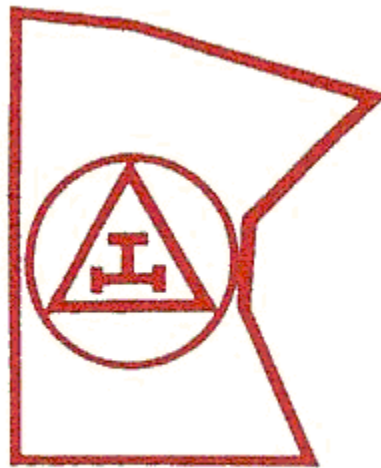


PRE-PRINTED REPORTS
OF THE

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MINNESOTA



AT THE

One Hundred Sixty First
Annual Convocation
June 22, 2023

A.D.2023 ~ A.L.6023



Alan Mackenzie, born in Dundee, Scotland. Moved to Duluth, MN in 1968. Attended Duluth Public Schools. After high school spent six years in the US Army. After the Army attended respiratory therapy program at Anoka-Ramsey Community College and Anoka Technical College. Worked two years at the VA in St. Cloud then 35 years at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth retiring in 2022.

Masonic

Euclid Lodge 198, Duluth, MN, raised 2006. Served as Master in 2013, currently Secretary. District Rep 5n 2015-2018 and Monitor. Finished Grand Lodge Masonic Light program.

York Rite

Keystone Chapter 20, Duluth, MN. High Priest, 2014, currently Secretary. Joined Grand Line 2016. Order of High Priesthood 2014, Knight of the Royal Arch 2017.

Duluth Council 6 Duluth, MN, Illustrious Master 2015, currently recorder. Joined Grand Line 2020, Member Thrice Illustrious Master

Duluth Commandery 18 Duluth, MN, Commander 2015, currently recorder. Joined Grand Line 2017. Received KTCH, KCT. Member of the Past Commanders Association and Knight Crusaders of the Cross.

Completed York Rite College Companion of the Temple program.

Scottish Rite

Duluth Valley 33° IGH, past Wise Master Rose Croix.

Shrine

AAD Shrine – pipes and drums

Other Masonic Bodies

North Star 168 Sovereign York Rite College, past Governor, currently secretary

Allied Masonic Degrees Johnny E. Nelson 252 Council

Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Federatis North Star College

Royal Order of Scotland

Knight of York Cross of Honor Minnesota Priory 24

Yeoman of York Minnesota Preceptory 16

Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priest Good Samaritan Tabernacle XXXVI

The Masonic Order of Pilgrim Preceptors – Holy Grail Conclave 27 Iowa

Job's Daughters Bethel 28 past Associate Bethel Guardian

DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor

REPORT OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST

To: The Grand Officers, and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve you for the past year. It has been one of the most enjoyable times of my life. The opportunity to spend time with so many brothers and companions who love Masonry will not be forgotten.

During my year I was able to attend all the meetings of the Grand Chapter and visit most of the Chapters in the state. It was my honor to be present at the conferral Royal Arch degree at Minnesota Chapter No.1 in St Paul, Owatonna Chapter 15, and Keystone Chapter 20 in Duluth. I encourage all chapters to do as much degree work as they can do.

The One Day Festival hosted by St. Johns Chapter No. 9 was a great success, a thanks to the Companions of that Chapter for their hard work. James Zelinski Feeney did a great job coordinating and with the help of many Chapters and companions we were able to exalt 36 new members that day.

There were 10 dispensations granted by me this year. To move meeting dates and to move charters for meetings. I signed two by-laws' changes.

There were ongoing efforts this year to reinvigorate St. Peter Chapter 22 and Fairmont Chapter 50. Thank you to Ed Morse, Glen Larson, Jerry Zierdt and James Henderson for their tireless work on this.

I attended installations at MN Chapter 1, Halcyon Chapter 8, St. Johns Chapter 9, St. Cloud Chapter 10, Keystone Chapter 20, Fergus Falls Chapter 27, Corinthian Chapter 33, Iron Range Chapter 70, and Alexandria Chapter 86.

I was honored to represent the Companions of MN at Grand Sessions in Iowa, Nebraska, North and South Dakota. Minnesota was well represented at the North Central Conference in Sioux Falls, SD.

Great appreciation is owed to MEC Gary Odegard for his help and advice, his unselfish service to the Grand Chapter of Minnesota is priceless. Thanks also to MEC Gary Johnson for being there when needed.

Once again, I want to thank the companions of Minnesota for the courtesies shown to my office over the past year, the Grand Chapter officers for stepping up and helping with all aspects of the craft. Royal Arch Masonry is alive and well in the state. I look forward to continuing to serve the companions of Minnesota any way I can.

Respectfully submitted,
Alan Mackenzie
GHP 2022-2023

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

TO: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

The Profit and Loss Statement for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2023, is attached. You will notice that we had a net operating loss of \$535.78. This was primarily due to ordering Ritual Books. This loss is shown under Ritual Sales. This will be more than recovered in the next fiscal year.

The Trustees allocated Life Membership earnings of \$13,883.35 for 2022 which is down slightly from the previous year. The distribution process to the Chapters was modified a few years ago. In the past, the Chapters had to pay per capita on all members. Later they would receive the per capita for the life members from the earnings distribution. This placed a financial burden on some Chapters. Now the Chapters only pay per capita on regular members. The per capita for life members is deducted from the life member earnings before the distribution to the Chapters. This process is appreciated by the Chapters. The Grand Chapter is authorized to take 5% of the earnings for administrative costs of the Life Membership Program. That amounts to \$694.17 this year. We did not take that fee but left it to be distributed to the Chapters. The earnings are allocated to the Chapters based on the amount of funds they have in the program. If there is not enough allocated to the Chapter to cover the Life Member per capita, the Chapter is not penalized and the Grand Chapter does not receive the full amount of Life Member per capita. See the attached charts for the allocation and distribution of these funds.

