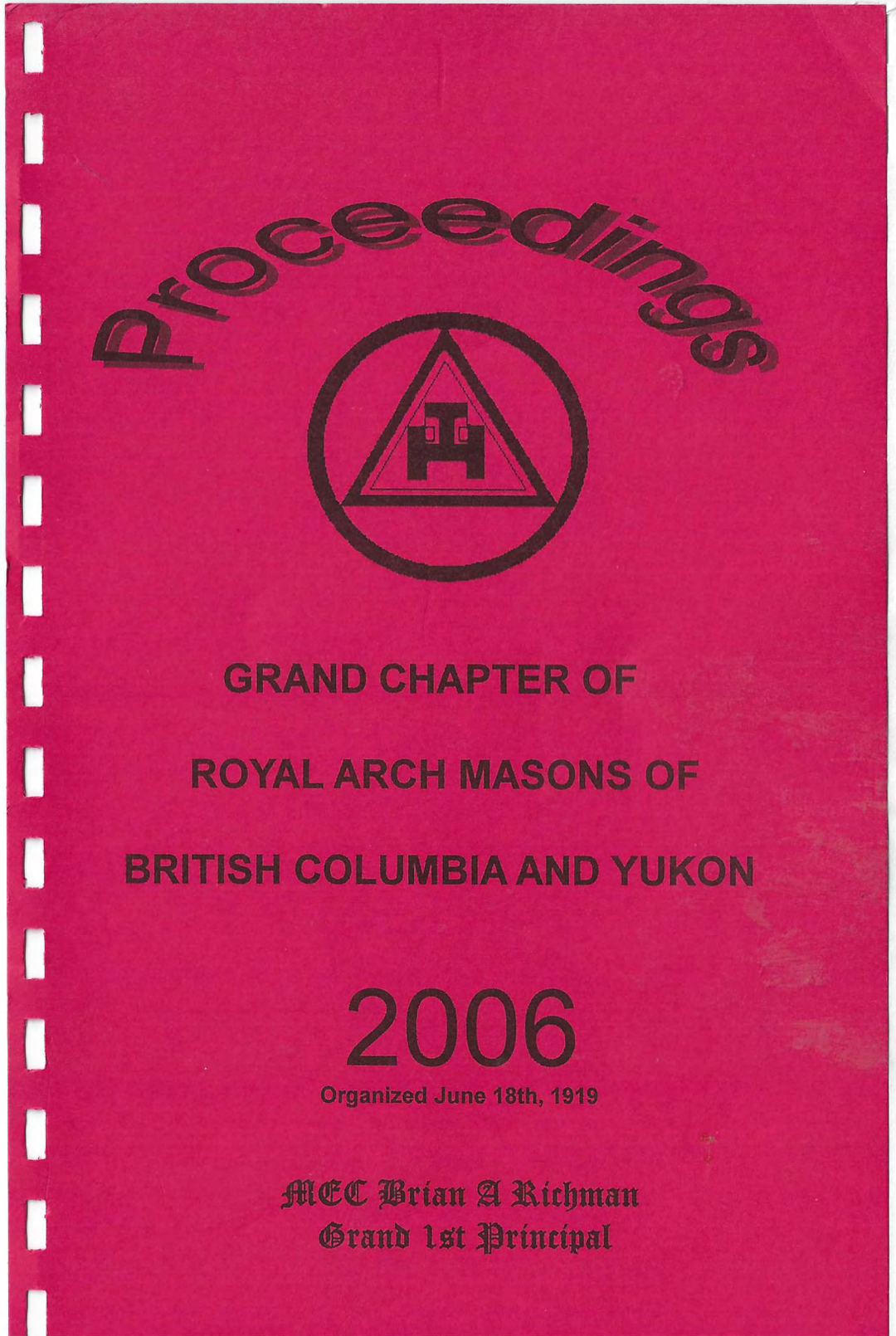


Proceedings

Grand Chapter

of

Royal Arch Masons

of

British Columbia and Yukon

88th Grand Convocation

Prince George, B.C.

2006

(Organized June 18th, 1919)

BRIAN A. RICHMAN
Grand First Principal
Port Coquitlam, B.C.

ED WILSON
Grand Scribe Ezra
Abbotsford, B.C.



MOST EXCELLENT COMPANION
BRIAN ALBERT RICHMAN
Grand First Principal 2005/2006

PERSONAL HISTORY: Brian Albert Richman was born in Montreal, Quebéc on July 17th, 1944 to his parents Albert and Kathleen Richman. He is the eldest of four children. He moved to Vancouver at the age of four with his parents and brother, Owen.

EDUCATION: Graduated from Claremont High School in 1964 and graduated from British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT) in Fish Game and Parks Management in 1971.

EMPLOYMENT: Prior to BCIT, he was employed with the Hudson Bay Company for a year and a half. Then with the Provincial Government, first as a senior Draftsman in aerial photo interpretation and mapping (Making maps out of aerial photographs.), next with Forest Engineering on the Lake Williston Project. After graduation from BCIT, he was employed with the Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans as a Fishery Officer and rose to the top of middle management as a Senior Program Officer. He retired after 32.5 years with the department. A special occasion was receiving the Queen's Jubilee Medal for outstanding service to the public.

COMMUNITY INTEREST: Brian is a founding member, and a past President, of the Association of Natural Resource Enforcement trainers which is an international organization. In addition, he currently sits as the chairman of the Forest Ecosystem Advisory Board and has sat on various boards for the last 26 years.

PERSONAL INTEREST: He is a collector of coins and paper money from all over the world; he enjoys hiking and long walks with his dog, gardening, growing of tropical plants and is currently writing a book on the History of Conservation and Protection of Fisheries for Canada. (A history of fisheries enforcement.)

MASONIC INTERESTS: Brian was initiated, passed and raised in Rainbow Lodge, Past Master of Tuscan Lodge, Past First Principal of Mission Chapter and Past Sovereign Master of Dogwood Council, Allied Masonic Degrees (AMD) of Canada. Currently he is the Preceptor of Westminster Preceptory, Grand Marshal of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada and an officer in the Red Cross of Constantine (Canadian jurisdiction). A member of Society Rosicrucia in Anglia (SRIA), Funeral Lodge, Order of the High Priest, Knight Templar Priests, Knight of York Cross of Honour, British Columbia York Rite College and Association of Past Grand First Principals. He has served Grand Lodge as the chair of Warranted Lodges and Lodges under Dispensation as well as the Bursary Fund. He is the immediate past president, and current director, of the Keystone of Life Foundation. He remains active in each of the Royal Arch charities.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AND YUKON

I, Edward R. Wilson, 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 ***eighty-eighth*** Grand Convocation held in Prince George, B.C. on ***September 14th, 15th, and 16th, 2006*** and authorized to be published.

In testimony whereof I have appended my official signature and have affixed the Seal of the Grand Chapter at the office of the Grand Scribe Ezra in the City of Abbotsford, British Columbia, this 13th day of November, 2006.

Edward R. Wilson – Grand Scribe Ezra

SEAL

THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AND YUKON

The eighty-eighth Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon was held on ***September 14th, 15th and 16th, 2006*** at the Ramada Inn, Prince George, B.C. The informal opening was held in the usual manner on ***Thursday, September 14th, 2006*** at 7:30 pm. The following are the officers elected and/or appointed for the year 2005/2006.

MEC	Brian A. Richman	Grand First Principal
REC	William Fooks	Grand Haggai
REC	Leslie Robinson	Grand Joshua
MEC	George Eaton	IPGZ
REC	Ron Glover	Grand Treasurer
REC	Ed Wilson	Grand Scribe Ezra
REC	George Tillotson	Grand Principal Sojourner
REC	Alastair Ross	Grand Senior Sojourner
REC	David Grange	Grand Junior Sojourner
REC	Lionel Brownsey	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 1
REC	Larry Atkinson	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 2
REC	David Ogilvie	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 3
REC	Tom Purves	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 4/5
REC	Lionel Buller	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 6
REC	Douglas Burke	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 7
REC	Gerry Smith	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 8
REC	William Aaroe	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 9
REC	Rick Lenes	Grand Superintendent. Dist. 10
REC	Gordon Hebdon	Grand Superintendent, Dist. 11
REC	James Whyte	Grand Scribe Nehemiah
VEC	James Bennie	Grand Historian
VEC	Colin Hart	Grand Sword Bearer

VEC	Gerald Newton	Grand Master 4th Veil
VEC	Warwick Parker	Grand Master 3rd Veil
VEC	Les Little	Grand Master 2nd Veil
VEC	Lorne Street	Grand Master 1st Veil
VEC	Ken Ward	Grand Standard Bearer
REC	Gordon Galt	Grand Director of Ceremonies
VEC	William Phillips	Grand Marshal
VEC	Neil Marsh	Grand Pursuivant
VEC	William Poncia	Grand Steward No. 1
VEC	Darrell Morphy	Grand Steward No. 2
VEC	Angus Nichol	Grand Steward No. 3
VEC	Joel Chiri	Grand Chaplain
Comp.	Robert Barr	Grand Organist
VEC	Leonard Timmins	Grand Tyler

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following distinguished guests were introduced:

1) His Worship, Colin Kinsley, Mayor of Prince George, B.C.
2) Ill. Brother Neil Weller, 33° representing the Ancient and Accepted Order of Scottish Rite Masons.
3) Most. Ill. Companion Robert Taylor, Grand Master, Royal and Select Masters of Western Canada.
4) Most Em. Knight Joseph R. Marshall, GCT, Supreme Grand Master Sovereign Great Priory of Canada.

5) Rt. Ill. Knight Vern Halverson, Grand Intendent General, Illustrious Order of the Red Cross of Constantine (Canada) also as Em. Dist. Brother Grand Governor, representing the York Rite College of North America.
6) Ill. Knight Richard Armitage, Illustrious Order of the Red Cross of Constantine (Scotland)
7) Ill. Knight Priest Lionel Brownsey, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests.
8) Rt. Em. Brother Leonard Pickell, Personal Representative of District 17, Knights of York, Cross of Honour.
9) Princess Myrtle Brownsey, P.Q., Daughters of the Nile, Miriam Temple, Victoria, B.C.
10) Honored Lady Jean Gordon, Past Grand Royal Matron of the Grand Court, Order of Amaranth of B.C.
11) Sir Knight Clancy Wilson, Past Grand Royal Patron of the Grand Court, Order of Amaranth of B.C.
12) Mrs. Diane Sears, Grand Guardian, International Order of Job's Daughters (IOJD).
13) Ms. Kyla Adams, Past Honour Queen, Bethel 26, International Order of Job's Daughters.
14) Noble Archie Smith representing Ill. Sir Ivan Chittick, Gizeh Temple, Ancient and Arabic Order of Shriners.
15) Very Worthy Brother Alex Hart, Grand Registrar for Western Canada, Order of the Secret Monitor.
16) MEC Charlie Chapman, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Washington, USA.
17) MEC Terrance Drolet, Grand First Principal, Royal Arch Masons of Alberta.

18) MEC Robert McMillan, Grand First Principal, Royal Arch Masons of Manitoba.
19) Rt. WBro. Leonard Timmins, DDGM District 4 representing MWBro. Isaaac Brower-Birkhoven, Grand Master of British Columbia and Yukon.

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FLAG CEREMONY:

The traditional flag ceremony was conducted under the direction of REC Larry Atkinson. VEC Rick McKay carried the Canadian flag; REC Alex Hart carried the Yukon flag; VEC Colin Hart carried the British Columbia flag and VEC Ken Ward carried the American flag. At the end of the ceremony, MEC Brian Richman called for the singing of "*O Canada*" and "*The Star Spangled Banner.*"

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Columbia # 1

VEC. Roy Ivan Comrie
EC. Derek Edmond Wick
Comp Kenneth Sinclair McAdam
Comp. Ralph Newstead
Comp. Kaare Jentoff Norgaard

Tzouhalem # 26

No deaths reported.

Pacific Rim # 44

No deaths reported.

District No. 2:

Westminster # 6

Comp. Victor Brachat
Comp. William Tait

Chilliwack # 19

Comp. George Wittingham-Chubb
Comp. Charles M. Hampton

Mission # 28

EComp. Edward Laird
Comp. Richard Benzies

Semiahmoo # 34

REComp. Walter M Schierer
Comp. Dr. Robert John Allan Hogg
Comp. Arnold C. Dempster
Comp. Phillip Brown

District No. 3

Okanagan # 11

REComp. George Arthur Yates
Comp. Fred Moroso
Comp. Walter David Joe

Kamloops # 18

Comp. Clifton Gordonier Brown

Granite # 29

EComp. William James Austin
Comp. William Gerald Askin

District No. 4/5:

Kootenay # 3:

No deaths reported

Rossland # 4

Comp. William Kennedy
Comp. James Lionel Floyd
Comp. Rozell Smith
Comp. Cliff Hearn
Comp. Charles Hammer Wyatt
Comp. Raymond Stanley Dart

Rocky Mountain # 7

Comp. Michael Currier
Comp. A.W. Dilts

Mount Moriah # 20

No deaths reported

District No. 6:

Kaien # 13

No deaths reported

Kalum # 37

No deaths reported

District No. 7:

North Vancouver # 16

REComp. Leonard Churchill

Papyrus # 27

Comp. Hudson Ira Hough Pirie

King Solomon # 30

REComp. Robert Lasser
EComp. Heinz Lierk
Comp. Earnest Crawford
Comp. Alexander Starr

Georgian # 39

Comp. Wilfred Christensen

District No. 8:

Kelowna # 17

Comp. Graham Tench

Penticton # 22

No deaths reported

Observatory # 25

EComp. Fred Melnick
EComp. Lloyd Herbert Stonberg
Comp. John Ewart

District No. 9:

Triple Tau # 21

EComp. Robert Edwin (Ted) Norman
EComp. Austin Stanley (Barney) Knapp
Comp. Wilmot Ronald Thompson

Composite # 24

Comp. Adolphe Ingre

Joppa # 31

Comp. Victor Melwood
Comp. Dereck Parker

Simon Fraser # 40

EComp. William Aubrey Coleman

District No. 10:

Fort George # 36

No deaths reported.

Yukon # 38

No deaths reported

Dawson Creek # 41

Comp. Ernest Charles Copp
Comp. Eric S. Dandy
Comp. Siegfried Liedtke

Caribou # 43

Comp. Douglas Stuart Stenersen

District No. 11:

Keystone # 8

Comp. Nicholas Foglietta

Cyrus # 10

VEComp. Marshall Wayne Turner
VEComp. Edward Michael Schiller
Comp. Arthur William Rusch
Comp. Peter Pitz
Comp. Donald Purver

Majuba # 33

No deaths reported.

Cathedral # 35

Comp. Robert John Homewood

Discovery # 45

EComp. Edward Schiller
Comp. John Kenneth Bullock

In memory of those departed a rose was placed on the Altar by the Superintendent for the District or alternate when the Superintendent was absent. One rose was placed at the last in memory of all companions, spouses and friends who also passed away during the year.

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DR. JOEL CHIRI, GRAND CHAPLAIN ADDRESS:

The 23rd Psalm says, "*The Lord is my shepherd.*" Everything in this psalm is centered on "*The Lord is my Shepherd.*" The Lord is Shepherd to every single individual who submits to His guidance for their lives and calls upon Him and asks Him to be Lord of their lives. It's simple, if you ask Him to be your Shepherd; He is your Shepherd. This is a very basic, simple reality; but I continue, "*I shall not want.*" Or perhaps be in great need would be better.

Psalm 37:25 says: "*I have been young, and now am old; yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His seed begging bread.*"

The Lord provides for His people and "*He anoints my head with oil.*" In the New Testament oil was the means of administering healing. When somebody needed prayer, they would anoint the person with oil. One of the first things mentioned in this Psalm is, "*He anoints our heads with oil.*"

He wants to heal the whole body, but especially our minds. He wants to heal the very thing that makes you who you are. He heals both sides of your brain; the right and the left, your thoughts and emotions; the very core of your being. So, the

Great Shepherd anoints your head with oil and brings healing to your soul.

One of the first things I learned when I became a Christian was that my problems didn't just go away because I was a Christian. Now, I've known people who had great problems and when they became Christians those problems just disappeared, but for me that didn't happen. My problems didn't just go away; however, what did change was how I dealt with problems. So, an emotional and mental healing took place when I became a Christian. Now, I was not raised in a Christian home. That may come as a surprise to you!

I was 16 years old when by faith I asked Jesus Christ to become the Shepherd of my life, and the pastor's daughter of a church I was attending liked a quote by Ella Wilcox who said: "*I'm going to be happy today though the skies may be cloudy or grey, no matter what comes my way, I'm going to be happy today.*"

Recently, a Canadian university released a study that proves we are what we think and if we think positive our brain wires new synapses and we are happy. God gives us the ability to make choices and one of those choices is to make a decision on the emotions you are going to feel.

Every time someone says, "*I feel like……*," My wife says, "*You don't feel like anything.*" Men seem to have a more difficult time getting past, "*I am feeling like*," and to that point of feeling as and to be able to simply say, "*I feel sad. I feel happy. I feel depressed.*"

But when the Lord comes and anoints our head with oil, He brings healing to our mind and to our soul so that we have the

ability to realize that there is a God who lives, who breathes and who has an interest in us as human beings and as individuals. We can then come to the realization, from a cognitive stand point that everything is going to work out. As we grasp that meaning, our healing starts to take place.

Your feelings go up and your feelings go down. Dilbert happy .... Alice .... Conference call .... Don, Fred and Jim .... Dilbert depressed .... Happiness is the time between thinking you have achieved something and talking to a woman. One minute you can be happy and the next minute you can be sad. You answer the phone and all of a sudden you have a different set of feelings. The phone rings again and someone says there was a mistake and to forget the first call and your feelings are immediately changed again. Feelings are fickle, they come and they go, but the God remains the same, He does not change. When we put our trust in the facts of Jesus Christ, God's healing power touches our minds and our soul; bringing healing to our thoughts and emotions.

Feelings are real; I'm not trying to dismiss feelings. Our daughter graduated from college recently. When she was called in for her final marks she got emotional and cried and then her teacher cried. I knew at the graduation there would be more emotions; because one of her classmates had committed suicide during the school year. She should have been in the procession, sitting in the graduation, but instead they had a picture in her memory. What emotions, what grief and sorrow that family must have gone through?

"The Lord is my Shepherd. He anoints my head with oil, my cup runs over. Surely, goodness will follow me all the days of my life."

Yet we know that bad things still happen to good people, bad things happen to bad people too. They always have and they always will. The Bible says that the rain falls on the just and unjust alike. The Bible also says however that God takes the bad things in our lives and turns them into good.

Romans 8:28: *"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are then called according to his purpose."*

We are gathered here for a memorial to our fallen Companions, and if you're in a place where you cannot feel the goodness of the Lord, then rely upon His promises. Remind yourself, "*I'm going to be happy today.*" That is a statement you can make. *I'm going to be happy today.* Once you start making that statement, you will begin to realize that words have power. They have the power to create. God spoke and He created light, He spoke and He separated the land from the water. At His word everything that we know and see, feel and experience were brought into existence. If we will speak we will create the reality that we desire, that we hope, that we seek. So we move forward with the reality that God is in the process of change. He is in the process of healing. He is in the process of touching and shaping. He is in the process of creating for us a joy that we cannot imagine.

Now, contrary to what I may have led some of you to believe; I have made a few mistakes. There will be things that may be out of my control, but I'll still be responsible for them. I make mistakes, and I am not perfect and I believe that every one of you is in the exact same boat. I don't believe there's a human being on this planet that can live a perfect life, and you know what? They don't have to. The Good shepherd says,

"*surely mercy will follow you all the days of your life.*" Every day that you come short of reaching you goals, God's grace is sufficient to meet all of our indiscretions. It doesn't matter how big they are.

Jesus Christ died on the cross to forgive you and to forgive me and all we have to do is call upon the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ, and we ask him for forgiveness and He will forgive us all the things we do wrong. It's straight, it's true, it's pure and it's real. All we have to do is ask Him for forgiveness and it takes place.

Being a Christian doesn't make you perfect. Being a Christian doesn't make you better than anybody else. Being a Christian simply makes you better than you would be if you were not a Christian. So as people we continue to fail, we continue to make mistakes, but we also continue to ask for forgiveness and God is in the process of turning our bad into good. He takes the sins and the errors and the problems we have and he miraculously shapes it and touches it and heals it. That's what God does. God is in the restoration business – restoring minds, and souls and lives.

