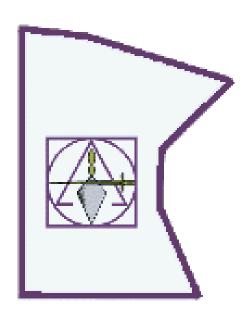
# The Proceedings OF Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota 146<sup>th</sup> Grand Assembly

Rochester, Minnesota June 24, 2016



Marvin W. Schendel Most Illustrious Grand Master 2015 – 2016

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The 146<sup>th</sup> Grand council Assembly was opened in regular form by MIGM Marvin W. Schendel and his corps of officers at 8:00 AM at the Double Tree Hotel in Rochester, MN on JUNE 24, 2016

# REPORT OF THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER MARVIN W. SCHENDEL

To: The Grand Offices and Companions of Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent you, as your Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota this past year.

I want to thank the Grand Council Officers for all of your hard work behind the scenes, to make Minnesota Grand Council one of the strongest Grand Councils in the area.

The main focus this past year has been on getting the ritual in order and available to all the Companions of this jurisdiction. Your Grand Officers have worked hard proof reading and assembling the six man opening and closing, the Royal and Select degrees, the full opening and closing, along with the installation of officers. All of these are available on the Grand Council web site, www.mnyorkrite.org in the resources area.

We have started work on the General Grand Council's Ritual Jewel. The Recorder and the Grand Arch Master will have more information on the requirements for that shortly.

The one day to Council is important to the rebuilding our Councils. Those Councils that do not have enough ritual cast members of their own can bring their candidates to a one day and thus add to their ranks. If three or four Councils in an area get together and put on a one day, it strengthens that whole area, and if they need help the Grand Officers are more than willing to pitch in and lend a hand. If you are fortunate enough to have good ritualist in your Council or area, you are indeed blessed, but if you do not it is my opinion that it is better to read a part well than to struggle to recite it from memory.

There are a few areas in the state that are working hard and rebuilding. It is great to see the enthusiasm growing and the excitement once the degrees start. If we give our Companions degree work they will be there to help, just having a business meeting does not create a good enough reason for a lot of Companions to come out, you have to give them something worthwhile to get involved in, and our beautiful degree work is that something.

The Grand Council has also posted a set of generic By-Laws on the Grand web site. If your by-laws are not up to date, or if you are unable to find a copy of your by-laws, take a look at the generic By-Laws to see if they will work for your Council. We tried to keep them simple so that they are not too cumbersome.

We are continuing to clean up the Constitution and Regulations to make them more streamlined and easier to work with. All in all, we are working for you, trying to make this Grand Council the best. If you or your Council need some help or if you have a question, just give us a call, and we will try to help you out. We are here to serve you.

I want to thank all the Councils in Minnesota for the honors, hospitality and courtesies, that you have given to me this year. It has been my pleasure to serve you.

I also want to thank my home Council, Minneapolis Council #2, for all the support and extra work they have done for myself and my officers this year.

To all the Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters, thank you for your support and your leadership that you have given to me and the other Grand Officers.

No one person can take all the credit for a good year. It is the Officers and Committee people that deserve our gratitude for a job well done.

It has been fun to travel with my counterpart, Most Excellent Companion Greg Schultz, the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, to the other jurisdictions in our North Central States area.

I need to thank my lady Marilyn for the many hours of unseen work that see has done. The support and love she has given me on my Masonic journey. THANK YOU MARILYN.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marvin W. Schendel

MIC Marvin W. Schendel Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, 2015 – 2016

# INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND MASTERS

Stanley D. Morrill	1988
Hugh Swift, Jr.	1993
Jerry R. Korstad	1998
William R. Newell	1999
Charles R. Marston	2000
Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	2003
Kevin V. Jones	2004
Ronald A. Miles	2009
Gary A. Odegard	2012
James E. Turner, Jr.	2013
Michael A. Denke	2014

# INTRODUCTION OF VISITING GRAND DIGNITARIES

MIC George E. Bauder, North Central Deputy Grand Master- Representing the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International; he is also PMIGM of South Dakota.

MIC Leland L. Burlison, Past Grand Illustrious Master of Wisconsin

IC Terry L. Loper, Grand Captain of the Guard of Wisconsin

MIC David D. Mahoney, Past Grand Illustrious Master of Wisconsin

MIC Richard A. McBride, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, South Dakota

MIC Ricky N. McCampbell, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Iowa

MIC Carl C. Plants, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Nebraska;

Mic Prince D. Selvaraj, Elected Member of the Grand Executive Grand Council of Ontario

IC James D. Myrhum of Wisconsin.

#### **Announcements and Awards**

The following Companions and awards were then announced by Grand Master Schendel:

The recipient of the Minnesota Youth Award was Michelle Jensen of Anoka.

The Adult Leadership Award was presented to Ailean "Al" Golden for his work with the Robinsdale DeMolay

The ISH-SODI recipients for this year are:

R. Sean Gardiner -- St. Paul Council No. 1
Monte M. Miller - St. Paul Council No. 1
Richard J. Heide - Ark Council No. 3

These awards and announcements were presented at the banquet on Thursday evening.

R. Sean Gardiner of St. Paul Council No. 1; was presented with the Cryptic Mason of the Year Award at the banquet on Saturday night.

#### The following resolutions were presented and passed at this Grand Assembly

#### **Resolution No. 1, 2016**

Constitutional Amendment – Powers and Jurisdiction

WHEREAS, General Grand Council offers the best guidance when the Grand Council of Minnesota's Constitution and General Regulations are silent on a matter;

WHEREAS, Article III Powers and Jurisdiction, Section 3.03 Government of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota now reads:

Section 3.03, Whenever this Constitution and Regulations is silent on any subject, the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota shall govern.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article III Powers and Jurisdiction, Section 3.03 Government of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota shall be amended to read: Section 3.03 - Government

Whenever this Constitution and Regulations is silent on any subject, the Constitution and General Regulations of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International, then the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota shall govern.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas R. Johnson, Grand Chaplain for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

#### Resolution No. 2, 2016

Constitutional Amendment –Officers and Their Election WHEREAS,

Future succession and planning within the Grand Council can be more firmly established;

WHEREAS, Article IV Officers and Their Election, Section 4.04 Eligibility of Office of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota now reads:

Section 4.04 Eligibility for Office

Every officer must be a member of this Grand Council, except that Companions may be appointed Chaplain and Grand Sentinel although at the time not members thereof.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article IV Officers and Their Election, Section 4.04 Eligibility of Office of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota shall be amended to read:

Section 4.04 Eligibility for Office

Every officer must be a member of this Grand Council and a Past Illustrious Master of a constituent Council, except that Companions may be appointed Chaplain although at the time not members thereof. And in addition, The Most Illustrious Grand Master must have been previously elected and served as the Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master or the Right Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work of Minnesota.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas R. Johnson, Grand Chaplain for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

#### Resolution No. 3, 2016

Constitutional Amendment – Succession of Officers WHEREAS,

Succession of officers is not clearly defined;

WHEREAS, Article IV Officers and Their Election, Section 4.08 Succession of Officers of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota now reads:

Section 4.08 Succession of Officers

In the event of death, or the absence either temporarily or permanently, of the Grand Master, or his inability for any reason to serve the Grand Council, the Deputy Master, Principal Conductor of the Work, and the Past Grand Masters, in order, will succeed to his duties and prerogatives.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article IV Officers and Their Election, Section 4.08 of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota shall be amended to read: Section 4.08 Succession of Officers

In the event of death, or the absence either temporarily or permanently, of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, or his inability for any reason to serve the Grand Council, the Right Illustrious Deputy Master, Right Illustrious Principal Conductor of the Work, and the Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters, in order of Juniority, will succeed to his duties and prerogatives.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas R. Johnson, Grand Chaplain for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

#### Resolution No. 4, 2016

Constitutional Amendment – Section 6.041 Voting Eligibility

WHEREAS, Clarity was needed on the proper procedure for the use of proxies at the Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota;

WHEREAS, Article VI Meetings, Section 6.041 Voting Eligibility of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota now reads:

Section 6.041 Voting Eligibility

In the transaction of the business of the Grand Council, each member of said Council shall have one (1) vote, except the Grand Master shall have a casting vote in case of a tie, upon any question other than the election of officers. Each Council present shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Dias Officer and Recorder present or by proxy, and one (1) vote for each Past Illustrious Master present; provided he is not an elected Dias Officer or Recorder of a Constituent Council. Then the Past Illustrious Master shall be entitled to only one (1) vote as a Council Dias Officer or Recorder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article VI Meetings, Section 6.041 Voting Eligibility of the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota shall be amended to read: Section 6.041 Voting Eligibility

In the transaction of the business of the Grand Council, each member of said Council shall have one (1) vote, except the Grand Master shall have a casting vote in case of a tie, upon any question other than the election of officers. Each Council present shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Dias Officer and Recorder present or by proxy, and one (1) vote for each Past Illustrious Master present; provided he is not an elected Dias Officer or Recorder of a Constituent Council. Then the Past Illustrious Master shall be entitled to only one (1) vote as a Council Dias Officer or Recorder. If an Illustrious Master, Deputy Illustrious Master or Principal Conductor of the Work is not present representing his Council in person or by proxy, his vote may be cast by the Senior Dias Officer of the Council who is present; or, if no Dias Officer is present, and none has appointed a proxy, their remaining available votes will be forfeit.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Resolution No. 5, 2016.

