

**The Grand York Rite
Of Freemasonry
Of Wyoming**

**2022-2023
ANNUAL PROCEEDINGS**



**September 14-17, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

**The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons
The Grand Council of Cryptic Masons
The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar**

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF THE WYOMING
YORK RITE PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP
PROGRAM**

Cheyenne, Wyoming- September 15, 2023

To: The Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming, the Grand Illustrious Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming, the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Wyoming, Officers, and members of the York Rite Bodies of Wyoming.

We were able to pay the full 5% for the previous year to each of the constituent bodies with Life members.

We had several new Life members join this year with most of them coming from older members whose Commandery is forward looking enough to buy Life memberships for these older members knowing that it helps the members and will help that Commandery for many years to come. This is great foresight!

Investments have been better this past year and with the additional dividends we still plan to be able to pay out 5% to the bodies at the end of the year.

The statement for June 2023 is attached.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gary D. Skillern, President
Michael B. Johnson, Treasurer
Robert O. Finley, Secretary

**Time and Place
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming
Report of the Time and Place Committee:**

Companions and Sir Knights:

The Grand York Rite session for September 17-20, 2026, will be held at the Red Lion Hotel and Conference Center in Cheyenne WY. Renovation of the hotel is to start in the Fall of 2023 with rooms completed by June 2024 and the public areas completed by December of 2024.

All information on hotel accommodation and activities involved will be made known to all as this event draws closer.

2023-2024	12-15 Sept	Thermopolis	116th	Chapter
2024-2025	11-14 Sept	Thermopolis	117th	Council
2025-2026	17-20 Sept	Cheyenne	118th	Commandery

“SEC. 1. The Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter shall be held in conjunction with the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming and the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Wyoming on the SECOND Friday and Saturday following Labor Day, at such place as may be designated at the previous Annual Convocation. Each of the three Grand Bodies shall be allowed one-half day for its session.”

Respectfully Submitted,
Cal Van Zee, EG Captain General
Kenneth Humphrey, RE Grand Scribe
Timothy Forbis, IG Captain of the Guard

2022-2023

NAME	DATE	CHAPTER	COUNCIL	COMMANDERY
Allen C. Anderson	8/4/2022	Sheridan #7	Sheridan #3	DeMolay #6
Ralph H. Martin	9/11/2022	Evanston #2	Evanston #10	
Spencer Nichols	11/9/2022	Sublette #21		Sublette
Donald A. Peterson	11/20/2022	Darius # 10	Zabud #6	Constantine #9
Mark Pesognelli	12/21/2022	Garfield #4	Rawlins #5	
Michel L. Johnson	1/23/2023	Lebanon #3	Laramie #2	Immanuel #3
John W. Officer, PGHP	1/27/2023	Capitol #8	Wyoming #1	Apollo #8
Jerry D. Fields	2/15/2023	Mt Hermon #11	Zabud #6	
John W. Maxwell	5/1/2023	Darius #10		Constantine #9
James D. Clingman	6/8/2023	Darius #10	Zabud #6	
James E. Davis	6/11/2023	Mt Horeb #6	Lander #4	

**Joint Sessions Wyoming York Rite
September 15, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

MINUTES:

At 10:30 AM, REGC Preston Goulette called the Joint Session of the Wyoming York Rite meeting to order. He ordered the Wyoming Grand Commandery Color Guard to present the colors and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

At 10:32 AM, EG Prelate Beynon St John gave the Invocation.

At 10:34 AM, PIGM Gary Skillern announced how the Wyoming Introductions work. And at 10:36 AM, he proceeded to introduce visiting dignitaries.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Introductions were made by MEPGHP Thomas R. Nance and MIPGM Gary D. Skillern

BODY	NAME	TITLE
APPENDANT		
MONTANA	EMMA AASTERUD PAULA	JUNIOR MISS MONTANA, JOBS DAUGHTERS INTERNATIONAL
WYOMING	HENDERSON	W PRES, CASPER ASSEMBLY NO. 70, SOC ORD OF THE BEAUCEANT
WYOMING	ROSSANA CHAPLIN	W PRES, SHERIDAN ASSEMBLY NO. 131, SOCL ORD OF THE BEAUCEANT
WYOMING	LINDA KESTER	W P PRES, SHERIDAN ASSEMBLY NO. 131, SOCIAL ORDER OF THE BEAUCEANT

CHAPTER	NO ONE REPRESENTING	
GEN GRND CHAP	MARK D. WELLS	WY AMBASSADOR FOR THE GG CHAP ROYAL ARCH MASONS INTL.
GEN GRND CHAP	TIMOTHY D. FORBIS	NW REG DEP GG HIGH PRIEST, G G CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS INTL.
		OFFICIAL REP ME GG HIGH PRIEST TEKOA A. FOLEY
COUNCIL		
NEBRASKA	FRANK L. BORDEN	MI GM, GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS OF NEBRASKA
MONTANA	MAX MABERRY	MIPGM, GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS OF MONTANA
		OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER WALTER BRADFORD
PENNSYLVANIA	JAMES FLANIGAN	P GRAND COMPANION ORGANIST, G COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS OF PENNSYLVANIA, (PAST DSGHP-PA)
		OFFICIAL REP of MP G MASTER RICHARD FESLER
GEN GRND COUN	RICHARD N. LEWIS	WY AMBASSADOR FOR THE GG COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS INTL.
GEN GRND COUN	DAVID GRINDLE	MP P GG MASTER, GG COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS INTL
		OFFICIAL REP M P GG MASTER WILLIAM G. SNYDER
COMMANDARY		
MONTANA	RONNY AASTERUD	EDGC, GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MONTANA
		OFFICIAL REP OF REG COMMANDER J. W. HALL
FLORIDA	MIKE LEEBOUE	COMMANDERY INSTRUCTOR G COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF FLORIDA
		OFFICIAL REP OF RE G COMMANDER RUSTY LUDLAM
GRAND ENCAMP	JEREMY C. VAUGHN	RE NW DEPT CDR, GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHT TEMPLAR OF NORTH AMERICA

At 11:00 AM, the REGC called for the York Rite Cooperation report. At 11:03 EG Capt General Calvin E. Van Zee gave the Time and Place report and made a motion to accept the report and place it into the Proceedings. The motion was seconded and passed.

At 11:05 AM, SK Alvin L. Young was commissioned as a Knights Templar Chaplain by SK PEGC Jack Cook.

At 11:10 AM, REG Recorder SK Kenneth R. Humphrey read the names of the 2022-2023 deceased York Rite members. The Rose Ceremony was then conducted by MWGHP Richard Lewis, MIGM Gregory Shiek, REGC Preston Goulette and the Grand Lodge of Wyoming was represented by RW Dep G Master Scott Kitchner who was representing the MWGM of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A. M. of Wyoming Thomas G. Needham.

At 11:20 AM, RW Dep GM Scott Kitchener addressed the Joint Sessions.

At 11:21 AM, REGC Preston Goulette made general announcements concerning lunches, banquets, and the Ladies program.

At 11:22 AM, REGC Preston Goulette declared that the Joint Sessions was done.

**York Rite Annual Sessions Awards
September 16, 2022
Cheyenne, Wyoming**

At 7:40 PM, REGC Preston Goulette acting as Master of Ceremonies opened the 2022-2023 Awards Presentation ceremonies and conducted the Silent Auction. \$3110.00 was raised and will be divided amongst the YR Bodies' various charities.

Chapter

PGHP Richard N. Lewis began the Chapter awards by presenting the Chapter Sweetheart award to Mrs. Regine Williams. He asked all Ladies who have this award to come forward. He then presented the Chapter of the Year award to Sheridan Chapter #7. PGHP Lewis presented a new award "Companion of the Year" to Companion Stephen Fowler of Evanston Chapter #2. PGHP Lewis then awarded the Bronze Meritorious Award to Companion David Hammond of Lebanon Chapter #3. The Ephraim Kirby award was awarded to Companion Dana Deuel, PGHP of Capitol Chapter #8. Companion Timothy D. Forbis NW Dep GG HP presented PGHP Richard N. Lewis his PGHP pin and his permanent member of the GG Chapter RAM, Itn'l card. PGHP Lewis was then presented with his Year of Service plaque. NW Dep GG HP Timothy D. Forbis continued with calling attention to Companion Kenneth M. Badget having been awarded Emeritus status as REG Secretary and awarded the title of Past Grand High Priest (Honorary). He asked Lady Diane Badget to stand and be escorted to the Podium proceeded to point out Ms. Badget's contributions to the Grand Chapter of Wyoming over the years and gave her the title of Head Chair of the Line Ladies' Emeritus.

PIGM Gregory K. Shiek then began the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming 's portion of the awards ceremony. He asked all First Responders to approach the podium and then proceeded to award the First Responder Award to Ms. Kara Kim Dunlap of Sheridan, Wyoming. PIGM presented the Youth Leadership award to Companion Spencer Morris of Sheridan Council #3. He continued by awarding the Cryptic Mason of the Year to Michael J. Strahan of Sheridan Council #3.

PIGM Shiek commented on the Order of the Secret Vault that was held earlier in the Day and noted that Companions Jack Cook of King Solomon Council #8 and Kim L. Kurasz of Lander Council #4 had received these very distinguished awards. He asked all recipients of this award to stand.

PIGM Shiek presented Ms. Cheri Shiek with the Lady of the Council award. RP Reg Dep GG Master Rabi Piefer of the GG Council Cryptic Masons, Itn'l, proceeded to present PGHP Gregory K. Shiek with his Year of Service plaque, his pin, and his permanent member of the GG Council membership card.

PEGC Preston Goulette along with the RE NW Dept Commander of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America SK Jeremy Vaughn awarded the Fran Wells award to DeMolay Commandery #6 and all members of this Commandery were asked to come forward. SK Vaughn then asked all Ladies who had received this award to stand.

The KTCH award went to Robert M. Forrister of DeMolay Commandery #6. PEGC Preston Goulette was then presented with his PEGC shoulder boards and his purple Cordon. SK Vaughn then presented PEGC Goulette with his Year of Service plaque.

This completed the 2022-2023 York Rite awards program.

**MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH
MASONS
OF WYOMING
PROCEEDINGS OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH
ANNUAL CONVOCATION**



**HELD AT
SHERIDAN, WYOMING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2023**

M. E. GRAND HIGH PRIEST

**Richard N. Lewis
PRESIDING**



**General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, International
Officers 2023-2026**

General Grand High Priest

M.:E.:C.: Teko A. Foly

General Grand King

R.:E.:C.: Chadwick B. Burks

General Grand Treasurer

R.:E.:C.: Joe E. Kier

Dep GG HP NW

Ambassador to Wyoming

General Grand Scribe

R.:E.:C.: Reed B. Fanning

General Grand Secretary

R.:E.:C.: Dick E. Browning

Timothy D. Forbis, PGHP

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2022-2023

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Grand Chapter RAM~WY

Committee Assignments 2022-2023

Appeals and Grievances	Jurisprudence
Jack Cook (1)	Mark Wells PGHP (7)
Cal VanZee (3)	Joseph Boster II PGHP (8)
George C. Smith (9)	Harland Goodchild PGHP (10)
Budget	Finance
S. Craig Henderson (19)	Christopher Schroeder (21)
Thomas R Nance PGHP (7)	Cal Van Zee (3)
Kenneth Badget (10)	S. Craig Henderson (19)
Ex Officio Jack C. Cook (1)	
Charters Under Dispensation	Investments
Kenneth R. Humphrey (7)	S. Craig Henderson (19) 1yr
Mark Pesognelli (4)	Gregory K. Shiek (7) 2yr
Stephen Allen, PGHP (5)	Christopher Schroeder (21) 3yr
Visitor/Courtesy	Necrology
Jack C. Cook (1)	Quinn Carroll (1)
Gregory K Shiek (7)	Kenneth M. Badget (10)
S. Craig Henderson (19)	All Chap Secy's
Credentials	York Rite Cooperation
John Farmer (1)	Jacob Stetler (6)
James Rader (7)	Bryan Compton (7)
Gary Lankford (4)	Charles Conroy (5)
Division and Reference	Meritorious Service Award
Steve Schlenker PGHP (7)	MEGHP
David T. Smith PGHP (12)	All Constituent Secy's
James L. Sturdevant (7)	
Constitution and By-Laws	RARA
Ronald Van Ekeren (3) 1yr	Brad Neumiller (8)
Kenneth R Humphrey (7) 2yr	Jon Rowe (17)
William A. Biggs (8) 3yr	Harry W.C. Oberg III (2,15)
Wayne W. Long (19) 4yr)
Time and Place	Gottsche Foundation
Grand Scribe RAM	John Brooks III (12)
Captain of the Guard CM	Michael Messenger (12)
Grand Captain General GC	Michael Chimenti (12)

**Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

Minutes:

At 08:06 AM, MEGHP Richard N. Lewis called to order the 115th Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming. At 8:07 the Principal Sojourner Attended the altar and an Invocation was given. At 8:08 GHP asked for the Roll call of the 2022-2023 Grand Officers. All were present except for the EG Mstr 3V Companion Mark Pesognelli who passed away⁶ and the position was filled by Companion Frank D. Kading. At 8:09 AM, the GHP called for the Roll of Constituent Chapters and there were 13 out of 15 with Garfield Chapter #4 Suspended in attendance. With a quorum being established, at 8:14 AM GHP Lewis declared the 115th Convocation of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming open. At 8:15 AM, the GHP asked all PGHP's to assemble West of the Altar for introductions. 9 PGHP's were introduced and given Public Grand Honors.

At 0830, the following visitors were introduced:

Companion Jeffery A. Stiek, Personal Representative of MEGHP Bruce W. Kling, G Chap RAM of Alaska

David Grindle, MPP GG Master GG Council Cryptic Masons, ltn'l representing MP GG Master William G. Snyder

Ronny Aaterud, REGK Grand Chapter RAMI Masons of Montana

Frank L. Borden, MIGM Grand Council Cryptic Masons of Nebraska

James Flanagan, Pus G Organist Grand Council Cryptic Masons of Pennsylvania official representative of Richard Fesler MPGM

At 8:31 AM, GG Mstr of the 3rd V Joseph McIntyre who was escorted to the East and given Public Grand Honors.

At 8:32 AM, the PGHP had the GG Chapter RAM Ambassador PGHP Mark Wells Was introduced who then in turn introduced Timothy D. Forbis, DGGHP of the GG Chapter Royal Arch Masons, International, who is representing the ME GG High Priest of the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons, Intn'l Companion Teko A. Foley. Companion Forbis was escorted to the East given Private Grand Honors and seated in the East.

At 8:35, RWDEPGM Scott Kitchner, representing MWGM Thomas G. Needham of the Grand Lodge A.F. &A.M. of Wyoming was introduced – escorted to the East and given Public Grand Honors and then seated on the Dais.

At 8:38 AM, the GHP allowed the GG Chapter visiting representative to address the Grand Chapter due to a time constraint. He talked about embracing the Masonic life, teaching and learning how to be a Mason and above all that Brotherly love must prevail.

At 8:45 AM, The GHP asked for a Credential Report. There were the following:

Registered ----- 56	Regular Votes – 55	Proxies – 4	Total Votes – 59
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A motion was made to accept the report and print it in the Proceedings, it was seconded and passed.

At 8:50 AM, the GHP declared the ballot open for the election of the 2023-2024 Officers. And set the time to close the ballot at 9:30 AM. He appointed Companions Jon Rowe, Thomas Harmon, and George Williams as the Teller Committee with Companion Rowe as the Chairman.

A motion to provide Honorary membership to those asking for the same was made, seconded, and passed.

A motion to accept the 2021-2022 Proceedings was made – seconded and passed.

A motion to accept the Pre-Printed reports except those requiring further action was seconded and passed.

At 8:58 AM, the GHP directed that Resolution Number 1 be presented. The G Secretary read the resolution and the proposed changes concerning EXPENSES Sec 18 (i) of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming Constitution and By-Laws. This Resolution would drop the requirement to pay dues to the Western States Conference which no longer exists. The Grand Secretary made a motion that this Resolution be adopted and printed in the Proceedings. The motion was seconded and passed.

At 9:04 AM, the GHP declared the ballot closed and excused the Teller committee.

At 9:05 AM, PGHP gave his final allocution. Due to his term expiring MEGHP Lewis stated he was removing the Suspension of Garfield #4 and suggested that REDGHP Jack Cook look into a six-month Suspension of Garfield #4 and REDGHP Cook stood and agreed. MEGHP Lewis made a motion to accept his report and that it be printed in the Proceedings. The Jurisprudence Chairman, PGHP Mark Wells stood in disagreement with the request to removal of Garfield Chapter #4 Suspension for 6 months as it is not in the prevue of the outgoing GHP to intrude upon the Incoming GHP's decisions and referred to Section 10 of the Grand Chapter By-Laws. GHP Lewis withdrew his statement to suspend the Charter for the next six months. He then made a motion to accept his final report addendum – it was seconded and passed.

At 9:11, Comp Joshua Shimkus of Garfield Chapter #4 stood to call for a point of order. He asked why he and his fellow Garfield Chapter #4 Companions had not been allowed to vote. PGHP Nance addressed the issue and Then the Chairman of the Jurisprudence, PGHP Mark Wells, addressed the question by saying that they should have been allowed to vote but since the ballot was already closed then it was not allowed. He apologized for the inattention of this detail. Companion Donald York of Natural Bridge #9 stood to address the Suspension and its impact and what it really means. The Jurisprudence Chairman again referred to Section 10 of the Grand Chapter By-Laws which was followed up by PGHP also addressing Sec 10 of the By-Laws. Companion Shane Kannard of Darius Chapter # 10 said it was moot point as the ballot was closed. At 9:21 AM Comp Shimkus addressed the Grand Chapter and Sec 10 of the By-Laws and stated that he had been denied his right to vote. At 9:22 PGHP Harry Furrey Addressed the Suspension time and stated that the Suspension was in effect until the end of the current GHP's term. The Jurisprudence Chairman then stated that all this should have all been remedied before the vote.

At 9:26 AM, the GHP called for the Secretary's Report. The Grand Secretary stated that his reports were in the Pre-prints but drew attention to the membership and the future financial picture. He then moved that the report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. It was seconded and passed.

At 9:28 AM, the GHP asked for the Treasurers Report. The Grand Treasurer rose and said his report was in the proceedings and there was nothing more to add.

At 9:29 AM, the GHP called for a roll of the Constituent High Priests there were six of fifteen present who were each thanked for the job that they do.

At 9:34 AM, the GHP called for the roll of Constituent Secretaries and there were nine of fifteen present and each one was greeted and thanked for the job that they did. At 9:38 AM, DGGHP Timothy D. Forbis rose to address the Grand Chapter. He made a motion that Outgoing Grand Secretary Kenneth Badget be granted Emeritus status – seconded and was passed. DGGHP Forbis then stated that Grand Secretary had sacrificed many years as Secretary and therefore could not serve as a Grand High Priest so he had asked MEGGHP Teko Folley what could be done, and it was recommended that Companion Ken be granted Honorary Past Grand High Priest status. Companion Forbis put this in the form of a motion. It was seconded and passed.

The GHP asked the Representatives to address the Grand Chapter.

MIGM Frank L. Borden of G Coun Cryptic Masons of Nebraska addressed the Convocation.

Companion Jeffery A. Stiek , representing MEGHP Bruce W. Kling G Chap RAM of Alaska addressed the Convocation

Ronny Aasterud , REGK of the Grand Chapter RAM of Montana representing MEGHP Kim M. Bowman, Sr. addressed the Convocation

At 9:42 AM, the Teller Committee returned with an election. All officers were elected except for the Secretary's position.

MEGHP:	Jack C. Cook	Accepted
DGHP:	S. Craig Henderson	Accepted
G King:	Kenneth R. Humphrey	Accepted
G Scribe:	William A. Biggs	Accepted
REG Capt of Host:	Christopher P. Schroede4r	Accepted
G Treas:	Thomas R. Nance	Accepted

Companion Calvin Van Zee asked what names were on the ballot for Secretary and they were read, and each Companion was polled as to whether he would be willing to assume the duties as Secretary and each declined. Companion Kenneth Humphrey said he could Pro-tem for One (1) year, but he wanted to continue in the Grand line. The GHP and DGHP stated that it would be acceptable.

Companion Donald York how many Secretary votes there were, and Companion Humphrey had received the most but not a majority. Companion York then made a motion to have Companion Kenneth Humphrey become the Pro-Tem Grand Secretary for one (1) year. Seconded and passed.

At 9:50 AM, the GHP called for the Jurisprudence report. The Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee gave his report. There were no issues to be brought before this Convocation. He made a motion that the Jurisprudence report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. It was seconded and passed.

The GHP asked the GHP-Elect Jack C. Cook who his appointment was and received the name of Companion Quinn Carroll. The GHP-Elect presented his instructions for the upcoming Installation. He also discussed his officer re-alignments.

At 10:06 AM, the GHP asked RWDGM Scott Kitchener to address the Convocation. Brother and Companion Kitchner brought greetings from the MWGM Thomas G. Needham. He talked about the need for continued Brotherly love and a desire that we have a successful Grand Sessions.

At 10:10 AM, the Altar was attended.

At 10:11, GHP Lewis called the Convocation to recess.

**Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming
INSTALLATION
September 16, 2023**

Sheridan, Wyoming

Installing Officers for this Public Installation are as follows:

PGHP	James L. Sturdevant	Installing MEGHP
PGHP	Timothy D. Forbis	Installing Capt of the Host
PGHP	Gary D. Skillern	Installing Chaplain
REG Secy	Kenneth M. Badget	Installing Secretary

At 11:06 AM, the Installing MEGHP called the Grand Chapter to order and had the Installing Grand Secy read the names of the 2023-2024 officers – elected and appointed.

MEGHP	Jack C. Cook	REDGHP	S. Craig Henderson
REG King	Kenneth R. Humphrey	REG Scribe	William A. Biggs
REG Cap of Host	Christopher P. Schroeder	REG Treas	Thomas R. Nance*
REG Secy	<i>Vacant</i> **	EG Chap	Larry J. Farnham ***
EG P Sojourner	Frank D. Kading	EG RACapt	Bryan J. Compton
EG Mstr 3 rd Veil	Gregory K. Shiek	EG Mstr 2 nd Veil	Calvin E. Van Zee
EG Mstr 1 st Veil	Weston Huebele	EG Sent	Quinn Carrol

*** Previously installed ** Kenneth R. Humphrey Secretary Pro-Tem (1 Year) *** Not installed**

At 11:13 AM, the Installing MEGHP began the Installation of the 2023-2024 officers. A prayer was offered by the Installing Chaplain. Each officer was presented by the Installing Capt of the Host then installed and conducted to his station. Companions Kenneth Humphrey and Norman King were both given the charge as Secretary. The RE G Treas was previously installed. The EG Chaplain Larry J. Farnham was not available for installation. The new MEGHP was presented with his apron and given Public Grand Honors. At 11:37 AM, the Installing MEGHP declared the officers installed and ordered the Installing Captain of the Host to make the usual Proclamation. At 11:38 AM the installing MEGHP handed the Gavel of Authority to MEGHP Jack C. Cook. MEGHP Jack Cook had the Installing Secretary read a letter from The ME GG High Priest of The General Grand Chapter R.A.M., Itn'l Teko A. Foley. MEGHP Cook made a few remarks on bringing the Masonic family together. He stated that the Suspension of Garfield Chapter #4 no longer stands but they have six months to get their Chapter in order, get reports in and if not then on March 16, their Charter will be revoked. He thanked his Installation team and had each officer introduce his family. At 11:46 AM, the Chaplain gave a benediction. At 11:47 AM MEGHP Cook declared the Grand Chapter Convocation closed.

**FINAL REPORT OF
RICHARD N. LEWIS
MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST
Sheridan, Wyoming**

September 16, 2023

Fraternal greetings to all Companions and distinguished guests. It was my pleasure and honor to serve as Grand High Priest of Wyoming this past year. The late Mark Rexroat had asked me to start in the Grand Chapter Line and I agreed. Unfortunately, Companion Mark passed away before becoming the Most Excellent Grand High Priest. I am very grateful that Most Excellent Companion Steve Schlenker appointed me to the line. I hope that I have lived up to his expectations.

Grand Chapter Appointments

I had the pleasure of appointing Weston Hubele to the line as Grand Sentinel. Weston is an up-and-coming leader in the Masonic family, and I was very fortunate to have him accept the job. I am sure that he will serve the craft well and faithfully. I reappointed my friend Quinn Carroll as Grand Chaplain. He has served us well in this role. I also reappointed to the line William Biggs, Chris Schroeder, Bryan Compton, Mark Pesognelli, Greg Shiek, and Cal Van Zee moving each up a notch to their respective offices.

Masonic Activities

I attended many Masonic events this past year and will only list a few of the more noteworthy ones as we all seem to belong to each body whether it be an honorary body of the York Rite, Scottish Rite etc.

I attended the Northwest Department Conference in Boise Idaho again this year. As has been the custom for several years, the Oregon delegation and the Wyoming delegation had a very fine meal together. It is great that we have Masonic ties along the Oregon Trail. There was a good crowd there. The conference was worthwhile although people are tired of the venue in Boise. There is much discussion of moving it in 2023.

Garfield Chapter: I attended the meeting in Saratoga in October and there were only a couple of companions present. There were two out of town visitors. We discussed their future with no plans being set forth. It is really hard to plan anything with a lack of participation. I went back in December and saw three companions. I had written the High Priest and Secretary ahead of time and followed up with text messages and no one returned my communications. I found three companions there, one of whom was a new member. They wanted to try and open a Council meeting. I filled two positions, and we had a workshop of some sort going over signs, opening and closing etc. Again, we discussed the future of the group. The secretary was not present at any meeting nor was the High Priest. I went back to Saratoga on February 28th and again there was nothing. I had planned on attending in April with Grand Lodge representative Ken Thorpe as they meet in York rite and then Blue Lodge. The meeting was supposed to be election night. The meeting was cancelled because of the rumor that I was coming to take their Charter. I had no intention of doing so. I believed that as long as there was a pulse then maybe there was a chance of survival.

February 8th was my meeting in my own Chapter, Sybille 19, in Wheatland. We are barely able to open with six companions, but we do a good job with what we have. Wheatland has several potential candidates.

I was only able to travel to Cheyenne, Wyoming Chapter 1, on February 15th. The attendance was not great, but the weather was bad as well. We had a good meeting.

I went to Laramie on March 15th. Companion Larry Farnham was absent due to recent surgery. Companion Wayne Sutherland filled in as High Priest and did an excellent job. It was a good meeting with great fellowship before and after. Lebanon Chapter 3 is in good hands.

March 22nd found me in Douglas at Natural Bridge 9. They are struggling and did not have enough companions to open that night. Again, I encouraged them to reach out to the membership and see if they could get more to come to meetings.

The weather started playing havoc with my travel schedule this past spring as I had to reschedule many visits due to snow covered roads and winter storms.

April found me in Casper on the 6th and it was a good meeting with a full house. There was a lot of instruction and good-natured fun at the expense of the younger, newer members. The future is bright for Capitol 8 with the influx of younger companions. Jon Rowe was there to do a Commandery inspection only he found a Chapter meeting. He made some timely remarks. We had a meal beforehand with the ladies of the Beauceant.

On April 11 I traveled to Darius 10 in Cody. The companions treated me to an excellent meal at the Irma Hotel before the meeting. The High Priest and few other officers were not able to be in attendance and several companions stepped up and filled. Ken Badget did a good job of filling in as High Priest. I was given a Chapter penny and coffee cup and greatly appreciated the hospitality.

April 13 found me in Riverton at Mount Horeb Chapter 6. We had a nice meal in the lodge dining room and good opening and closing. I was very grateful for the room provided and the hospitality. Even though winter still had us in her grips the companions from out of town traveled and made it a nice meeting.

In May I finally found my way to Gillette 17. We had a good visit at a local restaurant with some great fellowship. The meeting was sparsely attended. I was impressed by a couple of members who are newer but had learned their opening and closing parts. They had a quorum and made it work. It always impresses me to see how these companions all travel to make their meetings. They come from all over the northeast part of the state.

May 2nd found me in Sheridan 7 Chapter. I was impressed to see 18 companions in attendance. We had a meal beforehand and the ladies of the Beauceant were there as well. Every member but one knew his ritual part and it was a very good full form opening.

May 4th found me back in Casper for a visit. Again, it was a meal with the ladies and a good bunch of companions in Chapter.

On May 6th I was in Riverton attending Equality York Rite College.

May 11th found me in Evanston where there were members from Green River, Kemmerer and Evanston in attendance. We had a meal beforehand and they provided me with a room. These companions are all struggling to survive and want to make it work by having joint meetings. I applaud their efforts and wish them well.

May 17th found me in Laramie again. The companions conferred the first two Chapter degrees on three new companions, one of which is from Wheatland. The work was very well done and I was asked to participate. I felt honored to be able to work with such excellent companions and ritualists.

June 1-4, I attended the Grand York Rite session in Billings Montana. It was a good session and well organized.

June 13th found me in Providence, Rhode Island at Franklin Lodge No. 20. I was there with the Gentlemen of the Creeks an organization for men who are supporting Daughters of the Nile. I was recognized and introduced as Grand High Priest. It is a very old lodge with some ornate furnishings and really neat architecture. The meal beforehand was all freshly prepared by a member of the lodge who is a chef. The lodge has three chefs in its membership.

June 19th found me finally in Marbleton at Sublette Chapter 21. I was treated to supper by Companion Mark Mickelson. The meeting went well with a full opening. Again, I was impressed that so many companions were traveling to make a meeting.

I attended the Imperial Shrine Session in Charlotte North Carolina the first week of July.

July 8th I attended the rededication of the cornerstone at the Platte County Courthouse. That afternoon was the annual Outdoor Meeting at the Kennedy Ranch.

August 8th, I attended the informal opening for Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star. WGM Wendy Lewandowsky is an old friend and WGP Mike James is another old friend and brother.

August 13-15th I attended the Grand Lodge of Wyoming

September 7-9, I attended the Grand York Rite sessions of Colorado.

I was represented by several companions at our sister jurisdictions, and I thank them for that.

I was unable to visit Mount Herman 12 this year. I received no return communication from the secretary or the High Priest. I can only surmise that they are struggling with attendance.

York Rite Festivals

The weather did not cooperate with the annual festival in Casper this past year. I met with Dana Deuel, the coordinator and it was decided to postpone the festival. Then, again bad weather forced cancellation. There were no candidates for the Southwest festival this year. Sheridan had their annual festival, and it was well received.

Dispensations

I issued dispensations for Sheridan Chapter 7 and Casper Capital 8 for festivals. Only Sheridan had a festival.

Recommendations

After spending the past twenty years traveling the York Rite trail, I would like to recommend a few things.

First of all, we all need to reach out to our companions and communicate better with them. Some of our chapter secretaries do a good job of this. Others are sadly lacking in this department.

I also see the need for training of all officers. This is something that used to be done on the local level but sadly a lot of our leaders and mentors have passed on and there is an information gap.

Final thoughts

I would like to thank my wife, my sweetheart for her patience and understanding as I have traveled this year. I would like to thank Ken Badget for his patience and his help this year. He makes it look easy. Special thanks go out to my deputy, Jack Cook, for always encouraging me and listening to me. Special thanks to Wayne Long and Craig Henderson for covering for me in my local chapter and lodge while I was traveling.

We were saddened at the passing of Companion Mark Pesognelli, Grand Master of the 3rd veil. He will be greatly missed.

I had no input for awards this year. We will have some at the banquet. I have found some worthy of recognition.

My message this year was simple. Put Covid behind us and get out of the house. Be safe, be careful, but be active in your lodge and your York Rite. I had hoped to see more companions out and about, but it is apparent that too many are still staying home. The chapters must give a man a reason to attend whether it is information, education, entertainment, food or fellowship, we must do better with our meetings. I also stressed the importance of reaching out to those companions that we have not seen in a while. A text, phone call, card or email will brighten someone's day. Be kind to one another and be safe. Thank you for allowing me the privilege and high honor of serving you as Grand High Priest. May God Bless you all.

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard N. Lewis (19)
ME G High Priest

Addendum to Final Report

My main report is preprinted and has been accepted. I would like to give you a little information about the jewel that was presented to me when I became the Grand High Priest. I belonged to Adrian Jefferson Parshall who was GHP in 1909. He was born in Ann Arbor Michigan in 1849 and died in Cheyenne in 1919. He was Grand Recorder for Knights Templar at the time of his death and also an active member of the Scottish Rite. The jewel is a very good piece. It is gold with gemstones adorning it with the Wyoming State seal. Companion Parshall was a pioneer civil engineer who discovered the site for Pathfinder Dam. He had spent some time in commercial business and was a draftsman for the United States Surveyor General Reed and was chief clerk. He was a cashier in the M.E. Post company bank in Cheyenne until it failed in 1887. In 1883 he was made the city treasurer of Cheyenne. Later he became the chief clerk of the state land commission under the Carey Act. In 1898 he was made Deputy State Engineer for three years. He resigned to become a hydrographer in the US Geological Service and served in that capacity until 1907. He then became deputy US surveyor. In 1911 Governor Carey made him State Engineer. In this capacity he investigated the site for Pathfinder Dam. He also laid out a road from Cheyenne to Yellowstone. He drew the plans for Granite Springs and developed the city of Cheyenne's water system. I was proud to wear this jewel as it belonged to rare man and Mason. He was one who lived a life of public service. Sadly, our fraternity fails to attract this type of man anymore and I encourage all of us to emulate some of our founding fathers' lives of service.