Finally, we read in the 23rd Psalm: "*I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." I will live in the presence of God always.*

In the Royal Arch we know that, God is omniscient. God is omnipotent. God is omnipresent. He is everywhere, eternal, around us at every moment. Heaven isn't something that we enter into once we die. Heaven is where God is and we know that God is everywhere, so heaven is around us at this very moment. All we have to do is open our minds to the reality of who God is and allow God's purity and wonder to fill our

minds with the reality of His power to make a difference in our lives and start living that reality. Faith is what heals the mind. It is in faith where we declare these words: "*I'm going to be happy today, the skies may be cloudy or grey, no matter what comes my way, I'm going to be happy today.*" Because I know that "*all things work together for good to those who love God."*

So, in faith I declare my love for Jesus Christ. In faith, I confess my wrong doing to the Lord, and I ask for His forgiveness and know He will forgive me. In faith, I know that He is turning all things to my good. And in faith I say, thank you. Thank you for everything. Thank you for surrounding me in every situation. Thank you for your love, for your presence, for your reality and for your goodness.

Finally remember:

In happy moments, praise God.
In difficult moments, seek God.
In quiet moments, worship God.
In painful moments, trust God.
And in every moment, thank God.

A singing of "*Nearer My God to Thee*" was followed by the Grand Chaplain repeating the verse *"Servant of God, well done!"* The benediction was taken from Jude 1: 24 – 25.

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ADDRESSES BY INVITED GUESTS:

MEC Brian Richman, Grand First Principal asked the following to address the assembly:

1) Mayor Kinsley, City of Prince George, B.C. The mayor welcomed the delegates to Prince George and thanked the Royal Arch for its dedicated work in communities everywhere. He wished for a rewarding convocation and that all enjoy the hospitality of the City.
2) Mrs. Myrtle Brownsey, Past Queen, Miriam Temple No. 2, Daughters of the Nile, Victoria, B.C. Their temple was the first formed in Canada and the second in North America. She brought the greetings of the officers and princesses and offered best wishes to the new officers.
3) Ms. Diane Sears, Grand Guardian, International Order of Job's Daughters of B.C. brought the greetings of the Grand Council for B.C. and thanked the Royal Arch for the support throughout Canada and the U.S.A.
4) Noble Archie Smith. President Prince George Shrine Club No. 17 on behalf of Gizeh Shriners. Noble Smith wished the convocation the best of luck. He noted that a recent ceremonial in Prince George had not been as successful as hoped for and that all organizations were seeking members.
5) M. Em. Kt. Joseph R. Marshall, GCT, Supreme Grand Master – Sovereign Great Priory of Canada. Offered best wishes from the officers and brother Knights of the Sovereign Great Priory to all officers and companions for next year.

INFORMAL CLOSING OF GRAND CHAPTER

The members of Bethel No. 26, IOJD performed the Closing Cross. The narration was presented by Ms. Kim Meier.

Grand First Principal: By virtue of the power in me vested as Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of B.C. and Yukon, I declare this Convocation closed. The formal opening of this Grand Chapter will take place at **9:00 am** tomorrow morning. Delegates govern yourselves accordingly.

FORMAL OPENING OF 88TH CONVOCATION OF GRAND CHAPTER

The Committee on Credentials advised that ***33*** of ***36*** Chapters were present thus making the required quorum. Consequently, the formal Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon was opened in ample form by Grand First Principal, MEC Brian Richman at ***9:00 am*** on ***Friday, September 15, 2006*** at Prince George, B.C. Distinguished guests were seated to the right of the Grand Council. The representative of the Grand Lodge of B.C. and Yukon was seated on the stage to the left of the Grand Council.

INVOCATION

Given by VEC Dr. Joel Chiri, Grand Chaplain.

REGRETS:

MEC Melvin Duke, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario,

Mrs. Shirley Richardson, Queen of Zarah Temple, Daughters of the Nile, Vancouver, B.C.

Ms. Shirley Bond, MLA, Prince George, B.C.

Minister Bell, MLA, Prince George, B.C.

Mr. John Rostad, MLA, Prince George, Ominica, B.C.

MEC Robert Costigan, P. Grand First Principal of Alberta.

MEC Louis Bertrand, P. Grand High Priest, Washington, U.S.

REC Ed Opsted, D/High Priest, Washington, U.S.

RESOLUTION OF LOYALTY

A Resolution of Loyalty as hereunder printed was duly **MOVED** by REC Leslie Robinson and duly **SECONDED** by REC Ed Wilson. The motion was carried unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that this Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon, assembled at their Eighty Eighth Annual Convocation in the City of Prince George, British Columbia, Canada, this 14th, 15th and 16th days of September 2006, re-affirm the loyalty of all its Companions to Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Canada; His Royal Highness Prince Phillip, the Duke of Edinburgh, His Royal Highness Charles, the Prince of Wales and their Royal Highnesses Prince William and Prince Harry.

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

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

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY of this Resolution passed at this Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon on Friday the 15th day of September, 2006.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN"

Signed by: MEC Brian A. Richman, Grand First Principal and REC Ed Wilson, Grand Scribe Ezra.

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MINUTES OF THE 87TH CONVOCATION OF 2005

I, REC Ed Wilson, Grand Scribe Ezra, **MOVE** the minutes of the 87th Annual Grand Convocation be adopted as printed in the 2005 proceedings of this Grand Chapter. **SECONDED** by REC James Whyte, Grand Scribe Nehemiah.
Carried

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REPORT OF THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL - 2006

Preamble: Companions, first of all, I want to say thank-you for the privilege of serving as Grand First Principal of this jurisdiction. I had a fabulous year and was able to visit every chapter in this jurisdiction at least once, some more than once. In my visits the hospitality was superb without exception. For me, another highlight was having the honour of installing 24 of the 36 First Principals.

Board of General Purposes: Spring Board was held in Chilliwack under the direction of REC Bill Fooks. It was well attended and the two major presentations were the new "*Stewardship Program*" and the amended Ritual for this jurisdiction. REC Larry Atkinson presented the Stewardship program and REC Malcolm Johnson and VEC Joe Carver the Ritual. Both were well received.

Grand Chapter Officers: It is with regret that Grand Haggai, REC William Fooks, has decided for medical reasons to not accept nomination for Grand First Principal. Companions with that decision, we are now in a situation similar to last year where there are only enough applications to start up the line. Therefore, there will be no elections for Junior Sojourner. The elect positions will be as follows: Grand First Principal elect is REC Les Robinson, Haggai is REC George Tillotson, Joshua is REC Alastair Ross, GPS – REC David Grange, GSS – REC Stan Sorensen and GJS – VEC Dr. Joel chiri.

Companions, in light of the age and decline in numbers it is time perhaps to shorten the elected line from six to four years. Even though I have spoken many times over the years as to the advantages of having a six year line (Better knowledge of

the workings of Grand Chapter as well as having the opportunity to pick and choose the official visits, as well as the membership knowing the aspirants better) I feel now that, out of necessity, we must shorten the line to four positions. That means that the Senior and Junior Sojourners would be appointed rather than elected. Finally, my companions I see no point in continuing the practice of appointing the Veils as they perform no function in Grand Chapter and there are other VEC positions that can be appointments for outstanding support.

This year we had a sad occurrence with the death, due to cancer, of REC Tom Purves, Grand Superintendent of District 4. We will miss Tom's tireless dedication to Royal Arch. In addition, the loss of Gerald Newton added to the loss of dedicated Royal Arch masons in this jurisdiction.

Dispensations: First there was a general dispensation where I allowed the wearing of the regalia in public events such as the May Day parade where the public can view the membership in a positive light. Twenty individual dispensations were granted for the year.

Visitations: I had the great fortune of having a great traveling companion in the person of REC Gordon Galt who happens to be my Grand Director of Ceremonies. Gordon, thanks for many enjoyable days we have spent together this year.

As I have already stated, I have been able to visit each Chapter at least once and some up to four times. At the smallest visit there were only nine members present, including the superintendent and myself. The largest one had in excess of fifty companions present.

Chapters: It is with much sadness that I must report that many of our chapters are extremely weak and need much work in their membership attendance as well as improving ritual. This year we have received the charters from Mount Moriah # 20 in Fernie, Papyrus #27 in Powell River and Kootenay #3 in Kaslo. However, on the bright side many of the chapters are reporting an increase in membership this year with many chapters having three or four new members for the first time in years. The largest number of new members went to Columbia #1 with 11 new members.

Sister Jurisdictions and Concordant Bodies: Your Grand Chapter was honored by invitations to several Grand sessions which I could not accept due to timetable coincidences. I was well represented by other Grand Chapter officers or past Grand Chapter officers for whom I am most grateful. The Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan, Washington and Quebec by MEC George Eaton. The Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario by MEC Joe Marshall and the Order of the Eastern Star by REC George Tillotson.

I was pleased to attend on your behalf the Grand Chapter of Alberta, the Order of the Amaranth, International Order of Job's Daughters (IOJD) both Grand and Supreme Grand sessions, the Grand Lodge of B.C. and Yukon, Grand Conclave of Red Cross of Constantine and the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada. In addition to the Grand sessions, I attended the Scottish Rite special remembrance meeting of concordant bodies as well as the concordant body meeting put on by the Lodge of Instruction and Education. As well I gave a ten minute presentation to the Association of Grand High Priests.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Mission Chapter 75th Anniversary: I was pleased to attend the 75th anniversary celebration of Mission Chapter and received a pin marking that date.

International: We attended, with members of the Grand Chapter of Washington, their International night in Bellingham. WA. As well supported them at the annual Affirmation Sunday at the Peace Arch Park in Blaine, WA. I was proud of our membership as on both occasions our numbers exceeded our American companions. As always our hosts treated us royally.

Grand Representatives: I have asked the chair of this committee, Companion Jeremy Gomersall, to review the file to determine two things: First, how many representatives have heard from their jurisdictions and secondly how many jurisdictions require a new representative to be named based on the failure of the current representative to attend Grand Chapter for more than three consecutive years. Once that is completed, I expect to turn over to the next Grand First Principal a list of appointments that are needed in his year. I had the occasion to present MEC George Eaton his commission to represent Quebec.

Long Service Awards: I had the honour of presenting the following long service certificates:

Sixty year: REC Eric A. Bowers of Kamloops No. 18.

Fifty year:

Comp. Fred Smith of Westminster No. 6
VEC Alex McGregor of Semiahmoo No. 34

REC Anthony S. Mallam of Kootenay No. 3
REC Edward Francis McKee of Kamloops No. 18

Twenty-five year: I presented two certificates to companions during the year.

Membership: Companions, our membership is continuing to decline throughout masonry as a whole, nay throughout the volunteer organization. This year has seen the surrender of three charters in this jurisdiction. Saying that companions, I do not see this as a bad thing, but more a common life cycle in which we have all seen in the past.

For this year we have had younger applicants that we have seen for a few years and that number is increasing. I firmly believe that we have something good to offer mankind and therefore will not disappear. We, however, must be proactive for lamenting without action will get us nowhere. Therefore we must adopt and use "*The Stewardship Program*" that has been placed before you (Again many thanks to REC Atkinson for his energy and commitment to putting this program together). It is the duty of the Grand Superintendents to not only drive the program, but also to report on a regular basis to Grand Chapter its progress in the chapters.

I also instituted an *Amnesty Program* to try to recover members that had their membership dropped for whatever reason. We recovered 7 members under this program.

In an attempt to make the chapters more aware of the need to take on this initiative, I developed a questionnaire consisting of 18 questions to be filled out by each chapter and signed by the three principal officers, Scribe E and the District Superintendent. It had limited success as only 18 of 35

chapters responded. For following are the average results of the questions:

Succession Plan Responses:

Number of members in Chapter: 59. Number of affiliates: 9
Number attending each meeting (Excluding official visits): 13
Number of meetings per year: 8
Number of social functions each year: 1
Number of meetings where non-members of Royal Arch invited: 1
Average age of members: 69
Number of affiliates that travel more than ½ hr. to attend: 3
Number of meetings where non-masons invited: 1
Number of new officers advancing through line: 3
Number of re-cycled officers: 8
Number of offices filled: 12
Number of officers attending meetings (Excluding official visits): 9
Number of Lodges from which members recruited: 4
Public Functions attended: November 11
Strategies to attract new members: Invite from local lodges.
Strategies to encourage companions to be officers: Ask, book, friendly meeting,
Number of new members last year: 4
Number of new members over last 5 years: 6
Charities supported: RA Home, Keystone, Bursary
Number of Chapters donating to: All three charities: 8, RA Home: 6, Keystone of Life: 1, Local college: 1.
Finances sufficient for the near future: 17 yes, 1 no.

The foregoing, my companions, shows us very clearly that we need to become active in the business of letting brother

masons as well as the general public know what we are and how important the Masonic order is to our modern society. Finally we have been able to determine there are approximately ***1960*** Royal Arch companions in this jurisdiction.

Committees: To all members of all committees I salute you for your dedication in running this Grand Chapter in a professional manner for which we are eternally grateful. I now discharge you with many thanks.

Permanent Rank: I wish to thank all these officers for their dedication in the performance of their duties:

REC's: Glover, Wilson, Tillotson, Ross, Grange, Galt, Purves, Whyte and Buller.
VEC's: Bennie, Phillips, Marsh, Poncia and Chiri.

REC Recommendations: I am pleased to recommend the following Grand Superintendents of districts be confirmed in the permanent rank of Right Excellent Companion: District 1: REC Lionel Brownsey (1); District 2: REC Larry Lee Atkinson (6); District 3: REC David Ogilvie (18); District 7: REC Douglas Burke (39); District 8: REC Gerry Smith (22); District 9: REC William Aaroe (24); District 10: REC Rick Lenes (38); and District 11: REC Gordon Hebden (8).
VEC Recommendations: I am pleased to recommend the following other appointed officers be confirmed in the permanent rank of Very Excellent Companion: VEC Colin Hart (16), VEC Ken Ward (1), VEC Les Little (11), VEC Darryl Morphy (19), VEC Angus Nichol (8), VEC Leonard Timmins (36), VEC Lorne Street (19), VEC Warwick Parker (18) and posthumously to VEC Gerald Newton (29).

Conclusion: To all my officers, I thank you for your attention to duty and more importantly for your friendship and hospitality. We have worked well as a team. To my wife, Sharon, I thank you for the support you have given me all my Masonic life. To REC Herb Chow and MEC Rod Cutler thank you for encouraging me to put my name forward to start up the line, and to MEC Len Pickell and MEC Joe Marshall for sponsoring me from the Senior Sojourner through to Grand First Principal.

Companions, it has been a pleasure to serve you and this jurisdiction and I thank you for the privilege of serving as Grand First Principal.

I hereby **MOVE** this report be received by this Grand Chapter and referred to the committee on Grand Z's address for review. **SECONDED** by: REC Leslie Robinson **Carried**

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ANNUAL REPORT OF GRAND HAGGAI - 2006

Grand Chapter was held in Penticton on September 15, 16 and 17, 2005. I was voted to be Grand Haggai from Grand Senior Sojourner. I thought I would have no problem in handling the big jump in office. I attended several installations and invested the 2nd Principal. I don't remember which installations I attended as I did not write them down.

We had an Executive Meeting on February 4, 2006 at Simon Fraser Chapter in Richmond. Everything went well at that meeting and after lunch we attended Simon Fraser's installation and I installed the 2nd Principal.

We had a good meeting on April 8, 2006 at Chilliwack. This was our Spring Board meeting. The committee in charge did an excellent job in the preparation of the meeting.

On March 29, 2006, I informed the Grand First Principal, MEC Brian Richman, of my decision to step down from going further in the grand line. As a result of the stroke I had in September 2004, my health has not been good. My memory has deteriorated to the point that some times I don't remember things I am supposed to do. I have a hard time to drive distances at night, plus other problems.

The Royal Arch is a great part of Masonry and requires sound leadership. Leaders who can make well informed decisions on its future. I do not believe I can do that in my present condition, so I have stepped down to let companions who can advance and represent the Royal Arch.

I wish all officers good luck and may they have a good year and the Royal Arch prosper under their leadership. I want to thank all the companions for your support over the years.

I, REC William Fooks, Grand Haggai, **MOVE** the adoption of this report, **SECONDED** by REC Ed Wilson, Grand Scribe Ezra.

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REPORT OF GRAND JOSHUA – 2006

My Companions, I thank you for the privilege of serving you as your Grand 3rd Principal for 2005 and 2006. I have endeavored to travel as much as I could and have had the privilege of visiting many Chapters throughout the province.

Unfortunately, I had to return to England in late 2005 due to the death of my Mother and missed many special occasions.

I would like to thank all the Chapters for their kind hospitality. I was at many installations and had the privilege of installing the 3rd Principals. Once again the International Night in Bellingham as well as the Affirmation Ceremony at the Peace Arch was a great success and attended by many Companions.

I traveled to the Grand Chapter of Alberta with your Grand 1st Principal and many Companions, then Dawson Creek and Vernon. Later we visited Kelowna, Salmon Arm and Cranbrook where we were received royally.

I hope that as your Grand 3rd Principal I have served you well, and look forward to the coming year as your Grand First Principal and hope to be at as many Chapters and meetings as possible, and I look forward to renewing the many friendships I made this past year.

I, REC Leslie Robinson, hereby **MOVE** the acceptance of this report, **SECONDED** by VEC Angus Nichol. **Carried**

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The Grand First Principal invited, M. Ill. Companion, Robert Taylor, Grand Master of Royal and Select Masters of Cryptic Rite of Western Canada to speak. He brought the warmest fraternal greetings from the Cryptic Rite and thanked the Grand Chapter for courtesies received. He wished the Grand First Principal-elect, REC Leslie Robinson and officers all the best for the forthcoming year.

The Grand First Principal then invited Rt. Ill. Knight Vern Halverson, Grand Intendent General of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross of Constantine (Canada) to say a few words. Rt. Ill Knight Halverson brought greetings of the Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada, Order of the Red Cross and wished the Convocation all the best and for the new officers-elect to have a great year.

Following refreshment, the Grand First Principal invited Ill. Kt. Priest Lionel Brownsey, Victoria Tabernacle #52, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests or Order of Holy Wisdom to talk. Offered greetings of Most Ill. High Priest Ernest Donnison and Rt. Ill. Knight Priest, James Gordon, Grand Superintendent for Pacific Coast. Wished that the current convocation would be satisfactory and that the newly elected officers have a worthy and productive year.

Next, the Grand First Principal invited Rt. Em. Brother Leonard Pickell, Personal Representative for Distict 17, Knights of York, Cross of Honor to speak. Brought the greetings of the Grand Master of the Grand Covenant of the Knights of York, Cross of Honor, who asked that his personal greetings be relayed and that he joins in these greetings and wishes all the officers that will be installed at this convocation to have a good year.

The next invited speaker was Sir Knight Clancy Wilson, Past Grand Royal Patron of the Order of Amaranth of B.C. Brought the greetings of Honored Lady, Susan Vey, Grand Royal Matron and Sir Knight David Petty, Grand Royal Patron of the Grand Court of the Order of Amaranth of B.C. They have four courts in the province. Their philanthropy is diabetes research.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

The anticipation of remaining the Grand Chaplain for a second term is very great and you now begin to understand the enormity of the task you have undertaken. Hopefully, this gives you the opportunity to build on the things you began in your first term.

I was re-installed at the Grand Convocation at Penticton in 2005, I had once said : *"It is the duty of every Grand Chaplain to find his own level and then to do the best job he can; however, unless the position is to be considered largely ceremonial he must of necessity be available to the Companions and their families in time of need."* This sounds simple, but is a task that must be properly organized and carried out. This can be especially difficult considering the size of the jurisdiction of Grand Chapter and that the number of hospital visits, I was called upon to make increased five fold over my previous year.

As the Grand Chaplain, I participated in an every increasing number of Chapter installations, visited as many Chapters as possible and participated in some Lodge open houses to promote Royal Arch Masonry. Once again, the Companions were extremely helpful in keeping me notified regarding sick and distressed Companions, and I appreciated their assistance more than mere words can express. The opportunity to write for the Keystone magazine was a great pleasure and I received many wonderful compliments, as well as inquiries from Brothers outside of Royal Arch Masonry.

This year, with the assistance of my wife, we purchased and developed a web site, www.grandchaplain.com, for several purposes. The first purpose was to increase the visibility of

the Grand Chaplain. Its second, with the assistance of REC Ken Gibson, to improve Companion's access to the Grand Chaplain and Benevolence Committee. And its third, to increase the Companions awareness of events, good or bad, that affected individual Companions and their families around the province.

