



CENTRAL SD MASONIC MESSENGER



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DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

Brothers of District 13,

I hope you are all staying safe and healthy. The District 13 meeting was held on Saturday, November 2nd in Pierre. The turnout was low, due to COVID I hope, but all but one Lodge was represented. Thank you to those who attended in person or by Zoom, especially RW Aaron Zahn, who drove from Worthington. There was great conversation and Uncle Matt made a great meal. With active COVID cases on the rise, please stay safe. One of these days it will be a distant memory, and we can come together as Masons again.

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like Oysters and sandwiches for everyone. We hope Brothers from Eagle Butte, Mobridge, Onida, Harrold/Blunt, Pierre and Fort Pierre can join us. We haven't heard from the Minnesota Masonic Pheasant Hunters so maybe they are staying home because of COVID-19 concerns. If we hear that they might join us, I will send a special notice. We had a great time visiting with them last year.

Plan on a short meeting starting at 8:00PM with the lunch after.

Our building is still just south of the Clark Gas Station on Highway 212.

Ezra Mink, Master

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PIERRE LODGE #27

My dear Brethren:

Who would have thought a year ago or even 6 months ago that we would be in this uncertain situation. As to not throw caution to the wind I have exercised my prerogative and put our EA degree on hold that was scheduled for November 30, 2020. Hopefully we will set a date at our December 14th stated meeting.

Our sympathy goes out to Ashley Boone, Kevin Kumpf, Nancy Gonsor, and Ann Holzhauser. They have all lost a parent recently. Our prayers go out to them.

I noticed this past weekend there was a lot of hustle and bustle at the State Capitol as the Grand Master and several other Grand Officers decorated a Christmas tree on Sunday. It turned out very nice and I invite all Masons to view the trees at the Capitol. Not to be outdone, the State Officers of Eastern Star were there also and decorated a tree.

We'll see you all at the stated meeting on December 14, 2020. I am again asking my officers, in the event you cannot attend, do tell your mentor or pro tem officer.

I wish each member and their families a blessed Christmas Season.

Gary Fischer, Master

LILY LODGE #62 HARROLD-BLUNT

(No message for this month.)

Gerald Johnson, Master

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IONIC LODGE #83

Greetings from Ionic Lodge #83. We didn't get open in November, but we are planning Oyster Stew for our December 3rd meeting. We will have chili or vegetable soup for those who don't

HIRAM LODGE #123

The Brothers of Hiram Lodge served the Community Banquet again this November. Well over 250 meals were served to the community. Thanks again to all the people who contributed food, labor, and money to make this event a success.

Our Fall road ditch clean-up is still pending. If there is a possible day where the weather, labor, and daylight are available, a call will go out. If not, the Spring event will be just that much more special.

A favorable vote was given to Dillon Kirkpatrick to receive the three degrees in Masonry. Dillon is the grandson of Brother Larry Kirkpatrick. Please watch your e-mail for the degree work schedule. With the coming change in weather, now would be the time to learn a new part and carry on the tradition.

Steve Likness, Scribe

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MOBRIDGE LODGE #164

The November Mobridge No. 164 A.F. & A.M. Stated Communication was held on Monday, November 9, 2020, at 7:00PM and business was conducted. The dues notices for 2021 have been emailed and sent out through the mail. Payment of dues is to be received by the Lodge Secretary by January 1, 2021. Please take the time to completely fill out the updated contact information form on the back of the dues notice, even if your information has not changed, so we can detect any errors in your registered information with the Lodge. Our Lodge continues to be mostly paperless for notifications to the Brethren in order to be more efficient with Lodge finances. This is why it is essential that all Brethren provide the Secretary with your email address and your cell phone number. It is also highly encouraged for all Brethren to create an Our Lodge Page account online at 164-sd.ourlodgepage.com. This will allow you to receive notifications via email and through

the OLP app on your smartphone. The next Stated Communication will occur on Monday, December 14, 2020, at 7:00PM. Go to 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 or you can email us at mobridgemasons@outlook.com. Mobridge Lodge No. 164 AF&AM regularly meets at the Mobridge Masonic Temple for Stated Communication at 7:00PM on the second Monday of each month, October through June. All Master Masons in good standing are invited to the Stated Communication!