Richard Lewis, MEGH

**Grand Chapter of R.A.M. of Wyoming
Grand Secretary Report
July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023
September 16, 2023
Cheyenne, Wyoming**

To: Most Excellent Grand High Priest Richard N. Lewis, Grand Officers, and Companions all.

The MMS database continues to be a wise investment. There is an ongoing problem with Secretaries not using the database. This reduces the overall effectiveness of the tracking of the Grand Chapter membership. Actual losses such as deaths, are not known until annual reports are filed. In a functioning database a death would be inputted, and gains would be done as well thus ensuring a constant finger on the membership status of the Grand Chapter. More emphasis on keeping this valuable tool updated can be a very important tool for the budget inputs of upcoming Grand Officers.

Committee Chairman and Secretaries need to stay focused on their reporting requirements. There is a very small window to get reports into the Grand Secretary so that they can be collated into the Advance reports and the Proceedings. Incoming High Priests have certain appointments that need to be made in a time manner as well. I have had one Chapter that I have been unable to communicate with. Phone calls, texts and emails have gone unanswered. I was able to send certain forms and documents to a single member who was going to try and perform the functions of the Secretary. This is a big problem.

During this reporting period, a report was sent in by Garfield Chapter #4 which was an unauthorized report. No meeting to elect officers was held, no installation, the report was submitted by a well-intentioned Companion but not by the Secretary and it was not sealed. Since there was a known death in this Chapter, the numbers reflected in the statistics are last year's reported numbers minus the known death. The officers listed in Garfield #4 are as they were in the 2021-2022 Proceedings.

Balloting has been a minor issue over the years. A new system utilizing colored ballots like those used in the Grand Lodge of Wyoming should make registration and vote counting a little bit easier.

It is imperative that all Chapters review their EIN status with the IRS. Some of the Chapters have been very diligent in filing these necessary reports while some have not. This may seem to be a minor thing to some, but it is becoming more visible on the IRS radar. There is an increasing desire to validate non-profit organizations, and this could end up becoming a financial nightmare for some of our Chapters.

I have given timely notice that I need to step down as the Grand Secretary. My latest health checkups are not that stellar and quite frankly it is time for some fresh thoughts in this position. I will be willing to make myself available to my replacement and assist in a smooth transition. The files are all ready, the Advance reports and Proceedings are templated and only require to be updated as necessary.

In 2012-2013 the membership of the Grand Chapter was at 624 and now we are at 418. Companions our annual expenses run at approximately \$7400.00 annually. When we reach 322 members, based on current per capita and GG Chapter fees, we will be breaking even in terms of income minus expenses. At our average current loss rate of 23 plus members annually, we have about 4.1 years max to get something going. This figure can obviously go up or down depending on gains versus losses in any one given year. This is when we begin dipping into investments for operating funds. I am no financial expert, and this conclusion is based solely on current loss rates, budget requirements, and projected per capita income and is intended solely for future planning purposes only. (*Per Capita is currently \$23.00/member*)

2010 thru 2023

YEAR	LOSS	Gains- Loss
10-11	34	-20
11-12	63	-43
12-13	52	-29
13-14	65	-45
14-15	36	-13
15-16	28	-5
16-17	42	-25
17-18	38	-13
18-19	33	-16
19-20	44	-26
20-21	23	-23
21-22	30	-30
22-23	26	-14
AVG	39.53846	-23.23076923

(Average age of G Chapter members is 66.9 years old.)

Recommendations:

I recommend that the Local Chapters seriously consider computer-savvy Companions for the position of Secretary.

I recommend that the use of the database and web services continue.

I recommend a review of the Constitution and By-Laws to clean up verbiage.

I recommend that the MEGHP order financial reviews be conducted in all Chapters with emphasis on EIN status.

I recommend reliable Companions when choosing your Committee Chairs - check the Constitution and By-Laws.

I recommend that the Local Chapters do an audit of their membership rosters and get them cleaned up and up to date.

Companions, it has been a pleasure to serve you as the Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter.

Fraternally,

Kenneth M. Badget (10)
Grand Secretary

2022-2023 Receipts

Num	Date	Source	Amount	Line #
1	6/14/2022	Natural Bridge	\$391.00	1020
2	6/14/2022	Wheatland York Rite	\$322.00	1020
3	6/14/2022	York Rite Bodies	\$1,717.00	1020
4	7/10/2021	Baalbec Chap #5	\$235.00	1020
5	6/28/2022	Wyoming Chapter #1 RAM	\$677.00	1020
6	6/28/2022	Darius Chap #10 RAM	\$943.00	1020
7	7/6/2022	Masonic York Rite Fund	\$575.00	1020
8	7/12/2022	Mt Horeb Chap #6	\$958.00	1020
9	7/11/2022	Gillette York Rite Bodies	\$810.00	1020
10	7/15/2022	Ivanhoe Cdry #2	\$575.00	1020
11	7/20/2022	Evanston Chap No. 2	\$322.00	1020
12	8/9/2022	Casper York Rite Masons	\$1,229.00	1020
13	7/26/2022	Sublette York Rite	\$357.00	1020
14	7/29/2022	Michael Chimenti	\$644.00	1020
15	8/6/2021	Lincoln Chapter #15	\$299.00	1020
16	8/22/2022	Wyoming Chapter #1 RAM	\$5.00	1040

17	9/19/2022	Harry W.C. Oberg III	\$36.00	1020
		TOTAL	\$10,095.00	

2022-2023 Warrants

Warrant	Date	Payee	Amount	Notes	Category
1	9/17/2022	Kenneth M Badget	\$600.00	1st Qtr Salary	1110
2	9/17/2022	Quinn Carroll	\$50.00	G Chap	1130
3	9/17/2022	Frank Selby, Exec Director, WY Shrine Bowl Inc	\$67.00	Shrine Bowl Ad	2200
4	9/17/2022	George D. Pushee III	\$200.00	Website Maint	1520
5	9/17/2022	Richard N. Lewis	\$500.00	MEGHP	1410
6	9/17/2022	Thomas R. Nance	\$50.00	G Treas	1120
7	9/17/2022	Kenneth M Badget	\$58.00	Stamps	1310
8	9/17/2022	Marquis Awards & Specialties	\$139.26	Plaque & Badges	1610-1720
9	9/17/2022	G Lodge AF&AM of WY	\$60.40	Printing 1220,30 &50	1220,30,50
10	9/23/2022	G Grand Chapter RAM, Itn'l	\$1,203.00	GG Chap Per Capita	1900
11	10/18/2022	Richard N. Lewis	\$349.22	Boise Trvl	1420
12	11/9/2022	Kenneth M Badget	\$600.00	2nd Qtr Salary	1110
13	11/21/2022	G Lodge AF&AM of WY	\$147.40	Printing 1210	1210
14	1/2/2023	Richard N. Lewis	\$500.00	MEGHP	1410
15	1/17/2023	Whittle,Hamilton& Assoc, P.C.,CPA's	\$56.00	CPA Inv#74520	1510
16	1/17/2023	Kenneth M Badget	\$600.00	G Secy 3rd Qtr	1110
17	3/27/2023	Illinois Regallia	\$194.00	MEGHP Apron/case	1710
18	4/11/2023	Kenneth M Badget	\$100.00	Office -Comp Rep	2100
19	4/11/2023	Kenneth M Badget	\$600.00	G Sec'y 4th Qtr	1110

20	4/12/2023	Masonic Membership Solutions, LLC	\$75.72	Database	1530
		TOTAL	\$6,150.00		

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WYOMING
GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 2022, June 30, 2023
September 16, 2023~, Sheridan, WY

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Companions of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Mason of Wyoming.

The following report is an accounting of funds as held by the Grand Chapter as of June 30, 2023

Assets located in the Bank of the West-Sheridan, WY 82801:

Checking Account	#----3114	\$32,554.07
Total Bank Account:		\$32,554.07
Change in Value (Comparison: Reporting Period 2021-2022):		\$ 3,867.96

Assets held in Edward Jones Investments-Account # -----26-1-7 Riverton, WY 82501:

Cash	\$ 0.12
Manulife Financial Corp (Corporate Bonds)	\$17,788.50
Ventas Inc. (Stocks)	\$2,007.88
DuPont Ei De Nemours (Preferred Stocks)	\$15,249.39
Blackrock MuniAssets Fund Inc. (Exchange Traded and Closed End Funds):	\$17,283.48
American Mutual Fund CI A	\$14,542.03

Total Investment Account	\$66,871.40
Change in Value (Comparison: Reporting Period 2021-2022):	(\$ 5,251.30)

Total Assets (Checking and Investments):	\$99,425.47
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Interest/Dividends Income:

Edward Jones Investments (Dividends and Capital Gains-All reinvested):	\$ 3,666.60
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Total Interest/Dividends:	\$ 3,666.60
Change in Value: (Comparison: Reporting Period 2021-2022):	\$ 141.47

Change in Value Organizational Capital: (Total Assets 2023 versus Total Assets 2022):
(\$ 1,383.34)

Other Income, Deposits/Transfers/Disbursements Accounting (Detailed listing; pages 2 and 3):

Sum Total Income for dates reported:	\$10,095.00
Sum Total Disbursements for dates reported:	\$ 6,150.00
Total Revenue over Expenses:	\$ 3,945.00

IRS Form 990-N for Tax Year 2022 (07/01/2022-06/30/23) were filed and accepted by the IRS on 07/11/2023 by White, Hamilton & Associates, CPA. Powell, WY

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas R. Nance (7) PGHP,
Grand Treasurer

DEPOSITS

Receipt No.	Date	Description	Amount
		Per Capita Receipts:	
01	07/18/2022	Natural Bridge Chapter No. 9—Douglas	\$ 391.00
02	07/18/2022	Sybillie Chapter No. 19—Wheatland	322.00
03	07/18/2022	Sheridan Chapter No.7—Sheridan	1,717.00
04	07/18/2022	Baalbec Chapter No. 5—Green River	235.00
05	07/18/2022	Wyoming Chapter No. 1-Cheyenne	677.00
06	07/18/2022	Darius Chapter No. 10—Cody	943.00
07	07/18/2022	Lebanon Chapter No. 3--Laramie	575.00
08	08/15/2022	Mount Horeb Chapter No. 6-Riverton	958.00
09	08/15/2022	Gillette Chapter No. 17--Gillette	810.00
10	08/15/2022	Garfield Chapter No. 4—Saratoga	575.00
11	08/15/2022	Evanston Chapter No. 2--Evanston	322.00
12	08/15/2022	Capitol Chapter No. 8--Casper	1,229.00
13	08/15/2022	Sublette Chapter No.21—Marbleton	357.00
14	08/15/2022	Mount Hermon Chapter No. 12--Thermopolis	644.00
15	09/02/2022	Lincoln Chapter No. 15--Kemmerer	299.00
16	09/02/2022	Wyoming Chapter No. 1-Cheyenne	5.00
17	09/21/2022	Evanston Chapter No. 2--Evanston	36.00
		Total Per Capita Receipts:	\$10,095.00
	06/30/2023	Total All Deposits:	\$10,095.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Warrant No.	Date	Check No.	Description	Amount
01	09/24/2022	1704	Kenneth Badget—1st Quarter Grand Secretary Stipend	\$600.00
02	09/24/2022	1705	Quinn Carroll—Grand Chaplain Honorarium	50.00
03	03/23/2023	1719	WY Shrine Bowl Inc.—Advertising--Shrine Bowl Program	67.00

04	09/24/2022	1706	George D. Pushee—Grand Chapter Website Annual Fees	200.00
05	09/24/2022	1707	Richard Lewis-GHP-2022-2023 (1st Portion Honorarium)	500.00
06	09/24/2022	1708	Thomas Nance—Grand Treasurer Honorarium	50.00
07	09/24/2022	1709	Kenneth Badget--Postage	58.00
08	09/24/2022	1710	Marquis Awards (Chapter Award & Officer Badges)	139.26
09	09/24/2022	1711	Grand Lodge WY—Printing (YR Grand Sessions Supplies)	60.40
10	09/29/2022	1712	General Grand Chapter International (Per Capita)	1,203.00
11	10/19/2022	1713	Richard Lewis-GHP-2022-2023 (GHP NWR Travel Allowance	349.22
12	11/08/2022	1714	Kenneth Badget—2nd Quarter Grand Secretary Stipend 600.00	600.00
13	11/22/2022	1715	Grand Lodge WY-Printing (Annual Proceedings)	147.40
14	01/03/2023	1716	Richard Lewis-GHP-2022-2023 (2nd Portion Honorarium)	500.00
15	01/18/2023	1717	White Hamilton & Associates, CPA- Professional Services	56.00
16	01/18/2023	1718	Kenneth Badget—3rd Quarter Grand Secretary Stipend	600.00
17	03/28/2023	1720	Illinois Regalia (2022-23 GHP Apron and Case)	194.00
18	04/12/2023	1721	Kenneth Badget—P.C. Repair	100.00
19	04/12/2023	1722	Kenneth Badget—4th Quarter Grand Secretary Stipend	600.00
20	04/13/2023	1723	Masonic Membership Solutions--YRIS Data Base	75.72
	06/30/2023		Total Disbursements	\$ 6,150.00

**GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WYOMING
COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET
September 16, 2023~Sheridan, WY (PASSED)**

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Officers, and Companions of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming.

We, your Budget Committee submit the following as a proposed budget for this Grand Chapter for the Capitular Year 2023-2024:

Revenue		2022-23 Budget	2022-23 Actual	Variance +/-	2022-23 Budget
1010	Earned Interest	\$ 10.00	\$0.00	\$ (10.00)	\$10.00
1020	Per Capita & Assessments	9,890.00	10,095.00	205.00	9,358.00
1030	New Member Fees	40.00	65.00	25.00	40.00

1040	Charters & Dispensations	10.00	0.00	(10.00)	10.00
1045	Refund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1048	Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1050	Re-sale of Supplies	60.00	0.00	(60.00)	60.00
1060	Withdraw From Savings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1070	Withdraw From Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals		\$10,010.00	\$10,160.00	\$150.00	\$9,478.00
Expenditures					
	Admin/Office				
1110	Grand Secretary Salary	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$ 0.00	\$2,400.00
1120	Grand Treasurer Honorarium	50.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
1130	Grand Chaplain Honorarium	50.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
	Printing				
1210	Annual Proceedings	225.00	147.40	77.60	225.00
1220	Advanced Reports	90.00	31.25	58.75	90.00
1230	Dues Cards	30.00	23.75	6.25	30.00
1240	Annual Session Ballots	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1250	Annual Session Tri-Folds	30.00	5.40	24.60	30.00
1260	Miscellaneous	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00
	Postage				
1310	Grand Secretary	100.00	58.00	42.00	100.00
	Travel				
1410	MEGHP Allowance	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
1420	Northwest Region Workshop	600.00	349.22	250.78	600.00
	Professional Services				
1510	CPA Accounting	60.00	56.00	4.00	60.00
1520	Website	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
1530	MMS Database Maintenance	85.00	75.72	9.28	85.00
	Awards				
1610	Chapter of the Year	90.00	94.28	(4.28)	90.00
1620	Sweetheart Award	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	Regalia				

1710	GHP Apron & Case	500.00	194.00	306.00	500.00
1720	Officer Badges/Blazer Patches	90.00	44.48	45.52	90.00
1730	Regalia Maintenance	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00
	Assorted Expenditures				
1900	Gen Grand Chapter Per Capita	1,479.00	1,203.00	276.00	1,479.00
2000	Purchase Re-Sale Supplies	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00
2100	Office Supplies (P.C. Repair)	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
2200	Advertisement (Shrine Bowl)	67.00	67.00	0.00	67.00
2300	Donations	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
2400	Refunds	60.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals		\$7,431.00	\$6,149.50	\$1,281.50	\$7,371.00
06/30/2023	Checking Account Balance	\$32,554.07			
	Revenue less Expenditures (Actual 2022-2023)	Revenue: \$10,160.00	Expenditures: \$6,149.50		\$4,010.50
	Revenue less Expenditures (Projected 2022-23 Budget)	Revenue: \$9,478.00	Expenditures: \$7,192.00		\$2,286.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas R. Nance, (7), Chairman

Kenneth M. Badget (10)

S. Craig Henderson (19)

Jack C. Cook (1) Ex-Officio

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF WYOMING **REPORT OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE** **SEPTEMBER 17, 2022**

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Companions of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Mason of Wyoming.

The following report is an accounting of investments as held by the Grand Chapter for the fiscal year encompassing July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023.

These assets are held in Edward Jones Investments, Riverton, WY 82501
Account # -----26-1-7.

Type	Name	Value: July 1, 2022	Value: June 30, 2023	\$ Change	% Change
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Cash		\$0.08	\$ 0.08	\$0.00	00.00
Corporate Bonds	Manulife Financial Corporation	19,224.72	17,788.50	(1,436.22)	-7.47
Stocks	Ventas Inc.	2,091.79	83.91	(4.01)	-4.01
Preferred Stocks	DuPont Ei De Nemours	19,947.00	15,249.39	(4697.61)	-23.55
Exchange Traded & Closed End Funds	Blackrock MuniAssets Fund, Inc.	18,900.46	17,283.48	(1616.98)	-8.55
Mutual Funds	American Mutual	11,958.65	14,542.03	2583.38	17.76
	Totals:	\$72,122.70	\$66,871.40	\$(5251.30)	-7.28

Dividends and Interest Earned 2022-23 Fiscal Year: *(All reinvested)*: **\$3,666.60**

Historical Account Performance Reporting:

Initial Investment (03/22/2016)	\$56,000.00
Current Value (06/30/2023)	\$66,871.40
Value 1 Month Ago	\$64,731.78
Value 1 Year Ago	\$72,122.70
Value 3 Years Ago	\$69,995.63
Value 5 Years Ago	\$61,425.78

It was the current investment philosophy of a majority of the Committee members to not make any changes to the investment portfolio.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sheldon C. Henderson (19) Chairman
Gregory K. Shiek, (7)
Christopher P. Schroeder (21)
Thomas R. Nance (7) Grand Treasurer; Ex-Officio

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming
Finance Committee
2022 – 2023
September 16, 2023

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Chapter Officers, and Brothers of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Wyoming,

We, the Finance Committee, having reviewed the reports of the Budget Committee and Grand Treasurer, find nothing outside expected trends. During

this turbulent period, our Investment Committee is to be commended, and our Budget Committee has us on a tight leash.

Unfortunately, Companion Grand Secretary Ken Badget has pointed out that at current membership trends and projected costs, we will hit the breakeven point in 3.1 years. We must either invest aggressively when the economy turns, trim the budget further (and there is not much to trim) or accept another per capita increase.

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher Schroeder (21), Chairman
Cal Van Zee (3)
S. Craig Henderson (19)

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**Report of the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Companions:

As of June 15, 2023, one resolution for a change in the bylaws has been submitted for consideration at this annual communication. The resolution was in proper form and sent to constituent Chapters in a timely manner for the consideration of their members. Resolution #1, submitted by Grand Secretary Badget, is a 'housekeeping' measure which would delete Sec. 18 (i) requiring dues be paid to Western States Conference, an entity no longer in existence.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald A. Van Ekeren (3), Chair
Kenneth Humphrey (7)
William Biggs (8)

**Report of the Division and Reference Committee
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Richard N. Lewis, Grand Chapter Officers, and Companions all,

As of July 24, 2023, no activities or reports have been submitted to this committee for review or action.

A review of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest's report for 2022 – 2023 found no cause for formal action from this committee. It is not clear from this report if Garfield (4) or Mt Herman (12) have officially opened in the Chapter during the past twelve consecutive months?

The Committee on Division and Reference commends MEGHP Lewis for his robust schedule, especially during the severe winter conditions this past season.

The Committee on Division and Reference supports the Most Excellent Grand High Priest's Appointments and Dispensations.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve W Schlenker MEGHP (7) Chairman
David Tom Smith MEPGHP (12)
James L. Sturdevant, MEPGHP (7)

**Report of the Courtesy Committee
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

No Report Given

**Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming
Report of the Grand Chaplain
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming,

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as the Grand Chaplain for this Grand Chapter this year.

Twelve of our Companions passed from our midst and have joined the heavenly host during the past year. While these Companions will truly be missed by their loved ones and as well as by all of us in York Rite, we take comfort knowing we shall see them again when we can grasp their hands in friendship and Brotherly love. Until that time, we cherish the memories of them while they were amongst us.

I would also like to take this opportunity to note that I could not have carried out my duties without the timely reporting of the passing of our Companions. I would like to thank the many Chapter secretaries who sent me their reports. I would also like to thank *the Right* Excellent Grand Secretary Ken Badget for his efforts and support this past year. Our Grand Chapter and constituent Chapters would not run without these fine Brothers serving in this capacity.

NAME	DATE	CHAPTER
Allen C. Anderson	8/4/2022	Sheridan # 7
Ralph H. Martin	9/11/2022	Evanston #2
Spencer Nichols	11/9/2022	Sublette #21
Donald A. Peterson	11/20/2022	Darius #10
Mark Pesognelli	12/21/2022	Garfield #4
Michael L. Johnson	1/23/2023	Lebanon #3
John W. Officer	1/27/2023	Capitol #8
Jerry D. Fields	2/15/2023	Mt Hermon #11

Mac A. Caves	4/29/2023	Darius #10
John W. Maxwell	5/1/2023	Darius #10
James D. Clingman	6/9/2023	Darius #10
James E. Davis	6/11/2023	Mt Horeb #6

Fraternally,
Quinn Carrol (8)
E Grand Chaplain

**Report of the York Rite Cooperation Committee
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Companions All,

We are pleased to report that the York Rite Bodies of Wyoming have cooperated amongst themselves this past year in supporting the various degree festivals and activities.

Submitted,
Jacob Stetler (6) Chair
Bryan Compton (7)
Charles Conroy (5)

**Report of the Committee on Charters Under Dispensation
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

TO: Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Grand Officers, and Companions all.

There being no charters under dispensation for the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming, the committee has no action to report.

Fraternally,
Kenneth R Humphrey (7)
Stephen Allen, PGHP (5)

**Report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming.

There have been no Grievances or appeals brought to this Committee. Peace and harmony prevail.
Fraternally

Jack C Cook DGHP (1) Chairman
Cal VanZee (3)
Charles W. Smith PGHP, (12)

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming
Report of the Royal Arch Research Assistance Committee
September 16, 2023

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Companions All:

The Committee on Royal Arch Research Assistance (RARA) reports the following donations:

8-Oct-22	2022	Eusebius Conclave RCC	WY	\$ 100.00
6-Feb-23	2023	St. Denys Conclave	WY	\$ 100.00
22-Feb-23	2023	Holy Order of High Priesthood	WY	\$ 100.00
4-Apr-23	2023	Immanuel Conclave RCC	WY	\$ 60.00
26-Jun-23	2023	Sheridan Chapter # 7	WY	\$ 220.00
		TOTAL		\$ 580.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Chairman: Companion Brad Neumiller (8)
Member: Companion Jon Rowe (17)
Member: Harry W. C. Oberg III (2,15)

Report of the Gottsche Foundation
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming

The following is the donations to Gottsche for the 2022-2023 year:

10/1/22	High Priesthood	\$100.00
10/4/22	St. Denys RCC	\$100.00
1/20/23	Zabud Council #6	\$50.00
Total		\$250.00

Respectfully submitted.
John Brooks (12), Chairman
Michael Messenger (12)
Michael Chimenti (12)

**Report of the
COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE
Sheridan, Wyoming
September 16, 2023**

Report of the Jurisprudence Committee

To: The Grand Chapter Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming and all dignitaries of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International

Companions All,

Line Officer Appointments: The Grand High Priest reappointed Quinn Carroll as Grand Chaplain, William Biggs, Chris Schroeder, Bryan Compton, Mark Pesognelli, Greg Shiek and Cal Van Zee moving each up to their respective offices. He appointed Weston Hubele to the line as Grand Sentinel. The Jurisprudence Committee approves of these appointments.

Dispensations: We approve of the two dispensations for Sheridan Chapter 7 and Casper Capital 8 for festivals. The Jurisprudence Committee strongly recommend that the heads of these bodies attend these festivals each year.

Visits: The Jurisprudence Committee finds that the Grand High Priest attended the majority of the Chapters in the State even with the inclement weather in Wyoming this year. The Grand High Priest visited some Chapters several times in an attempt to assist with problems they were having.

Out of State Visits: June 1, the Grand High Priest Richard Lewis attended the Grand York Rite Sessions in Billings, Montana. He plans on attending the Grand York Rite sessions of Colorado, September 7-9. The Jurisprudence Committee would like to encourage more out of state visits, utilizing your Grand Chapter Officers if the Grand High Priest is unable to attend.

Masonic Activities: The Jurisprudence Committee would like to recognize the Grand High Priest for his efforts in attending many Masonic events, in state and out of state, promoting the Grand Chapter of Wyoming.

Recommendations from the Grand High Priest Richard Lewis: 1. We all need to reach out to our companions and communicate better with them. Some of our chapter secretaries do a good job of this while areas are sadly lacking in this department. 2. There is a need for training of all officers. This is something that used to be done on the local level but sadly a lot of our leaders and mentors have passed on. We, the Jurisprudence Committee, feel that officer training should start back up at the State and Local level going forward.

Resolution: There was one resolution submitted in proper form that addresses housekeeping language. The Jurisprudence approves of this resolution.

The Jurisprudence Committee is also saddened at the passing of Companion Mark Pesognelli, Grand Master of the 3rd veil. He will be greatly missed.

We, the Jurisprudence Committee would like to recognize and acknowledge the many years of good and faithful service that Most Excellent Grand High Priest Richard Lewis had given to the companions within Wyoming and to the York Rite in particular.

Fraternally,

Mark D. Wells, PGHP (7)

Joseph L. Boster II, PGHP (8)

Harland H. Goodchild, PGHP (10)

Harry L. Furrey, PGHP (1)

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION Number 1 PASSED September 16,2023

I propose a change to EXPENSES Section 18 (i) of the current Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming Constitution and By-Laws by Deleting Sec. 18 (i) .

Current Section 18 (i) reads as follows:

EXPENSES

Sec. 18. This Grand Chapter shall adopt the amounts of mileage, salaries, expense accounts and other necessary expenses of a recurrent nature. Such amounts may be revised from time to time as found necessary. Such resolutions shall be presented and handled as a change in the By-laws as provided in the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming and may only be adopted or altered by a two-thirds vote of the members voting at a Grand Convocation.

a. Expense fund of the Grand High Priest, \$1,000.00 per Annum. 9/19/92

b. **Deleted (17 September 2005)**

c. Per Diem for Grand High Priest to General Grand Chapter, to be determined by the Finance Committee in each case. 9/11/51

d. Mileage for Grand High Priest and Deputy Grand High Priest to Northwestern Regional Planning and Training Session shall be 75% of what is currently allowed by the IRS for mileage (**Adopted September 2012**, one way (**Adopted September 2014**).

e. **Deleted (17 September 2005)**

f. Mileage for Grand Officers to a workshop in Casper, shall be 75% of what is currently allowed by the IRS for mileage one way. **(Adopted September 2012)**

g. **Deleted (September 17, 2005)**

h. Grand Secretary: Salary \$2400.00 per annum. 10/30/83 **(Adopted 17 September 2005)**

i. *Grand Secretary authorized to pay the annual dues to the Western States Conference without further approval of this Grand Chapter 9/8/67*

j. Expense fund of the Grand Treasurer, \$50.00 per annum. 7/9/46

k. Expense account of Grand Chaplain \$50.00 per annum. **(Adopted 17 September 2005)**

l. **Deleted (17 September 2005)**

m. The Grand Chapter of Wyoming provide for the purchase and conferral of Fifty-year pins to Companions eligible there for in the same manner as is done by the Grand Lodge of Wyoming. 9/6/68. **(Adopted September 14, 2003)**

Proposed change:

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Rationale:

This sub section of Section 18 is no longer required as the Northwest Conference of the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons dues requirement no longer exists.

"" signed"" Dated: February 15, 2023

Kenneth M. Badget RE G Secy

2022-2023 Grand Chapter

Statistics

C h a p	City	E x l t	A f l	R s t	C o r r	G a l n	D i e d	D m t	S p d	X p l	C o r r	L o s s	Net G/L	22 Rpt	23 Rpt	50 YR	G G L M B
1	Cheyenne	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	29	29	0	2
2	Evanston	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	-2	12	10	1	7
3	Laramie	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	-2	25	23	0	0
4	Rawlins	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	20	0	1
5	Green River	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	2	3
6	Riverton	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	4	-4	41	37	10	1
7	Sheridan	6	0	0	0	6	1	1	1	0	0	3	3	74	77	3	1
8	Casper	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	-2	53	51	2	0
9	Douglas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	17	0	2
10	Cody	0	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	4	-3	41	38	4	0
12	Thermopoli s	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	3	-3	28	25	0	0
15	Kemmerer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	13	1	0
17	Gillette	3	1	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	3	1	35	36	2	0
19	Wheatland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14	1	2
21	Marbleton	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	18	0	0
		9	3	0	0	12	11	4	10	0	0	26	-14	432	418	26	19

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Jack C. Cook
MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST
2023-2024

MEGHP Jack C Cook was born March 28, 1952, in Laramie to parents Walter C. Cook and Luella M. Cook, Grew up in a very active Masonic Family. Joined DeMolay in 1966 and was Master Councilor in 1969 and received Chevalier degree in 1972. He still helps the DeMolay Chapter in Cheyenne occasionally as a senior DeMolay.

Hired on with the Union Pacific Railroad as a Switchman/ Brakeman in April of 1972, then went into the United States Air Force for 4 years. When he came home on leave in the spring of 1973 he was Entered, Passed and Raised to the Sublime degree of a Master Mason in Gem City Lodge #52. While in the Air Force, he received training in Electronics and as an Electronic Warfare Systems Technician, working on many types of aircraft (A7, A10, F4c, F4D, F4E, F105, F111, Ac130g, ac130h, Eb57, and Eb66). He was stationed in New Mexico, Takli Thailand , New Mexico, Korat Thailand, and Montana. He achieved the rank of Sergeant and was Honorably Discharged April 12th, 1976, and returned to work on the railroad. In October 1976, he tested and took promotion to Conductor, though it would be many years before he could hold the position of Conductor full time. He has worked in both freight and passenger service and finished his career working the long pull from Cheyenne to Green River Wyoming.

He moved to Cheyenne as the railroad had moved the terminal to Cheyenne and in the fall of 1977, he married and raised two daughters Aleta and Cortney, both of whom went into Job's Daughters and served as Honored Queen. He became divorced in 1996, and in August of 2002 he married Susan, who has been his traveling Companion and traveling Coordinator ever since.

He Joined the Scottish Rite in the Valley of Cheyenne at the spring reunion in May of 1983, Joined Korean Shrine in June and in October of 1983 he joined the York Rite at a Festival in Laramie. It was his initiation into the York Rite that seemed to fire him up for Masonry. It was then he moved his membership to Cheyenne Chapter #1.

He joined Equality # 92 York Rite College in 1990, and in June of 2023 finished his year as Governor of said College.

He Served as Master of his Lodge in 1992-93 and again in 2016-17. He also served on the Guardian Council for Bethel #8 for 7 years serving as Associate Guardian for 4 years. He moved his York Rite membership to Cheyenne in 1973 and served as High Priest, Illustrious Master, and Commander in 1994-95. With several additional years as Commander. He was Elected Secretary / Recorder of the Cheyenne York Rite Bodies in 2007 and is still serving in that position.

Initiated in Eusebius Conclave Red Cross of Constantine in November 1995. Served as Puissant Sovereign 2018.

KYCH June 1997. And is a Past Prior.

Holy Order of High Priesthood and Thrice Illustrious Masters in Sept 1997.

Appointed to the Grand Council line in 2001 by PIGM Mits Ito, served as Most Illustrious Master 2007-2008.

Became Life member of Kincora Council Knight Masons 2007.

Became a Life Member of The Royal Order of Scotland 2008.

Awarded Knight Templar Cross of Honor 2011.

Awarded Knight Commander of the Temple 2021

Awarded the Gold Award from York Rite Sovereign College of North America 2002.

Awarded Legion of Honor from DeMolay International 2021

Appointed to the Grand Commandery line by REPGC T. Mark Mickelson 2012. Served as E Grand Commander 2020/2021.

Appointed to the Grand Chapter Line by MEPGHP James L. Sturdevant 2016.