In regard to my outlined purposes, the new Grand Chaplain's web site received over ***2600*** visitors since opening and through it I received a number of inquiries to assist Companions with various government agencies and forms. The site contains information on Companions around the province, as well as Masonic downloads and other information.

In conclusion, it is my hope the Grand Chaplain's office will continue to develop and become a vital service, to all the Companions in Western Canada.

Respectfully submitted VEC Rev. Dr. Joel J. Chiri and I **MOVE** the acceptance o this report, **SECONDED** by REC Ed Wilson, Grand Scribe Ezra. **Carried**

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ROLL CALL OF PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

The Grand First Principal directed Scribe Ezra to read the names of the Past Grand First Principals in attendance and requested they approach the altar under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies.

1985: Most Excellent Companion R. Hilliard Clare
1989: Most Excellent Companion Thomas O. Mickey

1919: Most Excellent Companion Alexander S. Rollo
1993: Most Excellent Companion William R. Shippam
1997: Most Excellent Companion Leonard G.B. Pickell
1998: Most Excellent Companion Joseph R. Marshall
1999: Most Excellent Companion Denis S. Carriere
2000: Most Excellent Companion David D.S. Anderson
2001: Most Excellent Companion David B. Turner
2002: Most Excellent Companion Norman K. Monro
2003: Most Excellent Companion Basil R. Hobbs
2004: Most Excellent Companion George W. Eaton

MEC Clare spoke on behalf of the assembled Past Grand First Principals and thanked the Grand Chapter for recognizing them and noted that MEC Brian Richman will soon be joining them.

Grand Honours were accorded under the direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies. The Grand First Principal greeted each personally.

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ROLL CALL OF FIRST PRINCIPALS

The Grand first Principal directed Grand Scribe Ezra to read out the names of the First Principals in attendance and instructed them to attend west of the altar under the direction of the Director of Ceremonies and the Marshal.

Columbia No. 1:	EC Brian Beech
Westminster No. 6:	EC William Aspinall
Rocky Mountain No. 7:	EC E.T. McKay
Keystone No. 8:	VEC Angus Nichol
Cyrus No. 10:	REC George Tillotson (Proxy)

Kaien No. 13:	EC G.M. Webster
North Vancouver No. 16:	EC Roy Friis
Kelowna No. 17	VEC Wiliam Phillips
Kamloops No. 18:	VEC Vern Jones
Chilliwack No. 19:	REC Bill Fooks (Proxy)
Triple Tau No. 21:	MEC Bill Shippam (Proxy)
Composite No. 24:	REC Bill Aaroe (Proxy)
Papyrus No. 27:	EC Richard Sangster
King Solomon No. 30:	C Bob Barr (Proxy)
Joppa No. 31:	REC Vern Halverson
Majuba No. 33:	EC Al Stickley (Proxy)
Semiahmoo No. 34:	MEC Len Pickell (Proxy)
Cathedral No. 35:	MEC David Turner (Proxy)
Ft. George No. 36:	REC Harold Woolgar
Yukon No. 38:	MEC Thomas Mickey (Proxy)
Simon Fraser No. 40:	VEC Clancy Wilson (Proxy)
Caribou No. 43:	EC Bryan Rodger
Pacific Rim No. 44:	EC Jack Bragg

Grand Honours were accorded under direction of the Grand Director of Ceremonies. The Grand First Principal greeted each personally.

Absent First Principals:

Kootenay No. 3:	EC Alan Tomlinson
Rossland No. 4:	REC G.W. Reed
Okanagan No: 11	EC E.B. Kew
Mount Moriah No. 20:	REC B. Flewelling
Observatory No. 25:	EC Jens Milde
Tzouhalem No. 26:	EC Stan Grenda
Mission No. 28:	EC Rod Marquette
Granite No. 29:	REC Bob Mitchell
Kalum No. 37:	EC A.T. Balfour
Georgian No. 39:	EC Peter Burns

Dawson Creek No. 41:	EC Jim Forbes
Discovery No. 45:	EC Craig Houston

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REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

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

I would like to review the results of your Grand Chapter Finances for the year-ended ***31st December 2005***. The Financial Statements & Accounts of your Grand Chapter have been audited by VEC David Lewis and EC Peter Guichon, to which they have duly signed the Auditors Report and accepted the Financial Statements for both the General and Bursary accounts for the fiscal period under review.

General Account

Statement of Financial Position
Income and Expenditure Statement
Notes to Financial Statements
Statement of Cash Flows

Bursary Account

Statement of Financial Position – Capital Fund
Income and Expenditure Statement – Capital & Annual Fund
Statement of Cash Flows – Capital Fund

Appended to this Report are the various Statements listed above, showing the Actual 2005 results compared to the 2005 Planned estimates, and for your information also shows the Actual data for year 2004.

Your Grand Chapter continues to make every effort to explore areas of increasing revenues, and reducing or controlling expenditures. This activity needs the close cooperation of your Grand Scribe Ezra and all members of the Finance Committee working together with a common goal in mind.

General Account.

The following results are for the General Account 2005 year only.

To summarize - we had **Income** of $ 39,571 and **Expenses** of $ 37,436 ending up with a Net **Income** of $ 2,135.

Compared to the 2005 Planned results, our **Actual Income** was $3,896 greater than Plan, major favourable variances being Investment Interest of $ 1,509, and Misc income of $ 1,217, a major item being the $ 980 received from Web-site advertising plus favourable variances in Proceedings ($226); Certs ($200) and Rituals ($200).

In reviewing the Expenditures for last year compared to Plan they were ($2,175) higher than plan. Individually, the major variances were as follows:-

	$
Annual Proceedings increased costs	(1,030)
Advanced Proceedings	(404)
Ritual Revision	(719)
Inventory-Write-off outdated Publications	(3783)
Misc. Printing	(234)
Postage	(271)
Telephone/Internet	(1110)

Total Unfavourable	**(7551)**

Favourable variances to Plan are as follows:-

Grand E Travel	312
Rent	2485
KeystonePublication	600
RegaliaRepairs	500
Stationary/OfficeSupplies	167
Amortization	327
Investment Profit on sale	856
Total Favourable	**5247**

Balance Sheets Items.

Overall for the year 2005, we realized a return of 5.42% on our Investments. Our Total Investments with Odlum Brown Ltd now stands at $169,982, an increase of $ 11,760 over December 2004.

In 2005 we sold our holding in Sask Wheat and realized a profit of $ 856, during the time we held the investment in 2005, we realized a R.O.I. of 1.9%.

Later in the year, we made the following investments, Bank Nova Scotia - $8,178 and Coast Capital - $ 2,626

At year end we had $ 9,762 in ING Savings acct, earning 3% cumulative interest each month.

Companions, that just about sums up the activity of last years General Account.

Bursary Account

Last year your Bursary Committee awarded $ 12,500 to deserving students, this will be addressed by the Chair of the Bursary Committee. The Bursary – Capital Fund increased by $ 1,675, and our Investment Holdings now stands at $ 105,072, an increase of $ 8,134 from December 2004.

In March 2005, we sold our investment in Sask Wheat and took a profit on the sale of $ 856. In April we then sold Westshore Terminals at $ 12.60 realizing a profit taking of $ 6,555. In December 2005, we divested ourselves of our holding in Trim Div Inc (formerly Aim-Trimark) incurring a loss of $ 1,754. You may remember that in 2004 we sold 50% of this fund and incurred a loss of $ 2,000 at that time. Subsequently we purchased the following - Royal Bank - Common - $ 5,981 at $ 74.75/share and Sun Life Financial - $ 5,971 at $ 39.80/share. At year-end these Investments showed a market value of $ 89.07 and $ 47.74 respectively.

In December we divested ourselves of our holding in Trim Div Inc (formerly Aim-Trimark) as mentioned previously, and bought $ 7,777 of Coast Capital GIC's paying 4.1% pa.

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, no matter how trivial they may seem, or if you don't follow any of my explanations completely to your satisfaction, don't hesitate to raise a question or two.

Outlook – 2006

With regard to our performance so far in 2006, it is too early to make a forecast with any great degree of accuracy, but we (G Scribe E, Finance Committee Chair and myself) continually

monitor our Income & Expense's, together with our Investments Holdings, and foresee no unduly pitfalls for the year 2006.

Both our Investments of the General & Bursary holdings changed in February 2006 when the Province of Ontario holdings - General - ($ 20,000.00); and Bursary - ($15,000.00) matured on Feb 1st 2006. Under the guidance of our Investment Advisor we made the following purchases of Bell Canada – General Account $ 21,070.00; and for the Bursary Account $ 10,000.00 paying 5%pa. plus, additionally we made a further investment in the Bursary Account of $ 5,600.00 in Van City GIC at 4.33%

I **MOVE** the adoption of this report and statements, which will be **SECONDED** by REC. James Whyte.

Ron Glover – Grand Treasurer
Prince George. B.C.

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GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON

STATEMENT of FINANCIAL POSITION
" GENERAL ACCOUNT "

DECEMBER 31st 2005

		2005 $		2004 $	
ASSETS					
CURRENT					
Bank Account - Chequing		1,704.26		1,297.04	
Imprest Account		150.00		150.00	
Cashable Bonds		9,761.81		7,819.84	
Advances		0.00		0.00	
Investment Receivable		987.34		4,390.06	
Accounts Receivable		617.96		562.83	
Inventories	(note 1)	3,034.48		7,762.60	
Prepaid Expenses		222.00		170.00	
			$16,477.85		$22,152.37
INVESTMENTS (at Cost)					
Odlum Brown - Holdings	(note 2)	169,982.45		158,221.70	
			$169,982.45		$158,221.70
FIXED					
Regalia etc		12,098.46		11,609.45	
Accumulated Depreciation		(5,818.00)		(4,441.00)	
Computer Equipment		1,403.86		1,403.86	
Accumulated Depreciation		(1,315.00)		(1,010.00)	
Office Equipment		1,380.88		1,645.88	
Accumulated Depreciation		(972.00)		(846.00)	
			$6,778.20		$8,362.19
TOTAL ASSETS			**$193,238.50**		**$188,736.26**
LIABILITIES					
CURRENT					
Accounts Payable		1,590.00		1,223.10	
Provision Investment Loss		0.00		0.00	
Provision Regalia Replacement		6,000.00		4,000.00	
			$7,590.00		$5,223.10
CAPITAL & EQUITY					
Prior years Surplus		183,513.16		184,000.20	
Prior years Adjustment		0.00		0.00	
Current years Surplus/(Loss)		2,135.34		(487.04)	
			$185,648.50		$183,513.16
TOTAL LIABILITIES			**$193,238.50**		**$188,736.26**

Approved.....Grand 1st Principal

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Approved.....Grand 2nd Principal

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT - "GENERAL FUND"
For the Year Ended December 31st 2005

		ACTUAL 2004	ACTUAL 2005	PLAN 2005	VARIANCE to Plan 2005
INCOME					
	Capita Dues	29,212.77	26,341.00	25,500.00	841
	Bank Interest	543.96	444.24	300.00	144.24
	Investment Interest	9,027.84	8,808.40	7,300.00	1,508.40
	Keystone	172.88	209.30	450.00	(240.70)
	Proceedings	929.00	1,025.86	800.00	225.86
	Certificates	676.00	700.00	500.00	200.00
	Misc Income (note 4)	3,137.00	2,042.00	825.00	1,217.00
	TOTAL INCOME	**43,699.45**	**39,570.80**	**35,675.00**	**3,895.80**
EXPENDITURE					
	Bank Charges	111.68	0.00	0.00	-
	Grand "Z" - Travel-B.C.	4,300.00	4,300.00	4,300.00	0.00
	- Travel Yukon	0.00	700.00	700.00	0.00
	- Itineraries	0.00	0.00	50.00	50.00
	Grand "E" Travel	622.03	438.15	750.00	311.85
	Honorarium	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
	Grand Trea Honorarium	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
	Travel	331.85	424.25	500.00	75.75
	Insurance	535.00	313.00	500.00	187.00
	Rent	4,229.00	1,870.00	4,355.00	2,485.00
	District 10 Travel	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
	Jewels/Pins/Regalia	1,194.26	353.30	320.00	(33.30)
	Regalia Repairs	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
	Regalia Replacement Fund	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
	Printing - Ann.Proceedings	997.30	2,029.66	1,000.00	(1,029.66)
	- Keystone	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00
	- Adv Proceedings	0.00	403.99	0.00	(403.99)
	- Ritual Revision	0.00	718.50	0.00	(718.50)
	- Inventory W/off	4,844.00	3,782.50	0.00	(3782.50)
	- General (note 5)	750.49	1,118.62	885.00	(233.62)
	Postage	1,421.68	1,471.01	1,200.00	(271.01)
	Telephone	1,123.39	1,860.41	750.00	(1,110.41)
	Stationery/Office Supplies	146.68	332.95	500.00	167.05
	Cases - Regalia	130.00	0.00	0.00	-
	Miscellaneous	637.48	323.95	50.00	(273.95)
	Computer Supplies	711.06	635.80	600.00	(35.80)
	Repairs - Computers	40.08	0.00	100.00	100.00
	- Office Equip.	0.00	42.00	100.00	58.00
	Amortization	2,094.00	2,073.00	2,400.00	327.00
	Investment Loss(Profit)	5,466.51	(855.63)	0.00	855.63
	TOTAL EXPENSES	**44,186.49**	**37,435.46**	**35,260.00**	**(2,175.46)**
	NET INCOME/(LOSS)	**$ (487.04)**	**$ 2,135.34**	**$ 415.00**	**$ 1,720.34**
	Purchase Office Equipt	*0.00*	*0.00*	*600.00*	*600.00*
	Purchase Computer Eqpt.	*0.00*	*0.00*	*0.00*	*0.00*
	Convocation Advance	*0.00*	*0.00*	*500.00*	*500.00*
GCFinancials.xls	*Purchase Regalia*	*0.00*	*489.01*	*0.00*	*(489.01)*
P&LofPlan.xls	***CASH OUTLAY***	***$ 44,186.49***	***$ 37,924.47***	***$ 36,360.00***	***$ (1,564.47)***

GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - "GENERAL ACCOUNT"
For the Year Ended DECEMBER 31st, 2005

NET INCOME (EXPENDITURES)		$	**2,135.34**
SOURCE of FUNDS			
Amortization Net			2,073.00
Regalia Reserve Fund			2,000.00
Inventories			4,728.12
Investment Interest Receivables			3,402.72
Accounts Payable			366.90
	Source	$	**12,570.74**
	sub total	$	**14,706.08**
APPLICATION of FUNDS			
Accounts Receivable			55.13
Prepaid Expenses			52.00
Cashable Bonds (ING)			1,941.97
Net Investment Made			11,760.75
Purchase Regalia			489.01
	Application	$	**14,298.86**
	Net Cash Flow	$	**407.22**
BANK BALANCE at January 1st 2005		$	**1,297.04**
BANK BALANCE at December 31st 2005		$	**1,704.26**

INVESTMENT HOLDINGS - Odlum Brown

	Cost $	% Return	Market Value $
Long Term...			
Prov of Quebec	10,597.31	4.79%	10,445.17
Prov of Nova Scotia	10,816.88	4.73%	10,166.58
Prov of Ontario	19,649.20	5.50%	20,024.78
Prov New Bruns.	10,772.55	5.69%	10,933.57
Prov of Sask.	12,390.36	4.93%	12,406.38
Bank of Montreal	12,421.80	7.01%	11,645.28
Coast Capital GIC 4.1%	2,626.00	0.00%	2,626.00
Triax	12,441.24	7.78%	12,760.00
GMAC	16,099.42	5.57%	14,147.04
Ford Credit	22,000.00	4.24%	19,470.69
GE Capital	15,956.51	4.84%	16,822.34
RBC	16,033.18	4.85%	16,674.94
Bank of N. Scotia GIC 4.05%	8,178.00	0.00%	8,178.00
Total...	$ 169,982.45	5.42%	$ 166,300.77
Savings...			
ING Direct Total...	$ 9,761.81		$ 9,761.81

GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS
NOTES to FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

at DECEMBER 31st 2005

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	2,078.90
Pins & Jewels	955.58
Total	**3,034.48**

Note 2 Investments (Long Term at Cost)

Prov of Sask	12,390.36
Prov of Ontario	19,649.20
Coast Capital	2,626.00
Triax	12,441.24
Bank Montreal	12,421.80
Prov of New Bruns	10,772.55
Prov of Nova Scotia	18,994.88
Prov Quebec	10,597.31
GMAC	16,099.42
Ford Credit	22,000.00
GE Capital	15,956.51
RBC	16,033.18
Total	**169,982.45**

Note 4 Analysis of Misc Income

Dispensations	230.00
Jewels 50/60 yrs	95.00
Royal Art	0.00
Constitutions	294.00
Rituals	300.00
Ceremonies/Guides	133.00
Manuals/Porch Sheets	(20.00)
25 year Pins	0.00
Miscellaneous	1,010.00
Total	**2,042.00**

Note 5 Analysis of Printing - General

Business cards	406.48
G.C. Programmes	0.00
Memorium Cards	0.00
Miscellaneous	712.14
Total	**1,118.62**

Grand Chapter Royal Arch - Bursary Account

Grand Treasurer's Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31st, 2005

" CAPITAL FUND "	$
Net Capital Income	1,674.50
Source of Funds:	
Investment Receivables	2,157.50
Source Total	**3,832.00**
Application of Funds:	
Investments Purchased	8,134.07
Application Total	**8,134.07**
Net Cash Flow	**(4,302.07)**
Opening Bank Balance Jan 1st 2005	$ 8,091.54
Closing Bank Balance Dec 31st 2005	$ 3,789.47

Investments Held @ Dec 31st 2005	Cost $	Interest % Return	Market Value $
Odlum Brown -			
Prov. Ontario	14,736.90	5.50	15,018.59
Triax Diversified	10,169.33	7.29	9,280.00
GMAC	6,037.28	5.57	5,305.14
Ford Credit 6.0%	5,000.00	5.57	4,434.29
Ford Credit 6.4%	7,000.00	5.57	6,161.12
Prov. New Bruns. 5.7%	10,270.56	5.42	10,384.08
Prov Sask	10,363.72	4.25	9,756.19
Prov of New Bruns. 6.375%	10,772.55	5.42	10,933.57
GE Capital	5,983.69	4.84	6,308.38
Royal Bank 5.0%	5,010.37	3.10	5,210.92
Coast Capital 4.1%	7,777.00	0.00	7,777.00
Royal Bank-Common Shares	5,980.46	3.10	7,264.80
Sun Life - Common S	5,970.06	3.00	7,009.50
Total	$ 105,071.92	5.55%	$ 104,843.58

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REPORT OF GRAND SCRIBE EZRA - 2006

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

This is my first year as Grand Scribe Ezra and, believe me, it has been a steep learning experience. There was so much to learn and read that it has kept me busy more than the three days a week. I must offer my sincere thanks to ***MEC Joseph Marshall***, without whom I am sure I would never have accomplished as much as I did. He was always there to help me and to provide me with the background and information so necessary in the performance of this position. I would be remiss if I neglected to mention the former Grand Scribe Ezra, ***MEC Alexander Rollo***, who also provided me with great assistance and information pertinent to this job.

In this same vein, great help was also provided by the Grand First Principal. Brian Richman, our Immediate Past Grand First Principal, George Eaton, Ms. Jan Lupton, REC James Whyte, Grand Scribe Nehemiah, REC Ronald Glover, Grand Treasurer, REC Dick Schaffer, Director of Finance and to all the other officers and committee members who provided direction and information when I required it to complete a task. The assistance of the ***Grand Superintendents*** was also appreciated to the fullest extent. The collective input from the ***Scribes Ezra*** of all the Chapters went a great way to making my learning easier and fulfilling and I particularly thank them for their patience and understanding as I strived to learn this job. The remaining ***Past Grand First Principals*** also provided input and information which proved, to me, to be invaluable. If for some reason I have forgotten anyone,

please accept my thanks for helping as all Companions of this jurisdiction did provide help in some form or another.

Finally and by no means least, I must thank my wife Agnes who put up with a lot while I re-arranged the basement, moved things around and brought in boxes and boxes of files and other Royal Arch paraphernalia. She has offered great support and encouragement even on the many occasions when I have been away nights and days on business.

The Grand Chapter office is now up and running without any great problems.

