

Lansing, Michigan August 18



Stephen R. Striggow



Stephen R. Striggow Elected Most Illustrious Grand Master August 19, 2010 Presided August 18, 2011

#### STEPHEN R. STRIGGOW

Most Illustrious Companion Stephen R. Striggow was born in Flint Michigan on August 29, 1948 to Lewis and Lorilie "Smith" Striggow. He is a graduate of Holly High School and R.E.T.S. Electronics School in Detroit. In 1965, he achieved the Rank of Eagle Scout in Troop 43 in Holly. After Graduation from RETS, he went to work for Bendix Aero-Space Systems Division in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He worked on the Apollo Lunar Scientific Experiments Package (ALSEP) for the Manned Space Program moon landings. The spare equipment for this project is still on display at the Kennedy Space Center.

Steve is a proud Veteran of the United States Marine Corps. He served from 1969 to 1971 and was trained as a Precision Measurement Electronics Technician. Following his discharge, he returned to work at Bendix Aero-Space Systems Division, in the Personal Rapid Transit System Program. This PRT System was installed in conjunction with Boeing Aero-Space Systems at the University of West Virginia and is still in operation. In 1977 he went to work at Grand Trunk Western Railroad as a Signal Electronic Technician. His duties included installing, repairing, and maintaining the electronics of Train Control Systems, Dispatching Systems. and Grade Crossing Warning Systems. He retired in 2009 with 32 years of service.

Steve has served the American Legion Department of Michigan in the 18<sup>th</sup> District in many Offices and on many Committees. He served as 18<sup>th</sup> District Commander in 1999. He was elected 3<sup>rd</sup> Zone Commander in June, 2011.

He met his best friend, traveling partner, and wife Mae through a friend and brother, and they were married in February, 2010. They reside in Holly Michigan.

#### MASONIC CHRONOLOGY

SYMBOLIC LODGE	
Holly Lodge No. 134 F & AM	May 22, 1989
Worshipful Master	1993, 94, & 96
Secretary	
Mason of the Year	1996
District Mason of the Year	1996
State of Michigan Mason of the Year	1996
Grand Lodge of Michigan	
Grand Masters Representative	1999
District Deputy Grand Master	2000
Ancient District 20 King Solomon Club	
President	1997
Ancient District 20 Past Masters Club	
President	2006
Honorary Memberships	
Byron Lodge No. 80	2011
Fenton Lodge No. 109	1996
Linden Lodge No. 132	2009
North Newburg Lodge No. 161	2001
Swartz Creek Lodge No. 458	2001
Morningstar Lodge No. 556	2010

# **CAPITULAR** Honorary Memberships CRYPTIC Durand Council No. 38 ...... February 5, 1994 Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan Most Illustrious Grand Master ....... August 19, 2010 Honorary Memberships **CHIVALRIC** Sentinel ...... Present Past Commanders Association

Currently Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedar

GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS 6

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NATIONAL SOJOURNERS
Detroit No. 1
MASONIC SOCIETAS ROSICRUCIANNA
Michigan College April 22, 2005
SHRINE
Elf Khurafeh May 11, 1991
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Austin Electa Chapter No. 396
Worthy Patron
Joseph C. Bird Chapter No. 294
HIGH TWELVE
Vehicle City Masonic High 12 Club June 15, 2005
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President Present
State Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs of Michigan
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President April 16, 2011

**PROCEEDINGS** 

OF THE

**GRAND COUNCIL** 

OF

Royal and Select Masons

OF THE

STATE OF MICHIGAN

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THIRD
ANNUAL ASSEMBLY
LEXINGTON LANSING HOTEL
LANSING, MICHIGAN

AUGUST 18, 2011



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#### **PROCEEDINGS**

# GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS OF MICHIGAN

Lexington Lansing Hotel Lansing, Michigan August 18, 2011

The Officers of Durand Council No. 38, under the direction of Illustrous Companion Thomas J. Myers, Thrice Illustrious Master, purged the Council in the Select Masters Degree under dispensation in the Conference Room of the Lexington Lansing Hotel, Lansing, Michigan at 8:30 A.M., August 18, 2011, for the purpose of receiving, Most Illustrious Companion Stephen R. Striggow, Most Illustrious Grand Master and his Staff of Grand Officers prior to the official Opening of the One Hundred Fifty Third Annual Asembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan.

Most Illustrious Grand Master Stephen R. Striggow was escorted to the East, given Grand Honors, and extended the gavel of Durand Council No. 38. Most Illustrious Grand Master Striggow directed the Officers of Drand Council No. 38 to vacate their stations and the Grand Officers to assume their respective stations.

After inquiring of the Right Illustrious Grand Recorder if a constitutional number were present, Most Illustrious Grand Master Striggow proceeded to open the One Hundred Fifty Third Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan in Full Form.

#### RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUEST

Most Illustrious Companion, Jerry C. Townsend, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master it is my pleasure this morning to present to you and the Companions here assembled, the following Distinguished Guests. Who were presented at the altar, introduced and were escorted to the East, welcomed, accorded appropriate honors, and seated.

ILLINOIS: Most Illustrious Companion Dale L. Corrice, Most Illustrious Grand Master.

INDIANA: Most Illustrious Companion Max E. Maupin, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master. Right Illustrious Companion Edwin E. Board, Right Illustrious Grand Deputy Master.

OHIO: Illustrious Companion Stephen C. Hill, First Arch Inspector.

ONTARIO: Right Illustrious Companion Donald Emerick, Right Illustrious Grand Deputy Master. Right Illustrious Companion Prince Selvaraj, Illustrious Grand Marshal.

WISCONSIN: Right Illustrious Companion Edward Rusty Mitchell, Right Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MICHIGAN: Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Robert E. Cooper, Michael Whiting, Grand King, David W. Dossette, Grand Scribe, Brent Helms, Grand Treasurer, Paul C. Howell, Past Grand High Priest, Grand Secretary, William Skrepnek, Grand Chaplain, James M. Kiefer, Grand Captain of the Host, Louis C. McCray, Grand Principal Sojourner, Donald L. Galway, Grand Royal Arch Captain, William A. Siebert, Grand Master 3<sup>rd</sup>. Veil, Richard G. Hitch, Grand Master 2<sup>nd</sup> Veil, Richard E. James, Grand Master 1<sup>st</sup> Veil, Frederick T. Schneider, Grand Sentinel and several Past Most Excellent Grand High Priest Wayne E. Turton, Paul C. Johnston, Gordon B. Ruthruff, K. Lee Yeager, James J. Vann, Charles E. Updike, Stanley B. Lukyx, Carl S. Hobday, Paul D. Williams, George W.H. Lyons, Larry A. Inscho and Gerald F. Thorp.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MICHIGAN: Sir Knight Loren A. Winn, Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight Roy A. Ickes, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Sir Knight Cortland C. Rule, Eminent Grand Generalissimo, Sir Knight Howard H. Crumit Jr., Eminent Grand Captain General, Sir Knight Paul W. Roggow, Eminent Grand Senior Warden, Sir Knight Albert F. Johnson, Eminent Grand Junior Warden, Sir Knight Keith R. Boyes, Eminent Grand Prelate, Sir Knight Vernon T. Barnhart, Past Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Recorder, Sir Knight Claude A. Miller, Past Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer, Sir Knight Peter J. Robak, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer, Sir Knight Charles F. Orth, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer, Sir Knight Donald L. Trumbull, Eminent Grand Warder, Sir Knight John D. Millichamp, Eminent Grand Sentinel,

several Past Right Eminent Grand Commanders, James E. Hawn, Emmett W. Mills Jr., Richard E. Cooper, Richard D. Erspamer, James C. Costello, David L. Seyferth, William P. Herlihy and Glenn V. Leeper, Jr.

SCOTTISH RITE: Illustrious Walter F. Wheeler, 33 Degree, representing, Illustrious David R. Bedwell, 33 Degree/M.S.A. Active Member of the Supreme Council, A.A.S.R.

HIGH TWELVE: Louis D. Stevich, President, Michigan Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs.

MICHIGAN PRIORY NO. 22 KNIGHT YORK CROSS OF HONOUR: Dwight A. Humm, Prior.

YORK RITE SOVERIGN COLLEGE OF NORTH AMERICA. Very Distinguish Brother William P. Herlihy, Grand Governor of Michigan, Past Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Michigan.

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS INTERNATIONAL: Right Puissant Companion George C. Sellars, Right Puissant Deputy General Grand Master, General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International and Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Grand of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan. Right Puissant Companion Kenneth D. Chandler, Right Puissant General Grand Treasurer, General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International and Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan. Right Puissant Companion Warren A. Caruss, Right Puissant East Central Regional Deputy General Grand Master of the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International and Past Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan. Most Illustrious Companion Marion K. Crum, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master of Indiana and Executive Secretary Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation.

GRAND LODGE OF MICHIGAN: Most Worshipful Brothers Charles S. Moulthrop Jr., William Skrepnek, Wayne E. Turton, Walter F. Wheeler, and David H. Flucke Past Most Worshipful Grand Master's. Worshipful Brother Michael J. Jungel, Worshipful Grand Treasurer and Worshipful Brother William E. LeVeque, Worshipful Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Michigan.

GRAND LODGE OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF MICHIGAN: Representing Most Worshipful Brother, Frederick E. Kaiser Jr., Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Michigan was Worshipful Brother William E. LeVeque, Right Worshipful Grand Junior Grand Warden.

# ROLL CALL OF GRAND OFFICERS 2010 - 2011

STEPHEN R. STRIGGOW	Most Illustrious Grand Master
DWIGHT A. HUMM	Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master
WILLIAM L. MERCIER . Right Illustric	ous Grand Principal Conductor of the Work
WILLIAM E. LEVEQUE, PMIGM	Right Illustrious Grand Treasurer
ANTHONY M. CHAMBERLIN, PMIGN	MRight Illustrious Grand Recorder
GEORGE W. H. LYONS, PMIGM	Illustrious Grand Chaplain
ROBERT O. TROUTMANR	ight Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard
JACK M. TEMSEY	Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council
BART A. PORTER	Illustrious Grand Steward
CHARLES F. ORTH	Illustrious Grand Marshal
RICHARD G. STANGE	Illustrious Grand Sentinel

# ROLL CALL OF PAST GRAND MASTER AND YEAR ELECTED

NAME	YEAR ELECTED
*G. GORDON GOODMAN	1982
WILLIAM SKREPNEK	
GORDON J. KARSLAKE	
*CHARLES T. MEYER	
GEORGE C. SELLARS	
GEORGE W. H. LYONS	
ERNEST BERRY	
*JEFFREY K. BURK	
MICHAEL J. JUNGEL	
KENNETH D. CHANDLER	
*CHARLES E. STEWART	
DONALD L. HIMES	1997
*RONALD B. BLAISDELL	1998
JERRY C. TOWNSEND	1999
WILLIAM E. LE VEQUE	2002
WILLIAM A. SIEBERT	
TERRY G. BAKER	2004
MICHAEL WHITING	2004
KENNEY L. LENFESTEY	2005
WARREN A. CARUSS	2006
ANTHONY M. CHAMBERLIN	
BRIAN K. HIMES	2009
ROLL CALL OF ARCH DEPUT 2010 – 2011	IES
David A. Bartell Sr.	1 <sup>st</sup> Arch Deputy
David W. Dossette	.2 <sup>nd</sup> Arch Deputy
Philip C. Smith	.3 <sup>rd</sup> Arch Deputy
Wayne E. Caruss	.4 <sup>th</sup> Arch Deputy
George E. Maule	.5 <sup>th</sup> Arch Deputy
Joel E. Clement	.6 <sup>th</sup> Arch Deputy
Darwin J. Snider	.7 <sup>th</sup> Arch Deputy
George C. Summey	.8 <sup>th</sup> Arch Deputy
William H. Ford	.9th Arch Deputy

Robert J. Siekman	10 <sup>th</sup> Arch Deputy
Stanley B. Luykx	11 <sup>th</sup> Arch Deputy
Terry G. Baker, PMIGM	Grand Lecturer

# GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama	
*Alaska	Gene O. Miller
Arizona	
Arkansas	Larry A. Inscho
Australia – South	Scott Stewart
Australia – New South Wales	Stephen R. Striggow
Australia – Vistoria	Daniel Stewart
California	Kenney L. Lenfestey
Canada – East	Donald L. Trumbull
Canada – Ontario	William E. LeVeque
Canada – West	-
Colorado	William Skrepnek
Connecticut	R. Michael Colpus
Delaware	James M. Kiefer
District of Columbia	Kay Lee Yeager
England – Wales	
Florida	George C. Sellars
Georgia	Gordon B. Ruthruff
Germany	William H. Ford
Greece	Wayne E. Caruss
Hawaii	
Idaho	George W. H. Lyons
Illinois	Louis C. McCray
Indiana	
*Iowa	Richard D. Tonda
Israel	
Kansas	Vernon T. Barnhart
Kentucky	Edward J. Chezick
Louisiana	Philip C. Smith
Maine	Dwight A. Humm
Maryland	Timothy C. Forche
Massachusetts	James E. Hawn
Minnesota	Robert E. Cooper
Mississippi	
Missouri	
Monaco	George C. Sellars

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# APPOINTMENTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

# **DIVISION AND REFERENCE:**

Brian K. Himes, Chairman George W. H. Lyons Donald L. Himes

# **COMMITTEE ON APPEALS:**

Bart A. Porter, Chairman Louis C. McCray (93) William H. Ford (92)

# COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION AND THANKS:

Robert O. Troutman, Chairman Arthur F. Girard

Jack M. Temsey

#### CHARTER AND DISPENSATIONS:

Warren A. Caruss, Chairman David A. Bartell Sr.

Philip C. Smith

# COMMITTEE ON NEXT PLACE OF MEETING:

Brian K. Himes, Chairman William L. Mercier

Larry A. Inscho

#### COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

William E. LeVeque, Chairman Kenney L. Lenfestey

Melvin E. Easterday

#### **TELLERS:**

Anthony M. Chamberlin, Chairman Wayne E. Caruss

Philip C. Smith (38)

**COLLECTORS:** 

Terry G. Baker, Chairman Harley C. Ridgeway (10) Carl D. Rufus (11) R. Michael Colpus (3)

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT** REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan.

(1 Ballot not issued TIM, Council UD) 30 Councils represented 11 Distinguished Guests registered Councils not represented: No. 6, No. 86, No. 93

> Respectfully submitted, Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM, Chairman Thomas J. Myers, PTIM, (38) Calvin L. Kinslow, PTIM (38) Walter C. Reed, PTIM (38)

#### **E - MAILS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Letters of regret were acknowledged from the following: Most Illustrious Companion Douglas W. Bunch, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Kentucky, sends his apologize. It is with a lot of disappointment due to car problems he will be unable to attend your Grand Session and sends his kindest regards for a great session.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2010 PROCEEDINGS

Most Illustrious Grand Master Striggow announced that the Minutes of the 2010 Grand Assembly held in Bay City, Michigan, have been printed and distributed to the Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, Sister Grand Jurisdictions, Grand Representatives, Grand Representatives of both Sister Grand Jurisdictions and of Michigan, and to the Constituent Councils of Michigan. If there be no objections, the Minutes be approved and accepted as printed in the 2010 proceedings. There being no objection, they will stand as printed.

# MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS 153<sup>rd</sup>. ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS OF MICHIGAN

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, Grand Officers, Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters, Illustrious Companions, and Companions of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan:

We take great pleasure in welcoming you to the 153<sup>rd</sup> Annual Assembly of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan, assembled here at the Lexington Lansing Hotel in Lansing, Michigan. It is our sincere wish that you and your lady enjoy yourselves at this Grand Council Session, and that your experiences will be memorable.

To our Distinguished Guests, the gift of your presence at our Grand Session is one that Mae and I will always remember and cherish. We hope that you will find our hospitality afforded to you and your lady to be as generous as that accorded to us at your Grand Sessions.

To the Grand Officers, Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters, Illustrious Companions and Companions and Ladies of this Grand Council; we welcome you to this Grand Assembly. The giving of your time to be with us in our deliberations and to provide guidance and counseling necessary to the successful completion of this Grand Council Session, it is highly appreciated by this Grand Master.

To the Officers of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan, Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Michigan, Scottish Rite, and all other Appendant Bodies of Michigan Masonry, the honor, respect and hospitality afforded us during the past Cryptic year has been greatly appreciated.

On August 19, 2010, I was honored by this Grand Council by being elected to the Office of Most Illustrious Grand Master. With the help of the Supreme Architect and your guidance, I have attempted to serve worthily. I now have the privilege to report my stewardship for the preceding year.

#### **NECROLOGY**

Several of our Companions have traveled to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns. This Cryptic family mourns the loss of the many Companions of our Constituent Councils and of our Sister Jurisdictions. We offer our condolences to their families and loved ones for the many losses suffered this past year.

Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council and Illustrious Grand Steward, drape the altar in token of our sorrow and respect for our departed Companions.

Right Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work. Unveil the floral tribute. Right Illustrious Grand Recorder read the roll of distinguished dead of our Sister Jurisdictions.

# DISTINGUISHED DEAD, SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

ARIZONA Most Illustrious Companion Johnnie M. Wagener, P.M.I.G.M. Most Illustrious Companion Robert F. Henderson, P.M.I.G.M.
ARKANSAS Most Illustrious Companion Robert B. Mitchell, P.M.I.G.M.
CALIFORNIA Most Illustrious Companion Donald C. Briggs, P.M.I.G.M.
CANADA WESTERN Most Illustrious Companion John C. James, P.M.I.G.M.
COLORADO Most Illustrious Companion William H. Thornley Jr., P.M.I.G.M.
DELAWARE Most Illustrious Companion Horace G. Patterson Jr., P.M.I.G.M. Most Illustrious Companion Archie W. Bethard III, P.M.I.G.M.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Most Illustrious Companion Solomon Zeidman, P.M.I.G.M.
GEORGIA Most Illustrious Companion Charles L. Taylor, P.M.I.G.M.
INDIANA Most Illustrious Companion Donald K. New, P.M.I.G.M.
ITALY Most Illustrious Companion Archimede Caruso, P.M.I.G.M.
KANSAS Most Illustrious Companion Ray A. Talbott, PM.I.G.M. Most Illustrious Companion Harley E. Keeton, P.M.I.G.M.
LOUISIANA Most Illustrious Companion Ernest E. Clower, P.M.I.G.M.