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GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS*
2023-2024

Appeals and Grievances	Jurisprudence
Harry Furrey	Stephan P Allen
Craig Hrndereson	Mark S Young
Weston Hubele	Steve Schlenker
Budget	Finance
Thomas R Nance	Bryan Compton
SECRETARY ELLECT	Quinn Carroll
Kenneth Humphrey	Gary Skillern
Craig Henderson ex-officio	
Charters And Dispensation	Investment
William Biggs	Gregory K Shiek 1 year
Cal Van Zee	Christopher Schroeder 2 years
Weston Hubele	Bryan Compton 3 years
	Thomas R. Nance ex-officio
Visitors / Courtesy	Necrology
S. Craig Henderson	Larry Farnham
Gregory K. Shiek	Grand SEC.
Ken Humphrey	All secretaries
Credentials	York Rite Cooperation
James Rader	Bryan Compton
Philip D. Huckins	Gregory K. Shiek
R. Handy Levi	Robert O . Finley
Division And Reference	Meritorious service award
Frank Kading	MEGHP
James L. Sturdevant	All Secretaries
Timothy D Forbis	
Constitution and By-laws	RARA
Kenneth Humphrey 1 year	Jon Rowe

William Biggs 2 years	Harry W C Oberg 111
Wayne W. Long 3 years	Mark Wells
Christopher Schroeder 4 years	
Time and Place	Gottsche Foundfation
	Denis Wilson
	Mike Chimenti
	Frank Toth

Annual Returns of Constituent Chapters

Wyoming No.1 rcvd 6/26/2023 USPS

Located in Cheyenne, Laramie County

Dispensation Date: December 27, 1869, Charter Date: September 20, 1871

Meeting Time: 7:30 Meeting on 3rd Wednesday Jan, Feb and Mar of each year

Officers:

HP	Quinn Carroll	PS	Cory Castle
King	Ian Hieselman	RAC	Scott Duncan
Scribe	Tim Forbis	M3rdV	Harry Furrey
Treas	Gary D. Skillern	M2ndV	William Runnels
Sec	Jack C. Cook	M1stV	George Anderson
CH	James Hargraves	Sen	John Farmer

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 1

Frank S. Duncan 1/18/2023

Re-Instated: 0

Demitted: 1

Gerald A. Daniels 12/28/2022

Suspended: 0

Died: 0

Evanston No. 2 rcvd 7/22/2023 Elect

Located in Evanston, Unita County

Dispensation Date: April 25, 1876, Charter Date: August 24, 1877

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Thursday of each month

Officers:

HP	Stephen H. Fowler	PS	Rickard Bartolic
King	Jason A. Allred	RAC	James Edward Cronister
Scribe	Harry W.C. Oberg III	M3rdV	Stephen B. Moore
Treas	Clarence J. Vranish	M2ndV	OPEN
Sec	Clarence J. Vranish	M1stV	OPEN
CH	Todd M. Jones	Sen	OPEN

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted:0

Suspended: 1

Richard W. Sather 12/29/2022

Died: 1

Ralph H. Moore 9/11/2022

Lebanon No. 3 rcvd 5/19/2023 Elect

Located in Laramie, Albany County

Dispensation Date: April 25, 1876, Charter Date: August 24, 1877

Meeting Time: Meeting on First and Third Wednesday of each month

Officers:

HP	Larry J. Farnham	PS	Ronald Van Ekeren
King	Wayne Sutherland	RAC	William H. Wright
Scribe	David Hammond	M3rdV	OPEN
Treas	Peter N. Lindahl	M2ndV	OPEN
Sec	Calvin Van Zee	M1stV	Andrew Mac Clugage
CH	Donald A. Heiser	Sen	Stan McIrvin

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 1

Kenneth M. Omundson 12/31/2022

Suspended: 0

Died: 1

Michael L. Johnson 1/21/2023

Garfield No. 4 rcvd 9/8/2023 USPS

Rpt not submitted by Secy or signed by HP.

Report entered are taken from last year's report with exception of a known death.

Located in Rawlins, Carbon County

Dispensation Date: March 25, 1884, Charter Date: October 1, 1886

Meeting Time: Meeting on First Tuesday of Sept, Nov, Jan, Mar & May in Saratoga, WY

Officers:

HP	Stephen Fletcher	PS	James Reed
King	Trent Kinder	RAC	Timothy Ross
Scribe	OPEN	M3rdV	OPEN
Treas	Gary Lankford	M2ndV	Charles Engstrom
Sec	Gary Lankford	M1stV	Craig Hart
CH	William Morse	Sen	Howard Hill

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Re-instate: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 1

Mark Pesognelli 12/21/2022

Baalbec No. 5 rcvd 6/23/2023 USPS

Located in Green River, Sweetwater County

Dispensation Date: January 15, 1892, Charter Date: Aug 24, 1894

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Thursday of each month

Officers:

HP	Virgil B. Poulsen	PS	Edwin D. Makie
King	Stephen P. Allen	RAC	Scott A. Kitchner
Scribe	Oscar C. Stapleton	M3rdV	OPEN
Treas	Charles F. Conroy	M2ndV	OPEN
Sec	Charles F. Conroy	M1stV	OPEN
CH	Joseph A. Marcy	Sen	Stephen R. Slaton

Exalted: 0
Affiliated: 0
Demitted: 0
Suspended: 0
Died: 0

Mount Horeb No. 6 revd 6/25/2023 Elect

Located in Riverton, Freemont County

Dispensation Date: June 28, 1892, Charter Date: August 24, 1894

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Thursdays of the months January, April, July and October

Officers:

HP	Jacob Stetler	PS	Arin C. Bisbee
King	Beynon St John	RAC	Craig A. Roberts
Scribe	Robert O. Finley	M3rdV	Jason K. Wilson
Treas	Kim L. Kurasz	M2ndV	Gerald A. Yennie
Sec	Robert O. Finley	M1stV	Norman C. Duncan
CH	Vint K. H. Bonner	Sen	Otto G. Uecker

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 3

Cory G. Rota	12/31/2022	David H. Haworth	12/14/2022
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Scott E. Kirko	12/14/2022
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Died: 1

James E. Davis	6/11/2023
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Sheridan No. 7 revd 6/14/2023 Elect

Located in Sheridan, Sheridan County

Dispensation Date: October 29, 1895 Charter Date: October 13, 1897

Meeting Time: Meeting on 1st Tuesday of Nov, Feb and May

Officers:

HP	James Weaver	PS	Arin C. Bisbee
King	James Rader	RAC	James Chilcutt
Scribe	Michael Strahan	M3rdV	Leslie Uncapher
Treas	Mark D. Wells	M2ndV	Lance Vaughn
Sec	Kenneth R. Humphrey	M1stV	Thomas Morneau
CH	Spenser Morris	Sen	Shane Sheperdson

Exalted: 6

Steven C. Brown	3/4/2023	Lawrence G. Gill II	3/4/2023
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Thomas L. Morneau	3/4/2023	John A. Sherperdson Jr	3/4/2023
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Shane E. Sherdson	3/4/2023	Lance D. Vaughn	3/4/2023
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Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 1

Curtiss Wayne Johnson	12/31/2021
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Suspended: 1

Edward J. Deneka	6/13/2023
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Died: 1

Allan C. Anderson	8/4/2022
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Capital No. 8 rcvd 7/17/2023 elect

Located in Casper, Natrona County

Dispensation Date: December 27, 1869

Charter Date: September 20, 1871

Meeting Time: Meeting on 1st Thursday of Jan, Feb, and Mar each month

Officers:

HP	Joe Bideau	PS	Edward Jones
King	Chuck Steele	RAC	Nathan Clark
Scribe	Kevin Wall	M3rdV	Joseph Boster II
Treas	Dana H. Deuel	M2ndV	Ed Burgess
Sec	William A. Biggs	M1stV	Shawn Covert
CH	Frank Kading	Sen	Dale Brecheisen

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 1

George F. Finley 10/6/2022

Suspended: 0

Died: 1

John W. Officer 1/27/2023

Natural Bridge No. 9 rcvd 7/6/2023 USPS

Located in Douglas, Converse County

Dispensation Date: March 7, 1907

Charter Date: July 9, 1909

Meeting

Time: Meeting on Second Wednesday of each month Sept thru June

Officers:

HP	Robert Curtis	PS	Joseph J. Pautz
King	James Hilbird	RAC	Casper Smith
Scribe	Donald York	M3rdV	OPEN
Treas	George C Smith	M2ndV	OPEN
Secy	George C Smith	M1stV	OPEN
CH	Ian Brown	Sen	OPEN

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 0

Darius No. 10 rcvd 6/19/2023 Elect

Located in Cody, Park County

Dispensation Date: February 22, 1908

Charter Date: July 9, 1909

Meeting Time: 7:30 Meeting on Second Tuesday of each month Oct thru May

Officers:

HP	Steven Hough	PS	Earl L. Stevens
King	Kenneth Badget	RAC	Wade Averett
Scribe	David C. Hough	M3rdV	Brady Mulley
Treas	William Kramp Jr	M2ndV	Joseph T. Bassett
Sec	George Gil Curry	M1stV	Steven C. Brown
CH	Shane Kannard	Sen	Harland Goodchild

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 1

Steven C. Brown	5/9/2023		
Re-instated: 1			
James Clingman	10/11/2022		
Demitted: 0			
Suspended 0			
Died: 3			
Donald A. Peterson	11/20/2022	Mac A. Caves	4/29/202
John W. Maxwell Jr	5-1-2023	James D. Clingman	6/9/2023

Mount Hermon No. 12 rcvd 7/28/2022 USPS

Located in Thermopolis, Hot Springs County

Dispensation Date: March 22, 1913 Charter Date: March 12, 1914

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Monday of odd months

Officers:

HP	Dennis Wilson	PS	Charles Smith
King	Doug Becher	RAC	Eric Kay
Scribe	OPEN	M3rdV	John Cox
Treas	Mike Chimenti	M2ndV	OPEN
Sec	Mike Chimenti	M1stV	OPEN
CH	Frank Toth	Sen	OPEN

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 2

John J. Cox	6/6/2022	Stephen C. Vaughn	6/6/2022
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Suspended: 0

Died: 0

Lincoln No. 15 rcvd 7/10/2023 Elect

Located in Kemmerer, Lincoln County

Dispensation Date: August 29, 1922 Charter Date: July 12, 1923

Meeting Time: Meeting on 1st Wednesday of each month

Officers:

HP	Clarence Vranish	PS	OPEN
King	T. Mark Mickelson	RAC	OPEN
Scribe	Jim Whittaker	M3rdV	QPEN
Treas	Harry W. C. Oberg III	M2ndV	OPEN
Sec	Harry WC Oberg III	M1stV	OPEN
CH	Robert Zakotnik	Sen	Gene Vickery

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Re-instate: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 0

Gillette No. 17 rcvd 7/11/2023 Elect

Located in Gillette, Campbell County

Dispensation Date: November 26, 1923 Charter Date: July 10, 1924

Meeting Time: Meeting on 1st and 3rd Mondays Sept thru June

Officers:

HP	Charles R. Butler, III	PS	Tyler C. Undholm
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King	Leonard Nack	RAC	Timothy C. Williams
Scribe	Ray P. Miner	M3rdV	Michael C. Flint
Treas	Mark Young	M2ndV	George F. Finley
Sec	Thomas Harmon	M1stV	Steven Juhala
CH	Jerry L. Philips	Sen	Donald Gose

Exalted: 3

Michael C. Flint 3/4/2023

Tyler E.C. Lindholm 3/4/2023

Timothy C. Williams 3/4/2023

Affiliated: 1

George F. Finley 10/3/2022

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 3

Lynn G. Moller 6/30/2023

Robert D. Muschick 6/30/2023

Payton S. Young 6/30/2023

Died: 0

Sybillle No. 19 rcvd 7/3/2023 usps

Located in Wheatland, Platte County

Dispensation Date: March 20, 1947 Charter Date: July 15, 1947

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Wednesday of each month

Officers:

HP	Wayne Long	PS	Steve Anderson
King	Dan Cole	RAC	Johnny Mote
Scribe	S Craig Henderson	M3rdV	OPEN
Treas	Richard N. Lewis	M2ndV	OPEN
Sec	Richard N. Lewis	M1stV	OPEN
CH	Anthony Fuller	Sen	George Ross

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Re-instate: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Expelled: 0

Died: 0

Sublette No. 21 rcvd 7/22/2023 elect*

Located in Marbleton, Sublette County

Dispensation Date: May 29, 1953 Charter Date: September 13, 1954

Meeting Time: Meeting on Third Monday of each month

Officers:

HP	Fred Archambault	PS	Daniel Bussard
King	J. D. Goulette IV	RAC	Toney Thompson
Scribe	James Mickelson	M3rdV	OPEN
Treas	T. Mark Mickelson	M2ndV	OPEN
Sec	Kraig Kobert	M1stV	OPEN
CH	Cornelius Kinsey	Sen	Thomas Needham

Exalted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 0

Reinstated: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 1

Joseph Spencer 11/9/2022

ANNUAL CONVOCATIONS OF THE WYOMING GRAND CHAPTER

No.	Date	Location	Grand High Priest (Presiding)	Special
0	4/6/1909	Rawlins	*Birney H. Sage (1)	
1	7/9/1909	Cheyenne	Adrian J. Parshall (1)	
2	4/7/1910	Green River	Birney H. Sage (1)	
3	4/6/1911	Cheyenne	Jesse Converse (3)	
4	3/15/1912	Laramie	Jacob F. Hoop (7)	
5	3/13/1913	Evanston	Robert F. Lawrence (5)	
6	3/12/1914	Rawlins	Park C. Hays (6)	
7	3/11/1915	Green River	Otto Gramm (3)	
8	3/9/1916	Casper	Charles H. Townsend (8)	
9	3/5/1917	Sheridan	Samuel Corson (1)	
10	7/11/1918	Cheyenne	Robert I. Turner (4)	
11	7/10/1919	Laramie	Arthur C. Jones (3)	
12	7/15/1920	Rawlins	William Pugh (2)	
13	7/14/1921	Lander	Charles W. Sheldon (7)	
14	7/13/1922	Thermopolis	Harry E. Crain (1)	
15	7/12/1923	Sheridan	Frank E. Hepner (3)	
16	7/10/1924	Douglas	Hudson E. Darrah (10)	
17	7/9/1925	Casper	Neil David Nelson (12)	
18	7/15/1926	Cheyenne	Edward D. Edwards (6)	
19	7/12/1927	Evanston	Terrell G. Scott (7)	
20	6/26/1928	Rawlins	John A. Whiting (1)	
21	7/9/1929	Lander	Robert B. Rose (13)	
22	7/15/1930	Laramie	#William N. Scott (5)	
23	7/14/1931	Casper	William N. Scott (5)	
24	7/12/1932	Rock Springs	David V. Bell (11)	
25	7/11/1933	Sheridan	William J. Hagans (6)	
26	6/19/1934	Green River	Carl F. Knisel (7)	
27	7/9/1935	Buffalo	Walter B. Saunders (17)	
28	7/14/1936	Cheyenne	Henry G. Watson (1)	
29	6/22/1937	Douglas	William H. Jones (13)	
30	7/12/1938	Casper	Oluf Jensen (15)	
31	7/11/1939	Rawlins	Erwin A. Froyd (18)	
32	7/9/1940	Sheridan	Clarence A. Brimmer (4)	

33	7/15/1941	Gillette	John Stansbury (9)	
34	7/14/1942	Evanston	Homer E. Zorn (16)	
35	7/13/1943	Casper	Preston C. Duncan (7)	
36	7/11/1944	Casper	William A. Appel (17)	
37	7/10/1945	Casper	Forest G. Wheeler (8)	
38	7/9/1946	Casper	James R. Mitchell (8)	
39	7/xx/1947	Rock Springs	Richard S. Webster (11)	
40	9/14/1948	Cody	Albert D. Walton (1)	
41	9/13/1949	Cheyenne	Howard D. Peverley (4)	
42	9/12/1950	Lander	William E. Searle (3)	
43	9/11/1951	Laramie	Charles E. Jensen (5)	
44	9/9/1952	Sheridan	Don B. Saunders (17)	
45	9/15/1953	Rawlins	William J. Haines (2)	
46	9/15/1954	Buffalo	Edward J. Treglown (8)	
47	9/14/1955	Evanston	Dwight H. Shotliff (1)	
48	9/10/1956	Casper	Elmer D. Kinnaman (4)	
49	9/9/1957	Cody	Lincoln W. Sexton (3)	
50	9/8/1958	Wheatland	Carl M. Morck, Jr. (5)	
51	9/14/1959	Lander	Mark H. Bundy (17)	
52	9/12/1960	Laramie	Irving E. Clark (8)	
53	9/12/1961	Sheridan	John F. Priborsky (2)	
54	9/11/1962	Cody	Raymond W. Allen (10)	
55	9/9/1963	Riverton	L. Virgil Abbott (6)	
56	9/14/1964	Green River	Will A. Lee (1)	
57	9/13/1965	Sheridan	Edward N. Shellinger (7)	
58	9/10/1966	Cheyenne	Alfred R. Corsberg (3)	
59	9/8/1967	Buffalo	Charles R. Mankin (17)	
60	9/6/1968	Casper	Clark Perry (8)	
61	9/12/1969	Wheatland	Carl R. Jourgensen (21)	
62	9/11/1970	Dubois	John M. Allen (19)	
63	9/19/1971	Rawlins	Alvah L. Good (14)	
64	9/8/1972	Cheyenne	L. E. Armstrong (20)	
65	9/14/1973	Cody	Loris A. Marshall (1)	
66	9/20/1974	Sheridan	Kirk K. Scott (4)	

67	9/12/1975	Sheridan	Ernest R. Burgon (7)	
68	9/17/1976	Dubois	John W. Officer (8)	
69	9/16/1977	Evanston	Roy k. Lake (5)	
70	9/22/1978	Cody	Dan R. Smith (10)	
71	9/21/1979	Lander	William A. Farthing (6)	
72	9/12/1980	Casper	Jack E. Nixon (19)	
73	9/26/1981	Laramie	W.S. McAuley (3)	
74	9/18/1982	Rawlins	Allan W. Garbutt (4)	
75	9/16/1983	Riverton	David S. Tanner (14)	
76	9/15/1984	Cody	Ronald R. Christie (10)	
77	9/14/1985	Casper	Frank E. Kading (8)	
78	9/12/1986	Cheyenne	Robert G. Hill (3)	
79	9/4/1987	Cheyenne	Marvin E. Austin (4)	
80	9/17/1988	Riverton	Hillman W. Snell (14)	
81	9/16/1989	Cody	William D. Kramp, Sr. (10)	
82	9/15/1990	Douglas	LeRoy F. King (8)	
83	9/12/1991	Rawlins	Frank M. Hartung (8)	
84	9/19/1992	Sheridan	Paul Biggs (3)	
85	9/18/1993	Laramie	Lawrence A. Blanchard (14)	
86	9/16/1994	Riverton	Virgil V. Teague (4)	
87	9/16/1995	Thermopolis	Noel F. Collins (12)	
88	9/14/1996	Cheyenne	William H. Wright (3)	
89	9/12/1997	Sheridan	Stanley N. McIrvin (8)	
90	9/18/1998	Cody	George Gill Curry (10)	
91	9/18/1999	Casper	Louis M. Ellenberger, Jr. (3)	
92	9/15/2000	Rawlins	C. Glenn Hoff (7)	
93	9/15/2001	Cheyenne	Gary D. Skillern (1)	
94	9/14/2002	Casper	George Worman (4)	
95	9/12/2003	Douglas	George C. Smith (9)	
96	9/18/2004	Thermopolis	Michael Chimenti (12)	
97	9/17/2005	Casper	Mits Ito (8)	
98	9/15/2006	Riverton	Dana H. Deuel (8)	
99	9/15/2007	Sheridan	Charles W. Smith (12)	
100	9/13/2008	Cheyenne	Joseph L. Boster II (8)	

101	9/18/2009	Casper	Thomas R. Nance (7)	
102	9/18/2010	Thermopolis	Lloyd K. Hashimoto (3)	
103	9/17/2011	Douglas	Michael L. James (9)	
104	9/14/2012	Jackson	Stephen P. Allen (5)	
105	9/14/2013	Sheridan	Mark S. Young (17)	
106	9/12/2014	Cody	Harland H. Goodchild (10)	
107	9/18/2015	Riverton	Philip G. Buchholz (4)	
108	9/17/2016	Sheridan	Steve W. Schlenker (7)	
109	9/16/2017	Gillette	James L. Sturdevant (7)	
110	9/14/2018	Casper	Mark D. Wells (7)	
111	9/19,2019	Sheridan	David “Tom” Smith (12)	
112	9/19/2020	Casper	Harry L. Furrey (1)	
113	9/17/2021	Cheyenne	Timothy D. Forbis	
114	9/17/2022	Cheyenne	Preston P. Goulette	
115	9/16/2023	Sheridan	Richard N. Lewis	Kenneth M. Badget (10) PGHP –(Honorary)
116		Thermopolis	Jack C. Cook	

* Organizing President # Deputy Grand High Priest serving for Elmer A. Kell,
MEGHP who was out state and ill.

Living Past Grand High Priests
Permanent Members of General Grand Chapter

Date	Name	Chapter
1996	William H. Wright	Lebanon No. 3
1997	Stanley N. McIrvin	Capitol No 8.
1998	G. Gil Curry	Darius #10
1999	Louis M. Ellenberger Jr	Lebanon No. 3
2001	Gary D. Skillern	Wyoming No. 1
2003	George C. Smith	Natural Bridge No. 9
2004	Michael Chimenti	Mount Hermon No. 12
2006	Dana H. Deuel	Capitol No. 8
2007	Charles W. Smith	Mount Hermon No. 12
2008	Joseph L. Boster II	Capitol No. 8

2009	Thomas R. Nance	Sheridan No. 7
2011	Michael L. James	Natural Bridge No. 9
2012	Stephen P. Allen	Baalbec No. 5
2013	Mark S. Young	Gillette No. 17
2014	Harland H. Goodchild	Darius No. 10
2015	Philip G. Buchholz	Garfield No. 4
2016	Steve W. Schlenker	Sheridan No. 7
2017	James L. Sturdevant	Sheridan No. 7
2018	Mark D. Wells	Sheridan No. 7
2019	David “Tom” Smith	Mount Hermon No. 12
2020	Harry L. Furrey	Wyoming No. 1
2021	Timothy D. Forbis	Wyoming No. 1
2022	Preston P. Goulette	Sublette No. 21
2023	Richard N. Lewis	Sybillie No. 19
2024	<i>Jack C. Cook</i>	<i>Wyoming No. 1</i>

Award of Merit Recipients

Date	Name	Location
1953	William Hutton, Jr.	Green River
1954	Joseph H. Lowrey	Casper
1955	Lloyd J. Davidson	Laramie
1956	Amel D. Moeller	Midwest
1957	Harry a. Lanich	Gillette
1958	None	
1959	Dee Baker (as of 1958)	Casper
1960	John Andrich	Powell
1961	William (Bill) L. Marion	Lander
1962	Lewis Self	Cheyenne
1963	James Sailer	Casper
1964	None	
1965	William F. Boyd	Cheyenne
1966	Verne Mokler	Casper
1967	None	

1968	William Kalber	Cheyenne
1969	Julius N. Dobbs	Torrington
1970	Carl W. Good	Riverton
1971	Delmer E. Kettlehut	Laramie
1972	Robert F. Shipton	Lander
1973	Leo F. Malody	Laramie
1974	Frank M. Hartung	Casper
1975	Hugh E. Brown	Cody
1976	William J. Smith	Douglas
1977	Leonard Leveraus	Greybull
1978	Archie F. York	Lander
1979	Harold Garrett	Wheatland
1980	Charles Gustafson	Rawlins
1981	Herbert D. McCoun	Lander
1982	Harold M. Lockard	Greybull
1983	Burl A. Parker	Cody
1984	James A. Pindell	Rawlins
1985	Douglas L. Johnson	Dubois
1986	Thomas L. Barnes	Evanston
1987	Charles T. Smith	Thermopolis
1988	Wayne F. Messenger	Cody
1989	Leslie N. Smith	Riverton
1990	Stanley N. McIrvin	Caper
1991	David T. Smith	Thermopolis
1992	Harold F. Eppson	Laramie
1993	Earl E. Voorhees	Thermopolis
1994	Neil Clark, Jr.	Rawlins
1995	Norris E. Odde	Thermopolis
1996	Silverster J. Brito	Laramie
1997	Michael J. Ito	Casper
1998	Virgil Poulsen	Green River
1999	Don "Doc" A. Allen	Laramie
2000	Edward C. Brown	Laramie
2001	William D. Kramp, Jr.	Cody

2002	Martin Cosat	Cody
2003	Harry L. Furrey	Cheyenne
2004	Lawrence A. Warren	Thermopolis
2005	Carl V. "Buddy" Matson	Rawlins
2006	Ronald A. Van Ekeren	Laramie
2007	Robert B. Willis	Gillette
2008	None	Blank
2009	Brian Sandlian	Cheyenne
2010	John Shuler	Cody
2011	Bryan N. Sandlian	Cheyenne
2012	Dan M. Cole	Wheatland
2013	Wayne Sutherland	Laramie
2014	Cory Rota	Riverton
2015	David C. Hough	Cody
2016	Earl L. Stevens	Cody
2017	Howard P. Hill	Saratoga
2018	Douglas J. Johnson	Laramie
2019	Timothy K. Sheffield	Cody
2020	Ralph H. Levi	Sheridan
2021	Robert O. Finley	Riverton
2022	None	
2023	David G. Hammond	Laramie
Silver Award of Merit		
Date	Name	Location
1987	Paul Biggs	Laramie
2005	Stanley N. McIrvin	Casper

Chapter of the Year Award

<u>Date</u>	<u>Chapter</u>
2012	Sheridan # 7
2013	Mt. Horeb # 6
2014	Sheridan # 7
2015	Lebanon #3
2016	Gillette #17
2017	Mt Hermon #12
2018	Lebanon # 3

2019	Lebanon # 3
2020	Lebanon # 3
2021	Sublette #21
2022	Wyoming #1
2023	Sheridan #7

REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Jurisdiction	Representative	Address	City State Zip
Alabama	Michael B. Johnson	PO Box 575	Crowheart, WY 82512
Alaska	Stanley N. McIrvin	2010 Reynolds St Apt H 181	Laramie, WY 82072
Alberta	NONE		
Argentina	Timothy D. Forbis	1602 Hot Springs Ave	Cheyenne, WY 82001
Arizona	G. Gil Curry	2538 Beartooth Dr	Cody, WY 82414
Arkansas	Robert H. Brotherton	2445 Dry Ranch Rd,	Sheridan, WY 82801
Austria	Harry L. Furrey	3304 Morrison Ct.	Cheyenne, WY 82001
Belgium	S. Craig Henderson	57 14 th St	Wheatland, WY 82201
Brazil	Ronald J. Wilson	1501 W 39th	Casper, WY 82601
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*11th ANNUAL CONVOCATION
OF THE
WYOMING GRAND CONVENTION
HOLY ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD
September 17, 2023-Sheridan, WY*

The Wyoming Grand Convention consisting of 26 Anointed High Priests and one Visitor was opened at 7:00 A.M. by Most Excellent President Wayne Long. There was three Companion Candidate in waiting. The following Officers were at their respective stations:

ME President:	Wayne Long	EC Vice President:	Preston Goulette
EC Chaplain:	Robert Finley	EC Treasurer:	Gregory Shiek
EC Recorder:	Thomas Nance	EC Master of Ceremonies	Kim Kurasz
EC Conductor:	Craig Henderson	protem J. Rader; Opening	
EC Herald:	Ralph Levi	EC Steward:	Chris Schroeder
EC Sentinel:	Calvin Van Zee		

Balloting on Candidates: Petitions for Companions Quinn Carroll, Kurt Gerhold and Casper Smith were received and approved for membership by the assembled AHP's

Visitors: ANP Ronny Aasterud of the Montana Grand Convention-HOHP was introduced

Conferral of the Order: The following Candidates were Anointed into the Order:

Quinn Matthew Carroll	Wyoming Chapter No. 1	Laramie County, WY
Kurt Albert Gerhold	Sheridan Chapter No. 7	Sheridan County, WY
Casper William Smith	Natural Bridge Chapter No. 9	Converse County, WY

Anointed High Priests performing the Ceremony were:

ME President:	Mark Young, PP	EC Vice President:	Preston Goulette
EC Chaplain:	Robert Finley, PP	EC Treasurer:	Gregory Shiek, PP
EC Recorder:	Thomas Nance, PP	EC Master Ceremonies:	Kim Kurasz
EC Conductor:	James Rader, PP	EC Herald:	Ralph Levi
EC Steward:	Chris Schroeder	EC Sentinel:	Calvin Van Zee

The Prologue was communicated by AHP Steve Schlenker, PP

Minutes: The Minutes of the 2022 Annual Convention were read. **Approved.**

Communications: Thanks for the \$100.00 donation from RARA and the Gottsche Foundation.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Business Checking Account #4865 Balance (9-08-2023)	\$1,306.16
Business Savings Account #7793 Balance (9-08-2023)	<u>\$1,069.80</u>
Checking and Savings Total:	\$2,375.96

Time Account (CD) #9623 (Matures 1-28-2024) (9-08-2023)	<u>\$13,255.16</u>
(Initial purchase: \$13,000.00)	

Treasury Total:	\$15,631.12
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President Long directed the management of the new Time Account (CD) would be the responsibility of Treasurer ANP Shiek. **Approved.**

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: The Convention approved the donation of \$100.00 each to RARA and Gottsche.

Election of Officers: It was motioned, seconded, and passed that the current Officer line would advance one station except for the Treasurer and Recorder, with the Incoming President Goulette to appoint as Sentinel. ANP Goulette announced the appointment of ANP Weston Hubele to the same..

2022-2023 Officers:

ME President;	Preston Goulette	EC Vice President:	Robert Finley
EC Chaplain:	Kim Kurasz	EC Treasurer:	Gregory Shiek
EC Recorder:	Thomas Nance	EC Master Ceremonies:	Craig Henderson
EC Conductor:	Ralph Levi	EC Herald:	Chris Schroeder
EC Steward:	Calvin Van Zee	EC Sentinel:	Weston Hubele

Sickness and Distress: ANP Dana Deuel and his family were remembered.

Necrology: A moment of silence was held for departed ANP Mark Pesognelli.

Good of the Order: ANP Long voiced his appreciation to the Convention for their attendance and efforts, and as well, offered words of congratulations and encouragement to the newest ANPs. ANP Nance spoke his gratitude to ANP Young for stepping in as ME President for the conferral of the Order. ANP Schroeder was thanked for his generous donation of the ceremonial swords.

As there was no further business to come before the Wyoming Grand Convention, it was duly closed at 8:45 A.M. by Past President Long. The next Convention will be held September 2024 in Thermopolis, WY.

Respectfully Submitted:

7. R. Nance

Thomas R. Nance, PP- Recorder

**MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND COUNCIL
OF CRYPTIC MASONS
OF WYOMING**

**PROCEEDINGS FROM THE SEVENTIETH ANNUAL
ASSEMBLY**



HELD AT

SHERIDAN, WYOMING

SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

MI GRAND MASTER

GREGORY K. SHIEK

PRESIDING



**GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS
2023-2026**

Elected

RP General Grand Master William G. Snyder

RP Deputy General Grand Master G. Thomas Taylor

RP General Grand Principal

Conductor of the Work

W. Keith Powell

RP General Grand Treasurer

Chuck McCollum

RP General Grand Recorder

Mark Irwin

Reg Dep Gen Grand Master

Northwest—**Rabi Peifer MIPGM**

Ambassador Near Wyoming - **Richard N. Lewis, PIGM**

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IGRec (Emeritus)	Kenneth S. Watts		

2022-2023 GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Division and Reference	Necrology & Memorials
Preston P. Goulette (3)	Grand Chaplain
Ronald Van Ekeren (2)	Constituent Recorders
Mark Pesognelli (5)	Kenneth Badget (6)
Credentials	YR Cooperation
Ralph Levi (3)	Howard Hill (5)
Kurt Gerhold (3)	Bryan J. Compton (3)
Kenneth Humphrey (3)	Timothy D. Forbis (8)
Appeals and Grievances	CMMRF
Christopher Schroeder (13)	Jon Rowe (11)
Steven J. Juhala (11)	Harry Furrey (8)
William Biggs (1)	Edward N. Jones (1)
Jurisprudence	Great Plains Rendezvous
Thomas Nance MIPGM (3)	Wayne Long MIPGM (7)
Cal Van Zee MIPGM (2)	Jack Cook MIPGM (8)
James Sturdevent MIPGM (3)	Cal Van Zee MIPGM (2)
Budget	Constitution and Bylaws
James Rader (3)	Mark Young (11)
Kenneth Badget (6)	Kenneth Badget (6)
Christopher Schroeder (13) Harry W.C. Oberg III Ex Officio	Ronald Van Ekeren (2)
Finance	Perpetual Life Membership
Steve Schlenker (3)	Greg Shiek (3)
Edward Jones (1)	Harry W. C. Oberg III (10)
Norman “Chip” King (3)	Christopher Schroeder (13)
Investments	Time and Place
T. Mark Michelson (13)	Tim Forbis (8)
James Rader (3)	Kenneth Humphrey (3)
Christopher Schroeder (13)	Cal Van Zee MIPGM (2)

Grand Council Cryptic Masons of Wyoming
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming

At 1:00 PM, MIGM Gregory K. Shiek called the 70th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming to order.

