020

Charities Directorate
Canada Revenue Agency
Ottawa ON K1A 0L5

**DISSOLVING ROYAL ARCH CHARITABLE FOUNDATION
BUSINESS NUMBER 841684152RR0001**

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that we desire to dissolve the above charitable foundation.
The dissolution was approved at a general meeting held on Saturday, 18 April 2020.

We are in the process of liquidation of our investments and will be donating the proceeds to other qualified donees under the Income Tax Act.

Yours truly,

Norman McEvoy
President
Royal Arch Charitable Foundation

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of BC & Yukon

Regalia Report 2021

Companions:

Another year has gone by without in person meetings including the cancellation of the 2020 Grand Convocation. I therefore have nothing to report that differs from my wishes and observations from 2020.

Regalia Inventory:

Grand 1st Principal apron	New	1
Past Grand 1st Principal Collar & Jewel		2
Grand 2nd Principal apron	Poor	1
Grand 3rd Principal apron	Good	1
	Old-poor condition	3
Grand Officer collars	New	2
Grand Superintendents	New	1
	Fair	2
	Poor	3
Grand Chaplain	Poor	1
Grand Sojourners Collar	Poor	4
	Fair	1
	Good	2
Grand Tricolor Sash	New	2
	Fair	1
Apron cases vinyl [fold over type]	Good	5
	Fair	2
Apron case Leather	New	1
Companions sash (need new braid }	Poor	6

I request that any Grand Officer that has regalia needing attention to please get in touch.

Respectfully submitted:

MEC Ronald R. Smith Chairman

Report of Grand Superintendents 2020- 2021

Summary Grand District Superintendents Reports

Committee REC Ian Thompson

REC James R Elton

REC Roy Friis

To the Grand Chapter of B.C. and Yukon and Companions present, we your committee have reviewed the GDS Reports that were sent in by your District Superintendents.

We the reporting committee on district superintendents report that we have had very little feedback due to the pandemic. Our superintendents have found it very difficult to keep in touch with their companions, but we do congratulate them for their efforts.

We hope the amalgamation of districts on Vancouver Island does not put undue strain on future companions who wish to visit. Where zoom meetings have been held they proved successful in communication with companions. Our superintendents still find age of the companions and the distances they are apart prevent large numbers from attending convocations and degrees.

Ps. No report from District 6 – REC Chris Proctor

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Your Committee

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia & Yukon

Bursary Committee Report to the 2021 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.

The charities operated under the umbrella of Grand Chapter namely the Royal Arch Masonic Home Society and the Keystone of Life Foundation are fine and deserving charities which warrant our support. However, not being a Registered Charity, donors to the Bursary Fund do not benefit from receiving a tax deductible receipt. For this reason individuals may chose to donate to the two previously mentioned charities rather than the Bursary Fund. The Bursary Fund, our only charity which directly benefits Companions, is therefore suited to donations from individual Chapters, since they are not able to benefit from charitable receipts.

In 2020/2021 the total donations received from individuals and Chapters was \$6,250 compared to \$ 7,550 in 2019/2020 and \$4,026 in 2018/2019. Transferable interest earned in 2020/2021 was \$5,437 compared to \$4,754 in 2019/2020, and \$3,200 in 2018/2019.

We thank the generosity of those Chapters who donated to the Bursary Fund during 2020/2021. We also thank our Grand First Principal MEC Phil Robinson for his generous donation.

We acknowledge and thank the financial support given by the Grand Chapter through their contribution from the General Fund.

This year we are pleased to advise that the bursary endowment fund received a bequest of \$28,000 in the names of the late Vernon Sankey and his late wife Margaret.

One application was rejected this year due to no Royal Arch connection leaving 8 applications to be considered, compared to 7 last year and 6 in 2019.

Considering the funds available for distribution and the needs of the applicants, this year, the committee awarded 1 grant of \$1,500, 2 grants of \$1,400 and 5 grants of \$1,200 for a total of \$10,300.

The Royal Arch Companion relatives of this year's grant beneficiaries come from;- Burnaby, Langley (2), Nanaimo(3), Penticton, & Surrey.

The difference between the funds raised for distribution in the current year (\$6,250) and the grants distributed this year (\$10,300) - \$4,050 came from interest earned by the Bursary Endowment Fund.

In 2021 the eight grants awarded averaged \$1,287 which is slightly higher than the average last year of \$1,257, In 2019 and 2018 the average grants were \$1,259 and \$1,071 respectively. The increases over the last 3 years compared to 2018 were due to an increase in donations however we must not be complacent in our fund-raising efforts

During the period 2009-2021 the Bursary Fund has awarded 97 educational bursaries totalling \$76,700.