See the Finance Committee Report for the proposed budget for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

The financial statements and documents were reviewed on June 2, 2023, and found to be in good order. See attached report.

I thank the Companions for the trust they have bestowed on me as their Grand Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary A. Odegard, PGHP
Grand Treasurer

June 2022 through May 2023 Profit & Loss

	Jun '22 - May 23
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
INVESTMENT INCOME	
CHARITY FUND	1,008.96
INVESTMENT FUND	6,000.00
LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND	13,883.35
Total INVESTMENT INCOME	20,892.31
OPERATIONS INCOME	
ANNUAL PER CAPITA	16,971.69
CHARTER FEES	210.00
EXALTATIONS	495.00
INVENTORY SALES	
CHAPTER SUPPLIES	525.99
RITUAL SALES	-1,300.00
Total INVENTORY SALES	-774.01
LM ENROLLMENTS	870.00
Total OPERATIONS INCOME	17,772.68
OTHER INCOME	
DONATIONS	22.32
OTHER INCOME	59.60
Total OTHER INCOME	81.92
Total Income	38,746.91
Gross Profit	38,746.91

Expense	
GRAND CHAPTER	
AWARDS	22.25
CHARITY & DONATIONS	
YOUTH GROUPS	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total CHARITY & DONATIONS	1,000.00
GENERAL GRAND PER CAPITA	3,690.00
GRAND SESSION	
COMPS	369.68
PGHP APRON/JEWEL	712.50
SESSION OTHER	<u>414.82</u>
Total GRAND SESSION	1,497.00
INSURANCE/BONDING	1,248.47
LIFE MEMBERSHIPS	
LIFE MEMBERSHIP DISTRIBUTION	13,216.41
LIFE MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT	<u>870.00</u>
Total LIFE MEMBERSHIPS	<u>14,086.41</u>
Total GRAND CHAPTER	21,544.13
OFFICE OPERATIONS	
GENERAL PRINTING	375.94
OCCUPANCY	1,772.49
POSTAGE/SHIPPING	55.87
SOFTWARE	91.05
WEB SITE/INTERNET	<u>250.00</u>
Total OFFICE OPERATIONS	2,545.35
OFFICER'S EXPENSES	
GRAND HIGH PRIEST	3,000.00
GRAND KING	800.00
GRAND SCRIBE	500.00
GRAND SECRETARY	6,000.00
GRAND TREASURER	1,200.00
MISC EXPENSE-OFFICER'S	<u>70.71</u>
Total OFFICER'S EXPENSES	11,570.71
OTHER EXPENSES	
BANK FEES	99.99
RAM MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION	<u>3,522.51</u>
Total OTHER EXPENSES	<u>3,622.50</u>
Total Expense	<u>39,282.69</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-535.78</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-535.78</u></u>

Life Member Earnings Allocation

	2022 INTEREST BEARING										2022 Allocation	q4	TOT22	2022 Y/E TOTALS
	TOTAL 2021	base\$days	q1	q2	q3	add\$days	2022 total\$days							
#1	81,743.35	29,427,606.00				0.00	29,427,606.00	\$3,134.62			0.00		0.00	81,743.35
#5	3,023.87	1,088,593.20				0.00	1,088,593.20	\$115.96			0.00		0.00	3,023.87
#8	6,260.90	2,253,924.00				0.00	2,253,924.00	\$240.09			0.00		0.00	6,260.90
#9	35,356.00	12,728,160.00				0.00	12,728,160.00	\$1,355.80			0.00		0.00	35,356.00
#10	16,901.00	6,084,360.00				0.00	6,084,360.00	\$648.10			0.00		0.00	16,901.00
#14	8,477.30	3,051,828.00				0.00	3,051,828.00	\$325.08			0.00		0.00	8,477.30
#15	32,480.72	11,693,059.20				0.00	11,693,059.20	\$1,245.54			0.00		0.00	32,480.72
#20	33,438.20	12,037,752.00				0.00	12,037,752.00	\$1,282.26			0.00		0.00	33,438.20
#22	15,151.05	5,454,378.00				0.00	5,454,378.00	\$581.00			0.00		0.00	15,151.05
#27	8,774.90	3,158,964.00				0.00	3,158,964.00	\$336.49			0.00		0.00	8,774.90
#28	4,489.80	1,616,328.00				0.00	1,616,328.00	\$172.17			0.00		0.00	4,489.80
#33	7,929.20	2,854,512.00				0.00	2,854,512.00	\$304.06			0.00		0.00	7,929.20
#50	7,051.60	2,538,576.00				0.00	2,538,576.00	\$270.41			0.00		0.00	7,051.60
#53	11,892.30	4,281,228.00				0.00	4,281,228.00	\$456.04			0.00		0.00	11,892.30
#60	44,884.10	16,158,276.00				0.00	16,158,276.00	\$1,721.18			0.00		0.00	44,884.10
#70	1,743.80	627,768.00				0.00	627,768.00	\$66.87			0.00		0.00	1,743.80
#82	6,475.20	2,331,072.00				0.00	2,331,072.00	\$248.31			0.00		0.00	6,475.20
#86	6,360.95	2,289,942.00				0.00	2,289,942.00	\$243.92			0.00		0.00	6,360.95
#87	2,196.52	790,747.20				0.00	790,747.20	\$84.23			0.00		0.00	2,196.52
#101	3,091.70	1,113,012.00				0.00	1,113,012.00	\$118.56			0.00		0.00	3,091.70
#103		0.00				0.00	0.00	\$0.00						
#104		0.00				0.00	0.00	\$0.00						
#133														
#38	1,204.00	433,440.00				0.00	433,440.00	\$46.17			0.00		0.00	1,204.00
#41	1,816.40	653,904.00				0.00	653,904.00	\$69.65			0.00		0.00	1,816.40
#48	8,930.50	3,214,980.00				0.00	3,214,980.00	\$342.46			0.00		0.00	8,930.50
#90	4,950.60	1,782,216.00				0.00	1,782,216.00	\$189.84			0.00		0.00	4,950.60
#96	7,420.00	2,671,200.00				0.00	2,671,200.00	\$284.54			0.00		0.00	7,420.00
	\$362,043.96	130,335,825.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	130,335,825.60	\$13,883.35			0.00		0.00	\$362,043.96
FORMULAS	\$ x 360	\$ x 270	\$ x 180	\$ x 90	Total \$	Sum \$ x days	SUM \$DAYS x FACTOR	\$	\$ in 2021	cum \$				
					2022 factor	0.0001065198	DIST \$SUM \$DAYS							
														3.83%