As of ***December 31, 2004*** our membership was ***2043*** and on ***December 31, 2005*** it was ***1939*** a decrease of ***104*** companions. The statistics from the ***2005*** Annual returns are:

Deceased:	63	
Suspended:	33	
Demitted	79	
	TOTAL:	**175**
Exalted:	53	
Restored:	07	
Affiliated:	19	
	TOTAL:	**79**

The Grand Treasurer and I, with input from the Finance Committee, are constantly examining our expenses to determine where savings can be made. As for savings for Chapters, if you have e-mail use it to send in requests for dispensation, orders for material, Chapter minutes and any other matters that could be sent by computer as it saves considerable postage. To send in notices by e-mail, I only

require one (1) copy as I can make extra copies here if needed.

For some time now, our Grand Chapter membership has been steadily decreasing which, of course, is also common to other fraternal bodies. In fact this year three (3) Chapters, ***Kootenay No. 3, Mount Moriah No. 20*** and ***Papyrus No. 27*** are handing in their Charters. Such action, while inevitable under the circumstances, is distressing and there is some indication other Chapters may not be too healthy or active. Companions, now is the time to act. We must work collectively and diligently to improve our membership situation. Each Companion must assume a degree of responsibility in this regard as we all work together to induce new members to become members of our beloved fraternity.

I look forward to the New Year and to working with the new slate of officers. As a team, I believe we can go forward and make membership our number one priority.

Respectfully and sincerely submitted:

MOVED REC Ed Wilson, Grand Scribe Ezra **SECONDED** by Grand Scribe Nehemiah, REC James Whyte **Carried**

Royal Arch Membership Statistics 2005

Chapter	No.	Members 1/1/2005	Exalted	Restored	Affiliated	Deceased	Suspended	Demitted	Expelled	c/f 2006
Columbia	1	163	3	0	0	5	2	4	*8	151
Kootenay	3	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Rossland	4	43	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	36
Westminster	6	46	5	0	0	2	1	4	0	44
Rocky Mountain	7	88	0	2	0	2	7	7	0	74
Keystone	8	55	1	2	0	1	0	9	0	48
Cyrus	10	85	0	0	0	5	0	4	0	76
Okanagan	11	50	0	0	2	3	0	2	0	47
Kaien	13	49	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	47

North Vancouver	16	37	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	34
Kelowna	17	41	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	40
Kamloops	18	75	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	71
Chilliwack	19	91	4	0	0	2	3	4	0	86
Mount Moriah	20	25	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Triple Tau	21	92	2	0	1	3	6	4	0	82
Penticton	22	38	2	0	6	0	1	1	0	44
Composite	24	34	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	32
Observatory	25	29	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	23
Tzouhalem	26	61	3	0	2	3	0	4	3	59
Papyrus	27	28	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	29
Mission	28	38	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	39
King Solomon	30	48	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	44
Joppa	31	123	6	0	0	2	0	3	0	124
Majuba	33	31	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	33
Semiahmoo	34	56	3	0	1	4	0	1	0	55
Cathedral	35	56	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	53
Fort George	36	101	3	0	2	0	6	4	0	95
Kalum	37	66	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	66
Yukon	38	45	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	44
Georgian	39	37	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	33
Simon Fraser	40	62	2	0	1	1	1	6	0	58
Dawson Creek	41	93	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	92
Caribou	43	37	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	35
Pacific Rim	44	27	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	29
Discovery	45	41	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	40
TOTALS		2039	53	7	19	63	33	79	3	1939

***Columbia #1 adjustment**

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

MEC Denis Carriere advised that the two notices of motion have been found acceptable in form but expresses no opinion as to the wisdom of their adoption. MEC Carriere **MOVED** the adoption of this report, **SECONDED** by REC Ron Bushby. **Carried**

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Last year a motion to amalgamate Districts 4 and 5 was passed. Next a motion to amalgamate Districts 3 and 8 into one district was tabled at the request of one Chapter that wanted to review the motion further. **MOVED** by VEC Francis Latter, **SECONDED** by MEC Dennis Carriere the motion be removed from the table. **Carried.** (Any voting will be by written ballot.)

VEC Latter advised that Kamloops, Granite and Okanagan voted in favour of accepting the principle of the motion. Penticton, Kelowna and Observatory also held votes and two of the three voted not to support the motion. REC John Swierstra, advised that Granite chapter has not had sufficient time to comprehend the full impact of this amalgamation and can not see any advantage to the Chapters involved and recommends it be further reviewed and reported on by an appropriate committee. He recommends the motion be defeated.

REC Gerald Smith confirmed in District 8, that two Chapters were against and one was for it. Recommended this motion be defeated. REC Norman MacDonald advised he was in favour of the motion.

The Grand First Principal advised that to pass this motion required a 50% plus one "yes" vote. There is still another motion on the table to downsize the Districts of this jurisdiction. Grand First Principal, agreed to by Grand Scribe Nehemiah (Seconder) that this motion be ***withdrawn*** and no further action taken. (*See results of vote on page 56*)

The Grand First Principal invited V.Worthy Bro. Alex Hart to bring greetings of the Order of the Secret Monitor of Canada. VWBro. Alex Hart advised the number of Conclaves in B.C. has doubled in the past year. He asked all members of the Secret Monitor to rise and that they are accepting new applications. Wished this Grand Convocation all the best for a successful and harmonious session.

Next, Rt. Em. Brother Vern Halverson was asked to speak on behalf of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America. He explained that they are an invitational Order and one must be a member of all four York Rite bodies to be a member. Their aim is to assist Lodges, Chapters, Councils and Preceptorys in degree or installation work. Brought the greetings of the Grand Master General and wished this convocation success and good luck.

Rt. Ven. Bro. Alastair Ross was invited to speak on behalf of the Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada. He advised that Rt. Ven. Bro. Michael Raynor was unable to attend so he was representing both him and the Grand Master. On behalf of the Grand Master wished this Grand Chapter to have a good forthcoming year.

MEC Terrance Drolet, Grand First Principal of Alberta spoke next. Brought greetings from the Grand Chapter of Alberta and noted the two jurisdictions seem to have similar problems in membership, attendance, etc. although he believes they may have turned the corner this year. New members must be nurtured and mentored if they are to be active and have a positive impact on our fraternity. Introduced other Companions from Alberta attending. Recalled the words of the thirty-fourth Psalm, *"Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him and He will make it pass."*

The votes respecting the motion to amalgamate Districts 3 and 8 were returned. The vote was 69 "yes, 59 "no" and 1 spoiled ballot. The motion is ***passed*** and will take effect at the commencement of the ***2007/08*** year.

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REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

REC Richard Schafer delivered this report and **MOVED** acceptance of this report, **SECONDED** by REC Bud Porter. VEC Ted Perry noted the comment in respect to the submission by the local Convocation Committee for additional information feel they did supply the proper and complete information. The Grand First Principal noted that part of the problem is there is no guidelines and change the word in the report *"ire"* to *"concern"*. Motion, as amended, ***Carried***.

REC Schafer presented the 2007 budget and **MOVED** it be accepted, **SECONDED** by REC Bud Porter. VEC Norm McEvoy spoke on the availability of funds for the Fund Raising foundation as there does not seem to any money in the budget for them. Grand First Principal advised this will be dealt with under the matter of forming the foundation. Budget motion ***Carried***

September 15th, 2006

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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

Excellent Companions:

Your Finance Committee met, formally, three times this past year. The first meeting was on January 26th, 2006 to review last year's budget, to ascertain how close we were to the figures projected, and thereby better equipping us to prepare a budget for 2007. We found that the Grand Scribe "E" and the Grand Treasurer had kept the figures close to those projected. We had an increase overall of $3,055.- in Misc. Income. This was offset by an increase on the Expense side of the ledger of $2,175.-, for a net gain of $880.- We projected a membership of 2,125, actual figures 2,043. We overestimated by 82 members.

Our 2nd meeting was held on March 30th, 2006 to prepare a budget for 2007, which was presented to the Spring Board on April 8th, 2006. We again asked for input of suggestions and comments to improve the Budget.

Our 3rd meeting was held on May 30th, 2006 to prepare a final budget for 2007, which is being presented today. The Committee examined the proposed budget item by item, both income and expenses. We made some minor adjustments to the figures presented at the Spring Board, and feel it fairly represents our needs.

There is, however, a fly in the ointment. Our Grand First Principal has informed us that 2 to 4 Chapters may turn in their Charters at this Grand Convocation, leaving us with fewer members than forecast to pay for it. The unknown in this is how many members will affiliate with other Chapters, and how many will drop out of Royal Arch Masonry. Until that is known the committee feels we should leave the per capita at $11.75 for the year 2007. (We had projected a $0.25 reduction.)

The Finance Committee has raised the IRE of the 2006 Convocation Committee by requesting that a proper budget be presented; an example of the 2002 Nanaimo Grand Convocation budget was offered as an example to follow. It was decided at the Grand Convocation held in Penticton in 2005, that Grand Chapter would be responsible for any overruns, providing a proper budget is presented to the Finance Committee prior to the Convocation. Conversely any excess funds resulting from a convocation become the property of Grand Chapter to be added to the Convocation Loan Fund, an account which has recently been introduced into your Grand Chapter Accounting.

In presenting the 2002 Convocation estimates as an example, we felt that future Finance Committees would be better served to make approvals.

We realize that Convocation Committees are hard pressed for income, and therefore recommend that the registration fee be raised to $20.- per member. We believe the $10.- fee has been in effect for over 15 years, and as costs have continually risen, we believe it is time to raise them. This may perhaps induce future Committees to include a ladies program.

The present Auditors, E. Companions Peter Guichon and V. Ex. Comp. David Lewis have found the books to be in order and correct, and have agreed to stay on for another year.

We were informed that E. Comp. Peter Guichon donated a laptop computer and a printer to the Grand Scribe "E" for his use.

Grand Chapter has again arrived at a decision to spend thousands of dollars on printing and we sincerely hope you will purchase the rituals offered for sale. This was not a Finance Committee decision, but that of the Executive Council.

In closing, we would like to thank our Grand Scribe "E", R. Ex. Comp. Edward Wilson and the Grand Treasurer R. Ex. Comp. Ronald Glover for the work they do on behalf of Grand Chapter, they are both a very valuable asset to this organization. It's been a pleasure working with them.

As this is my last report as chairman of this Committee, I would like to thank all those who sat on this Committee over the past 5 years, for their time, energy and valuable input to make this unit work. It's been a pleasure working with all of you.

Fraternally submitted,

Ex. Comp. Peter Guichon
V. Ex. Comp. David Lewis
R. Ex. Comp. A. E. (Bud) Porter
R. Ex. Comp. Richard (Dick) Schafer, Chairman
Ex. Comp. Ian Thompson

I Move Acceptance of this report, and will be seconded by R. Ex. Comp. A. E. (Bud) Porter

PROPOSED GRAND CHAPTER BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2007

INCOME STATEMENT

	Actual 2003	Actual 2004	Actual 2005	Budget 2005	Budget 2006	Budget 2007
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Sundry Income:						
Bank & Savings Interest	287	544	444	300	500	400
Investment Income	8,288	9,028	8,809	7,300	8,350	8,400
Keystones	18	173	209	450	0	0
Proceedings	96	929	1,026	800	800	800
Certificates	860	676	700	500	500	500
Dispensations	150	140	230	130	130	130
Jewels/Pins 50/60 yr	120	585	95	200	300	360
Royal Art	75	30	0	45	30	100
Constitutions	603	682	294	200	400	400
Rituals	386	458	300	100	300	500
Ceremonies/Guides	272	364	133	100	200	100
Manuals/Porch Sheets	71	33	(20)	0	0	0
25 yr Pins	301	75	0	50	75	100
Misc	11	770	1,010	0	1,100	1,000
Total Sundry Income	11,538	14,487	13,230	10,175	12,585	12,790
PER CAPITA	31,589	29,212	26,341	25,500	23,500	21,268
TOTAL INCOME	43,127	43,699	39,571	35,675	36,085	34,058

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PROPOSED GRAND CHAPTER BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2007

EXPENSES	Actual 2003	Actual 2004	Actual 2005	Budget 2005	Budget 2006	Budget 2007
Bank Charges	0	112	0	0	0	125
Grand "Z" Travel B.C.	4,700	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,800	4,800
Travel Yukon	700	0	700	700	700	700
Intineraries	45	0	0	50	50	50
Grand "E" Travel	298	622	438	750	750	750
Allowance	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Grand Treas. Allowance	500	500	500	500	500	500
Travel	500	332	424	500	500	500
Insurance	489	535	313	500	550	550
Rent incl Security	3,960	4,229	1,870	4,355	2,100	2,100
District 10 Travel	0	0	600	600	500	600
Jewels/Pins etc	54	840	353	320	400	320
Regalia Repairs	0	354	0	500	400	500
Regalia Replacement Fund	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Printing - Proceedings	849	987	2,030	1,000	1,000	1,000
- Keystones	686	0	0	600	0	0
- Adv Proceedings	0	0	404	0	0	425
- Business Cards	0	0	406	25	25	0
- G.C. Programmes	72	78	0	75	80	80
- Memorium Prog.	28	31	0	35	40	40
- Ritual Revision	0	0	719	0	0	0
- Inventory Write/Off	2	4,844	3,783	0	700	0
- Rituals - New	0	0	0	0	0	350
- Misc	3,228	641	712	750	700	300
Postage	1,361	1,422	1,471	1,200	1,200	1,300
Telephone/Internet	849	1,123	1,860	750	1,800	1,650
Stationery & Office	910	147	333	500	250	400
Miscellaneous	61	638	324	50	50	100
Computer Supplies	531	711	636	600	600	600
Repairs - Computers	0	40	0	100	100	50
- Office Equiptment	0	0	42	100	100	100
Amortization of Assets	2,912	2,094	2,073	2,400	2,000	1,700
Regalia Cases	0	130	0	0	130	150
Investment Loss	0	5,466	(856)	0	2,000	0
Grand Chapter Expenses	36,733	44,186	37,435	35,260	36,025	33,740
Less Sundry Income	11,538	14,487	13,230	10,175	12,585	12,790
G.C. Exp's Cale's/Capita	25,195	29,699	24,205	25,085	23,440	20,950
Balance Sheet Items						
Purchase Office Equip't	*0*	*0*	*0*	*600*	*500*	*0*
Computer Equip't	*685*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*750*	*750*
Convocation Advance	*0*	*0*	*0*	*500*	*0*	*0*
Purchase Regalia	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*
Total Expenditure	37,418	44,186	37,435	*35,760*	*36,775*	*34,490*
Members	2,328	2,180	2,043	*2,125*	*2,000*	*1,810*
Per Capita	13.57	13.40	12.89	*12.00*	*11.75*	*11.57*
Per Capita Levied/Planned	*13.50*	*12.50*	*12.50*	*12.00*	*11.75*	*11.75*

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Your Finance Committee recommends a per Capita of $ 11.75 for Year 2007

GRAND HISTORIAN'S REPORT

First, I would like to thank MEC Brian Richman for having the confidence to re-appoint me to this venerable post and apologize for not being able to visit with him as much as I would have liked.

THE LAST VEIL

Let me start with a short tribute to a predecessor in office, VEC Al Thompson of Semiahmoo No. 34, who passed away on February 6th. This was a personal loss, as Al had been on the Advisory Council of my DeMolay Chapter when I was Master Councillor in 1974 and we were involved in starting a short-lived Chapter in Langley. Al was a kind and gentle man, beloved by students and fellow teachers alike, and a true Freemason, but his frail condition at the end was obvious to us all. He was initiated into his father's lodge, St. Andrew's No. 560 in Ottawa, but was raised by courtesy in Lodge Southern Cross No. 44 in Vancouver on Oct. 25, 1946 and finally joined the Craft in B.C. when he became a founding member of Langley No. 184 in 1978.

CHAPTERS GO DARK

We lost three of our Chapters this year: Kootenay No. 3 in Kaslo, Mt. Moriah No. 20 in Fernie and Papyrus No. 27 in Powell River.

Kootenay's roots date back to before our Grand Chapter, holding its first meeting Under Dispensation on April 16, 1897, then being granted a charter as No. 120 under the Grand Chapter of Canada on January 26, 1898. EC Elon Ezra Chipman, who later became Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of B.C., was the guiding force and the first Z. Being from Ontario, the Chapter gave him a chance to do ritual work, as his affiliated Craft Lodge in Kaslo doesn't use the 'Canadian' ritual of Ontario. The Chapter's final meeting was July 15th when MEC Richmond visited. The Scribe E., REC Tom Lymbery, has compiled a brief history which is an Appendix to this report.

Mt. Moriah's roots stretch back as well, as the Grand Chapter of Canada chartered Crow's Nest Chapter in Fernie as No. 137 on January 25, 1905, and the young Chapter received a visit from the Grand Z., William Roaf, the following September. The first Z. was Arthur Wellesley Bleasdell (who has a mountain and creek named after him) and the first Scribe E. was John R. McEwing. Crow's Nest surrendered its charter in 1918 after being dormant for three or four years, thanks mainly to a fire, a coal miners strike, and the War, along with the short depression which preceded it. It had 54 members on the roll at the time. EC William Harold Kerr Anderson was the last Z. and Comp. Herbert Everett Barnes was the final Scribe E. (both were on war service at the time). A letter was sent to our Grand Chapter in 1921 asking to revive the 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, and the new Chapter was instituted in Fernie on February 7, 1922 and received a charter that September 14th, with EC William Barraclough as Z. and EC Joseph Austin as Scribe E.

Papyrus was an off-shoot of Cyrus No. 10 and instituted on March 20, 1928, then constituted as No. 27 the following September 17th with EC Thomas Rickson as Z. and EC Charles William Godfrey as Scribe E. The Chapter's final meeting was June 27, 2006. Its Scribe E., MEC Norm Monro, says the Chapter has been struggling for a number of years with a faithful few keeping it going.

POSITIVE CHAPTER NEWS

However, there is some good news in Capitular circles on the West Coast. Witness this report from Tzouhalem No. 26, where REC Richard Nesbitt related at the Grand Z.'s official visit:

"...of how a few years ago the Chapter was in great difficulty both with a lack of active members and officers. He further explained that a vision was developed for the Chapter and a plan agreed to that would accomplish those goals. Tzouhalem Chapter was able

to "reinvent" itself, to make the meetings interesting for the members and that rather just a regular meeting they would be an "event" not to be missed. They have obviously been successful in the implementation of the plan."

ARCHIVES?

One thing that should be brought to the attention of Grand Chapter - it was a surprise to read in the late REC Jack Meek's history about a Grand Chapter archives. If we have one, I haven't seen it. There is no space in the Grand Lodge archives other than for a general display dealing with concordant bodies. Since the Grand Chapter office was moved to suburbia, things are scattered all over. Grand Chapter records are in four different closets at our former home at 1495 West 8th Avenue. We do not have a complete set of Proceedings of our own Grand Chapter (and the Grand Lodge library has two incomplete sets). The Proceedings contain our history – something we can not neglect. Things are packed away in boxes and nothing of it is catalogued. Some of it has nothing to do with Royal Arch Masonry. At the very least, we should have a complete set of Proceedings, old Chapter returns and copies of the Keystone stored in what used to be Vancouver No. 2's old closet.

IN CONCLUSION

I'd again like to thank REC Jim Whyte for his reports of events via the Royal Arch e-mail list. Several Scribes Ezra have been e-mailing me a summons, but most don't, which makes it hard for me to report historical activities of their Chapter

Fraternally.

Jim Bennie, Grand Historian

MOVED this report be accepted by REC Ed Wilson, **SECONDED** by REC James Whyte ***Carried***

APPENDIX A

THE STORY OF KOOTENAY CHAPTER NO 3, KASLO, B. C.

In 1896 , Kootenay Chapter was conceived by several companions led by EC Elon Ezra Chipman of Minnewawa Chapter No 78 of Park Hill, Ontario. By March 1897 a petition was submitted to the Grand chapter of Canada by 12 Kaslo Companions coming from eight different jurisdictions.

A dispensation was granted on April 16, 1897. The first meeting of Kaslo Chapter U D was held August 26th, at which one application for affiliation and four for Exaltation were received.

The warrant for Kaslo No 120 was granted January 26, 1898 and the first convocation three months later. E.E. Chipman was the first Z, who became Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of B. C. in 1902.