At 1:03 PM, the MIGM declared the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming 70th Annual Assembly open. The Altar was attended, and the IG Chaplain offered an opening prayer. The pledge to the flag was then given.

The MIGM ordered a roll call of all constituent Council and there were 13 of 13 present and a quorum was established.

The MIGM ordered a roll call of all the Grand Council officers. The IG Chap and IG Historian were not present, and the IG Historian was unexcused.

At 1:09 PM, the MIGM then asked for the introductions of all dignitaries and visitors.

The IG Cond of the Council introduced PIGM Richard N. Lewis General Grand Council Ambassador to Wyoming and he was given Public Grand Honors. The GG Ambassador then introduced the following:

PP GG Master David Grindle, GG Council Cryptic Masons, Itn'l
PIGM Rabi Peifer, NW Dep GG Master, GG Council Cryptic Masons, Itn'l

Private Grand Honors were rendered.

The RWDGM of the Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M. of Wyoming Br and Companion Scott Kitchner who was representing the MWGM Thomas G. Needham was introduced, escorted to the East and given Private Grand Honors. He was then seated on the Dais.

At 1:16 PM, a motion to accept the 2021-2022 Proceedings was made, seconded, and passed.

A motion to accept the Pre-Printed reports except for those reports requiring further actions was made. A request to exclude the Appeals and Grievances report was also made. The motion as amended was seconded and passed. A motion to Grant Honorary Membership to those wanting it was made, seconded and passed. and

At 1:20 PM, The MIGM opened the floor for balloting for the 2023-2024 Grand Council officers and to close the ballot at 1:30 PM . He assigned Companions Bryon Compton, Michael Strahan, and Timothy Williams as the Teller Committee with Companion Bryan Compton as the chairman.

At 1:21 PM, the MIGM called for a Credentials report. presented the following:

Members	58
Votes	57
Proxies	05
Total Votes	62

13 of 13 Councils were present at registration. Companion Compton made a motion to accept the report and have it printed in the Proceedings – seconded and passed.

The MIGM asked for any Resolutions from the floor and there were none.

At 1:24 PM, the MIGM gave his allocution: These remarks are located at the end of his final report on page 72 of these Proceedings.

He made a motion to accept his report, and have it printed in the Proceedings – it was seconded and passed.

At 1:28 PM, the MIGM asked for the Grand Recorder's report. Grand Recorder Kenneth Badget stated that the Report was in the pre-prints but wanted to correct the Statistics regarding Gillette Council # 11. The change was to include the Annual Report numbers from Gillette which had not been included in the Statistics which gave a total of 385 total members not 384 in the Grand Council of Cryptic masons of Wyoming. He made a motion to have this correction be accepted and printed in the Proceedings. The motion was seconded and passed.

At 1:29 PM, The MIGM asked for the G Treasurer's report. G Treasurer James Rader stated that his report was in the pre-prints but a problem with the Investment firm had to be discussed. During a recent office move, the Investment firm lost our account information plus a check for \$5000.00 which was to be invested. IG Treas James Rader stopped payment on the check. The issue with the Investment firm was verified by PIGM Gary Skillern. PIGM Skillern stated that they had found the old records and those records showed him as the main account holder – not James Rader. All communications were going to PIGM Gary Skillern. IG Treas James Rader made a motion to transfer all of our investment accounts to a different firm. PIGM Thomas Nance asked about having multiple members on the account and it was agreed that there should be others on the account in case of illness or death of the main account holder. Companion Steve Schlenker rose to say that Edward Jones has been doing a fantastic job for the other Masonic accounts he oversees and suggested we move our investments there. The IG Treas James Rader amended his motion to move the Investments to the Sheridan Edward Jones office. The motion was seconded and passed. The IG Treas then made a motion to accept his report and have it printed in the Proceedings – it was seconded and passed.

At 1:25 PM, the MIGM closed the ballot and excused the Teller committee.

The Appeals and Grievance Committee Chairman Companion Christopher Schroeder addressed the Grand Council regarding an amendment to the original Appeals and Grievances report. This amendment is found at the bottom of the Appeals and Grievances report. Companion Schroeder made a motion to accept his report and the amendment. It was seconded and passed.

At 1:38 PM, the MIGM placed the Assembly at recess for the conducting of the College of Preservation. MPP GG Master of the GG Council of Cryptic Masons, Itn'l David Grindle conducted the Order of the Secret Vault conferral assisted by PIGM Richard Lewis, PIGM Thomas Nance and PIGM Wayne Long. The order was conferred on Companions Kim Kurasz (4) and Jack Cook (8). At 1:48 PM the College of Preservation was closed. At 1:49 PM, the MIGM called the Assembly back to labor.

At 1:50 PM, the Teller Committee returned and the MIGM asked for their report. The Teller Committee Chairman stated we had an election and gave the results:

MIGM	Harry W.C. Oberg III	Accepted
RIDGM	Christopher P. Schroeder	Accepted
RPCW	Timothy D. Forbis	Accepted
RIG Treas	James T. Rader	Accepted
RIG Rcdr		

There were multiple names for G Recorder – Comp Kenneth Humphrey, Gregory Shiek, and Ken Badget. Each was polled as to whether he would accept the position or not. Companions Shiek and Badget declined, and Companion Humphrey asked to have a moment. The Teller Chairman confirmed that Comp Humphrey had received 29 votes. Companion Humphrey then stated that he would accept the position as IG Recorder for one (1) year. At 1:54 PM the MIGM thanked the Teller Committee and dismissed them. Companion J. D. Goulette rose to suggest that we should look into the possibility of having one Secy/Treas for all three Bodies in Wyoming York Rite. He realized that this would require a resolution from each body, but he just wanted to start having the SK's and Companions to start thinking about it.

At 1:58 PM, the MIGM asked those who had not been introduced as a Personal Representative to stand. The Conductor of the Council then proceeded to introduce Companion Charles Cole Representative to Wyoming from the Grand Council Royal and Select masters of Ohio. MIGM Scott Sageser of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Washington was introduced and then addressed the Assembly.

At 2:03 PM, Companion Frank Borden MIGM of the Cryptic Masons of Nebraska addressed the Assembly and invited all to Kearney, Nebraska for their Annual Grand Sessions.

.At 2:05 PM, the MIGM then asked for the roll of sitting Constituent Illustrious Masters and there were 4 of 13 present

At 2:07 PM, a roll of the sitting Constituent Recorders was conducted and there were 8 of 13 present.

At 2:10 PM, the MIGM asked for all PIGM's to fall in West of the altar for proper introduction. Each was introduced and all were given Private Grand Honors. 11 were present. PIGM Virgil Poulsen addressed the Assembly and talked about the troubles in the Chapters, Councils and Commandries.

At 2:16 PM, PIGM Max Guy Maberry of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Montana addressed the Assembly.

At 2:20 PM, the MIGM asked for the Jurisprudence report. PGM Thomas R. Nance gave the report which is found in the Proceedings and made a motion that his report be accepted and printed. It was seconded and passed.

At 2:30 PM, PIGM James Sturdevant made a motion to make EG Recorder Kenneth Badget a RE G Recorder emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed.

At 2:38 PM, the MIGM-Elect Harry W.C. Oberg III asked to address the Assembly. He gave his directions for the Installation.

At 2:40 PM, the MIGM asked the NW Reg Dep GG Master Rabi Piefer to address the assembly. Companion Peifer brought greetings from MP GG Master of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, Itn'l Companion Bill Snyder. Companion Snyder appointed Companion Piefer to replace Companion Wayne Long as the NW Reg Dep GG Master. He called Companion Wayne to the Podium and asked all to honor Companion Long for all his service to the Cryptic Masons. Companion Piefer talked about the wonders of the CMMRF program and all the great videos that are available.

At 2:45 PM, the MIGM asked the MWGM Thomas G. Needham's personal representative RWDGM Scott Kitchner to address the Assembly. Brother and Companion Kitchner brought greetings from the Grand Lodge A.F. &A.M. of Wyoming. He stated that he has thoroughly enjoyed this Sessions and is looking forward to the next Assembly. He stated that we should continue to strive to become better Masons and to live our Masonic ideals.

At 2:50 PM, MIGM Shiek had the Altar attended and at 2:51 Pm , he declared the Grand Council Closed.

**Installation
Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Wyoming
2023-2024 Officers
September 16, 2023
Cheyenne, Wyoming**

INSTALLING OFFICERS:

Installing Master	Donald L. York PIGM
Installing Recorder	Kenneth M. Badget IGRec
Installing Chaplain	Alvin L. Young
Installing Marshall	Gary Skillern PIGM

At 4:05 PM, PIGM Donald L. York acting as the Installing MIGM, called the Public Installation of the Grand Council Cryptic Masons of Wyoming to order. PIGM York directed the Installing Grand Recorder, I Grand Recorder Kenneth Badget, to read the names of the elected and appointed Grand Officers for the 2023-2024 year:

MIGM	Harry W.C. Oberg III	RIDGM	Christopher P. Schroeder
RIPCW	Timothy D. Forbis	RIG Treas	James T. Rader
RIG Rcdr	Kenneth R. Humphrey	IG Chap	Larry J. Farnham (not installed)
IG C O G	Steve W. Schlenker	IG C of C	Harry L. Furrey
IG Stew	William A. Biggs	IG Mar	Norman A. King
IG Hist	Steven J. Juhala (not installed)	IG Sent	Preston P. Goulette

The Installing IGM proceeded to install the officers. The Installing Grand Chaplain, Companion Alvin Young conducted an opening prayer. The Installing IGM directed the Installing Grand Marshall, MIPGM Gary Skillern, to present the MIGM-elect Harry W.C. Oberg III for installation after which he was conducted to the East and given Public Grand Honors. Every other officer was then installed and conducted to their Station. At 4:25 PM, the Installing IGM declared the officers – appointed and elected as installed. He then directed the Installing Grand Marshall to make the usual proclamation. The Installing IGM then presented the new MIGM with his apron and the trowel of authority Upon the completion of installation, MIGM Oberg had each officer introduce himself and his family, remarking that without the support of our families, the officers would not be able to participate in the Grand Council. MIGM Oberg, thanked his installing officers: PIGM Donald L. York; Installing Marshal PIGM Gary Skillern; Installing Chaplain Companion Alvin Young; and Kenneth M. Badget, Installing Recorder.

At 4:40 PM, with no other business to come before it, MIGM Oberg closed the 70th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming.

**FINAL REPORT OF
GREGORY K. SHIEK
MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

General Grand Council Officers, Grand Council Officers, Companions of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming, visiting Companions of other Jurisdictions, and Distinguished Guests:

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 70th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming. I believe we spend our time on what we believe is important so thank you for spending your time here. I particularly want to welcome Companion Rabi Piefer NW Reg Dep GG Master General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International and Right Puissant Wayne Long, Northwest Conference Deputy Grand Master General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International.

I would like to thank my Grand Officers and committee members for serving this year and taking on the responsibility of providing leadership and decisions required to keep the Grand Council viable. I would also like to thank the officers and companions that have served and worked in the constituent Councils. It takes commitment and dedication to ensure the Councils continue their work. I would also like to thank MIPGM Thomas Randal Nance for appointing me to the Grand Council line.

It was my pleasure to appoint/reappoint:

IC Grand Chaplain, Larry J. Farnham
IC Grand Captain of the Guard, Timothy D. Forbis
IC Grand Conductor of the Council, Steve W. Schlenker
IC Grand Steward, Harry L. Furrey
IC Grand Marshal, William A. Biggs
IC Grand Historian, Steven J. Juhala
IC Grand Sentinel, Norman A. King

**Travel
Northeast (Grand Lodge)
Grand Council *
2022/2023**

August

<i>Wyoming</i>	<i>No.2</i>	<i>13th</i>	<i>Lander (South Pass)</i>
<i>Gillette</i>	<i>No.28</i>	<i>22th</i>	

September

<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>1st</i>	
<i>Big Horn Mountain</i>	<i>No.43</i>	<i>7th</i>	
<i>Tower Lodge</i>	<i>No.44</i>	<i>8th</i>	
<i>Sundance</i>	<i>No.9</i>	<i>14th</i>	
WY Grand YR*		15th-18th	
<i>Upton</i>	<i>No.38</i>	<i>21th</i>	

October

Gillette*	<i>No.11</i>	<i>3rd</i>	
<i>Newcastle</i>	<i>No.13</i>	<i>6th</i>	
Fort Fetterman*	<i>No.12</i>	<i>12th</i>	
2022 NORTHWEST YORK RITE CONFERENCE 14-15*			BOISE, ID
Zabud*	<i>No.6</i>	<i>19th</i>	
<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>1st</i>	
Rawlins*	<i>No.5</i>	<i>25th</i>	

November

Laramie*	No.2	2 nd	
Wyoming*	No.1	3 rd	
<i>Anchor</i>	<i>No.7</i>	<i>5th</i>	<i>Grand Lodge</i>
<i>Anchor</i>	<i>No.7</i>	<i>7th</i>	

December

<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>1st</i>	
Demolay Commandery*	No.6	6 th	
<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>15th</i>	

January

<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>5th</i>	
Sheridan Council*	No.3	3 rd	

February

Lander*	No.4	9 th	
<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>16th</i>	

March

Sheridan York Rite Festival	*		4th
<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>2nd</i>	
Sheridan Council*	No.3	7 th	
Sheridan York Rite Festival	*		18th
<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>30th</i>	

April

<i>Big Horn Mountain</i>	<i>No.43</i>	<i>5th</i>	
<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>6th</i>	
Adoniram*	No.7	12 th	
Green River*	No.9	13 th	
King Solomon*	No.8	19 th	

May

<i>Newcastle</i>	<i>No.13</i>	<i>4th</i>	
<i>Gillette</i>	<i>No.28</i>	<i>9th</i>	

June

<i>Sheridan</i>	<i>No.8</i>	<i>1st</i>	
Montana York Rite Sessions*		2 nd	Billings, MT
Great Plains Rendezvous*		24 th	Hays, KS

July

<i>RMMC</i>		20 th -21 st	<i>Las Vegas</i>
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August

<i>Grand Chapter of Wyoming, Order of Eastern Star*</i>	9 th	Casper
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I was able to visit all the Councils except for Jackson Council No.13 because of a conflict with work. I was able to travel to the Great Plains Rendezvous in Hays, Kansas on June 24th. This was an incredible event! The Grand Master of Kansas counted 97 Masons in attendance. 51 candidates received the Super Excellent Master Degree. Our very own Companions Mike Strahan and Lee Ingalls received this degree. 9 Companions from Wyoming were in attendance with 7 putting on the Royal Master Degree. All 7 Companions from Wyoming had their parts memorized and did a fantastic job! The members of the cast were **King Solomon-John Rowe, Hiram King of Tyre-Lee Ingalls, Hiram Abif-Mike Strahan, Conductor of the Council-Tom Harmon, Captain of the Guard-Harry Furrey, Sentinel-Tom Nance. The Historical Lecture was given by Cal Van Zee. They did Wyoming Proud and I want to say Thank You Companions!** Companions, one of the

great benefits of Masonry is the travel and connecting with fellow Brothers from around the state and around the country. The windshield time is fantastic, if you know any York Rite heads of the body, ask if you can travel with them. They will love the company and you will build a bond with other Companions around the state.

REPRESENTATION

I would like to thank the following Companion's for representing Wyoming Grand Council this year.

RI Cond. of the Work Christopher P. Schroeder at the Idaho Grand Sessions.

RI Deputy Grand Master Harry W.C. Oberg III at the Grand Guardian Council of Wyoming.

I Grand Captain of the Guard Timothy D. Forbis representing Wyoming at the 48th General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International in Branson Missouri.

Dispensations

I issued two Dispensations in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming, Article IV, Section 9, Special Dispensations. They were Issued to Wyoming Council #1 to hold the Casper York Rite Festival on January 28th, 2023(which was cancelled due to weather); and to Sheridan Council #3 to hold the Sheridan York Rite Festival on March 4th, 2023.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons as the Grand Master and represent the Companions of Wyoming. I would like to thank the officers of the Grand Council for their assistance and support over this past year. I would also like to thank the Most Illustrious Past Grand Master's for their counselling and support when assistance was requested. A special thank you to Right Illustrious Grand Recorder Ken Badget for his assistance, counsel, and support!

Most importantly, thank you to my lovely lady Cheri for her assistance and support! She is a big part of this year's success, and I cannot thank her enough.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory Kurtis Shiek (3)

Most Illustrious Grand Master

Addendum to MIGM Gregory K. Shiek's Final Report

STATE OF THE CRAFT

Overall, I think the state of the craft is in trouble. I believe most Councils in the state are suffering from lack of membership and participation. Recent records show that membership is dwindling. With less members, it is important to realize that we have less funds. The time to make a strategic plan for our future is now. Like I said in 2018 as Grand Commander let's not look back and complain what we haven't done over the years but look back and see what we have accomplished. It is time to plan! That may mean raising dues, consolidating Councils, or setting up endowment funds, but let get it done.

RECOMMENDATIONS and ACTIONS

Companions, I have put Rawlins No.5 on probation effective August 11, 2023.

Due to the reasons listed below, I as Illustrious Grand Master of Wyoming, do hereby place Rawlins Council No. 5 on **probation**.

Whereas Rawlins Council No. 5 has failed to have a quorum to legally hold a meeting for the past several years.

Whereas Rawlins Council No. 5 has failed to have an election and installation of officers this past year.

Whereas the previous return that was filed by the secretary did not match the database of membership that the Grand Secretary has on file.

Therefore, as Illustrious Grand Master I am recommending to the new incoming Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming that the charter of Rawlins Council No.5 be revoked, if these duties **are not resolved by November 28, 2023.**

As Illustrious Grand Master, I do believe that Rawlins No.5 can accomplish all of this without having their charter revoked and peace and harmony will prevail. I will ask Rawlins No.5 to please plan for the future of this Council if they are able to continue. It is extremely hard and with a lot of sleepless nights that these decisions are made.

Thank you,

Gregory K. Shiek
Illustrious Grand Master of Wyoming

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT
GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF WYOMING
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming

MIGM, Grand Council Officers and Companions all:

The MMS database continues to be a wise investment but there are still some who refuse to use this valuable platform. Updating this platform when there is a loss or gain can make the database more effective as a tool for monitoring membership and as an invaluable asset for incoming IM's. Budgets are going to become more important as membership shrinks and a accurate membership allows the development of a budget that will adequately serve this Grand Council.

Reports are a necessary evil of any organization. Recorders and Committee Chairman need to ensure that their reports are submitted in a timely manner so the Advance Reports and the Proceedings can be created. I have one Council that I have had no communication with. Texts, phone calls and emails and USPS are unanswered. This means I have no way to provide forms or documents to this Council. This is a problem that needs to be addressed and dealt with in a professional manner.

During this reporting period, a report was sent in by Rawlins Council #5, which was an unauthorized report. No meeting to elect officers was held, no installation, the report was submitted by a well-intentioned Companion but not by the Recorder and it was not sealed. Since there was a known death in this Council, the numbers reflected in the statistics are last year's reported numbers minus the known death. The officers listed in in Rawlins #5 are as they were in the 2021-2022 Proceedings.

This year, new ballots have been introduced. These ballots are like those used in the Grand Lodge of Wyoming with each color representing a certain number of votes. These ballots will be handed out at registration and should help in eliminating any confusion in counting votes.

With changes in the IRS, it is essential that the Councils ensure that their EIN reports are filed annually. Some Councils have been doing an admirable job of seeing to these reports, but there are some that it is not known if they have filed. There is a hard look

being taken by the IRS at non-profit organizations and it behooves us to make sure we are doing all that is required.

Over the years, I have been able to reduce the cost of doing business. Aprons are now less costly and of better quality. Printing has been our best success as the Grand Secretary for the Grand Lodge has been doing the printing for us. This has led to considerable savings. The overall look of the Grand Council officers' aprons and jewels has made us look a little more professional.

Companions, in 2012-2013, the Grand Council membership was at 535 and now it is at 385. The annual Budget for this Grand Council is approximately \$7100.00 based on current expenditure. At 315 members, this Jurisdiction will make enough per capita to meet the budget. At a current loss rate of approximately 17 members a year this Jurisdiction will have 4 years – give or take – to reach that breakeven point. I am no financial expert, and this conclusion is based solely on current loss rates, budget requirements and projected per capita income and is provided solely for future planning purposes. *(Per Capita is currently based on \$22.50/member)*

YEAR	LOSS	Gains- Loss
10-11	43	-17
11-12	53	-28
12-13	42	-23
13-14	57	-38
14-15	28	-4
15-16	27	-10
16-17	23	-10
17-18	34	-11
18-19	31	-17
19-20	34	-8
20-21	23	-14
21-22	33	-19
22-23	30	-18
AVG	35	-16.76923077

(Average age in Grand Council is 65.8 years old)

It has been my pleasure to serve this Grand Council and all the Companions of Wyoming. I have given timely notice that I need to be replaced, as my recent medical checkups have not been stellar. I will assist my replacement and provide the necessary templates that have been developed for the Advance Reports and Proceedings. Form templates and

Receipt and Warrant spreadsheets with self-calculating columns will also be made available.

Recommendations:

I recommend that the Local *Councils* seriously consider computer-savvy Companions for the position of Recorder.

I recommend that the use of the database and web services continue.

I recommend a review of the Constitution and By-Laws to clean up verbiage.

I recommend that the MEGHP order financial reviews be conducted in all Councils with emphasis on EIN status.

I recommend reliable Companions when choosing your Committee Chairs - check the Constitution and By-Laws.

I recommend that the Local Councils do an audit of their membership rosters and get them cleaned up and up to date.

Companions, it has been a pleasure to serve you as the Grand Recorder of this Grand Council.

Fraternally,
Kenneth M. Badget (6)
RI Grand Recorder

Grand Council Receipts 2022-2023

GRAND COUNCIL RECEIPTS 2022-2023

#	Date	Source	Amount	Notes	Budget
1	6/14/2022	Ft Fetterman #12	\$365.50	Per Capita	1020
2	6/14/2022	Wheatland York Rite	\$273.00	Per Capita	1020
3	6/14/2022	Sheridan York Rite Bodies	\$1,620.00	Per Capita	1020
4	6/26/2022	Green River Council #9	\$322.50	Per Capita	1020
5	6/28/2022	King Solomon Council #8	\$645.00	Per Capita	1020
6	7/6/2022	Zabud Council #6	\$1,272.50	Per Capita	1020
7	7/6/2022	Laramie Council #2	\$537.50	Per Capita	1020

8	7/12/2022	Lander Council #4	\$817.00	Per Capita	1020
9	7/12/2022	Gillette Council #11	\$709.50	Per Capita	1020
10	7/26/2022	Rawlins Council #5	\$451.50	Per Capita	1020
11	7/26/2022	Evanston Council #10	\$254.50	Per Capita	1020
12	8/4/2022	Jackson Council #13	\$365.50	Per Capita	1020
13	8/9/2022	Wyoming Council #1	\$1,118.00	Per Capita	1020
14	8/22/2022	King Solomon Council #8	\$5.00	Dispensation	1040
		Total	\$8,757.00		

Grand Council Warrants 2022-2023

GRAND COUNCIL WARRANTS		2022-2023						
#	Date	Payee	City	ST	Zip	Amount	Notes	Cat
1	9/17/22	George D. Pushee III	Crystal River	FL	34429	\$200.00	Website Maint	1520
2	9/17/22	Kenneth M Badget	Cowley	WY	82420	\$456.25	G Rcdr 1st Qtr	1110
3	9/17/22	Gary Skillern	Cheyenne	WY	82009	\$50.00	G Treas	1120
4	9/17/22	Frank Selby, Exec Dir Shrine Bowl, Inc	Casper	WY	82605	\$67.00	Shrine Bowl Ad	2200
5	9/17/22	Gregory K. Shiek	Sheridan	WY	82801	\$500.00	MIGM	1410
6	9/17/22	Kenneth M Badget	Cowley	WY	82420	\$58.00	Stamps	1310
7	9/17/22	Larry J Farnham	Laramie	WY	82070	\$50.00	G Chaplain	1130
8	9/17/22	Marquis Awards	Powell	WY	82435	\$51.27	Badges,	1720
9	9/17/22	Grand Lodge AF&AM of WY	Lander	WY	82520-1328	\$56.15	Printing	1220,30,40,50
10	9/17/22	Kenneth M Badget	Cowley	WY	82420	\$26.40	Rpr G Coun Charter	2400
11	9/26/22	GG Coun Cryptic Masons Intn'l	Estancia	NM	87016-0365	\$927.50	GG Per Cap	1900
12	10/18/22	Gregory K Shiek	Sheridan	WY	82801	\$347.81	Boise Trvl	1420
13	10/18/22	Christopher Schroeder	Jackson	WY	83002	\$231.25	Boise Trvl	1420
14	11/9/22	Kenneth M Badget	Cowley	WY	82420	\$456.25	G Rcdr 2nd Qtr	1110
15	11/21/22	Grand Lodge AF&AM of Wyo	Lander	WY	82520-1328	\$140.70	Proceedings	1210
16	1/2/23	Gregory K. Shiek	Sheridan	WY	82801	\$500.00	MIGM	1410

17	1/17/23	Whittle, Hamilton & Assoc, P.C., CPA	Powell	WY	82435	\$56.00	CPA inv# 74486	1510
18	1/17/23	Kenneth M Badget	Cowley	WY	82420	\$456.25	G Rcdr 3rd Qtr	1110
19	3/27/23	Illinois Regallia	Wheeling	IL	60090	\$194.00	MIGM Apron	1710
20	4/4/23	Edward Jones Investments	Cheyenne	WY	82009	\$5,000.00	Investment	2500
21	4/11/23	Kenneth M Badget	Cowley	WY	82420	\$100.00	Printer Supply	2100
22	4/11/23	Kenneth M Badget	Cowley	WY	82420	\$456.25	G Rcdr 4th Qtr	1110
23	4/12/23	MMS,,LLC	Sugar Land	TX	77478	\$67.72	MMS database	1530
24	6/19/23	Otto Uecker	Riverton	WY	82520	\$85.00	Coun of YR	1610
					Total	\$10,475.99		

**GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT
GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASON OF WYOMING
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming**

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers, and Companions of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Mason of Wyoming.

Attached to this narrative is the budget spreadsheet of this Grand Council for the July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, fiscal year, and the proposed budget for the July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, fiscal year.

In the **Revenue** portion of the 2022/2023 budget, we missed our forecast-ed income by \$42.67.

In the **Expenditures** portion of the spreadsheet, several items cost us less than budgeted. Specifically, the items of **Printing** (line items **1210, 1220, 1230, 1240, 1250, and 1260**). Due to the current arrangement with the Grand Lodge of Wyoming, the Grand Lodge Secretary continues to handle the bulk of our printing needs, thus this continues to save us money. Our postage spending, Northwest Regional Workshop CPA fees, MIGM apron, all were less than budgeted. All in all, we closed the fiscal year with an actual budget surplus of \$2,489.32. With our current financial climate, I recommend we continue to be prudent with our spending. Our 30 June 2023 checking account balance was **\$7,310.49**.

Investments:

TBA

The Grand Council funds are currently invested as follows:

- American Balanced, FD, Inc. / Prudential Financial, Inc. / Franklin Total Return Fund

I believe with our continued diligence in watching our expenses our Grand Council should continue to operate within our budget for the next year. I would like to thank Companion Ken Badget for his stellar service to this Grand body and his continued guidance in assisting me in this office.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Rader
James T. Rader(3)
Grand Treasurer

Attachments:
 2022-2023Budget Spreadsheet/2023-2024 Proposed Budget
 Grand Council Warrants for 2022-2023
 Grand Council Receipts for 2022-2023

DEPOSITS

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23	4/12/23	MMS, LLC	Sugar Land	TX	77478	\$67.72	MMS Database	1530
24	6/19/23	Otto Uecker	Riverton	WY	82501	\$85.00	Council Plaque	1610
					TOTAL	\$10,475.99		

GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASONS of WYOMING
PROPOSED BUDGET 2021-2022 (PASSED)
Sheridan, Wyoming
September 16, 2023

REVENUE		2022-23 Budget	2022-23 Actual	Variance +/-	2023-24 Budget
1010	Earned Interest	\$1.00	\$1.33	(\$0.33)	\$1.00
1020	Per Capita & Assessments	\$8,600.00	\$8,757.00	(\$157.00)	\$8,600.00
1030	Re-sale of Supplies	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$250.00
1040	Charters & Dispensations	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$0.00	\$5.00
1050	New member Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1060	Withdraw From Checking	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1070	Withdraw From Investments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1080	Other Sources	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTALS		\$8,806.00	\$8,763.33	\$42.67	\$8,856.00
EXPENDITURES					
	Admin/Office				
1110	Grand Recorder Salary	\$1,825.00	\$1,825.00	\$0.00	\$1,825.00
1120	Grand Treasurer Honorarium	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
1130	Grand Chaplain Honorarium	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
	Printing				
1210	Annual Proceedings	\$200.00	\$140.70	\$59.30	\$200.00
1220	Advanced Reports	\$65.00	\$31.25	\$33.75	\$65.00
1230	Dues Cards	\$25.00	\$22.50	\$2.50	\$25.00
1240	Annual Session Ballots	\$25.00	\$16.50	\$8.50	\$25.00
1250	Annual Session Tri-Folds	\$30.00	\$5.40	\$24.60	\$30.00
1260	Miscellaneous	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$100.00
	Postage				
1310	Grand Recorder	\$150.00	\$58.00	\$92.00	\$150.00
	Travel				
1410	MIGM Allowance	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00

1420	Northwest Reg. Workshop	\$850.00	\$173.44	\$676.56	\$850.00
	Professional Services				
1510	CPA Accounting	\$75.00	\$56.00	\$19.00	\$100.00
1520	Website	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
1530	MMS Database Service	\$85.00	\$67.72	\$17.28	\$85.00
	Awards				
1610	Council of the Year	\$100.00	\$85.00	\$15.00	\$100.00
1620	Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Regalia				
1710	MIGM Apron	\$250.00	\$194.00	\$56.00	\$250.00
1720	Officer Badges	\$90.00	\$51.27	\$38.73	\$90.00
1730	Regalia Maintenance	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
	Other				
1900	Gen Grand Council PerCapita	\$1,100.00	\$927.50	\$172.50	\$1,100.00
2000	Purchase Re-Sale Supplies	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
2100	Office Supplies	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
2200	Advertisement	\$67.00	\$67.00	\$0.00	\$67.00
2300	Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2400	Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$26.40	\$73.60	\$100.00
2500	Add to Investments	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTALS		\$12,137.00	\$9,647.68	\$2,489.32	\$7,112.00
30-Jun-23	Checking Acct. Balance	\$9,737.11	\$ 9,737.11		\$ 7,310.49

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming
Finance Committee Report
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, WY

Most Illustrious Gregory K. Shiek, Grand Master, Grand Council Officers, and Companions all,

The Committee on Finance has received the 2022-2023 Financial Report from the Grand Treasurer and the Report of the Grand Recorder, as well as the Grand Council proposed budget for the upcoming year, 2023-2024.

In review of the 2022-2023 budgets, no discrepancies have been found reconciling the Receipts or the Warrants against Paid Expenditures.

In the Revenue portion of the 2022/2023 budget, the projected budget forecast was missed by \$42.67, which shows extraordinary attention to detail in preparing this budget. As mentioned in the Treasurers report, a substantial savings in printing costs is realized by the utilization of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming, Grand Lodge Secretary's expertise in providing printing services to Grand York Rite of Wyoming.

In review, the Grand Council closed the fiscal year with a budget surplus of \$2,489.32. The Finance Committee concurs with the Treasurers' comments to continue to be prudent with spending. The Grand Council checking account balance was \$7,310.49 as of 30 June 2023.

The Finance Committee has reviewed the 2023-2024 proposed budgets and find it in line with previous historical data and trends of income versus expenditure.

The Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer are to be commended for their dedication and diligence pertaining to the budget of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve W. Schlenker (3) Chairman
Norman (Chip) King (3)
Ed N Jones (1)

GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF WYOMING
Report of the Investment Committee
July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023
September 17, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming

Page 66 of these Proceedings addresses the Investment issue for this reporting year..