Life Member Earnings Distribution

	12/31/2021		Regular		Life		2022		2022	
	Members	Members	Members	Members	LM*\$14	Allocation	Allocation	Distribution	Distribution	
MINNESOTA	#1	210	85	125	1750	3134.62	3134.62	1384.62		
VERMILLION	#2	16	16	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00		
WINONA	#5	19	16	3	42	115.96	115.96	73.96		
HALCYON	#8	48	33	15	210	240.09	240.09	30.09		
ST JOHNS	#9	107	62	45	630	1355.80	1355.80	725.80		
ST CLOUD	#10	101	63	38	532	648.10	648.10	116.10		
AUSTIN	#14	14	6	8	112	325.08	325.08	213.08		
OWATONNA	#15	78	40	38	532	1245.54	1245.54	713.54		
KEYSTONE	#20	113	69	44	616	1282.26	1282.26	666.26		
ST PETER	#22	67	55	12	168	581.00	581.00	413.00		
FERGUS FALLS	#27	54	41	13	182	336.49	336.49	154.49		
LIVING ARCH	#28	22	11	11	154	172.17	172.17	18.17		
CORINTHIAN	#33	53	43	10	140	304.06	304.06	164.06		
FAIRMONT	#50	45	21	24	336	270.34	270.34	(65.66)		
SHEKINAH	#52	48	48	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00		
ARK	#53	36	22	14	196	456.04	456.04	260.04		
COLUMBIAN	#60	103	70	33	462	1721.18	1721.18	1259.18		
IRON RANGE	#70	20	19	1	14	66.87	66.87	52.87		
NORTHERN	#82	17	2	15	210	248.31	248.31	38.31		
ALEXANDRIA	#86	25	13	12	168	243.92	243.92	75.92		
RUSH CITY	#87	20	15	5	70	84.23	84.23	14.23		
KITTSON	#101	17	8	9	126	118.56	118.56	(7.44)		
KING SOLOMON U.D.	#133 UD	46	0	46	644	932.73	932.73	288.73		
		1279	758	521	7294	13883.35	13883.35			

REPORT OF TRUSTEES

To: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Members of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota:

The Trustees of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota present the following report of the Investment, Charity, and Life Membership Funds of the Grand Chapter for the 2022-year.

	2021	2022
INVESTMENT		
Balance on Hand 1/1/2022	236180.05	242995.47
Addition King Solomon Chapter Trust Act ****	1311.20	1311.20
Subtraction * Triennial-Operating	0.00	0.00
Subtraction * General Fund	4000.00	6000.00 - 9/16/22
Subtotal	233491.25	238306.67
Balance for Interest	233431.53	237506.05
Interest Income for 22	9612.49	9107.69
INTEREST INCOME DISTRIBUTED		
Triennial Fund 900 per year (2022) (900)	Bal – 2700 No Transfer	Bal – 2700 No Transfer
King Solomon Trust Income ****	51.05 Bal 1/1/22 – 1250.68	0
Balance of Interest for 2022	9612.49	9107.69
Balance on Hand 12/31/22**	242995.47	246613.74
CHARITY		
Balance on Hand 1/1/2022	26311.24	26311.24
Additions	0	0
Subtractions	0	0
Subtotal	26311.24	26311.24
Total of Fund for Interest**	26311.24	26311.24
Interest Income	1011.84	1008.96
Interest Income Distributed	1011.84	1008.96
Balance on Hand 12/31/22	26311.24	26311.24
LIFE		

Balance 1/1/22	357263.96	362043.96
Additions	2125.00 1 st qtr 2655.00 4 th qtr	0.00
Subtractions	0	0.00
Subtotal	362043.96	362043.96
Balance for Interest	360052.71	362043.96
Interest Income	14671.69	13883.35
Interest of Life Membership Distribution	14671.69	13883.35
Balance on Hand 12/31/22	362043.96	362043.96

* Operating Expense

** This is average quarterly income for interest distribution

***Balance includes fund total until distributed (Max. \$2700)

**** K.S. Transfer to Genera Fund

Income Distribution for 2021	25296.02
Income Distribution for 2022	24000.00

	Balance for Interest	Interest	Balance of 12/31/22
Investment Fund	237506.05	9107.69	246613.74
Charity	26311.24	1008.96	26311.24
Life Membership	362043.96	13883.35	362043.96
Totals for 22	625861.25	24000	634968.94

Based on the Balance for Interest for 2022 of \$625861.25 with an interest income of \$24000. The rate of return was 3.83% for the year. Enclosed is a copy of the 12/31/22 Statement of Account listing your portfolio of stocks, shares, and % of holdings.