WHEREAS: Our membership number has been decreasing and our expenses have increased;

WHEREAS; General Grand Council has raised their per-capita.

WHEREAS; Article X Finance, Section 10.03 Grand Council Financed of the Grand Council of Cryptic

Masons of Minnesota Rules for the Regulation of Constituent Councils reads:

The Grand Council is financed by the constituent Councils in the following manner:

**Section 10.031** 

A payment of \$10.00 for a dispensation for a new Council.

Section 10.032

A payment of \$10.00 for a Charter granted after such dispensation.

Section 10.033

\$5.00 for each fee received by a Council for each petition for degrees.

Section 10.034

\$10.00 for each member reported in good standing by a Council on its last annual return; unless the member has his dues remitted while serving stateside or in foreign countries in the, Armed Forces of the United States during times of war or conflict. This resolution will apply to any Cryptic Council member who is serving in the United States Air Force, United States marine Corps, United States Navy, United States Army and the United States Coast Guard; or in their respective reserves either serving stateside or serving in foreign countries during times of war or conflict. These Companions will have their dues remitted by the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. Such dues remittance will begin to those active or reserve military personnel serving as of January 1, 2011.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article X Section 10.03 of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota Rules for the Regulation of Constituent Councils be amended to read:

The Grand Council is financed by the constituent Councils in the following manner:

Section 10.031

A payment of \$100.00 for a dispensation for a new Council.

Section 10.032

A payment of **\$100.00** for a Charter granted after such dispensation.

Section 10.033

\$15.00 for each fee received by a Council for each petition for degrees.

Section 10.034

\$15.00 plus the General Grand Council per-capita for each member reported in

good standing by a Council on its last annual return; unless the member has his dues remitted while serving stateside or in foreign countries in the, Armed Forces of the United States during times of war or conflict. This resolution will apply to any Cryptic Council member who is serving in the United States Air Force, United States Marine Corps, United States Navy, United States Army and the United States Coast Guard; or in their respective reserves either serving stateside or serving in foreign countries during times of war or conflict. These Companions will have their dues remitted by the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. Such dues remittance will begin to those active or reserve military personnel serving as of January 1, 2011.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hugh Swift Jr., PIGM and Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

#### Resolution No. 6, 2016

ARTICLE IX MEETINGS, Section 9.01 Openings, Quorum and Voting

WHEREAS, Subordinate Councils of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota may at times during the year fail to meet the minimum attendance to establish a quorum to hold a meeting.

WHEREAS, Each subordinate Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota is required to hold a minimum of four meetings each calendar year.

WHEREAS, Article IX Meetings, Section 9.01 Openings, Quorum and Voting of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota Rules for the Regulation of Constituent Councils states:

Nine (9) members of the Council must be present to constitute a quorum for business, including an officer entitled to preside. All business be transacted while open in the degree of Select Master. All questions shall be resolved by a majority vote except as otherwise provided. If nine members are not present, a six (6) member opening is allowable to enable the council members to ballot on petitions and conduct council business using the ritual on file in the Grand Recorders office.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article IX Meetings, Section 9.01 Openings, Quorum and Voting of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota Rules for the Regulation of Constituent Councils be amended to the following:

Nine (9) members of the Council must be present to constitute a quorum for business, including an officer entitled to preside. All business be transacted while open in the degree of Select Master. All questions shall be resolved by a majority vote except as otherwise provided. If nine members are not present, a six (6) member opening is allowable to enable the council members to ballot on petitions and conduct council business using the ritual on file in the Grand Recorders office.

The Grand Council Officers of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota visiting any subordinate Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota's stated meeting may at such said stated meeting serve in the acting role of a member to establish a quorum for the sole purpose of conducting business of such Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. The Grand Officer of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, unless he is a member of such Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, serving in the acting role of member does not have voting rights at such Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

Respectfully submitted:
Ronald A. Miles, PMIGM & Trustee

#### Resolution No. 7, 2016

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota Rules for the Regulation of Constituent Councils WHEREAS; the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota establishes all rules and regulations for the government of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota and its constituent Councils. WHEREAS; the current Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota Rules for the Regulation of Constituent Councils document has grown from the sole governance of constituent Councils to Grand Council functions as well.

WHEREAS; it is in the best interest of Cryptic Masonry to clearly identify the governing documents correctly.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota Rules for the Regulation of Constituent Councils be renamed to:

General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

Respectfully submitted, Sean Gardiner, PIM St. Paul Council No. 1

#### Resolution No. 8, 2016

General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, New Article I and numbering of remaining Articles.

WHEREAS; the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota establishes all rules and regulations for the government of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota and its constituent Councils. WHEREAS; the current General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota document has grown from the sole governance of constituent Councils to Grand Council functions as well.

WHEREAS; it is best practice to have committees in the General Regulations rather than the Constitution.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a new Article be added to the General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, before the current Article I and all subsequent Articles be renumbered, increasing by one (1) roman numeral. The new Article to be named Article I Grand Committees and Grand Representatives.

Respectfully submitted, Sean Gardiner, PIM St. Paul Council No. 1

#### Resolution No. 9, 2016

General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, Article I, Sections 1-5. WHEREAS; the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota establishes all rules and regulations for the government of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota and its constituent Councils. WHEREAS; the current General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota document has grown from the sole governance of constituent Councils to Grand Council functions as well.

WHEREAS; it is best practice to have committees in the General Regulations rather than the Constitution.

WHEREAS; the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, Article V Committees and Grand Representatives, Sections 5.01 – 5.08 State:

Section 5.01

The Grand Master elect, after installation, and before closing of the Assembly, shall appoint the following committees, whose term shall correspond with the Grand Master unless by him sooner removed by appointment of his or their successors. The committees are Finance, Jurisprudence, Appeals and Grievance, Fraternal Promotion, Information and Education.

Section 5.01.1 Finance Committee

The Grand Master shall appoint three members to this committee, the chairman shall be the Deputy Grand Master. The Treasurer-Recorder shall be an exofficio member with no voting right.

The duties of the Finance Committee are:

- .01 Budget, recommend and approve the disbursements of the finances
- .02 All resolutions or motions for appropriations shall be referred to this

Committee for approval before being voted on by the Assembly

Section 5.01.2 Jurisprudence

- .01 The Jurisprudence Committee shall consist of no less than three (3) nor more than five (5) members and shall be chaired by a Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, who will be present at the Annual Assembly, to rule on matters referred to this committee.
- .02 All proposed legislation and decisions of the Grand Master relating to the laws, rules and regulations of the Grand Council shall be referred to this committee for review
- .03 The Committee is to report its recommendations, in writing to the Assembly. A copy of the report to be filed with the Grand Treasurer-Recorder for inclusion in the proceedings
- .04 All matters of grievance shall be referred to this committee. This committee shall evaluate all the evidence and facts and report their findings and recommendations to the Grand Master for his decision.
- .05 All petitions for restoration from indefinite suspension or expulsion to be referred to this
- .06 It shall be the duty of the committee to further Cryptic Masonry in the State of Minnesota by rehabilitating Councils and forming new ones and to contact and cooperate with similar committees of the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery.
- .07 On the receipt of a request for the restoration of a new Council, the Grand Master shall refer the request to the Jurisprudence Committee for examination of the records and report to the Grand Council their recommendations relating to Councils under dispensation and their request for a charter. Section 5.02 Investment Committee
- .01 This Committee shall consist of at least two (2) and not more than three (3) Companions of the order. They shall be responsible for the investment of all funds of the Grand Council of Minnesota that are to be invested for periods of six (6) months or more. All funds shall be invested in instruments where the principal is guaranteed and insured against loss.
- .02 The Investment Committee shall be appointed by the following Grand Officers:

The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work and the Grand Recorder/Treasurer.