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND COUNCIL
OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF WYOMING
COMMITTEE ON YORK RITE COOPERATION
Sheridan, Wyoming 16 September 2023

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers, and Companions All,

We the Committee on York Rite Cooperation shall report that despite a rather harsh and lengthy winter, the York Rite bodies continue to work together in putting on Degrees, Festivals, (although at least 2 were cancelled due to winter storms) and performing courtesy work necessary to help our respective Councils, Chapters and Commanderies to grow by performing excellent degree work on our new Companions and Sir Knights.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard Hill (4) Chairman
Bryan Compton (3)
Timothy Forbis (8)

**GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF WYOMING
ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND CHAPLAIN'S NECROLOGY REPORT
SHERIDAN, WYOMING, 16 SEPTEMBER 2023
COUNCIL DEATHS FOR 2022 – 2023**

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal and Select Masters of Wyoming, Greetings.

It has indeed been my honor and privilege to serve again as the Grand Chaplain for this year. Sadly, nine of our Companions passed from our midst and have laid down forever the working tools of life and joined the Great Architect of the Universe. We cherish their memories and mourn the loss of their Companionship. These Companions will be missed by their loved ones and all of us in our respective Councils.

My thanks go to the Council secretaries for getting their reports in to the Grand Secretary. I would also like to thank Illustrious Grand Secretary Ken Badget for his personal support in my efforts as Grand Chaplain and continued service to all aspects of Masonry this past year.

Grand Council Deaths 2022-2023

NAME	DATE	COUNCIL
Allen C. Anderson	8/4/2022	Sheridan #3
Ralph H. Martin	9/11/2022	Evanston #10
Donald A. Peterson	11/20/2022	Zabud #6
Mark Pesognelli	12/21/2022	Rawlins #5
Michael L. Johnson	1/23/2023	Laramie #2
John W. Officer	1/27/2023	Wyoming #1
Jerry D. Fields	2/15/2023	Zabud #6
James D. Clingman	6/8/2023	Zabud #6
James E. Davis	6/11/2023	Lander #4

Fraternally,
Larry J Farnham (2)
I Grand Chaplin

GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF WYOMING*
COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master Shiek, Officers, and Companions:

In the 2022-23 Masonic year, this committee has seen no items come before us that would require action of any kind.

At the time of this report, the constitution and by-laws of this Grand body seemed to have pleased and worked well for all of the companions throughout the state of Wyoming, which we believe to be very positive on many different levels.

We thank the Most Illustrious Grand Master for allowing us to serve on this committee.

Dutifully Submitted
Mark S. Young (11) – Chairman
Ken Badget (6)– Member
Ron Van Eckern (2) - Member

REPORT OF THE CRYPTIC MASONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION
16 September 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming
Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming

Name	Date	ST	Amount
Lander Council #4	3/9/2023	WY	\$ 200.00
Zabub Coun #6	2/22/2023	WY	\$ 50.00
Quinn Carroll	10/6/2022	WY	\$ 50.00
Wayne Long	8/10/2022	WY	\$ 20.00
Steve Schlenker	10/6/2022	WY	\$ 60.00
Calvin Van Zee	10/062022	WY	\$ 30.00
WY G Council	10/21/2022	WY	\$ 1,339.00
Jon Rowe	7/11/2023	WY	\$ 1,000.00
Gillette Council #11	7/14/2023	WY	\$ 80.00
TOTAL		WY	\$ 2,829.00

Fraternally,
Jon Rowe (11), Chairman
Harry Furrey (8)
Edward Jones (1)

GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF WYOMING
COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES
September 16, 2022
Sheridan, Wyoming

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers, and Companions All:

The Appeals and Grievances committee is happy to report that there have been no issues brought before it, reflecting the peace and harmony that binds our gentle Craft.

Submitted,
Chris Schroeder (13)
Steven J. Juhala (11)
William Biggs (1)

Addendum to Appeals and Grievances Report 9/16/2023.

The Appeals and Grievances committee received a grievance from MIPGM Wayne Long after the preprint went out.

The issue has merit, but considering the timeliness and form of the submission, it was agreed that for the time, the issue was to be decided by the respective heads of the Grand bodies.

Peace and harmony prevailing,
Christopher Schroeder, RIPCond of Work (13)
Steven Juhala, IG Hist (11)
William Biggs, IG Mar (1)

REPORT OF THE CHARTERS UNDER DISPENSATION
September 16, 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Companions:

No Charters were issued or turned in.

Fraternally,
Kenneth M. Badget (6), G Rcdr

GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF WYOMING
COMMITTEE ON DIVISION AND REFERENCE
Sheridan, Wyoming
September 16, 2023

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Officers and Companions All,

The Annual Address of Most Illustrious Grand Master Gregory K. Shiek has been reviewed and this committee commends Most Illustrious Grand Master Shiek on his attendance throughout the State of Wyoming and at the Great Plains Rendezvous in Hayes, Kansas.

Most Illustrious Grand Master Shiek visited all Councils within Wyoming this past year except for Jackson Council #13, which is understandable considering he had work obligations. Most Illustrious Grand Master Shiek showed great dedication to the craft by not only attending Council meetings, but

also taking an active role in other Masonic Bodies doings to include Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M. of Wyoming, Montana York Rite Session, Grand Chapter of OES of Wyoming, and held an active role in the Sheridan York Rite Festival.

This Committee finds the report of the MIGM that was submitted for review to be in order per the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Council of Wyoming.

This Committee wishes to congratulate Most Illustrious Grand Master Shiek on a successful year and wish him the best in his endeavors as he progresses through the officer line of the Grand Lodge of A.F.&A.M. of Wyoming. Most Illustrious Grand Master Shiek has represented the Grand Council, and all Cryptic Masons of Wyoming with great passion and zeal for the craft.

Respectfully Submitted:
Preston P. Goulette (13) Chairman
Ronald Van Ekren (2) Member

Great Plains Rendezvous Report
***2022-2023**
16 September 2023
Sheridan, Wyoming
27TH GREAT PLAINS RENDEZVOUS

The Great Plains Rendezvous was opened in Hayes Kansas on June 6, 2023. Wyoming was in charge of the Royal Master Degree.

Wyoming cast members were:

Ritual Officer	Name
Illustrious King Solomon	Jon Rowe
Hiram King of Tyre	Lee Ingalls
Hiram Abiff	Michael Strahan
Captain of the Guard	Harry Furrey
Conductor of the Council	Thomas Harmon
Historical Lecturer	Cal Van Zee

Additional Wyoming Council Members:

Gregory K. Shiek, MIGM of Wyoming

Thomas R. Nance MIPGM

Wayne W. Long MIPGM

Wyoming proceeded with the Royal Master Degree. An excellent part was delivered by Companion Michael Strahan as Hiram Abiff after following a very well opening delivered by Companion John Rowe as King Solomon. Companion Thomas Harmon, as Conductor of the Council and Companion Harry Furrey as Captain of the Guard, displayed a well-versed coordination in the floor work. This was demonstrated to the (40) new Council members, in the Royal Master Degree. Companion Cal Van Zee gave the Historical Lecture which gave positive re-enforcement of the Degree to the candidates. Great job by Companion Cal Van Zee and many thanks to MIGM Gregory K. Shiek for this great Wyoming degree team.

Following the Royal Master Degree, Colorado proceeded with the Select Master Degree with a very forceful dissertation as King Solomon which was portrayed by Companion Ron Birley in the opening and obligation of the Select Master Degree. Companion Grover Sardenson as Hiram King of Tyre and Companion Al Uliberi presented the candidates in a well-choreographed manor which gave meaning to the degree. Companion Bruce Lawrence of Colorado presented the History Lecture

as to impress upon the candidates the significance of the Select Degree. Companion Bruce Lawrence proceeded to deliver the Apron Lecture and the Charge and Address which was very well done. Very impressive work by Companion Bruce Lawrence and a great job by Colorado in the Select Master Degree.

Kansas proceeded with the Super Excellent Master Degree and the Pageant. Last minute changes in the degree and re-alignment of cast were required and the Kansas membership were ready, stepping up to the task and giving the (51) candidates a memorable experience. A big thank you to Kansas for hosting the 2023 Great Plains Rendezvous. We are all looking forward to Colorado hosting our 2024 meeting in Sterling Colorado. Again, great Rendezvous Kansas, good fellowship and hospitality.

Wayne Long
Northwest Deputy General Grand Master
Cryptic Masons, International

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

**Sheridan, Wyoming
September 16, 2022**

Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council Officers, Distinguished Visitors, Companions All.

Most Illustrious Grand Master, Illustrious Grand Council Officers, Illustrious General Grand Council Visitors, Companions All.

We are pleased to have received the report of Most Illustrious Grand Master Gregory K. Shiek in a timely and courteous fashion and will at this time make our report.

APPOINTMENTS: In conformance with Article II, Section 1. of the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming, Grand Master Shiek either reappointed or advanced by appointment the following Grand Companions:

Larry J. Farnham, Grand Chaplain
Timothy D. Forbis, Grand Captain of the Guard
Steve W. Schlenker, Grand Conductor of the Council
Harry L. Furrey, Grand Steward
William A. Biggs, Grand Marshal,
Steven J. Juhala, Grand Historian

Grand Master Shiek completed the Officer Corps by appointing Companion Norman A. King as Grand Sentinel.

All of the aforementioned Companions have demonstrated competency and dedication throughout the Craft and the Committee endorses these appointments. Additionally, Grand Master Shiek was in accord with Article III, Section 6 of the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming by the Code dictated appointment of Companions to the several Committees that serve the Grand Council.

VISITATIONS AND TRAVEL: Jurisprudence Committees have observed and offered comment for years on the importance of the MIGM or his Personal Representative(s) to be highly visible to the Companions in this, and other Grand

Jurisdictions. Grand Master Shiek's documentation of his visitations and travels may be found beginning on page 28 of the Draft Proceedings. For the purpose of this Assembly's efficiency, this Committee does not find it essential to go over each and every entry. By way of summarizing this aspect of his term, it should be observed that he attended every Constituent Council's Assembly with the exception of one, and of significant note, additional visitations were completed during the course of fulfilling his duties as a Grand Lodge Officer. We also laud the hands-on management style of MIGM Shiek by the use of Official Representatives in the few instances whereby travel to a certain event was in conflict with his personal responsibilities.

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES: As was reported by Grand Master Shiek; Wyoming Grand Council representation was present at the Idaho Grand York Rite, Wyoming Grand Bethel, and the General Grand Council Assembly.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS: In accordance with Article IV, Section 9 of the Grand Council Code, the Grand Master issued two Special Dispensations as allotted to Wyoming Council No.1, and Sheridan Council No. 3. Both for the purpose of hosting a York Rite Festival. The Dispensation to Casper was returned as it was unused. Both Dispensations were found to be in order and in the approved manner; no fees were collected.

DECISIONS: Grand Master Shiek did not report any Decisions.

BY-LAWS: Grand Master Shiek did not report any requests for By-law changes.

GREAT PLAINS RENDEZVOUS: The Grand Master set the Craft to work by personally organizing a Degree Team from far and wide Wyoming to travel to Hays, KS for the purpose of the conferral, in outstanding fashion, of the Royal Master Degree.

PROBATION: On August 11, 2023, Grand Master Shiek placed Rawlins Council No. 5, Royal and Select Masters, on Probation due to a number of organizational shortages. The Grand Master did write letters to the entire membership of Rawlins Council outlining and advising them of the conditions and requirements for rectification of the same. It should be noted that nowhere in the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming is there a mention, reference, or allowance for the issuance of Probation. By the same token, neither is there a section of the Code which forbids it. This precedent has been set, and applied on occasion, in the past by other Wyoming Grand York Rite Bodies. As there is no provision prohibiting this process, this act of bestowing probationary status is well within the purview of the Grand Master.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Grand Master Shiek indicated that he recommends to his successor, the revocation of the Charter of Rawlins Council if the stated conditions of his letter of Probation are not met by the specified date. Realizing of course that this time frame extends into the term of his successor, in which case it may be agreed upon, or rejected at the will and pleasure of the new MIGM.

Most Illustrious Grand Master Shiek, this concludes the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence. The Committee, in closing, would like to finalize this report by commenting on your overall performance and service to this Grand Council. It is not lost on the membership of this Committee, nor should it go unnoticed or unappreciated by the Companions at large, that you have at least the same, if not more numerous, everyday life challenges and setbacks which you very successfully, and without complaint or excuse managed in the course of your

tenure as Grand Master. This Grand Council is appreciative of your stellar service and unwavering commitment to the Craft.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas R. Nance (3) Chairman
Calvin E. Van Zee (2)
James L. Sturdevant (3)

RESOLUTIONS

None

2022-23 Council Statistics

#	City	G r t	A f l	R s t	C o r r	G a i n	D i e d	D m t	S p d	X p l	C o r r	L o s s	N e t G/ L	22 Rpt	23 Rpt	5 O Y R	GG LF
1	Casper	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	-2	53	51	2	1
2	Laramie	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	-2	25	23	0	0
3	Sheridan	6	0	0	0	6	1	1	1	0	0	3	3	72	75	3	1
4	Lander	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	4	-4	38	34	1	2
5	Rawlins	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	17	0	1
6	Cody/Thermo p	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	6	10	-9	59	50	1	2
7	Wheatland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14	1	2
8	Cheyenne	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	30	30	0	4
9	Green River	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	-1	15	14	1	1
10	Evanston	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	13	11	0	8
11	Gillette	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	33	33	0	1
12	Douglas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	17	0	1
13	Jackson	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	17	0	0
		9	3	0	0	12	10	4	9	0	7	30	--18	403	385	9	24

GGLF is the General Grand Life members – we don’t pay GG Per Capita of \$2.50 on these members

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2022-2023**

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HARRY W.C. OBERG III **Most Illustrious Grand Master**

MIGM Harry W. C. Oberg III is a transplanted Mason having received his Blue Lodge degrees while in college. His Entered Apprentice and Master Mason degrees were done at Downsville Lodge No. 464, F & AM, in Downsville, New York. He received his Fellowcraft degree as a courtesy from University Lodge No. 944 at Alfred, New York. He had the great fortune to complete degree work in January, February and March of 1970 while his father, Harry W. C. Oberg, was Master of Downsville Lodge. Downsville Lodge later went dark, and membership was retained in New York by a transfer to Walton Lodge No. 559, F & AM, the Lodge where his father received his initial membership. This lodge later merged with two other lodges and is now called Delaware River Lodge in Delh, New York. Membership is retained there.

After graduation from Downsville Central School, Downsville, New York in 1966, he attended Alfred University in Alfred, New York. He departed Alfred in 1970 with a degree in chemistry and a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army Reserves. He entered active duty at Fort Benning, Georgia in 1971, discharged in 1973 and called back to duty in 1975, 1976 and 1977. While at Fort Benning, Masonic education continued with the addition of the Scottish Rite degrees from the Valley of Columbus, Georgia. His membership was later transferred to the Valley of Cheyenne, Wyoming.

In 1974, Harry moved to Laramie, WY to attend the University of Wyoming. There he received a Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy. He also attended both Laramie Lodge No. 3 and Gem City Lodge No. 52 when time permitted. After military duty in 1977, he moved to Evanston, WY in 1978 where he became a dual member in Evanston Lodge No. 4. Masonic education continued with the reception of the York Rite degrees and membership in the Shrine.

In 1985, he married Susan Demander and moved Susan, Nathan, Jessica, Kelli, and Jordan to his "tiny house on the prairie" of the Hilliard Flats, south of Evanston. Harry has served on various local boards. He was a member of the Civil Air Patrol; the Evanston Fire Department and still on the Local Emergency Preparedness Committee. He started the

pharmacy at Evanston Community Health Center and after four years of full-time work there, he went on to do relief pharmacy for four local area pharmacies. He has served the Evanston area as a pharmacist for forty-seven years and continues service as of this date.

Harry's Masonic memberships include: Evanston Lodge No. 4, AF & AM, Past Master, past Secretary, edited the Lodge Trestle Board for 20 years, Kemmerer Lodge No. 33 where he currently serves as secretary, Delaware River Lodge No. 439, F & AM, Walton, New York; Bannack Lodge No. 3-7-77, AF & AM of Montana, charter member; Tranquility Lodge No. 2000, AF & AM of Texas, charter member; Grand Mound Lodge of Washington, Fort Douglas Lodge of Utah, Evanston Chapter No. 2, Royal Arch Masons, Past High Priest; Evanston Council No. 10, Cryptic Masons, Past Illustrious Master; Albert Pike Commandery No. 4, Knights Templar, Past Commander; Evanston Consistory Club, charter member; Esther Chapter No. 9, Order of Eastern Star, Past Patron; Southwest Wyoming Shrine Club, past Secretary; Western Wyoming York Rite Association, secretary for the last 29 years; Eusebius Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, Puissant Sovereign; Equality York Rite College #92; Wyoming Priory No. 44; Forget Me Not Council No. 431, Allied Masonic Degrees, Past Sovereign Master, charter member; Thrice Illustrious Masters, Knight Preceptor, Holy Royal Order of Knights Templar, Holy Royal Order of High Priesthood, Valley of Cheyenne, Orient of Wyoming, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; and Korein Temple, Ancient, Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a Life member of the York Rite Bodies, the Scottish Rite, the Philalethes Society and Salt Lake Chapter #114, National Sojourners and Chapter #556 in Ogden, Chapter #5 in Cheyenne and #995 of Grand Masters.

Harry has served the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons as Grand Chaplain and for the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons. He has received the Cryptic Mason of the Year Award. He is currently the Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons of Wyoming. He has been honored to have served as Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Wyoming and Worthy Grand Patron of the Order of Eastern Star for Wyoming. He has received the Knight Commander Court of Honor of the Scottish Rite and became a 33-degree Scottish Rite in 2009 at the Scottish Rite bi-annual session in Washington DC. He received the Ewing T. Kerr Mason of the Year in 1998. He was elected by the daughters of Bethel No. 19 to the position of Associate Guardian in 2010 and has served in that position for fourteen years. He is currently also serving as the Grand Associate Guardian of the Grand Bethel of Job's Daughters of Wyoming. Harry has served as a District Instructor, Grand Chaplain, Grand Orator and served as MW Grand Master in 2009 for the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Wyoming.

He received his 50-year certificate in Masonry at the 2020 annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming in Cheyenne. He is also a 50-year member of the Scottish Rite and the Order of Eastern Star. He feels that Masonry and masonic activities have kept him "young as well as active."

2023-2024
Grand Council Officers

MIGM	Harry W. C. Oberg III	307-789-9876	Susan
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	88 Davis Tee, Sheridan, WY, 82801	schlenk@bresnan.net	
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IG Sent	Preston. P. Goulette	307-231-9724	None
	PO Box 1882, Pinedale, WY 82941	<u>preston.goulette@yahoo.com</u>	
IG Treas (Emeritus) Gary D. Skillern, PIGM			
IG Secy (Emeritus) Kenneth M. Badget			
IG Secy (Emeritus) Kenneth S. Watts			

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**Grand Council Committees
2023-2024**

Division and Reference	Necrology & Memorials
Preston P. Goulette (3)	Grand Chaplain
Ronald Van Ekeren (2)	Grand Recorder
Howard Hill (5)	Constituent Recorders
Credentials	YR Cooperation
Ralph Levi (3)	Howard Hill (5)
Kurt Gerhold (3)	Bryan J. Compton (3)
Kenneth Humphrey (3)	Timothy D. Forbis (8)
Appeals and Grievances	CMMRF
Christopher Schroeder (13)	Jon Rowe (11)
Steven J. Juhala (11)	Harry Furrey (8)
William Biggs (1)	Edward N. Jones (1)
Jurisprudence	Great Plains Rendezvous
Donald York MIPGM (12)	Wayne Long MIPGM (7)
Cal Van Zee MIPGM (2)	Jack Cook MIPGM (8)
James Sturdevant MIPGM (3)	Cal Van Zee MIPGM (2)
Budget	Constitution and Bylaws
James Rader (3)	Mark Young (11)
Kenneth Badget (6)	Kenneth Badget (6)
Christopher Schroeder (13) Ex Officio	Ronald Van Ekeren (2)
Finance	Perpetual Life Membership
Steve Schlenker (3)	Harry W. C. Oberg III (10)
Edward Jones (1)	Christopher Schroeder (13)
Norman “Chip” King (3)	Timothy D. Forbis (8)
Investments	Time and Place
T. Mark Michelson (13)	Cal Van Zee MIPGM (2)
James Rader (3)	Kenneth Humphrey (3)
Christopher Schroeder (13)	Steve Schlenker (3)

Wyoming No. 1 rcvd 7/12/2023 Elect

Located in Casper, Natrona County

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM Meeting on First Thursday Apr, May and June of each month

Officers:

IM: Joseph Bideau	CG: Nathan J. Clark
DIM: Kevin Wall	CC: Weston Hubele
PCW: Charles L. Steele	Stew: Shawn A. Covert
Treas: Dana H Deuel	Chap: George Williams
Rec: William A. Biggs	Sen: Dale Brecheisen

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 1

George F. Finley 10/6/2022

Suspended: 0

Died: 1

John W. Officer 1/27/2023

Laramie No. 2 rcvd 5/19/2023 Elect

Located in Laramie, Albany County

Meeting Time: Meeting on rotating Wednesdays of each month

Officers:

IM: Wayne M. Sutherland	CG: David Hammond
DIM: Ronald Van Ekeren	CC: Donald Heiser
PCW: Andrew H. MacClugage	Stew: Stan McIrvn
Treas: Peter M. Lindahl	Chap: William H. Wright
Rec: Calvin E. Van Zee	Sen: OPEN

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Re-Instated: 0

Demitted: 1

Kenneth N. Omundson 12/31/2022

Suspended: 0

Died: 1

Michael L. Johnson 1/23/2023

Sheridan No. 3 rcvd 6/14/2023 Elect

Located in Sheridan, Sheridan County

Meeting Time: 7:00PM Meeting on 1st Tuesday of Oct, Jan, Apr

Officers:

IM: Michael Strahan	CG: Paul Chaplin
DIM: Tomas R. Nance	CC: James Chilcutt
PCW: Kurt Gerhold	Stew: Thomas Morneau
Treas: Mark D. Wells	Chap: Larry McFarland
Rec: Kenneth R. Humphrey	Sen: Shane Sherperdson

Greeted: 6

Steven C. Brown 3/4/2023

Thomas L. Morneau 3/4/2023

Shane E. Sherdson 3/4/2023

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 1

Curtiss Wayne Johnson 12/31/2021

Suspended: 1

Edward J. Deneka 6/30/2023

Died: 1

Allan C. Anderson 8/4/2022

Lawrence G. Gill II 3/4/2023

John A. Sherperdson Jr 3/4/2023

Lance D. Vaughn 3/4/2023

Lander No. 4 Revd 6/25/2023 elect

Located in Lander, Fremont County

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Thursday of February, May, August and November

Officers:

IM:	Gerald A. Yennie	CG:	Vint H. Bonner
DIM:	Norman C. Duncan	CC:	Jason K. Wilson
PCW:	Arin C. Bisbee	Stew:	Toby R. Erickson
Treas:	Robert O. Finley	Chap:	Craig A. Roberts
Rec:	Robert O. Finley	Sen:	Jacob Z. Stetler

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 3

Cory G. Rota	12/31/2022	David H. Haworth	12/14/2022
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Scott E. Kirko	12/14/2022
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Died: 1

James E. Davis	6/11/2023
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Rawlins No. 5 revd 9/8/2023 USPS Rpt not submitted by Redr or signed by IM.

Report entered is taken from last year's report with exception of a known death.

Located in Rawlins, Carbon County

Meeting Time: Meeting on First Tuesday of each month

Officers:

IM:	Stephen Fletcher	CG:	William Morse
DIM:	Trent Kinder	CC:	James Reed
PCW:	James Lawson	Stew:	Tim Rose
Treas:	Gary Lankford	Chap:	OPEN
Rec:	Gary Lankford	Sen:	Howard Hill

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Re-instate 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 1

Mark Pesognelli	12/21/2022
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Zabud No. 6 revd 7/6//2022 USPS

Located in Cody, Park County & Thermopolis, Hot Springs County

Meeting Time: Meeting on Third Wednesday October through May

Officers:

IM:	John Brooks	CG:	Doug Becher
DIM:	Steven Hough	CC:	Wade Averett
PCW:	Shane Kannard	Stew:	Frank Toth
Treas:	G. Gil Curry	Chap:	OPEN
Rec:	Michael Messenger	Sen:	Earl Stephens

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Re-Instated

Demitted: 1

John J. Cox	6/1/2022
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Suspended: 2

James Clingman	6/1/2022	Donald E. Bebout	6/1/2022
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Died: 3

Martin C. Cosat	9/29/2021	Fred Angleton	11//4/2021
Floyd K. Smith	4/1/2022		

Adoniram No. 7 revd 7/3/2023 USPS

Located in Wheatland, Platte County

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Wednesday of each month

Officers:

IM: Steve Anderson	CG: Anthony Fuller
DIM: OPEN	CC: Wayne W. Long
PCW: S. Craig Henderson	Stew: OPEN
Treas: Richard N. Lewis	Chap: William Walker
Rec: Richard N. Lewis	Sen: Johnny Mote

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Re-instate: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Expelled: 0

Died: 0

King Solomon No. 8 revd 6/26/2023 USPS

Located in Cheyenne, Laramie County

Meeting Time: Meeting on Third Wednesday of Apr, May and June of each month

Officers:

IM: Quinn Carroll	CG: James Hargraves
DIM: Ian Hieselmann	CC: Cory Castle
PCW: Timothy Forbis	Stew: Scott Duncan
Treas: Gary Skillern	Chap: Al Young
Rec: Jack C. Cook	Sen: John Farmer

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 1

Frank S. Duncan 1/18/2023

Re-Instated: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 0

Green River No. 9 revd 6/23/2023 USPS

Located in Green River, Sweetwater County

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Thursday of each month

Officers:

IM: Oscar C. Stapleton	CG: Joseph A. Marcy
DIM: Scott R. Kitchner	CC: T. Mark Mickelson
PCW: Virgil B. Poulsen	Stew: Stephen P. Allen
Treas: Charles F. Conroy	Chap: OPEN.
Rec: Charles F. Conroy	Sen: Stephen R. Slaton

Greeted:0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended:0

Died: 0

Minus Error: 1

Evanston No. 10 rcvd 7/8/2022

Located in Evanston, Unita County

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM Meeting on Second Thursday of Jan and March

Officers:

IM:	Harry W.C. Oberg III `	CG:	Tod M. Jones
DIM:	Stephen H. Fowler	CC:	Rickard Bartolic
PCW:	Jason Alfred	Stew:	OPEN
Treas:	Clarence J. Vranish	Chap:	Stephen B. Moore
Rec:	Clarence J. Vranish	Sen:	James E. Cronister

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 1

Richard W. Sather 12/29/2022

Died: 1

Ralph H. Martin 9/11/2022

Gillette No. 11 rcvd 7/11/2023 Elect

Located in Gillette, Campbell County

Meeting Time: Meeting on First and Third Mondays of each month

Officers:

IM:	Ray P. Miner	CG:	Tyler E. C. Lindholm
DIM:	George F. Finley	CC:	Jerry L. Phillips
PCW:	Timothy C. Williams	Stew:	Michael C. Flint
Treas:	Mark S. Young	Chap:	OPEN
Rec:	Thomas C. Harmon	Sen:	Steven J. Juhala

Greeted: 1

Michael C. Flint 3/4/2023

Tyler E. C. Lindholm

3/4/2023

Timothy C. Williams 3/4/2023

Affiliated: 1

George F. Finley 10/3/2023

Correction: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 0

Fort Fetterman No. 12 rcvd 7/6/2023 USPS

Located in Douglas, Converse County

Meeting Time: Meeting on Second Wednesday of each month

Officers:

IM:	Casper Smith	CG:	OPEN
DIM:	Donald York	CC:	OPEN
PCW:	Robert Curtis	Stew:	OPEN
Treas:	George C. Smith	Chap:	OPEN
Rec:	George C. Smith	Sen:	OPEN

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 1

Joseph J. Pautz 1/14/2022

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 0

Jackson No. 13 revd 7/22/2023 Elect

Located in Jackson, Teton County

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM Meeting on 3rd Monday of Nov, Feb & April

Officers:

IM: Cornelius Kinsey

CG: James F. Mickelson

DIM: Toney Thompson

CC: JD Goulette IV

PCW: OPEN

Stew: Dennis Bussard

Treas: T. Mark Mickelson

Chap: OPEN

Rec: Kraig Kobert

Sen: Thomas Needham

Greeted: 0

Affiliated: 0

Demitted: 0

Suspended: 0

Died: 1

Spencer Nichols 11/9/2022

Grand Council Representatives to Jurisdictions near Wyoming

Jurisdiction	Name	Address	City	St	Zip
Alabama	David T. Smith	P.O. Box 122	Thermopolis	WY	82443
Alaska	Joseph L. Boster II	4411 Sunrise Dr	Casper	WY	82604
Arizona	G. Gil Curry	2538 Beartooth Dr	Cody	WY	82414
Arkansas	Jack C. Cook	10906 Grove Drive	Cheyenne	WY	82009
California	Frank D. Kading	2735 E. 5th St	Casper	WY	82609
Colorado	Charles W. Smith	P.O. Box 941	Thermopolis	WY	82443
Connecticut	James R. Young	104 N. 2nd. St	Douglas	WY	82633
Delaware	Mark D. Wells	2718 Big Horn Ave	Sheridan	WY	82801
Dist. Of Colu	Robert O. Finley	P.O. Box 1171	Dubois	WY	82513
East Canada	OPEN				
Eng & Wales	Jack C. Cook	10906 Grove Drive	Cheyenne	WY	82009
Florida	NONE				
France	Dan Cole (pend)				
Georgia	Donald L. York	739 Antelope	Douglas	WY	82633
Germany	Thomas Harmon	P.O. Box 3491	Gillette	WY	82717
Greece	Al Young	1810 Tranquility Rd	Cheyenne	WY	82009
Hawaii	Michael Chimenti	1100 Sundown Dr	Thermopolis	WY	82443
Idaho	Kim Kurasz	PO Box 601	Dubois	WY	82513

Illinois	Harry L. Furrey	3304 Morrison Ct	Cheyenne	WY	82001
Indiana	Harland H Goodchild	345 Grand St	Powell	WY	82435
Iowa	Ron A. VanEkeren	1071 Hidalgo Dr	Laramie	WY	82072
Israel	NONE			WY	82070
Italy	NONE			WY	
Kansas	Dana H. Deuel	1824 Lynwood Pl	Casper	WY	82604
Kentucky	Michael L. James	919 Leal	Douglas	WY	82633
Louisiana	Mark S Young	P.O. Box 2341	Gillette	WY	82717
Maine	Calvin Van Zee (Pend)			WY	
Massachusetts	Timothy Forbis	3562 Cody Ln	Cheyenne	WY	82009
Michigan	Thomas R. Nance	1715 Sagebrush Dr	Sheridan	WY	82801
Minnesota	William R. McGraw	5805 Bill Nye	Laramie	WY	82070
Mississippi	Preston Goulette	PO Box 1882	Pinedale	WY	82941
Missouri	Mark S Young	P.O. Box 2341	Gillette	WY	82717
Montana	Stanley N. McIrvin	291 Indian Paintbrush	Casper	WY	82604
Nebraska	George C. Smith	119 1/2 N. 3rd St	Douglas	WY	82633
Nevada	Philip G. Buchholz	PO Box 597	Saratoga	WY	82331
New Hampshire	George Anderson	6509 Foxglove Dr	Cheyenne	WY	82009
New Jersey	Clarence J. Vranish	1912 W Andersen	Evanston	WY	82930
New Mexico	Otto G. Uecker	1021 Wagon Circle	Riverton	WY	82501
New S. Wales	Michael L. James	919 Leal	Douglas	WY	82633
New York	Harry W. C. Oberg III	P. O. Box 427	Evanston	WY	82931
New Zealand	Michael L. James	919 Leal	Douglas	WY	82633
North Carolina	William H. Wright	1856 N 13th St	Laramie	WY	82072
North Dakota	Gregory K. Shiek	1807 Paintbrush Dr	Sheridan	WY	82801
Ohio	Kenneth S. Watts	506 W. Park Ave	Riverton	WY	82501
Oklahoma	Gary D. Skillern	5513 Lawrence Ln	Cheyenne	WY	82009
Ontario	Have Req No Rep				
Oregon	George C. Smith	119 1/2 N. 3rd St	Douglas	WY	82633

Panama	Peter M. Lindahl	5415 Meadow Lane	Laramie	WY	82070
Pennsylvania	NONE				
Portugal	Mike Messenger (pend)				
Rhode Island	NONE				
Romania	Michael B. Johnson	P.O. Box 575	Crowheart	WY	82512
Scotland	Jack C. Cook	10906 Grove Drive	Cheyenne	WY	82009
So Australia	NONE				
South Carolina	NONE				
South Dakota	Thomas R. Nance	1715 Sagebrush Dr	Sheridan	WY	82801
Tennessee	Wayne Long	5412 HWY 34	Wheatland	WY	82201
Texas	NONE				
Utah	Robert O. Finley	P.O. Box 1171	Dubois	WY	82513
Vermont	Virgil B. Poulsen	1855 Montana Way	Green River	WY	82935
Victoria Aust	William A. Biggs	2705 E. 5th St	Casper	WY	82609
Washington	NONE				
West Canada	NONE				
Wisconsin	Richard N. Lewis	PO Box 38	Wheatland	WY	82201