Keystone Chapter No 99 at Portage La Prairie, Manitoba was having difficulties so they offered Kootenay Chapter their regalia for $125, which was immediately accepted. As Kootenay was the only Royal Arch Chapter in the interior of BC, brethren came great distances from the mining communities of East and West Kootenays. The Chapter encouraged and recommended establishment of the Royal Arch in other interior centres, first for Rossland Chapter No. 122, then Nelson No. 123, Fort Steele No. 125 and Revelstoke No. 128.

In 1919, with the support of Kootenay Chapter, the successful launching of Grand Chapter of B.C. required renumbering of constituent Chapters. Thus Kootenay received No. 3, being the senior capitular organization in the interior of B.C.

This Chapter has the distinction of providing two Grand First Principals to Grand Chapter of B.C., Charles Francis Sherwin, 1922, and Henry Giegerich, 1927.

The above was taken from "The Royal Art" a History of Royal Arch Masonry in B.C. and the Yukon, published in 1984. At

that date the book mentions that "with the closing of the mines Kootenay Chapter has difficulty maintaining its existence".

The Bluebell Mine at Riondel had a "Craft Lodge of Instruction" when that mine was open from 1951 to 1972. Riondel is on the east side of Kootenay Lake so a ferry trip was necessary, as well as a time zone change in winter months, but companions from that side were enthusiastic about their trips to Kaslo.

However with the perseverance of REC Edwin Berrington, Kootenay has hung on longer than Boundary No.12 in Grand Forks, Mount Moriah No. 20, Fernie, and Nelson No. 5. When Nelson surrendered its charter, Berrington was able to get some Nelson companions to join Kootenay. With these and the faithful membership of some of Rossland No. 4 the high point of the five meetings held each year has always been the July Convocation, which has been the Grand First Principal's visit along with many Grand Chapter officers.

MEC George Coupland , REC Hugh McLachlan of Trail, and REC Albert Swityk of Grand Forks were faithful attenders, even though they often had the furthest to travel. Membership in 2006 was a total of 20 with 1st Principal EC Alan Tomlins, 2nd Principal EC Hugh Walker and 3rd Principal EC Glenn Weatherhead.

The July 15, 2006 Official Visit of MEC Brian Richman turned out to be the very last convocation of Kootenay No 3 at Kaslo. Gone but by no means forgotten.

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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – 2006

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

The Executive Committee met three times during the past year at various locations. The first meeting was in Richmond, B.C. on

February 4, 2006 in conjunction with the installation of Simon Fraser Chapter No. 40. The main thrust of this meeting was to discuss the currents state of the Royal Arch in B.C. and Yukon. The Grand First Principal explained that several Chapters were in serious trouble in respect to membership and that some support and direction was needed from Grand Chapter. The possible amalgamation of Chapters and Districts was considered for the future. One other matter was to consider having a Membership Committee as a Standing Committee and not an ad hoc committee as at present. The "***Mentorship***" program as presented by REC Larry Atkinson was also discussed in depth and adopted and will be presented to the Chapters throughout this jurisdiction.

On March 30, 2006 the Committee again met at Lynn Valley Lodge, North Vancouver. The first item was the inability of REC William Fooks to continue because of health reasons. His decision was accepted with regret as he has put a lot of effort and time into the Royal Arch and will be sorely missed. The Committee will recommend to Grand Chapter that Convocations be held in ***Nanaimo (2007)***, ***Courtenay (2008)*** and ***Pentiction (2009).***

Again the Committee met on May 30, 2006 in Lynn Valley. The revised ritual was discussed and it was decided to order 500 copies initially and to sell them at $10.00 each. Some discussion as to feasibility of eliminating the Grand Veils as Grand Chapter Officers – this matter to be examined in more detail at a later date. Future dates for Board of General Purposes (Spring Board) meetings are ***March 23/24, 2007 (Victoria)***, ***April 05, 2008 (New Westminster)*** and ***April 2009 (Langley).*** These date can be adjusted in accordance with the demands of the Grand First Principal.

Respectfully submitted and **MOVED** adoption by REC Ed Wilson, Grand Scribe Ezra. **SECONDED** by REC James Whyte ***Carried***

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The MEC Grand First Principal now called for the MEC Grand High Priest, Charlie Chapman of Washington to speak. Brought greetings of ME Grand Chapter of our most southern province, commonly known as Washington State. Wished to thank all members of this jurisdiction that attended their Grand Sessions, the International Night and Affirmation Day. The Grand York Rite meetings will be held in Wenatchee, WA in 2007 with Grand Chapter of Royal Arch on Saturday, May 12, 2007. Thanked the Grand First Principal for the hospitality shown to him and his companions. Their membership is about 1700 consisting of 31 Chapters. His motto is Duty, Honour , Family, Country and God and that we each have a duty to perform. Called the Grand Chapter to stand in tribute to the flags of both nation's as a symbol of our freedom.

The Grand First Principal of Manitoba, MEC Robert McMillan was called to address the convocation. Brought greetings of Grand Chapter of Manitoba, he thanked the Grand First Principal for courtesies shown to him. He is a collector of old things including a 1915 Case automobile. Looking forward to returning to B.C. at some time. Closed by reminding all to *"Keep your steam up and your lantern lit for Royal Arch Masonry."*

Then requested Ill. Brother Neil Weller 33°, Honorary Inspector General, to address the session on behalf of the Ancient and Accepted Order of Scottish Rite. He brought fraternal greetings of the Supreme Council of Thirty-third Degree of the Scottish Rite of Canada and congratulated the Grand First Principal on a good year and wished the officers for 2007 a rewarding year also.

The Grand Steward, VEC William Poncia advised that lunch is in the hotel restaurant. At ***11:55 am***, Grand Chapter recessed for lunch.

Labour resumed at ***1:05 pm***.

ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

TO	GR. CHAPTER	FROM
T Goyogana	Argentina	WS Aaroe – P
EG Mehrtens	Australia, NSW	J McIntosh –P
FS Bell	Australia, Queensland	I Campbell –A
RJ Stewart	Australia, S&N Terr	E Wilson –P
KL Paroissien	Australia, Victoria	RH Clare –P
GF Walder	Australia, West	JP Roche –A
G Ulich	Austria	
P Noel	Belgium	F Kendrick –A
D Bruce	Canada, AB	RA Cutler –A
GM Wilson	Canada, ON	JR Marshall –P
NA Pow	Canada, MB	
CW Webber	Canada, NB	
OJ White	Canada, NL	GM Spencer –A
CS Dean	Canada, NS-PE	JR Elton –P
T Johnson	Canada, QC	GW Eaton –P
HE Hill	Canada, SK	LGB Pickell –P
J Tuonien	Finland	DB Turner –P
B Charpentier	France	
A McGhee	Germany	RFE Schafer –P
E Aspiotis	Greece	
HP Mathur	India	K Forouhar –A
MS Beatty	Ireland	SG Roberts –P
G Berkow	Israel	
F Bonafe	Italy	
OJ Salinas	Mexico	KW Gibson –A
JJ Hanrath	Netherlands	NK Monro –P
HR Lightwood	New Zealand	DO Tyers –P
FF Dumlowa	Phillipines	WF Fooks –P
ST Geddes	Scotland	DDS Anderson–P
FC Shumacher	Switzerland	LL Lowden –A
HO Williams, Jr.	USA, AL	DF Lewis –A
J Houtchen	USA, AK	
JJ Rolle	USA, AZ	RJ McCubbin –A
DO White	USA, AR	MP Raynor –A
RD Kelly	USA, CA	AS Rollo –P
JE Erickson	USA, CO	

TO	GR. CHAPTER	FROM
RC Raines	USA, CT	D Cavanaugh-A
RN Biggs	USA, DE	JM Gomersall-A
EW Lacross	USA, DC	WO Walls -A
RE Burleson	USA, FL	DS Carriere –P
BL Johnson	USA, GA	
RW Pate	USA, HI	JD Quan –P
JI Hagen	USA, ID	G Galt – P
MU Balding	USA, IL	JC Gordon –A
ER Graham	USA, IN	
RE Crouch	USA, IA	A Burchill –A
DB Hanson	USA, KS	AM Ross –P
T Fraser	USA, KY	D Leischner –A
JP Davis	USA, LA	BJ Maslaneic –A
DP Coates	USA, ME	J McBain –A
JA Rafine	USA, MD	L Adams –A
ME Host	USA, MA	HD Freeston –P
JR Sprague	USA, MI	G Gordon –A
AN Dull	USA, MN	
JW Hamill	USA, MS	H Ferster –A
JW Stafford	USA, MO	
J Grotts	USA, MT	BR Hobbs –P
Mulholland	USA, NE	R Humeston –P
D Gauch	USA, NV	R Fraser –A
HM Chase, Jr.	USA, NH	
RS Middleton	USA, NJ	GB Clever –P
ES Richmond	USA, NM	L Robinson –P
PM Desautel	USA, NY	R Glover –A
RL Parker	USA, NC	
N Knudson	USA, ND	AR Wenslar –A
AD Hart	USA, OH	S McVittie –A
EL Berryman	USA, OK	
J Muceus	USA, OR	WR Shippam –P
EG Reese	USA, PA	VM Halverson –P
RL Manderville	USA, RI	G Tillotson –P
LA Todd	USA, SC	BA Richman –P
M Christensen	USA, SD	D Paugh –A
RJ Coates	USA, TN	TO Mickey –P
HD Moore	USA, TX	JS Drever –A

TO	GR. CHAPTER	FROM
RH Simmons	USA, UT	B Hemingway-A
LG Phelps	USA, VT	
DE Wettstone	USA, VA	RE Doige –A
JT Stephens	USA, WA	NF MacDonald –P
J Dallas	USA, WA-PHRA	JEG Carver –P
WE Bird	USA, WV	
G Jolivette, Jr.	USA, WI	
AR Corberg	USA, WY	FJ Warren –A

PHRA = Prince Hall Royal Arch
A = Absent
P = Present

MEC DDS Anderson updated the convocation on the status of his counterpart in Scotland, MEC Stanley Geddes who had a lung removed. Shortly thereafter he suffered a stroke and is now recovering at home.

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REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

No. of Chapters in jurisdiction	36
No of Chapters represented	33
No of Chapters NOT represented	3
Companions – this jurisdiction	127
Visitors – other jurisdictions	9
Grand Representatives	24
Grand First Principals	3
Total Companions registered	136
No. of Principals attending (Z, H & J)	21
Number of PAST First Principals	n/k
Number of Proxies	33
TOTAL VOTES	**160**

Credentials Committee report presented by REC Bruce Minchin. VEC S. Roberts questioned the number of Grand Representatives reported. Likely many failed to sign the register. 32 Representatives were present at Roll Call.

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MOTIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

1) MEC R. Hilliard Clare **MOVED** ***"That the Annual Communication of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon be held on the first Weekend in June."*** **SECONDED** by MEC A.S. Rollo.
AMENDMENT: **MOVED** by REC A.M. Ross, **SECONDED** by REC David Grange that the motion be amended to read " ***To commence in 2011"*** **Amendment Carried**

.Several Companions spoke for and against the motion as amended. Vote by written ballot No. 2. ***RESULTS:*** Yes: **42**; No: **89**; Spoiled: **5.** Motion ***"DEFEATED"***

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Grand First Principal then requested RWBro. Leonard Timmins, DDGM, Distict 4, to speak. He brought warm fraternal greetings of the Most Worshipful Grand Master and wished this convocation a productive session. The Grand Lodge offered congratulations to all Officers of the Royal Arch for a fruitful past year. Offered the regrets of MWBro.J.C Gordon, RWBro. Stephen Godfrey and RWBro Brian Tuckey all of whom are involved in other matters. Advised the Grand Master pledges his full support to Royal Arch masonry and the officers to be installed this weekend.

2) Notice of ***Motion 2*** as presented by MEC L.G. Pickell read:

Section **26.2.3** be deleted and to read: ***"A member of a standing committee may be reappointed."*** And that Section **20.6.22** be deleted in its entirety. Motion **WITHDRAWN.**

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NEW BUSINESS

There was discussion regarding the costs of operating a Grand Chapter Convocation and to the responsibilities of the host chapter relative to financial matters beyond their control. Therefore, VEC Ted Perry **MOVED,** and EC Karl Ellingsen **SECONDED** a motion that ***"We move the costs associated by invited guests, the Grand Zerubbabel and Incoming Grand Zerubbabel and their spouses be paid out of Grand Chapter annual budget."*** The vote was Yes: 102; No: 28; Spoiled: 2. **MOTION:** ***Carried***

At this time, MEC Alex Rollo **MOVED** that REC Joe Quan be granted the title of Grand Treasurer Emeritus, **SECONDED** by MEC William Shippam. ***Carried***

MOVED by MEC Basil Hobbs that since Grand Chapter now assumes the liability for a Grand Convocation, then Grand Chapter shall also assume the profit from such Convocation. **SECONDED** by REC George Tillotson. **MOTION TABLED** and to be reviewed at Spring Board.

A further discussion occurred as to the costs of hosting Grand Chapter. **MOVED** by VEC Ted Perry, **SECONDED** by EC Karl Ellingsen that ***"Commencing with the 2007 Grand Chapter Convocation, the registration fee be set at $20.00. For registrations post marked 30 days or less before the date of the annual convocation the fee will be $40.00."*** The vote was Yes: 105; No: 23; Spoiled: 0. **MOTION:** ***Carried***

VEC Norm McEvoy reminded the Companions that if anyone is aware of a hotel chain and/or business that may wish to contribute to our advertising, please advise him. Feels the Keystone could be issued in hard copy by selling business card advertising. The Committee recommends the establishment of the ***"Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of B.C. and Yukon Foundation."***

The Grand First Principal regretfully received the Charters of the following Chapters:

*** Kootenay No. 3 - REC Albert Swityk**
**** Mount Moriah No. 20 – REC Albert Frick**
***** Papyrus No. 27 – EC Dick Sangster**

* Has requested the Charter be retained by them for display in the Lodge Hall at Kaslo, B.C. This also applies to the original Charter from the Grand Chapter of Canada. REC Swityk provided an outline of the Chapter's history. The last meeting was ***July 15, 2006***.

** No history available at this time. May at some time in the future apply to have the Charter returned for display in the Lodge hall.

*** MEC Norm Monro provided a brief outline of the history. Original supporting Chapter was Cyrus in Cumberland, B.C. Instituted 1928 but original porch book lost. The bark from the Papyrus tree was cut into strips and used as paper, hence the name for this Chapter located in a paper mill town.

Grand First Principal presented EC Sangster with his Past First Principal jewel.

MOVED by REC Malcolm Johnson, **SECONDED** by REC James Whyte that the surrendered Charters be photographed for record purposes and the photographs be stored securely.

Carried

REC Larry Atkinson reminded all that the ceding of these three Charters is not an end but only a step in our history and that we can still work together to strengthen our fraternity. Even if there is no Chapter in an area the companions can still get together and discuss freemasonry. Closed with a quote from Rudyard Kipling, *"There is enough good in the worst of us, and enough bad in the best of us that it hardly behooves any of us to criticize the rest of us."*

MEC Dennis Carriere queried as to what happens to the companions of the three Chapters that turned in their charters. Posited that could they be *"members-at-large"* For future consideration.

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Report to the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia & Yukon.
Annual Convocation, September 14,15,16, 2006

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

The following represents the Annual Report of the Committee to Grand Chapter and covers the activities of the committee to this date.

In that this committee was established in "AD HOC" form by M.Ex.Comp. Basil Hobbs in 2003,and re-structured, to include Planned Giving, into a Standing Committee at the 2004 Grand Chapter Convocation in Campbell River, let us begin by once again stating & confirming its objectives and parameters.

It is obvious that, should these stated objectives and parameters not have the ongoing support of Grand Chapter then the committee must be informed immediately and given appropriate direction. Should no such concerns be expressed, it will be assumed that all continue to be in agreement and the committee will press forward as outlined.

OBJECTIVES
The understanding of the committee is that it is their Objective to bring forward thoughts, ideas and proposals for the raising of funds, outside of the annual per capita assessment. All funds raised through such initiatives would to be used for the exclusive benefit of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia & Yukon and its various charities.

THOUGHTS AND PROPOSALS

Advertising

1. The solicitation of appropriate and tasteful advertising for attachment to the Grand Chapter Web-Site.
2. The solicitation of appropriate and tasteful advertising for inclusion in the Grand Chapter Keystone.

As to the suggestion that Grand Chapter could be seen to be endorsing the quality of such services &/or products, the Website & Keystone could and should contain a disclaimer to that effect.

Progress to date

1. **Web-Site Advertising**

   As at this date we have been successful in securing an agreement with The Traveler's Inn Hotel Group, located in Greater Victoria, whereby we will permit the Internet Linkage of their Web Site to that of our Grand Chapter for the sum of $75.00 per month. ($900.00 per annum, paid in advance)

This is the third year of this agreement and it has proven to be a win-win arrangement for both parties.

The committee is of the opinion that other such enterprises would welcome the opportunity of email linkage and we would welcome any suggestions and possible leads that Companions may have in this regard.
To this date no suggestions &/or leads have been received, however we continue to remain optimistic that this revenue stream will grow.

2. **Keystone Advertising**
   As at this date five advertisers have each paid $20.00 to have business card size advertising inserted in the Keystone.
   We note that 20 such opportunities are available at a cost of $20.00 each per annum. (15 still available)
   These opportunities should be very attractive to members of our Fraternity who provide retail &/or professional services, of one nature or another, which could be accessed locally or by email.
   This is a very inexpensive way of reaching over 2000 potential clients for $20.00 per year.

   As always, your Grand Council, will retain the" **right of quality**" control.

Planned Giving

This initiative, which was first created as an Ad Hoc Committee in 2003, has now been consolidated into the **"Fund Raising**" Standing Committee as per Resolution at Grand Chapter 2004.

Objective
The objective of this initiative is to create a process whereby Companions, and other interested donors, could make significant donations to Grand Chapter either during their lifetimes or by way of Bequest.
Donations received through this initiative, would be utilized by Grand Chapter, and it's authorized charities, in accordance with the specific wishes of the donor(s).

Progress to date

Due to the fact that no "Umbrella " Foundation currently exists within our Grand Chapter progress by this committee in the direct solicitation of donations has not been made.

We note, however, that considerable time and effort has been made to formulate "Gift Acceptance & Disclosure Guidelines" covering acceptable donations ie. Cash, Stocks, Bonds,

Property etc. This document has now been reviewed and approved by the Fund Raising Committee and has been shared with Grand Council for their review and approval. To this date we are still awaiting a formal reply.
Following acceptance of these Guidelines, which we anticipate momentarily, and before full implementation, your committee will develop "Terms of Reference" for the Committee which we trust will clearly outline it's "Objectives and Responsibilies".

Recommendation
Having reached this critical stage in organization your committee is unanimous in it conclusion that we proceed with the creation of a new Legal entity to be named "The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of BC & Yukon Foundation"
Such entity to have the legal right to issue Federal Income Tax Charitable Donation Receipts.
Costs for the creation of this Legal Entity are estimated to be in the range of $1,500.00, which includes approx $300.00 is disbursements. We are pleased to report that we have an offer to donate all but the cost of disbursements, limiting our out of pocket costs to approx $300.00. Such funds are readily available from funds generated by the committee. In addition, your committee is recommending that an additional $300.00 be allocated for the purpose of creating an "Advertising Brochure" which would be utilized in presenting "authorized" opportunities to our membership and other interested parties.

Summary
As I trust can be observed from the above report, excellent progress has and is being made by the "Fund Raising" committee.

At this time committee membership has been increased to five members who are committed to serving this committee and Grand Chapter to the utmost of their abilities.

We are truly excited about this initiative and encourage and appreciate your support.

Respectfully submitted
REC. Ronald Glover
MEC. Basil Hobbs
VEC. Norman McEvoy (Chairman)
REC. Leslie Robinson
REC. James C. Whyte.