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 are available on the Grand Chapter website.

We also wish to thank the committee members for the time and efforts given to this committee – Thank You.

Respectfully submitted:

REC John Young – Chairman REC Tom Balabanov

REC Andrew Law VEC Alphonse Quenneville

EC Cole Harvey

13th August 2021

Report of Information Technology Committee 2021

Companions:

It will be a year October since GrandChapter.ca has been live. I wish I had more to report but due to the ongoing pandemic and lack of in person meetings we have not been able to see firsthand what a valuable tool this could be. I am hoping that in the upcoming Masonic year with the strong likelihood of meeting once again in our Chapters we will be able to populate the website with a running calendar, events of interest and other items of interest to the companions.

Our Grand SE, REC Peter Guichon continues to work hard, and serves as the conduit for all information uploaded to the site and is assisted by our webmaster Comp. Steven Noble who is tenacious in prompt additions and keeping it technology current.

I end this report with a few statistics. We have had almost 3500 individual visits, 13500 page impressions and the top 5 country hits in order are Canada, USA, China, Germany and the UK.

Just a reminder to please register to gain access to the members area.

Respectfully submitted:

MEC Ronald R. Smith
Chairman

REPORT OF THE MERIT AWARD COMMITTEE

No names were put forward this year from the Companions.

NIL REPORT SUBMITTED

REPORT OF GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

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

After the Grand 1st Principal MEC Phil Robinson asked me to be the Grand 2nd Principal for the rest of this term he then asked if I would redo the Friday night proceedings for Grand Chapter.

I reviewed the unofficial opening and closing along with the Memorial service. I found that changes were made over the years and it was time to correct them. I made a list of changes that were needed and asked the Past Grand 1st Principals for their input as to yes or no. The ritual was written using that info and has been sent to the Grand Scribe to be discussed at the executive meeting.

If this report is accepted i hope the Friday night proceedings will be able to run smooth and enjoyable to the companions.

MEC David Grange

Acting Grand Second Principal

BIOGRAPHY OF CANDIDATES FOR GRAND PRINCIPAL SOJOURNER

REC Preciocisimo 'Bong Buggy' Siao Bunagan, Jr.

VISION: *To promote the re-emergence of a strong and vibrant concordant body in the image of the HRA serving as a beacon for the next level of pursuit by fellow craftsmen in their Masonic career.*

MISSION:

- 1. To spur the spirit and energy of every Companion and create that unformidable image of one who has seen the beauty of the Order that he belongs to;*
- 2. To have him take pride in the Order and in the work that he does as an exemplary part of it;*
- 3. To make him realize that he has himself to offer as the best example to his brethren in various ways as manifested through his zeal for the Order, his proficiency and mastery of his works, the effervescent spirit of camaraderie and good humour that he exudes, and as one in whom the repository of good and lasting friendship and fellowship holds true.*
- 4. That by strengthening all these as the distinguished character of a RAM in every companion, our brethren from craft lodges may take great interest to know more about the HRA and its works, and attract them to join our ranks to be another distinguished RAM.*

Mission Statement:

“Ride, Companions! Ride High!!”

Brief Personal Info:

DOB: 27 June 1961

Birthplace: Quezon City, Philippines

Spouse: Maria Rosalinda 'Owie' Anza Bunagan

Children: Rose Catriona Anza Bunagan (Kasia Burgess Zimmerman)

P. Baron Domino Anza Bunagan (Frances Sala)

Resides in Burnaby, BC

Works at the Ministry of Attorney General, Province of BC

Education and Professional History:

1. Pursued studies in Law and Jurisprudence, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology and Business Marketing at the University of the Philippines;
2. Pursued Military Science as Cadet at the Philippine Military Academy with Class 84. At the top of his plebe class, nominated cadet candidate to the US Military Academy at West Point.
3. Pursued studies in Office Administration with Technology at BCIT (2006)
4. Held various positions and performed functions in both civil and military service as intelligence and operations officer, investigation officer, action officer, psy-ops operative, entrepreneur, business analyst, strategist and consultant.
5. Presidential Consultant – Office of the President of the Republic of the Philippines 1998-2001.