MAINE Most Illustrious Companion Warren S. Simpson, P.M.I.G.M.
MINNESOTA Most Illustrious Companion Lawrence K. Offenbecker, P.M.I.G.M.
MONTANA Most Illustrious Companion John J. Demko, P.M.I.G.M.
NEBRASKA Most Illustrious Companion Gordon B. Pinney, P.M.I.G.M.
NEVADA Most Illustrious Companion John C. Singleton, P.M.I.G.M.
NEW JERSEY Most Illustrious Companion Ronald M. Maslo, P.M.I.G.M. Most Illustrious Companion Kenneth G. Orner, P.M.I.G.M.
NORTH CAROLINA Most Illustrious Companion Denneth W. Beck, P.M.I.G.M.
NORTH DAKOTAMost Illustrious Companion Arden N. Grundvig, P.M.I.G.M.
OREGON Most Illustrious Companion Edward F. Ridderbusch, P.M.I.G.M.
SOUTH CAROLINA Most Illustrious Companion Harold W. Rhodes Sr., P.M.I.G.M.
SOUTH DAKOTA Most Illustrious Companion Richard M. Luther, P.M.I.G.M.

# GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS OF MICHIGAN

Most Illustrious Companion Harlan F. Peterson, P.M.I.G.M.

Most Illustrious Companion Henry L. Seitz Past Most Illustrious Grand Master 2007

Most Illustrious Companion
Duane E. Warner
Past Most Illustrious Grand Master 2001

Right Illustrious Companion
James R. Sprague
Past Right Illustrious Principle Conductor of the Work

# GRAND LODGE OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF MICHIGAN

Most Worshipful Brother Robert A. Hockstad Past Most Worshipful Grand Master 1966-67

Most Worshipful Brother Ronald Schwartz Past Most Worshipful Grand Master 1977-78

Illustrious Grand Marshal, conduct the Illustrious Grand Chaplain to the altar.

#### PRAYER AT ALTAR

Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council and Illustrious Grand Steward, restore the altar.

I recommend that suitable pages be set aside in the Proceedings of the Grand Council in memory of these departed Companions.

#### **VISITATIONS**

When I started this Cryptic Year it was my goal to visit as many subordinate Councils as possible within our State. I am sorry to say that I was not able to visit all councils but I did make it to most of them. I have also encouraged our Grand Officers to visit as many of the Councils as possible, concentrating on Councils that needed more assistance than we could offer in a single visit. A complete listing of visitations I have made during the year is included with this report for review. I have lost track of the miles I logged this year, in representation of the Cryptic Masons of Michigan. I have had tremendous traveling Companions. The first of which is my Lady Mae, who traveled with me whenever possible. Many Thanks go to Right Illustrious Companion Dwight A. Humm, Deputy Grand Master, Most Excellent Companion Robert E. Cooper, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Michael Whiting Right Excellent Grand King, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master and Illustrious Companion Wayne E. Caruss, because of their willingness to travel with me it made the journeys more enjoyable.

This last year in a true display of York Rite Unity, the Receptions for the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Most Illustrious Grand Master and the Right Eminent Grand Commander were held jointly. It was truly a wonderful and uplifting experience with the three of us working together with our ladies.

This year I also had the honor of attending the receptions for Grand Worthy Advisor Christianna Akers, State Master Councilor Zachary Krawczyk, Grand Bethel Honored Queen Jenny Paauwe. I have also visited the Detroit and Bay City Valleys of the Scottish Rite in Michigan, the 102<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Michigan Council of Deliberation, East Central Regional Conference, several State and Local functions of the Order of DeMolay, JOBS Daughters and Rainbow for Girls. I have represented the Grand Council of Michigan at the Annual Assemblies of the Grand Council of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Ontario and Wisconsin.

A complete list of my travels and visitations will be on record with the Grand Recorder for your review.

### GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS OF MICHIGAN

#### APPOINTMENTS

August 19, 2010

During the Cryptic Year 2010-2011, I appointed the following Companions to these positions.

Jack M. Temsey Appointed Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council
Bart A. Porter Appointed Illustrious Grand Steward
Charles F. Orth Appointed Illustrious Grand Marshal
Larry A, Inscho Appointed Illustrious Grand Chaplain
Duane E. Warner, PMIGM Appointed Illustrious Grand Sentinel
Terry G. Baker, PMIGM Appointed Illustrious Grand Lecturer
George W. H. Lyons PMIGM Cast Director
David A. Bartell Sr Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 1
David W. Dossette Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 2
Phillip C. Smith Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 3
Wayne E. Caruss Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 4
George E. Maule Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 5
James H. Miller & Joel E. Clement Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 6
Darwin J. Snider Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 7
George K. Summey Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 8
William H. Ford Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 9
Robert J. Siekman Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 10
Stanley B. Luykx Appointed Arch Deputy Arch No. 11
Richard G. Stange Appointed Grand Sentinel to complete the term of MIC
Duane E. Warner

The 2010-2011 Standing and Special Committees will be listed in the Proceedings of the 153<sup>rd</sup> Annual Assembly.

#### **BY-LAWS APPROVED**

April 9, 2011 - Approved a change of the amount of Fee's from \$25 to \$50 and dues amount of \$20 plus Per Capita and Assessments for Monroe No. 1.

April 25, 2011 – Approved a change in the starting time from 7:30 PM to 7 PM and the requirement for opening in "Due Ritualistic Form" for Kalamazoo Council No. 63.

June 21, 2011 – Approved a change of meeting night and location to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month at the Niles Masonic Temple. Increase the amount the Charity Committee can disperse without prior approval of the council. Change the wording on fee's from per degree to total for the degrees. Change the dues to \$10 plus Per-Capita and assessments and increase the annual compensation of the recorder for Niles Council No.

July 5, 2011 – approved a change in meeting night to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month for Northville Council No. 30.

#### **TRIENNIAL**

Every three years the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International holds a meeting of its membership called the Triennial. The next meeting will be held August 29, 2011, in Raleigh, North Carolina.

#### APPOINTMENTS TO SISTER JURISDICTIONS

The following Companions were appointed as the Representative from Michigan.

Alaska	Gene O. Miller
Australia – South	Scott Stewart
Australia - New South Wales	Stephen R. Striggow
Australia – Victoria	Daniel Stewart
Hawaii	David G. Boring
Kentucky	Edward J. Chezick
Monaco	George C. Sellars
Montana	
Nebraska	Richard G. Stange
New Zealand	Louis D. Scott
North Dakota	David A. Bartell Sr.
Ohio	Jack M. Temsey
Panama	Emil H. Schatz

Philippines	Richard E. James
Romania	Melvin L. Easterday
Scotland	Anthony M. Chamberlin
Togo	George C. Sellars
Vermont	Donald L. Galway
Wyoming	Richard M. Causley

#### **DISPENSATIONS**

On November 8, 2010 I issued a Dispensation to Jackson Council No. 32 to temporarily move their Charter to the Napoleon Masonic Center, Napoleon, MI Due to the building in Jackson Center being unfit for use. They moved back to Michigan Center in January.

On January 24, 2011 I issued a dispensation for Middleville Council UD to be formed. A request was received January 22<sup>nd</sup> with the proper paperwork and fees from 16 companions from Middleville requesting a dispensation to form a new council. This Council will be known as Middleville Council and meet at the Middleville Masonic Center 123 E. Main St. Middleville, MI.

On August 1, 2011, I issued a Dispensation to Durand Council No. 38 to move its Charter to the Lexington Lansing Hotel, 925 South Creyts Rd., Lansing, Michigan 48197, on August 18, 2011 for the purpose of Purging and Reception of the Grand Officers prior to the Opening of 153rd Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Michigan.

#### PROBATIONARY STATUS

No Councils are on probation during this Cryptic year

#### **MANISTEE COUNCIL NO. 46**

On July 21, 2011, the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lecturer, Arch Deputy for Arch No. 10 and I traveled to Manistee Council No. 46. this meeting was scheduled with the Grand High Priest, Grand King and several of the Grand Chapter Officers. This was a follow up to our visit on May 19, 2011. following review of the requirements set forth in May, the Chapter was merged with Cadillac by the Grand High Priest. Manistee Council was down to five (5) members and therefore did not comply with Cryptic Law. With the loss of any support from a chapter, I declared Manistee Council No. 46 Defunct as of July 21, 2011 and arrested the charter. I ordered that all Property, Records and Accounts be turned over to the Grand Recorder. The five (5) members are to be transferred to Gediliah Council No. 1858 in accordance with Article XII, section 10 as amended in 2008 of Michigan Cryptic Law.

#### TRAVERSE CITY COUNCIL UD

On September 15, 2010 Traverse City Council UD returned their dispensation stating that all officers had resigned and the council would no longer meet. After their failure to respond I was left with no choice but to revoke their dispensation to meet. In a letter dated November 2, 2010 I informed all members of Traverse City UD that the dispensation had been revoked, all plural memberships and transfers were vacated and all greeted members were being transferred to Gediliah Council No. 1858 per Article XII section 10 of Cryptic Law.

#### MIDDLEVILLE COUNCIL UD

On February 22, 2011 the Grand Officers met in Middleville and Instituted Middleville Council UD. On March 5, 2011 at the 7 Degree Festival in Kalamazoo, the companions of Middleville Council UD brought 10 candidates for the Cryptic degrees. On May 1, 2011 a request for a charter was received from Middleville Council and was turned over to the Charters and Dispensations Committee for further action.

#### CONSOLIDATIONS

I am very pleased to inform this Grand Council that no requests for consolidations were received. Hopefully this is a trend that will continue for many years to come.

#### GRAND MASTER'S SERVICE AWARD

The Grand Master's Service Award is presented to those Companions who have Top Line Signed three or more petitions. These petitions can be accumulated over several years, and I urge the Recorder to submit names of Companions deserving of this award. This year, it is my pleasure to present this award to the following:

Illustrious Companion Kenneth F. Klimek Pontiac Council No. 3
Illustrious Companion Forest L. Taylor Pontiac Council No. 3
Illustrious Companion James M. Kiefer Tyre Council No. 10

# MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER'S MERITORIOUS AWARD

During my term as Most Illustrious Grand Master, I have become aware of several outstanding Companions in this Grand Council Jurisdiction. At this time, I wish to

recognize the following Companions who have given distinguished service to Cryptic Masonry in the past year:

Most Illustrious Companion Michael Whiting Pontiac No. 3 Most illustrious Companion Brian K. Himes Mount Clemens No. 8 Most Illustrious Companion Anthony M. Chamberlin Marine City No. 59 Companion David G. Boring Mount Clemens No. 8 Most Illustrious Companion Warren A. Caruss Grand Ledge No. 62 Illustrious Companion Wayne E, Caruss Grand Ledge No. 62 Illustrious Companion David A. Bartell Sr. Monroe No. 1 Companion Edward J. Chezick Mount Clemens No. 8 Illustrious Companion Forest Taylor Pontiac No. 3 Illustrious Companion Melvin L. Easterday Pontiac No. 3 Illustrious Companion William H. Ford Straits Area No. 92 Right Illustrious Companion Dwight A. Humm Saginaw No. 20 Illustrious Companion Larry A. Inscho Cass City No. 90 Most Illustrious Companion William E. LeVeque Marquette No. 72 Most Illustrious Companion George W.H. Lyons Pontiac No. 3 Illustrious Companion William L. Mercier Hiawatha No. 65 Illustrious Companion Paul W. Roggow Cadillac No. 70 Most Illustrious Companion William Skrepnek Flint No. 56 Most Illustrious Companion Jerry Townsend Nebuzaradan No. 6 Illustrious Companion Robert O. Troutman Mount Clemens No. 8 Illustrious Companion Richard G. Stange Kalamazoo No. 63 Illustrious Companion Thomas J. Myers Durand No. 38 Illustrious Companion Calvin L. Kinslow Durand No. 38 Illustrious Companion Walter C. Reed Durand No. 38 Illustrious Companion Bart A. Porter Durand No. 38 Companion Emil H. Schatz Durand No. 38

#### THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER OF THE YEAR

The announcement of the recipient of Thrice Illustrious Master of the Year will be made at the Grand York Rite Banquet on Thursday. This Grand Council is very fortunate to have an outstanding group of Thrice Illustrious Masters. It is my hope that in the future years that every Council within this jurisdiction very seriously considers nominating a candidate for Thrice Illustrious Master of the Year.

#### RECORDER OF THE YEAR

The announcement of the recipient of Recorder of the Year will be made at the Grand York Rite Banquet on Thursday. This Grand Council is very fortunate to have a dedicated group of Recorders. It is my hope that in the future years that every Council within this jurisdiction nominates a candidate for Recorder of the Year.

#### CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR

Formal presentation of the Cryptic Mason of the Year will also be made at the Grand York Rite Banquet on Thursday. Every Council with in the State of Michigan has at least one Companion that is worthy of this Honor. But very few Councils recommend a Companion. I hope that in the future years that every Council will seriously consider nominating a Companion for Cryptic Mason of the Year.

#### ADULT YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

It has been a tradition, since 1984, for the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan to present the General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons International, Adult Youth Leadership Award to a Cryptic Mason who has demonstrated outstanding work with our Youth Organizations.

On behalf of the Grand Council of Michigan, I am pleased to inform you that the recipient of the General Grand Council's Adult Youth Leadership Award for the State of Michigan will be presented at the Grand Banquet on Thursday evening.

#### BOND, SEAL, AND MASTER KEY

I have in my possession, which I received from my predecessor, the Seal of the Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan, a copy of the Master Key and the Fidelity Bonds covering the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder. These items will be turned over to my successor this afternoon in accordance with Cryptic Law.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

I would like to take this opportunity to make the following recommendations to the Officers and Companions of the Grand Council:

Make the Joint York Rite Membership Committee a standing committee and add those duties to the duties of the Grand Captain of the Guard.

Develop a new five year plan. We must always be planning for the future.

Continue the practice of visiting as many Council's as possible. It is the only way we truly know how the Councils are doing.

Keep working toward the goal of having ALL councils opening and closing EVERY meeting per the ritual. With an eye toward removing the ability to declare open joint meetings from Cryptic Law.

#### **MY THANKS**

To Durand Chapter No. 139, Durand Council No. 38, Durand Commandery No. 21 and to Holly Lodge No. 134, for the support, encouragement and financial assistance I have received over the last seven years. Also for understanding that sometimes the duties of a Grand Officer would not allow me to be in attendance.

To the Grand Officers, Past Grand Masters, Arch Deputies, for their words of wisdom and your commitment to duty. It has indeed been a pleasure working with you this year. I can only hope that you will continue to work for this Grand Council with the same enthusiasm for many years to come.

To my mentors: I have had a number of men take me under their wing and help to guide me on the path of life. It is impossible to name all of them. Sadly, so many of these great men are no longer with us. Of those that are still with us, I am honored to see quite a few of these men in this room today. I do not wish to slight anyone, but I would especially like say "thank you" to the four men that have had the most influence in my choice to work in the York Rite of Freemasonry. Thank you, to Right Puissant Companion George C. Sellars, Most Illustrious Companion William Skrepnek, Most Illustrious Companion Donald L. Himes and Most Illustrious Companion Michael Whiting for all the guidance you have given me along the way.

#### **CONCLUSION**

The record of the 153<sup>rd</sup> Annual Assembly will soon be laid up among the records in the archives of the Grand Council. It is impossible to summarize on these few pages the gratitude that I feel for the Companions and Ladies of this Grand Council. You have made serving a pleasure. To each and every one of you, I wish the very best. I hope to remain an active part of this Grand Council for many years to come.

It has been quite a ride fitting in all the activities of life and pursuing my love of Masonry and more especially Cryptic Masonry for the last seven years. To my family and the companions of Michigan Thank you for being so understanding.

When I accepted the appointment as Grand Marshal I was traveling alone. Then I heard from a brother the fateful words "would you like to meet my sister-in-law". From that day Mae has been my constant companion and best friend. It gave many of the Grand Officers ammunition for constant harassment. I have always had tremendous support from my mother for which I am grateful, but Mae's love, support, participation and love for the people of Masonry has made my time in the Grand Council more enjoyable than I could ever have imagined. In the short time we have been married she has been a Masonic Widow at times. On our first anniversary she sat at home while I traveled to Middleville to Institute the new Council. I am truly blessed to have her in my life. To Miss Mae "Thank you and I love you".

Fraternally Submitted, Stephen R. Striggow Most Illustrious Grand Master

Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master, I move this report be received and referred to the Committee on Division and Reference. Second by George C. Sellars, P.M.I.G.M., carried.

#### REPORT OF THE DIVISION AND REFERENCE COMMITTEE

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

Your Committee on Division and Reference, to whom was referred the address of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, reports as follows:

- 1. That portion of the address pertaining to necrology be referred to the Obituary Committee.
- 2. The Appointments, Commissions, Dispensations and By-laws Approved and Charter Revoked be referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.
- 3. That the portion pertaining to the Request for a Charter be referred to the Charters and Dispensation Committee.
- 4. That portion pertaining to the Bond and Seal be referred to the Committee on Finance.
- 5. That portion pertaining to Public Relations be referred to the Public Relations Committee.
- 6. The recommendations of the Most Illustrious Grand Master be referred to the incoming Most Illustrious Grand Master.
- 7. The balance of the Most Illustrious Grand Master's Report be approved.