MOVED by REC James Whyte, **SECONDED** by MEC Basil Hobbs that ***"The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of B.C. and Yukon Foundation be established immediately."***

REC Richard Schafer, Chairman of the Finance Committee noted that certain costs were associated to forming this committee and he expected these would be properly addressed and presented to the Finance Committee. VEC Norman McEvoy anticipated there would be no costs other than an external audit that would be required. MEC Leonard Pickell asked for clarification as to how the funds are to be handled in respect to the other charities. VEC McEvoy responded that the exact wishes of the donor are to be followed to the letter. REC Joe Quan opined that this merely seems to be the simple creation of another charitable fund and care would have to be taken as to donations received. VEC McEvoy responded that each donation such as residences, etc. would have to be very carefully reviewed prior to acceptance and must have the approval of the Executive Committee. Direct donations to the other Royal Arch charities can still be given directly, however if only the interest from a large donation was given then the foundation could administer these funds and keep account of them. In essence the foundation is a "*flow-through*" system. **MOTION** ***Carried.***

MOVED by MEC Basil Hobbs, **SECONDED** by VEC Norm McEvoy that ***$600.00*** be approved. Consisting of $300.00 in formation legal fees and $300.00 for development of an advertising brochure. ***Carried***

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Grand Chapter Royal Arch
Masons of BC & Yukon

Office Of The Grand Scribe Ezra
35188 Spencer Street,
Abbotsford, B.C.
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Grand Scribe Ezra,

As per your request dated June 23rd, 2006, I am respectfully submitting the following report, or behalf of the printing committee, for your consideration.

On May 3rd, 2006, it was requested by V. Ex. Comp. Carver, that it would be preferable if he could retain the decision of who is to be the final printing company, for the reasons which is explained in his e-mail, copy of which is attached to this report for your records.

The Ritual Committee solicited quotes from four (4) printing companies, namely Sunrise Printing, Clear Craft Printing, The Ups Store, and Staples.
Detailed breakdown of the quotes, has been forwarded to your office by the Ritual Committee.

It was recommended that the Ups Store be selected as the printing company, and initial order c 750 copies of the 2006 Ritual be placed with this company, at the total cost of $ 4,365 taxes nc included. " It is very likly that these figures may change, with respect to the number of rituals ordered etc."

I would like to take this opportunity to thank V. Ex. Comp. Carver, and his committee membe for their hard work, and also for making my job so easy.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. Ex. Comp. Kambiz Forouhar,
Chmn. Printing Ctte.,
July 15th, 2006

MOVED by REC Ed Wilson, **SECONDED** by REC Alastair Ross the Report of the Committee on Printing be accepted. **Carried**

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY

Companions:

The following statistics show the activity of the Grand Chapter website:

Visits (week ending August 5, 2006)

Total	7,463
Average per Day	16
Average Visit Length	2:08
This Week	113

Page Views

Total	31,464
Average per Day	46
Average per Visit	2.8
This Week	321

There was a noticeable increase in web site activity after the Grand Convocation in September and the Spring Board of General Purposes in April.

During the past 12 months there have been 68 e.mails giving news updates of general interest from around the Grand Jurisdictions. The subject matter covered all types of events such as birthdays, funerals, Official Visits and Chapter events. There have also been photographs posted to the web site of these events.

The web site began in a basic format in 2000 when MEC David D.S. Anderson's enthusiasm for the project directed that the domain name for British Columbia and Yukon be registered. Since that time every Grand First Principal has been supportive of the web site and it's objectives. The site is primarily an information site for the members of this Grand Jurisdiction but also offers general information about Royal Arch Masonry for the general public.

The web site has evolved since the early days and will likely to continue to change to reflect the requirements of the Companions. Plans for a complete overhaul of the method used to format the site have been tackled by Companion Norman Ryder but have not yet been implemented. This change will be largely transparent to the site visitors but will ease changes for administrative purposes. Nearly all visitors are using updated web browser software that will comply with the style sheet format.

Jim Whyte
Norman Ryder
IT Committee.

MOVED by REC James Whyte, **SECONDED** by REC Leslie Robinson the report be received. VEC Colin Hart advised he would recommend the Information and Technology Committee and

the Printing Committee get together to determine if the Proceedings could be distributed by CD. **Carried**

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REPORT OF THE REGALIA COMMITTEE

Excellent Companions: I thank the Grand First Principal for appointing me as Chairman of the Regalia Committee. I find that all Grand Chapter regalia is still in good condition.

I had one Grand First Jewel engraved and one Grand Steward's Jewel engraved for the total cost of $32.50.

I had to order four REC sashes cost of $489.01.

Companions, we have nothing in stock for Grand First Principal or Past Grand Collar, Cost to order one of each is $1800. plus tax.

I also have to order Past First Principal Jewels, 3 at the cost of $100. each plus tax, and 3 Past Grand Steward Jewel at a cost of $100. plus tax. This is the First Grand First Apron we have had to order and Collar since 1996.

We have to thank the Families for returning the Regalia.

I, REC Gordon Galt, **MOVE** the acceptance of this report as written, **SECONDED** by REC Alastair Ross. **Carried**

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

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

Companions:

Representatives.
Approximately 80 annual report forms were sent to Representatives by the Grand Scribe Ezra. These were mailed at the beginning of March, 2006, and he requested that completed reports be submitted before July 1, 2006. As at that date, 35 reports had been returned, among which 9 Companions requested that they be replaced as Representatives. All the reports were presented to the Grand First Principal, the Immediate Past Z and the Grand Scribe Ezra at a meeting in July, together with names of three Companions who had contacted this Committee with a request to be considered for nomination as Representatives of other jurisdictions near this Grand Chapter.

The Committee believes that the Representatives' program should be continued, as there are many advantages to this Grand Chapter in the possible gleaning of ideas from other jurisdictions. The responses that Representatives of other Grand Chapters near this Grand Chapter (in other words, our members) receive in their correspondence with their 'opposite numbers' can contain information which is not published in the Proceedings of those foreign jurisdictions. Some of this information may be of interest, or even use, to the Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon.

It is recognized that few Representatives are in regular communication with their 'opposite numbers'. Therefore, it is recommended that all members of this jurisdiction who are Representatives should be encouraged to make every effort to establish contact with our Representatives in other Grand Chapters. The onus is on us to make the program work to our benefit.

Recognition.
No requests for recognition by foreign Grand Chapters have been passed to the Committee so far this year. This may be because few new jurisdictions are aware of the existence of Capitular Freemasonry in British Columbia and Yukon. If such be the case, then we ought to decide whether or not to approach other, as yet unrecognized, jurisdictions and ask if they wish to be recognized. It should be noted that the Grand Lodge of British Columbia and Yukon, in accordance with established Craft protocol, does not contact new jurisdictions, but rather waits for them, as 'younger Masonic bodies', to make the first move.

There are a number of new Grand Lodges in Europe that may have Grand Chapters within their territorial limits, and this Grand Chapter should decide on a procedure of who should make first contact. If it is to be us, then the supplementary question arises of 'Who do we contact?' In this respect, it has been suggested that every Grand Chapter that is recognized by the Supreme Grand Chapter of England will have passed all the necessary investigations, and should be viewed as a potential for recognition by this Grand Chapter.

The Committee makes no recommendations on this matter, but suggests only that this Grand Chapter should decide on a policy of which jurisdiction is expected to make the first contact.

Fraternally submitted,

E. Comp. Jeremy Gomersall, Chairman V.E. Comp. Steve McVittie

MOVED by REC Ed Wilson, **SECONDED** by REC James Whyte the report be received. **Carried**

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

MEC Brian Richman presented Honorary Membership cards to the following:

REC Herbert Weaver – Grand Chapter - WA
MEC Robert McMillan – Grand Z - MB
REC Marvin Rogers – Grand Scribe Ezra - AB
MEC Terrance Drolet – Grand Z – AB
REC Robert Taylor – GM Cryptic – Western Canada

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Grand First Principal explained he would basically follow the same procedure as last year when Grand Chapter was in a similar position relative to companions nominated for office. With the withdrawal of REC Bill Fooks for health reasons leaves a vacancy and there are only sufficient nominations to fill each position therefore each companion on the line will move up.

REC Leslie Robinson was asked to withdraw his name for Grand Second Principal and accept the nomination of Grand First Principal. REC Leslie Robinson accepted and was declared elected as Grand First Principal - elect by acclamation.

As there is now a vacancy in the position of Grand Second Principal, REC George Tillotson was asked to withdraw his nomination for Grand Third Principal and accept the position of Grand Second Principal. REC George Tillotson accepted and was declared elected by acclamation as Grand Second Principal – elect.

At this point REC Malcolm Johnson questioned the validity of conducting elections in this manner and was it in accord with the Constitution. Section 14.7 of the Constitution grants the power to

the Grand First Principal to choose the method of nomination in such cases as presently exists.

An opening now exists for Grand Third Principal, REC Alastair Ross was asked if he would withdraw his nomination for Grand Principal Sojourner and accept the office of Grand Third Principal. REC Alastair Ross accepted and was declared elected by acclamation as Grand Third Principal – elect.

There is only one nomination for Grand Treasurer, therefore REC Ron Glover is declared elected by acclamation.

One nomination for Grand Scribe Ezra, therefore REC Ed Wilson declared elected by acclamation.

Since a vacancy now existed in Grand Principal Sojourner, REC David Grange was asked to withdraw his nomination for Grand Senior Sojourner and accept the office of Grand Principal Sojourner. REC David Grange accepted and was declared elected by acclamation as Grand Principal Sojourner – elect.

There were two nominations for Grand Junior Sojourner. REC Stan Sorensen was asked to withdraw his nomination for Grand Junior Sojourner and accept the position of Grand Senior Sojourner. REC Stan Sorensen accepted and was declared elected by acclamation as Grand Senior sojourner – elect.

There now being only one nomination for Grand Junior Sojourner, VEC Joel Chiri was declared elected by acclamation.

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BURSARY COMMITTEE

c/o Royal Arch Masons of B.C. & Yukon
P.O.Box 1722,
Sechelt, B.C.,Canada VON 3AO

BURSARY COMMITTEE REPORT - 2006

For the 2006-07 Academic Year your **Bursary Committee were pleased to be able to grant a total of 13 Bursaries - each @ $600.00 per - to deserving students. There was som disappointment to the committee inasmuch as for this particular year our funds were less than previous years. Fortunately (or unfortunately) the number of petitions was less than previous years which saved that committee some possible embarrassment. Listed hereund are the comparative figures for the past 5 years.**

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	TOTALS
Bursaries	12	18	17	25	13	85
Chapters Represented	9	12	13	17	11	
Monies Dispersed	$7,200	$10,800	$10,200	$12,500	$ 7,800	$48,500

It is your Committee's sincere hope that Chapters, particularly those who have student receiving Bursaries, could be more supportive of the Bursary Committees efforts. At this time we note that three only of our Chapters continue to be major players and supporters of the Bursary committee and their function. We would urge other Chapters who are beneficiaries of our program to become more involved and helpful in the Committee's purposes.

Respectfully Submitted: A. Stanley Fleetham,
Chairman Royal Arch Masonic Bursary Committee.

A. S. Fleetham

MOVED acceptance of the report by REC Stan Fleetham, **SECONDED** by VEC Neil Marsh. ***Carried***

A **$1000.00** cheque was presented to the Bursary Fund by MEC Len Pickell on behalf of Semiahmoo Chapter No. 34.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS OF GRAND ZERUBBABEL

Chair was assumed by Grand Second Principal, REC Bill Fooks. Committee consisted of MEC'S Hilliard Clare (Chairman) and Thomas O. Mickey and Alex Rollo. Expressed a degree of concern over reducing the Grand line from six to four years. Do concur with the recommendation in respect to the conferring of the title of REC and VEC on those deserving. The Chairman **MOVED** acceptance of the report, **SECONDED** by MEC Thomas Mickey. ***Carried***

MEC Joe Marshall recommended that in future years the address of the Grand Z be prepared and submitted to the Committee at least one month in advance.

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RITUAL CTTE. 2006 -- FINAL REPORT

Most Ex. Zerubbabel;
Distinguished visitors;
Companions;
We now have Ritual 2006. Ritual 2006 has five sections consisting of a Preamble; a ritual for the M.M.M. degree; a ritual for the M.E.M. degree; a ritual for the H.R.A. degree; & an Appendix.

The sequence for each section is; a title page; a table of contents, a page of instructions, a diagram & legend of the relevant Lodge or Chapter room; the opening ritual for that degree; the conferral of that degree; & the closing ritual for that degree.

Ritual 2006 is a massaging & melding of all that was best in the earlier rituals plus the inclusion of explanatory details from the 1988 Manual of Instructions.

For purposes of differentiation, there are two different font sizes throughout the ritual. All spoken portions are in 'bold' Verdana 9 font. While the instructional or directional details found in 'Text Boxes' are in Verdana 8 font & not in bold print.

There are no -I repeat- no changes to our ritual practices. There are however, recommendations & procedural clarifications based upon input, advice, research & experience received from the Advisory Committee & many of our Companions at large.

After much deliberation & discussion, the music & hymns are no longer included in the Ritual. The non-inclusion is to discourage the practice of open rituals in the Lodge or Chapter rooms.
Gr. Scribe "E" is considering & hoping to resolve various directions for our Gr. Jurisdiction.
Should we make a CD with our hymns available to the Chapters to play as required?
Do the Chapters have the capability to play CD recordings?
At present the music & hymns are available as separate song sheets in either MS Publisher or PDF formats from either the Gr. Scribe's office or me. The concerned Chapter may then download & print, as required.

Because of the suggested corrections, explanations & clarifications throughout Ritual 2006 I believe it is safe to say that Ritual 2006 is the most correct Royal Arch ritual in Canada & is or will become a standard to be envied. Therefore, Ritual Committee 2006 is recommending the approval, ratification, & adoption of Ritual 2006 by the Grand Chapter R.A.M. of B.C. &Y. & will be making a motion to that effect.

Companions, no matter what the material, the variations, or the improvements suggested, not everyone will be happy. There will remain those who will be negative & will not willingly adjust, but later – as our more implacable Companions retire – adherence & adaptation to Ritual 2006 will occur.

No one person is responsible for Ritual 2006.
It is the product of a six-member Advisory & Editorial group consisting of Most Ex. Companions Pickell, Carriere & Eaton, plus Rt. Ex. Companions Whyte, Elton & Grange. They plus my colleague Rt. Ex. Comp. Johnson were the driving force.
I merely served as compiler & coordinator of their "pearls of wisdom".
With the issue & acceptance of Ritual 2006, my labours are through. I would be seriously remiss however, if I did not express my thanks for the advice, input & directives, I have received from everyone over these past 30 months.

I must also express appreciation & thanks to V. Ex. Comp. Chiri who provided valuable advice & recommendation regarding the best font style to use for Ritual 2006.

On behalf of Rt. Ex. Comp. Johnson & myself, I wish to thank Most Ex. Companions Hobbs, Eaton & Richman who delegated this responsibility to us thereby providing the opportunity to serve our Grand Jurisdiction.

Ritual 2006 has taken over 2 years to produce.
A lengthy period, caused by certain obligations & events, both Masonic & personal, which affected our productivity.
However, Ritual 2006 is now complete & we thank everyone for their patience & understanding.

V. Ex. Comp. Jos. E. Carver
Chmn. Ritual 2006 Ctte.

MOVED by VEC Joe Carver, **SECONDED** by REC Malcolm Johnson that the report be received ***Carried***

MOVED by VEC Joe Carver "*that the revised 2006 ritual be approved, ratified and adopted, as printed, be adopted by this Grand jurisdiction*". **SECONDED** by REC Malcolm Johnson.

VEC Norm McEvoy requested the motion be amended to exclude Columbia No. 1 which has its own ritual. This was agreed to so that final **MOTION** reads: ***"That the revised 2006 ritual be approved, ratified and adopted, as printed, by This Grand jurisdiction with the exception of Columbia Chapter No. 1."***
Carried

REPORT OF THE RA MASONIC HOME SOCIETY

Report of the Grand Chapter Rep to the Royal Arch Masonic Home Society

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal , Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon.
This has been a busy year for the directors and the administrators of the Royal Arch Home
A number of different projects were happening at the same time. Ceiling lifts were installed in 22 resident rooms and 4 bathing areas This will assist with the increasing number of extended care residents. Extended care is now provided for 46 of the 151 residents.
2 new strecher style tubs were purchased to assist the less mobile residents to enjoy the use of the bath.
This past year 46 new volunteers have joined and the volunteer hours now exceed 6,000
They assist the recreation dept to provide diverse programs and leisure activities , going to the PNE along with trips to Cloverdale Fair , summer pinics and other outings
The work on the Royal Arch Apartment complex as of June 2006 was 98% complete
This involved replacing the exterior membrane of the building . At the same time the renovation of the balconies and roofline plus the replacement / upgrade of all the windows were completed.
This $2.6 M project was funded by B.C. Housing .
Donations received totaled $96,000 for the year 2005/2006 . this included a donation from the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau of $54,222 which was used to purchase 2 special bathing systems
Membership in the RAMHS as of March 31/2006
Registered Chapters 27
Life Menbers 233
Annual Members 0
We need more members to be able to assist with the purchase of equiptment .
This facility is one of the best in B.C. and it is due to the work done by the administrator and all the staff. Greg Runzer will celebrate his 25Years as administrator in August 2006
As the Grand Chaper Rep i have seen the hard work the Board of Directors have done
Some changes to the board , Brian Fraser's term is over as President and Henry Furness is now the president
Thank you MEC Brian Richman for appointing me as the Grand Chaper Rep it has been a great experience and will continue as i am now a member of the board

Respectfully sumitted
REC David Grange
4th. 2006.

MOVED by REC David Grange, **SECONDED** by VEC Neil Marsh the report as printed in the Advance Proceedings be accepted.

Carried

MOVED by REC Allen Jesperson ***"That this Grand Chapter present a Grand Second Principal apron to REC William Fooks in recognition of the work he has put forth to Grand Chapter."*** **SECONDED** by MEC Basil Hobbs.

MEC George Eaton **MOVED** to amend the motion by including ***"and either a Past Grand Second Principal's collar and jewel or Grand Second Principal's breast jewel."*** The amendment was accepted by both the mover and seconder of the motion. ***Carried***

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REPORT OF THE KEYSTONE OF LIFE FOUNDATION

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President's Report
Keystone of Life Foundation
2005 - 2006-08-21

Dear Members of the Keystone of Life Foundation

First I would like to thank the Executive Officers for doing such a fine job. In particular Dick Schafer for the excellent job of keeping the finances in order. Alex Rollo for all the records, letters and administration required. Bev Rollo, Grace Dawkins, Hilda Quan, and Agnes Wilson for the phone committee. George Eaton for filling in on one or more meetings for me. To Donovan Tyers for filling in for me on one occasion. To Susan for the draw for the 60-40 only too willing to help. .The members who are always ready and willing to help when asked to do so. To Pat and bill Aspinall for their talk and Alex Rollo for his talk, Finally a big thank you for all the members who attend on a regular basis and participate in running this fine charity.

ACTIVITIES:
This year we had a fine presentation by Pat and Bill Aspinal on the art of Wine making. Alex Rollo for his talk on the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau who supply medical equipment to all who need it at no cost provided they are sponsored by a Freemason. Both presentations were well received by the membership present.
The membership completed and adopted a mandate document, which identifies the purpose of the foundation and clearly identifies the purpose of the foundation and clearly identifies the type of charity that the foundation is focusing on for medical equipment from $500.00 to $5,000.00. This year we only had 3 monthly meetings (October, November, and March) at the ABC Restaurant in Burnaby with an average attendance of 23. The membership of the Foundation has declined by 52 members due to deaths and moving out of our Province. On May 15th 2006, I as well as Les Robinson (Grand Second Principal) and members of the Dawson Creek Hospital presented the Dawson Creek Hospital a Cheque in the amount of $5,168.76 for the purchase of Medical Equipment. On June 15th we held a Chinese Smorgasbord Dinner in New Westminster with approximately thirty members and wives present. There was a profit of $247.00 raised

DONATIONS
This year like last year your Foundation the Keystone of Life received a very generous gift from the Association of Benevolent Craftsmen in the amount of $5.000.00, plus a Donation from Georgian Chapter, and the estate of our late member James Perkins in the amount of $200.00.

MEMBERSHIP

Unfortunately, this year there was a decrease in membership of 33 life members, due to deaths and moving out of the Province. Our Chapter Membership remains at 19, and if possible we should encourage all Chapters to become Members at the small cost of $25.00 per year (or $2.00 per month) Also there arte 60 regular members remaining which a lost of 19 members due to deaths or lack of interest.

REQUESTS RECEIVED
The Keystone of Life Foundation received a total of 18 request for funding of which 12 were due to Requesting Capital Funding, Organizations outside of the Hospital Area (CNIB, Other Senior Housing, and Other ancillary Organizations) This leaves 6 Hospita which falls into the Category of requests from $500.00 to $5,000.00 and have been advised they will be put on a waiting list.