Wyoming Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters

Session	Name and Council	Special	Year
1	* Verne W. Molker, No. 1		1953
2	* Lewis J. Holliday, No. 2		1954
3	* John C. Walter, No. 3	9/15/1954-10/26/1954	
	* Dana P. VanBurgh, No. 1	10/26/1954-1955	
4	* Ora W. Helms, No. 3		1956
5	* L. Virgil Abbott, No. 4		1957
6	* Harry E. Crump, No. 3		1958
7	* Alfred R. Corsberg, No. 2		1959
8	*Robert D. Turner, No. 5		1960
9	*Homer E. Zorn, No. 6		1961
10	* Ralph P. Crowe, No. 1		1962
11	* Thomas S. Campbell, No. 1		1963
12	* Van Johnson, No. 4		1964
13	* Edward N. Shellinger, No. 3		1965
14	* Lincoln W. Sexton, No. 2		1966
15	* Charles A. Painter, No. 5		1967
16	* Erwin A. Froyd, No. 7		1968
17	* John A. Mokler, No. 1		1969

18	* Donald S. Nicholl, No. 1		1970
19	* Albert W. Cross, No. 4		1971
	* John Sterkel, No. 3 (Honorary)	1971	
20	* William F. Smith, No. 3		1972
21	* Reino A. Hakala, No. 5		1973
22	* Loris A. Marshall, No. 8		1974
23	* Frank M. Hartung, No. 1		1975
24	* Wayne E. Leach, No. 1		1976
25	* John M. Allen, No. 7		1977
26	* Ernest R. Burgon, No. 3		1978
27	* Wilbur S. McAuley, No. 2		1979
28	* Allan W. Garbutt, No. 5		1980
29	* Arthur W. Osterman, No. 8		1981
30	* Frank E. Kading, No. 1		1982
31	* Jack E. Nixon, No. 7		1983
32	* Charles O. Shiflet, No. 7		1984
33	* Marvin E. Austin, No. 5		1985
34	* Howard C. Arnold, No. 8		1986
35	* Ralph Moll, No.1		1987
36	* Lawrence A. Blanchard, No. 4		1988
37	Virgil B. Poulsen, No. 9		1989
	* P.E. Pirtle, No. 9 (Honorary)	1989	
38	* Lewis B. Russell, No. 12		1990
39	* Virgil V. Teague, No. 5		1991
40	* William D. Kramp, Sr., No. 6		1992
41	* Charles D. Gragg, No. 8		1993
42	Joseph L. Boster II, No. 1		1994
43	* Walter C. Cook, No. 2		1995
44	George C. Smith, No. 12		1996
45	* Charles T. Smith, No. 6		1997
46	* C. Glenn Hoff, No. 3		1998
47	* Vern R. Gersmehl, Jr., No. 8		1999
48	* George W. Worman, No. 5		2000
49	* Mits Ito, No. 1		2001
50	Louis M. Ellenberger, Jr., No. 2		2002
51	* Milton A. Bowers, No.		2003
52	* John Jr. Schmidt, No. 6		2004
53	Michael L. James, No. 12		2005
54	Gary D. Skillern, No. 8		2006
55	James R. Young, No. 12		2007
56	Jack C. Cook, No. 8		2008
57	Otto G. Uecker, No. 4		2009
58	Harland H. Goodchild, No. 6		2010
59	Charles W. Smith, No. 6		2011
60	* Lloyd K. Hashimoto No. 2		2012
61	Richard N. Lewis No. 7		2013
62	Philip G. Buchholz No. 5		2014
63	Sheldon Craig Henderson No. 7		2015
64	Thomas R. Nance #3		2016
65	Donald L. York #12		2017
66	Thomas C. Harmon #11		2018
67	Wayne W. Long No. 7		2019

68	David T. Smith No. 6		2020
69	James L. Sturdevant No. 3		2021
70	Calvin E. Van Zee No. 2		2022
71	Gregory K. Shiek		2023

**Living Past Grand Illustrious Masters
and
Permanent Members of the General Grand Council**

YEAR	NAME	COUNCIL
1989	Virgil B. Poulsen	Green River
1994	Joseph L. Boster II	Wyoming
1996	George C. Smith	Fort Fetterman
2002	Louis M. Ellenberger, Jr.	Laramie
2005	Michael L. James	Fort Fetterman
2006	Gary D. Skillern	King Solomon
2007	James R. Young	Fort Fetterman
2008	Jack C. Cook	King Solomon
2009	Otto G. Uecker	Lander
2010	Harland H. Goodchild	Zabud
2011	Charles W. Smith	Zabud
2013	Richard N. Lewis	Adoniram
2014	Philip G. Buchholz	Rawlins
2015	Sheldon Craig Henderson	Adoniram
2016	Thomas R. Nance	Sheridan
2017	Donald L. York	Fort Fetterman
2018	Thomas C. Harmon	Gillette
2019	Wayne W. Long	Adoniram
2020	David "Tom" Smith	Zabud
2021	James L. Sturdevant	Sheridan
2022	Calvin E. Van Zee	Laramie
2023	Gregory K. Shiek	Sheridan
2024		

Past General Grand Officers

	Name	Position	Year
*	Verne W. Mokler, No. 1	M P General Grand Master	1969-72
*	John Mokler, No. 1	R P General Grand Master	1969-72
*	John Mokler, No. 1	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	1978-81
*	Wilbur McAuley, No. 2	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	1981-84
*	Alan Garbutt, No. 5	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	1984-88
*	Frank M. Hartung, No. 1	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	1988-90
*	Charles D. Gragg, No. 8	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	1990-99
*	Walter C. Cook, No. 2	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	1999-02
*	Mits Ito, No. 1	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	2002-05
	Louis M. Ellenberger, No.2	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	2006-08
		Gen Grand Council Ambassador	2009-11

	Gary D. Skillern, No. 8		
	Harland H. Goodhild No.6	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	2011-12
	Gary D. Skillern, No. 8	RP General Grand Capt of Guard	2011-14
	Otto G. Uecker, No.4	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	2014-17
	Richard N. Lewis No. 7	Gen Grand Council Ambassador	2017-2020
	Wayne W. Long	NW Reg DGG Master	2020-2023

* Indicates deceased

Cryptic Mason of the Year

Date	Name	Council
1976	Verne W. Mokler	Wyoming No. 1
1977	NONE	
1978	Delmar Kettlehut	Laramie No. 2
1979	George M. Hunnell	Sheridan No. 3
1980	Homer M. Keller	Zabud No. 6
1981	William H. Cochran	King Solomon No. 8
1982	George m. Hunnell	Sheridan No. 3
1983	Thomas L. Barnes	Evanston No. 10
1984	John Cliningsmith	Evanston No. 10
1985	Kenneth Briggs	Rawlins No. 5
1986	NONE	
1987	Olin Rose	Sheridan No. 3
1988	Keth Koch	Lander No. 4
1989	Harold F.Eppson	Laramie No. 2
1990	Jesse C. Morris	Laramie No. 2
1991	Michael J. Ito	Wyoming No. 1
1992	Eldon D. Triggs, Sr.	King Solomon No. 8
1993	Herbert Hultman	Evanston No. 10
1994	Louis Ellenberger, Jr.	Laramie No. 2
1995	Robert T. Bryant	King Solomon No. 8
1996	Harry W.C. Oberg III	Evanston No. 10
1997	Earl B. Voorhees	Zabud No. 6
1998	Francis E. Wells	Sheridan No. 3
1999	Harry H. Hashimoto	Laramie No. 2
2000	Jack Edwards	Rawlins No. 5

2001	William H. Wright	Laramie No. 2
2002	Thomas R. Nance	Sheridan No. 3
2003	W. Lyle Whiting	Zabud No. 6
2004	NONE	
2005	Noel F. Collins	Zabud No. 6
2006	Don A. Allen	Laramie No. 2
2007	David "Tom" Smith	Zabud No. 6
2008	Peter M. Lindahl	Laramie No. 2
2009	G. Gill Curry	Zabud No. 6
2010	xx	xx
2011	William A. Biggs	Wyoming No.1
2012	Milton W. Small	Adoniram No. 7
2013	Ronald A. Van Ekeren	Laramie No 2
2014	Daniel Johnson	Lander No.4
2015	David G. Hammond	Laramie No. 2
2016	Mark D. Wells	Sheridan No. 3
2017	Mark S. Young	Gillette No.11
2018	Michael Messenger	Zabud No. 6
2019	Loren "Teense" H. Wilford and Mark Pesognelli	Rawlins No. 5 two given in 2019
2020	John P. Brooks	Zabud No. 6
2021	James T. Rader	Sheridan No. 3
2022	William P. Runnels	King Solomon No. 8
2023	Michael J. Strahan	Sheridan #3

Cryptic Youth Leader of the Year

Date	Name	Location
1984	Roger A. Fife	Evanston No.10
1985	Leonard Yost	Lander No. 5
1986	Richard Cooper	Wyoming No.1
1987	Bobby Sparks	Wyoming No.1
1988	Kenneth S. Watts	Lander No. 4
1989	Charles H. Moore	King Solomon No. 8
1990	William D. Kramp, Sr.	Zabud No. 6
1991	David L. Quick	Lander No.4
1992	Sam Allen	Zabud No. 6

1993	William H. Smith	King Solomon No. 8
1994	Lloyd K. Hashimoto	Laramie No. 2
1995	Noel F. Collins	Zabud No. 6
1996	Dennis C. Cook	Laramie No. 2
1997	Ralph C. Hastings	Zabud No. 6
1998	Richard Griebbe	Laramie No. 2
1999	David G. Hammond	Laramie No. 2
2000	Walter E. George	Rawlins No. 5
2001	George F. Finley	Wyoming No.1
2002	Fred O. Finley	Lander No. 4
2003	William Patterson	Torrington
2004	NONE	
2005	Roger Smith	Riverton
2006	Dr. Joseph Baumstarck	Zabud No. 6
2007	Troy Swartz	
2008	Robert O. Finley	Lander No. 4
2009	Nathan Clark	
2010	NONE	
2011	Calvin Van Zee	Laramie No. 2
2012	Charlyn G. Lewis	Wheatland, Wyoming
2013	William Locker	Zabud No. 6
2014	DebraLee Sturdevant	Sheridan, Wyoming
2015	NONE	
2016	Mrs. Doris Case	Sheridan, Wyoming
2017	Terry Wiekhorst	Green River, Wyoming
2018	NONE	
2019	S.Craig Henderson	Adoniram No.7
2020	Bradley D. Neumiller	Wyoming #1
2021	William T. Orvosh	Evanston #10
2022	John P. Brooks III	Zabud #6
2023	Spencer C. Morris	Sheridan #3

Council of the Year

2009	Laramie No. 2
2010	King Solomon No. 8
2011	Sheridan Council No 3
2012	Wyoming Council No 1
2013	Laramie Council No 2
2014	Sheridan Council No 3
2015	Sheridan Council No.3
2016	King Solomon No.8
2017	NONE
2018	Jackson No.13
2019	Lander No. 5
2020	NONE
2021	NONE
2022	Wyoming No. 1
2023	Laramie No. 2
2024	

Constituent Council Illustrious Masters and Recorders
2022-2023

Wyoming No. 1

IM	Joseph Bideau	307-277-9266	
	3486 Applegate Dr, Casper, WY 82604		
Rec	William A. Biggs	307-237-2178	
	2705 E. 5th, Casper, WY 82609-2547		
			bbiggs53@wyoming.com

Laramie No. 2

IM	Wayne M. Sutherland	307-721-2110	
	28 Coyote St, Laramie, WY 82072		
Rec	Calvin E. Van Zee	307-742-4034	
	1108 Shields St., Laramie, WY 82072		
			cal.van.zee@outlook.com

Sheridan No. 3

IM	Michael Strahan	307-672-8921	
	156 Powder Horn Rd., Sheridan, WY 82801		
Rec	Kenneth R. Humphrey	307-210-8664	
	232 S. Jefferson, Sheridan, WY 82801		
			wr7s@bresnan.net

Lander No. 4

IM	Gerald Yennie	307-856-7686	
	11163 US HWY 26, Kinnear, WY 82516		
Rec	Robert O. Finley	307-455-3180	
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			rfinley@dteworld.com

Rawlins No. 5

IM	Stephen Fletcher	307-710-8081	
	PO Box 1331, Saratoga, WY 82331		
Rec	Gary Lankford	307-749-0828	
	PO Box 1021, Saratoga, WY 82331		
			aquafly80@hotmail.com

Zabud No. 6

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 Rec Michael Messenger 307-864-5541
 P.O. Box 111, Thermopolis, WY 82443

mike@messengerlawfirm.com

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IM Steve Anderson 307-331-3183
 201 21st St, Wheatland, WY 82201
 Rec Richard N. Lewis 307-322-9305
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rlewis@wyomingwisp.com

King Solomon No. 8

IM Quinn Carroll 307-286-4264
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 Rec Jack Cook 307-635-4544
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crownj@wyoming.com

Green River No. 9

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 440 E 3rd S, Green River, WY 82935
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 660 Adams, Green River, WY 82935

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clarence@allwest.net

Gillette No.11

IM Ray P. Miner 307-290-0080
 32 Juniper Hills Rd, Moorcroft, WY 82721
 Rec Thomas G. Harmon 307-686-4166
 P.O. Box 3491, Gillette, WY 82717

frumgar@vcn.com

Fort Fetterman No.12

IM Casper Smith 307-358-5335
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 Rec George C. Smith 307-358-2791
 120 S 5th St, Apt 202, Douglas, WY 82633

gcsmith2791@outlook.com

Jackson No.13

IM Cornelius Kinsey 307-413-2485
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 Rec Kraig Kobert 307-733-4274
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kraig@kobertcpa.com

WYOMING COUNCIL
THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS
MASTERS



FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY
SEPTEMBER 15, 2023
SHERIDAN, WYOMING

1. The Wyoming Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters was opened at 7:03 AM by T.I. Master JD Goulette IV. Opening was followed by the Pledge to the Flag.
2. The following officers were present:
Thrice Illustrious Master – JD Goulette IV
Senior Warden – Christopher Schroeder
Junior Warden – Craig Henderson
Secretary/Treasurer – Preston Goulette
Steward – James Radar
Sentinel – Howard Hill (Absent)
3. The following guests were present: MEGHP Richard Lewis, MIGM Gregory Shiek, and REGC Preston Goulette were introduced and welcomed.
4. Special Guests: PIGM Ronny Aasterud of Montana was introduced and welcomed. All Past Thrice Illustrious Masters were introduced and welcomed.
5. Reading of the Minutes: The minutes of the Fifty Fourth Annual Assembly were read and were approved as read by Thrice Illustrious Master Goulette.
6. Treasurer's Report: The Council had \$554.00 on 15 September 2023. Income for the meeting was \$150.00. \$100 donation was made to the CMMRF, leaving a balance of \$604.00.
7. There were three applications received at this meeting, as indicated below. Each was accompanied by the necessary fee. James Radar moved to accept the petitions, seconded by Christopher Schroder, and carried.
 - Michael James Strahan, Sheridan Council No.
 - Caspar William Smith,
 - James A. Weaver,
8. The Degree work was performed by the Council officers, with Companion Calvin Van Zee portraying King David, TI Companion Van Zee did a wonderful job! Rituals, Dues cards, and Jewels were presented by TI Companion Preston Goulette.
9. Old Business: None Reported
10. New Business: None Reported
11. Election of Officers: TI Companion Steve Schlinker made the motion to have all the officers, with the exception of the Secretary/Treasurer, move up one position, and that the incoming

T.I.M. would appoint someone as Sentinel. He also moved that Companion Preston Goulette be retained as Secretary/Treasurer. This motion was seconded by James Radar and carried.

- Incoming T.I.M. Christopher Schroeder appointed Companion Calvin Van Zee to the position of Thrice Illustrious Sentinel.

12. Sickness and Distress: None reported.
13. Good of the Order: None Reported.
14. Donation to CMMRF in the amount of \$100.00 was moved by TI Companion Thomas Nance and Seconded by TI Companion Christopher Schroeder. Motion was carried.
15. Being no further business to conducted, the Council was closed at 7:58 AM, with T.I. Master JD Goulette IV thanking everyone for their attendance. There were 22 Council members present.

Preston P. Goulette
PRESTON P. GOULETTE
Secretary/Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Checking Account Balance in Bank of Sublette County as of September 15, 2023:
\$ 554.00
2. Expenses since that date:
\$ 0.00
3. Initiation Fees at this meeting:
\$ 150.00
4. Donation at this meeting: (CMMRF) check #1001
\$ 100.00
5. Sale of supplies at this meeting
\$ 0.00
6. Balance Checking Account in Bank of Sublette County as of September 18, 2021:
\$ 604.00

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Preston P. Goulette
Grand Commander
2022-2023

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF WYOMING OFFICERS 2022-2023

Right Eminent Grand Commander
Preston P. Goulette (18,6)

Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander
Christopher P. Schroeder (18)

Eminent Grand Generalissimo
Timothy D. Forbis (1)

Eminent Grand Captain General
Calvin Van Zee (3)

Eminent Grand Senior Warden
Howard P. Hill (2)

Eminent Grand Junior Warden
Jefferson D. JD” Goulette, IV (18)

Eminent Grand Prelate
Beynon St. John (7)

Eminent Grand Treasurer
T. Mark Mickelson (18)

Eminent Grand Recorder
Kenneth R. Humphrey (6)

Eminent Grand Standard Bearer
Mark Pesognelli (2) ** Deceased

Eminent Grand Sword Bearer
Cornelius R. Kinsey (18)

Eminent Grand Warder
Jon C. Rowe (13)

Eminent Grand Sentinel
Bryan J. Compton (6)

**GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF WYOMING
COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS 2021-2022**

Templar Jurisprudence
Mark S Young (13)
Kim Kurasz (7)
Robert O Finely (7)
Finance
Otto G Uecker (7)
Christopher P Schroeder (18)
T. Mark Mickelson (18) Ex-Officio
Budget
Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Timothy D Forbis (1)
Christopher P Schroeder (18)
T. Mark Mickelson (18) Ex-officio
Calvin Van Zee (3)
Appeals and Grievances
Jon Rowe (13)
Calin Van Zee (3)
Jewels
Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Preston P Goulette (18, 6)
Wayne Long (17)
Perpetual Life Membership Board
Preston P Goulette (6/18)
Christopher P Schroeder (18)
Timothy D Forbis (1)
Doings of the Grand officers
Christopher P Schroeder (18)
Timothy D Forbis(1)
Cal Van Zee (3)
Charters and Dispensations
Howard Hill (2)
Bryan J Compton (6)
Necrology
Beynon St. John (7)
Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Constituent Recorders

Jewels
Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Preston P Goulette (18, 6)
Wayne Long (17)
York Rite Cooperation
Cornelius Kinsey (18)
Mark Pesognelli (2) ** Deceased
Black Horse Troop
Robert O. Finley (7) No committee-report only
Membership Committee
Cornelius Kinsey (18)
T. Mark Mickelson (18)
Patriotic And Civic Activities
Harry Furrey (1)
Harry O'Berg III (4)
Holy Land Pilgrimage
David Hough (9)
Beynon St. John (7)
Triennial Fund
Otto Uecker (7)
Mark S Young (13)
Kim Kurasz (7)
Educational Foundation
T. Mark Mickelson (18)
Mark S Young (13)
Cornelius Kinsey (18)
Visitors Committee
Mark Pesognelli (2) ** Deceased
Jefferson D Goulette (18)
Preston P Goulette 96/18) Ex-officio
All Past Grand Commanders
Knights Templar Eye Foundation
James L. Sturdevant (6)
James T Rader (6)
Preston P Goulette (6/18) Ex-officio

Time and Place
Calvin Van Zee (3)
Kenneth R Humphrey – Grand Scribe RAM WY
Timothy D Forbis – Grand Captain of the Guard CM WY
<i>Per By-Laws of all Grand York Rite Bodies</i>

Knights Templar Magazine
T. Mark Mickelson (18), All Recorders and Sir Knights
Credentials
R Handy Levi (6)
Bill Biggs (8)
Donald York (12)

The Deputy Grand Commander is an Ex Officio Member of all Grand Commandery Committees.

The first name listed on the committee is the chairman of said committee. The chairman shall call meetings as needed and prepare a report of the findings of the committee for the consideration of the Grand Commandery. Reports are to be filed with the Grand Recorder and shall also be submitted to the office of the Grand Commander.

Minutes of the 133rd Session of the Grand Commandery of Wyoming

Sheridan, Wyoming

September 15, 2023

At 1:05 PM Grand Commander Preston P. Goulette asked all Grand Commandery officers, members, and visitors to take their seats. The Grand Commander then called the Grand Commandery of Wyoming to Order. It was then ascertained that all present were Knight Templars. Under the order of the Grand Commander the Grand Prelate attended the altar and lead the Grand Commandery in the Lord's Prayer. The Flag of the United States was then escorted into the asylum by honor guard. The pledge of allegiance was then led by Grand Commander Goulette. The flag was then secured in the east. The Grand Commander called the Grand Commandery of Wyoming duly open for it 132nd Grand Session.

Grand Commander Goulette called for the roll call of Grand Commandery officers.

Commandery Roll Call:

Right Eminent Grand Commander
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Eminent Grand Prelate
Beynon St. John

Eminent Grand Treasurer
T. Mark Mickelson (18)

Eminent Grand Recorder
Kenneth R. Humphrey (6)

Eminent Grand Standard Bearer
Mark Pesognelli (2) ** Deceased

Eminent Grand Sword Bearer - Excused absence
Cornelius R. Kinsey (18)

Eminent Grand Warder
Jon C. Rowe (13)

Eminent Grand Sentinel
Bryan J. Compton (6)

Eminent Grand Standard Bearer Mark Pesognelli name was called three times with no answer. Grand Commander Goulette announced that this was done as a last call as an honor for Sir Knight Pesognelli military service and service to the Grand Commandery of Wyoming and then ordered the Grand Commandery to attention, ordered uncover and asked for a moment of silence for our departed Sir Knight Mark Pesognelli. At the conclusion of the moment of silence the Grand Commander ordered re-cover and asked the Grand Commandery to be seated.

Grand Commander Goulette then announced he had moved Sir Knight Jon C. Rowe to the position of Grand Standard Bearer and appointed for this session Sir Knight's Shane M. Kanard and Wade B. Averett to fill Grand Sword Bearer and Grand Warder respectively.

The roll call of constituent commanderies was then called.

Twelve of the thirteen commanderies was represented with no representation from Mt. Lebanon #11 stationed in Thermopolis, Wyoming. There being a quorum of the constituent commanderies being present business can be conducted. The Grand Recorder note that this is the second year in a row that no one has represented Mt. Lebanon Commandery #11.

Reception of Visiting Dignitaries:

Grand Commander Goulette called for the lines to be formed for the reception of our Past Grand Commanders and dignitaries.

Past Grand Commanders of Wyoming were brought through the lines and afforded honors. Fifteen Past Grand Commanders were present.

Other dignitaries introduced:

Ronny Assterud Deputy Grand Commander of Montana re[representing JW Hill Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Montana.

SK Jeff Stief - Washington Representative

SK David Grindle PGC Idaho

SK Frank Borden PGC Nebraska

SK Rusty Hill PGC Iowa

SK Mike Leebove – Representative to Wyoming from the Grand Commandery of Florida

Reception of Grand Encampment Officers and Representatives:

SK Jeremy Vaughn – Northwest Department Commander and Representative of Grand Master SK David J Kussman. SK Vaughn was afforded a seat in the Grand East.

Grand Master of Wyoming:

Deputy Grand Master and SK Scott A. Kitchner representing Grand Master and SK Thomas G. Needham. DGM Kitchner was afforded a seat in the Grand East.

Business:

With introductions concluded at 1:45PM Grand Commander Goulette called for the standard motions.

It was moved by DGC Chris Schroeder that all preprinted reports that do not require action by Jurisprudence or Finance Committee be accepted as printed. T. Mark Mickelson PGC – Grand Treasurer asked that the Education Committee report and Triennial Report be withheld. Donald York PGC asked that the Holy Land Pilgrimage Report be withheld. With these requests a second was made and the motion passed.

DGC Chris Schroeder moved that the 2022-2023 Proceedings be approved as printed. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

DGC Chris Schroeder moved that all visiting dignitaries who have not received Honorary Membership in the Wyoming Grand Commander be granted Honorary Membership. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

At 1:50 PM Grand Commander Goulette called registration closed and asked for the credentials report. SK R Handy Levi (6) gave the report of the Credentials Committee.

Members Registered – 60
Number of regular votes – 55
Number of proxies held – 0
Total votes – 55

Submitted by R Handy Levi (6), SK Kurt A. Gerhold (6), SK Kenneth R. Humphrey (6)

SK Knight Levi (6) moved that the report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Grand Commander Goulette announced the tellers will be SK James T. Rader (6), SK Greg K. Shiek PGC (6) and SK Weston G. Hubele (8).

Grand Commander Goulette then asked for some comments from SK Mike Beebove Representative to Wyoming from the Grand Commandery of Florida. SK Beebove thanks us for the hospitality and spoke about Templary in Florida.

At 1:57 PM the Grand Commander called the ballot open and then asked SK Frank Borden of Nebraska to address the Grand Commandery. He also thanked us for the hospitality and invited us all to Nebraska's Grand Sessions.

Grand Commander Goulette then asked David Grindle PGC of Idaho to address the Grand Commandery. SK Grindle thanks us for the hospitality and invited all to attend the Idaho Grand Sessions.

After SK Grindle spoke Grand Commander Goulette called on Jeff Stief representing Alaska to address the Grand Commandery. SK Stief thanks us for the hospitality and expressed the joys of attending their Grand Sessions in March and invited all to attend and bring your winter coat. Grand Commander Goulette then called on SK Joe McIntyre PGC of Washington to address the Grand Commandery. SK McIntyre thanked us for the hospitality and regaled us with a bit of Masonic humor.

Grand Commander Goulette then called for the Grand Treasure's Report. Grand Treasure stated his report is in the advanced reports and asked if anyone had questions for him.

Grand Commander Goulette called for the Grand Recorders Report. Grand Recorder Humphrey stated his report is in the advanced reports and did anyone have questions for him. He also stated a recommendation had been made that a committee be formed to discuss short term financial issues and long-term financial planning for the operation of the Grand Commandery of Wyoming as we can only supplement our budget deficit at the current rate for five more years. Grand Recorder Humphrey moved the incoming Grand Commander for 2023-2024 form a committee for strategic financial planning. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Committee Reports pulled out of the approval of advanced printed reports.

Education Committee:

T. Mark Mickelson PGC (18) Education Committee Chairman reported that the move to placing the funds into the Grand Encampment pool of education funds was not accomplished due to failure of action at the Grand Encampment. He suggested we continue to pursue doing so as we would receive a better return on our investment as it would be part of a bigger pool. There was concern was expressed about having our funds as part of the Grand Encampment Funds Pool. It was pointed out that the Grand Encampment Educational Fund is over one hundred years old.

SK Jack Cook PGC (1) moved we continue to pursue moving our educational funds to the Grand Encampment Education Funds. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

SK T. Mark Mickelson also expressed we need to do a better job in getting the message out about our scholarship program.

Triennial Committee:

T. Mark Mickelson PGM next spoke on the Triennial Fund and mentioned the need for the fund is gone and the committee should explore how to use that money. SK Kim Kurasz PGC (7) mentioned that the fund is also used to pay for registrations of those attending the Triennial and we should maintain part of the monies for that purpose.

SK Kim Kurasz PGC (7) moved that the Triennial Committee bring back recommendations on what the Grand Commandery should do with the Triennial Funds at our next Grand Sessions. A second was made. The motion passed.

A motion was made by T. Mark Mickelson PGC (18) that the reports of the Educational Committee and Triennial Committee be accepted and printed in the proceedings. The motion was second. The motion passed.

The Ballot was closed at 2:25 PM and the tellers were dismissed to count the votes and to only report the names of the winners receiving a majority vote when they return.

Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee:

Grand Commander Goulette called on SK Donald York PGC (12) Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee for his report. SK York reported that the committee had a candidate for the upcoming Holy Land Pilgrimage in February of 2024. His name is Rev Matthew D Fox from Douglas, Wyoming. Clarification was made that the Grand Commandery did not need to vote on approving the candidate as the it was the work of the Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee. The committee will approve the candidate and ask the Grand Recorder to initiate with the Grand Treasure to have a check cut for the \$4000.00 fee and forward the check and application to the Grand Encampment Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee.

SK Donald York moved the Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee report to be accepted and printed in the proceedings. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

At 3:00 PM the teller committee returned. The following officers were elected. All accepted their election or appointment to office for the 2023-2024 year.

Grand Commander, Chrostopher P. Schroeder (18)
Deputy Grand Commander, Timothy D. Forbis (1)
Generalissimo, Cal E. Van Zee (3)
Captain General, Howard P. Hill (2)
Grand Senior Warden, Jefferson D. Goulette IV (18)
Grand Junior Warden, R. Cornelius Kinsey (18)
Grand Treasure, T. Mark Mickelson PGC (18)
Grand Recorder, Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Grand Standard Bearer, Jon C. Rowe (13)

Appointments as announced by Grand Commander Elect SK Christopher P Schroeder (18)

Grand Sword Bearer, Shane M. Kannard (9)
Grand Warder, Jacob Z. Stetler (7)
Grand Sentinel, Wade B. Everett (9)
Grand Prelate, Beynon St. John (7)

Report of the COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE Sheridan, Wyoming September 15, 2023

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers and Sir Knights all:

We, your committee on Jurisprudence would like to recognize and acknowledge the many years of good and faithful service to the Craft within Wyoming Masonry and to the York Rite Bodies of Wyoming specifically of our Grand Commander Preston Goulette.

Right Eminent Grand Commander Goulette is a continually active member of the Masonic bodies in Western Wyoming. He is always willing to participate in degree work when asked by any Chapter, Council or Commandery within the state, as well as performing any other service for a Masonic body if within his power to assist and we are grateful for his enthusiasm and willingness to serve in these situations.

We will now address Right Eminent Grand Commander Goulette's final report.

We approve of Grand Commander Goulette's appointments of Sir Knight Beynon St. John as Grand Prelate and Sir Knight Bryan Compton as Grand Sentinel. Both of these Sir Knights perform great works for this Grand Commandery on an annual basis and work hard for Masonry in general.

This committee also approves of the action taken by the Grand Commander in accordance with Sec.220 of the Wyoming Templar Code which states the charter of Commandery may be arrested or suspended by the Grand Commandery or the Grand Commander at any time should it be considered that the interests of the Order require it. This may be done for disobedience to the Laws, Regulation, Rules, Edicts or Orders of the Grand Commandery.

Lebanon Commandery #11 was in violation of Sec.218, 219 & 221 of the Wyoming Templar code which identifies the fact that an annual return must be submitted and the timing for which an annual return must be done by each local Commandery, that timing ending on July 1st of each year.

As a committee we believe that the actions taken by the Grand Commander were taken only after much discussion between the Grand Recorder, the Grand Commander and representatives of Mount Lebanon Commandery had taken place with no movement on the part of this commandery to remedy the situation. Allowing an extra six months to perform the required return, we feel was very generous on the part of the Grand Commander and we applaud his effort in keeping this Commandery as a working piece of Wyoming Templary.

The effects of this situation were seen in General order #7 suspending this Commandery and General order #8 which released this suspension at a later date which were issued in good form and within the prerogative of the Grand Commander to issue.

In the Grand Commanders report, he states that in the passing of Sir Knight Pesognelli that he chose to leave this office vacant to honor Sir Knight Pesognelli at this year's Grand Session. In researching the Wyoming and Grand Encampment Templar code, nothing has been found that states that the Grand Commander "Must" fill this vacated office, nor that he must advance the line officers to fill this void in the interim and so this is to the will and pleasure of the Grand Commander to proceed in the manner in which it was performed this year.

The Grand Commander released General Order #9 in Sir Knight Pesognelli's honor also which provided for the draping of all Charters throughout the state for a period of 30 days and a moment of silence in Sir Knight Pesognelli's honor.

RE Grand Commander Goulette also awarded special dispensations for the purpose of receiving and voting on candidates previous to the annual festivals in Sheridan and Riverton to of Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 7: and DeMolay Commandery #6 in accordance with Sec.48 of the Grand Encampment code. These are standard dispensations and within the ability of each Grand Commander to award.

We also applaud the Grand Commander's efforts to assure that the Grand Encampment was made aware of the discussions and decisions made by the Sir Knights of Wyoming at the 2022 convocation of the Grand Commandery of Wyoming and for assuring that this information was delivered in person by Past Grand Commander Mickelson. As far as we are aware, the results of this effort will not be seen until the next triennial.