Masonic Career:

2006 – Raised MM at Maple Leaf Park 63 (now Heritage Lodge 63)

2011-2012 WM Maple Leaf Park 63

2009 – Exalted in the HRA at Composite Chapter 24

2015 – 2016 First Principal, Composite Chapter

Grand Lodge Office(s) held:

Grand Standard Bearer for PGM MWB Douglas C. Collins 2015-2016

HRA Grand Chapter Office(s) Held:

2019 - Current Grand Superintendent – 2nd District

2017-2018 Grand Junior Sojourner for PGZ MEC Ronald Smith

2016-2017 Grand Sword Bearer for PGZ MEC Godfrey Onyemaobi

Current Lodge Membership(s):

Heritage Lodge 63 – WM 2011-2012

Melrose Lodge 67 – WM 2017-2018 and 2018-2019

Excelsior 195

True Resolution Lodge of the MW Grand Lodge of Prince Hall of Washington – affiliate

Former Lodge Memberships:

Mount Lebanon 67

Union Solomon 9

Membership in Concordant/Appendant Bodies:

HRA – exalted 2009 at Composite Chapter 24 / elected 1st Principal 2014-2015

Cryptic Rite – Zabud Council (demit pending)

Kts Templar – Columbia Preceptory 34

York Rite Sovereign College of North America - York Rite College 44 BCY

Kts Templar High Priests – Fraser Tabernacle 163

Order of Kts of Saint Thomas of Acon – Baldwin Chapter 99

Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada – Dogwood Council 171

Masonic and Military Order of the Kts of the Red Cross of Constantine – Royal City Conclave 22

Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia – Lumen Terrestris College 99

Holy Order of the High Priesthood of BCY

RIGHT EXCELLENT COMPANION BARRY EDWARD CHILTON:

Barry was born, the city of Newcastle upon tyne the County of Northumberland United Kingdom on December 27 1944 twin.

Raised in the village of Lemington 3 miles West of Newcastle.

Schooled at, Sugley primary school, and Walbottle secondary school.

Represented the school, in the games of cricket and football (soccer).

Barry started work on January 2, 1960, starting his apprenticeship in refrigeration and air-conditioning, also attending Rutherford College, and Gateshead technical college.

June 1965 he registered with the British Merchant Navy Officers pool.

On 21 July 1965 he signed on as an Engineer Officer with Ellerman and

Bucknell.

The company returned him to England from Montréal 14 June 1966 for twin sister's wedding (he had the honour of giving the bride away).

Barry decided to change shipping company, and was interviewed by P and O passenger lines.

On the 14th June 1967, he joined and sailed on SS Himalaya for two years. For the next four years Barry joined and sailed on SS Orsova, SS Chusan, TES Canberra, SS Oronsay, SS Iberia .

Barry by this time had accumulated eight months leave.

Taking a trip to the West Coast of Canada Vancouver, where he was informed, on inquiry that he could take qualifying exams to work in Canada.

Upon acquiring the qualification certificate, and on being made available 20 jobs, he returned to England.

Barry returned to Canada on the 30 November 1973 as a landed immigrant, and started work in the refrigeration and air-conditioning industry.

In 1974 Barry received the qualification certificate of gas fitter, and the qualification certificate of electrical 205.

In 1978 Barry took up the post of teaching at PVI (BCIT) full time days, and a part-time posting to VCC night time.

For a change of pace Barry owned and operated his own HVAC company, from 1984 to 1990.

Progressing on, in 1994 took the University course in real estate, and in 1997 obtained his broker endorsement.

Barry lists his volunteer or unpaid work as follows.

In 1982 became president of the refrigeration workers union 516.

From 1980 to 1984 member of the provincial engineering safety Council.

In 1983 became president of the lower mainland hunters Council.

In 1989 volunteered as an advocate for seniors and welfare recipients working with the ministry of social services.

In 2004 was elected as leader of the British Colombia Conservative Party.

Retired in 2010, but worked part-time in real estate.

Member of Army Navy Air Force Legion # 284 (25+)

Member of Royal Canadian Legion # 291 (25+)

Barry started his journey in Freemasonry on 22 October 2008, when he was initiated into Alliance Lodge number 193, passed on 28th of January 2009, and raised on the 25 March 2009.

He was Worshipful Master of Alliance Lodge April 2012 to April 2015.

In 2016/2017 District Deputy Grand Master, District 14.

In 2011 joined Scottish Rite and is a 32nd degree, at present holding **the position** of past TPGM in the Lodge of perfection.

On 11 January 2010 joined Royal Arch Masonry, at the present, past Grand Superintendent District 7

On 20 October 2012 joined Cryptic Rite Masonry, and at present, past T I M.

On 19 November 2012 joined Royal Ark mariner and at present hold the position of past Noah.

On 19th of March 2015 joined Knights Templar and at present hold the position of Presiding Preceptor

On 3 May 2014 joined Allied Masonic Degrees, and at present hold the position of SW.

Is a member of York Rite College.

Is a member of SRIA.

Is a member of St. Thomas of Acon.

Is a member of Hermetic Chapter of Spiritual Knight.

Barry has been married to Catherine Toshima for 38 years.