Section 5.03 Short Term Committees

At least thirty days prior to the opening of the Grand Council Annual Assembly, the Grand Master shall appoint a committee on Credentials.

Section 5.04 Credentials

The committee on Credentials shall consist of the Grand Treasurer-Recorder and two other members who shall prepare as soon as possible a roll of all companions present and entitled to participate in the proceedings of the Grand Assembly. The committee on Credentials shall make a preliminary report at the opening of the Assembly to determine whether a quorum is present.

Section 5.04.1 Grand Council Annual Assembly Committee

The Most Illustrious Grand Master shall appoint three (3) members, the Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, shall be one, and is Chairman of the Grand Council Committee, who along with the Grand Chapter Convocation Committee, of which the Grand Scribe is Chairman, are responsible for the arrangements and details relating to the next Grand Assembly, as directed by the Most Illustrious Grand Master. That the Finance Committee shall each year, recommend a dollar sum be budgeted for allocation to the use of this committee.

That within (60) days following the Grand Assembly, this committee will prepare a full report for printing in the Proceedings of the Grand Council. This report shall contain a detail of all financial transactions and other pertinent activities and that any remaining dollar balance in its keeping be paid over to the Grand Treasurer, in the percentage received from the Grand Council, for return to the General Fund. The term of this committee shall begin when appointed by the Most Illustrious Grand Master in office and shall conclude upon discharge by the Most Illustrious Grand Master then in office.

Sixty (60) days prior to the opening of the Grand Council Assembly, the Grand Master shall appoint three (3) Companions of the Order, who are not current Grand Officers, to audit the Grand Recorder/Treasurers books and report to the Grand Assembly.

Section 5.06 York Rite Cooperation Committee

Section 5.05 Audit Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to strengthen the unity and cooperation between the Grand Bodies of the York Rite of Minnesota. This Grand Council Committee shall consist of the Deputy Grand Master (Chairman for the Grand Council Committee), the Grand Captain of the Guard and the Grand Sentinel. Section 5.07 Souvenir Program Booklet Committee

A committee on the Souvenir Program Booklet, to consist of one or more members. It shall be the duty of the Committee to send all information pertaining to the purchase of advertisements in the Booklet for the coming Annual Assembly to all subordinate Councils and other Masonic Bodies prior to December 1, of the next Grand Assembly. To secure a printer to print the Booklet. When completed pay over to the Grand Recorder 1/2 of the net income derived from the Booklet as soon as all the outstanding Booklet accounts have been collected and the Booklet bills have been paid. The Committee shall give a report on its activities at the Annual Assembly.

Section 5.08 Grand Representatives

The Grand Master shall appoint well informed Select Masters as Representatives near other Grand Councils, which appoint like Representatives to the Grand Council of Minnesota, and authorize them to extend fraternal greetings and good will to such other Grand Councils, and to protect the interests of the Companions of this jurisdiction, who may be in that Grand Council near which that are so accredited, as occasion may require.

The Grand Master is empowered to remove from office a Grand Representative who has not attended an Annual Assembly for three (3) consecutive years or who do not report on their contacts as Grand Representatives.

Proper commissions certifying such appointments and authority shall be issued to each Representative signed by the Grand Master and the Grand Treasurer-Recorder under the seal of the Grand Council. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Constitution of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, Article V Committees and Grand Representatives, Sections 5.01 - 5.08 be moved to the General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, Article I, Sections 1 - 8, where Section 5.01 is now Section 1, and the remaining sections renumbered to match, with subsections renumbered to reflect the new Section number.

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Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas R. Johnson, Grand Chaplain for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

#### Resolution No. 10, 2016

General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota Article I, Section 2 and renumbering of remaining Sections.

WHEREAS; the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota establishes all rules and regulations for the government of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota and its constituent Councils. WHEREAS; the current General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota document has grown from the sole governance of constituent Councils to Grand Council functions as well

WHEREAS; the required committees have since changed and the Investment Committee is no longer a committee.

WHEREAS; the General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, Article I, Sections 2 reads:

Section 2 Investment Committee

.01 This Committee shall consist of at least two (2) and not more than three (3) Companions of the order. They shall be responsible for the investment of all funds of the Grand Council of Minnesota that are to be invested for periods of six (6) months or more. All funds shall be invested in instruments where the principal is guaranteed and insured against loss.

.02 The Investment Committee shall be appointed by the following Grand Officers:

The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work and the Grand Recorder/Treasurer.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the General Regulations of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota, Article I, Section 2 be deleted and the remaining Sections amended to reflect Section 2's removal.

#### Section 2 Investment Committee

.01 This Committee shall consist of at least two (2) and not more than three (3) Companions of the order. They shall be responsible for the investment of all funds of the Grand Council of Minnesota that are to be invested for periods of six (6) months or more. All funds shall be invested in instruments where the principal is guaranteed and insured against loss.

.02 The Investment Committee shall be appointed by the following Grand Officers:

The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work and the Grand Recorder/Treasurer.

**Section 2 Short Term Committees** 

At least thirty days prior to the opening of the Grand Council Annual Assembly, the Grand Master shall appoint a committee on Credentials.

#### **Section 3 Credentials**

The committee on Credentials shall consist of the Grand Treasurer-Recorder and two other members who shall prepare as soon as possible a roll of all companions present and entitled to participate in the proceedings of the Grand Assembly. The committee on Credentials shall make a preliminary report at the opening of the Assembly to determine whether a quorum is present.

Section 3.01 Grand Council Annual Assembly Committee

The Most Illustrious Grand Master shall appoint three (3) members, the Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, shall be one, and is Chairman of the Grand Council Committee, who along with the Grand Chapter Convocation Committee, of which the Grand Scribe is Chairman, are responsible for the arrangements and details relating to the next Grand Assembly, as directed by the Most Illustrious Grand Master. That the Finance Committee shall each year, recommend a dollar sum be budgeted for allocation to the use of this committee.

That within (60) days following the Grand Assembly, this committee will prepare a full report for printing in the Proceedings of the Grand Council. This report shall contain a detail of all financial transactions and other pertinent activities and that any remaining dollar balance in its keeping be paid over to the Grand Treasurer, in the percentage received from the Grand Council, for return to the General Fund. The term of this committee shall begin when appointed by the Most Illustrious Grand Master in office

and shall conclude upon discharge by the Most Illustrious Grand Master then in office.

Section 4 Audit Committee

Sixty (60) days prior to the opening of the Grand Council Assembly, the Grand Master shall appoint three (3) Companions of the Order, who are not current Grand Officers, to audit the Grand Recorder/Treasurers books and report to the Grand Assembly.

Section 5 York Rite Cooperation Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to strengthen the unity and cooperation between the Grand Bodies of the York Rite of Minnesota. This Grand Council Committee shall consist of the Deputy Grand Master (Chairman for the Grand Council Committee), the Grand Captain of the Guard and the Grand Sentinel. Section 6 Souvenir Program Booklet Committee

A committee on the Souvenir Program Booklet, to consist of one or more members. It shall be the duty of the Committee to send all information pertaining to the purchase of advertisements in the Booklet for the coming Annual Assembly to all subordinate Councils and other Masonic Bodies prior to December 1, of the next Grand Assembly. To secure a printer to print the Booklet. When completed pay over to the Grand Recorder 1/2 of the net income derived from the Booklet as soon as all the outstanding Booklet accounts have been collected and the Booklet bills have been paid. The Committee shall give a report on its activities at the Annual Assembly.

**Section 7 Grand Representatives** 

The Grand Master shall appoint well informed Select Masters as Representatives near other Grand Councils, which appoint like Representatives to the Grand Council of Minnesota, and authorize them to extend fraternal greetings and good will to such other Grand Councils, and to protect the interests of the Companions of this jurisdiction, who may be in that Grand Council near which that are so accredited, as occasion may require.

The Grand Master is empowered to remove from office a Grand Representative who has not attended an Annual Assembly for three (3) consecutive years or who do not report on their contacts as Grand Representatives.