Zealously and fraternally submitted Brian K. Himes, P.M.I.G.M., Chairman Donald L. Himes, P.M.I.G.M. George W. H. Lyons, P.M.I.G.M. Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master, I (Past Most Illustrious Companion Brian K. Himes) moved that the Report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Illustrious Companion Robert E. Cooper (10), carried.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan.

The Jurisprudence Committee finds the appointments, by-law approvals, and dispensations granted mentioned in the Address of the Most illustrious Grand Master, referred to it by the Committee on Division and Reference, to be within the authority and discretion of the Most Illustrious Grand Master. He is to be commended on his knowledge of Cryptic Law.

The Committee likewise finds that declaring Manistee Council No. 46 Defunct as of July 21, 2011 and arresting their Charter; the revoking of the dispensation of Traverse City Council UD; the Institution of Middleville Council UD on May 1, 2011 to be within the powers and authority of the Grand Master.

Respectfully submitted, William Skrepnek, PMIGM, Chairman William A. Siebert, PMIGM Jerry C. Townsend, PMIGM

#### WELCOME FROM THE LEXINGTON LANSING HOTEL

On behalf of the Lexington Lansing Hotel and its staff, we would like to welcome each of you to the Lexington Lansing Hotel. We hope you will have an enjoyable stay here at the Lexington Lansing Hotel. If there is anything we can do to make your visit here more enjoyable, please let us know.

Cindy Bowen Hotel General Manager Lexington Lansing Hotel

#### REPSONSE TO LEXINGTON HOTEL REPRESENTATIVE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

We would like to thank the Management and Staff of the Lexington Lansing Hotel for their hospitality, courtesy, excellent service and accommodations extended to this Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan and all the York Rite Bodies during this 2011 Grand York Rite Session.

Respectfully submitted, Dwight A. Humm Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master

# GRAND TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT June 1, 2010 - MAY 31, 2011

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

FIFTH THIRD BANK - CHECKING ACCOUNT	
Balance June 1, 2010	\$ 26,056.02
Deposits	\$ 22,237.15
Disbursements - Checks 1700 – 1752 & EFT	\$(21,108.14)
Balance May 31, 2011	\$ 27,185.03
FIFTH THIRD BANK - GENERAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT	
Balance June 1, 2010	\$ 5,314.78
Deposits –	\$ -0-
Interest	\$ 2.69
Withdrawals	\$ -0-
Balance May 31, 2011	\$ 5,317.47
LORD ABBETT FUND - #774890-1 (GENERAL FUND) Dividends to General Savings Account	
	\$ 5,651.16
Dividends to General Savings Account	\$ -0-
Dividends to General Savings Account June 1, 2010 Market Value	
Dividends to General Savings Account June 1, 2010 Market Value Deposits	\$ -0-
Dividends to General Savings Account June 1, 2010 Market Value Deposits Increases in Market Value	\$ -0- \$ 962.98
Dividends to General Savings Account June 1, 2010 Market Value Deposits Increases in Market Value Decreases in Market Value May 31, 2011 Market Value	\$ -0- \$ 962.98 \$ (758.23)
Dividends to General Savings Account June 1, 2010 Market Value Deposits Increases in Market Value Decreases in Market Value	\$ -0- \$ 962.98 \$ (758.23)
Dividends to General Savings Account June 1, 2010 Market Value Deposits Increases in Market Value Decreases in Market Value May 31, 2011 Market Value  OPERATING FUNDS	\$ -0- \$ 962.98 \$ (758.23) \$ 5,855.91
Dividends to General Savings Account June 1, 2010 Market Value Deposits Increases in Market Value Decreases in Market Value May 31, 2011 Market Value  OPERATING FUNDS Fifth Third - Checking Account	\$ -0- \$ 962.98 \$ (758.23) \$ 5,855.91

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SPECIAL I	<u>FUNDS</u>			
Fifth Third	Bank - Ritual Savings Accou	ınt		
Balanc	e June 1, 2010	\$	1,699.48	
Deposi	its	\$	-0-	
Withdr	awals	\$	-0-	

\$ 5.84

\$ 1,705.32

Fifth Third Bank – 2008 Sesquicentennial Savings	
Balance June 1, 2010	

	1 0		
Balance June 1, 2	2010	\$ :	3,180.05
Deposits		\$	-0-
Interest		\$	1.44
Withdrawal	(Transferred to 5/3 Checking	s) <u>\$ :</u>	3,181.49
May 31, 2011 Balance	e – Account Closed	\$	.00

# Lord Abbett #776157-7 - Triennial Account

June 1, 2010 Market Value	\$ 1,490.49
Deposits – From Checking	\$ 1,647.00
Increases in Market Value	\$ 654.73
Decreases in Market Value	\$ 41.4 <u>8</u>
May 31, 2011 Market Value	\$ 3,750.74

Total Special Funds - May 31, 2011 \$ 5,456.06

# ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Interest

Balance May 31, 2011

# Franklin Income Fund – Endowment Fund

Interest goes into General Savings Account
June 1, 2010 Market Value \$ 35,371.33
Increases in Market Value \$ 7,798.83
Decreases in Market Value \$ (1,454.89)
May 31, 2011 Market Value \$ 41,715.27

#### IShares - EAFE - Endowment Fund

Dividends re-invested	
June 1, 2010 Market Value	\$ 8,214.40
Increases in Market Value	\$ 3,933.80
Decreases in Market Value	\$ (1,598.00)
May 31, 2011 Market Value	\$ 10,550.20

# Raymond James Bank Program - #36347687 - Endowment Fund

Interest Dividends re-invested	
June 1, 2010 Balance	\$ 11,804.78
Deposits June-May	\$ 0-
Interest June-May	<u>\$ 21.77</u>
May 31, 2011 Balance	\$ 11.826.55

Total Endowment Funds - May 31, 2011	\$ 64,092.02
TOTAL ASSETS	
Total Operating Funds May 31, 2011	\$ 38,358.41
Total Special Funds May 31, 2011	\$ 5,456.06
Total Endowment Funds May 31, 2011	\$ 64,092.02
Total Assets May 31, 2011	\$ 107,906.49

Respectfully submitted, William E. LeVeque, PMIGM Grand Treasurer

Moved by Most Illustrious Companion Steve Striggow that the report be Referred to the Finance Committee.

# REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

I herewith submit to you my Annual Report of the Transactions of the Office of the Grand Recorder for the period of June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011 for your consideration and approval.

The Annual Reports have been received from 33 Councils. (Including Gedaliah Council No. 1858)

#### STATISTICAL REPORT

Number of Councils enrolled in the Grand Council	33
Number of Annual Returns received	33
Gedaliah Council No. 1858	1
Total membership as of December 31, 2010	1704

Greeted during 2010 Affiliated by Consolidation Affiliated by Demit Affiliated by Transfer Affiliated by Restoration Affiliated by Dual Membership Correction of 2009 Returns  TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	80 0 0 3 5 2 0 90	<u>90</u> 1794
Died Transferred Out Demitted Withdrew Suspended Correction of the 2009 Return	54 1 1 17 42 <u>17</u> 132	<u>132</u>
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010 NET LOSS FOR 2010		1662 (42)
Number of Councils showing a Gain in membership Number of Councils showing a Loss in membership Number of Councils showing neither a Gain or Loss Number of Councils Greeting New Members Number of Councils not Greeting any New Members		10 17 6 23 10

It is fitting and proper that the Grand Council compliment the Officers and Companions of the Constituent Councils showing a Gain in membership.

Hiawatha Council No. 65 led the way with a Gain of 11.8 per cent.

Following the close of this Annual Grand Assembly, the Donald D. Boudeman Memorial Bible will be presented to Hiawatha Council No. 65 to grace their Altar for the Year 2011-2012.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

During the period June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011, deposits slips numbers 858 through 862 were forward to the Grand Treasurer for a Total of \$17824.45 deposited.

Interest

General Grand Council (LM)

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$ 1231.21 \$ 300.00

\$22,237.15

RECEIPTS JUNE 1, 2010 THROUG	GH MAY 31, 2011
2009 Per-Capita	\$ 48.55
2010 Per-Capita	\$13253.95
Rituals	\$ 1090.00
Certificates	\$ 34.00
Endowment Fund	\$ 1790.75
History Books	\$ 555.00
Collars	\$ 300.00
Dues Cards	\$ 300.98
Shipping and Handling	\$ 91.22
Administration Fee	\$ 10.00
New Council Fee	\$ 50.00
Transfer Savings	\$ 3181.49

# **DISBURSEMENTS**

# JUNE 1, 2010 THROUGH MAY 31, 2011

Grand Master's Honorarium (Himes)	\$ 587.50
Grand Master's Honorarium (Striggow)	587.50
Grand Master's Visitation Honorarium (Himes)	440.00
Grand Master's Visitation Honorarium (Striggow)	440.00
Grand Master's Apron (Striggow)	382.40
Grand Master's Jewel (Himes)	158.31
Grand Treasurer's Honorarium + Postage and Phone Expenses	318.00
Grand Treasurer's Reimbursement of Software	84.79
Grand Sentinel's Honorarium	55.00
Grand Recorder's Honorarium	450.00
Grand Recorder's Travel Honorarium	645.00
Grand Recorder's Rent Honorarium	401.25
Grand Recorder's Office Supplies	753.69
Grand Recorder's Reimbursement of Postage	1109.74
Grand Recorder's Telephone Reimbursement	0.00
AT & T Internet	260.00
Insurance and Bond	610.00
Printing	4649.26
Youth Promotions	300.00
General Grand Council Per-Capita	1190.85
General Grand Council Life Membership	300.00
Per-Capita refunds	281.30
Arch Deputies	1304.00
Annual Assembly Expenses	345.31

2010 Annual Assembly Expense	700.00
2011 Annual Assembly Expense	700.00
Dues Cards	146.49
State Filing Fee	20.00
Lord Abbett Fund (Triennial Expense)	2097.00
Raymond James (Endowment Fund)	<u>1790.75</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$21,108.14
Bank Balance June 1, 2010	\$26,056.02
Receipts June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011	22,237.15
Receipts Julie 1, 2010 tillough Way 31, 2011	
	\$48,293.17
Disbursements June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011	<u>(21,108.14)</u>
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE May 31, 2011	\$27,185.03

# RECONCILIATION WITH BANK STATEMENT

Bank Statement Balance June 1, 2010 Fifth Third Bank, Washington, Michigan

# CASH ASSETS OF GRAND COUNCIL

May 31, 2011

Fifth Third Bank, Washington, Michigan

Checking Account – Fifth Third Bank	
Balance June 1, 2010	26,056.02
Deposits	22,237.15
Disbursements – Checks 1700 – 1752 & EFT	(21,108.14)
	\$ 27,185.03
General Savings Account – Fifth Third Bank	
Balance June 1, 2010	\$ 5,314.78
Deposits	0.00
Interest	2.69
Withdrawals	0.00
Balance May 31, 2011	\$ 5,317.47
Lord Abbett Fund – General Fund	
Dividends to General Saving Account	
June 1, 2010 Market Value	\$ 5,651.16
Increase in Market Value	962.98
Decrease in Market Value	(758.23)
Deposits	0.00
Balance May 31, 2011	\$ 5,855.91

# **OPERATING FUNDS**

Checking Account – Fifth Third Bank General Savings Account – Fifth Third Bank General Fund – Lord Abbett Total Operating Funds May 31, 2011	\$ 27,185.03 5,317.47 5,855.91 \$ 38,358.41
Ritual Savings Account – Fifth Third Bank Balance June 1, 2010 Deposits Withdrawals Interest Balance May 31, 2011	\$ 1,699.48 0.00 0.00 5.84 \$ 1,705.32
Lord Abbett Triennial Fund Dividends and Capital Gains Reinvested Balance June 1, 2010 Market Value Deposits Increase in Market Value Decrease in Market Value Balance May 31, 2011	\$ 1,490.49 1,647.00 654.73 (41.48) \$ 3,750.74
Franklin Income Fund Interest to General Savings June 1, 2010 Market Value Increase in Market Value Decrease in Market Value Market Value May 31, 2011	\$ 35,371.33 7,798.83 (1,454.89) \$ 41,715.27
Ishares – Eafe – Endowment Fund Dividends reinvested June 1, 2010 Market Value Increase in Market Value Decrease in Market Value Market Value May 31, 2011	\$ 8,214.40 3,933.80 (1,598.00) \$ 10,550.20
Raymond James Bank Program – Endowment Fund Dividends reinvested Balance June 1, 2010 Deposits Interest Balance May 31, 2011	\$ 11,804.78 0.00 21.77 \$ 11,826.55

2008 Sesquicentennial Savings – Fifth Third Bank	
Balance June 1, 2010	\$ 3,180.05
Deposits	0.00
Interest	1.44
Withdrawal	(3,181.49)
Balance May 31, 2011 (Account Closed)	\$ 0.00
Total Assets:	
Total Operating Funds May 31, 2011	\$ 38,358.41
Total Special Funds May 31, 2011	5,456.06
Total Endowment Funds May 31, 2011	64,092.02
<b>Total Net Worth, Grand Council May 31, 2011</b>	\$107,906.49

In order to correct some erroneous assumption regarding the Grand Council Tax Status with the Internal Revenue Service, I submit the following:

In the files of the Grand Recorder's Office a letter dated January 15, 1973 from the Internal Revenue Service that reads in part:

"On July 22, 1972 application was made to the Internal Revenue Service for exemption under Section 501 (c) (8), whereby the Corporation of the Grand Council and all constituent Councils under our jurisdiction would be exempt from income tax as a group."

It further reads in part:

"Based on the information supplied, we have determined that you and your subordinate Councils listed in the roster accompanying your application are exempt under Section 501 (c) (10) of the code."

# **CONCLUSION**

I would like to thank the Companions of this Grand Council for allowing me to serve this Grand Council for the passed year as your Grand Recorder. Special thanks goes to the present Grand Officers, Past Most illustrious Grand Master's, Recorder's of this Grand Council for their patience and understanding during this past year of service, especially Past Most Illustrious and Grand Recorder Emeritus Donald L. Himes. Without his help this past year, I would have not been able to complete several areas within this Grand Office. I trust that he will be able to help me in the future. To Most Illustrious Grand Master Stephen R. Striggow, I would also like to thank you for allowing me to work with you. The lines of communication were always open at all times. I hope that I have made your year as easy as possible.

To the Recorder's of this Grand Council, I hope that the changes have made your work easier. We will continue to work on the Annual Return to make it easier for you. The electronic filling of the return has help, at least at my end. This Grand Office will continue to work on programs for all of our Recorders. We are and will be committed to better communication between the Grand Office and all of our Recorder.

Most Illustrious Grand Master, I move as much of this Report as relates to Membership, be referred to the Committee on the Condition of the Rite, that the portions that relates to Finance be referred to the Finance Committee and that all other matters herewith discussed and not specifically referred to a Committee, be approved.

> Respectfully submitted, Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM Grand Recorder

# COMMITTEE REPORT REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan.

The final Report of the Credential Committee is as follows:	
Grand Officers entitled to one vote each	7
Past Grand Officers entitled to one vote each	14
Thrice Illustrious Masters entitled to one vote each	23
Deputy Masters entitled to one vote each	16
Principal Conductor of the Work entitled to one vote each	10
Past Thrice Illustrious Masters entitled to one vote each	79
Arch Deputies Instructors entitled to one vote each	0
Proxy votes issued at one vote each	7
TOTAL VOTES OR BALLOTS ISSUED	156
(2 Ballots not issued TIM & DM, Council UD)	
30 Councils represented	
11 Distinguished Guests registered	
Councils not represented: #6, #86, #93	

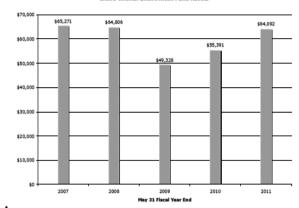
Respectfully submitted, Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM, Chairman Thomas J. Myers, PTIM (38) Calvin L. Kinslow, PTIM (38)

# Report of the Finance Committee

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan.

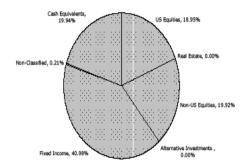
The five year comparative asset values for Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan Endowment Fund for the fiscal year ending May 31<sup>st</sup> appears below:

#### Grand Council Endowment Fund Assets



The portfolio asset allocation for fiscal year end appears below:

Grand Council Endowment Asset Allocation Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2011



For the first 5 calendar months of 2011, the dollar weighted performance was 5.61%, with a net increase in unrealized gains of \$2,455.94. For calendar year 2010, the dollar weighted performance was 8.97%.

The investment policy allocation has the primary objective of asset growth, with a medium risk tolerance and a time horizon exceeding 10 years. The secondary objective is income, also with a medium risk tolerance and a time horizon exceeding 10 years.

The Endowment Fund holds shares in publically traded mutual funds to achieve asset diversification. At May 31, 2011 the portfolio held:

18,137.074 shares of Franklin Income Fund (FCISX), class C 170.000 shares of ISHARES MSCI EAFE Index Fund (EFA)

Cash equivalents were earning 0.08% in a money market mutual fund. The Endowment Fund produces approximately \$2,600 annually which represents 17% of the Grand Council's annual budget.