Tony M. Larsen, Secretary-Treasurer (605) 229-9019



The Mobridge Masons have started a reoccurring Poutine Fundraiser. Cost is \$7.00 per order. A portion of the proceeds are given to the New Hope Cancer Foundation, which is a Mobridge based fund to assist cancer patients with financial assistance for things such as travel to and lodging for treatment appointments. Orders are taken for pick-up from the Mobridge Masonic Temple and for delivery to the Main Street dart league venues on Thursdays from 6:00PM to 9:00PM. To order Poutine for pick-up or delivery during that time, call the Mobridge Masonic Temple at 605-229-9019. If you receive our voicemail prompt, please leave a message for your order with your name and callback number after the prompt and we will contact you back to confirm your order as soon as possible.

YELDUZ MOBRIDGE SHRINE CLUB

The Yelduz Mobridge Shrine Club November Stated Meeting was held on Monday, November 2, 2020. Social was at 6:30PM. Poutine was again sampled at the social as part of the fundraiser by the Mobridge Masons and was again delicious! The Stated Meeting was at 7:00PM. The next Yelduz Mobridge Shrine Club Stated Meeting will be held on Monday, December 7, 2020. Social & light hors d'oeuvres start at 6:30PM and Stated Meeting will follow at 7:00PM. Visit the Yelduz MSC Facebook page at www.facebook.com/mobridgeshrineclub. Notices and supper menus are additionally posted on the calendar at 164-sd.ourlodgepage.com. You can also email mobridgeshrineclub@outlook.com. The Yelduz MSC regularly meets at the Mobridge Masonic Temple at 7:00PM on the first Monday of every month. We invite all Nobles to attend!

Noble Tony M. Larsen, Past President (605) 229-9019



The Mobridge area Masons & Shriners participated in the 2020 Mobridge Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, October 31, 2020, from 4:30PM to 7:00PM. Brethren & Nobles gave treats to area children and parents were able to take photos of their children in their costumes with our life-size photo frame! The event was well attended. Pictured from left: WB & Noble Tony Larsen, Bro. & Noble Robert Demery, WB & Noble Robert Coulter, Bro. & Noble Greg Hanson, and Bro. & Noble LeRoy Farmen.

EAGLE BUTTE LODGE NO. 172

(No message for this month.)

Dan Booth, Secretary (605) 865-3726

ONIDA LODGE NO. 173

(No message for this month.)

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YORK RITE NEWS

Capitol City Commandery met on November the 11th at 7:00PM. Acting Commander, PGCSO Jon Gonsor called the meeting to order. With everything going on at this time the Sir Knights attending decided not to have a Christmas Observance this year. Pierre Chapter 22 will meet at 7:00PM on December 9th.

Pierre York Rite would like to wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a happy New Year!
Stan Schwellenbach, PGCSO (605) 280-4847



CENTRAL SOUTH DAKOTA SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

(No message for this month.)

Gary A. Johnson, President

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YELDUZ, OAHE SHRINE CLUB

Because of COVID 19 and the lock down of nursing homes and assisted living centers in Pierre, the Oahe Shrine Club will not be able to visit and distribute fruit this year. Hopefully, we will come up with something else to bring cheer and warmth to our seniors.

Even though we did not host a Shrine Circus this year, we will still proceed with our Christmas newspapers ads to thank our business community and urge support from the people to shop at home. This year, more than any, the Shriners will step up.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Steve Likness, President

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PIERRE MASONIC BUILDING BOARD

The October meeting was called to order with eight members present. We approved to pay the bill for the repairs on the building. We are waiting for the handrails to be installed. We discussed the new LED light to be installed in the lodge. Thanks to Darrol Bjerke and crew for installing the new lights in the Lodge. We are thinking about putting WIFI in the Lodge and I would like feedback from our members.