Proper commissions certifying such appointments and authority shall be issued to each Representative signed by the Grand Master and the Grand Treasurer-Recorder under the seal of the Grand Council.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicholas R. Johnson, Grand Chaplain for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

#### HERE ENDETH THE RESOLUTIONS FOR 2016

#### **REPORT: Deputy Grand Master**

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council – Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

Companions,

First and foremost, I want to thank you for your continued support, words of encouragement, and prayers

As many of you know, in late September 2014, I was diagnosed with an aggressive form of leukemia and referred to the Mayo Clinic. We were confined to Mayo/Rochester for nearly six months and continued weekly, now monthly visits from Duluth. I was hospitalized several times in Duluth since last fall. By late winter I was quite debilitated and confined to using a walker. With the help of aggressive rehab therapy I am now walking with a cane. Because of the medications and post-transplant issues, I can barely see. Several eye surgeries should correct that yet this summer. I will not be able to attend this Grand Session.

My Grand Council activities this year have been quite limited. I was unable to even attend Duluth Council No. 6. I was very active in procuring candidates and organizing the ritual work, however.

I have continued to spend a great deal of time and effort, in the endeavor to reestablish a strong and vibrant York Rite presence in our far north border country.

I had frequent phone conversations and emails discussing and working on issues from Grand Session. These included conversations with the MIGM and Grand Council members re: Councils, moving charters, Council proficiency, schools of instruction and degree help, and agenda for Grand Officers meetings.

My dear Companions and friends, it is clearly evident that I will be unable to serve you next year as Illustrious Grand Master. Nor would I do so unless I could devote my focus and attention to this position. Therefore, this report serves as my formal resignation from the Grand Council. The MIGM and Council discussed this matter earlier this spring.

Several Sessions ago, a few stalwart Companions challenged all of us with a series of resolutions that confronted our complacency and the years of dross that had encumbered the Grand Council. Although I argued against them at that session because of the penalties they include, you now see a much more effective and active Grand Council. It is more transparent, with monthly officers meetings, holding committees responsible for their work, regained control of One Day events, establishing schools of instruction, working to streamline operations, rules and regulation, making them more responsive to member Council need. Further, we have a complete representative progressive line. Good work, my Companions! But it can only continue if each of us commits to support and serve our individual Councils and the Grand Council. Remember, my Companions, we are all Ish-Sodi.

I will continue to serve in Unity and Zeal

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

Rt. Ill. Companion Terrence John Becker

**Deputy Grand Master** 

# REPORT: YORK RITE COOPERATION / Fraternal Promotion / Information and Education

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council – Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

Companions,

Although the committee did not formally meet, we did act as part of a committee of the whole at Grand officer meetings, electronically, and individually.

Our principle focus this year was to start with Grand Council itself by establishing Schools of Instruction, especially to help struggling Councils.

Individual members continued to work diligently to reestablish a functional York Rite presence in greater MN.

**Recommendations:** Continue the above. In coordination with Grand Chapter and Commandery counterparts, develop a short presentation on the structure and necessity of the York Rite for use at Lodge and other Masonic functions.

Develop a strong communication and support link with the two York Rite Colleges in MN as a resource to assist in these matters.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

IC Terrence John Becker, Chair Deputy Grand Master

#### REPORT OF THE GRAND MARSHAL

#### TO: THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CYRPTIC MASONS OF MINNESOTA

It is hard to believe this term is almost over! Much has been accomplished in the 2015-16 term to improve our Grand Council. Councils have grown and become more active. Our ritual has been revised. Sound proposals have been made to improve our operations and finances, and clarify our Constitution and our Regulations.

I have visited my two assigned councils as a District Representative. They are struggling but are making sound efforts to improve their councils.

I have also worked on Grand Council committees this term and found the experience both rewarding and educational. I have enjoyed my term as your Grand Marshall and look forward to continuing my service to you on your Grand Council.

We all must work as a team for the betterment of our York-Rite bodies.

Respectfully submitted

David F. McCormick, II

Grand Marshal

#### REPORT OF THE GRAND CONDUCTOR OF THE COUNCIL

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, Companions of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota:

2015-2016 has been a very busy year for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. There has been increased activity, work on the ritual, and Grand Officer visits throughout the state.

I attended the Grand Officer's monthly meetings and the proof reading sessions for the ritual update.

As a district representative I was assigned to two Councils, St. Paul Council No. 1 in St. Paul and Zabud Council No. 10 in Anoka. I attended their meetings on a regular basis.

St. Paul Council continues as a very active Council holding regular meeting, opening in full form, and greeting new candidates.

Zabud Council has been putting forth work learning the ritual and opening in full form. As of the writing of this report they are beginning to work on the Royal and Select Master Degrees and have six candidates to greet.

The Grand Session planning went forward with planning meetings and I am looking forward to a wonderful session in Rochester. We will be in our third year. For 2017 we made an onsite visit to the Marriott Courtyard, St. Cloud, to begin planning as a potential site for the next Grand Session venue. There is also a possibility of using that venue for the 2018 Grand Session. Once the new Masonic Heritage Center in Bloomington is completed the Grand Session Planning Committee will be able to evaluate it as the future site for our Grand Sessions. The Heritage Center is under construction and we cannot yet see it in operation so it is difficult to make logistical decisions about that venue.

The Souvenir Program Booklet continued to function under the watchful care of Joe Anderson. The Booklet is important to the Grand Session Committee as it is really the only source of revenue the Session Committee has to cover expenses. The registration fee for the Grand Session is so low that it could never cover those expenses by itself and we thank those who participate in the Souvenir Program Booklet by purchasing an ad or participate in the buck a line program.

Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation solicitation activity in Minnesota picked up. Contact was made with the CMMRF office to secure brochures to distribute throughout the state and supplies were given to the Grand Officers for distribution to the Councils they serve as a District Representative. The Grand Illustrious Master and I have also worked on obtaining a speech on CMMRF for our Grand Session.

One of our primary duties as York Rite Masons is to bring further light in Masonry. It's in your obligations. To do that, we need to chat up our Lodge Brothers engaging them first in Chapter and then Council. The Degrees are rich in lessons and continue the Blue Lodge experience. Don't let them miss out.

Carl F. Lidstrom Grand Conductor of the Council Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

#### **GRAND ARCHMASTERS REPORT**

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

It has been with great pleasure to serve our officers and members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota in my office of Grand Archmaster.

To the Councils in Minnesota I express my thanks and gratitude for the fine degree work that you presented to our new members. The degree work that you presented this past year builds our foundation for the future growth of Cryptic Masonry in Minnesota.

Ii is with pleasure that all reports received by me this past year have stated the quality of the work. Perfect practice makes for a perfect degree presentation and without a doubt earns you congratulations for a job well done.

This past year our Cryptic Masons of Minnesota bonded together to present the work at a Festival held on February 13, 2016. Thank you to all who participated whether it is in our degree work or as sideliner; your attendance matters.

For the advancement in proficiency and growth of Cryptic Masonry in Minnesota I encourage all members to take an active role in our ritual work. Whether it is a large part or small part, whether speaking is involved or not, your contribution is all that matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Miles, MIPGM Grand Arch Master

#### **Jurisprudence Committee Report, 2015 – 2016**

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

It has been with great pleasure to serve our officers and members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota in our role as members of the Jurisprudence Committee.

Your Jurisprudence Committee was presented with several Resolutions this past year to be presented at our 2016 Grand Session. On our initial receipt of the various Resolutions it was determined that they were not presented in an acceptable format. After consultation with the various members who submitted the resolution they were again presented to your Jurisprudence Committee and then found to be in proper format to be presented at our 2016 Grand Session.

Regarding Resolutions, your Jurisprudence committee only reviews to ensure that the resolution is submitted in proper format. We are not concerned with the topic or subject matter of the Resolution itself. That is one of the reasons your Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota holds its annual meeting.

Other than the Resolutions your Jurisprudence Committee has had no further business presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Miles, MIPGM; Barnes A. Sharitt, MIPGM; Gary A. Odegard, MIPGM

#### **GRAND STEWARD REPORT**

### To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions Of the Grand Council – Cryptic Masons of Minnesota

It has been my honor and privilege to serve the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota this year. My primary area of focus was in southeastern Minnesota. Councils from Albert Lea, Austin, Farmington and Owatonna came together to do degree work this past year. It was fun to bring Companions from different Councils together for the work and it was a great opportunity for all of us to get to know each other a bit better and of course have pie and ice cream. I have always thought this was one of the great things about the York Rite.

I attended and participated in the One Day Festival at the Minneapolis Scottish Rite Center. The work is always fantastic and I know the new Companions enjoyed and appreciated it.