The following figures are presented to show you the progress of our funds during the past five years of the economic conditions. Our investment fund has been able to hold a good investment income return and when some funds are maturing this amount is being placed in US Gov Secured Money market For security until our world and market become safe to invest world war action and political turmoil. The coronavirus apprehension in investing but our assets were secure and investment income was maintained. Our life membership fund is invested in secure funds that draw less interest. But our portfolio is secure. With low interest rates, securities have been prime investments, causing lower interest return. This fluctuation is being controlled using a portion of funds in a fixed return. Due to the volatile nature of the stock market and world market we are investing in guaranteed Gov. Fund with fixed income returns. We feel our broker is competently handling our funds. The rate of return, if figured on the total investment fund of \$634,968.94 is 3.78%. We are confident that our investments and counsel are in good condition.


	Total Investments	Income
12/31/17	416706.94	24782.43
12/31/18	327527.29	27552.59
12/31/19	377918.55	21674.84
12/31/20	369437.20	22215.38
12/31/21	443798.55	25296.22
12/31/22	391379.51	24000.00

The Secretary/Treasurer accounts have been reviewed and verified. Bonds and insurance are complete. We are reviewing and replacing necessary equipment to make our office communications up-to-date. Our new quarters at the Masonic Home (11501 Masonic Home Drive, Bloomington, MN 55437) has been a good move. We are also in good hands with our proficient and competent secretary/treasurer Gary Odegard. His countless hours and assistance have put our Royal Arch in good graces. Thank-you.

Below is our December 31 statement for verification of our investment funds. We have been investing in above-average interest or dividends for income and still maintain Grade A. Funds. All are in order.

The report of investment funds is verification of our investment funds. It is the practice of the trustees that no funds are to be handled by the trustees all money is transferred or dispersed through the Secretary/Treasurer accounts. All jewels and materials are in the Grand Secretary's office for safekeeping.

It is our practice to verify our investment funds by presenting a copy of the yearly Account Summary. Our account in Financial Advantage Wealth Management LLC. of Fargo North Dakota. Our advisors are Richard Engen President and Jeff Wallgren Investment Executive. They have a station in the Twin Cities, which makes transfers and informative communication easier and faster. They understand our financial needs, concerns, and requirements. They maintain a high standard of investing that gives us good growth and return. It is our practice that the trustees do not handle any money or investments. That all money is transferred or dispersed through the Secretary/treasurer accounts. 11501 Masonic Home Drive, Bloomington MN 55437. Our secretary office in the Minnesota Masonic Home has materials and supplies in safekeeping. The sec/treas accounts have been reviewed and verified. Our bonds and insurance are complete.



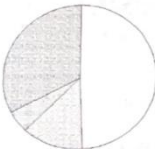
**FINANCIAL ADVANTAGE
WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC**

ACCOUNT STATEMENT
DECEMBER 1, 2022 - DECEMBER 31, 2022
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Account number:
714-15186
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ASSET ALLOCATION SUMMARY

	CURRENT VALUE	PERCENT
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash & Cash Alternatives	\$192,258.06	49%
<input type="checkbox"/> Equity	\$2,307.21	13%
<input type="checkbox"/> Fixed Income	18,080.00	5%
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Assets	128,734.24	33%
Current account value	\$391,379.51	100%



Mutual funds are included in the above categories. Funds that invest in more than one category are reported as "Mixed Assets".
The Cash & Cash Alternatives figure is net of debits including any REC Express Credit (margin) debit, if applicable.

ACTIVITY SUMMARY

Total account value last statement	\$398,155.11
Cash activity	
Beginning balance	191,686.89
Money coming into your account	
Interest	69.28
Dividends	508.33
Capital gains	1,095.63
Total	1,673.24
Money going out of your account	
Funds to purchase securities	-1,100.82
Fees	-1.25
Total	-1,102.07
Ending balance	192,258.06
Net change cash activity	\$571.17
Change in security value	
Beginning value of priced securities	206,468.22
Securities purchased	1,100.82
Change in value of priced securities	-8,447.59
Ending value of priced securities	199,121.45
Net change in securities value	-\$7,346.77
Total account value as of December 31, 2022	\$391,379.51

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE / RISK TOLERANCE

The investment objective for this account is: Aggressive Growth / Aggressive Income
The risk tolerance for this account is: High Risk
Please see "About Your Investment Objective / Profile and Risk Tolerance" on page 2 for further information.

GAIN/LOSS SUMMARY

	THIS PERIOD	THIS YEAR
Total realized gain or loss	\$0.00	\$36,862.85
Short-term gain or loss	0.00	0.00
Long-term gain or loss	0.00	36,862.85
	AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022	
Unrealized gain or loss		-\$29,301.97

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ACCOUNT VALUE SUMMARY

	THIS PERIOD	THIS YEAR
Beginning account value	\$398,155.11	\$443,798.55
Return of principal	0.00	438.50
Withdrawals	-1.25	-21,699.78
Taxable income	1,673.24	7,786.99
Change in asset value	-8,447.59	-38,944.75
Ending account value	\$391,379.51	\$391,379.51
Estimated annualized income		\$3,563.77

Our chapter is blessed to have a professional and competence office who spends countless hours to keep our Grand Chapters and subordinate chapters in. performing good work.