The condensed statement activity appears below:

#### Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Masons of Michigan Condensed Statement of Activity For Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2011 (rounded to hundreds of dollars)

	budget	ACLUA
REVENUES		
Per Capita & investment revenue	\$ 14,200	\$ 15,400
EXPENSES:		
General & Administrative	12,300	13,700
Increase fund to Triennial Fund	800	2,100
August Annual Assembly	800	1,500
Donations to Youth Groups	300	300
Total Expenses	\$ 14,200	\$ 17,600
Increase (decrease) in unrestricted net assets		(2,200)

#### Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Masons of Michigan Condensed Change in Net Assets for Special Purpose Funds For Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 2011

	of year	End of Year	net change
Triennial Fund	1,490	3,751	2,260
General Fund-Lord Abbett	5,651	5,958	307
Ritual Fund	1,699	1,705	6
General Savings Account	5,315	5,317	3
2008 Sesquicentennial Fund	3,180	0	-3,180
Total Special Purpose Funds	\$17,336	\$16,732	-\$604

Fraternally Submitted,

David G. Boring, Chairman

# FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES

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#### ELECTION OF FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES

Most Illustrious Companion Anthony M. Chamberlin, placed in nomination Illustrious Companion David G. Boring to fill the 5 year term on the Foundation Endowment Trustees. Most Illustrious Companion Striggow then asked two more times if there were any other nominations. No further nominations were made. Most Illustrious Companion Striggow declared Illustrious Companion David G. Boring elected as a member of the Foundation Endowment Trustee for a five (5) year term.

The Jurisprudence Committee then informed the Grand Council that no Endowment Trustee can be a Grand Officer of the Grand Council. Therefore the election of Illustrious Companion David G. Boring is voided and Illustrious Companion Jack M. Temsey who was elected last year (2010) is also voided. That the Grand Council must elect two new Trustees, one to a five (5) year term and one to a four (4) year term.

Nominations were then made as follows: Illustrious Companions; Howard H. Crumit Jr., Emmett W. Mills Jr., Melvin L. Easterday and Corey Curtiss. Illustrious Companion Emmett W. Mills Jr. was then elected to serve a five (5) year term and Illustrious Companion Howard H. Crumit Jr. elected to serve a four (4) year term as members of the Foundation Endowment Trustees. Most Illustrious Companion Striggow declared them elected and congratulate each on their election.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan:

It has been our pleasure to have attended the One Hundred Fifty-Third Annual Assembly, several Most Illustrious Companions of Sister Jurisdictions and it has been a custom of this Grand Council, I move that the following Most Illustrious Companions of Sister Jurisdictions be made Honorary Members of this Grand Council:

Most Illustrious Companion Douglas W. Bunch, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Kentucky.

Most Illustrious Companion Dale Corrice, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Illinois.

Seconded by Illustrious Companion James F. Kiefer, (10), motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Anthony M. Chamberlin, P.M.I.G.M. Grand Recorder

# REPORT OF THE GRAND LECTURER AND ARCH DEPUTY PROGRAM

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

Having completed my second year as your Grand lecturer, I submit the following report for your consideration.

The Grand Council Officers at their several meetings throughout the year are always seeking new Arch Deputy candidates to fill this important office. At last years Grand Council Session, eleven Arch Deputies were sworn in to perform the duties of their office.

Within a matter of months our ranks were thinned to nine Arch Deputies due to the untimely death of Illustrious Companion James Miller and the resigning of Illustrious Companion Joel Clement. Recently, several Companions were interviewed concerning the Arch Deputy Program and two have graciously accepted. Things are looking up. In addition, several Mini-Training Seminars have been conducted to better equip and educate the Arch Deputies.

Seminars were held at last years Grand Session in August, again in Howell in October, and in St. Ignace in April. It is my intention to continue these training efforts as long as our Companions deem it necessary. Unfortunately, the price of fuel, additional Masonic stewardship, and our ever increasing aging process cuts into the efficiency and productivity of some of the Arch Deputies.

As a result only six Arch Deputies have submitted the required forms and documents as required by Grand Council. Three did not. That resulted in only fifteen of the thirty-three subordinate councils (and one U.D. Middleville Council Southeast of Grand Rapids) being evaluated and graded. These reports are necessary as they analyze the Councils and our Most Illustrious Grand Master have little or no information as to the governing, efficiency and overall condition of those remaining councils.

This is not the Councils fault. Perhaps more training, ongoing instruction and additional communication between the Arch Deputy Program and the Councils would be of benefit. We must do something to stem the tide of this seemingly inability to co-ordinate visitations and business activities among our members.

Of the fifteen Councils evaluated, the following Top Five Councils are to be recognized for their efforts and endeavors. First Place: Straits Area Council No. 92 with 152 points, Second Place: Durand Council No. 38 with 130 points, Third Place: Tyre Council No. 10 with 119 points, three Councils tied for Fourth Place with 110 points, Cass City Council No. 90, Leslie Council No. 50, and Flint Council No. 56, Fifth Place: Muskegon Council No. 54 with 106 points.

Congratulations to these and all the Councils for their work, attendance, and activities. It has been my pleasure and privilege to work with the Arch Deputy Staff and to have served this Grand Council as Grand Lecturer. I thank Most Illustrious Grand Master Stephen R. Striggow for this appointment and pledge my continued support to our future Grand Officers.

Respectfully submitted, Terry G. Baker, P.M.I.G.M. Grand Lecturer

Most Illustrious Grand Master, I move for the adoption of this report and that it be printed in the annual proceedings.

# INSPECTION REPORTS 2011 GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS OF MICHIGAN

COUNCIL	DEPUTY 2010	2011	PLUS/M	INUS
ZABUD#9	LUYKX	N/A	71	<b>PLUS</b>
TYRE #10	CARUSS	115	119	<b>PLUS</b>
HIRAM #14	LUYKX	N/A	49	<b>PLUS</b>
SAGINAW #20	SNIDER	N/A	104	<b>PLUS</b>
DURAND #38	SMITH	72	130	<b>PLUS</b>
LESLIE #50	CARUSS	92	110	<b>PLUS</b>
MUSKEGON #54	CARUSS	101	106	<b>PLUS</b>
FLINT #56	SMITH	68	110	<b>PLUS</b>
GRAND LEDGE #62	SMITH	67	97	<b>PLUS</b>
HIWATHA #65	MAULE	N/A	102	<b>PLUS</b>
MARQUETTE #72	MAULE	N/A	16	<b>PLUS</b>
GEORGE HILL #85	SNIDER	N/A	62	<b>PLUS</b>
CASS CITY #90	SNIDER	71	110	<b>PLUS</b>
BEDFORD #91	LUYKX	N/A	99	<b>PLUS</b>
STRAITS AREA #92	FORD	91	152	<b>PLUS</b>

No documentation received concerning the remaining Councils.

## REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION AND THANKS COMMITTEE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

Your Committee on Resolution and Thanks respectfully submits the following report: To the York Rite Committee Officers, thank you for making the 153rd Annual Assembly a memorable event.

To the Distinguished Guests, we sincerely hope that you enjoyed your stay in Michigan, and wish you a safe journey home. It was a pleasure having you here with us at this 153rd Annual Assembly of the Grand Council.

To our Most Illustrious Grand Master, Steven R. Striggow, we thank you for many years of devoted service to the Grand Council of Michigan and wish you success in all your future endeavors.

Respectfully submitted, Robert O. Troutman RIGCoG, Chairman Jack M. Temsey, IGCoC Arthur F. Girard, PTIM

#### REPORT OF THE RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

During the past year, I have had the opportunity to travel with our Most Illustrious Grand Master to the Grand Councils of Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, and Ontario, Wisconsin and given the opportunity to meet with many companions from those jurisdictions. Have also been able to meet with my counterpart from those Grand Bodies, and on several occasions was able to have my Lady Norine at my side.

I was able to represent the Most Illustrious Grand Master at the 2011 Grand Assembly for Rainbow for Girls, and also there Installation of 2012 Grand Officers, at Alma.

The tour of the Seven Degree Sessions and the many Three Degree Days conducted through out the state allowed me to visit many companions and view the degree work, which allowed me to meet old companions and make new friends.

The Upper Peninsula was visited in the fall at St. Ignace, and again at the Three Degree Day at Kingsford, along with the Annual Yupper Council initiation.

Before this session comes to an end, we will also have experienced the Job's Daughters and DeMolay Sessions, and will have visited with our Illinois Companions at Springfield.

It has been a pleasure to have served with Most Illustrious Grand Master Stephen R. Striggow and his Lady Mae, and Lady Norine and I have enjoyed our travels with them.

I thank the companions of Michigan for supporting me and allowing me to serve them this past year, it has been a great privilege and honor. I look forward to serving in the years ahead.

Respectfully submitted, Dwight A. Humm, Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master

# REPORT OF THE RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF THE WORK

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

When I first came into Masonry I was of the belief that the blue Lodge was all that there was to the Masonic Lodge. Well I soon found out that there was more, a lot more. I was soon made aware of York Rite Masonry. Shortly thereafter I was a member of Royal Arch, Council and Commandery. I must express my gratitude for the time that William E. LeVeque spent explaining all the aspects of the different areas of the York Rite to me. One day I mentioned to him, that I may be interested in seeking an office within the York Rite. At the next annual York Rite session I was given the honor of being appointed to the office of Illustrious Grand Marshal of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan.

At that time I had no idea what I had gotten myself into, the answer to that is the opportunity to interact with some of the finest people in masonry. For that chance I am very grateful and thank those that made it possible. Cryptic Masonry is a fulfilling experience for all who make themselves open to it.

I have had the chance to visit many councils through out the state and witness a lot of degree work. I would like to see the Upper Peninsula increase in membership as that would give us the chance to do more of our own degree work. As my year as the Grand Principal Conductor of the Work comes to an end, I look back with many great memories and find myself now looking ahead to my year as Deputy Grand Master. I thank you for your support and the opportunity to have served as you Grand Principal Conductor of the Work.

Respectfully submitted, William L. Mercier, RIGPCW

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS INTERNATIONAL

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

This is the year of the Triennium of the General Grand Council. It will be held in the city of Raleigh, North Carolina, on August 27, 2011. It is expected the Right Puissant Companion George Sellars, PMIGM will be elected as Most Puissant General Grand Master. Plans are underway for a reception to be announced later.

Another expected topic is the adoption of a new Constitution and By-laws for the General Grand Council. This has been in the making for the past two Triennials.

In March of this year, Michigan hosted the annual East Central Conference for the three General Grand Bodies. Thanks in large part to the Companions and Sir Knights of the Grand Rapids area, it was a huge success. Huge thanks to Robert E. Cooper, MEGHP and Stephen R. Striggow, MIGM for their efforts at the conference.

The office of Regional Deputy Grand Master moves to Indiana at the Triennial, and best wishes go to Charles Wood, MIPGM who will assume the post. My short term as Regional Deputy has been a great experience and I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the General Grand Council. I will continue to serve as Ambassador to Michigan.

> Respectfully Submitted, Warren A. Caruss, PMIGM, Chairman Jerry C. Townsend, PMIGM Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONDITION OF THE RITE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

Companions, your Committee on the Condition of the Rite reports that a majority of the Councils, in this jurisdiction, are growing in numbers, but not to the point to cover the normal attrition that comes due to advancing age and the ability to attend evening meetings, the economy effect on jobs, and scheduling conflicts with meeting commitments. We do see the steady trend of new members willingness in getting involved with their Councils to learn ritual, becoming active officers in the activity associated with an active fraternal organization.

The Committee also notices that some of the Council's have recessed into just being a social gathering, this may come from lack of true leadership, setting goals each year to challenge the membership to improvement in becoming more proficient in ritual; Improvements in their facility, or even to needs within the community, where they are located. It has also been noticed that our meeting with other York Rite Bodies, hasn't really improved our ability to open and close in accordance with the intended meaning, when that legislation was introduced. This leads to being ineffective in our ability to be Professional when conferring the various degrees.

We are disappointed in Traverse City U.D. not continuing to accomplish there goal to become a full Council, but pleased to see that Middleville U.D. is growing in numbers and hopefully about to reach their goal in one year. Rumors are present that this Grand Council may have other areas that are interested in forming a new Council(s). This is "growth".

Respectfully submitted.

Dwight A. Humm, RIDGM William L. Mercier, RIPCW Robert O. Troutman, RIGCG

# **Report of the Youth Committee**

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

The Grand Council maintains a close relationship with the three youth groups and their leaders in Michigan. Mr. Zach Krawczyk, State Master Councilor has continued the tradition of representing the Michigan Demolay with dignity and decorum. He will long be remembered as the SMC who wore Patent Leather Tennis Shoes, complete with neon green laces. Job's Daughters has been led this past year by Grand Bethel Honored Queen Miss Jenny Paauwe. Congratulations to Jenny on a successful year supporting Michigan Child ID. Congratulations to Miss Rachel Alexander on being Elected GBHQ. Miss Christianna Akers served as Grand Worthy Advisor in Rainbow for girls, and completed her year of service to Michigan. It was a pleasure to see her leadership skills grow this past year. The Grand Council continues a tradition of supporting our State Youth Leaders with a monetary contribution to offset the expense of their offices. Michigan is in a unique position to have such a wonderful working relationship with all of the Masonic Youth Organizations. This relationship is not enjoyed by all states. Though we encourage the Constituent Councils to actively support their own local youth groups, we encourage them to give the ultimate gift of your time to visit the Assemblies and Bethels, serve on their councils and support the youth with your presence. It is with heavy heart that we acknowledge the loss of a committee member and one of Rainbow Girls greatest supporters, Duane E. Warner. My dear companion, we will miss your enthusiasm.

We are grateful to our Most Illustrious Grand Master for allowing us to serve.

Respectfully submitted, William E. LeVeque, Chairman Brian K. Himes Duane E. Warner

#### REPORT OF THE YORK RITE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

This committee was established in the middle of our Cryptic Year, this committee was established as a combined York Rite Committee having a member from the Grand Chapter, Grand Council with the Grand Commandery taking the leading role. As of the date of this report there has been no action or recommendations from this committee, because of its late start. It is hoped, that the appointees to this committee that follow will be able to present well thought out and useful suggestions to the various bodies that will not only stem the tide of membership loss, but also increase it.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert O. Troutman

Right Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard

## REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

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

Your Historical Committee will have THE FIRST FIFTY (50) YEARS IN THE SECOND ONE HUNDRED YEARS of Cryptic masonry available to the Companion at the 153rd Annual Assembly on August 18, 2011 or through the office of the Grand Recorder.

This book is a must for your Masonic Library and for future reference. Be sure to get one before they run out, as did the First Hundred Years.

The committee will continue up-date this historical book for the next printing in about twenty five years from now.

Respectfully submitted, Donald L. Himes, PMIGM Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM Ernest Berry, PMIGM

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON YORK RITE COOPERATION

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

The committee is pleased to report that there have been meetings between the York Rite Bodies during the last Cryptic year. The presiding Grand Officers have been working in harmony as a York Rite Body, meeting together at various times to work out problems they see existing, and finding solutions to them.

We find that the York Rite Grand Session Committee has continued to work closely with the Grand Officers for the present year, and giving guidance to the ensuing Grand Officers, thus ensuring a very effective and efficient Grand Session. When traveling to the various jurisdictions we hear many compliments on the Michigan Grand Sessions, and how the three grand bodies work effectively together.

In traveling through out the state we again see the cooperation being accomplished by the chapter, council and commandery membership working together on various projects, and in the community.

York Rite Cooperation is alive and working in Michigan.

Respectfully submitted, Dwight A. Humm, RIDGM William L. Mercier, RIGPCW Jack M. Temsey, IGCC

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

The committee on Public Relations took Photographs of the 2010 Session of the Grand Council and distributed them to the Illustrious Grand Master and Grand Recorder of the Grand Council.

> Respectfully Submitted: Wayne E. Caruss, Chairman Duane V. Todd Robert C. Greenwood

# REPORT OF THE CMMRF COMMITTEE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

Companions, your committee will cover some of the current areas of Stem Cell Research. Heart disease with heart Attack and the Prevention of Heart Failure being of major concern in the Complications of diabetes.

DIABETES: Nearly 24 million people in the United States re affected by diabetes. Type 2 diabetes is the most common form of diabetes. In type 2 diabetes, either the body does not produce enough insulin or the cells ignore the insulin. Hopefully with Stem Cell Research this can be changed.

BLINDNESS: Targeting diabetic retinopathy with low molecular weight inhibitors, at present this project is awaiting additional support to improve the inhibitor and test its application, as a safe and noninvasive therapeutic tool to treat diabetic retinopathy in patients.

COPD/LUNG DISEASE: In this study mice were exposed to chronic cigarette smoke for up to 21 weeks. These "smoking mice' were then given infections of adipose (fat) derived stem cells. After injection of the cells, this study showed that the lungs were not only protected from typical damage, but that these cells even promoted repair of the lung tissue.

REGENERATIVE MEDICINE: Dr. Michael Murphy's team launched a new trial that evaluates a new source of stem cells; This study collects menstrual blood. The Goal is to develop a sterile laboratory technique for expanding the number of Regenerative Cells from a single donor. If the cells behave as expected, they may be expanded (multiplied) and may possess the ability to change into various tissues.

WOUND HEALING: Burns and wounds are often slow to heal due to poor blood supply in areas of poor circulation like the legs of diabetic patients or such as those seen after radiation to treat cancers.

> Respectfully submitted, William L. Mercier, RIGPCW Robert O. Troutman, RIGCofG Jack M. Temsey, RIGCof C

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, Companions of this Grand Council:

At our One Hundred Fifty Third Annual Assembly of this Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan. It is my sad duty to report the loss of 54 Companions who has answered the call of our Heavenly Father and forever drop the working tools of Life. We also remember our Friends and Companions from Sister Jurisdictions who have gone home to our to that Great Temple in Heaven.

Sadly we report the loss of:

# DUANE E. WARNER Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan Most Illustrious Grand Master

Elected: May 19, 2001 Presided: August 20, 2002 Died: Watervliet, MI. – May 8, 2011

# Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan Most Excellent Grand High Priest

Elected: October 8, 1994 Presided: October 7, 1995

Most Illustrious Companion Duane E. Warner was born October 10, 1949 in East Grand Rapids, Michigan. The family moved to the Detroit area soon thereafter and he spent his early childhood and subsequent development years in westernmost Detroit and graduated from a High School in Livonia, in 1967. Subsequently, Duane attended Michigan Tech in Houghton, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering, and then worked several years for the City of Westland in its Engineering Department. In 1976 M.E. Comp. Duane relocated to Portage, Michigan, holding various engineering posts with that city and the county road commission becoming a Registered Professional Engineer in 1978 and thereafter becoming an engineer in Indiana, where he was employed upon his death.

