



# CENTRAL SD MASONIC MESSENGER



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## DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

Thank you to all the Brothers that attended the District meeting. I hope those who attended went back and shared the information with their home Lodge. I would like to schedule official visits for all District 13 Lodges. District 13 will be having some upcoming events to keep in mind. On November 25, 2019 at 7:00PM Pierre Lodge #27 will confer four siblings to the degree of Master Mason. Capitol City Commandery will host their Holiday Observance, and Pastor Craig Wexler will present a presentation on his trip to the Holy Land on December 3, 2019 at 7:00PM. Ionic Lodge #83 has Minnesota Masons coming to visit on December 5, 2019 at 8:00PM and would encourage District 13 members to attend. Then on December 7 at 1:30PM, Hiram Lodge #123 will present Larry Kirkpatrick with his 50 year pin at Mary House in Pierre. I hope all of the Brothers will have a great and safe Thanksgiving holiday.

Chris Kaus, District 13 Master

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## PIERRE LODGE #27

Here it is December and I realize how swiftly time is moving along. First allow me to Thank Gary Fischer for presiding at the last meeting, while I was elk and deer hunting in Montana. I did come home with a deer.

A sincere thanks to all my officers and members of Pierre Lodge for the fine presentations on **Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>** when we raised 4 new Brothers to the sublime degree of Master Masons. It was a great evening and to the Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden and other grand Officers present was very nice. Thanks to all the Brothers who made this happen. It was worth missing the **Parade of Lights**.

I invite all to attend the York Rite Christmas Observance at the Lodge on **December 3, 2019 at 7:00PM**.

We will plan to participate in the District 13 - One Day Festival to be hosted by Pierre Lodge on **January 18, 2020**. We have 1 or 2 men that will participate and any others throughout the State are welcome to join us.

I invite all to attend our December stated meeting on **the 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM**.

Our District Master, Chris Kaus is traveling to all the Lodges in our District. If you find time to travel with him, give him a call at **280-1212** as he would welcome you to ride with him.

I instructed the secretary to have membership application on hand, so call him at **280-7248** and get the applications in by **January 9<sup>th</sup>**, so if they qualify, we can include them on the One-Day.

My family joins me in wishing you all a Blessed Christmas Season.

Brian Ballew, Master

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## LILY LODGE #62 HARROLD-BLUNT

Lily lodge had their November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting with 9 members and one visitor present. Report on the progress of the basement water was given and the work on the kitchen ceiling was updated. A report on the hail damage was given by Dean Ritter and Gary Johnson. Gary had contacted a person in Pierre to fly a drone over the building and take pictures of the roof. The pictures show a few dents, but really not to serious. More coming on this in the near future. We will be getting an estimate for covering the roof. At the present the plumbing to handle the water in the basement is complete and is being used.

Our visitor Brother Luze from Highmore Lodge was introduced and given a hearty welcome. He informed us the Highmore Lodge was closing and wanted to combine with Lily Lodge #62. This action will be voted on at December 2, 2019 at our regular meeting. Highmore currently has 17 members according to Grand Lodge. The Education officer Erwin Feller gave his monthly report. The District meeting was discussed and all lodges had a representative present.

**OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE DECEMBER 2, 2019  
ALL MEMBERS PLEASE ATTEND, WE HAVE  
IMPORTANT BUSINESS TO CONSIDER.**

Gerald Johnson, Master

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## IONIC LODGE #83

(No message for this month.)

Fraternal Greetings,

Larry Madsen, Secretary

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## HIRAM LODGE #123

Hiram Lodge once again served the Community Banquet on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Over 130 sit down meals were served with another 60+ to go. Thanks again to all the Brothers who helped out.

We awarded Mattie Jones our 2019 book scholarship. She is currently enrolled at USD and we wish her the best in her academic future. If you know of 2020 graduates, keep them in mind for this spring.

Brother Larry Kirkpatrick will be honored with his 50-year pin on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:30PM. The presentation will be made at Mary House prior to the Oahe Shrine Club's annual Christmas fruit distribution.