My committee work is on Grand Representative Appointments. I am currently organizing this data along with the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch data to identify who are all of the representatives. This will continue next year with getting the list up to date and openings filled. Thank you.

Fraternally,

**Greg Schultz** 

**Grand Steward** 

#### Report of the Trustees, 2015 – 2016

To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota.

It has been with great pleasure to serve our officers and members of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota as your Trustees. 2015 - 2016 completes a 4 year service to the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota. We sincerely hope that your Grand Council Officers and membership of the respective Councils of Cryptic Masons in Minnesota have found value in the work that your Trustees have done for you since we began in 2012.

This year we are saddened by the passing of one of our Trustees, John R. Wentworth, MIPGM. John served our Grand Council of Minnesota and its subordinate Councils with the same zeal and gusto that John exhibited in all phases of his Masonic work. Dedicated, hardworking, and dependable were John's traits. There is no doubt that any Masonic body that John was involved in was better because of John's involvement.

The Trustees communicated throughout the year serving the needs of Grand Officers, attending Grand Officers' meetings, Cryptic Rite Medical Research Fund, and finances and investments. Various topics of advisory were presented to your Trustees for their opinion.

On the investment side of your Grand Council:

June 30, 2015 Investment Fund Value: \$78,841.31 includes Life Membership Fund

April 30, 2015 Investment Fund Value: \$72,022.77 includes Life Membership Fund

June 30, 2015 Life Membership Fund Value: \$58,736.78.

April 30, 2015 Life Membership Fund Value: \$53,656.96.

There were no Life Memberships from June 30, 2015 to April 30, 2016

On the next page is a comparison of April 2015 Council investments to April 2016 Council investments. Your Grand Council investments were impacted by the instability of the markets in the third and fourth quarters for 2015 and began to rebound in first and second quarter in 2016. Although our investment value decreased we did realize a 7.07% return which resulted in a larger contribution to our subordinate Councils for their Life Membership contribution. \$3,697.32 was returned to our subordinate Councils this year for their Life Memberships compared to \$3,014.67 at a rate of return of 5.12% for last year.

The Grand Council's Investment advisor is Great Plains Financial Group, Fargo, ND. While your Grand Council has a good relationship with our long time investment advisor in Fargo, North Dakota we feel that there is time to move our investments to a broker easily accessible in the Minneapolis / St. Paul metropolitan area.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronald A. Miles, MIPGM Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr., MIPGM Charles R. Marston, MIPGM & Hugh C. Swift, MIPGM, Co-Trustees fulfilling the term of John R. Wentworth

#### REPORT OF THE CHARITY COMMITTEE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, Companions of the Grand Council of Cryptic **Masons of Minnesota:** 

2015-2016 has been a busy year for the Companions of the Cryptic Masons of Minnesota to make their contributions to CMMRF.

Here is a summary of the contributions for the period June 1, 2015 to June 1, 2016:

St. Paul 001	\$111.60
Minneapolis 002	\$250.00
Tyrian 004	\$65.00
Austin 007	\$35.00
Omega 009	\$20.00
Zabud 010	\$125.00
Northfield 012	\$650.00
MN Grand Council	\$321.09
TOTAL for Minnesota	\$1,577.69

Carl F. Lidstrom, Chair CMMRF Committee **Grand Conductor of the Council Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota** 

#### REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

#### TO: THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF MINNESOTA:

Companion Ronald Jensen and myself reviewed the financial statements of the Grand Council on Wednesday June 15, 2016, and found them to be in good order.

Respectfully and fraternally,

Gary A. Odegard, MIPGM Financial Review Committee

2015 - 2016 Checking					Deposits	BAL.
						3485.91
7/24/2015		Deposit	1/3 of Silent Auction		273.33	3759.24
8/14/2015	1442	Fischer Fraternal Finery	18 TIM Jewels	207.00		3552.24
9/3/2015		Deposit	TIM Petition Fees		110.00	3662.24
9/3/2015	1443	General Gr. C. CM Int.	2014 Per Capita	753.00		2909.24
9/3/2015	1444	General Gr. C. CM Int.	20 Cryptic Manuals	71.00		2838.24
10/22/2015	1445	Farmington Printing	2016 Dues Cards	104.98		2733.26
10/31/2015	1446	Ed Werbachowski Family	LM Refund	1200.00		1533.26
10/31/2015	1447	Marvin Schendel	1/4 Gr. Masters Token	350.00		1183.26
10/31/2015	1448	CMMRF	1/3 Silent Auction	273.00		910.26
12/3/2015	1449	US Postmaster	Dues Cards & Brochures	50.49		859.77
12/14/2015	1450	Laser's Edge	Oficers & Ladies Badges	130.21		729.56
2/10/2016		Deposit	Omega No. 9 - Dues Paid		210.00	939.56
			Frandsen, Hill, Powles, Swift			
			Van Meter, Amling -10.00			
4/12/2016	1451	Kerry Hanson	Altar Cloth	46.00		890.56
4/13/2016	1452	Range Reliable Agency Inc.	Insurance Payment	175.00		715.56
4/13/2016	1453	Professional Food Service	D. Masters Brunch	206.24		509.32
4/13/2016	1454	Landmark Catered Events	Coffee DM Brunch	10.73		498.59
4/14/2016		Deposit-councils per-capita	#'s 1,2,3,4,6,7,8,& 12		5660.00	6158.59
4/19/2016	1455	Range Reliable Agency Inc.	Insurance Payment CR payment	25.00		6133.59
4/23/2016	1456	General Gr. C. CM Int.	2 ritual + postage	34.00		6099.59
4/23/2016	1457	Marvin Schendel	3/4 of Gr. Master Reimbursement	1050.00		5049.59
4/25/2016		Deposit	#14 Per-capita		605.00	5654.59
5/9/2016		Deposit	Cary BaCall- Banners @ S-Rite		150.00	5804.59
5/11/2016		Deposit	Web Page #2 & #12		20.00	5824.59
5/18/2016		Deposit	Zabud #10 - 2014+2015		915.00	6739.59
5/28/2016	1458	US Postmaster	Stamps Roll	47.00		6692.59
6/2/2016	1459	St. Paul Council No. 1	2015 Life membership Payout	443.68		6248.91
6/2/2016	1460	Mpls. Council No. 2	2015 Life membership Payout	949.25		5299.66

6/2/2016	1461	Ark Council No. 3	2015 Life membership Payout	13.35		5286.31
6/2/2016	1462	Tyrian Council No. 4	2015 Life membership Payout	167.30		5119.01
6/2/2016	1463	Duluth Council No. 6	2015 Life membership Payout	263.66		4855.35
6/2/2016	1464	Austin Council No. 7	2015 Life membership Payout	118.46		4736.89
6/2/2016	1465	Alpha Council No. 8	2015 Life membership Payout	190.74		4546.15
6/2/2016	1466	Zabud Council No. 10	2015 Life membership Payout	218.66		4327.49
6/2/2016	1467	Northfield Council No. 12	2015 Life membership Payout	353.65		3973.84
6/2/2016	1468	Central Council No. 14	2015 Life membership Payout	367.00		3606.84
6/2/2016	1469	Southgate Council No. 15	2015 Life membership Payout	347.92		3258.92
6/2/2016	1470	Clifford H. Isley	Gr. PCW Reimbursement	500.00		2758.92
6/13/2016		Deposit	#2 \$240.00 #15 \$430.00		670.00	3428.92
6/19/2016		Deposit	Life Membership Earnings		3697.32	7313.54
				8667.32	12310.65	

#### **2015 MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS**

ABSTRACT OF MEM	1BERSHII	P			2015				2015			%	Life
	1/1/15	Greet	Restore	Joined	Gain	Demit	NPD	Death	LOSSES	NET	12/31/14	CHANGE	Mem
St. Paul No. 1	104	5	0	1	6	3	4	1	8	-2	102	-0.97%	19
Mpls. No. 2	189	8	1	0	9	8	17	9	34	-25	164	-13.20%	38
Ark No. 3	32	0	1	0	1	2	3	0	5	-4	28	0.00%	4
Tyrian No. 4	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	-1	31	-3.22%	19
Duluth No. 6	87	4	0	1	5	4	4	7	15	-10	77	-9.32%	23
Austin No. 7	21	0	1	0	1	0	1	3	4	-3	18	-14.28%	12
Alpha No. 8	48	3	0	0	3	1	0	0	1	2	50	4.16%	20
Omega No. 9	19	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	-3	16	-15.80%	5
Zabud No. 10	50	6	0	1	7	0	0	1	1	6	56	12.00%	23
Northfield No. 12	73	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	-5	68	-8.22%	24
Central No. 14	61	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	-1	60	-1.63%	35
Southgate No. 15	43	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	-3	40	-6.97%	30
Red Rock No. 16	<u>29</u>	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	6	6	<u>-6</u>	<u>23</u>	-20.68	<u>21</u>
Total	788	27	3	3	33	23	34	31	88	-55	733		273

Living

#### Passing's Report for 2015

St Paul No. 1 -- Robert E. Hansen.