Dispensations were also issued to Constantine Commandery #9 and Sublette Commandery #18 for the purpose of electing and installing officers at another than usual timing called for in the Wyoming Templar Code. These dispensations are needed for the general operation of the craft from time to time and within the power of the Grand Commander to issue.

While it is not required by code that our Grand Commander submits articles each month to the Knights Templar Magazine, it is encouraged heavily to all Wyoming Grand Commanders that these articles are in place as it provides a great way for the Sir Knights throughout the state to get information about the activities of the Grand Commandry of Wyoming and to have a better knowledge of the Grand Commander himself.

This can be a struggle at times as you are submitting articles in most situations long before an event or action has taken place and hoping that nothing changes in the time between. These take time and thought to produce and with the hours put in with the regular working day and the responsibilities of the Grand Commander as well as other Masonic bodies limits the time that one has to perform this duty, but we as a committee believe this to be an extremely important duty of the position and all upcoming Grand Commanders are highly encouraged to take the time needed to assure that these articles are produced.

An important part of the Grand Commander's duties is visiting the Commanderies throughout the state and as much as possible, the Grand Sessions of other jurisdictions.

This can be a particular challenge within Wyoming due to the winters that we often see, and this past year was no different with multiple storms that closed roads throughout the state on multiple occasions.

Grand Commander Goulette was able to visit several of the Commanderies throughout the state this Templar year and multiple events where he represented the Sir Knights of Wyoming in extremely good form, and we thank the Grand Commander for these sometimes-overwhelming efforts in getting to these events.

There were no resolutions submitted by any of the Commanderies within Wyoming in the stated timing of the Wyoming Grand Commandery code so at this time, this committee wishes to congratulate Right Eminent Grand Commander Goulette on a successful year in Templary and to thank him for the time and effort put into the position throughout the year.

SK Mark Young PGC moved the Jurisprudence Committee report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. The motion was seconded. The Motion passed.

GRAND COMMANDER'S SUPPLEMENT TO FINAL REPORT

Grand Commander Preston P. Goulette gave his final supplemental to his printed report to the Grand Commandery of Wyoming:

Good Morning Sir Knights. This Year has been educational to say the least. We should remember parts of our initiation. We should never carry anything offensive or defensive into the Lodge. We are all people and are part of what I deem the Masonic Family. I want to highlight the part referring to us as family. I have very rarely met a family that doesn't fight with its own siblings, however; they do at times get along. It's interesting that we have as one of our tenants that we seek others like us. Besides whom else could best work and agree with each other.

As we look into this world in which we live and consider the various forms of life with which we are all familiar, we find a sameness in the general plan that would be monotonous if it were not so beautiful in the infinite variety of the details.

As we have learned in the Royal Arch Degree, Jeshua talks to the candidate and says, "The Grand Council has no doubt of your ability to perform any part of the work which may be assigned to you. It is necessary that the rubbish of the Old Temple be removed preparatory to laying the foundation for the new. I say this as the Right Eminent Grand Commander, we have rubbish we need to clear out, and that Grand Council is the Dias officers you see before you. However, they cannot do it alone, they need each and every one of you to assist. It takes all of us collectively to fix what is broken.

Our organizations are suffering and struggling. We have members in this very room that want to walk away from York Rite Masonry, and some masonry altogether. Unfortunately, we are Not the greatest organization anymore. We used to be, but we have lost sight of our true visions. We have allowed infighting, dissention, derision, and so much more. Masonry does point the way, but some of us have lost our direction. However, we must come together, and point the way for future generations.

The first part of fixing something that is broken is to identify that we have a problem. The problem that we have is too much politics in our organizations. This is not worldly or national politics this is Masonic politics. Each person that has stood in this spot before, and I am sure those that follow will have to deal with it at some level.

The question I pose to each of you, is How do we fix it. Well that is as complex as we are as people, yet the first step is to properly train our leaders. Continuity is key to the success of many organizations, and we are no different. We must train and assist our leaders in building our better future. It does not matter if you are part of this group or that group. We are all Knights Templar. That is our common focus and goal. Like I have quoted in the past and will quote again. "What man is a man, who does not try to make the world a better place." I ask you, are you doing that to ensure the success of our Order.

This year we have had issues, some great and some indifferent. This is typical and should not divide us. If anything it should strengthen and redefine us. We are masons, we are leaders in our communities, organizations, our state, and our country. If we cannot solve our differences in a peaceful, and civil manner, then what does it mean to people outside this room, and why would they want to join our organization?

Grand Commander SK Preston P Goulette received a standing ovation at the conclusion of his address. He moved that his final report be accepted and printed in the proceedings. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Other business:

Prior to the Grand Commandery Session SK Joshua Shimkus (2) asked Grand Commander Goulette permission to address the Grand Commandery during the meeting about the Resolution of No Confidence in Grand Encampment Officers passed last year. Grand Commander Goulette said he would allow him to speak on the Resolution passed last year. When Grand Commander Goulette asked for other business SK Shimkus rose, and Grand Commander allowed him to approach the microphone and was granted the privilege of four minutes.

SK Shimkus addressed the Grand Commandery with a complaint on how his commandery and he was treated at the last Grand Sessions. He was upset that for \$72.00 owed by his commandery Ivanhoe #2 for percapita, members could not be seated until the fee was paid. [note Section 221 of our Templar code required fees to be paid by July 15. Ivanhoe #2 was not the only commandery that could not be seated as annual reports and fees were not paid]

He also went on to express his displeasure with how he was treated in getting his resolution of no confidence in the Grand Encampment Officers on the floor and adopted. He laid the blame on Past Grand Commander Richard Lewis. [note: SK Shimkus was afforded adequate time to present his resolution and given wise counsel by NWDC SK Jeremy Vaughn on how to make his resolution a better document. His resolution was adopted and forwarded to the Grand Master] His time expired and Grand Commander Goulette asked him to stop. SK Shimkus (2) then took his seat.

SK Howard P Hill (2) asked to approach the microphone. Grand Commander Goulette granted permission. SK Hill went on to tell a wonderful story of how the SK Knights of Ivanhoe #2 traveled from Rawlins to Lander to help from Hugh de Payne #7 in late Fall of 1887. The trip was made by wagons and snow was encountered which required putting skis on the wagons and then back to wheels. The trip in total lasted two weeks.

SK Hill then told the Grand Commandery it is now time for a new journey for Ivanhoe #2. It is the plans of Ivanhoe #2 to consolidate with Hugh de Payne #7.

Grand Generalissimo Tim D. Forbis (1) moved that the Ivanhoe #2 be given six months to work out the details with Hugh de Payne #7 to make the consolidation happen. The motion received a second. The motion passed.

Grand Commander Goulette then called on SK Rusty Hill of Iowa to address the Grand Commandery. He brought fraternal greeting from the Grand Commandery of Iowa and spoke words of wisdom on the state of Templary in general.

SK James L Sturdevant HPGC (6) KTEF Chairman presented KTEF Awards to the commanderies earning them. He noted Wyoming as whole did an outstanding job in supporting the Annual Volunteer Campaign.

Grand Commander Goulette thanked everyone for his year and Deputy Grand Commander spoke briefly on unity and rebuilding. The floor was then turned over to Northwest Department Commander SK Jeremy Vaughn.

SK Vaughn thanked all for the hospitality and courtesies and brought greetings from Grand Master Kussman. He went on to talk about how we always have tough things to deal with and complimented us on how we handle them as Sir Knights and Masons should.

SK Vaughn briefly went through the many Grand Encampment programs that are available to Sir Knights for personal growth. He complimented SK Alvin Young for completing the Templar Chaplaincy certification and as part of the first class helping to work some of the bugs out of the program.

SK Vaughn asked how we like the new full size Knight Templar magazine holding up a copy and urged Sir Knights to give feedback. He also mentioned for us to continue pursuing to keep our membership at 100 percent Life Sponsored in the KTEF. He mentioned that this year's joint NW & SW department meeting was a thing that SK Michael B Johnson had pushed for, and he helped make it happen. The joint NWSW York Rite Conference will be in Salt Lake City, UT on October 20 and 21, 2023 at Little America. SK Vaughn urged more than just the required officers to attend.

He congratulated SK Christopher Schroeder on his election to Grand Commander and congratulated SK Preston Goulette for his year.

SK Vaughn stated this is his last Grand Commandery visit as his term ends next August at the Grand Encampment Triennial. He has always enjoyed coming to Wyoming and has had many of his best Masonic experiences and fellowship here.

SK Jeremy Vaughn was given a sounding standing ovation.

Grand Commander Goulette then turned the floor over to DGM SK Scott Kitchner representing Grand Master of Mason of Wyoming Thomas G Needham. DGM expressed his thanks once again and after speaking two times before he doesn't have much to add expect he is looking forward to coming back next year as Grand Master. SK Kitchner received a standing ovation.

Grand Commander Goulette then closed the Grand Commandery of Wyoming at 4:05 PM Installation of officers to follow.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth R Humphrey, KTCH
Grand Recorder

Installation of 2023-2024 officers:

The elected officers and appointed officers of the Grand Commandery of Wyoming KT were officially installed at 4:45PM on Friday September 15, 2023.

Installing Commander – SK Kim L Kurasz PGC
Installing Secretary – SK Richard N. Lewis PGC
Installing Marshall – SK Clearence Vranish PGC
Installing Prelate – SK T. Mark Mickelson PGC

Officers Installed:

Grand Commander, Chrostopher P. Schroeder (18)
Deputy Grand Commander, Timothy D. Forbis (1)
Generalissimo, Cal E. Van Zee (3)
Captain General, Howard P. Hill (2)
Grand Senior Warden, Jefferson D. Goulette IV (18)
Grand Junior Warden, R. Cornelius Kinsey (18) – Not Present
Grand Treasure, T. Mark Mickelson PGC (18) – previously installed.
Grand Recorder, Kenneth R Humphrey (6) -previously installed.
Grand Standard Bearer, Jon C. Rowe (13)

Grand Sword Bearer, Shane M. Kannard (9)
Grand Warder, Jacob Z. Stetler (7)
Grand Sentinel, Wade B. Everett (9)
Grand Prelate, Beynon St. John (7)



2023 -2024 Grand Commandery Officers

Right Eminent Grand Commander Christopher P. Schroeder (18)
Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander Timothy D. Forbis (1)
Eminent Grand Generalissimo Calvin E Van Zee (3)
Eminent Grand Captain General Howard P Hill (2)
Eminent Grand Senior Warden Jefferson D. Goulette IV (18)
Eminent Grand Junior Warden R. Cornelius Kinsey (18)
Eminent Grand Prelate Beynon St. John (7)
Eminent Grand Treasurer T. Mark Mickelson (18)
Eminent Grand Recorder Kenneth R. Humphrey (6)
Eminent Grand Standard Bearer Jon C Rowe (13)
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**Christopher P Schroeder
Right Eminent Grand Commander
Grand Commandery of Wyoming KT
2023-2024**

Christopher Philip Schroeder was born in Valparaiso IN 04/22/1963 and moved to Ky when 2.5.

As such, I consider myself a full Hillbilly, which is distinctly different from a Redneck. 🤠

I am a first-generation Mason.

As a child I was invited to join DeMolay but my father forbid it.

I later found out that the Missouri Synod of the Lutheran church is very anti-Masonic.

I joined the Army straight out of high school, serving 6 years active duty and achieving an Honorable Discharge in 1987.

After being a bum running pizza places for a couple of years, I went to Surgical Technologist school and worked as a "Travel Scrub" filling in staffing shortages across the country.

It was during these travels that I met my future wife, Irene. I knew right then my days as a traveler were numbered and started looking for a place to settle down.

Being a climber/adventuring type, I found the Jackson of 1995 to be an excellent fit, and settled in. Soon after I achieved my Surgical Assistant license and went into business for myself, a decision I have never regretted.

I find it karmically satisfactory that I have moved from harming people up to putting them back together.

I was Raised a Master Mason in Jackson Lodge #48, on 06/11/2008, and after 3 months was elected SW. From the East I went into the Secretaries chair and stayed there for 11 years, when I was released to progress through the line from the SD station.

I was Knighted on 11/08/08, walked the Burning Sands on 11/22/08, and was brought into the Scottish Rite on 1/03/09.

I have been honored to be the Mason of the Quadrant, and Mason of the year for the state of Wyoming.

Since that time I have been honored to join many invitational groups and have found fellowship and value in all.

I have been a Mason for 15 years, and still find it unbelievable that I have been allowed to join this amazing Craft, let alone moved through the hierarchy.

I pledge to be an active leader, and not just a care-taker Commander.

Committees for 2023-2024

First Member Listed is Chairman of the Committee

Templar Jurisprudence:

Kim L Kurasz (7)
T Mark Mickelson (18)
Robert O Finley (7)

Credentials:

R Handy Levi (6)
William A Biggs (8)
Arin C Bisbee (7)

Doings of the Grand Commandery:

Timothy D. Forbis (1)
Cal E. Van Zee (3)
Howard P Hill (2)

Finance:

T. Mark Mickelson (18) Ex Officio
Kraig A Kobert (18)
Steve W Schlenker (6)
Wade B Avertt (9)

Budget:

Timothy D. Forbis (1) Ex officio
Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Cal Van Zee (3)
T. Mark Mickelson (18)
Howard Hill (2)

Patriotic and Civic Activities:

Harry W C Oberg III (4)
Steve W Schlenker (6)
Shane M Kannard (9)

Charters and Dispensations:

Howard P Hill (2)
Gary N Lankford (2)
Larry J Farnham (3)

Appeals and Grievances:

Calvin E Van Zee (3)
Thomas R Nance (6)
Joshua Shimkus (2)

Necrology:

Beynon St. John (7)
Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
All Constituent Recorders

Jewels:

Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Preston P Goulette (6/18)
Wayne A Long III (17)

York Rite Cooperation:

Cornelius R Kinsey (18)
Kenneth M Badget (9)
Scott A Kitchner (4)

Black Horse Troop:

Robert O. Finley (7)
No Committee – Only Report

Perpetual Life:

Gary D Skillern (1) President
Mike B Johnson (7) Treasurer
Robert O Finley (7) Secretary
Christopher P. Schroeder (18)
Timothy D. Forbis (1)
Howard P Hill (2)

Holy Land Pilgrimage:

Beynon St. John (7)
Donald York (12)
Frank D Kading (8)

Education Foundation:

T. Mark Mickelson (18)
Jacob Z Stetler (7)

Triennial Fund:

Jon C Rowe (13) Ex-officio
Mark S Young (13)
Kim L Kurasz (7)
Kraig A Kobert (18)

Visitor Committee:

Jefferson D. Goulette IV (18)
Arin C Bisbee (7)
Shane M Kannard (9)

Time and Place:

Howard P Hill (2)
Grand Scribe RAM
Grand Captain of the Guard CM

Joshua H L Shimkus (2)

KTEF:

James T Rader (6)
Norman A King Jr. (6)
Kurt A Gerhold (6)
Howard P Hill (2) Ex-officio

Knight Templar Magazine:

T. Mark Mickelson (18)
All Recorders and Sir Knights

**GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF WYOMING
GRAND COMMANDERS REPORT
September 15, 2023**

Firstly, I would like to humbly thank PGC Phillip G. Buchholz for appointing me to the Grand Commandery line. It has been an honor to be of service and help the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Wyoming move forward.

I would additionally like to thank all the Sir Knights that placed their confidence in me by electing me to be your Right Eminent Grand Commander. There are many decisions that the head of any of our bodies must make. Most decisions are housekeeping; however, others are tougher decisions. We have our Jurisprudence committees which help guide us in good decision-making but ultimately it is the head of the body that must decide.

This past year I have had to make some challenging decisions, but necessary ones. I had to Suspend Mount Lebanon Commandery No. 11 for failing to submit their annual returns. I gave them a deadline of January 1st, 2023, to have their report in or their Charter would be revoked. According to the Templar Code of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Wyoming I could have revoked their Charter but elected to Suspend them instead. Fortunately, Mount Lebanon Commandery No. 11 got their report in by my set deadline, and no further action was necessary, and their Suspension was lifted.

On December 21, 2022, we lost Sir Knight Mark Pesognelli who was installed as Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Commandery for this past year. It is always difficult as a leader to have to sustain such a tragedy as having a Grand Commandery Officer pass away. When I was informed of Sir Knight Pesognelli's passing I was in shock. Although, I could have assigned another Sir Knight in his place, I chose not to as I wished to honor Sir Knight Pesognelli one last time at the Grand Commandery Session in Sheridan, Wyoming in September 2023.

In April of 2023 I wrote a cover letter to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, which was attached to the Resolution passed at the Wyoming Grand Commandery Session in September 2022. I would like to thank PGC Mark T. Mickelson for hand delivering that to the sitting Grand Master of Knights Templar of the Grand Encampment of the United States. It is imperative that all voting members of the Grand Encampment attend the next stated Conclave of the Grand Encampment of the United States, which will be in Salt Lake City, Utah in August of 2024. We must stand united, our membership has voted on this resolution, and we as Knight Masons must hold them accountable to the Code.

In May of 2023 at the Grand Master's Spring Reunion held in Riverton, Wyoming I put on dinner at the Reach Center in Riverton. It was well attended even though it was Mother's Day weekend. I want to thank all the Sir Knights and Brothers, and their families that attended this event. It is important to maintain communication and cohesion within all our Masonic bodies.

I would like to take this opportunity to apologize to all the Sir Knights of Wyoming for failing to submit a monthly article in the Knights Templar magazine. This is a critical source of communication from our leadership of Knights Templar in Wyoming, and helps keep our membership engaged, and informed of what is happening within our State. I have no excuse, I have failed in this facet of my responsibilities, and humbly apologize for this shortcoming.

Grand Commandery Appointments:

I had the honor of appointing two Sir Knights this past year to the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Wyoming. I appointed Sir Knight Beynon St. John as Eminent Grand Prelate, and Sir Knight Bryan J. Compton to Eminent Grand Sentinel. I want to thank both Sir Knights for accepting these appointments and wish them all the success in their endeavors as they continue to be beacons of dedication, and leadership within Wyoming Masonry.

VISITATIONS:

October 2, 2022 - Allied Masonic Degrees – Casper

October 8, 2023 – Emmanuel Conclave Red Cross of Constantine - Casper

October 14 - 15, 2022 Northwest Department Conference - Boise, Idaho

November 9, 2022 – Platte Commandery # 17 - Wheatland

November 17, 2022 – Big Piney Lodge # 47 – Funeral – Big Piney

December 6, 2022 – DeMolay Commandery # 6 – Sheridan – Represented by VEDGC Chris Schroeder

December 8, 2022 – Hugh De Payne Commandery # 7 - Riverton

December 10, 2022 – Constantine Commandery # 9 - Cody

December 19, 2022 – Sublette Commandery # 18 - Pinedale

March 4, 2023 - Sheridan York Rite Festival – Sheridan

March 18, 2023 – Sheridan York Rite – Knights Templar Degrees - Sheridan

March 19, 2023 – Emmanuel Conclave Red Cross of Constantine – Casper

March 19, 2023 – Wyoming Priory KYCH – Casper

April 1, 2023 – Wyoming Grand Commandery Easter Observance - Riverton

April 27-28, 2023 - Lander Valley Scottish Rite Reunion - Lander

May 13, 2023 – Grand Masters Spring Reunion - Riverton

May 13, 2023 – Grand Commandery Dinner at Grand Masters Spring Reunion – Riverton

June 2, 2023 – Grand York Rite Session of Montana – Represented by EG Recorder Ken Humphrey

June 11, 2023 - Allied Masonic Degrees – Casper

June 11, 2023 - Wyoming Priory KYCH - Casper

June 17, 2023 - General Grand Council Jobs Daughter Wyoming – Douglas

August 9 – 12, 2023 - Grand Chapter OES of Wyoming - Casper

August 13 – 15, 2023 - Grand Lodge A.F.&A.M. of Wyoming – Casper

Dispensations:

I issued a Special Dispensations for Clelland Commandery # 12 in Douglas, Wyoming to wear full Templar uniform on December 17, 2022, for the purpose of conducting a Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Douglas Park Cemetery. This ceremony was conducted to place sponsored or donated wreaths on the graves of deceased veterans in Douglas, Wyoming.

I issued Special Dispensations to Hughe De Payne Commandery #7 for the Casper York Rite Festival, and Sublette Commandery #18 for the Southwest York Rite Festival, both of which were unused. I issued a Special Dispensation to DeMolay Commandery # 6 for the Sheridan York Rite Festivals. The time and effort put into making these festivals rememberable goes without question. It is amazing to see the dedication it takes to put off rememberable and wonderful festivals. Although the Casper and Southwest York Rite Festivals did not take place this years, DeMolay Commandery # 6 is to be commended on allowing the other York Rite Bodies to send their candidates to Sheridan to be brought into not only the Commandery Orders, but the Chapter and Council Degrees as well.

I issued Special Dispensations to Sublette Commandery #18, and Constantine Commandery # 9 to elect and install officers out of time. Both were assessed a fee of \$5.00 for these Special Dispensations.

In closing, I want to say that the time I have spent this past year as your Right Eminent Grand Commander of Wyoming has been very humbling. Like many that have come before me, and the many that will come after me, I feel that there may have been more I could have done or should have done. I do not know what will happen in a year from now when we go in front of the Grand Encampment and present our concerns. I hope that they see reason, and that we can move forward. York Rite in Wyoming has been divided for too long, it is time that we come together on a common platform and move Wyoming Masonry forward.

Again, thank you all for your confidence in electing me to this position, and for the efforts of the Grand Commandery officers, and committees. No one person can accomplish anything alone, but as a whole and cohesive group that can best work together, we can move mountains. May God bless each and every one of you.

Respectfully Submitted:

Preston P. Goulette
Right Eminent Grand Commander
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Wyoming

Grand Recorders Report September 15, 2023

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights all:

I am about to complete my second year as your Grand Recorder, I am getting more settled into the office. I am also developing the Grand Recorder's "grump."

I traveled to the Montana York Rite Grand Sessions held in Billings, Montana, my first visit to another jurisdiction. I represented our Grand Commander Preston Goulette. It was a pleasure to represent our Grand Commander and our Grand Commandery. My native state of Montana York Rite Companions and Sir Knights treated me very well. It was nice to reacquaint myself with old DeMolay Brothers who went on to join the Lodge and York Rite.

It was interesting to observe how another Grand Jurisdiction functioned. I recommend visiting other Jurisdictions Grand Sessions. Montana held its Grand Sessions at the Billings Masonic Center. Montana York Rite is trending to use lodge buildings for Grand Session as the membership that shows up is the Grand Officers. Wyoming should investigate using our larger Masonic Lodge Buildings.

Now to more important things:

From the Annual Reports it is obvious that some local recorders are not keeping up with inputting changes in the MMS in a timely manner. We have an excellent tool to help us track membership, but it is frustrating on my part in reconciling annual reports to the MMS. I am happy if needed to make entries into MMS for commandery recorders but need the information before June 30 of the reporting year.

Some recorders are having issues in calculating the proper percapita, knighting fees and KTEF fees calculated. Our current per-capita [\$19.90] and Holy Land Pilgrimage fee [\$1.00] and Triennial Fee [\$1.10] is a total of \$22.00 a member. Knighting fee is \$10.00 per new knight and if a member does not have a KTEF Life Sponsorship with your commandery a dollar is owed for each member who does not have a KTEF Life Sponsorship. The MMS system can tell you members who are a KTEF life sponsor.

About half of our commanderies used Excel Workbook Report and sent their reports electronically. Then sent the signed and sealed certification page along with their check which required only a stamp and #10 envelope. Recorders and Commanders for your report to be official I need the signed and sealed certification page.

We did well with the budget this year coming in under the budget this was partially due to not getting the PGC jewel paid in the 2022-2023 budget year. The warrants issued, deposits made for July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and proposed 2023 -2024 budget follow my report. This July I had to add a cash dollar to a deposit as one commandery was a dollar short on its payment [I will get reimbursed by the recorder eventually] Wells Fargo made me show my ID for the one-dollar cash in the deposit. I mention this as I am finally maturing as I did not raise my voice or complain. I just pulled out my wallet and presented my ID with an eye roll and smile.

As a reminder I am taking my Grand Recorder's Compensation which is by by-laws, is \$3000.00 in an honorarium and having my travel expenses reimbursed. This past year the total honorarium and reimbursements came in below the \$3000.00 mark at \$1239.02. I am taking compensation for this as if I took the \$3000.00 in 1099 reported income and add the \$3000.00 to my retirement income a large chunk would be gobbled up in taxes. In the budget this year I added \$600.00 for me to buy a new printer/copier/scanner as the one I have is having issues which techs cannot seem to cure. I will consider this part of my compensation. A new Grand Recorder down the road may wish to take the whole \$3000.00 in cash compensation.

I am discovering that people do not check their emails daily. As a Grand Commandery have chosen email and texting as a primary means of communication. This includes sending documents and forms out electronically. We all need to be vigilant in making sure we check our email and respond with an acknowledgement of the email especially when an attachment is sent.

Last year it was approved that a computer and printer be purchased for the Grand Recorder so that if something happened to the Grand Recorder the printer and computer could be collected by the Grand Commandery. I did not purchase the computer and printer. MS Office is now a subscription-based platform and requires a credit card to pay the monthly rent on the software. The software would be disabled if something happens to me, and my credit card cancelled. Also I did not want to deal with email on two computers. I do a monthly backup of the Grand Commandery data on a memory stick. So, all that would need to be collected is the memory stick and boxes of Grand Commandery stuff.

I recommend we let the authorization to buy a computer and printer stand if the need should arise to replace the laptop computer I am using now. At that point, the computer would belong to the Grand Commandery.

I recommend that a joint workshop for the secretaries and recorders and heads of the Grand Bodies be held this coming year as we will be transitioning to a new Secretary and Record for the Grand Chapter and Grand Council.

If re-elected by the Sir Knights I am willing to serve the Grand Commandery of Wyoming KT for another year as Grand Recorder.

I move, this report be accepted and placed in the proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Grand Recorder

Warrant Number	Date	Amount	Paid To	Purpose
22-0466-KRH	9/20/2022	\$500.00	Kenneth R Humphrey	Recorder Honorarium
22-0467-KRH	9/20/2022	\$200.00	Beynon St John	Prelate Expense
22-0468-KRH	9/20/2022	\$100.00	T Mark Mickelson	Treasure Expense
22-0469-KRH	9/20/2022	\$100.00	T Mark Mickelson	Knight Templar Magazine Editor
22-0470-KRH	9/20/2022	\$900.00	Preston P Goulette	First Half of Grand Commander Expense
22-0471-KRH	9/20/2022	\$200.00	George D Pushee	Website Maintenance Annual Fee
22-0472-KRH	9/20/2022	\$369.51	Kenneth R Humphrey	Recorder Travel Expense - Annual Conclave
22-0473-KRH	9/21/2022	\$857.00	Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund	Transfer of funds from checking 2021 and 2022 amounts
22-0474-KRH	9/21/2022	\$942.70	Triennial Fund	Transfer of funds from checking 2021 and 2022 amounts
22-0475-KRH	10/4/2022	\$36.65	Grand Lodge of Wyoming	Printing Services for Grand Sessions
22-0476-KRH	10/4/2022	\$168.19	Kenneth R Humphrey	Grand Recorder office supplies and postage
22-0477-KRH	10/24/2022	\$236.00	Preston Goulette	NW YR Conference Milage Expense
22-0478-KRH	10/24/2022	\$175.00	Christopher Schroeder	NW YR Conference Milage Expense
22-0479-KRH	10/24/2022	\$346.00	Tim Forbis	NW YR Conference Milage Expense
22-0480-KRH	10/24/2022	\$322.00	Cal Van Zee	NW YR Conference Milage Expense
22-0481-KRH	10/24/2022	\$359.00	Kenneth R Humphrey	NW YR Conference Milage Expense
22-0482-KRH	10/24/2022	\$369.51	Kenneth R Humphrey	NW YR Conference Travel Expense - hotel
22-0483	12/8/2022	\$31.40	Richard Lewis	Refurbishment Grand Commander Jewel
23-484-KRH	1/3/2023	\$100.00	George D Pushee III	Website Domain Renewal
23-485-KRH	2/1/2023	\$3,675.00	GEKT-USA	2022 - Percapita and fees
23-0486	2/1/2023	\$900.00	Preston Goulette	Second half Grand Commander Expense

23-0487	2/1/20 23	\$200.00	Kenneth R Humphrey	Printer Toner
23-0488- KRH	2/17/2 023	\$147.40	Grand Lodge of Wyoming	Printing - Proceedings
23- 0489=KRH	3/16/2 023	\$70.26	Kenneth R Humphrey	Postage - Supplies
23-0490- KRH	5/22/2 023	\$3.00	GEKT-USA	Seal Stamps
Total		\$11,308.62		

Warrants Issued July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

**Deposits Made In Wells Fargo By
Grand Recorder**

Date	Amount	Purpose	Notes
7/18/2022	\$815.00	St Grall #13 Per-capita Payment	ck 1068
7/18/2022	\$528.00	Immanuel #3 Per-capita Payment	ck1580
7/18/2022	\$594.00	Wyoming #1 Per-capita Payment	ck125
7/18/2022	\$638.00	Constantine #9 Per-capita Payment	ck 2159
8/2/2022	\$417.90	Ivanhoe #2 Per-capita Payment	ck1194
8/2/2022	\$384.00	Albert Pike #4 Per-capita Payment	ck 1055
8/2/2022	\$910.00	Hugh de Payne #7 Per-capita Payment	ck 437
8/4/2022	\$460.00	Sublette #18 Per-capita Payment	ck 1057
8/9/2022	\$1,208.00	Apollo #8 Per-capita payment	Ck2548
8/17/2022	\$345.00	Ascalon #5 Per-capita	ck 1348
8/23/2022	\$5.00	Wyo #1 Dispensation Fee	ck 5506
9/20/2022	\$67.00	Ivanhoe #2 Per-capita Payment additional payment	ck #####
10/24/2022	\$130.00	Ritual and Tactic Sales to Hugh De Payne #7	ck 453
1/3/2023	\$594.00	Mt Lebanon Per-capita payment	ck583
Total Deposits	\$7,095.90		

**Grand Commandery of Wyoming
2023-2024 Budget (PASSED)
Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and Sir Knights All:**

Income	
Per Capita	
402 members @ \$19.90	\$7999.80
Triennial Fund	

402 members @ \$1.10	\$442.20
Holy Land Pilgrimage Funs	\$402.00
402 Members @ \$1.00	
Other income	\$200.00 [ritual sales, knightng fees, dispensations]
Total Income	\$9044.00
Funds In Association Account as	
of July 19, 2023	\$41,498.13
This fund was created from excess	
carried in the checking account	
over the years.	
Available funds to fund budget Deficit	\$41,498.13
Association Account	
Expenses – GE Per-capita – Transfer of Funds	
Grand Encampment Per-capita	\$3618.00
402 x \$9.00	
Transfer to Triennial Fund	\$442.20
Transfer to Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund	\$402.00
Total Per-capita and transfer of funds	\$4,462.20
Grand Recorders Office	
Grand Recorder Honorarium	\$500.00
Grand Recorder Travel	\$1500.00
Office Expense	\$1100.00
Postage	\$300.00
Printing [Advanced Reports – Proceedings]	\$200.00
Web Master Expense	\$300.00
Items for resale (rituals/pins)	\$300.00
Grand Recorders Office Total	\$4200.00
Grand Officers Expense	
Grand Commander Expense	\$1,800.00
Grand Treasures Expense	\$ 100.00
Grand Prelates Exp	\$ 200.00
KT Editor	\$ 100.00
Milage NW Conference	\$1,500.00
Grand Officers Expense Total	\$3,700.00
Other Expense	
Past Grand Commanders Jewel	\$1,500.00
Shrine Bowl Ad	\$ 68.00

Misc.	\$ 200.00
Other Expense Total	\$1,800.00
Total Grand Commandery Expense	\$14,163.20
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$5,119.20)
Other Funds Expenditure	
Triennial Fund	\$0.00 (next Triennial in 2025)
Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund	\$3400.00 (no pastor sent last year)

Grand Treasure T. Mark Mickelson pointed out that we need to have a strategic planning committee as to our finances and our budget. The Association Account can only supplement our current budget model for 7 years. Our investment account currently is just over \$200,000.00. The committee agrees with our Grand Treasure and recommends the Grand Commandery Wyoming KT form a strategic planning committee to review the operations of the Grand Commandery and project a short, intermediate, and long-term plan to fund operations over time.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth R Humphrey (6) – Budget Chair
T Mark Mickelson (18) – Member
Christopher P Schroeder (18) – Member
Tim Forbis (1) – Member

Investment Committee Report for 2022-2023
Grand Commandery of Wyoming, KT – Finance Committee
Cheyenne, Wyoming
September 15,2023

To: The Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights All

Mick Pryor Of Edward Jones Investing in Riverton, Wyoming is managing our investment accounts. We had an increase in our investments even with the challenges of our anemic economy.