Gary Waack, President



CAPITAL CITY OES #39 Stardust

Our November meeting was held with social distancing and everyone wearing masks. It was nice to see everyone!

A letter from Onida Chapter was read, they are requesting to consolidate with our Chapter. We will vote on this matter at our December 8th meeting, hopefully we will have a good crowd! As in November we will require masks and social distancing. If you live in the Pierre area, please consider coming to the meeting.

Uncle Matt has been working with the Discovery Center to find a way to do the McClure Christmas Tree Party for area children. The Chapter will do tickets and distribute them through the school system. The Discovery Center can only allow 20 kids in at one time; the tickets will give information on how to schedule a time during the month of December. The Center will handle all the arrangements. Ornaments will be given to each child that comes to a session. This should work well and hopefully keep everyone safe during this time.

Our 2021 Official Visit has been scheduled for February 20th. Hopefully we will be able to do initiation at that meeting, if something comes up and we can't do initiation we will absolutely do it at our March 9th regular meeting.

The Chapter will, once again, sponsor a food drive during this holiday season. Ann Holzhauser will put a container in McClure Hall for any contributions of non-perishable foods. Please give generously!

Nancy Gonsor and Ann Holzhauser will be taking over duties from Dee Anderson for the Past Matrons Club.

It is time to pay your 2021 dues - \$20.00. Contact me if you need information.

Carol Logan, Secretary

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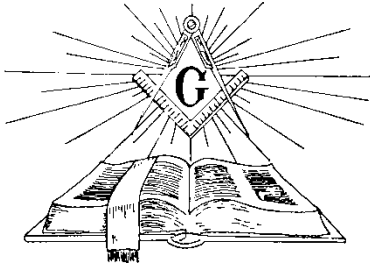
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GENERAL COMMENTS

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

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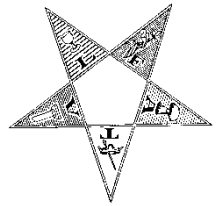
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MASONIC TRESTLE BOARD

December 2020



Wednesday	2	8:00pm	Onida Lodge #173, regular meeting & lunch
Thursday	3	7:30pm	Rising Sun Chapter #86 OES, Blunt, regular meeting & lunch
	3	8:00pm	Ionic Lodge #83 Gettysburg, SD, regular meeting & Oyster Stew
Sunday	6	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	7	6:30pm	Mobridge Shrine Club, Mobridge, SD, club social & stated meeting at 7PM
	7	8:00pm	Lily Lodge #62 AF&AM Harrold Blunt in Blunt, SD
Tuesday	8	7:00pm	Capital City Chapter #39, OES regular meeting and lunch
Wednesday	9	6:15pm	York Rite, dinner and 7:00pm meeting
	9	8:00pm	Waneta Chapter #47 OES Gettysburg, regular meeting and lunch
Monday	14	7:00pm	Mobridge Lodge #164, Mobridge, SD, stated communication
	14	7:00pm	Pierre Lodge #27, regular meeting and lunch
Thursday	17	7:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club meets at McClure Hall
	17	7:00pm	Onida Chapter #138 OES, Onida, SD regular meeting and lunch
Sunday	20	3:00pm	Pierre Job's Daughters Bethel #10
Monday	21	7:00p MT	Eagle Butte Lodge #172, Eagle Butte regular meeting and lunch
	21	8:00pm	Hiram Lodge #123, Ft. Pierre, regular meeting
Thursday	24	6:00pm	Oahe Shrine Club Ladies' Night dinner at ???
Saturday	26	noon	CSDMM articles due in Pierre
	28	7:00pm	Pierre Masonic Building Board regular meeting
Tuesday	29	7:00pm	Masonic Fun night at McClure Hall in Pierre