Thanks Gary Odegard, MEC

We are once again thankful for the report and time of verifying our financial material, property, and funds by EC Ron Jensen and MEC Hugh Swift.

Investment Funds:

Last year the King Solomon Chapter operating under authority of the Grand Chapter was terminated. Funds that were held by the Grand Chapter in case these chapters wanted to consolidate or become active was held in King Solomon trust so they could be financially able to exist if they reactivated in these funds that are listed in trustees report in the King Solomon's trust. As they also were able to be invested and increase in value and be accountable. Because of termination this item was closed and all funds were returned to the General Fund as they were under the control of Grand Chapter. All funds and material became the property of the grand chapter as the consolidating body.

Triennial Fund:

The Triennial Fund used to be part of the Chapter operating budget. It was changed to be part of the investment fund and each year the funds for those attending triennial was withdrawn from the investment fund which was earning interest. The fund was 300/year for 3 years for the 3 delegates who attend. Only grand officers who are certified delegates can attend so this requires \$900 per delegate for triennial and attendants are necessary to withdraw these funds. If no one attends the fund is not distributed so no money is required to be set aside.

The trustees try to be fiscally responsible for dispersing or establishing needs of the grand chapter to make sound financial policy. This year, no one attended the triennial, so there was no additional money set-aside for delegates. This will be in trust for next triennial.

We find the Grand Chapter to be in good condition and in good hands. We also want to remind companions that if additional programs as expenses are necessary it can only be achieved by increasing per capita. We draw attention to the budget report which is our guide of the income that is needed to cover our expenses. Any proposals or matters that are of a constitutional or regulation nature are transferred to the jurisprudence committee for a ruling.

Any matters that are of a constitutional or regulation nature are transferred to the jurisdiction committee for a ruling. We find the Grand Chapter to be in good condition and in good hands. We move that this motion be accepted, passed, and printed in the proceedings.

Trustees;

MEC Gary H Johnson, PGHP

MEC Ronald Miles PGHP

MEC L. Greg Schultz PGHP

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest officers and members of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota

The Finance Committee has reviewed the 06/01/23 – 05/31/24 Budget and the Profit and Loss Statement of 06/01/22 – 05/31/23.

We find they are all in order and germane. The use of the Investment Fund interest earnings is acceptable as it is used for the approved activities of the Grand Chapter. Only the amount needed is transferred which is on the budget and is approved at Grand Session so no money is transferred that has not been approved.

We move the acceptance of the 23-24 Budget as presented and the profit and loss statement of the Grand Chapter and that they be passed and printed in the proceedings.

BUDGET				6/1/23 -
				5/31/2024
INCOME				
	INVESTMENTS			
	Life Members	*	14000	
	Charity	*	1000	
	General	**	6000	
	Triennial	***	2700	
			23700	
	OPERATIONS			
	Per Capita		15400	
	Dues (KS 133)		0	
	Charter Fees		200	
	Exaltations		600	
	Indigent Credits		-150	
	Other		1800	
			17850	
TOTAL INCOME				41550

EXPENSES

GRAND CHAPTER

Awards		100
Charities	*	1000
GGC Per Capita		3600
Grand Session		1000
Insurance/Bonding		1250
LM Distribution	*	<u>14000</u>
		20950

OFFICE OPERATIONS

Equipment		0
Printing		300
Telephone/Internet		0
Rent		1720
Postage		200
Supplies		200
Web sites		<u>200</u>
		2620

Officer Expenses

GHP		3000
GK		800
GSc		500
GS/T		7200
Others		250
Triennial	***	<u>2700</u>
		14450

OTHER

RAM Magazine		3500
Other		<u>0</u>
		3500

TOTAL EXPENSES**41520***GAIN/(LOSS)*

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* Income and distribution are no expense to Grand Chapter as they are just pass-through funds distributing Interest Income from the Charity Fund and the Life Membership Fund.

** This is drawing money from the Investment Fund.

*** Each year \$300.00 is set aside for each of the top three Officers so that there is \$900.00 for each of the top three Officers to attend the Triennial if they so desire. These funds can only be used by the three designated participants.

Finance Committee

Gary H Johnson, PGHP

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

TO: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

Thanks to the help of the Chapter Secretaries, the database is getting better each year. Membership dropped again this year. We had a net loss of 101 companions in 2021 and a net loss of 32 in 2022. We are nearly holding steady on membership. Unfortunately, we had more deaths than exaltations. 38 of the 39 Exaltations were from the 1 day class. It would be nice to see the Chapters doing their own work again. Congratulations to St Johns No. 9, Ark No. 53 and Columbian No. 60 for recruiting multiple candidates. The summary for the year is:

MEMBERSHIP				1279	
		1/1/2022			
GAINS[+]			LOSSES[-]		
EXALTED	39		WITHDREW	14	
JOINED	7		STRICKEN	17	
RESTORED	2		SUSPENDED	4	
			DEATHS	45	
TOTAL	48		TOTAL	80	
		NET	-32	-2.5%	
MEMBERSHIP					
		12/31/2022	1247		

Last year there were 4 Chapters which did not submit annual reports. This year there are 2 Chapters. They are St Peter No. 22 and Fairmont No. 50.