CONCLUSION
In conclusion the Keystone of Life Foundation continues to be a success with the dedicated members that we have. There is however a drastic need for everyone of us to continue to talk to all Royal Arch Masons, and their families and tell them about the Mandate of the Keystone of Life Foundation and invite them to participate by becoming members of this fine Charity> I also recommend to the Incoming Officers that each Chapter receive an Invoice from the Keystone of Life Foundation as a reminder of the obligation that all Chapters have to support this Organization "The Keystone of Life Foundation"

Finally I wish to thank you for your work and dedication to our Aims and Purposes, and wish you well in the future

Fraternally submitted and presented

Brian Richman
President
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MOVED by MEC Alex Rollo, **SECONDED** by REC Ed Wilson that the report be accepted. ***Carrried***

Miscellaneous Printing (234)

4:30 pm Grand Chapter at refreshment until ***8:30 am*** tomorrow, Saturday, ***September 16, 2006***.

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8:30 am Grand Chapter called from refreshment to Labour by REC Harold Woolgar, Fort George Chapter 36.

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REPORT OF BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

VEC Joel Chiri, Grand Chaplain, explained the Benevolent Committee report was included in the Grand chaplain's report which has already been passed.

Report of the Standing Committee on Grand Superintendents Reports 2005-06

Companions:

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

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

Grand Scribe Ezra had requested final summaries from District Grand Superintendents be forwarded by mid-June. All Grand Superintendents have now forwarded reports.

Most Grand Superintendents have achieved varying degrees of success in meeting the expectations of the Grand First Principal. Those who provided encouragement and guidance presenting the Grand First Principal's theme "One Step at a Time - Always Forward" are to be commended and our Chapters and Districts are the better for your efforts.

Some Constituent Chapters have continued with projects initiated in the past year. As well, there have been some new projects initiated this year. Notably among the new projects, a Stewardship Program has been created with all Grand Superintendents as the members and REC Larry Lee Atkinson as the Chairman. The Stewardship Program covers the concerns of retention and/or lack of attendance of existing members, recruiting of new members, and mentoring of those new members. It also covers officer vacancies, community activities, leadership, and activities.

REC Atkinson gave an excellent presentation on the Stewardship Program at Spring Board in Chilliwack.

Hopefully this program will continue in future and provide growth to all our Chapters.

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Most Grand Superintendents report that Chapter record keeping, including financial ledgers, are in good order.

As reported by several Grand Superintendents, Chapter attendance continues to be a very serious problem. Some Chapters barely had the constitutional number to form a quorum while some proceeded with meetings using visitors. Shortage of officers continues to be an ongoing problem also. As our Companions age more Chapters will have problems.

District 3 held a District wide Installation of Officers in Vernon this year. The ceremony was very well attended. MEC Dennis Carriere was installing Principal and attendees included the Grand Third Principal, REC Les Robinson. Hopefully this joint installation will be held again in the coming year.

District 4 has a disheartening report. The District lost Grand Superintendent Tom Purves. REC Purves will be sorely missed, as he was an inspiration to all the Chapters. REC Albert Frick has ably filled the position.

Unfortunately Mount Moriah #20 in Fernie has closed and turned in their Charter. Two other Chapters are struggling also, Rossland Chapter #4 in Trail and especially Kootenay #3 in Kaslo. These Chapters are exploring some form of amalgamation or sharing of meetings.

District 9 – The Grand Superintendent has made the observation that Grand Chapter surveys have added to the workload of Chapter Scribe Ezra's. This has caused some difficulty in having these surveys completed. The Grand Superintendent reports that general confusion seems to exist in regard to the responsibilities of each office. He feels perhaps an "Officer School" would help. Also degree equipment is being dismantled during the Degree.

A lack of music lessens the Degree. He suggests that a music team of singers or having the songs read as poetry while the Degree proceeds would assist and improve the Degree. This is probably something that most Chapters have trouble with.

This Grand Superintendent produced a very frank and comprehensive report.

District 11 – This Grand Superintendent also produced a frank and comprehensive report. He has made a recommendation that 3 of the Chapters should consolidate. This is something that Grand Chapter, the Chapters, and the incoming Grand Superintendent may wish to discuss.

Not all Chapters are having membership and attendance problems. Where distance is involved these problems are occurring. Where population size is greater these problems are generally not apparent. Some Chapters are increasing their membership with Exaltations and petitions being reported. Visitations are occurring at most Chapters. However, many new Masons may not be aware of what Royal Arch has to offer them.

Even where we have increased our membership those new members are not always coming out to meetings. Hopefully the mentorship portion of the Stewardship Program will address this problem.

Congratulations to the Chapters and District Grand Superintendents who have succeeded in meeting MEC Brian Richman's theme "One Step at a Time – Always Forward". Any achievements you have made will continue to have a positive influence on the Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon.

Fraternally submitted:

REC Rae F. Humeston (Chairman)

REC C. William Ferguson

REC Percy J. Harkness

Vernon, B.C. July 22/06

District # 1 Lionel Brownsey.

. Final report received–ov reports received
. All Chapters showing growth, especially Columbia #1 which has 10 new Companions
. Columbia #1 started an Annual Recognition Night

District # 2 Larry Atkinson

. Excellent reports – final report and interim report received – ov reports received
. All Chapters showing growth
. Mission #28 and Semiahmoo #34 have established annual social events
. Semiahmoo #34 consistently raised a minimum $1000 over the past 13+ years for contributi
the RAM Bursary Fund
. Accepted Chairman of the Membership Team for BC and Yukon

District #3 David Ogilvie

. Final report received – ov reports
. All Chapters showing some growth
. Granite #28 has pre-convocation dining which aids in holding the Chapter together
. All 3 Chapters at risk unless attendance improves and new members recruited
. Okanagan #11 unable to provide a Companion for Grand Superintendent for 2006-07

District #4 Albert Frick

. Final report received
. Mount Moriah #20 closed and their Charter returned to Grand Chapter
. Rossland #4 showing growth
. Kootenay #3 at very high risk of failing

District #6 Lionel Buller

. Final report received
. Kalum #37 – 2 new members

Karen #13 – Chapter work is done properly without the aid of books.

District #7 Douglas Burke

Final report received - ov reports received
Papyrus #27 closed – their Charter will be turned in at Grand Convocation in Prince George
King Solomon #30 – 2 new Companions

District #8 Gerald Smith

Final report received – ov reports received
Peels Observatory #25 has no future
Penticton #22 - 1 new companion
Kelowna #17 – 1 new Companion

District #9 William Aarroe

Excellent reports, very frank detailing problems observed - final report received – ov reports received.
All Chapters - membership decreasing due to death and demits.
Simon Fraser #40 - 3 new Companions – Christmas social, Remembrance Day wreath
Composite #24 - 2 new Companions.
Triple Tau #21 - senior Companions taking on too much work, should be encouraging younger Companions to do more of the work.
Joppa #31 - 2 new Companions – delays in forwarding monies owed to Grand Chapter, S.E. frustrated with extra workload caused by Grand Chapter survey

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District #10 Richard Lenes

. ov reports only received
. Experiencing problems with Dawson Creek #41, and Yukon #38 primarily with attendance.
. Yukon #38, Fort George #36, and Caribou #43 all have growth

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District # 11 Gordon Hebden

. Final report received – very frank, detailing problems observed.
. Keystone #8 – 3 new candidates – recommend that Chapter consolidate with Majuba and Cathedral.
. Cyrus #10 – has constant difficulty filling the offices.
. Majuba #33 – no full slate of officers, senior officers unwilling to perform ritual work – recommend that Chapter consolidate with Keystone and Cathedral.

. Cathedral #35 – recommend that Chapter consolidate with Keystone and Majuba.
. Discovery #45 – Chapter is healthy with younger officers.

MOVED by REC Rae Humeston, **SECONDED** by REC James Whyte the report be received. ***Carried***

Grand First Principal announced that this year's winter of the **Grand Superintendent Award** known as the "*Facing The Challenge Award*" has been awarded to REC Larry Atkinson of District 2.

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MERIT AWARD COMMITTEE

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

Your Committee is pleased to announce their recommendations that the Grand Chapter Merit Award be awarded to:

Companion William Grant Mounce of Columbia Chapter No. 1, District No. 1 and Companion Alfred Gordon Perry of Columbia Chapter No. 1, district No. 1. It is highly unusual that two Companions from the same Chapter would be recommended for this award, but we feel that both were eminently well qualified and worthy of our recommendation.

Once again your committee has been disappointed inasmuch as the Chapters have not responded well to our requests for submissions for this award. Your Committee feels strongly that there must be

worthy Companions in our Grand Jurisdiction that should be recognized.

Once again we recommend that the Grand Scribe Ezra send a form and covering letter to each Chapter early in the New Year reminding the Chapters that this is their opportunity to recommend one of their number to be recognized for their contributions to this Grand Jurisdiction.

MOVED by MEC Len Pickell, **SECONDED** by REC James Whyte the report be accepted. ***Carried***

Neither of the Companions awarded was in attendance to receive the award art this time.

MEC Len Pickell spoke on the process of the award and recommended it be placed in future agenda's for Friday so that more Companions are available to be present.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PAST GRAND Z'S AWARD

MEC Hilliard Clare noted he was happy to report that six Chapters showed an increase in membership during the past year. The winner of the award for **2005** is Penticton Chapter No. 22. The Award was presented to the First Principal of Penticton No. 22 by MEC Clare and the Grand first Principal. The Chapter had an overall increase of sic (6) new members.

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GOOD OF THE ORDER

REC Norm MacDonald of Okanagan Chapter No. 11 reported this is the year of their ***100th*** anniversary and it will be celebrated on ***October 19, 2006*** at their regular meeting.

REC Larry Atkinson thanked the Companions that attended the incoming officer's breakfast this morning and for their participation in the presentation on stewardship. Looking forward to working with the new officers and thanked the Grand Superintendents of this year for their support.

The Grand first Principal presented VEC William Poncia with his Collaret and Jewel as a Past Grand Steward.

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VOTE OF THANKS TO HOST CHAPTER

MEC Thomas Mickey **MOVED** a vote of thanks to Grand Steward William Poncia and the host Chapter, Prince George #36, and all their companions for a job well done in hosting the 2006 Grand Chapter. Only concern expressed is that the weather was "cool" on the first day and Nanaimo should take heed as to how it is done. The motion was **SECONDED** by REC James Whyte. ***Carried***

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INSTALLATION AND INVESTITURE OF OFFICERS FOR 2006 – 2007

MEC Hilliard Clare assumed the chair of Installing Zerubbabel and the following officers were invested and installed:

OFFICER	**BY**
Grand Z, REC Leslie Robinson	MEC R. Hilliard Clare
Grand H, REC George Tillotson	MEC Thomas Mickey
Grand J, REC Alastair Ross	MEC Thomas Mickey
IPZ, MEC Brian Richman	MEC Len Pickell
Gr. Treasurer, REC Ron Glover	* Not installed
Gr. Scribe E, REC Ed Wilson	MEC Joseph Marshall

Gr. Pr. Soj., REC David Grange	MEC William Shippam
Gr. Sr. Soj., REC Stan Sorensen	MEC Basil Hobbs
Gr. Jr. Soj., VEC Joel Chiri	MEC Basil Hobbs
Gr. Supt D-1, REC Derek Turner	MEC Dennis Carriere
Gr. Supt D-2, REC Allen Jesperson	MEC Dennis Carriere
Gr. Supt D-3, REC Ken McKenzie	MEC Dennis Carriere
Gr. Supt. D-4, REC Rick McKay	MEC Dennis Carriere
Gr. Supt D-6, REC Murray Webster	MEC Dennis Carriere
Gr. Supt D-7, REC Ian Thompson	MEC Dennis Carriere
Gr. Supt D-8, REC David Ford	* Not Installed
Gr. Supt D-9, REC Michael Raynor	* Not Installed
Gr. Supt D-10, REC Larry Holthe	MEC Dennis Carriere
Gr. Supt D-11, REC Richard Armitage	MEC Dennis Carriere
OFFICER	**BY**
Gr. Scribe N, REC James Whyte	MEC Norm Monro
Gr. Historian, REC James Bennie	* Not Installed
Gr. Sword Br., VEC Fred Lelfley	* Not Installed
Gr. Stand Br., VEC Chris McLean	* Not Installed
GM 4th Veil, VEC Sam Wylie	* Not Installed
GM 3rd Veil, VEC Khoda Marzbani	* Not Installed
GM 2nd Veil, VEC Stan Grenda	* Not Installed
GM 1st Veil, VEC Ian Swann	REC Stan Fleetham
Gr. DoC, VEC Mike Brisley	MEC Alex Rollo
Gr. Marsh., VEC Francis Latter	MEC Alex Rollo
Gr. Pursv., VEC Harold Hayes	* Not Installed
Gr. Stwd – 1, VEC Angus Nicol	MEC David Turner
Gr. Stwd – 2, VEC Tom Feeley	MEC David Turner
Gr. Stwd – 3, VEC John Ruschke	* Not Installed
Gr. Org., EC Robert Barr	MEC David Anderson
Gr. Tyler, VEC Don McMillan	* Not Installed

(*) To be installed as soon as possible.

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STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 2006 – 2007

FINANCE (Executive Representative Grand H.)
M.E.C. Brian Richman– Chairman
R.E.C. Gordon Gault
V.E.C. David Lewis
V.EC. Ian Thomson
E.C. Peter Guichon

CONSTITUTIONS AND JURISPRUDENCE (Executive Representative Gr. Pr.. Soj.)
M.E.C. Denis Carriere – Chairman
R.E.C. Marv Lundeen
R.E.C. Ron Bushby

GRAND SUPERINTENT'S REPORTS (Executive Representative Grand Sr. Soj.)
R.E.C. Rae Humeston – Chairman
R.E.C. Bill Ferguson
R.E.C. Percy Harkness

BURSARY FUND TRUSTEES (Executive Representative Grand H.)
V.E.C. Neil Marsh - Chairman
R.E.C. Gordon Kickbush
E.C. Kirk Morrow
R.E.C Ken Gibson

PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S AWARD
M.E.C. Hilliard Clare – Chairman
M.E.C. Tom Mickey

MERIT AWARD
M.E.C. Leonard Pickell - Chairman
R.E.C. Al Jesperson

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE (Executive Representative Grand . Pr. Soj.)
E.C. Jeremy Gomersall – Chairman
V.E.C. Steve McVittie

ADDRESS OF GRAND Z.
M.E.C. Leonard Pickell – Chairman
M.E.C. William Shippam
M.E.C. David Turner

PRINTING
R.E.C. Kambiz Forouhar - Chairman

FUND RAISING (Executive Representative Grand Sr. Soj.)
V.E.C. Norman McEvoy – Chairman

PROCEDURE AND PROTOCOL (Executive Representative Grand J.)
M.E.C. Leonard Pickell – Chairman
V.E.C. James Warren

BENEVOLENCE (Executive Representative Grand Jr. Soj)
V.E.C. Sam Ferris – Chairman

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (Executive Representative Grand Jr. Soj.)
R.E.C. James Whyte – Chairman
V.E.C. John McIntosh

EDITING COMMITTEE
R.E.C. James Whyte
R.E.C. Gordon Hebdon
V.E.C. Sam Wylie

KEYSTONE OF LIFE
V.E.C Ed Scott

ROYAL ARCH MASONIC HOME SOCIETY
V.E.C Bill Youde

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LOCATIONS OF FUTURE GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATIONS

2007:	Nanaimo, B.C.	Sept. 20 – 22, 2007
2008:	Courtenay, B.C.	Sept. 11 – 13, 2008
2009:	Penticton, B.C.	Sept. 17 – 19, 2009

MOVED by REC Alastair Ross, **SECONDED** by REC George Tillotson that the **2009** Convocation be in Penticton. ***Carried***

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The Grand First Principal, MEC Leslie Robinson thanked the Companions of this Grand Chapter for installing him as Grand Zerubbabel. He stated he will strive to justify the confident the Companions have placed in him in attaining this position. He thanked all the officers who have helped him in the past and will continue to do so in the future. Thanked his sponsors, MEC Basil Hobbs and MEC Joe Marshall, and vowed they shall not rest during the year as he will rely on them for support.

He thanked all the Companions who have assumed office and all the Companions that agreed to assist by assuming positions on various Committees. Has a goal of visiting most, if not all, of the Chapters in this jurisdiction and meet all of the Companions. The theme for this year is ***"Growing the Fraternity"*** and by growing does not only mean just numbers but also work to retain new Companions once exalted. Strive to involve our families. Wear the Royal Arch jewel in Craft Lodges and request the Worshipful Masters to allow us to make a presentation on the merits of the Royal Arch.

Who has not heard the age-old expression, *"We've never done it before!"* so if we've never done it before, how does one know it won't work? Let us try new ideas and as long as they do not affect our ritual, then let's try them. Finally look at the vast experience in this Grand Chapter and at that experience in our Chapters and let's use it. Strive to get our fraternity moving again.

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CLOSING

The 88th Grand Convocation of this Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia and Yukon was closed in ample form by MEC Leslie Robinson, Grand First Principal at 10:40 am.

PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

1978 George H. Coupland
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CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS

COLUMBIA CHAPTER NO 1
INSTITUTED: FEBRUARY, 1867
CONSTITUTED: JUNE 1867
REGULAR MEETING First Tuesday of each month, except July & August
TIME: 7:30 pm
LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, 650 Fisgard Street, Victoria, B.C.
INSTALLATION: 1st Tuesday of November.
FIRST PRINCIPAL: EC Brian Beech
SCRIBE EZRA: VEC Norm McEvoy, 650 Fisgard Street, Victoria, BC V8W 1R6

KOOTENAY CHAPTER NO. 3 (CHARTER TURNED IN SEP. 15, 2006)
INSTITUTED: 1898 CONSTITUTED: June 17, 1919
REGULAR MEETING held on3rd Friday of March, May, July, and September
TIME: 7:30 PM March, May, July and September
LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, Kaslo B. C.
INSTALLATION: 1st Saturday of November
FIRST PRIN. REC EC Alan Tomlinson
SCRIBE EZRA: REC Tom Lymbery

ROSSLAND CHAPTER NO. 4
INSTITUTED: November 19, 1898
CONSTITUTED: June. 17, 1919
REGULAR MEETING: 1st Tue. except January & September when Convocations

	are on the 3rd Tuesday. Recessed July & August
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC TEMPLE, 815 Victoria St., Trail. BC
INSTALLATION:	1st Tuesday of December.
FIRST PRINCIPAL	REC G.W. Reed
SCRIBE EZRA:	EC David Dudley, 25 Wilson Road, Christina Lake, BC V0H1E0

WESTMINSTER CHAPTER NO. 6

INSTITUTED: January 24, 1901 CONSTITUTED: January 23, 1919

REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Tuesday of each month except June, July, Aug. Dec
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 508 Agnes Street, New Westminster BC
INSTALLATION:	3rd Tuesday of January
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	EC William Aspinall
SCRIBE EZRA:	REC Donovan O Tyers 13023 – 100A Avenue Surrey. BC, V3T 1J8 Phone: (604) 581-6423

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER NO 7

INSTITUTED: October 1900 CONSTITUTED: June 17 1919

REGULAR MEETING:	2nd Tuesday of January
TIME:	8:00 PM

LOCATION:	MASONIC TEMPLE, 401-3rd Avenue S., Cranbrook, BC
INSTALLATION:	2nd Tueday except January (2nd Saturday) No Convocations in July & August
FIRST PRINCIPAL	EC E.T McKay
SCRIBE EZRA:	REC Oliver Westrup, 423 – 14th Avenue, Cranbrook, BC V1C 2X7

KEYSTONE CHAPTER NO. 8

INSTITUTED: December 16, 1891 CONSTITUTED: June 17, 1919

REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Thursday of each month except March July & August Meet on the 3rd Saturday in March at 2.00 PM
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC TEMPLE, 101 Commercial Street, Nanaimo. B.C.
INSTALLATION:	3rd Saturday of March
FIRST PRINCIPAL	VEC Angus Nicol
SCRIBE EZRA:	MEC Leslie Robinson, 3865 Honey Locust Driver, Nanaimo, BC V9T 6B9

CYRUS CHAPTER NO. 10

INSTITUTED:	July 30, 1904 CONSTITUTED: June 18, 1919
REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Wed. of each month except July & August
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC TEMPLE, 361-5th St. Courtenay, BC
INSTALLATION:	3rd Wednesday of April
FIRST PRINCIPAL	EC Bruce McLean
SCRIBE EZRA:	REC James Whyte, 5254 Langlois Road, Courtenay, BC V9J 1S8

OKANAGAN CHAPTER NO. 11

INSTITUTED:	July 30 1907 CONSTITUTED: June 18, 1919
REGULAR MEETING	3rd Thursday of each month except July & August
TIME:	8:00 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC TEMPLE, 3005-32nd Street, Vernon, BC
INSTALLATION:	3rd Thursday in January
FIRST PRINCIPAL	EC Ed Kew
SCRIBE EZRA:	REC Norman F. MacDonald, Site 10,Comp. 55 RR 6 Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0 PHONE: (250) 546-9497

KAIEN CHAPTER NO 13

INSTITUTED:	August 2, 1910 CONSTITUTED: Feb.28, 1912
REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Wednesday of each month except July, August, November & December
TIME:	8:00 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC TEMPLE 6th & Bowser Street Prince Rupert, BC
INSTALLATION:	3rd Saturday of November at 2:00 PM
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	EC G.M. Webster
SCRIBE EZRA:	G. Murray Webster, 600 Cassiar Ave, Prince Rupert, V8J 3Z8, Phone: (250) 624-0325

NORTH VANCOUVER CHAPTER NO. 16

INSTITUTED:	February 25, 1914 CONSTITUTED: June 17, 1919
REGULAR MEETING:	2nd Thursday of each month except July & August
TIME:	7:30 pm
LOCATION:	MASONIC TEMPLE, 1142 Lonsdale Ave. North Vancouver, BC
INSTALLATION:	2nd Thursday of January
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	EC. Roy Friis 3W1
SCRIBE EZRA:	VEC Colin Hart, 4224 Hoskins Road, North Vancouver, BC V7K 2P6

KELOWNA CHAPTER NO. 17

INSTITUTED: 1916
CONSTITUTED: June 17 1919

REGULAR MEETING: 4th Tuesday of each month except June which is on the 2nd Tuesday no July August or December meetings.