Wally Chowder will be on the menu for our regular December meeting. Dinner begins at 6:30PM with the meeting to follow at 8:00PM.

Steve Likness, Scribe

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## **MOBRIDGE LODGE #164**

The November Mobridge Masonic Lodge Day was held on Monday, November 18, 2019, at the Mobridge Masonic Temple with special dispensation granted by SD Grand Master, MWB Harold Ireland, through District 13 Master, WB Chris Kaus. Supper was held at 6:00PM and the Brethren and their families enjoyed turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, stuffing, cranberry sauce, dinner rolls, and , and pumpkin pie with whipped cream. The meal was themed in honor of the upcoming Thanksgiving Day holiday. The Stated Communication was held at 7:00PM. Brother Gregory Hanson was installed by WB Robert Coulter to his appointed position of Tyler. The December Mobridge Masonic Lodge Day will be on Monday, December 9, 2019. Go to [164-sd.ourlodgepage.com](http://164-sd.ourlodgepage.com) to check out our OLP website and event calendar for all Masonic related events in Mobridge! You can also visit our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mobridgemasons](http://www.facebook.com/mobridgemasons) or you can email us at [mobridgemasons@outlook.com](mailto:mobridgemasons@outlook.com). Mobridge Lodge No. 164 AF&AM regularly meets at the Mobridge Masonic Temple for Supper at 6:00PM and Stated Communication at 7:00PM on the second Monday of each month, September through June. All Masons, their families, and guests are invited to the free will offering fellowship supper. All proceeds of the fellowship supper go to the Mobridge Masonic Scholarship Fund. All Master Masons in good standing are invited to the Stated Communication!

Tony M. Larsen, Secretary-Treasurer

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## **MOBRIDGE YORK RITE BODIES**

On Saturday, November 26, 2019, Comp. & SK Tony Larsen represented the Mobridge York Rite Club and the Pierre York Rite Bodies in attending the York Rite North Central Department Conference by participating in the second level of the York Rite Emerging Leaders Training. This training helps to provide better leadership skills to the emerging leaders of York Rite Masonry. The mission of the Mobridge York Rite Club is to keep and bolster the presence of York Rite Masonry in Mobridge and north central South Dakota. Membership in the Mobridge York Rite Club is open to any Companions & Sir Knights who are in good standing in any Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Council of Cryptic Masons, and/or Commandery of Knights Templar in South Dakota. The MYRC will meet on an as-needed basis. Check out our MYRC Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mobridgeyorkrite](http://www.facebook.com/mobridgeyorkrite), which is where meeting and event notices are posted. Notices are also posted on the calendar at [164-sd.ourlodgepage.com](http://164-sd.ourlodgepage.com), or you can email us at [mobridgeyorkrite@outlook.com](mailto:mobridgeyorkrite@outlook.com). We invite all Companions & Sir Knights in good standing to become part of this Club!

Tony M. Larsen, Secretary

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## **MOBRIDGE SCOTTISH RITE CLUB**

On Saturday, October 26, 2019 & Sunday, October 27, 2019, Brother Tony Larsen, 32°, participated in the Fall 2019 Scottish Rite Reunion of the Valley of Yankton. Four Masons were consecrated Masters of the Royal Secret. On Saturday, November 4, 2019, Brother Tony Larsen, 32°, KCCH, had the honor of being invested as a Knight Commander of the Court of Honor in Deadwood, SD. Fourteen Brethren were invested as KCCH on that day. It was a wonderful weekend and the Brethren dwelled together in unity. The Mobridge Scottish Rite Club meets on an as-needed basis. Membership in the club is open to all Scottish Rite Masons in good standing. If you are interested in joining this Club, or are a Master Mason interested in becoming joining the Scottish Rite, please call 605-229-9019, email us at [mobridgescottishrite@outlook.com](mailto:mobridgescottishrite@outlook.com), or visit our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mobridgescottishrite](http://www.facebook.com/mobridgescottishrite). Notices are also posted on the calendar at [164-sd.ourlodgepage.com](http://164-sd.ourlodgepage.com).