Of the 11 Indigents listed, 3 are Active Duty Military whose per capita dues are waived. I have attached detailed gains and losses and reported Exaltations and Deaths by Chapter. On the Reported Deaths, if you know of any name spellings or dates that are incorrect, please advise so they can be correct in the Proceedings.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Grand Secretary. I wish that I could continue, but it is best for the Companions of Minnesota that I retire for medical reasons. I wish that I was leaving things a little more organized for my successor, but it is getting harder each year to do things right. Again, thank you for the honor you have bestowed on me by letting me be your Grand Secretary/Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
 Gary A. Odegard, PGHP
 Grand Secretary

2022	12/31/2021												12/31/2022												TOTALS									
	E	G	A	I	N	S	net gain	W	L	O	S	SU	D	net loss	NET	12/31/2022	Indigents																	
#1	1		1				2	3			2			1	6	-4	206	1	0.0047619															
#2							0								0	0	16		0															
#5				1			1	1			1				2	-1	18		0															
#8	2						2	2			2		1	5	10	-8	40		0.04166667															
#9	12		1				13							4	4	9	116	1M	0.11214953															
#10	2						2						5	1	7	-5	96		0.01980198															
#14							0							0	0	0	14		0															
#15							0	1			3		5	9	-9	69			0															
#20		1				1	2	3			1		1	3	1	10	105	1	0.00884956															
#22							0							0	0	0	67		0															
#27	1						1	1					1	2	4	-3	51		0.01851852															
#28							0				2		1	3	-3	19	1		0															
#33	2				1		3							0	3	3	56		0.03773585															
#50							0							0	0	0	45		0															
#52	2			2			4							0	4	4	52	3	0.04166667															
#53	6		1				7	1			2		1	4	3	39		0.16666667																
#60	8						8	1			2	1	1	7	1	104	2+2M	0.0776699																
#70	1			1			2				1			1	2	0	20		0.05															
#82							0							0	0	0	17		0															
#86	1						1						2	2	-1	24			0.04															
#87	20						0	1			1			2	-2	18			0															
#101	17						0							0	0	0	17		0															
#133 UD	46						0						1	7	8	-8	38		0															
	1279	38	0	1	2	1	0	4	1	0	0	1	48	1	0	0	13	0	0	0	17	0	1	0	3	7	5	3	30	80	-32	1247	8+3M	
		39		7		2				14		4				17						45												

REPORTED EXALTATIONS 2022

REPORTED EXALTATIONS 2022						
MINNESOTA	#1	1	Grant W Heitman	02/12/22		
HALCYON	#8	2	Chuck Brust	02/12/22	Eddie Miller	02/12/22
ST JOHNS	#9	12	Jeff R Anderson	02/12/22	Ernest L Anunciacion	02/12/22
			Alexander Black III	02/12/22	Damon P Dailey	02/12/22
			Ron L Devoll	02/12/22	Darryl S Draper	02/12/22
			Douglas A Evans	02/12/22	Nicolas A Hechtman	02/12/22
			Paul W Hodnefield	02/12/22	DeAndrae L Rolley	02/12/22
			David S Truckenbrod	02/12/22	Thomas B Walker	02/12/22
ST CLOUD	#10	2	Bennie J McWilliams	02/12/22	Gary Vant	02/12/22
KEYSTONE	#20	1	Chad Lowney	11/01/22		
FERGUS FALLS	#27	1	Adam J Nygaard	02/12/22		
CORINTHIAN	#33	2	Chad R Lesuer	02/12/22	Ryan N Quiggle	02/12/22
SHEKINAH	#52	2	Richard A Carter	02/12/22	Joseph V Dirico	02/12/22
ARK	#53	6	Reed A Bornholdt	02/12/22	David E Houle	02/12/22
			Scott Ludes	02/12/22	Steven R Scurek	02/12/22
			Steven A Seay	02/12/22	James M White	02/12/22
COLUMBIAN	#60	8	Jason L R Block	02/12/22	Stanley Capehart	02/12/22
			Thom P Gerszewski	02/12/22	Howard T Hanson	02/12/22
			Iaan M Hunt	02/12/22	Clarence Hunter	02/12/22
			Patterson P Nyeneue Jr	02/12/22	Bradley J Pohlman	02/12/22
IRON RANGE	#70	1	Albert Morse	02/12/22		
ALEXANDRIA	#86	1	Ron Mikel	02/12/22		
		39				

REPORTED DEATHS		2022				
MINNESOTA	#1	1	Russell E Christofk	10/21/22		
HALCYON	#8	5	Leo D Corfits	12/19/19	Thomas H Bandel	04/27/20
			Kris D Johnson	04/13/22	Paul Allen	09/14/22
			Johr R Perkins	09/15/22		
ST JOHNS	#9	4	Louis J Weber		Leroy O E Bach	06/14/22
			Kenneth P Hill	07/30/22	Robert F Bennett	
ST CLOUD	#10	7	Clifford E Helgeson	03/05/21	Steven H Johnson	08/12/21
			James W Miller	09/26/21	Eugene A Nelson	03/12/22
			William R Tripplett	03/28/22	Donald P Helgeson	04/20/22
			Dale C Haug	12/17/22		
OWATONNA	#15	5	Robert Larson	11/23/21	Gordon Miller	12/11/21
			Mark Cates	12/28/21	Raymond Sporre	04/04/22
			Michael Wegner	09/27/22		
KEYSTONE	#20	6	George Hakomaki	12/13/13	Lawrence J Tanner	12/13/21
			John D Morrison	03/05/22	David A Maki	06/19/22
			Kenneth F Smith	08/20/22	Roy W Janssen	09/28/22
FERGUS FALLS	#27	2	Charles A Lindstrom	01/18/22	Harland C Johnson	04/06/22
LIVING ARCH	#28	1	Daniel Siegfried	11/09/22		
ARK	#53	1	Robert Wood	07/06/22		
COLUMBIAN	#60	3	Sidney W Lee	01/23/22	Kenneth P Hill	07/30/22
			Jame O Burlingame Sr	09/13/22		
MARSHALL	#65					
IRON RANGE	#70	1	Darrell R Lawrence	09/11/21		
ALEXANDRIA	#86	2	Reuben VanLuik	02/28/22	Rodney H Lee	10/25/22
KING SOLOMON U.D.	#133	7	Gerald L O'Connor	12/07/21	Robert E Turner	01/06/22
			Robert E Bowen	01/22/22	Richard D Mulder	02/14/22
			Donald P Nickel	06/22/22	Donald E Wiese	08/16/22
			David W Muller	10/10/22		
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REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