In 1995, while serving as Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Duane married his wife, Vicki, in Kalamazoo and was proud of his extended family, stepdaughter Rebecca.

Duane first embraced Masonry when he petitioned Wayne Lodge No. 112, F&AM, the work being done in Houghton by Houghton Lodge No. 218, F&AM, as a courtesy. He was exalted in Wayne Chapter No. 182, RAM on November 24, 1972 and subsequently was greeted in Northville Council No. 30, R&SM, 1973 and Knighted in Northville Commandery No. 39, KT, 1974. After relocating to Portage in 1976, M.E. Companion Warner transferred his several Masonic memberships to the Bodies in Kalamazoo where he continued in service as the Secretary of numerous Masonic Bodies at time of his death.

Duane Warner's interest in Masonry is obvious, as he is a Past Master of Kalamazoo-Anchor Lodge No. 22, F&AM; Past High Priest of Kalamazoo Chapter No. 13, RAM; Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Kalamazoo Council No. 63, R&SM; Past Commander of Peninsular Commandery No. 8, KT; Past Governor of Western Michigan York Rite College No. 10 and recipient of the Order of the Purple Cross. He was a member of Michigan Priory No. 22,

KYCH (being a KYGCH with 2 quadrants); Gate of the Temple Tabernacle No. LXV, HRAKTP; Ionic Council No. 251, AMD; Michigan Forest No. 190, TCL; Valley of Grand Rapids, AASR; Saladin Shrine; Loyalty Chapter No. 487, OES; Calhoun Chapter No. 24, White Shrine of Jerusalem and the Royal Order of Scotland.

Duane was a Senior DeMolay and served as Master Council and Dad Advisor of two Chapters and received the DeMolay Legion of Honor in 1983 and has served on the Rainbow Board and as a State Official, Michigan Rainbow.

He held honorary Membership in several Lodge, Chapters and Councils in Michigan and nearby states.

We also sadly report the loss of:

#### HENRY L. SEITZ Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan Most Illustrious Grand Master

Elected: August 16, 2007 Presided: August 7, 2008 Died: Stephenson, MI. – August 3, 2011

Henry was born on December 3, 1944, in Trenton, Michigan to Henry M. and Mildred (Malcomson) Seitz. He practiced law in Ishpeming and edited From Point to Pointe Masonic Magazine from 1996 to 2007.

Henry was raised a Master Mason on June 12, 1989 in Ishpeming Lodge No. 314 F & AM of Michigan, served a Worshipful Master 1992 – 1993, Secretary 1995 – 2000, Mason of the year 1998, District Mason of the Year 1998. He became a dual member of Menominee Lodge No. 269 F & AM of Michigan in 2001 and Worshipful Master in 2003. He served the Grand Lodge of Michigan F & AM as a DDI 1995 – 1996, Editor of the Point to Pointe 1996 – 2007, and the Grand Lodge Photographer. He served the Valley of Marquette, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite (Northern Jurisdiction) as: Peninsular Chapter Rose Croix – Most Wise Master 1994 -1995, Francis M. Moore Consistory – Commander in Chief 2000 – 2002, receiving the Presiding Officer's Award in 1999 and Honorary Member Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General 33 degree in 2001.

A member of Marquette Chapter No. 43 Royal Arch Masons, served a Excellent High Priest 1995, receiving the Order of High Priesthood in 1995 and Grand Chapter as a DDI 1996 – 2000. Also a member of the Tri State Association 1995. Marquette Council No. 72, served a Thrice Illustrious Master in 1996, receiving the Order of the Silver Trowel in 1997. Served the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan as the Most Illustrious Grand Master, elected August 16, 2007, presided August 7, 2008. Served the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International as Right Puissant East Central Deputy General Grand Master – 2008. A Member of Lake Superior Commandery Knights Templar No. 30, Commander 2004. Upper Michigan York Rite College No. 40 as Governor in 2003, receiving the Order of the Purple Cross. Member of Michigan Priory No. 22, Knight York Cross of Honor, receiving the Grand Cross of Honor in 2008. A member of St. Bonaventure Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine and served a Puissant Sovereign in 2007. Michigan College, Societas Rosicrciana in Civitatbus Foederatis, Grand V – Member since 2007. Member of Ahmed Temple Shrine Band. Member of Negaunee Chapter No. 100 Order of Eastern Stars, receiving the Cloverland

District Soloist twice. Served the International Order of Job's Daughters as: Associate Bethel Guardian – bethel No. 12 Ishpeming 1990 -1992, Associate Bethel Guardian Bethel No. 18 Menominee 2002 – 2004, Associate Grand Guardian of Michigan 1998, Past Grands of Michigan – President 2003 -2004, Chair – Supreme Fraternal Relations Committee 2005, Recipient of Grand Triangle of Honor 2000, member of Honor in several Bethels. Henry was a holder of the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award.

Henry was an Elder in the Presbyterian Church and served at many positions, in Ishpeming and Menominee, in the local church, Presbytery, and Synod. In the community Henry was active with the American Heart Association, the Ishpeming Salvation Army Advisory Board, Menominee County Friends of the Library, the Marquette Choral Society, and the Menominee county Choir. He presided over the Hiawathaland Council Board, boy Scouts of America, and served on the board for nearly 20 years, was an assistant scoutmaster with two Jamboree trips as well as a local troop, and holds the Silver Beaver Award, the highest Scouting Award.

Henry will be missed by his wife of nearly 43 years, Barbara J. (Sautter) Seitz; four children, Katrina Seitz of Denton, TX., Henry W. Seitz of West Bloomfield, MI., Kirsten Seitz of Orlando, FL., and Liesl (Jolon) Buchbinder of Suisun City, CA.; one grand daughter, Lucie Buchbinder; and favorite aunt, Helen Seitz of Allen Park, MI. Henry was preceded in death by his parents and only brother, Marvin Seitz.

We also sadly report the loss of:

## JAMES R. SPRAGUE Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan Right Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Council

Born: Pontiac, MI. – June 13, 1942 Died: Clarkston, MI. – September. 2, 2010

Jim attended Public Schools in Waterford and Pontiac, graduating from Pontiac Northern High School in June of 1961. Having lost his father during his High School term, Jim started working full time at a local Hospital before graduating. Shortly after graduation, Jim joined General Motors.

On April 27, 1963 he married the love of his life Jody. In 1966, Jim was called into Military Services where he served his Country with honor and was eventually assigned to Vietnam, returning home in late 1968. Jim continued his education and earned an Associate's Degree from Oakland Community College in Tool Design and a Bachelor Degree in Management from Spring Arbor College.

Jim and Jody were blessed with two children, a daughter Jamie Ann (Knowlton) a son James A. (Tina) and three grandchildren, Jordon, Kaylene and Arayna.

In 1972, Jim joined Pontiac Lodge No. 21, F & AM of Michigan and started his Masonic adventure. He enjoyed the work and the fellowship so much, he continued to join until he basically was into most everything in the York Rite, joining the Chapter in September 1975, serving as High Priest in 1988, Thrice Illustrious Master of the Council in 1991

and Commander of the Commandery in 1982. Jim has presided over his Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery, York Rite College. He has received the Knight York Cross of Honor from Michigan Priory #22, KYCH and the Order of the Purple Cross from the Sovereign College, serving as Grand Governor for Michigan for three years. He is also a member of and presided over the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priest. Served as Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan in 1998-99. The General Grand Chapter as Deputy General Grand High Priest and GRM1V, 2002-2005. Received the Silver Medal Award from the General Grand Chapter in 2008. He served the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons as an appointed Officer for several years and elected and served as Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, 2009-2010. Companion Jim was just elected on August 28th to the highest honor of the Supreme Council of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, the 33rd Degree.

Throughout his numerous travels within the State and throughout the United States has been awarded untold number of Honorary Memberships for his service to the Craft in nearly every organization in which his has had the honor to travel to and work with.

Other Masonic affiliated organizations that Companion Jim belonged to included: Tall Cedars of Lebanon; the Eastern Star; Amaranth; Grotto; Pontiac High No.12 Club; Eastern Michigan Council No. 450 Allied Masonic Degrees: Trinity Council No. 36, Knight Masons: St. Thomas of Acorn Trinity Chapel No. 12; Michigan College Masonic Societies Rosicrucian; Red Cross of Constantine, St. Clement Conclave.

Jim was employed as a Program Quality Manager working on advanced programs for General Motors. Shortly after completing his term as Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Michigan, Jim retired with nearly 38 years of accredited service. Jim loved his Family and his Masonry. When time permitted, he enjoyed Sailing, Bow and Rifle Hunting, building things and most of all being with his family and helping people.

We ask our Heavenly Father to comfort all of us, who mourn the loss of these beloved Brothers and Companions, may be give us strength and Guidant threw this time of pain and sorrow and remind us that they have gone to a better place.

We ask this in His Holy Name

#### **AMEN**

Fraternally Yours: Larry A. Inscho, Illustrious Grand Chaplain, Chairman Gordon J. Karslake, P.M.I.G.M. Wayne E. Caruss

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The following Officers were duly elected for the year 2011-2012:

Dwight A. Humm	Most Illustrious Grand Master
William L. Mercier	Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master
Robert O. Troutman Right Illustrious O	Grand Principal Conductor of the Council
Brian K. Himes, PMIGM	Right Illustrious Grand Treasurer
Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM	
Jack M. Temsey Rigl	ht Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard
Most Illustrious Grand Master Elect Humn	m appointed the following Officers:
Most Illustrious Grand Master Elect Humr Bart A. Porter Ill	
	lustrious Grand Conductor of the Council
Bart A. Porter Ill	lustrious Grand Conductor of the Council
Bart A. Porter Ill David A. Bartell Sr	lustrious Grand Conductor of the Council
Bart A. Porter Ill David A. Bartell Sr David G. Boring	lustrious Grand Conductor of the Council
Bart A. Porter Ill David A. Bartell Sr David G. Boring Larry A. Inscho, PMEGHP	lustrious Grand Conductor of the Council

# **2010-2011 ARCH DEPUTIES**

David A. Bartell Sr.	1st Arch
Gene E. Newman	2nd Arch
Phillip C. Smith	
Wayne E. Caruss	4th Arch
George E. Maule	
Robert B. Powers	6th Arch
Darwin J. Snider	7th Arch
George K. Summey	
William H. Ford	9th Arch
Robert J. Siekman	10th Arch
Stanley B. Luykx	11th Arch

# **CALL OFF FOR LUNCH**

Most Illustrious Companion Striggow, Most Illustrious Grand Master called the Council from Labor to Refreshment at 12:00 P.m. Following lunch there were brake out meetings for the Thrice Illustrious Masters, Deputy Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work, Recorders and Arch Deputies. We were then called back to Labor again at 1:30 P.M. to continue the business of the Grand Council.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations received one request for the Granting of a Charter from Middleville Council, UD in Middleville, MI. Upon the receipt of the record showing the membership and greetings since the granting of the Dispensation, we show that Middleville Council has greeted the requisite number of Companions, and has the proper number of members.

We therefore recommend that a charter be granted to Middleville Council, UD.

Respectfully Submitted, Warren A. Caruss, PMIGM, Chairman Philip C Smith, PTIM David A. Bartell, Sr., PTIM

Most Illustrious Grand Master, I move that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. Second by Louis B. McCray (93), motion carried.

Most Illustrious Grand Master, I move that the Charter of Middleville Council UD be granted and it be known as Middleville Council No. 94, second by Illustrious Companion Dennis Warner, carried

#### REPORT OF GRAND COUNCIL ENDOWMENT TRUST COMMITTE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

The financial data relating to the holdings of the Endowment Trust has been reported earlier under the Grand Treasurer's Report and thanks should be extended to all of the trustees for their hard work on keeping the trust growing.

The committee has resumed selling the Grand Council Seal Lapel pins at some of the all degree days, we will continue to do so as long as we have them and we have raised approximately \$100 through their sale. These are a quick and easy way to make a contribution to the Endowment. For those companions who are also members of the Order of the Eastern Star this is a practical application of the lesson taught by the symbol of the 2<sup>nd</sup> point of the Star. (For those of you who are not Stars, ask someone who is, to explain it).

Some of the Companions may wonder if contributions to the Endowment are worth the effort. They most certainly are. While the committee would not be foolish enough to promise you that if we reach our goal of \$250,000 we will never have to raise per capita again, however, we can promise you if we do not, it will have to be raised again and again. Therefore, it is in your own best interests to make an effort to contribute.

We all need to make efforts to raise funds for the endowment. Here are some ideas to consider: On the passing of a companion, send a small memorial donation in his honor. Remember the Endowment when planning your estate. (Your chairman has made the Endowment a beneficiary of his life insurances). Next time you have a fund raiser for you council consider donating part of the profits. Have a 50/50 raffle at your meetings with the proceeds going to the endowment. This is by no means an exhaustive list the committee is quite sure that you all are very creative and can find myriad ways of helping.

Thank You again to the trustees for their earnest efforts and to all of the companions that have made donations over the year.

Respectfully submitted, Robert O. Troutman, Chairman Right Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard

Dwight A Humm Right Illustrious Grand Deputy Master

Bart A Porter Illustrious Grand Steward

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

The Committee on the Next Place of Meeting requests your presence at the Michigan Grand York Rite Sessions, which will be held jointly with the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan and the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Michigan.

The Michigan Grand York Rite Committee cordially extends an invitation to hold the One Hundred Fifty Fourth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan on August 23, 2012 at the Doubletree Hotel, One Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, Michigan 48708. The Michigan Grand York Rite Sessions will be held from August 22 through August 25, 2012.

Respectfully submitted, Brian K. Himes, PMIGM, Chairman Larry A. Inscho, PTIM Harry A. Walbridge, PTIM

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVISIONS AND PUBLICATION OF CRYPTIC LAW

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

Your Committee on Revisions and Publications of Cryptic Law was unable to the task assigned to it last year.

The information previously completed was lost with the passing of last year's Chairman. In the coming year your committee on Revisions and Publications of Cryptic Law hopes to reconstruct what was lost and complete our task.

Respectfully submitted, Brian K. Himes, PMIGM, Chairman William L. Mercier, RIGPCW Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM

#### RESOLUTION

**Whereas,** William E. LeVeque has served the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan for many years in several capacities, including as a line officer, Most Illustrious Grand Master and Grand Treasurer, and

**Whereas,** as the Grand Treasurer he has provided the structural cement that has not only made the order and efficient and effective body, but which has also been the cement that has bound us all in Brotherly Love, and

Whereas, he has served as a mentor providing a gentle guiding hand to many Most Illustrious Grand Masters and to many officers moving through the line, enabling them to maximize their abilities and achieve notable success in their endeavors, sometimes seemingly in spite of themselves, and

Whereas, in all he that has done he has always aspired to, ad inspired in us, the highest ideals and purposes of Cryptic Masonry, and

Whereas, after all of these years of service, he has deservedly decided to rest from his labors and retire from active service in the office of Grand Treasurer, and

Whereas, his Companions wish him well in retirement and consider it more than appropriate to honor him for his contributions to the Craft,

Now, Therefore, from this day henceforth, William E. LeVeque is accorded the distinction of Grand Treasurer Emeritus, and therefore entitled to all the benefits and emoluments appertaining there to.

Given this eighteenth day of August in the your of our Lord Two Thousand Eleven (Anno Depositionis 3011.)

> Michel J. Jungel Past Most Illustrious Grand Master

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances wishes to report that the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Brian K. Himes, received no appeals or grievances during the past Cryptic year.

This is indicative of the peace and harmony that prevailed throughout the Grand Council of Michigan, under the leadership of the Grand Master.

> Respectfully submitted, Bart A. Porter, PTIM, (38), Chairman William H. Ford, PTIM (92) Louis C. McCray, PTIM (93)

Most Illustrious Grand Master, I move that this report be received and printed in the proceedings.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully submits the following report: After consultation with the Right Illustrious Grand Recorder, we find no unfinished business as of this time.

Respectfully submitted, William E. LeVeque, PMIGM, Chairman Kenney L. Lenfestey, PMIGM Melvin E. Easterday, PTIM (3)

#### INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

The following Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters were selected as the Grand Installing Officers:

George C. Sellars, RPDGGM	Installing Grand Master
Terry G. Baker, PMIGM	Installing Grand Recorder
Donald L. Himes, PMIGM	. Installing Grand Chaplain
Jerry C. Townsend, PMIGM	Installing Grand Marshal

Following the obligation of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Right Puissant Deputy General Grand Master of the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International, George C. Sellars, then presented Most Illustrious Grand Master Humm with his Most Illustrious Grand Master's Apron.