TIME: 8:00 PM

LOCATION: ST. GEORGE'S MASONIC HALL, 1564 Pandosy St. Kelowna, BC

INSTALLATION: 4th Tuesday in November

FIRST PRINCIPAL VEC Bill Phillips

SCRIBE EZRA REC William Ferguson, 146 – 1201 Cameron Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1W 3S1

KAMLOOPS CHAPTER NO 18

INSTITUTED: August 2, 1920
CONSTITUTED: July 26, 1921

REGULAR MEETING: 3rd Tuesday of each month, except for July and August

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, 351 Nicola Street, Kamloops, BC

INSTALLATION: 3rd Tuesday of May

FIRST PRINCIPAL: VEC Vernon Jones

SCRIBE EZRA: REC Ron Bushby, 755 Fleming Road, Kamloops, BC V1S 1A2

CHILLIWACK CHAPTER NO. 19

INSTITUTED: May 12, 1921
CONSTITUTED: June 21, 1922

REGULAR MEETING: 2nd Thursday of each month, except July and August

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, 45905 Hocking Ave. Chilliwack

INSTALLATION: 2nd Thursday of December

FIRST PRINCIPAL: VEC Lorne Street,

SCRIBE EZRA: REC Malcolm D. Johnson, 2221 Bevan Cr. Abbotsford, BC, V2T 3Z4,

MOUNT MORIAH CHAPTER NO 20 (CHARTER TURNED IN SEP 15, 2006)

INSTITUTED:
CONSTITUTED: June 1922

REGULAR MEETING: 2nd Wednesday of each month, except Jan, July, August &, December

TIME: 8:00 PM

LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, 392-4th Ave. Fernie, BC

INSTALLATION: 3rd Saturday of January

FIRST PRINCIPAL: REC B.Flewelling

SCRIBE EZRA: C.. Gerald Ordway, Box 812, Sparwood, BC V0B 1M0

TRIPLE TAU CHAPTER NO 21

INSTITUTED: May 22, 1922 CONSTITUTED: June 29, 1922

REGULAR MEETING: 4th Tuesday each month except July August December
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC HALL, 4474 Rupert St. Vancouver, BC
INSTALLATION: 2nd Saturday in September
FIRST PRINCIPAL REC Charles Edington
SCRIBE EZRA MEC William Shippam, 5911 Kerr Street, Vancouver, B.C. V5R 4B9

PENTICTON CHAPTER NO. 22

INSTITUTED: June 18, 1923 CONSTITUTED: September 9, 1924
REGULAR MEETING: 2nd Tuesday of each month, except July and August
TIME: 8:00 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, 157 Orchard Ave., Penticton, BC
INSTALLATION: 2nd Tuesday of December
FIRST PRINCIPAL: EC Rod Henderson
SCRIBE EZRA: VEC Ian Swann, 198 Andrew Place, Penticton, BC V2A 8S8

COMPOSITE CHAPTER NO. 24

INSTITUTED: May 29, 1925
CONSTITUTED: June 7, 1926
REGULAR MEETING: 1st Friday Tuesday of each month, except July and Aug.
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, 508 Agnes Street.

New Westminster, BC
INSTALLATION: 1st Friday of January
FIRST PRINCIPAL: REC Anthony Brown
SCRIBE EZRA: REC Thomas Bligh, 931 Shavington Street North Vancouver, BC, V7L 1K6

OBSERVATORY CHAPTER NO. 25

INSTITUTED: June 18, 1919 CONSTITUTED: August 26, 1927
REGULAR MEETING: 2nd Monday of each month, except July, Aug. & Oct.
TIME: 8:00 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, Vermillian Ave. Princeton, BC
INSTALLATION: 2nd Monday in June
FIRST PRINCIPAL: EC Jens Milde
SCRIBE EZRA: REC Raymond A. Huey, Box 692 Princeton, BC V0H 1Z0

TZOUHALEM CHAPTER NO. 26

INSTITUTED: February 28, 1928
CONSTITUTED: June 20, 1928
REGULAR MEETING: 3rd Tuesday of each month, except July and August
TIME: 7:00 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC HALL, 163 Canada Ave., Duncan, B C
INSTALLATION: 3rd Tuesday of, October
FIRST PRINCIPAL: EC Stan Grenda
SCRIBE EZRA: REC. Donald W. Walkey, 1437 Belcarra Rd. Duncan, BC, V9L 5P2

PAYRUS CHAPTER NO 27 (CHARTER TURNED IN SEP 15, 2006)

INSTITUTED: March 30, 1927
CONSTITUTED: September 17, 1928

REGULAR MEETING: 3rd Monday of each month, except July, Aug. & Dec.
TIME: 8:00 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, 6274 Walnut St.
Powell River, BC.
INSTALLATION: 2nd Saturday in January
FIRST PRINCIPAL: EC. Richard Sangster
SCRIBE EZRA: MEC Norman Monro, RR #1, Black Point, Powell River, BC V8A 4Z2

MISSION CHAPTER NO. 28

INSTITUTED: April 18, 1930 CONSTITUTED: August 14, 1930
REGULAR MEETING except July August and December: 4th Wednesday of each month
TIME: 8:00 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC HALL, 2660 Shaughnessy St., Port. Coquitlam
INSTALLATION: 4th Wednesday in September
FIRST PRINCIPAL: EC Rod Marquette
SCRIBE EZRA: C. Al Adams, 23 – 12276 – 189A Street, Pitt Meadows, BC V3Y 2G2

GRANITE CHAPTER NO 29

INSTITUTED: August 8, 1946
CONSTITUTED: October 10, 1947

REGULAR MEETING: 1st Wednesday each month, except Jan. July and August
TIME: 8:00 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC TEMPLE, 270 Alexander Ave., Salmon Arm, B.C.

INSTALLATION: 1st Wednesday of December
FIRST PRINCIPAL: REC. Bob Mitchell
SCRIBE EZRA: REC. Percy J. Harkness, 33 – 2930 Brown Road Salmon Arm, BC. V1E 4M1

KING SOLOMON CHAPTER NO 30

INSTITUTED: September 23, 1947 CONSTITUTED: September, 1948
REGULAR MEETING: 4th Thursday of each month except July, Aug., & Sept.
TIME: 7:30 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC HALL, 1763 Bellevue Ave., West Vancouver, BC.
INSTALLATION: 4th Saturday of January
FIRST PRINCIPAL: EC Peter Blagaic
SCRIBE EZRA: EC. Ian Thompson, 942 Belvedere Drive North Vancouver, BC V7R 2C1

JOPPA CHAPTER NO 31

INSTITUTED:	January 3, 1949 CONSTITUTED: August 1, 1949
REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Monday of each month except July, Aug., & Dec.
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 8486 Granville St., Vancouver, BC
INSTALLATION:	3rd Monday in January
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	REC Vernon Halverson
SCRIBE EZRA:	VEC Michael Raynor, 808 – W 19th Street, North Vancouver, BC V7P 1Z6

MAJUBA CHAPTER NO. 33

INSTITUTED:	January 13.1951 CONSTITUTED: July 14, 1951
REGULAR MEETING:	1st Tuesday of each month except July, Aug. & Jan.
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 26 Gatacre St. Ladysmith, BC
INSTALLATION:	1st Tuesday in April
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	ECNorman Carreck
SCRIBE EZRA:	EC Ken Gibson, 134 – 1736 Timberlands Road, Ladysmith, BC V9G 1K3

SEMIAHMOO CHAPTER NO 34

INSTITUTED:	September 29, 1952 CONSTITUTED: July 4, 1953
REGULAR MEETING:	2nd Tuesday of each month except July, and August
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 20710 Fraser Highway Langley, BC
INSTALLATION:	2nd Tuesday in May
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	VEC Alex McGregor
SCRIBE EZRA:	EC Jack MacDonald 4763 – 210th Street, Langley, BC V3A 2L4

CATHEDRAL CHAPTER NO 35

INSTITUTED:	June 21 1956 CONSTITUTED: September, 1956
REGULAR MEETING:	4th Tuesday, except June, July, August, & September
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 136 Memorial Ave., Parksville, BC
INSTALLATION:	Last Saturday in April
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	VEC Ray Vose
SCRIBE EZRA:	VEC Phillip B. Martin 526 Panorama Place, Parksville, BC V9P 1A4

FORT GEORGE CHAPTER NO 36

INSTITUTED:	CONSTITUTED: September 20, 1957
REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Wednesday of each month except July & August 1st Wednesday in December
TIME:	8:00 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 450 Vancouver. Prince George, BC
INSTALLATION:	1ST Wednesday in December
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	REC Harold Woolgar
SCRIBE EZRA:	MEC. R. Hilliard Clare, 215 Wainwright Street Prince George, BC V2M 2C2

KALUM CHAPTER NO 37

INSTITUTED:	May 26 1956 CONSTITUTED: September 19, 1957
REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Tuesday of each month July, August & October
TIME:	8:00 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 4915 Lazelle, avenue Terrace BC
INSTALLATION:	3rd Saturday in October
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	EC A.T. Balfour
SCRIBE EZRA:	REC. Cecil E. Bartlett, 75 – 3232 Apsley Street Terrace, BC V8G 5L1

YUKON CHAPTER NO 38

INSTITUTED:	January 30, 1950CONSTITUTED: January 30, 1951
REGULAR MEETING:	4th Monday of each month except July, August & Sept.
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 505 Lambert St., Whitehorse, YT
INSTALLATION:	4th Monday of November
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	VEC Wayne Huffman
SCRIBE EZRA:	REC. Ian N. Campbell, 28 Klondike Road, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 3L9

GEORGIAN CHAPTER NO 39

INSTITUTED:	May 25 1960
	CONSTITUTED: September 30 1961
REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Tuesday of each month June to March, 1st Tuesday in April and the 1st Saturday in May. Closed July, August & December
TIME:	8;00 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL Roberts Creek, BC
INSTALLATION:	1st Saturday in May
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	ECPeter Burns
SCRIBE EZRA:	REC Stan Fleetham, PO Box 1722, Sechelt, BC V0N 3A0

SIMON FRASER CHAPTER NO 40
INSTITUTED: March 29, 1961
CONSTITUTED: July 29, 1961

REGULAR MEETING:	2nd Tuesday of each month Sept to June Except February
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 6730 No. 3rd, Richmond, BC
INSTALLATION:	1st Saturday of February
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	EC Thomas Rae
SCRIBE EZRA	VEC. C. Wilson, 6730 No. 3 Road Richmond, B.C. V6Y 2C2

DAWSON CREEK CHAPTER NO 41
INSTITUTED: October 15, 1960
CONSTITUTED: September 1, 1962

REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Tuesday of each month except July, August & Sept.
TIME:	8:00 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC TEMPLE, 901-103rd Street, Dawson Creek,
INSTALLATION:	3rd Tuesday of September
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	EC. James Forbes
SCRIBE EZRA:	EC Donald Stirling, 9008 – 118A Avenue, Fort St. John, BC V1J 6R1

CARIBOU CHAPTER NO 43
INSTITUTED: MAY 23, 1975
CONSTITUTED: September 4, 1976

REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Monday of each month except July & August
TIME:	7:30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 520 Front St., Quesnel, BC
INSTALLATION	3rd Saturday in September
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	EC Bryan Rodger
SCRIBE EZRA:	EC. Joseph Bare, PO Box 4551, Quesnel, BC V2J 3J8

PACIFIC RIM CHAPTER NO 44
INSTITUTED: May 3, 1990 CONSTITUTED: April 11, 1992

REGULAR MEETING:	3rd Thursday of each month except June, July, Aug. Dec
TIME:	7.30 PM
LOCATION:	MASONIC HALL, 6544 Troup Road, Sooke, BC
INSTALLATION:	3rd Thursday of January
FIRST PRINCIPAL:	EC Jack Bragg
SCRIBE EZRA:	C. Dieter Endrucshat, 3054 Leroy Place, Victoria, BC V9C 1N7

DISCOVERY CHAPTER NO 45
INSTITUTED: September 17, 1998 CONSTITUTED: September 25, 1999

REGULAR MEETING:	4th Monday of each month except Jan., June, July August &

December
TIME:

7:30 PM
LOCATION: MASONIC HALL, Campbell River, BC
INSTALLATION: 4th Monday of September
FIRST PRINCIPAL: EC Craig Houston
SCRIBE EZRA: MEC. Malcolm S. Cowie,
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Year	Grand Zerubbabel	Grand Haggai	Grand Joshua
1919	*Harry H. Watson	*Daniel M Harrison	*Charles F. Sherwin
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1921	*Daniel M. Harrison	*Charles F. Sherwin	*Vernon W. Stewa
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. Phillip
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. Suther d
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. McKa
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. Good
1940	*Stanley Gordon	*Thomas B. Goodall	*George E. MacKi on
1941	*G.E. McKinnon	*M.J. Little	*W. Coates Taylor
1942	*M.J. Little	*W. Coates Taylor	*.John. H. Morgan
1943	*W. Coates Taylor	*John H. Morgan	*F.A. Willis

1944	*John H. Morgan	*F.A. Willis	*Edward T. Searle
1945	*F.A. Willis	*Edward T. Searle	*Edgar B. Baker
1946	*Edward T. Searle	*Edgar B. Baker	*John MacLeod
1947	*Edgar B. Baker	*John MacLeod	*Gerald M. Sedger
1948	*John MacLeod	*Gerald M. Sedger	*A.E. Davidson
1949	*Gerald M. Sedger	*A.E. Davidson	*A. Roy Byrnell
1950	*A.E. Davidson	*A. Roy Byrnell	*Andrew Coutts
1951	*A. Roy Byrnell	*Andrew Coutts	*Charles E. Renecker
1952	*Andrew Coutts	*Charles E. Renecker	*Harvey P. Wyness
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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
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1965	*Thomas R. Smalley	*L.R. Gamey	*Ewan E. Andrews
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1972	*Evan H.Carl	*W. Currie McCalpin	*James A. Manzer
1973	*W. Currie McCalpin	*James A. Manzer	*William H. Young
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1977	*Henry M. Dayton	George H. Coupland	*William Blake
1978	George H. Coupland	*William Blake	* R. Cedric Telford
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1990	*Robert J. Gornall	Alexander S. Rollo	H. James White
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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. Mon
2001	David B. Turner	Norman K. Monro	Basil R. Hobbs
2002	Norman K. Monro	Basil R. Hobbs	George W. Eaton
2003	Basil R. Hobbs	George W. Eaton	Brian Richman
2004	George W. Eaton	Brian Richman	William Fooks
2005	Brian Richman	William Fooks	Leslie Robinson
2006	Leslie Robinson	George Tillotson	Alastair Ross

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REPORT OF THE ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD OF B.C. & YUKON
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MOST EXCELLENT GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL AND COMPANIONS ALL:

The Order of High Priesthood for British Columbia and Yukon was opened on September 14th 2006 at the Masonic Hall, 480 Vancouver Street, Prince George, B.C. on Thursday September 14th 2006at 2:15 p.m.
At the commencement of the Order it was determined that the recorder only had one new candidate for the order, however there were in fact 5 new candidates this was due to the fact that the Scribe Ezra's of the various Chapters had not submitted an application to cover these candidates. After a full discussion it was determined that due to the distance these Companions had travelled we should confer the order, after due deliberation we then found that there were 5 new candidates along with two from previous years, for a total of 7 candidates
The two candidates from previous years were Excellent Companion Ian Thompson, and Ronald Holdcroft.
The five new candidates were as follows Excellent Companion's Thomas Feely, Jack Bragg, Brian Beech, Dean Box, and Bryan Rodgers.
There being seven candidates one of the seven was selected to become the active candidate.
The ceremony commenced as follows with the Companions listed below the Officers to confer the order. Basil Hobbs President, George Eaton Vice President, William Fooks Chaplain, Les Robinson Master of Ceremonies, George W. Tilitson, Conductor, Alistair Ross Herald, Joe D. Quan Treasurer, Alex Rollo Registrar, John MacIntosh Steward, and David Grange Sentinel, and Roy MacDonald Director of Ceremonies, (who was absent due to health)
Following the completion of the degree of High Priesthood, the Regular Order of Business too place and was carried out in the usual brisk business as follows.

1) The first order of business following the degree was the report of the Treasurer Joe D. Quan. It was reported that we commenced April 30th 2005 with $2,005.08, received $720.95 in fees, expensed $1,250.00 covering jewels, thus we were left with $1,476.03 as of April 30th 2006. (copy attached)

The next Order of Business was were there any Companion in attendance that was a first time visitor to the Order of High Priesthood for B.C. & Yukon, upon this being asked it was determined that there were two Excellent Companions as follows.
Most Excellent Companion R. H. McMillan, Grand First Principal of Manitoba.
The next first time visitor was
Right Excellent Companion Robert Bruce Taylor Past Grand Superintendents, and Grand Master of Cryptic Masonry of Western Canada

Both these distinguished Companions received their Honorary Members Cards from the President MEC Basil Hobbs.
Upon enquiry from the President if there was any further business to come before the Order, there being none the President Most Excellent Companion Basil Hobbs requested the Registrar Most Excellent Companion Alex Rollo for a list of nominees for the various offices, being a nominating committee of one the Registrar reported the following names had been checked as follows. President George Eaton, Vice President Brian Richman, Chaplain George Tillitson, Treasurer Joe D. Quan, Recorder Alex Rollo, Master of Ceremonies Alistair Ross, Conductor David Grange, Herald Stan Sorenson, Steward Joel Chiri, Sentinal John MacIntosh, Director of Ceremonies Basil Hobbs.
The President than enquired if there were any further nominations, there being none the President Basil Hobbs declared those nominated as being duly and regularly elected.
This being completed President Basil Hobbs then asked that the Registrar Alex Rollo assume the gavel and Install the Officers of the Order of High Priesthood.
This ceremony was done with due decorum, the Installing Officer was assisted by Most Excellent Companion William Shippam as Director of Ceremonies.
The President, Vice President, and Chaplain were duly obligated at the Altar after having been duly placed there by the Director of Ceremonies, and then placed in their respective chairs by the Installing Officer. The balance of the Officers were then obligated (including the Registrar Alex Rollo) and the Director of Ceremonies then placed all at their respective chairs thus completing the Installation of the Officers of the Order of High Priesthood for B.C. & Yukon for 2006 – 2007.
There being no further business to come before the assembly the Order commenced to close after the short but appropriate remarks by the newly Installed President George W. Eaton. The ceremony of closing commenced with the Obligation by the newly Installed Vice President and passing the password for closing done in the usual decorum manner. Thus all retired at 4:30 p.m. with Peace and Harmony Prevailing

Fraternally submitted

Alexander S. Rollo
Recorder

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