**Minneapolis No. 2** – John Besse; Allan Fagley; Gilman Grandrud; Ray Holten; John Magnuson; Christopher Ree; Marion Moe; Clifford L. Miller; Ed Werbachowski.

Tyrian No. 4 - Edward Highum

**Duluth No. 6 --** Thomas L. Haney; Dennis C. Jacobson; Peter M. Johnson; Edward Larson; William L. Bush;

Arnold C. Maki; Frank E. Romanowski.

Austin No. 7 -- William Schaffer; W. Miller; Dr. John Nelson.

Omega No. 9

Royce W. Day; Maynard A. Lawrence.

Zabud No. 10 – Kenneth Hauggorde

Northfield No. 12 --

**Central Council No. 14** – Robert E. Hamilton

Red Rock No. 16

Neil E. Bengtson; Donald C. Bleloch; Robert J. Dorn; Edmond K. Evanson; Gerald L. Merril; Dennis G. Rokeh.

#### **Report of the Grand Recorder**

### To: The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Minnesota

It has been a pleasure working with the Grand Officers this year; especially Most Illustrious Companion Marvin W. Schendel. The grand officers had a meeting every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, with all but one being at the Masonic Home. They worked on the ritual and resolutions.

It has been a very eventful year in many of the Councils, as they were conducting the ritual work. Some of them for the first time, without a lot of help from the grand officers.

We have a number of councils, who are struggling at this time; but we did get reports from them all. I personally did the Recorders job for Omega No. 9, as I sent letters all the members requesting 2 years of dues and those who were Life Members received their dues cards. There were a number of passing's, since the last report. Since then they have lost another LM, with a total of 15 on their roster. It doesn't look very good when only 5 members responded to the letter.

Zabud Council No. 10 is making good strides and have scheduled degree work for this fall. Red Rock Council 16 is having a tuff time of it and needs some timely assistance. Southgate Council No. 15 has lost their Recorder, as he moved to Hawaii. But some of the young members have stepped in and taken over.

Within the rest of the councils, we have 5 new Recorders, who did a very good job of getting their reports in. I have enjoyed working with all the Council and their Recorders. We are still in the teaching phase of the ritual as many Councils haven't conferred the degrees for many years. It will take time but they are trying and also asking many questions, which is good.

It is with great sadness that I need to report the losing of 2 of our MIPGM's; Most Illustrious Companion Carl L. Sudbrink laid down his tools on January 9, 2016 and Most Illustrious Companions John R. Wentworth took his walk up that winding path on February 2, 2016. These were followed by Illustrious Companion Peter P. Kloskowski; Past Grand Chaplain, finishing the designs on his trestle board on February 14, 2016. Their obituaries are in this report.

#### May their good deeds be remembered forever?

Once again our membership number has decreased, with a net loss of 55 Companions, for one reason or another. In order to hold even, we need do entice more new members.

I want to thank all of you for your support this past year as I'm not the best at this job.

Congratulations to you all for a job well done.

Fraternally;

Hugh Swift; Grand Recorder

#### **BUDGET FOR 2016-17**

#### **Cryptic Masons of Minnesota** 2016-2017 Budget

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INCOME			
	Per Capita		
	\$15.00/Member + Gen. Gr. @\$2.00=\$17.00	733	12,461.00
	Greetings Fee @ \$15.00	25	375.00
	Session Income		300.00
		SUB TOTAL	13136.00
	Investment Income		
	Life Memberships Enrollment	Pass Through	
	Life Membership Contributions		3697.00
		TOTAL INCOME	16833.00
EXPENSES			
	Grand Officers Expenses		
	Illustrious Grand Master		1400.00
	Deputy Grand Master		700.00
	Grand Principal Conductor of the Work		500.00
	Grand Treasurer/ Grand Recorder		1200.00
	Other Officers		250.00
	Triennial Fund		450.00
	Grand Masters Apron		375.00
		SUB TOTAL	4875.00
	Rent/ shared with Grand RAM		670.00
	Internet/Web Site/ Shared		100.00
	Supplies		600.00
	Postage		350.00
	Proceedings		448.00
	Printing		500.00
	6	SUB TOTAL	2668.00
		722 24 600 062 00	4200.00
	General Grand Per-capita	<u>733-34=699@\$2.00</u>	1398.00
	Life Membership Distribution	This may change to \$ market	3697.00
	Bond		200.00
	Insurance	Aprons & Jewels	400.00
	Awards	DeMolay, Jobies, Youth	300.00
	General Grand Council Life Membership	Pass Through SUB TOTAL	5005.00
		TOTAL EXPENSES	5995.00 \$13 539 00
		IOTAL EXPENSES	\$13,538.00

\$3,295.00

**TOTAL INCOME MINUS EXPENSES** 

#### The following items were then brought forward byb MIC Marv:

He had all of the following stand for introduction: Minnesota Grand Lodge Officers; Worshipful Masters of Lodges; Heads of the Scottish Rite; Eminent Prior of Minnesota Priory No. 24, KYCH; Illustrious Masters of our Councils; Heads of the Red Cross of Constantine Conclaves; Heads of the HRAKTP's Tabernacles; SRICF; Grand Governor and Deputy Grand Governor; those Companions who are to receive the ISH-SODI Award later today.

He then asked MIC Hugh Swift to present the Altar Clothes of which there are 2 for this year and years to come.

The recepients of the Altar Clothes this year are:

Small Council of 50 or less: **Alpha Council No. 8 – Fergus Falls** 

Large Councils of 51 or more: **Zabud Council No. 10 – Anoka** 

A motion was presented by IC Kenneth W. Carroll, with second by IC Donald DeMars to make Rt. Illustrious Companion Terry J. Becker an Honorary Past Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of the State of Minnesota. It was passed unanimously and with a standing ovation for our Honorary Past Grand Master.

MIC Mary then gave us an exercise program of having us stand for the introduction of the following organizations.

Allied Masonic Degrees; Knight Masons; Athelstan; UCCofE; York Rite Sovereigrn College; Order of the Purple Cross; Knight of the York Cross of Honour; Red Cross of Constantine; Royal Order of Scotland; Cryptic Mason of the Year; Minnesota Youth Recipients; and ISH-SODI Recipients.

Rt. Puissant George Bauder, Deputy Grand Master of the North Central Region was introduced and brought a very interesting message. He talked about the leadership within the North Central Region. He mentioned our unique qualities of leadership, talent, skill in making each of our jurisdictions a very well run organization. And, that each of our juridictions have an unique way of doing their business.

He alos spoke about the upcoming North Cetral Area Conference in Soiux Falls, SD. And that it should only be the Grand Officers attending but the new, young, excited, vibrant members, who will be the next group of leaders of our York Rite.

He also thanked us for all the hospitality and kindnes which we have shown and given him this year as well as in the past.

MIC Marv asked everyone to say a little prayer for the families of John Wentworth, Carl sudbrink and Peter Kloskowski.

He then called the Grand Council to resess until 4:00 pm; when the installation of the new Grand Officers will convene.

#### The Minnesota Council of ISH-SOPI

June 24, 2016 2:35 PM

Double Tree Hotel, Rochester, MN

The Minnesota Council of ISH-SODI began with the following Officers:

Thrice Illustrious Master W. David Emery Deputy Master Ronald Jensen

Principal Conductor of the Work Absent

Secretary Mavin Schendel
Sentinel Jim Luchsinger

The degree cast was:

Nehemia Hugh C. Swift, Jr. Bani Terry Rybarczyk

Mordecai Kevin Jones Sherbiah Al Shufelt Ezra Barnes Sharitt Jamin Greg Schultz

Seriah Carl Lidstrom Akkub Raymond Frandsen

Chaplain Jim Partridge Medijah Joe Anderson Hanani Ken Carroll Kelita Stan Fetters Hodijah Doug Beach Maaziah Steve Partridge

Candidates receiving the degree were:

R. Sean Gardiner St. Paul #1
Monte M. Miller St. Paul #1
Richard Heide Ark #3

Honorary members :

MIC Charles R. Marston, MIC Gary A. Odegard, IC David McCormick, II,

IC Douglas A. Beach, and IC Nicholas R. Johnson, IC James S. McNeely IV, Two past Most Illustrious Grand Masters and three are MN Grand Officers and one visitor from Connecticut.