After the remaining Grand Officers were installed, Right Puissant Deputy General Grand Master, George C. Sellars, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, installed the Grand Lecturer, Terry G. Baker, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master and the Arch Deputies for 2011-2012

# CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR

1977 - Robert S. Grieves*	
1978 - Lucian F. Hunt*	Marquette 72
1979 - Howard G. Branch*	Kalamazoo 63
1980 - W. Wallace Wilson *	Niles 19
1981 - David S. Willson*	Muskegon 54
1982 - Fred G. Catrell*	Livingston 73
1983 - Elmer Harpst*	George Hill 85
1984 - Howard C. Bedell*	Inverness 60
1985 - John 1. Dull*	Bedford 91
1986 - Earl C. Quackenbush*	Ann Arbor 86
1987 - Carl H. Cull*	Flint 56
1988 - Albert F. Cronheim*	Tyre 10
1989 - Harley B. Kinne*	Grand Ledge 62
1990 - Schuyler A. Erickson*	
1991 - Masao Kon*	Ann Arbor 86
1992 - David H. Ahearn	Inverness 60
1993 - Randy C. Richardson*	Mt. Clemens 8
1994 - Ernest C. Folkmire*	
1995 - William R. Cook*	
1996 - Terence J. Donegan*	Saginaw 20
1997 - Paul A. Duke*	Mt. Clemens 8
1998 - Robert 1. Vesey	River Raisin 4
1999 - Duane V. Todd	
2000 - William E. Coleman*	Muskegon 54
2001 - Bart A. Porter	Durand 38
2002 - Fred W. Deady, Jr	
2003 - Donald L. Crist	
2004 - Laurel J. Moffit	Durand 38
2005 - Howard Carpenter	
2006 - Philip C. Smith	Durand 38
2007 - Thomas J. Myers	
2008 - Wayne E. Caruss	
2009 - Robert C. Greenwood	
2010 - Arthur F. Girard	Monroe 1
2011 – William H. Ford	Straits Area 91

# GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL YOUTH AWARD

1984 - Russell Helmer, Jr	
1985 - John K. Gale*	Union 11
1986 - Milton D. Olson*	Zabud 9
1987 - Robert B. Wardell*	River Raisin 4
1988 - Eric Nyman	Hiawatha 65
1989 - Nils Jay Larson*	Inverness 60
1990 - Frank E. Russell*	
1991 - Albert Pontious*	Pontiac 3
1992 - Earle W. Mott*	Monroe 1
1993 - Lenzy R. Lewis	Flint 56
1994 - Roland B. Birch*	Saginaw 20
1995 - Kenneth E. Smiley	Lansing 29
1996 - Vernon T. Barnhart	Grand Ledge 62
1997 - John A. Jackson	Monroe 1
1998 - Armand Cote	Marine City 59
1999 - Ms. Jo Neil Shaw	G.G.
2000 - Peter Scholtz	
2001 - Benjamin R. Johnson*	Livingston 73
2002 - Deborah Lawrence	
2003 - Bill Wilder	Grand Secretary Job's Daughters
2004 - Michael D. Zirkle	Saginaw 20
2005 - Larry M. Dillon	Exe, Officer, DeMolay
2006 - Lisa & Chris Standhart	Job's Daughters
2007 - Patricia Collier	
2008 - Hazel Chapman	All Youth Groups
2009 - Robert C. Kogelschatz	
2010 - Wayne A. Hacker	Roseville DeMolay
2011 – Maureen K. Riley	Rainbow for Girls in Ml
THRICE ILLUSTRIOU	S MASTER OF THE YEAR
1988 - Roy E. McConnell	Cad:11aa 70
1989 - George 1. Rutherford*	Durand 38
1990 - Henry F. Schroeder, III	Marine City 39
1991 - Herbert Glassmeyer*	
1992 - Shirley W. Curtis	
1993 - James J. Vann, Sr	
1994 - Aubrey W. Carless	
1995 - Lanier M. DeLind*	
1996 - Frank A MacWhirter.	
1997 - Thomas F. Schultz	
1998 - Corbin P. Elliott	
1999 - Mark Schnesk*	
2000 - Jeffrey W. Sloboda	Tyre 10

2001 - Anthony M. Chamberlin	Marine City 59
2002 - Howard Carpenter	Straits Area 92
2003 - John T. Updike	River Raisin 4
2004 - Robert W. Trussell	Mt. Clemens 8
2005 - Louis R. Cole	Pontiac 3
2006 - Jerry Ritzert	Straits Area 92
2007 - Ivan L. Fletcher	Monroe 1
2008 - Robert E. Cooper	Tyre 10
2009 - Robert J. Siekman	Cadillac 70
2010 – John A. Ames	Mt. Clemens 8

# RECORDER OF THE YEAR

1988 — Robert E. Kerr*	Cass City 90		
1989 — Glen M. Smith*			
1990 — Brian K. Himes	•		
1991 — Laurel J. Moffit	Durand 38		
1992 — Hugh A. Homer	Sault Ste. Marie 69		
1993 — Ernest R. Gartz*			
1994 — Charles W. Ridoutt*	Muskegon 54		
1995 — William E. Le Veque	Marquette 72		
1996 — Dwight A. Humm			
1997 — James P. Henry*	Albion 57		
1998 — James T. McKnight*			
1999 — Raymond Parker, Jr			
2000 — Donald B. Whitener			
2001 — Raymond E. King	Monroe 1		
2002 — Kay L. Yeager	River Raisin 4		
2003 — George W.H. Lyons			
2004 — Timothy C. Forche			
2005 — William N. Stocker	Cass City 90		
2006 — William H. Ford	Straits Area 92		
2007 – Duane E. Warner			
2008 – George E. Maule	Hiawatha 65		
2009 – George K. Summey			
2010 – Louis D. Scott			

<sup>\*</sup>Deceased

# 2011 GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS

# GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEES & APPOINTMENTS 2010 - 2011

# STANDING COMMITTEES

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William Skrepnek (Ch) David G. Boring (CH) William A. Siebert Dwight A. Humm Jerry C. Townsend William L. Mercier

# **CREDENTIALS**

**OBITURARY** Anthony M. Chamberlin (Ch) Larry A. Inscho (Ch) Calvin L. Kinslow (38) Wayne E. Caruss Thomas J. Meyer (38) Gordon J. Kaslake

# CONDITION OF THE RITE

Dwight A. Humm, (Ch) William L. Mercier (Ch) Robert O. Troutman Dwight A. Humm William L. Mercier Jack M. Temsey

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

# GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL

Warren A. Caruss (Ch) Dwight A. Humm (Ch) Jerry C. Townsend Jack M. Temsey Anthony M. Chamberlin William L. Mercier

## YOUTH FOUNDATION TIC LAW

William E. LeVeque (Ch) Brian K. Himes (Ch) Brian K. Himes Anthony M. Chamberlin Richard G. Stange William L. Mercier

# **CMMRF**

PUBLICATION OF HISTORY BOOK William L. Mercier, (Ch) George C. Sellars (Ch) Bart A. Porter Robert O. Troutman Robert O. Troutman Jack M. Temsey

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS

Donald L. Himes (Ch) Wayne E. Caruss (Ch) Duane V. Todd Anthony M. Chamberlin Robert C. Greenwood Ernest Berry

HISTORICAL

CAST DIRECTOR

# GRAND LECTURER

Terry G. Baker George W. H. Lyons

# PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM YORK RITE MEMBERSHIP

Edward J. Chezick Robert O. Troutman (Ch)

PINS Harlayne U'Ren

# Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors Held in the Doubletree Hotel Bay City-Waterfront One Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, Michigan 48708 August 19, 2010

Pursuant to a regularly given notice, the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan was held in the Doubletree Hotel Bay City-Waterfront, One Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, Michigan, August 19, 2010 at 3:35 PM.

Present were: President Stephen R. Striggow, Vice President Dwight A. Humm, Treasurer William E. LeVeque, Secretary Anthony M. Chamberlin, and Director William L. Mercier. Absent, none.

Certification: The Secretary reported and certified that the above names were duly elected and installed at the One Hundred Fifty Second Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan, and thereby, according to the By-Laws of the Corporation, held the following Offices on the Board of Directors:

Stephen R. StriggowPresidentDwight A. HummVice PresidentWilliam E. LeVequeTreasurerAnthony M. ChamberlinSecretaryWilliam L. MercierDirector

Vice President Dwight A. Humm moved that the Minutes of the One Hundred and Fifty First Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors held in Flint, Michigan, August 6, 2009, be approved as printed in the 2009 Annual Proceedings. Seconded by Treasurer William E. LeVeque. Motion carried.

Treasurer William E. LeVeque moved that the Bills, pertaining to the Annual Assembly just completed, and the operation of the Grand Council be approved and paid. Seconded by Director William L. Mercier. Motion carried.

Treasurer William E. LeVeque moved that the Fifth Third bank of Washington Twp., Michigan be designated as the place of Deposit of our savings, checking and special accounts be signed and filed with the above bank. Seconded by Secretary Anthony M. Chamberlin, Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Annual Board of Directors will be held at the Lexington Lansing Hotel, 925 South Creyts Rd., Lansing, Michigan 48197 on August 18, 2011, following the Installation of Grand Officers and the Arch Deputies.

A Motion was then made by the Secretrary, Anthony M. Chamberlin to purchase 14 Arch Deputy Jewels from Buckingham Enterprises at a cost of \$464.00 and if needed, the cords for the jewels, 2<sup>nd</sup> by William L. Mercier, carried.

No further business to come before this Meeting, a motion to adjourn was made by Treasurer, William E. LeVeque, seconded by Vice President, Dwight A. Humm, motion carried, Closed at 3:55 P.M.

> Respectfully submitted Anthony M. Chamberlin, P.M.I.G.M. Grand Recorder

#### **Minutes of the Board of Directors**

Of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan 9/25/2010 held at the Quality Inn, St. Ignace, MI

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am.

Roll Call of Officers found present: President, Steven Striggow; Vice-President,

Dwight Humm; Director, William Mercer. Absent and excused: Anthony M.

Chamberlin, Death in Family; William E. LeVeque, Grand Lodge Meeting.

Others Present: PMIGM, Terry Baker; PMIGM George Lyons, PMIGM; Michael

Whiting; RIGCG; Robert Troutman

The minutes of June 19, 2010 were approved as printed.

The Treasurer's Report was approved as printed.

The V.P. made a motion to pay the bills, it was seconded by Director Mercer and passed.

Old Business:

Traverse City Council U.D. was discussed

Companion Peter Hunt sent the dispensation back to the MIGM. MIGM pointed out that proper protocol regarding the dissolution of this U.D. Council was not followed. He is going to inform them that they must meet and have a unanimous vote in order to dissolve.

The MIGM indicated his desire to have the Grand Council officers present at that meeting. Date and time TBD. He will advise.

The president indicated that the Arch Deputy Jewels were ordered.

New Business: None

The next meeting will be held at the Flint, Seven Degree Day in February; time TBD. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20am.

> Respectfully Submitted, Robert Troutman, Acting Secretary.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 5, 2011

The minutes of the Board of Directors of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan, held at the Flint Masonic Temple, Flint, Michigan on Saturday, February 5, 2010 at 10:00 AM.

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 AM by President Stephen R. Striggow, an opening prayer was then given by Larry A. Inscho, Illustrious Grand Chaplain.

The Roll Call of Officers was then called. Those present were: President – Stephen R. Striggow, Vice President – Dwight A. Humm, Treasurer – William E. LeVeque, Secretary – Anthony M. Chamberlin, and Director – William L. Mercier. There were several other Grand Officers and Past Grand's of the Grand Council in attendance.

The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of September 25, 2010 held at the Quality Inn, St. Ignace, Michigan were presented for approval. President, Stephen R. Striggow called for any additions or corrections to the minutes as printed. The minutes were approved as given.

Treasurer's Report: Grand Treasurer, William E. LeVeque then presented the Treasurer's Report (copy on file). A motion was then made to approve the Treasurer's Report as printed by Dwight A. Humm and  $2^{nd}$  by Director William L. Mercier, motion carried.

#### BILLS

President, Striggow then called for the Bill of the Grand Council (copy on file in the Grand Recorder's Office). A motion was then made by Vice President, Dwight A. Humm and  $2^{nd}$  by Director William L. Mercier that the bill be paid, carried.

#### SICK AND DISTRESSED:

President Striggow informed the members present that Past Most Illustrious Grand Master William Skrepnek has prostrate cancer and is receiving radiation treatments. Our prayers and wishes go out to Most Illustrious Companion Skrepnek on a speedy recovery.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

A discussion was then held on Traverse City Council UD. President, Stephen R. Striggow, Most Illustrious Grand Master, has revoked the Dispensation of Traverse City Council UD and all the members will return to their home councils. It was also noted that Traverse City Council had voted to accept the petition of a new member and had they continued this would have qualified them to receive there Charter. The Dispensation of Traverse City Council UD was returned at the Grand York Rite Session in August, but the Most Illustrious Grand Master gave them time to reconsider. The new members will be placed into Gedaliah Council No. 1858, until they find a home council. The Grand Recorder has notified those members and suggested other Council within there areas.

The Annual Return for Gedaliah Council No. 1858 will need to be included in the 2010 Abstract. The Grand Recorder has noted.

The new Arch Deputies Jewels have been distributed to the Arch Deputies

The matter of the Past Most Illustrious Grand Master's jewels was discussed. We do not have current addresses for either widows of John Longo and Michael Stellute. President Striggow asked Past Most Illustrious Master Brian K. Himes to try to get the jewels.

A question was asked as to what progress has been made on the changes to the Cryptic Law Book. At the present time nothing has changed.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

President, Stephen R. Striggow then announced that a Dispensation to Middleville Council UD has been made and that they will meet all of the qualification to receive their Charter at the Grand Session in August. They will have the new members at the 7 degree day in Kalamazoo on March 5, 2011. They will be meeting on the last Thursday of the month. The Board of Directors then will issue Middleville Council No. 94 as the number of there council.

President, Striggow then read a letter from Vernon Barnhart in regard to the formation of a Preceptory of Yeomen of York in Michigan. Also a letter from the Grand Governor, William P. Herlihy stating that the York Rite College in Michigan has no objection to the formation of the Preceptory. After some discussion a vote as to sending a non-objection letter from the Grand Council was then called. The vote was then taken and found that we are not in favor of forming a Preceptory in Michigan. President Striggow then informed the Secretary to send a letter to Vernon Barnhart informing him that we have not change our stand on the forming of a Preceptory of Yeomen of York in Michigan.

The Grand Recorder, Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM, then asked for permission to get rid of the old fax machine and cabinet. When the file cabinets are brought to the Grand Recorders Office the files will need to be gone through and the old files that are not needed destroyed. The Grand Recorder was then given permission to dispose of what is needed and destroy those records.

A discussion on the Ceremony of Reconstitution of a Council was then held. There will be no changes in the ceremony and that copies will be made for the Officers Handbook.

The Directory for 2010-2011 will be included on the CD with the 2010 Annual Proceedings.

The Grand Recorder reported that there are five Council's that have not sent in their 2010 Annual Return. Of the five, one recorder is a Past Most Illustrious Grand Master and one is a Past Grand Commander; two others are new recorders that replaced recorders that have died. The 2010 Annual Returns were due on January 10, 2011.

Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Warren A. Caruss then announced that the East Central Regional meeting will be held in Grand Rapids on March 12, 2011.

A discussion was then held on the printing of the 2010 Annual Proceedings. After some discussion a motion to print 125 copies of the 2010 Annual Proceeding, to be printed by Romeo Printing in Romeo, Michigan was made by Director William L. Mercier and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice President Dwight A. Humm, carried.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held at the Officers Retreat on April 9, 2011 at 10:00 AM, place to be announced.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors a motion was then made by the Director William L. Mercier and  $2^{nd}$  by Vice President Dwight A. Humm that the meeting be closed, carried.

A Closing prayer was then given by Grand Chaplain Larry A. Inscho and the meeting was then closed at 11:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM Secretary

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING APRIL 8, 2011

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan held at the Quality Inn, St. Ignace, Michigan on April 8, 2011 at 1:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President Stephen R. Striggow at 1:00 PM, an opening prayer was then given by Right Illustrious Companion Robert O. Troutman.

The Roll of Officers was then called; President – Stephen R. Striggow, present; Vice President – Dwight A. Humm, present; Treasurer – William E. LeVeque, present; Secretary - Anthony M. Chamberlin, present; Director – William L. Mercier, present.

The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of February 5, 2011 were read and approved as read.

The Treasurer's Report was then called: Treasurer William E. LeVeque then presented the Treasurer's Report (copy on file). A Motion was then made by Director William L. Mercier and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice President Dwight A. Humm to accept the Treasurer's Report as given, carried.

BILLS: President Striggow then called for the Bills of the Grand Council (copy on file in the Grand Recorders Office). A motion was then made by the Secretary, Anthony M. Chamberlin and  $2^{nd}$  by the Treasurer, William E. LeVeque that the bills be paid, carried.

SICK AND DISTRESSED:

President Striggow informed the members that Past Most Illustrious Companion William Skrepnek is doing much better having received treatment for prostrate cancer. Past Most Illustrious Companion Kenneth Chandler, has cancer and further tests are to be done.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

We have received a report that Betty Longo has passed. Her husband was John Longo, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master. We are still trying to locate Janice Stellute wife of Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Michael Stellute.

The Grand Recorder reported that all of the information to form a new Council in Middleville has been sent to Illustrious Companion Robert E. Cooper. That they should have everything in order to receive their Charter at the Grand Session in August.

Most Illustrious Grand Master Striggow then appointed the following to the Charters and Dispensations Committee:

Warren A. Caruss, PMIGM, Chairman Philip C. Smith David A. Bartell Sr.

He also appointed Robert O. Troutman to the Joint York Rite Membership Committee. This committee will work jointly with the Grand Commandery to develop ways to obtain membership. Grand Master Striggow is to report back on this committee.

The Grand Recorder has reported that the 2010 Annual Proceedings are at the printers and will be sent out as soon as they are received. The Grand Recorder then presented his report on all receipts that have been received as of this date.

#### **NEW BUSNESS:**

A discussion was then held on the amount of money given to the Grand Officers for the General Grand Council Session. It was then moved that the Special Assessment Fund be moved to the Triennial Fund by Treasurer William E. LeVeque and  $2^{nd}$  by Vice President Dwight A. Humm, carried.

A motion was then made to give the Grand Officers the amount of the cost of the room for the Session of General Grand along with the Registration fee and the cost of the Grand Banquet by Secretary Chamberlin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice President Humm, motion carried.

#### Surety Bond:

A discussion was then held on a Surety Bond; Most Illustrious Companions Warren A. Caruss, and William E. LeVeque will check into the E & O Policies for the Treasurer and Recorder as to the cost of the insurance and present that information at the next Board of Directors meeting.

Information on Middleville Council UD will be forwarded to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations when the letter requesting their Charter is received by the Grand Recorder.