He has one son age 54

Second son age 51

Third son premature.

One daughter age 46 who lives in Newfoundland.

His cousin David and nephew David Junior are both Masons in Segedunum Lodge, wallsend, Newcastle upon Tyne and Royal Arch companions.

VERY EXCELLENT COMPANION ALPHONSE j. QUENNEVILLE

VEC. Quenneville was born on May 3rd, 1953 at Bell Island, Newfoundland. Despite moving one year later with his family to rural Quebec, you can still detect a bit of that Newfoundland sense of humour in him. As the oldest of six children, and at a young age, Alphonse found a sense of independence by working regularly on a dairy farm from dawn to dusk. Due to the political strife in Quebec his family moved to Galt Ontario in 1968. After graduating from Galt Collegiate Institute in Cambridge Ontario in 1973, he moved to British Columbia, where he attended Vancouver Community College, British Columbia Institute of Technology and later studied at the Sauder School of Business in UBC.

Soon after arriving in BC he went to work in the telecommunications industry as a contractor for Rogers Communications. After a few years he was employed full time by Rogers Communications and eventually grew to manage the Engineering Division for Rogers Communications on the West Coast of Canada. After 35 years in the telecommunications industry it was time for a change. Alphonse then shifted his focus to pursue his interest in real estate investment and has worked in the real estate industry since that time.

Alphonse married Janet, the love of his life, in 1978. They have two sons. Vincent Graduated this year with a degree in Business Psychology at UBC and Matthew is working towards his Doctorate in Astro-Physics at Berkeley in California. Alphonse enjoys snowshoeing, skiing and hiking, motorcycling, ham radio, and RVing with Janet.

Alphonse has submitted his name as a candidate for Grand Principal Sojourner in the spirit of paying it forward and giving back to the craft for all the masonic wages he has received during his journey in this Beautiful Craft and Art we call Royal Arch Freemasonry.

Craft Lodge History

- Raised in Lynn Valley Lodge No. 122, North Vancouver in September 2006.
- Elected Worshipful Master of Lynn Valley Lodge in 2010-2011.
- Elected Secretary for Lynn Valley Lodge in 2011-2012.
- Appointed District Education Officer for 2012-2013.
- Affiliated with Burrard Lodge No. 50 in 2012.
- Appointed a Grand Steward for 2014-2015.
- Appointed DDGM for District 17 for 2015-2016.
- Made an Honorary Member of Mount Garibaldi Lodge No. 127 in November, 2016.
- Currently Worshipful Master of Burrard Lodge No. 50 for the past 2 terms.
- I have had the pleasure of serving on several Grand Lodge committees.
- I am currently a member on the board of directors for the Masonic Cemetery., aka BurnabyHeritage Cemetery.

Order of the Secret Monitor

- Joined the Order of the Secret Monitor in British Columbia and Yukon Conclave, No. 7 on April 29, 2009
- Installed as the Supreme Ruler of the Conclave in 2019

York Rite Masonry

- Advanced as a Mark Master Mason in 2007 North Vancouver Chapter No. 16.
- Exalted to the Supreme degree of the Holy Royal Arch on April 24th, 2008 in North Vancouver Chapter No. 16.
- Served 2 years as Scribe Ezra in North Vancouver Chapter No. 16, 2011 to 2012.
- Appointed and served as the Grand Tyler for the Grand Chapter of BC & Yukon 2013-2014.
- Affiliated with Joppa Chapter No. 31 October 19th, 2015
- Installed as 2nd Principle of Joppa Chapter No.31 in January of 2017.
- Installed as the 1st principle of Joppa Chapter No. 31 January 2018.

- Alphonse was Anointed and Consecrated to the Order of the High Priesthood September 2018.
- Appointed as the Grand Director of Ceremonies for Grand Chapter 2019-2021
- Currently a trustee on the Bursary Committee for the past 5 years.
- From June of 2018 to today I have served on the Board of the Royal Arch Masonic Homes, and was reelected for another 3 year term this past June and currently serving as the 1st Vice President.

Knights Templar

- Consecrated as a Knight Templar in Jordan Preceptory No. 76 in 2010.
- Became Presiding Preceptor in Columbia Preceptory January 16, 2014.

Cryptic Rite Masons of Western Canada

- Joined Zaphon Council on the 9th of June 2012.
- Affiliated with Zabud Council No. 1 in February of 2017

Royal Ark Mariner

- Elevated to the Degree of a Royal Mark Mariner November 19, 2012

Red Cross of Constantine

- On February 23, 2013 I received an invitation to become a member of the Royal City Conclave and remain a member in good standing.

In all the concordant bodies and committees listed above, I am in good standing and attend regularly.