The minutes of the June 26, 2015 were approvd as read.

There were no communications.

Nominations for 2016 – 2017 Officers were:

Thrice Illustrious Master
Deputy Master
Principal Conductor of the Work
Secretary
Sentinel
Ronald Jensen
Harlan Brand
Jim Luchsinger
Marvin Schendel
Greg Schultz

The Officers were declaired installed by TIM Dave Emery.

The Council was closed at 3:35PM with the circle of Friendship.

Attest: Marvin Schendel, Secretary Approved: W. David Emery, T.I. M.

# THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS COUNCIL OF MINNESOTA

The sixty-ninth annual meeting of the Thrice Illustrious Masters Council of Minnesota convened in full form at 1:27 P.M. on Friday, June 24, 2016 in Rochester, Minnesota with the following Companions serving as officers:

T.I. Master Don DeMars, substituting for Harlan Heidecker

T.I. Sr. Warden Allan Schufelt
T.I. Jr. Warden David Emery
T.I. Recorder Ronald Miles
T.I. Steward Nicholas Johnson
T.I. Sentinel R. Sean Gardiner

The Thrice Illustrious Master Degree was confirmed on the candidates under the direction of Degree Director, Raymond S. Frandsen, PTIM, by the following cast:

**Ronald Miles** Prologue Charles Marston Abiather Joab **Ronald Miles** Adinijah Sean Gardiner Zadok Raymond Frandsen Benaiah Kenneth Carroll Nathan Allan Shufelt King David Hugh Swift, Jr.

Don DeMars thanked degree director Raymond S. Frandsen and the degree cast for a job well done.

The Thrice Illustrious Master's Degree was presented to Ed Morse of St. Paul Council No. 1, Vernon Schwalbe of Minneapolis Council No. 2, Brian DiMatteo of Zabud Council No. 10, and Joe Gonzalez of Northfield Council No. 11 A business meeting was held prior to the degree with 29 Companions in attendance.

Visiting Companions in attendance were from Washington D.C. and Sioux Falls, S.D.

Don DeMars presented the active candidates with their Council Pins, membership card, <u>The Silver Trowel</u> booklet, and their Thrice Illustrious Master ribbon.

The following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year:

T.I. Master Don DeMars
T.I. Sr. Warden David Emery
T.I. Jr. Warden Michael Denke
T.I. Recorder Ronald Miles
T.I. Steward R. Sean Gardiner
T.I. Sentinel Alan Mackenzie

The PTIM pin will be presented to Harlan Heidecker in recognition of his service at a later date.

No further business, the meeting closed in proper form at 2:57 P.M.

## THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF MINNESOTA

#### GRAND OFFICERS -- 2016 - 2017 JUNE 24, 2016

Most Illustrious Grand Master Marvin W. Schendel

Right Illustrious Grand Deputy Master Clifford H. Isley

Rt. III. G. Principal Conductor of the Work

Terrance L. Rybarczyk

Most Illustrious Grand Treasurer Hugh C. Swift, Jr., MIPGM

Most Illustrious Grand Recorder Hugh C. Swift, Jr., MIPGM

Illustrious Grand Chaplain Nicholas R. Johnson

Illustrious Grand Marshal L. Greg Schultz

Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard Carl F. Lidstrom

Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council David McCormick, II

Illustrious Grand Steward Douglas A. Beach

Illustrious Grand Sentinel W. David Emery

Most Illustrious Grand Archmaster Ronald A. Miles, MIPGM

Illustrious Grand Organist William T. Hubbard

Most Illustrious Grand Trustee 1 Yr. Term Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr., MIPGM

Most Illustrious Grand Trustee 2 Yr. Term Ronald A. Miles, MIPGM

Most Illustrious Grand Trustee 3 Yr. Term Charles R. Marston, MIPGM

The installation was conducted by MIPGM Gary A. Odegard as the installing Grand Master, with the assistance of PMIGM James E. Turner, Jr. as Grand Marshall; and PMIGM Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr. as Grand Recorder and Grand Chaplain. The new officers were invested with their new aprons and collars

#### John Raymond Wentworth Past Most Illustrious Grand Master 1989-1990



John Raymond Wentworth, age 89 of St. Peter and formerly of LeSueur was called home February 2, 2016. He was born on October 26, 1926 in Ledyard, Iowa to Raymond and Alberdena (Sleeper-Lamping) Wentworth. He graduated from Grant High School and served in the Air Force during World War II, serving from 1946 to 1947. After his discharge he attained education to become an electrician. John married Delores Rasheed on August 7, 1950 at the Little Brown Church in the Vale in Nashua, IA. They shared 57 years together and had 5 children. John worked as an electrician for the Green Giant Company for over 30 years, starting in Blue Earth and retiring in LeSueur.

His enjoyment in life came from his love of family, spending time outdoors, hunting, fishing, camping, tinkering in the garage and in later years going to the cabin.

His philanthropy in life was serving people and God in many avenues; Blue Earth Fire Department, LeSueur Ambulance Association, LeSueur Planning Commission, the LeSueur United Methodist Church and many Masonic organizations including Union Lodge # 45 of LeSueur, Nicollet Lodge # 54, LeSueur Chapter # 37, Commandery Knights Templar of MN, Zuhrah Temple in Minneapolis, Cereal and Vera Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star. John volunteered at the St. Lawrence State Park near Jordan for 13 years, the Minnesota Zoo for 6 years and the General Mills Retirement Committee.

He is survived by his daughters, Denise Schlueter of New Braunfels, TX, Lisa (Don) Lindeman of LeSueur and son, Kim (significant other, LuAnn Winchester) of Chaska; 11 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren; 3 sisters, Lillian Hamlin of Satelitte Beach, FL, Pearl Lilyard of Virginia Beach, VA and Vivian McDermott of Owatonna, MN and 2 brothers, Delbert (Joyce) Wentworth of Lakota, IA and Butch (Henrietta) Wentworth of Hutchinson, MN. He was preceded in death by wife, Delores in 2007 and sons, John and Alan; 2 brothers, Harold and Donald, a sister, Iona Richardson, and son-in-law, Roland Schlueter.

Funeral services will be held at the United Methodist in LeSueur on Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2016 at 11 a.m... Interment, at a later date, will be in the Riverside Cemetery in Blue Earth. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday at the Kolden Funeral Home, concluding with an Eastern Star Service and a Masonic Commandery Service. Memorials, in lieu of flowers, may be given to the Masonic Center of Minnesota or St. Croix Hospice of Mankato.

#### John Raymond Wentworth Masonic History

Raised to a Master Mason June 5, 1967 Blue Earth City Lodge No. 57

Transferred to Union Lodge No. 45, LeSueur in 1969

Was Master of Union Lodge No. 45 in 1987 and 1997 and served as their Treasurer for many years.

He was exalted in LeSueur Chapter No. 37 in 1970 and served as High Priest in 1974, 1988, and 1989; received the Order of High Priesthood in 1974 and served as Most Excellent President of the Order of High Priesthood in 1999. He served as Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons in 2000 and as Grand Treasurer for many years, starting in the year 2001.

He was greeted as a Select Master in Central Council No. 14 of Mankato, MN in 1974 and served as Illustrious Master in 1984. He was a dual member of Omega Council No. 9 – Willmar, MN.; greeted into the Thrice Illustrious Master Council in 1984, and served as the Thrice Illustrious Master in 1989, received the Ish-Sodi degree in 1983 and served as its Recorder for many years.

John served as the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Minnesota in 1989-1990.

John was knighted a Knight Templar in Ivanhoe Commandery No. 31, St. Peter, MN in 1970. He served as their Eminent Commander in 1990 and served as their Recorder from 1991 thru 2012. He was a charter member of INRI Commandery No. 004 of Washington, DC. He also served our Grand Commandery as the Right Eminent Grand Commander in 1999-2000.

Past Commanders Association, Knights Templar of Minnesota and Knight Crusaders of the Cross
He joined Zuhrah Shrine and Ho-Ho Area Shrine Club in 1970 and was the president of the Shrine club in 1975
and again in 1987.