TO: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

The Jurisprudence Committee is responsible to review the actions, procedures and business of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, affiliates and subordinate Chapters. They are to make sure that correct work, actions and only true work is done according to the Constitution and Regulations and that all actions were in compliance with the Minnesota Grand Lodge.

The Grand High Priest is to submit his actions, dispensation, appointments as well as actions of subordinate Chapters of the Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

1. These are the only actions or requests that the committee has received or is aware of.
2. The dissolution of the King Solomon Holding Chapter. This Chapter was established to serve the Grand Chapter as a body for Chapters and members of a closing or dissolved Chapter until they were able to associate with another Chapter if a consolidation of their Chapter was not practical or possible. This holding Chapter was organized as an annual request by dispensation of the current Grand High Priest to serve the Grand Chapter for his current year.

This request for the continuance of a yearly charter was denied. Thus King Solomon Chapter is currently dissolved effective of June 25, 2021.

This action is at the Grand High Priests discretion and complies with his power and duties.

We have not received any other request for information or interpretation of any action or procedures.

There are no resolutions that have been presented on either the Constitution or Regulations.

It is important in a body such as ours; the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota; that a uniform code of by-laws for the composition and regulation of its power and authority be established and complied with its attributes of sovereignty, government, legislature, executive and judicial power and duties, limited only by the ancient landmarks and the laws and usage of Free Masonry of Minnesota. Our Constitution and Regulations are subject to the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota.

The Grand High Priest is vested with the power and authority of this Grand Chapter expressed in the Constitution and Regulations for the term of the interval from his installation until the completion of his term and a new successor is installed.

Important! This is a request that if any actions or procedures is contemplated or arises, please contact the Jurisprudence Committee with a request to be supplied with a procedure or practice before you act. It is better and easiest to do it right instead of having to correct the actions later. Our present Constitution and Regulations can only be reversed or changed at an annual convocation and under the permission of compliance with Grand Lodge.

In unity, fellowship, and fraternal harmony,

Gary Johnson

GRAND YORK RITE BODIES OF MINNESOTA
FORMAT FOR PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

Proposed resolutions must be received by the Grand Secretary/Recorder by April 15 to be included in the Advanced Proceedings and for distribution to the Jurisprudence Committee and Constituent Bodies.



For Grand
Secretary/Recorder's Use
Only

Date Received:

DATE:

1. York Rite Code to be changed: (X) Chapter/ () Council/ () Commandery
2. PORTION to be changed: () Constitution/ () Bylaws/ (X) Regulations
3. ARTICLE NUMBER: III ARTICLE NAME: Of Subordinate Chapters
4. SECTION NUMBER: 22 SECTION NAME (if any):
5. PARAGRAPH LETTER: PARAGRAPH NAME (if any):
6. SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:
7. SUB-SUB-PARAGRAPH NUMBER:
8. REGULATION NUMBER:
(Sections 9 – 13 will require additional pages which should be typed and attached to this cover sheet.)
9. CURRENT WORDING OF SECTION TO BE CHANGED:

The minimum dues of chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction are fixed at three (\$3) dollars per annum, plus the annual eleven (\$11) per capita of the Grand Chapter plus the General Grand per capita fee. [2016]

10. CURRENT WORDING WITH DELETIONS (Line out deletions):

The minimum dues of chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction are fixed at three (\$3) dollars per annum, plus the annual ~~eleven (\$11)~~ per capita of the Grand Chapter plus the General Grand per capita fee. [2016]

11. CURRENT WORDING WITH ADDITIONS (Underline additions):

The minimum dues of chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction are fixed at three (\$3) dollars per annum, plus the annual sixteen (\$16) per capita of the Grand Chapter plus the General Grand per capita fee. [2016]

12. ENTIRE PARAGRAPH AS INTENDED TO READ IN THE CODE OF LAWS:

(Not necessary if entire paragraph is new and has been stated in 11above.)

13. RATIONALE (Why the author thinks the proposed change is needed):

To allow for the Grand Chapter of MN to subscribe to MMS for membership thus reducing the work of the constituent Chapter secretaries and Grand Secretary in maintaining the rolls of the Chapters. As expenses have continued to increase and membership has been on a multi-year decline additional funds are necessary for the operations of the Grand Chapter.

14. PROPOSERS - PRINTED NAMES, SIGNATURE, OFFICE and CHAPTER/COUNCIL/COMMANDERY NUMBERS of submitting members. (NOTE: Must be signed by no less than three members of the Grand York Rite or by the High Priest, Illustrious Master, or Commander; or Grand Officer and attested under Seal.)

_____ R. Sean Gardiner _____			
Printed Name	Signature	Office	
Body No. Marvin W. Schendel	_____	_____	
Printed Name	Signature	Office	
Body No. Brian Dimatteo	_____	_____	
Printed Name	Signature	Office	
Body No. David Dumonceaux	_____	_____	
Printed Name	Signature	Office	
Body No. David W. Emery	_____	_____	
Printed Name	Signature	Office	
Body No.			