Tony M. Larsen, President

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## **MOBRIDGE SHRINE CLUB**

The Yelduz Mobridge Shrine Club met on Monday, November 4, 2019, at the Mobridge Masonic Temple. Nobles and their Ladies, families and guests enjoyed supper at 6:00PM, which included steak, yams with marshmallow topping, stuffing, corn, bread & butter, and apple crisp with ice cream. The Stated Meeting was held at 7:00PM and business was conducted. The next Yelduz Mobridge Shrine Club night will be Monday, December 2, 2019. There will be NO SUPPER on this evening. Social & Hors d'Oeuvres will start at 6:30PM. Stated Meeting is at 7:00PM. On Thursday, November 7, 2019, Noble Tony Larsen escorted Brother Gregory Hanson of Glenham, SD, to the Yelduz Shrine Stated Meeting, where he was created a Noble, along with four other Brothers during a Cold Sands Ceremony. Congratulations to Noble Greg on becoming a Shriner! The Yelduz Mobridge Shrine Club Christmas Party & Caroling will be on Monday, December 16, 2019, at the Mobridge Masonic Temple. Social & Potluck Hors d'Oeuvres start at 5:00PM. We will load the bus and go caroling at 6:00PM. This event is hosted by the Yelduz Mobridge Shrine Club, but is open to all Masons & their families and invited guests. Visit the Yelduz MSC Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/mobridgeshrineclub](http://www.facebook.com/mobridgeshrineclub). Notices and supper menus are additionally posted on the calendar at [164-sd.ourlodgepage.com](http://164-sd.ourlodgepage.com). You can also email [mobridgeshrineclub@outlook.com](mailto:mobridgeshrineclub@outlook.com). The Yelduz MSC regularly meets at the Mobridge Masonic Temple for Social & Supper at 6:00PM and Meeting at 7:00PM on the first Monday of every month. We invite all Nobles to attend!

Noble Tony M. Larsen, Past President

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## **EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172**

No meeting November 18<sup>th</sup> therefore no news. Hoping again for next month, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Fraternally,

Dan Booth, Secretary

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## ONIDA LODGE NO. 173

(No message for this month.)  
Doug Marsh, Secretary

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## YORK RITE NEWS

Capitol Commandery was opened in short Form by Commander Greg Hall. The minutes and Treasurer report was given and approved. The date and time was set for Capitol City's Christmas Observance December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00PM at the Pierre Masonic Lodge. After our program Rev. Craig Wexler of Lutheran Memorial Church will give a presentation on the trip he took to the Holy Land earlier this year. The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America along with the Grand Commandery of South Dakota and Capitol City Commandery sponsored and paid for Rev. Wexler's trip to the Holy Land. **ALL ARE WELCOMED.**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of the Champions-Sir Knights of Pierre York Rite !!!  
Best wishes.  
Stan Schwellenbach, PGCSO (605) 945-1832



## CENTRAL SOUTH DAKOTA SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

(No message for this month.)  
Gary A. Johnson, President

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## YELDUZ, OAHE SHRINE CLUB

(No message for this month.)  
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## PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD

Brethren and Sisters, the building board was able to have its first official meeting for the year. Jon Gonsor was appointed to head repainting the ceiling of the Job's Daughters room. The ornate chairs upstairs will be recovered, as they are showing some wear and tear, Perry Anderson will be getting quotes. Further work was done on the Anderson Preparation room, and not all work has been completed. Uncle Matt would like to remind everyone who would like to schedule an event at the Pierre Masonic Temple, you need to say you want to save the date. Just because you ask if the Pierre Masonic Temple is available, is not a firm commitment, and the event will not be written down on the calendar.

Chris Kaus, President

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## CAPITAL CITY OES #39 Stardust

The new officers were installed at our November meeting: Worthy Matron – Sandy Vanneman, PGM; Worthy Patron – Dallas Thompson; Associate Matron – Cheri Bartlett; Associate Patron – Uncle Matt; Conductress – Nancy Gonsor; Associate Conductress – Ann Holzhauser; Secretary – Carol Logan; Treasurer – LaDonna Wagner; Chaplain – Jon Gonsor, PGP; Adah – Leanne Nicholls Harens; Ruth – Ashley Boone; Esther – Virginia Kaus; Martha – Velma Becker; Electa – Betsy Pollock; Organist – Jamie Werner; Warder – Kevin Kumpf; Sentinel – Chris Kaus. We are looking forward to a wonderful year.