The Cryptic Law Book was then discussed. Illustrious Companion Rick Tonda will be contacted to find out what information he has on his computer. This will be a big help in the rewriting of the Cryptic Law Book.

Illustrious Companion Jack M. Temsey has offered to donate to the Grand Council 150  $-8\frac{1}{2}$  X 11 Purple notebook folders.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors a motion was then made by Treasurer LeVeque and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice President Humm to close the meeting, carried.

A Closing prayer was then given by Right Illustrious Companion Robert O. Troutman and the meeting was then closed at 2:40 PM. With the next meeting of the Board of Directors to be held at the Lexington Lansing Hotel on Tuesday, August 16, 2011, time to be announced.

Respectfully submitted, Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM Secretary

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AUGUST 16, 2011

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan held at the Lexington Lansing Hotel, Lansing, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order by President Stephen R. Striggow at 9:30 PM. And opening Prayer was then given by Right Illustrious Companion Robert O. Troutman.

The Roll of Officers was then called: President – Stephen R. Striggow, present; Vice President – Dwight A. Humm, present; Treasurer – William E. LeVeque, present; secretary – Anthony M. Chamberlin, present; Director – William L. Mercier, present.

Others that were present: Robert O. Troutman and Richard Stange.

The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of April 8, 2011 were read and approved as read.

The Treasurer's Report was then called: Treasurer William E. LeVeque then presented the Treasurer's Report (copy on file). A motion was then made by Secretary Chamberlin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Mercier to accept the Treasurer's Report as given, carried.

BILLS: President Striggow then called for the Bills of the Grand Council (copy on file in the Grand Recorders Office). A motion was then made by the Secretary Chamberlin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by the Treasurer LeVeque that the bills be paid, carried.

#### SICK AND DISTRESSED: None

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Janice Stellute wife of Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Michael Stellute has been located and we now have her current address. The Secretary will get in contact with her about the Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Jewel.

The Secretary reported that the address database for Middleville Council is completed.

The Grand Recorder then reported that the 2010 Annual Proceedings have been sent to everyone.

The Surety Bond was not discussed because we had no information. This must be discussed at our next Board meeting.

The New Notebooks have not been received from Illustrious Companion Jack Temsey as of this date. He donated 150 three ring binders for the new Cryptic Law Books.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Annual Proceedings were then discussed. That the Grand Recorders of our Sister Jurisdictions be sent the Annual Proceedings as an attachment to an e-mail. That of the 67 Grand Recorders there are only 6 that do not e-mail and will have to be sent by regular mail service. That the Annual Proceedings could be sent to all of the Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, Recorders and Grand Representative that have email also. By sending the Annual Proceedings this way we could cut costs. We would only print 100 copies of the Annual Proceedings. The Annual Proceedings would also be placed on our website for viewing. It was then moved that the above become a motion, it was then moved by the Secretary Chamberlin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice President Humm, carried.

A discussion was then held on the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International per-capita. During the discussion we need to think about passing this on to the membership as an assessment for General Grand Council. Further discussion is needed as to what should be done.

The Grand Council should think about adding to our budget an item for advertisement for Past Most Illustrious Grand Master George C. Sellars. There will be a yearbook to be given out at his session as Grand Master of the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International in the year 2014.

The two trophies, TIM and Recorder of the Year, need to be replaced or increased in size. We have or will be out of plates for engraving next year. Further discussion is needed.

We have three sets of gavels: One set is in a box that we use at the Grand Session (The Square, compass and trowel, two sets0 and two bags with sets of gavels. We need to discuss what we are to do with the two sets of gavels.

The Cryptic Law Book that was retyped by Richard Tonda has been received and will be of a great help to the Committee. The Board of Directors need to work with this committee to assist in making the needed changes and legislation need to approve those changes.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors a motion was then made by Treasurer LeVeque and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice President Humm to close the meeting, carried.

A Closing prayer was then given by Right Illustrious Companion Robert O. Troutman and the meeting was then closed at 10:30 PM.

The next Board of Directors meeting to be held at the Quality Inn, St. Ignace, Michigan on Saturday September 24, 2011 at 10:00 AM the place is to be announced.

Respectfully submitted, Anthony M. Chamberlin, PMIGM Secretary 2011 GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS 76

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#### Living Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters Present Mailing Address

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**STEPHEN R. STRIGGOW,** (2010) 16463 Fish Lake Rd., Holly, MI. 48442-8347, (248) 634-3479

#### SUCCESSION OF MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTERS

#### Year, Name, Residence When Elected, and Remarks

- 1858 NATHAN B. CARPENTER, Detroit. Died 1867.
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- 1860 FRANCIS DARROW; Pontiac. Died April 11, 1873.
- 1861 JOHN CLARK, St. Clair. Died February 19, 1876.
- 1862 DAVID BURHAM TRACY, Detroit. Died February 19, 1906.
- 1863 EDWARD A'. ELLIOT, Detroit. Died November 15, 1880.
- 1864 GARRA BENJAMIN NOBLE, Detroit. Died February 9,1897.
- 1865 DAVID BOVEE, Coldwater. Died July 19, 1900.
- 1866 SEAMAN L. DART, Coldwater. Died February 8,1883.
- 1867 WILLIAM SHERMAN EDWARDS, Hillsdale; Died May 19, 1913.
- 1868 JOSEPH THAYER HAYDEN, Hillsdale. Died April 24,1898.
- 1869 CHARLES HIRAM PUTNAM, Hudson. Died May 15, 1895.
- 1870 OLIVER LYMAN SPAULDING, St. Johns. Died July 30,1922.
- 1871 EBENEZAR SPRAGUE, Lyons. Died January 2,1892.
- 1872 HENRY SHAW NOBLE, Monroe. Died October 23, 1908.
- 1873 WILLIAM BROWN, Battle Creek. Died September 23,1880.
- 1874 WILLIAM BROWN, Battle Creek. Died September 23, 1880.
- 1875 MORTIMER MANSFIELD, Coldwater. Died December 20,1883.
- 1876 GEORGE HILL, JR, Portland. Died October 3,1920.
- 1877 JOHN R. EVERARD, Jackson. Died November 22, 1891.
- 1878 ANDREW JACKSON UTLEY, St. Louis. Died Nov. 10, 1905.
- 1879 HUGH McCURDY, Corunna. Died July 16, 1908.
- 1880 DAVID WOODWARD, Clinton. Died March 30, 1921.
- 1881 RUFUS CLAGHORN HATHEWAY, Ionia. Died Dec. 8,1896.
- 1882 WILLIAM GILSON HUDSON, Ludington. Died May 28,1924.
- 1883 GEORGE HENRY GREENE, Lansing. Died June 24,1899.
- 1884 JAMES HOUGHLAND CUMMINS, Holly. Died Oct. 29,1908.
- 1885 GEORGE HAMILTON STEPHENSON, St. Johns. Died Oct. 27,1901.
- 1886 ALFRED BALDREY, St. Joseph. Died October 14, 1923.
- $1887 \ ALFRED \ GORDON \ GULLEY; South \ Haven. \ Died \ August \ 15, \ 1917.$
- 1888 ALLEN McKEE, Manistee. Died November 4, 1921.
- 1889 THOMAS GREY GREENE, Centreville. Died December 18, 1911.
- 1890 TRAVERS PHILLIPS, Hastings. Died January 5,1920.
- 1891 CHARLES RUSH BAGG, Detroit. Died August 17,1899.
- 1892 HORACE EDGAR HATCH, Detroit. Died May 4, 1931.
- 1893 FRANK NORMAN CLARK, Northville. Died December 19, 1910.
- 1894 EMERSON MERRIMAN NEWELL, Holly. Died March 13,1930.
- 1895 GEORGE ADELBERT CROSS, Lawrence. Died December 18, 1927.
- 1896 GEORGE PORTER McMAHON, Grand Rapids. Died June 11, 1914.
- 1897 LLOYD B. HESS, Grand Rapids. Died June 10, 1901.
- 1898 CHARLES MILAN NORTON, Lansing. Died September 3,1919.
- 1899 GEORGE DUDLEY SMITH, Muskegon. Died September 1, 1916.
- 1900 RICHARD ALDEN CATTON, Detroit. Died January 9,1903.
- 1901 ITHAMAR TITUS SMITH, Hudson. Died June 13, 1926.
- 1902 BRYON CULVER HILL, Jackson. Died April 15, 1905.
- 1903 JOHN HAMPDEN KINGSLEY, Manchester. Died September 1,1940.
- 1904 DALLAS DOW ALTON, Fremont. Died August 9, 1947.

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1905 BAYARD ALFRED CHURCH, St. Louis. Died April 29, 1944.
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1906 ARTHUR HAMILTON McCLOUD, Detroit. Died October 10, 1917.

1907 FRANK OSCAR GILBERT, Bay City. Died November 26,1929.

1908 CHARLES HENRY PATTERSON, Jackson. Died June 1, 1948.

WILLIAM WENTE, Honorary, Manistee. Died February 25, 1915.

1909 EMORY TOWNSEND, Saginaw. Died October 18, 1933.

1910 WILLIAM PRICE PERRY, Hillsdale. Died December 26, 1923.

1911 JOHN NICHOL, Ionia. Died August 31,1928.

1912 FRANK POMEROY WILCOX, Detroit. Died July 1, 1931.

1913 LOU BARNEY WINSOR, Reed City. Died November 8,1936

1914 JOHN HOMER McCALLUM, Sault Ste. Marie. Died Oct. 25,1918.

1915 HORACE SHELDON MAYNARD, Charlotte. Died Sept. 2,1917.

1916 CLARENCE A. HOWARD, Three Rivers. Died November 27,1922.

1917 FRANK VINTON HALE, Pontiac. Died October 13, 1924.

1918 CHARLES EDGAR CONVERSE, Grand Rapids. Died Oct. 12, 1936.

1919 FRANK SCADDEN, Crystal Falls. Died September 6,1929.

1920 H. BURR LEE, Petoskey. Died May 27, 1951.

1921 ANDREW LINCOLN ARTHUR, Pontiac. Died March 21,1933.

1922 HOWARD EDGAR SLOCUM, Corunna. Died December 2,1957.

1923 WILLIS VIRGIL CAPRON, Flint. Died June 9, 1924.

1924 CHARLES WADE MIXER, Hastings. Died November 11,1934.

1925 WILLARD B. OAKES, Lansing. Died May 17, 1929.

1926 NEIL EDWIN REID, Mount Clemens. Died May 4, 1956.

1927 DANIEL WILLARD McMILLAN, Detroit. Died August 31,1938.

1928 JOHN PALMER WOOD, Lakeland, Florida. Died March 30, 1947.

1929 EDWIN JESSE MacMILLAN, Grand Rapids. Died Oct. 301938.

1930 JAMES STEPHEN POTTER, Hillsdale. Died Dec. 23, 1954. 1931 ORON JOHN RICHARD BURY, Ann Arbor. Died Sept. 29, 1944.

1932 ARTHUR EDDY WEST, Kalamazoo. Died April 22, 1941.

1933 ARTHUR EDDY WEST, Kalamazoo. Died April 22, 1941.

1934 JOHN E. CLARK. Died September 15, 1972.

1934 WILLIAM HENRY JOHNSTON, Leslie. Died June 6,1948.

1935 FRED A. YOUNG, Dowagiac. Died April 23, 1980.

1936 WILLIAM ALOYS BILZ, Spring Lake. Died April 12, 1940.

1937 CLAUDE EZRA FURGASON, Lansing. Died February 4,1939.

1938 WILLIAM CLIFFORD WHEATON, Elk Rapids. Died Dec 17,1962.

1939 SAMUEL RYERSON WILDE, Saginaw. Died June 15, 1956.

1940 ARCHIE KIDFORD ADAMS, Iron Mountain. Died March 16, 1950.

1941 HOLLIS J. COLYER, Pleasant Ridge. Died June 4,1967.

1942 HAROLD P. WILLIAMS, R.F.D, Otisville. Died June 2,1967.

1943 MARK C. CARPENTER, Glendora, California. Died Feb. 12, 1965.

1944 JOHN D. RIGG, Hillsdale. Died May 23,1965.

1945 RUSSELL J. HAMMOND, Lake City. Died December 16, 1984.

1946 FRANK J. MEISTER, St. Petersburg, Florida, Died Jan. 30, 1960.

1947 SAMUEL E. BALLANTINE, Detroit. Died August 5, 1948.

1948 DONOVAN L. DYER, Ann Arbor. Died August 24, 1961.

1949 WILLIAM E. DORAN, Flint. Died January 3, 1976.

1950 JOE RICE, Tecumseh. Died October 15, 1965.

1951 CHARLES H. SINCLAIR, Cadillac. Died October 5,1968.

1952 LLOYD E. KNAPP, Lansing. Died October 20, 1976.

1954 CLYDE G TOWNSEND, Pontiac. Died March 15, 1964.

1955 RUSSELL H. KIKSTADT, Clearwater, Florida, Died December 6, 1990.

1956 CLIFFORD A. TAYLOR, Spring Lake. Died December 29,1966.

1957 ARVIDE R. NORTH, Mason. Died May 25, 1984.

1958 CHARLES D. LOGSDON. Zephyrhills, Florida, Died Nov. 24, 1989.

1959 RAYMOND M. CARLSON, Okemos. Died September 17,1972.

1960 JAMES VAN WAGONER, Saginaw. Died September 7, 1975.

1961 WILLIAM H. HARMON, Cheboygan. Died October 22, 1977.

1962 JOSEPH H. MURRAY, Kalamazoo. Died August 14, 1967.

1963 ARTHUR N.ROZELLE, Brooklyn. Died March 5, 1986.

1964 WALTER S. PATTISON, Muskegon. Died August 7, 1965.

1965 ROYCE E. CURL1S, Sault Ste. Marie. Died June 1, 1997.

1966 EARL E. PETTIT, Williamston. Died November 30, 1979.

1967 KENNETH 1. PENBERTHY, Royal Oak. Died March 6,1988.

1968 CHARLES PHILO SHEFFIELD, Grand Rapids. Died June 17, 2004.

1969 LELAND C. DENNIS, Pontiac. Died October 16, 1985.

1970 WARREN G. MAJOR, Centreville. Died July 13, 1998.

1971 WANG-JUITING (RAY) LIVINGSTON, Boulder, CO. Died April 18, 1995.

1972 ROBERT S. SPENCER, Lakeland, FL. Died October 31, 1985.

1973 RICHARD GLEN DEANE, Flushing, Died September 18, 1992.

1974 JOHN LONGO, Winter Haven, Florida, Died, November 8, 2008

1975 ERNEST L. WELSH, Gobles. Died April 29, 2004.

1976 HAROLD E. BLAESS, Ann Arbor. Died July 3,1986.

1977 GEORGE BOOKLESS, Rochester. Died January 20,1985.

1978 GEORGE W POST, Mason. Died May 8, 1984.

1979 ROBERT ALVIN STUTESMAN, Gaylord. Died October 19, 2002.

1980 J. BRUCE ELDRED, Mt. Pleasant. Died July 1, 2008

1981 KAI VILMER KOFOED, Grand Rapids, Died August 30,1997.

1982 GLENCOE GORDON GOODMAN, Palm Harbor, FL

1983 WILLIAM SKREPNEK, Lennon.

1984 GORDON J. KARSLAKE, Mason

1985 KENSELL RICHARD GOSS, Gobles. Died March 31, 2003.

1986 CHARLES THEODORE MYER, Trenton.

1987 ROBERT ANDREW WILSON SR., Channing. Died March 27, 2002.

1988 GEORGE CLOW SELLARS, Harrison Twp

1989 ROBERT PAUL BISHOP, Flint. Died June 16, 1991.

1990 GEORGE W. H. LYONS, Shelby Twp.

1991 MICHAEL LOUIS STELLUTE, Concord. Died September 6, 2009

1992 ERNEST BERRY, Trenton.

1993 JEFFREY KEITH BURK, Gaylord.

1994 MICHAEL JAMES JUNGEL, Vicksburg.

1995 KENNETH DEAN CHANDLER, Mason.

1996 CHARLES EDWARD STEWART, Monroe

1997 DONALD LEE HIMES, Washington Twp.

1998 RONALD B. BLAISDELL, Redford.

1999 JERRY C. TOWNSEND, Marcellus.

2000 JAMES E. PRESTON, Rockford. Died November 24, 2005

2001 DUANE E. WARNER, Watervliet, Died May 8, 2011

2002 WILLIAM EUSTACE LE VEQUE, Wetmore.

2003 WILLIAM A. SIEBERT, Gladwin.
2004 TERRY GAYLORD BAKER, Marysville.
2004 MICHAEL WHITING. Pontiac.
2005 KENNEY L. LENFESTEY, Brighton
2006 WARREN A. CARUSS, Lansing
2007 HENRY L. SEITZ, Stephenson, Died August 3, 2011
2008 ANTHONY MARTIN CHAMBERLIN, Marysville
2009 BRIAN KURT HIMES, Eastpointe
2010 STEPHEN R. STRIGGOW, Holly

# GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

**Near Michigan Near Sister Jurisdiction** 

Terry G. Baker	Alabama	Carmel D. Olive
	Alaska	
		Elston R. Dibble
Larry A. Inscho	Arkansas	Jimmy W. Bennett
Scott Stewart	Australia-South	•••••
Stephen R. Striggow	Australia-New South Wales	
Daniel Stewart	Australia-Vistoria	••••
Kenney L. Lenfestey	California	Frederick G. Kleyn, III
Donald L. Trumbull	Canada-East	Gerald B. MacLellan
William E. Le Veque	Canada-Ontario	Thomas G. Janes
	Canada-West	Hugh E. Ferster
William Skrepnek	Colorado	Aaron Heizer
R. Michael Colpus	Connecticut	Gary A. Littlefield
James M. Kiefer	Delaware	
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		Walter Eichin
		Dimitrios Papakyriakow
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	Kentucky	
	Louisiana	
	Maine	
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Robert E. Cooper	Minnesota	James Fisher
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	Missouri	
	Monaco	

Wayne E. Caruss		
		Warren D. Lichty, Jr.
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Richard E. Cooper	. New Hampshire	Russell H. Coleman
William A. Siebert	New Jersey	Paul D. Loveland, Jr.
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Bart A. Porter	North Carolina	Tom Janyssek
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Paul W. Roggow	Oregon	Mark deRohan Barondes
Emil H. Shatz		
Michael Whiting	Pennsylvania	George E. Silvers
Richard E. James		
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Richard E. Hansen	Rhode Island	Charles F. Lindsley
Melvin L. Easterday		
Anthony M. Chamberlin	Scotland	William Hannah Stuart
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# PROCEEDINGS OF THE 2011 ASSEMBLY THE MICHIGAN COUNCIL OF THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS

The Sixty Seventh Annual Assembly of the Michigan Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters was opened in due form at the Lexington Hotel, Lansing, Michigan on August 18, 2011, at 4:39 PM by the Thrice Illustrious Master K. Lee Yeager. A warm welcome was extended too all members and guests.