HLP Account	June 30, 2022	11,085.72
	July 19, 2023	18,860.05
Investment Gain		7,774.33
Triennial Account	June 30, 2022	29,687.53
	July19, 2023	26,827.31
Investment (Loss) Gain		(\$ 2,870.22)
Withdrawals		00.00
Association Account	June 30, 2022	36,094.20
	July 19, 2023	41,498.13
Investment (Loss) Gain		\$ 5,403.93
Main Invest Acct	June 30, 2022	202,754.91
	July 30, 2023	212,010.12
Investment (Loss) Gain		\$ 19,563.25

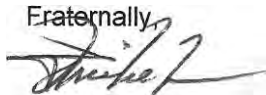
TOTAL INVESTMENT FUNDS	\$299,192.61
Checking Account Balance	\$ 11,312.55

The warrants listed in the Grand Recorder' s report have been honored and checks numbered 1483 through 1506 have been issued to pay the same. The warrant system continues to function well.

This committee would like to express our gratitude to Sir Knight Otto Uecker for his commitment to this Grand Commander and his foresight in seeking out alternative investment opportunities over the past 10 years. We ask the Sir Knights to join us in thanking and honoring Sir Knight Uecker!

We believe our investment funds are secure and invested conservatively and wisely and the interest and needs of our Grand Commandery are being met. It is our opinion that with the slow improvement in our nation's economy will get back on track and show continuing recovery and growth.

Fraternally,



T. Mark Mickelson (18), Treasurer,
Ex-Officio Member Christopher Schroeder
(1 8), Member
Otto G. Uecker (7), Member

**GRAND COMMANDERY OF WYOMING
EDUCATION FOUNDATION REPORT
Annual Grand Commandery Communication – September 14-17, 2023**

To: The Right Eminent Grand Commander Preston Goulette

Grand Officers and Sir Knights of Wyoming, this is the report of your Education Foundation for the past year. We are in position to continue our work to help students from Wyoming High Schools continue their education through scholarships per the guidelines instituted by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

Funds on Deposit at the First Interstate Bank in Casper, Wyoming as of June 30, 2023, were:

Money Market Account (----923)	\$ 20,244.86
*Certificate of Deposit (---866)	O (Matures 7/28/22@.15%)
Certificate of Deposit (----471)S	7,177.40 (Matures 2/18/24 @.15%)
Total Funds Available	27,422.26
*CD #...866 was transferred at maturity to the money market account in anticipation of the transfer of these funds to GEKT.	

Interest accrued during the year amounted to \$133.87, which was reinvested in the account balances. Donations provided \$500 proceeds to the fund. The Knights Templar Educational Foundation charged the Education Foundations a flat fee of \$250 to participate in the program.

There was one application for scholarships held over from 2022, which will be funded in 2023.

At the Grand Commandery Conclave on September 18, 2022, this body approved the transfer of the funds held by the Education Foundation by the Grand Commandery of Wyoming to the Grand Encampment Education

Foundation to be invested with the funds held by them. I contacted the Grand Records Office and informed the Grand Recorder of the action of the Grand Commandery of Wyoming and requested instructions on how to complete the transaction. I did not hear back, so I contacted them again after about a month. I had not heard from them when I attended the Easter Services in Alexandria, Virginia in April. I had an opportunity to speak directly with Larry Tucker the Grand Recorder and asked why I had not heard anything. Initially he said, "that's done! The money has been transferred". I reminded him that I was the Chairman of this committee and in fact the funds were still in our accounts. He then indicated that he must have forgotten and suggested when we get back home, we could make the transfer. I indicated that given that we are in the last quarter of the Templar Year, I would bring this issue back before the Grand Commandery of Wyoming and ascertain if that is still the desired action. I have asked that approval of this report be withheld from the blanket approval of pre-printed reports to call for a vote on this matter.

It is strongly recommended that all Wyoming Commandries continue to work in cooperation with this committee to make the High Schools around the State aware of our scholarship and encourage applications. We thank the Sir Knights for their efforts to get the word out to their communities about this program. With the inevitable increase in the fee structure and if we continue to receive qualified applicants, we will need to design a fundraising plan to maintain our ability to help students.

It has been our pleasure to work as your Education Foundation Committee and we welcome any questions or suggestions any Sir Knight would bring forward.

I move that this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings.

Respectfully Submitted:

T. Mark Mickelson (18) PGC, Chairman
Cornelius Kinsey (18), Member

Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee September 15, 2023

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Wyoming:

We, the committee, would like to thank Grand Commander Preston P. Goulette for the opportunity to serve our Grand Commandery on this committee.

At the time of this report being prepared we did not receive any applications for the Holy Land Pilgrimage. We the committee would like to recommend that our Sir Knights search their areas for worthy Christian Ministers that may not be able to visit the Holy Land by their own resources.

Respectfully submitted,
David C. Hough, (9) Chairman
Beynon St. John, (7)

Report of Doings of the Grand Officers September 15, 2023

Sec. 118. It shall be the special duty of the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers to review the reports of the several Grand Officers, refer the various subjects in such reports to appropriate Committees and recommend action on matters not so referred.

In reading the description of this committee it becomes apparent that it has not been fulfilling its purpose. Taken by name only, it has devolved into a listing of the Grand Officers activities during the year.

Reverting to the original mandate, the committee has reviewed all reports received and found them to be proper and without need to be referred to further.

In closing, the need for this committee is questionable. The Grand officers offer their own reports, and the various committees communicate directly with each other. In a reality of dwindling numbers, I believe that if a committee has no purpose or function, that dead limb needs to be trimmed.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher P. Schroeder (18)

Timothy D. Forbis (1)

Cal E. Van Zee (3)

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES
September 15, 2023

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances reports that no appeals or grievances were received by the committee for action.

Jon Rowe (13)

Cal Van Zee (3)

REPORT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION
For 2022-2023 55th Annual Campaign
September 15, 2023

To: Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, Sir Knights All:

These are the results of the 55th Annual Knights Templar Eye Foundation. The chart below, with statistics for the past five years, shows that overall donations nationally are cycling up and down a bit.

Yr.	Total Donations	WY Donations	WY Rank	Per Capita	WY Rank	WY Membership #s
19	\$1,065,463.11	\$16,506.00	20	\$34.03	5	465
20	\$1,686,589.09	\$17,691.00	19	\$38.05	6	465
21	\$1,390,186.28	\$8,896.00	35	\$20.04	25	445
22	\$1,658,324.53	\$19,117.68	28	\$44.88	5	426
23	\$1,549,642.80	\$17,864.00	28	\$43.68	7	409
National membership numbers for the last five years are:						
2019	77,690					
2020	73,594					
2021	68,581					
2022	66,283					
2023	64,616					

The 55th Annual Voluntary Campaign Awards

The following Commandery's have attained the \$10.00+ per member donation level:

Immanuel #3
DeMolay #6
Hugh de Payen #7
Mt. Lebanon #11
St. Graal #13
Sublette #18

The following Commandery's received a Plaque and Award Certificates for achieving \$10.00 or more per member for the first time or have used up all to their spaces on the certificates.

Constantine #9
Platte #17

The following Commandery's received a certificate of appreciation for donation levels of \$5.00 to \$9.99:

Wyoming #1
Albert Pike #4
Apollo #8

Congratulations to these Commandery's for these awards!

I would like to thank all Sir Knights who have donated and continue to donate so generously to support our Knights Templar Eye foundation. Let us all keep up the great work!

Respectfully submitted,
James L. Sturdevant (6)
Voluntary Eye Campaign Chairman

REPORT OF TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE September 15,2023

This report now comes under the joint sessions meeting section.

REPORT OF CHARTERS AND DISPENSATION COMMITTEE September 15, 2023

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Members of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Wyoming.

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensation would like to report that there were no dispensations received for a new commandery and no recommendations to issue a new charter.

Respectfully Submitted,
Howard Hill (2)
Brian Compton (6)

TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE REPORT September 15, 2023

RE Grand Commander Goulette, Sir Knights All
The report of the Triennial Fund Committee is as follows:
\$15,940.28 was the Fund Balance 7/1/2022

\$942.70 Deposit from GC General Fund 9/21/22 as per code

\$1,281.81 Investment gains to 5/28/23

\$18,164.99 Total Account Balance as of 5/28/23

These figures may change slightly before the annual Conclave in September but are accurate as of 5/28/23.

This committee would like to thank REPGC T. Mark Mickelson for his efforts in watching over this fund, and for reporting these figures to this committee.

Respectfully Submitted
Triennial Fund Committee

REPGC Mark S. Young – Chairman
REPGC Kim Kurasz – Member
PEC Otto Ueker - Member

**Report of the Editor for the Knights Templar Magazine
Wyoming Grand Commandry 2022-2023
September 15, 2023**

Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandry Officers and Sir Knights all,

Right Eminent Grand Commander Preston Goulette did not submit any articles for publication as supplementals for the Knights Templar magazine during the past Templar Year.

Respectfully submitted,



T. Mark Mickelson, PGC Editor

**YORK RITE COOPERATION COMMITTEE
September 15, 2023**

No report was received from this committee.

**REPORT OF THE JEWELS COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 15, 2023**

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and Companions All,

A big thank you to PGC Lewis and SK Wayne Long for doing some leg work with Riddles Jewelry in Cheyenne. As of this writing the new PGC Jewel for GC Goulette is in process. The header hanger for Preston Goulette is also being made. Christopher Schroeder has found a Wyoming PGC Jewel used by a PGC for his use and only a hanger will be needed for the coming year.

Riddles Jewelry will now have a mold for the use of making new PGC Jewels for us. Jewels will still be spendy as the price of gold keeps climbing. As the PGC Jewel for GC Goulette is not completed

we had no expense for this year but as DGC Schroeder has his own PGC Jewel in hand we will not be buying two jewels this coming budget year. The jewel budget is increased to \$1500.00 to cover PGC Goulette's PGC Jewel, hanger and design charges.

The committee has had some discussion that perhaps we add to the Jewels section of the Wyoming Templar Code that the PGC Jewel be returned to the Grand Commandery of Wyoming upon the death of a Past Grand Commander so that the Jewel can be reused and prevent a jewel being sold in a estate sale, garage sale or on a on line auction website. Retrieving the jewel after a death is one issue that the committee hesitates to bring forth a resolution. More thought is needed. There are a lot of PGC Jewels that have disappeared.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth R Humphrey (6)
Wayne Long (17)
Richard Lewis (17)
Preston Goulette (18)

REPORT OF THE BLACK HORSE TROOP Cheyenne, Wyoming – September 15, 2023

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery of Wyoming,

The Black Horse Troop had our usual Steak & Pancake Supper at the Grand Sessions in Cheyenne at the Shrine Club last year. We raised enough money, thanks to all the many people who bought tickets (and the extra meat), to have \$1340.00 to donate to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. The meat was donated by Hugh de Payen Commandery #7, and the pancake batter and fixings were donated by PGM Michael B. Johnson.

We thank the members of this Grand Commandery for their perpetual support as all the profits of this supper always go to the Eye Foundation every year.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert O. Finley (7)

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OFFICE OF THE GRAND PRELATE September 15, 2023

Report of the Grand Prelate

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Commandery Officers, Sir Knights all:
It has been an honor to serve as Grand Prelate for the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Wyoming once again. This year, although the total number of deaths is down from previous years, those we lost certainly left a hole in our hearts, in our Fraternity, and in the communities where they lived and served.

We suffered the loss of one of our Grand Commandery Line Officers in Eminent Grand Standard Bearer, Mark Pesognelli. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, and the families of all Sir Knights who transitioned from the physical restraints of this life to one being with the Father. May those of us who grieve find comfort in their memory and in the peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, which surpasses all human understanding.

I want to thank the Grand Recorder, Sir Knight Ken Humphrey, and all the recorders of our Wyoming Commanderies for the timely notices. I hope that in some small way, the letters sent to the families eased their emotional burden.

Respectfully submitted,

SK Beynon St. John
Grand Prelate

**Inspector General Report
September 15, 2023**

I would like to thank my Inspectors. Most inspections were performed, and the reports thorough and complete.

Unfortunately, the results are predictable.

While we have a couple of Commanderies that are doing well, most of the state is struggling. Armories are adequate, but only because the number of Knights has declined. I am not sure that allowing a five-man opening for a “business” meeting has produced the positive results for which we had hoped. When the number was nine, effort was made to reach that number. Now that the number is five, we seem to struggle to meet THAT number.

The majority of Commandries have not held a full form opening in quite (years) a while, and this is to our detriment. These tactics unite us and provide a link to our heritage and teachings. Commandries have a core group, and as that group ages, drops out or dies the load is passed on to those who will work. That in turn overloads them, and they burn out faster.

All you must do is look at our Grand York Lines to see the “cross pollination.” There is no quick or easy fix, and, in truth, there may be no fix at all. Christianity itself is under attack and in decline, and while many will describe themselves as “spiritual” few will openly identify as Christian, either because of current social pressures, questionable historical representation, or bad experiences with denominational dogma.

We cannot look to the Grand Encampment for solutions. They are far too removed to understand our situation. We simply MUST adjust ourselves to the declining membership and great distances we travel. We need novel ideas, so please speak up. Educational programs and drill will keep members interested, but not attract new members. No matter how many men show up, do as much of the opening as you can, and do some sword drills.

When preparing my report, I reached out to several Past Grand Commanders for copies of the inspection reports from their year, only to find almost none had saved them. I strongly recommend we make a master file, either electronic or paper, preferably both, of the inspections so that future GCs have that resource.

Respectfully submitted,
VEDGC Christopher P Schroeder (18)

**REPORT OF THE PATRIOTIC AND CIVIC COMMITTEE
September 15, 2023**

No activity to report.

Harry Furrey (1)
Harry O’Berg (4)

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
September 15, 2023

Membership Summary

July 1, 2022	424 members
Gains	
Knighting's	10
Affiliations	3
Reinstatements	1
Total Gain	14
Losses:	
Demits	7
NPD Suspensions	18
Deaths	11
Total Losses	36
Net Gain (Loss)	(22)
Membership	
June 30, 2023	402 members

The 402 number reflects the total membership of all commandery's but be aware that there are many who hold dual or plural memberships in several Commandery's which makes the actual total of members a lower number.

Historically it appears that twenty percent of total Wyoming Masons are York Rite Masons. As the membership of the Blue Lodges decreases it appears so too will York Rite membership will also decrease as our pool of prospective members decline. It is imperative that York Rite Masons support and be active in their Blue Lodges to help promote York Rite Masonry to new Master Masons. It also should be a priority to seek out those members who are a year behind in their dues to find out why they are not paying their dues before they become two years behind and go NPD. This may help give us a picture of what we as the York Rite Bodies need to change to help retain our members.

Respectfully submitted:
Cornelius Kinsey (18)
T. Mark Mickelson (18)
Kenneth R. Humphrey (6) Ex-officio

From Grand Recorder's Office
September 15, 2023

Below is the MMS summary of the Grand Commandery of Wyoming KT as from information confirmed by annual reports. Please note the report date runs past June 30, 2023, as I had to enter in membership information that was not entered in on or before June 30, 2023, by the local recorder. If information is entered after June 30 of the year the system places that information in the coming years report resulting in a not accurate picture of the membership ending on June 30, 2023.

The membership for Ivanhoe #2 is an unofficial count as the report was not complete and sealed.

Annual Statistical Report - Start: 7/1/2022 End: 7/17/2023

Grand Encampment of Knights Templar

Grand Commandery of Wyoming

Stationed at Sheridan, WY

Total Working Commanderies =	14
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The following is a recapitulation of membership activity during the specified reporting period.

Total number members on last return =		424
Total number KNIGHTED =	10	
Total number AFFILIATED =	3	
Total number REINSTATED =	1	
Total number ADD ADJUSTMENT =	0	
Total Gain (+)	14	
Total number DEMITTED =	7	
Total number SUSPENDED =	18	
Total number DECEASED =	11	
Total number EXPELLED =	0	
Total number DELETE ADJUSTMENT =	0	
Total Loss (-)	36	
Net Gain (Net Loss) =	(22)	
Total number of members (including Dual and Plural)		402
		=

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

Living/Active Life Sponsors =	399
Living/Active Associate Patrons =	0
Living/Active Patrons =	0
Total Deductions	399

We are not 100 percent Life Members Sponsors of the KTEF. This is an issue that will be worked on in the coming year.

Below is the detailed report of membership activity of each individual commandery and is accurate to the best of my knowledge as of July 17, 2023, after missing data entry was made and reflects the current membership of each commandery in MMS.

**Annual Report Detail
Only**

Period 07/01/2022
Start:

End: 07/17/2023

Row 64
Count:

All activity is based on the modified date (when updated) that falls within requested date range											Modified Date
Part 1 Statistical	Active Members At Start	Knighted (+)	Demit (-)	Affiliated (+)	Suspended (-)	Reinstated (+)	Expelled (-)	DeA'd (-)	Died (-)	Add'd (+)	Active Members At-End
Knights Templar	424	+10	-7	+3	-18	+1			-11		402
Wyoming	424	+2		+1							402
1 - Wyoming	27	+2		+1							30
Castle, Cory Eugene	151769	06/04/23									06/05/23
Duncan, Frank Scott	151532			10/19/22							10/20/22
Hargraves, James G.	151768	06/04/23									06/05/23
2 - Ivanhoe	25		-1		-4	+1			-1		20
Fletcher, Stephen	1493916					06/30/22					07/19/22
Pesognelli, Mark	1493847								12/21/22		12/21/22

Schwindt, Tom J.	1434587			06/30/22					07/18/22
Smith, Douglas Lynn	1434591	06/30/22							07/18/22
Weber, Jeffrey	1455307			06/30/22					07/18/22
Young II, Charles Chester	1461781			06/30/22					07/18/22
Young, Coleman Harvey	1453684			05/30/22					07/18/22
3 - Immanuel	24		-1					-1	22
Johnson, Michael L.	1434637							01/23/23	03/01/23
Omundson, Kenneth N.	1434649	12/31/22							06/23/23
4 - Albert Pike	17			-1				-1	15
Martin, Ralph Harold	1434692							09/11/22	03/10/23
Sather, Richard W.	1434704			12/29/22					07/18/23
5 - Ascalon	14								14
6 - DeMolay	76	+5	-2	-1				-2	76
Anderson, Allan Curtis	1434749							08/04/22	11/08/22
Brown, Steven Charles	1517844	03/18/23							06/29/23
Canterbury, Joel Charles	1481793							06/17/23	06/18/23
Deneka, Edward Joseph	1434782			06/13/23					06/13/23
Guffy, Steven Larry	1480837	11/09/22							11/09/22
Johnson, Curtiss Wayne	1465753	12/31/21							10/10/22

Morneau, Thomas Lawrence	151678 1	03/18/2 3								03/20/2 3
Shepardson Jr., John Alan	151677 9	03/18/2 3								03/20/2 3
Shepardson, Shane E.	151678 0	03/18/2 3								03/20/2 3
Vaughn, Lance Dobbs	151678 2	03/18/2 3								03/20/2 3
7 - Hugh de Payen	41				-4			-1		36
Davis, James Elmer	147000 7							06/11/2 3		06/12/2 3
Haworth, David H.	143494 6				12/14/2 2					12/14/2 2
Kirko, Scott Edward	145505 5				12/14/2 2					12/14/2 2
Pierson, Jared Michael	147653 7				12/31/2 1					07/13/2 2
Rota, Cory Gerald	146149 7				12/31/2 2					05/20/2 3
8 - Apollo	54		-1					-1		52
Finley, George F.	143507 0		10/06/2 2							04/18/2 3
Officer, John W.	143513 6							01/27/2 3		05/12/2 3
9 - Constantine	31			+1	-3			-1		28
Bebout, Donald	150727 8				06/30/2 2					07/13/2 2
Brown, Steven Charles	151784 5			06/13/2 3						06/29/2 3
Guilmain, Alfred J.	143521 9				05/23/2 3					06/29/2 3
Maxwell, John W.	143524 3							05/01/2 3		05/03/2 3
Monroy, Dennis Carl	146574 8				06/30/2 2					07/13/2 2
11 - Mt Lebanon	27		-1		-1			-1		24

Fields, Jerry	148375							02/15/2		02/18/2
Dee	2							3		3
Vaughn, Stephen	148375		11/09/2							11/09/2
Clay	3		2							2
Watkins, Duane	143532				07/15/2					07/16/2
	7				3					3
12 - Clelland	17									17
13 - St. Graal	35	+3		+1	-3					36
Finley, George F.	151711			11/21/2						04/18/2
	2			2						3
Flint, Michael	151711	03/18/2								04/18/2
Charles	3	3								3
Lindholm, Tyler	151711	03/18/2								04/18/2
	4	3								3
Moller, Lynn Gene	149546				06/30/2					07/14/2
	5				3					3
Muschick, Robert	149429				06/30/2					07/14/2
Daniel	5				3					3
Williams, Timothy C	151795	03/18/2								07/14/2
	8	3								3
Young, Payton	148774				06/30/2					07/14/2
Shiloh	3				3					3
17 - Platte	14									14
18 - Sublette	22		-1		-1			-2		18
Compton, Bryan	148791		07/19/2							07/20/2
Jeffrey	3		1							2
Nichols, Spencer	143553							11/09/2		11/14/2
	0							2		2
Tanner, John L. **	143553							12/24/2		07/19/2
	3							1		2
Thompson, Tim	143553				05/15/2					07/15/2
	6				3					3

** Death of John L. Tanner was observed last Grand Session but due to when death was entered into the MMS system it was counted in the 2022-2023 report.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF WYOMING LIVING PAST GRAND COMMANDERS

(as of June 30, 2023)

Preston P Goulette, (18/6)	2023	Big Piney, WY
Richard N Lewis (17)	2022	Wheatland, WY
Jack C Cook (2)	2021	Cheyenne, WY
William A Biggs (8)	2020	Casper, WY
Gregory K. Shiek (6)	2019	Sheridan, WY
Harry L. Furrey (1)	2018	Cheyenne, WY
Mark S. Young (13)	2017	Gillette, WY
Harry W. C. Oberg, III (4)	2016	Evanston, WY
Kim L. Kurasz (7)	2015	Dubois, WY
Philip G. Buchholz (2)	2014	Saratoga, WY
Mark D. Wells (6)	2013	Sheridan, WY
T. Mark Mickelson (18)	2012	Jackson, WY
Donald L. York (12)	2011	Douglas, WY
David T. Smith (11)	2010	Thermopolis, WY
Frank D. Kading (8)	2009	Casper WY
Michael B. Johnson (7)	2008	Crowheart, WY
Robert O. Finley (7)	2006	Dubois, WY
Thomas R. Nance (6)	2005	Sheridan, WY
Charles W. Smith (11)	2004	Thermopolis, WY
G. Gil Curry (9)	2003	Cody, WY
Stanley N. McIrvin (8)	2002	Casper, WY
Joseph L. Boster II (8)	2001	Casper WY
William H. Wright (3)	1997	Laramie WY
George C. Smith (12)	1994	Douglas WY
Virgil B. Poulsen (5)	1990	Green River WY
Kenneth S. Watts (7)	1987	Riverton WY

**GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF WYOMING
LIVING PAST HONORARY COMMANDERS
(as of June 30, 2023)**

James L. Sturdevant (6) (2021)
Otto Uecker (7) (2021)

**GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF WYOMING
EMERITUS OFFICERS
(as of June 30, 2023)**

James L. Sturdevant (6) (2021) Grand Recorder Emeritus
Otto G. Uecker (7) (2021) Grand Treasure Emeritus

**GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF WYOMING
KNIGHT TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR
(as of September 17, 2023)**

Badget, Kenneth M.
Brant, David C.
Cook, Jack C.
Davis, Lyle P.
Ellenberger, Louis M.
Farnham, Larry J.
Forister, Robert A.
Goodchild, Harland H.

Gose, Donald C.
Humphrey, Kenneth R.
Jones, Edward N.
Levi, R Handy
Lindahl, Peter M.
Loghry, Donald K.
Martin, Ralph H.
McIrvin, Stanley N.
Rader, James T.
Skillern, Gary D.
Uecker, Otto Gerald
Van Zee, Calvin E.
Vranish, Clarence
Young, Alvin L

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF WYO
KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE TEMPLE
(as of September 17, 2023)

Badget, Kenneth M.
Buchholz, Philip G.
Carson, Steve K.
Cook, Jack C.
Curry, G. Gil
Ellenberger, Louis
Farmer, John L.
Finley, Robert O.
Furrey, Harry L.
Johnson, Michael B.
Kurasz, Kim L.
Martin, Ralph H.
McIrvin, Stanley N.
Mickelson, T. Mark
Nance, Thomas R.
Oberger, III, Harry W. C.
Poulsen, Virgil B.
Schlenker, Steve W.
Schrader, Robert W.
Shiek, Gregory K.
Skillern, Gary D.
Smith, Charles W.
Smith, David T.
Smith, George C.
Sturdevant, James

WYOMING CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES
(As of June 30, 2023)

Please see MMS report for membership activity for 2022 - 2023

Wyoming No.1

Location: Cheyenne, Laramie County

Dispensation Date: 15 March 1873

Charter Date: 3 December 1874

Meeting on the Third Wednesday September - December.

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 30

Commandery Officers:

EC	Quinn M. Carrol	SW	James G. Hargraves
Gen		JW	Cory E. Castle
CG		StanB	Frank S Duncan
Rec	Jack C. Cook	SworB	Harry L. Furrey PGC
Treas	Gary D. Skillern	Ward	George H. Anderson
Prel	Alvin L. Young	Sent	John L. Farmer

Ivanhoe No. 2

Location: Rawlins, Carbon County

Dispensation Date: 9 February 1885 **Charter Date:** 23 September 1886

Charter Surrendered: 15 September 2023

Meeting: on fourth Tuesday Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec.

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 20

Commandery Officers

EC	Stephen Fletcher	SW	William Morse
Gen		JW	James Reed
CG	Trent Kinder	StanB	Tim Ross
Rec	Gary Langford	SworB	
Treas		Ward	
Prel	Howard P Hill	Sent	

Immanuel No. 3

Located in Laramie, Albany County

Dispensation Date: 1 May 1886 **Charter Date:** 23 September 1886

Meetings: York Rite rotation first and third Wednesdays each month.

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 22

Commandery Officers

EC	Andrew H. MacClugage	SW	David G. Hammond
Gen	LarryJ. Farnham	JW	Ronald Van Ekeren
CG	Donald A. Heiser	StanB	
Rec	Calvin E. Van Zee	SworB	
Treas	Peter M. Lindahl	Ward	William H. Wright, PGC
Prel	Wayne M. Sutherland	Sent.	

Albert Pike No. 4

Located in Evanston, Uinta County

Dispensation Date: 1 May 1886 **Charter Date:** 23 September 1886

Meeting: Second Thursday of each month.

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 15

Commandery Officers

EC	Stephen H Fowler	SW	Charles F. Conroy
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Gen	Oscar Stapleton	JW	Virgil Poulsen PGC
CG	Jason A. Allred	StanB	
Rec.	Clarence J. Vranish	SworB	Stephen B Moore
Treas	Clarence J. Vranish	Ward	Todd M. Jones
Prel	Harry W. C. Oberg, III, PGC	Sent	Stephen R. Slaton

Ascalon No. 5

Located in Green River, Sweetwater County

Dispensation Date: 20 February 1894 **Charter Date:** 9 May 1894

Meeting on second Thursday of each month.

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 14

Commandery Officers

EC	Virgil B. Poulsen, PGC	SW	Clarence J. Vranish
Gen	Oscar C. Stapleton	JW	Harry W.C. Oberg III, PGC
CG	Stephen P. Allen	StanB	Scott A Kitchner
Rec	Charles F Conroy	SworB	Edwin D Makie
Treas	Charles F Conroy	Ward	Joseph A Marcy
Prel	Stephen H. Fowler	Sent	Stepen R. Slaton

DeMolay No. 6

Located in Sheridan, Sheridan County

Dispensation Date: 11 February 1897 **Charter Date:** 12 May 1897

Meeting on the first Tuesday: September, October, November and December

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 76

Commandery Officers

EC	Kurth A. Gerhold	SW	Spenser C. Morris
Gen	Michael J. Strahan	JW	James E. Chilcutt
CG	Thomas R. Nance	StanB	Lee M. Ingalls
Rec	Kenneth R. Humphrey	SworB	Lance D Dobbs
Treas	Mark D. Wells	Ward	Shane E Shepardson
Prel	Paul B. Chaplin	Sent	John A. Shepardson

Hugh De Payen No. 7

Located in Riverton, Fremont County

Dispensation Date: 11 February 1897 **Charter Date:** 12 May 1897

Meeting on second Thursday of September. December, March, June

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 36

Commandery Officers

EC	Norman C. Duncan	SW	Vint K. H. Bonner
Gen	Arin C. Bisbee	JW	Toby R. Errickson
CG	Beynon St. John	StanB	Craig A. Roberts
Rec	Robert O. Finley, PGC	SworB	Jason K. Wilson
Treas	Kim L. Kurasz, PGC	Ward	Jacob Z. Stetler
Prel	Kenneth S. Watts, PGC	Sent	James E. Davis

Apollo No. 8

Located in Casper, Natrona County

Dispensation Date: 22 June 1899

Charter Date: 22 June 1899

Meeting on first Thursday of December, January, February, March

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 56

Commandery Officers

EC	Frank D Kading	SW	Kevin Wall
Gen	Joseph L Boster II, PGC	JW	Charles L Steele
CG	Joseph Bideau	StanB	Nathan J. Clark
Rec	William A. Biggs PGC	SworB	Frank M. Hartung
Treas	Dana H. Deuel	Ward	Shawn A Covert
Prel	George R. Williams	Sent	Dale Brecheisen

Constantine No. 9

Located in Cody, Park County

Dispensation Date: 15 April 1913

Charter Date: 11 March 1914

Meeting fourth Tuesday October through May

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 28

Commandery Officers

EC	Wade B Averett	SW	Bradly J Mulley
Gen	Kenneth M Badget	JW	Shane M. Kannard
CG	Timothy K. Sheffield	StanB	Steven C Brown
Rec	David C. Hough	SworB	Gearl L. Stevens
Treas	Willaim D. Kramp Jr.	Ward	Joseph T. Basset
Prel	Steven D. Hough	Sent	George "Gil" Curry

Mount Lebanon No. 11

Located in Thermopolis, Hot Springs County

Dispensation Date: 9 October 1915

Charter Date: 8 March 1916

Meeting on second Monday September through June

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 24

Commandery Officers

EC	John P. Brooks III	SW	Douglas A. Becher
Gen	Dennis O. Wilson	JW	Frank L. Toth
CG	Michael Chimenti	StanB	Lawrence A. Snyder Jr.
Rec	David T. Smith, PGC	SworB	Shawn Smith
Treas	Charles W. Smith PGC	Ward	Erick R. Kay
Prel	Michael S. Messenger	Sent	Jack T. Chopping

Clelland No. 12

Located in Douglas, Converse County

Dispensation Date: 11 April 1923

Charter Date: 11 July 1923

Meeting the second Wednesday of each month.

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 17

Commandery Officers

EC Donald L. York PGC
Gen James K. Hillbird
CG James R. Young
Rec George C. Smith, PGC
Treas George C. Smith, PGC
Prel

SW Darrel S. Butts
JW Ian Samuel C. Brown
StanB Robert D Curtis
SworB
Ward
Sent

St. Graal No. 13

Located in Gillette, Campbell County

Dispensation Date: 30 October 1924

Meeting first and third Mondays.

Charter Date: 8 July 1925

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 36

Commandery Officers

EC Jerry L Phillips
Gen Charles R. Butler III
CG Jon C. Rowe
Rec Thomas C. Harmon
Treas Mark S. Young
Prel Leonard E. Nack

SW Ray P. Minor
JW Timothy C. Williams
StanB George F. Finely
SworB Michae IC. Flint
Ward Tyler Lindholm
Sent Steven J. Juhala

Platte No. 17

Located in Wheatland, Platte County

Dispensation Date: 24 May 1950

Meeting second Wednesdays of the month, 7:30 pm.
(Rotating with Chapter & Council)

Charter Date: 12 September 1950

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 14

Commandery Officers

EC S. Craig Henderson
Gen Johnny A. Mote
CG Wayne W. Long
Rec Richard N. Lewis PGC
Treas Richard N. Lewis PGC
Prel Rev. William Walker

SW Stephen A. Anderson
JW Dan M. Cole
StanB Rex T. Erickson
SworB Anthony Fuller
Ward
Sent George D. Ross

Sublette No. 18

Located in Jackson, Teton County

Dispensation Date: 4 December 1957

Meeting Third Monday each month.

Charter Date: 9 September 1958

Membership as of June 30, 2023: 18

Commandery Officers

EC	Jefferson D. Goulette IV	SW	Toney P Thompson
Gen	Alfred N. Archambault	JW	James F Mickelson II
CG	Dennis E. Fornstrom	StanB	R. Cornelius
Rec	Kraig Kobert	SworB	Preston P. Goulette PGC
Treas	T. Mark Mickelson, PGC	Ward	Thomas G Needham
Prel	Daniel D. Bussard	Sent	Neville Burt

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