Joie Bjerke received her 60-year pin – congratulations Joie!!! We are so glad to have you as a part of our Eastern Star family!

**Our Christmas party** will be after our December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, bring a Christmas snack to share and we will have a gift exchange (\$10.00). Also remember to bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Pantry. Hope everyone will come and have some fun.

The **McClure Christmas party** for area children will be held at the Discovery Center on December 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00PM to 4:00PM. Santa Claus will make an appearance! There will also be cookie decorating for the kids. Lots of other fun also. Volunteers will be needed, please contact Cheri or Uncle Matt if you are able to help out.

On a sad note, one of our long time members, Mary Ann Nielson, passed away November 12<sup>th</sup>.

Hope to see everyone on the 10<sup>th</sup>! Merry Christmas!  
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## JOB'S DAUGHTERS BETHEL #10

(No message for this month.)

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Tyler Peoples, Bethel Associate Guardian (605) 870-1551



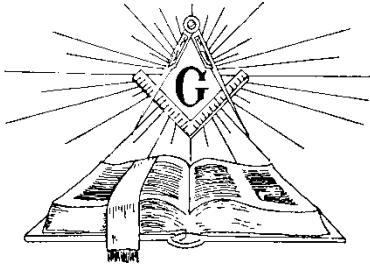
## ASHLEY CHAPTER OF DEMOLAY

(No message for this month.)

Dad Derek Runge  
Chapter Dad Liberty Chapter Demolay Sioux Falls, SD  
Advisor Pierre Demolay

## GENERAL COMMENTS

If you are receiving this newsletter and know of a Brother who does not have e-mail, please print him a copy and pass it on. I would ask that all Lodge Secretaries take on that task and forward any e-mail address additions to me, Steve Likness at [slikness@pie.midco.net](mailto:slikness@pie.midco.net) or Eugene Collett at [ecollettsd@pie.midco.net](mailto:ecollettsd@pie.midco.net)



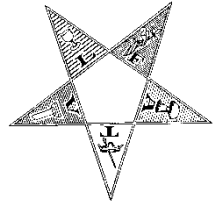
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## ***MASONIC TRESTLE BOARD***

# ***December 2019***



Sunday	1	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	2	6:30pm	Mobridge Shrine Club Social & Hors d'Oeuvres with the stated meeting at 7:00PM
	2	8:00pm	Lily Lodge #62 AF&AM Harrold Blunt in Blunt, SD
Wednesday	4	8:00pm	Onida Lodge #173, regular meeting & lunch
Thursday	5	7:30pm	Rising Sun Chapter #86 OES, Blunt, regular meeting & lunch
	5	8:00pm	Ionic Lodge #83 Gettysburg, SD, regular meeting & lunch
Monday	9	6:00pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, fellowship dinner with stated meeting at 7PM
	9	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, regular meeting and lunch
Tuesday	10	7:00pm	<b>Capital City Chapter #39, OES regular meeting and Christmas Party</b>
Wednesday	11	6:15pm	York Rite, dinner and 7:00pm meeting
	11	8:00pm	Waneta Chapter #47 OES Gettysburg, regular meeting and lunch
Sunday	15	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	16	5:00pm	Yelduz Mobridge Shrine Club Christmas Party & Caroling
	16	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Hiram Lodge #123, Ft. Pierre, serving Wally Chowder</b> then regular meeting at 8:00PM
	16	7:00p MT	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, Eagle Butte regular meeting and lunch
Thursday	19	7:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club meets at McClure Hall
	19	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>noon</b>	<b>CSDMM articles due in Pierre</b>
Monday	23	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
Tuesday	24	7:00pm	Masonic Fun night at McClure Hall in Pierre