The names of the candidates for this order were read, as follows:

Ronald E. Gorecki Monroe Council No. 1 Eldin M. Miller River Raisin No. 4

Daniel E. Kortes Mount Clemens Council No. 8

John A. Fossler Tvre Council No. 10 **Matthew Beste Union Council No. 11** Wesley W. Tapp Adrian Council No. 18 Sammy D. G. Teeter Niles Council No. 19 Eugene F. Zernia Niles Council No. 19 Joshua S. Wilson **Lansing Council No. 29** Richard G. Hitch Northville Council No. 30 Ronald L. Sprees **Jackson Council No. 32 Tom Royce Jackson Council No. 32** Lewis D. Pipkin Marine City Council No. 59 **Richard Stange** Kalamazoo Council No. 63 Jack M. Temsey **Livingston Council No. 73** John R. VanWagoner Cass City Council No. 90 Mark Waterman **Bedford Council No. 91** Dennis J. Warner **Bedford Council No. 91** 

Middleville U.D.

Leonard A. Boss Straits Area Council No. 92

It was moved, seconded, and carried that all the candidates so named will receive the "Order of the Silver Trowel".

It was moved and seconded that Honorary Membership be granted to Right Illustrious Companion Prince D. Selvaraj , Grand Marshal of Ontario. The motion was carried.

The prologue was given by Most Illustrious Companion Stephen R. Striggow, from Durand Council No. 38. The Heralds gave the lessons, and the Officers of the Michigan Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters portrayed the "Order of the Silver Trowel".

### The Cast

T.I. Master	K. Lee Yeager
King David	K. Lee Yeager
T.I. Senior Warden	Donald L. Trumbull
T.I. Junior Warden	John T. Updike
T.I. Steward	
T.I. Chaplain	Michael Whiting, PTIM
T.I. Recorder/Treasurer	
T.I. Sentinel	William A. Siebert
1 <sup>st</sup> . Herald	Larry A. Inscho
2 <sup>nd</sup> . Herald	David Bartell, Sr.
3 <sup>rd</sup> . Herald	
4 <sup>th</sup> . Herald	
5 <sup>th</sup> . Herald	Philip Smith
6 <sup>th</sup> . Herald	James M. Kiefer
7 <sup>th</sup> . Herald	
8 <sup>th</sup> . Herald	
Prologuizer	

#### **Business of the Council**

An excellent portrayal of the Order of the Silver Trowel Degree was conferred for the pleasure of the candidates and members of the Assembly.

After the Degree, Thrice Illustrious Master K. Lee Yeager called to order the Michigan Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters for the business of the Council.

Thrice Illustrious Master K. Lee Yeager congratulated the newly made Thrice Illustrious Masters and hoped that they had enjoyed the conferral of the degree.

Thrice Illustrious Master K. Lee Yeager introduced the Past Thrice Illustrious Masters in attendance.

It was moved and seconded that the Records and Financial Report of the last Assembly printed in the 2010 Proceedings be approved. The motion carried. **Financial Report** 

Beginning Balance as of August 19, 2010	\$1,411.23
<b>Receipts from Fees</b>	\$ 500.00
Expenses	<b>\$ 419.84</b>
Balance as of August 18, 2011	\$1,491.39

It was moved and seconded to pay the Recorder the annual fee of \$100.00 as stated in the By Laws. The motion carried.

The Recorder had no out of pocket expenses.

It was reported that the Sentinel needs to have the Herald robes cleaned.

#### **Election of Officers for 2011-2012**

It was moved and seconded the Officers be advanced one station, and that the Recorder/Treasurer be reelected. The motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that Francis Callahan be elected Sentinel. The motion carried.

Companion Michael Whiting, PTIM was appointed Chaplain by the incoming Thrice Illustrious Master Donald L. Trumbull. The incoming Thrice Illustrious Master appointed the Prologuizer and Heralds, and all accepted their appointments.

The officers elected and appointed were then installed by George C. Sellars, PTIM, Installing Grand Master, assisted by Carl S. Hobday, PTIM, as Installing Grand Marshal.

#### 2011-2012 Officers

Donald L. Trumbull, No. 73	Thrice Illustrious Master
P.O. Box 997, Pinckney, MI 4816	9-0997, (734) 878-1714
John T. Updike, No. 4 Thrid	ce Illustrious Senior Warden
1536 Longfellow Drive, Tempera	nce, MI 48182
Robert E. Cooper, No. 10 (2006) Thric	e Illustrious Junior Warden
101 20 Mile Road NE, Cedar Springs 4	9319-9629 (616) 696-4847
Brian K. Himes, PTIM, No. 8 Thrice Illus	strious Recorder/Treasurer
24584 Laetham, Eastpointe, MI 4	8021-1046, (586) 772-558
William A. Siebert, No 20	Thrice Illustrious Steward
P.O. Box 116, Gladwin, MI 48624	I-0116, (989) 426-3559
Frank Callahan, No. 73	Thrice Illustrious Sentinel
1233 Peavy Road, Howell, MI 488	843-8852, (517) 546-7078
Michael Whiting, PTIM, No. 1	<b>Thrice Illustrious Chaplain</b>

### Heralds

$1^{st}$	Larry A. Inscho, No. 90 (2010)
	P.O. Box 143, Fostoria, MI 48435-0143, (989) 795-8138
2 <sup>nd</sup>	David A. Bartell, Sr., No 1 (2011)
	426 Colonial Ct., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI. 48236-2853 (313) 882-
9618	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Emmett W. Mills, Jr., No. 1 (2011)
	3106 Ferncliff, Royal Oak, MI. 48073-2313 (248) 280-0776

- **∆**th Michael Roberts, No. 4 (2008) 432 East 3rd, Monroe, MI 48161 (734) 384-0451
- 5<sup>th</sup> Phil Smith, No. 38 (2009)

13362 Lake Shore Drive, Fenton, MI 48430-1022 (810)

- 6<sup>th</sup> James M. Kiefer, No. 10 (2009)
  - 3147 Sunny Creek Court, Hudsonville, 49426-9027 (616) 662-0288
- Jack M. Temsey, No. 73 (2011)

7407 Shellflower, Apt. 3, Lansing, 48917 (330) 605-1849

- 8<sup>th</sup> Richard Porter, No. 62 (2010)
  - 6438 Hilliard Road, Lansing, MI 48911-5626, (517) 393-2565

Thrice Illustrious Master Donald L. Trumbull thanked the installing officers and members for their confidence and support.

The Recorder then presented a Past Thrice Illustrious Masters Jewel to Past Thrice Illustrious Master, K. Lee Yeager.

The candidates were presented with their Dues Cards, and a Silver Trowel,

The Michigan Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters was then closed in due form by the Thrice Illustrious Master Donald Trumbull at 5:46 PM.

> Respectfully submitted, Brian K. Himes, PTIM Thrice Illustrious Recorder/Treasurer

#### **Succession of Thrice Illustrious Masters**

- 1944-46 \*Hollis J. Colver, No. 1, Pleasant Ridge
- 1946-47 \*Harold P. Williams, No. 56, Ortisville
- 1947-48 \*Mark C. Carpenter, No. 29, Pasadena, CA
- 1948-49 \*Sherman W. Garnett, No. 38, Owosso
- 1949-50 \*Robert Inskip, No. 86, Ann Arbor
- 1950-51 \*John F. Beel, No. 29, Lansing
- 1951-52 \*Earl E. Pettit, No. 64, Williamston
- 1952-53 \*Ernest J. Whitlock, No. 39, Livonia
- 1953-54 \*J. Wallace Royce, No. 8, Clawson
- 1954-55 \*Walter J. Way, No. 54, Muskegon
- 1955-56 \*Harry M. Cook, No. 59, St. Clair Shores
- 1956-57 \*Jerome W. Hartman, No. 29, Lansing
- 1957-58 \*William M. Allen, No. 73, Brighton
- 1958-59 \*Ivan W. Hughes, No 9, Athens
- 1959-60 \*Walter S. Pattison, No. 54, Muskegon
- 1960-61 \*Kenneth J. Penberthy, No.1, Royal Oak
- 1961-62 \*John L. Campbell, No. 20, Saginaw
- 1962-63 \*Earl L. Ries, No. 73, Howell
- 1963-64 \*Marquis A. Sartell, No. 3, Pontiac
- 1964-65 \*Thomas W. Bailey, No. 1, Highland Park
- 1965-66 \*Orrie C. Mead, No. 64, Holiday, FL

- 1967-68 \*Daniel Yakuber, No. 1, Detroit
- 1968-69 \*R. L. Hart Oldham, No. 57, Marshall
- 1969-70 \*Floyd E. Barnes, No. 19, Niles
- 1970-71 \*Charles W. Rideoutt, No. 54, Spring Lake
- 1971-72 \*Walter D. Hutchins, No. 30, Wayne
- 1972-73 \*Kai V. Kofoed, No. 10, Grand Rapids
- 1973-74 \*Kenneth Yager, No. 60, Roscommon
- 1974-75 \*Benjamin A. Rossin, No. 86, Ann Arbor
- 1975-76 \*George S. Parker, No.59, New Hudson
- 1976-77 \*O. Eugene Osborne, No. 1, Trenton
- 1977-78 \*Earl C. Quakenbush, No. 86, Ann Arbor
- 1978-79 \*Ralph W. Raiford, Jr., No. 86, Ann Arbor
- 1979-80 \*Orville J. Henschel, No. 37, Constantine
- 1980-81 Charles T. Myer, No. 1, Trenton
- 1981-82 \*Masao Kon, No. 86, Ann Arbor
- 1982-83 \*Richard M. Crofut, No. 4, Trenton
- 1983-84 \*Jack N. Shimonishi, No. 30, Detroit 1984-85 \*Raymond A. McPhee, No. 23, Lansing
- 1984-85 \*Kensell R. Goss, No. 63, Gobels (Honorary)
- 1985-86 \*W. Wayne Stephenson, No. 60, Wolverine
- 1986-87 \*Gorman Nicholson, No. 1, Gilbraltar
- 1987-88 \*David F. Hicks, No. 32, Brooklyn
- 1988-89 Ernest Berry, No. 4, Trenton
- 1989-90 \*Kendall E. Welch, No. 3, Pontiac
- 1990-91 \*John J. Dull, No. 9 & 91, Nashville
- 1991-92 \*Carl H. Cull, No. 56, Burton
- 1992-93 Robert Vessey, No. 4, Ottawa Lake
- 1993-94 George C. Sellars, No. 8, Harrison Twp.
- 1994-95 Donald L. Himes, No. 8, Washington Twp.
- 1995-96 Brian K. Himes, No. 8, Eastpointe
- 1996-97 Paul C. Howell, No. 86, Ypsilanti
- 1997-98 Carl S. Hobday, No. 3, Auburn Hills
- 1998-99 Clay E. Swinburnson, No. 3, Lake Orion 1999-00 Jerry E. Townsend, No. 6, Marcellus
- 2000-01 Richard E. Cooper, No. 85, Ithaca
- 2001-02 James L. Ketchum, No. 59, Cheboygan
- 2002-03 Ronald B. Blaisdell, No. 1, Redford
- 2003-04 James J. Vann Sr., No. 4, Petersburg
- 2004-05 Carl D. Rufus, No. 11, Willis
- 2005-06 Kenneth D. Chandler, Mason
- 2006-07 Michael Whiting, No. 3, Pontiac
- 2007-08 Kenney Lenfestey, No. 3, Brighton
- 2008-09 Anthony M. Chamberlin, No. 59, Marysville
- 2009-10 Warren Caruss, No. 62, Diamondale
- 2010-11 K. Lee Yeager, No. 4, Temperance
- 2011-12 Donald L. Trumbull, No. 73, Pinckney

#### **DEFUNCT COUNCILS**

St. Clair No.2, Revoked, 1878

Mt. Moriah No.6 (Coldwater) merged with Nebuzaradan No. 37, May 16,1992 and took the No.6.

Three Rivers No.7, Revoked Dec. 15, 1882

Ionia No. 12, Surrendered, Dec. 27,1937

Sturgis No. 13, Surrendered Dec. 13,1936

Hiram (Marshall) No. 14, Revoked Dec. 15,1882

Putnam (Hudson) No. 16, Surrendered Oct. 23, 1877

Genesee (Fenton) No. 17, Arrested Jan. 7, 1889

St. Johns No. 21, Arrested March 28,1933

Mosaic No. 22, Revoked, Dec. 28, 1877

Portland No. 23, Surrendered Merged with No. 62, in 1996

Adoniram No. 24, (Manchester) Surrendered Jan. 1, 1936

King Solomon No. 25 (Big Rapids) Revoked April 28, 1941

Clinton No. 26, Surrendered Dec. 3, 1931

Oceana No. 27 (Pentwater) Revoked Dec. 15, 1882

Dowagiac No. 28, Revoked Dec. 15, 1882

Northville No. 30, Revoked Feb. 17, 1901

Reading No. 31, Arrested Dec. 15, 1882

Ithaca No. 33, Surrendered Dec. 10, 1925

Blanchard No. 34 (Tecumseh) Surrendered March 7, 1933

Union City No. 35, Forfeited May 16, 1982

Charlotte No. 36, Surrendered Feb. 20,1934 Holly No. 39, Surrendered April 16, 1932

Bronson No. 40, Revoked Feb. 19, 1900

Centreville No. 41, Revoked Dec. 15,1882

Lapeer No. 42, Revoked May 15, 1917

Lawrence No. 43, Surrendered Jan 20, 1938 St. Joseph No. 44, Merged with Niles No. 19

South Haven No. 45, merged with St. Joseph 0.44, Sept. 12, 1953

Newago No. 47, Arrested Jan. 12,1884

Ludington No. 48, Revoked April 29, 1941

Giblum No. 49 (Hastings) Surrendered May 27,1947

Grand Haven No. 51, Revoked May 21, 1918

Petoskey No 52, Surrendered Feb. 14, 1939

Bay City No. 53, Merged with No. 20 Dec. 12, 1938

Reed City No. 55, Forfeited March 19, 1935 Sah-gon-ah-ka-to (Alpena) Surrendered Dec. 1, 1938

Traverse City No. 61, Surrendered Dec. 5, 1941

Marquette No. 66, Revoked Feb. 9, 1901

King Cyrus No. 67 (Crystal Falls) Forfeited March 4, 1935

St. Louis No. 68, Revoked May, 15, 1927

Grayling No. 70, Revoked Jan. 16, 1900

David S. Kendall (Houghton), Revoked May 9, 1930

Fred L. Wells No. 74 (Port Huron), Surrendered Feb. 12, 1934

Fremont No. 76, Surrendered Feb. 4, 1944

Sandusky No. 77, Revoked Dec. 27,1979

Colon No. 78, Surrendered Jan. 4, 1934

Mt. Sinai No. 79, Surrendered Dec. 27, 1928

Bessemer No. 80, Merged with Darius No. 75, Dec. 2, 1993

Charlevoix No. 81, Surrendered May 17, 1920

Benzie (Frankfort) No. 82, Revoked May 14, 1931

Eaton Rapids No. 83, Surrendered Dec. 15, 1935

Almont No. 84, Revoked March 3, 1942

Vicksburg No. 87, Merged with Kalamazoo No. 63, April 10, 1959

Jeremiah No. 88 Ferndale, Merged with Mt. Clemens No.8, Sept. 25,1995

Northville No. 89, Took back their old No. 30, 1971-72

Mt. Ararat No.5, Merged with Jackson No. 32, April 14, 2004

Albion No. 57, Took back their old No. 14 and name, Hiram,

August 17,2005, at the Annual Assembly of the Grand Council

Darius Council No. 75, Consolidated with Hiawatha Council No. 65, August 2, 2008

Inverness Council No. 60, Consolidated with Straits Area Council No. 92, August 6, 2009

# In Memoriam



Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan

Henry L. Seitz Elected Most Illustrious Grand Master 2007 Born December 3, 1944, Trenton, Michigan Died August 3, 2011, Stephenson, Michigan

# In Memoriam



Grand Council
Royal and Select Masons of Michigan

Duane E. Warner Elected Most Illustrious Grand Master 2001 Born October 10,1949, East Grand Rapids, Michigan Died May 8, 2011, Watervliet, Michigan

# In Memoriam



Grand Council Royal and Select Masons of Michigan

James R. Sprague Elected Right Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work 2009 Born June 14, 1942, Pontiac, Michigan Died September 2, 2010, Clarkston, Michigan



Dedicated to the Memory of The Honored Dead of our Sister Grand Jurisdictions Year 2010

We Join with Them in Mourning the Loss of Their Beloved Companions in Masonry



Dedicated to the Memory of
Companions
of the
Constituent Councils
Called to the
Supreme Grand Council
In 2010

May Their Services to the Craft Be Long Remembered

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