John was a member of Minnesota York Rite College No. 39, and served that organization as Preeminent Governor in 1995-96 and as an Associate Regent. He received the Order of the Purple Cross in 1995 and served as our Grand Governor from 2005 to 2009.

#### John also belonged to numerous other Masonic Organizations.

Minnesota Council of Knight Masons No. 34 – Past presiding Officer

Universal Craftsman Council of Engineers No. 79 – Past Recorder

He received the Royal Order of Scotland degrees in Kansas City, Kansas on July 16, 1994.

He was proposed to St Olaf Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine and elected into membership on June 17, 1995; and installed on October 21, 1995 Served as Secretary from 2001 to 2008 and served as Puissant Sovereign in 2014 and elected Emeritus Status on October 18, 2014.

City of Justice Tabernacle No. LXVII; Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests – Past Sovereign Master and served as the recorder.

Charter Member of Johnny E. Nelson Council No.252, Allied Masonic Degrees; Past Sovereign Master and Recorder. Jordan Chapter No. 108 – Order of the Eastern Star; Past Worthy Patron and Past Secretary.

Cereal Chapter No. 2 – Order of the Eastern Star; Past Worthy Patron

He served as Grand Warder of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in 2011-2012

# Carl L. Sudbrink Past Most Illustrious Grand Master 2001 - 2002



Carl "Bud" Sudbrink, age 84, of Glenwood, died Saturday, January 9, 2016 at the Glacial Ridge Hospital in Glenwood. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at Glenwood United Parish. Visitation will be Tuesday, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm at the church, Glenwood United Parish with a Masonic service at 7 pm. Visitation will also continue one hour prior to the service at the church on Wednesday. Inurnment will be in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Little Falls, MN at 9:00 A.M. on Thursday. Arrangements are with the Hoplin-Hitchcock Funeral Home in Glenwood.

Carl "Bud" Leslie Sudbrink, the son of Harold and Ruth (Reynolds) Sudbrink, was born on December 6, 1931, in Albany, New York. He grew up in Chicago, IL, where he attended public schools and graduated from Lane Tech High School in 1949. He attended Monmouth College in Monmouth, IL, for two years before enlisting in the U.S. Army, serving from June 25, 1953, until his honorable discharge on April 25, 1954. His first job after leaving the service was at Phoenix Dye Works in Chicago, where he worked as a textile dyer for two years. On November 17, 1956, he was united in marriage to Julia Joan "Jo" Blythe at Union Church in La Harpe, IL. The two first made their home in Cleveland, OH. In 1959, they moved to Berea, OH, and in March of 1964 they moved to Cherry Hill, NJ, where they lived until 1978 when they moved to Fridley, MN, before retiring to a home along Lake Minnewaska in Glenwood, MN in 1981. Bud and Jo were blessed with 3 children, Carl, Ava and Joy and the two shared 42 years of marriage before her death on August 15, 1999.

On May 3, 2003, Carl was united in marriage to Delores "Lori" (Thompson) Johnson in Petersburg, ND. Following their marriage, Lori moved to Bud's house in Glenwood.

Bud enjoyed building and flying model airplanes, H.O. trains, bowling, fishing, boating, and woodworking. He also built and maintained an impressive collection of fish aquariums consisting of 15 fresh water (salt water) tanks. He was a member of Glenwood United Parish, as well as the Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star, American Legion, VFW and other civic and social organizations.

Bud's family will remember him as being very respectful and loyal. He was also a very social person, with a passion for history, and very detail orientated. Bud died on January 9, 2016, at Glacial Ridge Hospital, having lived to the age of 84 years. Blessed be his memory.

Bud is survived by his wife, Delores Sudbrink of Glenwood; a son, Carl Warren (Shirley) Sudbrink of Calhan, CO; two daughters, Ava (Kenneth) Seibert of Mt. Pleasant, IA, and Joy Sudbrink of Cambridge, MN; three step-sons, James (Linda), Daniel (Mary), and Robert Johnson; a step-daughter, Julie Johnson; grandchildren, Joshua Scott, Kendra Seibert and Anna (Aaron) Dale; great-grandchildren; Vincent Dale, Olivia Dale, Zavier Dale, Rylee Seibert, Syriana Scott; 7 step-grandchildren; a special cousin, Donna Bologna.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Julia "Jo" Blythe Sudbrink; a step-sister, Judy Krambeer; a special cousin, Richard Adams; and close family friend, Dona June Furon.

#### **MASONIC HISTORY**

He was initiated as an Entered Apprentice on September 17, 1973, passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft on October 15, 1973 and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason on November 12, 1973 in Universal Lodge No. 216, in Pennsauken, N.J. He moved to the Glenwood area in 1977 and transferred his membership to Valley Lodge No. 174. He served as Worshipful Master 1991. And again transferred his membership to Constellation Lodge No. 81 in Alexandria and served as Worshipful Master in 1997.

Exalted to the Royal Arch in Glenwood Chapter No. 93 in 1982 and served as High Priest in 1987. He transferred his membership to Alexandria Chapter No. 86 in 1992 and served as High Priest there for numerous years.

He received the Commandery orders in Bethel Commandery No. 19 in 1982; and served as Commander in 1989-1990 and again in 1990-1991.

He was greeted as a Royal and Select Master in Alpha Council No. 8 in 1989 and served as Illustrious Master in 1993.

He was appointed to the Minnesota Grand Council line, by then MIGM F. James Zwickey in 1995. Carl was elected Most Illustrious Grand Master on May 18, 2001 and presided over the 132<sup>nd</sup> annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Minnesota on May 23 & 24, 2002.

He was initiated into Haddenfield Chapter No.140 in New Jersey on May 16, 1978. Petitioned Minnewaska Chapter No. 129 on May 27, 1982 and served as Worthy Patron in 1987. He took a dual membership in Lyra Chapter No. 166 on March 9, 1993 and served as their Worthy Patron in 1997 and 1998.

He was also a member of the following Masonic organizations:

Minnesota Priory No. 24 – Knights York Cross of Honour

Minnesota York Rite College No. 39

Minnesota Knight Masons

Allied Masonic Degrees

**Universal Council-Craftsman Engineers** 

He was also a member of the VFW, American Legion, Disabled American veterans and Korean War Veterans.

#### Peter P. Kloskowski Past Grand Chaplain 1998 – 1999



Age: 87

**Born:** 04-12-1928 **Died:** 02-14-2016

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Friday, February 19th, 2016, at 11:00 AM at St. Peter's Catholic Church in St. Cloud for Peter P. Kloskowski, age 87, of St. Cloud, who died on Sunday at his home. Rev. Greg Lieser will officiate. Entombment will be in Assumption Cemetery Mausoleum. Friends may call on Thursday between 4:00-8:00 PM at the Daniel Funeral Home in St. Cloud and on Friday one hour prior to services at the Church. Parish Prayers will be at 5:00 PM Thursday followed by the Masonic Prayer Service at 7:00 PM.

Peter was born April 12th, 1928 in St. Cloud to Norbert and Margaret (Kroll) Kloskowski. He served in the US Navy 1946-1950. He married Dolores Schwartz on November 7th, 1950 at St. John Cantius Catholic Church in St. Cloud. He was employed as an Engineer for the Burlington Northern Railroad for 41 years. He retired in 1993. Pete was a gunsmith for over 40 years in St. Cloud owning the Silver Spur Gun Shop out of his home. Pete was a life-member of the NRA, member of Moose Lodge 1400, Waite Park American Legion Post 428, North Star Masonic Lodge # 23, where he was very involved at the local, state and national levels. Pete was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife Dolores, children, Margot Zimara (Robert) Moorhead, Michael Kloskowski, Sauk Rapids, Marie Sherrard (Chris), Rosemount, Mark Kloskowski (Andrea) St. Cloud, Matthew Kloskowski (Jane) St. Cloud, grandchildren, Hanneli, Brandee, Briana, Russell, Paul, Kyle, Cameron, Bryce, Logan, Heather, Maisie, Lane, and Paige, great-grandchildren, Calista, Joey, Mia, Zoey, William, Madison, Vincent, Ethan, Lucas, Kyle Jr, Grace, Cayden, and Harper, brother and sisters, Florence Corrigan (Joe) Redmunds, CA, James Kloskowski, Tucson, AR, Martha Plombon, New Hope, and Julianna Heveron (Bill), Portland, OR.

He was preceded in death by his parents; 2 grandsons Erich and Dalton Sherrard; 1 sister, Dolores Kloskowski; and Brother Phillip Kloskowski.