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

To: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Member of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

The Financial Review Committee met at the home of the Grand Treasurer on Friday, June 2, 2023. At that time, the financial records of the Grand Chapter were reviewed and found to be in good order. This review did not include the investment accounts controlled by the Trustees.

Fraternally.

Ronald Miles, PGHP
Chairman
Ronald L. Jensen, PHP

REPORT OF THE GRAND KING

TO: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

It has been my honor and privilege to represent the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, as the Grand King for 2022-2023.

I am not going to list all the “normal” things that a Grand King is supposed to do, like traveling and attending meetings and representing MN at other state’s Grand Sessions. This is expected and if not performed, I would not have been doing my duties. I believe that when a person accepts a position in a Lodge or Chapter, it is no longer a voluntary organization. We all have life issues that arise, and everyone understands that. But if you are not performing the basics of your position, you are not completing the task you obligated yourself to perform to the best of your ability. Instead, I am going to note a couple of highlights of the year.

1. Participating in the Royal Arch Festival in February.
2. Working with the ritual committee and getting the “New and improved” ritual manuals printed. Order them from the Grand Secretary and you can pick them up at the Grand Session.
3. Working on the Grand Session Planning Committee. Trying to make out session more worthwhile for our Companions our families and our guest.
4. Putting together my officer list and committees. I believe that this coming year will continue to have a very strong officer core. We have had a few Companions request that they leave our ranks and I thank them profusely for their selfless service to our organization and the Craft in general.
5. Promoting Royal Arch Masonry. Talking about RAM is one of my purest pleasures and seeing the excitement generated and that sheer pleasure when they are exalted to the sublime degree of the Royal Arch. The enlightenment found is palpable.

Companions, my work here is not yet completed. I hope I can count on your vote to elect me as the next Most Excellent Grand High Priest of MN. I do not have a controversial agenda. In fact, it is quite simple. Keep moving forward. Enhance what is working and try to fix what is not. Although membership is very important, it is not going to be my primary focus. We are going to have a Membership committee and they will be tasked with finding new members, keeping the members we have, and reaching out to those we have lost. Finding out why and try to bring them back by giving them what they are looking for. By developing new education to help enhance the understanding of the Royal Arch degrees and why it is important, we all will be able to understand more of why our ritual and obligation have profound impacts on us as Companions.

Again Companions, it has been my pleasure to serve in this position for the 2022-2023 Capitular Year. May the Grand Architect of the Universe bless each one of you and keep you until that glorious day when we are each summoned to attend that supreme Convocation in the heavens.

Holiness to the Lord!

David J. Dumonceaux

David J Dumonceaux
Grand King

REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE

TO: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota

Most Excellent Companion, Past Most Excellent Companions, Excellent Companions, and Companions all. I hereby submit this report of the Grand Scribe for the year 2022-2023. I thoroughly enjoyed visiting so many Chapters this year – in person. I am extremely thankful to the Host Companions for the zeal in which they greeted me and my fellow visiting Grand Chapter Officers. The heartfelt welcome was very much appreciated. As Covid is now behind us, I pray that the Chapters see a reengagement of Companions that may have found other hobbies and/or things to do on their meeting nights. A Grand Chapter Membership Committee is being formed to help aid the Chapters in this process as much as possible. I was able to participate in the North Central Conference's Emerging Leaders program in Sioux Falls, SD. I highly encourage all Companions to attend these Emerging Leaders programs. There are a total of 3 courses (1 per year) and are not your typical leadership sessions. I look forward to attending my year #2 session this October. I continue to be active in my home Chapters serving as Secretary/Treasurer for St Cloud #10 and Treasurer for St John's #9. It was a privilege to serve the Grand Chapter of Minnesota and the Companions of the State. I look forward to serving the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota as Grand King for the ensuing year should tradition prevail.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael A Hilgert
Grand Scribe
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

REPORT OF THE GRAND PRINCIPAL SOJOURNER

TO: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota.

It has been another great year for York Rite Masonry, with many opportunities to get to know fellow Companions from Minnesota and other states around the country.

In addition to attending Grand Chapter officer's meetings, I had the privilege to serve as installing Marshal during the St. John's Chapter officer installation.

The One Day to Royal Arch, hosted by St. John Chapter No. 9, saw another great turnout to support the Work as we exalted many new Companions. Many thanks to all the Companions that turned out to make that day an incredible experience for all.

I look forward to the upcoming year. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to continue my service to the Companions of Minnesota.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Scott F. Wood
Grand Principal Sojourner

REPORT OF THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CAPTAIN

TO: The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota

My Companions,

During the 2022-2023 term, I visited a few different chapters and Many Masonic Lodges to promote Royal Arch Masonry, which I feel was well received. It was quite enjoyable to be invited to discuss Royal Arch with Brothers who are interested in continuing their Masonic Journey.

I regularly attended Grand Chapter Meetings and Events as able to with occasional absences due to work and medical issues.

I attended and participated in the One Day to Royal Arch this year which was a wonderful experience.

I regularly attended both of my Chapters, Keystone # 20 and Iron Range #70. I also continue to serve as High Priest of Keystone# 20 and help with Iron Range Chapter as needed, which I am proud to say has really started to catch on and not require too much assistance with running the Chapter.

I have truly enjoyed serving the Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota and look forward to serving the Companions of our great state for many years to come.

Fraternally,

EC Philip T. Bodle
Grand Royal Arch Captain
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota