

# PROCEEDINGS

## Grand Council Royal and Select Masters OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK



TREADWAY INN, NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y.  
AUGUST 22 & 23, 1976

## OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 1976-1977

### GRAND MASTER

M.I.: Robert A. L. Bentley (1) 390 First Ave. New York, NY 10010

### DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.I.: Edward E. Hoerig (86) 414 Warburton Ave. Yonkers, NY 10701

### GRAND PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR OF THE WORK

R.I.: Gordon W. Hathaway (12) 1300 Herkimer Rd. Utica, NY 13502

### GRAND TREASURER

M.I.: Harold M. Kreason (35) 82 Platt St. Hornell, NY 14843

### GRAND RECORDER

M.I.: Sylvanus F. Nye (17) Box 111 Sta. C. Buffalo, NY 14209

### GRAND CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD

R.I.: Jerrold L. Hastings (31) 13 Daria Dr. Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

### GRAND CONDUCTOR OF THE COUNCIL

R.I.: Kenneth J. Tullock (74) 857 Sacandaga Rd. Scotia, NY 12302

### GRAND MARSHAL

R.I.: Charles E. Grant (85) 2567 Webster St. Bronx, NY 10458

### GRAND STANDARD BEARER

R.I.: Robert W. Wallace (79) 96 Regent St. Lockport, NY 14094

### GRAND STEWARD

R.I.: Stuart Sturges (37) 32 Stewart Ave. S. Glens Falls, NY 12801

## GRAND TRUSTEES

M.I.: Stanley W. Wakfield (41) Amherst Dr. Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706

M.I.: Michael A. Mallies (4) 501 Park Ave. N. Linden, NJ 07036

M.I.: R. Bruce Dayton (36) 187 Elmdorf Ave. Rochester, NY 14619

## APPOINTED OFFICERS

### GRAND LECTURER

R.I.: David H. Wilson (75) South Main St. Ovid, NY 14521

### GRAND SENTINEL

R.I.: John Tresnowske (1) 1199 Park Ave. New York, NY 10028

### GRAND CHAPLAINS

R.I.: & Rev. David P. McCracken (2) 47-46 White Plains Rd. Bronx, NY 10466

R.I.: & Rev. William T. Plews (19) 19 Charing Cross, Rochester, NY 14608

R.I.: & Rev. Leon K. Molter (17) 88 Treehaven Rd. Buffalo, NY 14215

R.I.: & Rev. Don C. Markham (91) 396 Washington Hwy. Snyder, NY 14226

### FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT

R.I.: Lloyd M. Brinkman (74) 2543 Rosendale Rd. Schenectady, NY 12309

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153rd ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

TREADWAY INN, NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK

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M.I. GORDON M. CANER  
Grand Master  
of the  
Grand Council R. & S. M.  
of the  
STATE OF NEW YORK  
1975 - 1976

Biographical Sketch of  
MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER GORDON M. CANER

Gordon M. Caner was born January 1, 1913 in Boliver, N.Y. the oldest of two sons of Frank and Olive Caner. He attended the public school and was graduated from Arcade High School. Following graduation he worked for Borden Milk Products Co., then during World War II he was employed at Curtis Wright Aircraft Corp. in Buffalo, N.Y. Following the War he established Caner's Decorating Service at which he worked until his retirement in 1975.

He married Leah Mae Brewer on August 15, 1935. They have three daughters, Mrs. Bonita Losey, mother of Robert and Janet; Mrs. Olive Janet Reidel, mother of Kevin and Kathy and Mrs. Diana Stiles, mother of Susan and Scott.

Gordon is a member of the United Church of Christ, Congregational, former Sunday School Superintendent and member of the Board of Trustees. He held the office of Church Clerk for 26 years.

He is a Past President of the Arcade Lions Club; Member of the Arcade Area Chamber of Commerce; Past member of the Arcade Central School Board and served on the Arcade Town Board of Assessors.

MASONIC RECORD

SYMBOLIC MASONRY-

Arcade Lodge No 419, F. & A.M.  
Worshipful Master 1966  
Present Secretary  
Grand Director of Ceremonies 1975  
Genessee-Wyoming Council of Masonic Activities Secretary

CAPITULAR MASONRY-

Arcade Chapter No 322, R.A.M. 1954  
Excellent High Priest 1959  
Present Secretary  
Past Assistant Grand Lecturer 1961-1965  
Past Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of the D.C.  
Past District Deputy Grand High Priest 1972-1974  
Wyoming Chapter No. 181, Principal Sojourner

CRYPTIC MASONRY-

Buffalo-Keystone Council No. 17, R. & S.M. 1957  
Demitted to Nundawaga Council No. 92, R. & S.M. 1962  
Illustrious Master 1966-1967  
Past Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Florida  
Past Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Maine  
Order of Ish Sodi  
Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. & S.M. State of New York  
1975-1976

CHIVALRIC MASONRY -

Batavia Commandery No. 34, K.T. 1956

Emminent Commander 1968

Past Zone Commander of Zone 12

Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania

Present Prelate

OTHER MASONIC BODIES-

Empire State Priory No. 46, K.Y.C.H. 1969

Present Deputy Prior

Coudersport Consistory, A.A.S.R.

Genessee-Wyoming Scottish Rite Association

Ismalia Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.

Arcade and Attica Shrine Club, present Secretary

Knights of Mecca, Ismalia Temple

St. Mark's Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine

International Craftsmen Council of Engineers No 6

Genessee Assemblage No. 1 Order of Judas Macabeus



M. I. ROBERT A. L. BENTLEY  
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## BIOGRAPHY

### R.I.: ROBERT A. L. BENTLEY

Right Illustrious Robert A. L. Bentley was born in Buffalo, N.Y. on February 12, 1908, into a family with Masonic affiliations. His father was a member of a craft lodge in New York and his mother's brother was not only a blue lodge member but carried his interest so far as being a Knights Templar. Educated in the primary and elementary schools of Buffalo, Robert's family moved to Chautauque, N.Y. from which he went to the Peddie School, Hightstown, N.J. and on to New York University where he earned a B.S. degree in Economics and later an M.B.A. degree from the Graduate School of Business of N.Y.U. During his military career he also pursued and graduated from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

In 1941 Robert was ordered to active duty with the Quartermaster Corps, U.S. Army from National City Bank. From the Port of Embarkation, New York, he was ordered to the Office of the Quartermaster - General in Washington, D.C. from which he subsequently went to India where he served on the staff of the Commanding General, British-America Air Forces (CBI) Command. Returning to the United States in 1946 he reverted to civilian status to operate his own business in Management Consultation and Personnel Placement in the Educational Field. With the moving south of the Communist Forces in Korea in June 1950 Robert was recalled to active duty and in a comparatively short time found himself in Tokyo on duty in General Headquarters, Far East Command.

In February 1944 Robert married Charlotte Marie Fowler, a graduate of Smith College and a co-member of his church in New York (First Presbyterian Church).

Robert returned to the Zone of the Interior in 1954 and was retired from the U.S. Army in 1960. At this time he went to work with the State of New York Tax Commission from which he retired in 1975.

While on duty in India, he found time to follow his Masonic interest and joined and later was elected Worshipful Master of an Irish Constitution Lodge in Calcutta which subsequently became one of the lodges under the newly created Grand Lodge of India. Among his good acquaintances in India was the first Grand Master of that Grand Lodge.

During his sojourn in Japan he was quite active not only in the Craft but in the work of the Chapter and Ancient and Accepted Rite as well as serving as an officer in the National Sojourners there.

Robert has had conferred on him the Grand Cross of St. Constantine

and St. George; the Grand Cross-Ordre Souverain et Militaire du Temple de Jerusalem; he is a Knight Commander-Ordre Souverain de Saint Jean de Jerusalem (Knight of Malta). He is a member of the Saint Andrew's Society, Saint Nicholas Society, The Pilgrims of the United States, Veteran Corp of Artillery, Retired Officers Association, Military Order of Foreign Wars (P.C.), Military Order of World Wars (MIP) and American Legion (P.C.).

His Masonic affiliations are:

Peacock Lodge #696  
Westfield Chapter #287  
Kane Lodge #454 , Past Master  
Ancient Chapter #1 and Westfield Chapter #239 Past High Priest  
Fraternal Union of Anointed High Priests (LM)  
Columbian Council #1, Past Illustrious Master  
Grand Council Charity Corporation (LM) & officer, Cryptic Circle  
R.I. Deputy Grand Master in Grand Council Royal & Select Masters  
Coeur de Lion Commandery #23 , Past Commander, Present Recorder  
K.T. Eye Foundation (LM)  
Templar Knight Commanders Association (LM)  
Aurora Grata Consistory, Valley of Brooklyn 32 degree  
Quatour Coronati Lodge #2076, London England  
American Lodge of Research  
Missouri Lodge of Research  
Masonic Book Club  
Royal Order of Scotland, Life member of Grand Lodge  
National Sojourners MIP  
Heroes PC

GRAND COUNCIL, ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS

STATE OF NEW YORK

VESPER SERVICE

August 22, 1976 — At Four O'Clock  
Treadway Inn, Niagara Falls, N.Y.

One Hundred Fifty-third

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

GRAND COUNCIL, ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS

Host Council.....Nundawaga Council, No. 92  
Warsaw, N.Y.

General Chairman.....M.I.: James D. Seatter

Invocation.....R.I.: and Rev. Don C. Markham  
Grand Chaplain, R.& S.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Dinner

Welcome.....R.I.: Layton F. Vogel  
Nundawaga Council, No. 92

Introduction of Guests

Remarks by Distinguished Guests

Address .....M.E.: and R.I.: Companion  
Osco W. Peterson, Grand High Priest of the  
Grand Chapter R.A.M. of the State of New York

Musical Program

Benediction.....R.I.: and Rev. Don C. Markham

REMARKS OF M.E. Osco W. PETERSON  
GRAND MASTER'S DINNER

August 21, 1976

Before arriving this afternoon, I had intended to tell you so many stories: As Gordon and Leah and Kitty and I have travelled together. Of the Grand sessions where he was relegated to acting as escort for the Grand High Priest - and others where I acted as his - of the funny things - that did happen - or could have happened - or as I imagined them - in finding stories to amuse us all evening.

I considered it a great honor for Gordon to ask me to be his speaker tonight, his night, the night to honor the Grand Master at the culmination of the completion of his year. Although the burden is greater - so is the honor - in being the last to speak for him - with him - on this night of recognition of M.I. Gordon M. Caner.

I'm certain, as we listened to the Indians sing "The Old Rugged Cross", that we were all reviewing the chorus - "I'll cherish the old rugged cross - till my trophies at last I lay down" and we know that this day Gordon M. Caner has exchanged them for a crown.

To those of you who belong to Commandery - I'm sure you are reminded of the Prelate's address in the Knight Templar Order - "Ever keep in mind this solemn truth - although you now stand erect in all the pride and strength of manhood - even while I speak there may come the dread mandate to strike you from the roll of the living" and we the friends of Gordon are called upon only to perform the last duty.

Each of us who knew Gordon personally must be thinking of these words of the 24th Psalm:

The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof:  
the world, and they that dwell therein.

For He hath founded it upon the seas, and established  
it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who  
shall stand in his holy place?

He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not  
lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and  
righteousness from the God of his salvation.

and we know that he is now in that house not made with hands eternal  
in the heavens; to which he calls his own.

As most of you know, Gordon was a contractor. Many times he and I  
spoke of the place of Masonry in the lives of us all, in the future  
of our country.

We were both certain that the place to start in making this a better world - was a greater understanding of the lessons of Masonry.

We have listened to the political conventions - in the weeks ahead we will hear many people proclaim the methods necessary to make this a better country, a better world. They will tell you how this party, or that party, this administration, or that, this organization, or that, can benefit mankind. Let others speak of these things. Let me speak of two so-called secrets of Masonry:

The 47th Problem of Euclid and I Am.

Gordon told how, as a lad, he learned the rule of 3, 4 & 5. How you measured along one side 3 feet and along another 4 feet, then measured across, and if it were 5 feet you knew that your corner was square. How he learned early that when you laid blocks for the foundation of a building - you'd measure the two sides and then the angle - always to be sure the corner was square.

And, years later he learned the reason, the 47th Problem of Euclid that in a right triangle, the sum of the squares of the two sides equals the square of the hypotenuse. A lesson older than Christianity, and probably older than Euclid.

So every surveyor computes the height of a mountain, every engineer uses it to make a tunnel, the astronomer calculates the distance of the planets, and the navigator determines his position.

Today, when being square is considered an epithet of scorn we should remember that Masonry teaches us that the square is an angle of 90 degrees, not 89 or 91 - that we should be square, perfect, excellent in all we do.

And, as Gordon would talk of the lesson that had a special meaning to him, in his vocation, I was inspired to think more carefully of the words so common to Royal Arch Masons - I Am, and what that means.

So, tonight - I would share with you my thoughts on what I am - and what Gordon was and is - and - perhaps - what each of us is.

I AM.

A threefold product -

A son of God- Born by a process and for a purpose known only to God.  
A son of my father and mother -  
Born of their love and union,  
Endowed with their abilities, and disabilities,  
Filled with their hopes and aspirations,  
Their frustrations and disappointments.

A product of the community in which I was raised,  
Of the churches, and the schools, the clubs, the activities,  
The governments at all levels, the industries, the people,  
All of whom instructed me, whether they realized it or not,  
In the paths that I should follow.

I AM

Persuaded -

That there is a Supreme Architect, a God Almighty, a Jehovah.  
That there is a design for all things, from the expanse of  
The Universe, and more, to the minuteness of the lowest thing, and man.  
That the God of our fathers, ourselves, and our posterity will,  
as He has always done, use the instrumentality of human hands in  
carrying out His purposes or designs.  
That the Holy Bible more completely contains the fundamental princi-  
ples for our faith and practice, the rules and guides for our indiv-  
idual and collective living, than any other known source.  
That we are the inheritors of legacies greater than any heretofore  
known.  
That it is our duty to transmit these, increased, to our posterity.

I AM

An American.

Proud of my Country.  
Proud of my ancestors who founded, who immigrated, to this land.  
Proud of my relations and friends who fought and died for principles.  
Proud of my achievements of the past,  
Though not unmindful of the fallibility of human beings,  
the imperfections of man, the mistakes of our society.  
Proud of my Country today, which gives us good government, as just  
laws, as much freedom, as many opportunities, as much security as  
are given by any nation known to man, and much more than most.

I AM

A Mason.

Part of the Past, the Present, and the Future.  
Steeped in the tradition and traced in the pages of history.  
More interested in building mansions for the future than in contem-  
plating the end of the universe.  
With the Holy Bible open upon my altars and prayers only to God  
Speculating with working tools, translating their use into moral  
values and spiritual building.

Who is taught excellence in all I do; to practice brotherhood and unity; to stoop to raise the fallen, and to cast out the unworthy; to walk in the way of charity; to travel the road of peace and harmony without fanfare, to render aid to the poor, the sick, the distressed. One of a body of men older than history, established in all nations irrespective of race or religion, bound only by a belief in the Almighty, the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. One who would believe their preachings and practice their preachments. When I advance to the Sacred Altar and observe the Holy Bible with the Square and Compasses thereon; recognize the regularity of the universe; observe the flag of our country, recognize the toils and stewardship of our forefathers, I realize

I AM

Bound

To be True, though I may not win;  
To walk uprightly before God and Man, though I may not succeed;  
To stand with anybody who stands right, stand with him while he is right and part from him when he goes wrong;  
To face the world boldly, and say:  
This, with God's help, I can, I have, and I will - do.

I am - so it must be.

I am, you are, and Gordon was bound to be true to this light we have found.

With Gordon we shall say:

"When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then - I shall bow in humble adoration,  
And there proclaim:  
My God - How Great Thou Art!

So mote it be.

One Hundred Fifty-third Annual Assembly  
GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS  
OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
Treadway Inn, Niagara Falls  
August 22 and 23, 1976

GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS PRESENT

R. I. ROBERT A. L. BENTLEY (1)	Deputy Grand Master
M. I. HAROLD M. KREASON (35)	Grand Treasurer
M. I. JAMES D. SEATTER (79)	Grand Recorder
R. I. EDWARD E. HOERIG (86)	Grand Captain of the Guard
R. I. GORDON W. HATHAWAY (12)	Grand Conductor of the Council
R. I. JERROLD L. HASTINGS (31)	Grand Marshal
R. I. KENNETH J. TULLOCK (74)	Grand Standard Bearer
R. I. CHARLES E. GRANT (85)	Grand Steward
R. I. HARRY E. SAXTON (25)	Grand Sentinel
M. I. R. BRUCE DAYTON (36)	Grand Trustee
M. I. STANLEY W. WAKEFIELD (86)	Grand Trustee
M. I. MICHAEL A. MALLIES (4)	Grand Trustee
M. I. KENNETH C. SCHWARTZ (70)	Past Grand Master
M. I. ALBIN F. BRUDER (85)	Past Grand Master
M. I. ROY E. VAN DELINDER (19)	Past Grand Master
M. I. SYLVANUS F. NYE (17)	Past Grand Master
M. I. DONALD GARNSEY (87)	Past Grand Master
M. I. VINCENT D'ANZA (22)	Past Grand Master
M. I. H. RANDALL KREGER (36)	Past Grand Master
R. I. CHARLES E. DOYLE (36)	1st District D. D. G. M.
R. I. CHARLES A. BANTEN (2)	2nd District D. D. G. M.
R. I. ROY M. ACKART (74)	4th District D. D. G. M.
R. I. WILLIAM A. EHRGOTT (37)	5th District D. D. G. M.
R. I. ELLIS I. HORMATS (19)	8th District D. D. G. M.
R. I. OLIN SCHULTZ (82)	9th District D. D. G. M.
R. I. OWEN F. GREENWELL (71)	10th District D. D. G. M.

Together with Representatives of Constituent Councils

COLUMBIAN #1	Ludvigs P. Kiploks, Proxy, Master
UNION #2	Edward Fagin, Deputy Master
BROOKLYN #4	Bernhard J. Hansen, Proxy, Master
	William C. Dwyer, Proxy, Master
ADELPHIC #7	Wilfred Vachon, Master
CENTRAL CITY #13	David Lyon, Master
	Bernard J. Archer, Deputy Master
	Lawrence J. Bennett, P. C. W.
BLOSS #14	John Powell, Master
BRUCE #15	Paul H. Roberts, Proxy, Master
SOUTHERN TIER #16	Robert Keller, Master
BUFFALO-KEYSTONE #17	Warren Stone, Master
	Kenneth Cott, Deputy Master
	John M. Doepp, P. C. W.



GERMANY.....\*\*Albin F. Bruder  
 KANSAS.....Nelson Strauch  
 MARYLAND.....\*\*Roy E. Van Delinder  
 MICHIGAN.....Osco W. Peterson  
 MISSOURI.....Joseph Whelan  
 NEVADA.....William K. Cross  
 NEW JERSEY.....Ludvigs P. Kiploks  
 OHIO.....D. Boardman Lee  
 ONTARIO.....\*\*James D. Seatter  
 PHILIPPINES.....\*\*Kenneth C. Schwartz  
 SCOTLAND.....\*\*R. Bruce Dayton  
 TEXAS.....William J. Lucas  
 WISCONSIN.....Walter D. Lindholm

\*\* Past Grand Master

AND OTHER PERMANENT MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

Charles J. Safarik.....Brooklyn No. 4  
 Ludvigs P. Kiploks.....Brooklyn No. 4  
 Leo L. Heneghan.....Brooklyn No. 4  
 Edward W. J. Peirce.....Adelphic No. 7  
 Hobert Cook.....Rotica No.12  
 William E. Carr.....Rotica No.12  
 Neil R. Baker.....Central City No.13  
 Victor R. DeWitt.....Central City No.13  
 E. John Merrill.....Central City No.13  
 Richard Tower, Sr.....Bruce No.15  
 Paul Roberts.....Bruce No.15  
 James Lovell.....Southern Tier No.16  
 Sidney A. Shoemaker.....Southern Tier No.16  
 George C. Browning.....Southern Tier No.16  
 John W. Cooper.....Southern Tier No.16  
 James V. Puccio.....Buffalo-Keystone No.17  
 Weston H. Carter.....Buffalo-Keystone No.17  
 Richard W. Hillman.....Buffalo-Keystone No.17  
 Earl J. Hino, Jr.....Buffalo-Keystone No.17  
 Douglas H. Page.....Buffalo-Keystone No.17  
 Kenneth Zimmerman.....Doric No.19  
 Ralph A. Biggar.....Doric No.19  
 Sidney E. Friar.....Ancient City No.21  
 Arthur J. Jansen.....Ancient City No.21  
 George R. Radcliff.....Ancient City No.21  
 David E. Golden.....DeWitt Clinton No.22  
 Charles E. Shaver.....DeWitt Clinton No.22  
 C. Keith Colburn.....DeWitt Clinton No.22  
 Ralph B. Heller.....Dunkirk No.25  
 Lester G. Weinheimer, Jr.....Dunkirk No.25  
 George S. Mason.....Dunkirk No.25

Ralph E. Hefft.....	Owego	No. 30
George R. Morrow.....	Owego	No. 30
LaVerne M. Brister.....	Owego	No. 30
Alton L. Matthews.....	Owego	No. 30
William L. Scruton.....	Northern Star	No. 34
Harold E. Wheeler.....	Northern Star	No. 34
Herbert A. Belden.....	Washington	No. 52
Raymond S. Tompkins.....	Corning	No. 53
Harry W. Griffen.....	St. George's	No. 74
Raymond W. Houghton.....	St. George's	No. 74
Elroy P. Walker.....	Skoi Yase	No. 75
Emmett D'Arcy.....	Skoi Yase	No. 75
W. Thatcher Whitney.....	Skoi Yase	No. 75
William K. Cross, Sr.....	Skoi Yase	No. 75
William S. Matsunaye, Jr.....	Suffolk	No. 76
Horace A. Cragun.....	Temple	No. 79
R. George Hugan.....	Temple	No. 79
Robert W. Wallace.....	Temple	No. 79
James R. Nesbitt.....	Joseph Warren	No. 81
Robert Crocker.....	Salamance	No. 82
Stewart C. McCloud.....	Triangle	No. 85
Joseph D. B. Green.....	Triangle	No. 85
William A. Schneider.....	Lafayette	No. 86
M. Dennison Olmstead.....	Oneonta	No. 87
Frederick G. Lukham.....	North Shore	No. 88
Burr Phelps.....	Cayuga	No. 90
Carl Fisher.....	Hamburg	No. 91
Floyd Silloway.....	Hamburg	No. 91
Charles Van Etten.....	Hamburg	No. 91
Robert H. Hay.....	Hamburg	No. 91
Steven L. Wing.....	Nundawaga	No. 92
Layton F. Vogel.....	Nundawaga	No. 92
Merle L. Robinson.....	Nundawaga	No. 92
Charles J. Reilly.....	Goshen	No. 93
G. Elmer Gregory.....	Goshen	No. 93
Joseph E. Whelan, Sr.....	Goshen	No. 93
Frank Roth.....	Manhattan	No. 95

#### OPENING OF GRAND COUNCIL

Nundawaga Council No. 92 was opened in full form by Illustrious Master Gordon L. Flammger for the reception of Grand Council. The Officers of Grand Council were escorted into the secret vault by the Grand Marshal. The Illustrious Master, because of the absence of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, received Right Illustrious Robert A. L. Bentley and turned the gavel over to him. R. L. Bentley then declared Nundawaga Council at recess and the Grand Council duly opened and in order for business.

## RESOLUTIONS

- No. 1 Presented by M. I. Vincent D'Anza  
M. I. Grand Master, I move that all Companion Select Masters in good standing be invited to remain as visitors to this Grand Assembly, except at such time as provided by the Constitution.
- No. 2 Presented by M. I. H Randall Kreger  
M. I. Grand Master, I move that the election of officers be the First Order of Business. after the noon recess.
- No. 3 Presented by M. I. Michael A. Mallies  
M. I. Grand Master, I move that our Distinguished Guests, not already Honorary Members of this Grand Council, be made so.

## PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

### CONNECTICUT

M. P. Ralph C. Channell, Grand Master By M. I. Stanley W. Wakefield

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

M. I. Edward S. Faylor, Grand Master By M. I. R. Bruce Dayton

### DELAWARE

M. I. Richard H. Thomas, Grand Master By M. I. Albin F. Bruder

### MAINE

M. I. David L. Toothaker, Grand Master By M. I. Michael A. Mallies

### MARYLAND

M. I. Edward R. Saunders, Grand Master By M. I. Albin F. Bruder

### MASSACHUSETTS

M. I. Edmund J. Outhouse, Grand Master By M. I. Albin F. Bruder

M. I. Walter J. Powell, Past Grand Master By M. I. Albin F. Bruder

R. I. Willis J. Rice By M. I. Albin F. Bruder

### MICHIGAN

M. I. Harold F. Blaess, Grand Master By M. I. Kenneth C. Schwartz

### OHIO

M. I. Richard M. Key, Grand Master By R. I. D. Boardman Lee

### ONTARIO

M. I. Edward H. Logan, Grand Master By M. I. Kenneth C. Schwartz

M. I. Peter L. LaLonde, Past Grand Master By M. I. Kenneth C. Schwartz

NEW HAMPSHIRE

M.I. Harry W. Bennett, Grand Master By Charles J. Safarik  
M.I. Jonathan Pollard, Past Grand Master By Charles J. Safarik

RHODE ISLAND

M.I. Lawrence C. Miller, Grand Master By M.I. R. Bruce Dayton  
M.I. George Ostrander, Past Grand Master By M.I. R. Bruce Dayton

VERMONT

M.I. Raymond F. Sutton, Grand Master By M.I. Michael A. Mallies

GRAND CHAPTER, R.A.M., STATE OF N.Y.

M.Ex. Osco W. Peterson, Grand High Priest By M.I. Albin F. Bruder  
M.Ex. H. Randall Kreger, Grand Secretary By M.I. Albin F. Bruder

GRAND COMMANDERY, K.T., STATE OF N.Y.

R.Em. Harold J. Sandwick, Grand Commander By M.I. Stanley W. Wakefield  
R.Em. John J. Bahn, Grand Recorder By M.I. Stanley W. Wakefield

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL, INTERNATIONAL

M.P. Owen L. Shanteau, General Grand Master By M.I. Vincent D'Anza  
R.P. Roger W. Staples, Regional Deputy Grand Master, N.E. Region By M.I. Vincent D'Anza

GRAND LODGE, F. & A.M., STATE OF N.Y.

R.W. R. Kenneth Crawford, Senior Grand Warden By M.I. Randall Kreger  
R.W. Andrew Haynes, Junior Grand Warden By M.I. Randall Kreger

WELCOME TO THE 153rd GRAND ASSEMBLY  
ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS

By R.I. Gordon L. Flammger  
Master of Nundawaga Council No. 92

Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master, Robert Bentley, Grand Master of Royal and Select Masters in the State of New York, Distinguished Guests from Neighboring Jurisdictions, and Companions All:

On behalf of Temple Council No. 79 and Nundawaga Council No. 92, a sincere welcome to this 153rd Annual Grand Assembly of the New York State Council of Royal and Select Masters. It is always a pleasure to welcome Companions and we are anxious to do whatever we can to make your stay profitable so far as the work and so far as your few days of enjoyment. You will note some Companions wearing a special badge, and they will try to answer your questions. Please call on them. I'll now turn the program back to the Deputy Grand Master.

## GRAND MASTER'S MESSAGE

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York:

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome each of you to the 153rd Grand Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York. I hope this will be a pleasant and rewarding experience for all of you.

I extend a very special welcome to all of the visiting Companions from other Grand Jurisdictions. Mrs. Caner and I have had some very pleasant associations with many of you while visiting in other Jurisdictions this past year. It is a great honor for me to welcome you at this time. Withoutmen such as you, who are willing to give of your time and talents, our Masonic Fraternity would lose much of the impelling force that is needed to make us the great fraternal organization that we are.

We are also honored, indeed, by the presence to-day of many leaders of the Craft. The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons is represented by M.E. Osco W. Peterson, Grand High Priest, the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar is represented by Sir Knight Harold Sandwick, R. Em. Grand Commander and Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons is represented by R.W. R. Kenneth Crawford, Senior Grand Warden and by R.W. Andrew Haynes, Junior Grand Warden. We are also highly honored by the presence of Most Puissant Companion Owen L. Shanteau, Most Pyissant General Grand Master Royal and Select Masters International M.I. Companion Roger W. Staples, M.I. Regional Deputy Grand Master, Northeast Region, and also our own M.I. Vincent D'Anza, Ill. General Grand Sentinel. You all are indeed welcome.

I hope that all of the Companions present have a pleasant stay in Niagara Falls. If any question or problems arise please call them to my attention or to the attention of one of the officers. We are glad you are here and want to serve you.

I am pleased to see so many representatives of our Constituent Councils present at this Assembly. Only with the support and the co-operation of the Constituent Councils can the Councils or Grand Council survive. We hope you will tell how we can better serve you and in turn we will tell you how you can better serve us. Feel free at any time, to ask questions and take an active part in the proceedings of this Grand Council.

When I was installed into this high office last August I had many hopes and plans. Some met with moderate success, others failed and some were never started. I am not about to apologize for my failures except to say that if I were to do it over I might, in some cases

take a different course. Although these plans did not call for any deeply involved programs it did not, in any way, mean that we were going to sit down and do nothing. By taking a new approach to the question of attendance and membership I had hoped to change the downward course we are now pursuing. Therefore, it was for that reason, that I asked the Grand Line Officers, the District Deputies, the Grand Lecturer and the Assistant Grand Lecturers, when making visits to the Constituent Councils, to check closely the work of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and the Degree Work and to see that no Rituals were being used. I firmly believe that those Councils that are proficient in all of their work will have no difficulty in selling the Cryptic Rite. If we have nothing to show our Candidates except poorly conducted meetings and sloppy degree work, we have nothing to sell. We must have an attractively packaged product to make sales.

I am pleased by the reports that have come to me that many of the Councils are not using the Ritual Books in open Council. The results will not be instantaneous but it will be reflected, surely in future reports.

Other Councils, I'm sorry to say, have made no changes in their procedures. I would hope that the incoming Grand Master would consider carrying on this program which has been started.

We had many obstacles to surmount this year. The election of a new Grand Recorder, the death of the Past Grand Recorder and the transfer of the Grand Recorder's office from one end of the State to the other gave the Grand Council a temporary setback. Without the untiring efforts of the Grand Recorder, M.I. James D. Seatter and his wife, Edith, who have labored many long hours to put the Recorder's Office back in working order, our Grand Council would have been in much greater difficulty. My hat is off to both of them.

I am sorry to report that M.I. Seatter feels that his health will not permit him to continue with the duties of the Grand Recorder's Office. I feel that we owe M.I. James Seatter a rising vote of thanks for his dedicated service this past year.

I also regret to report that R.I. Arthur H. Chapman, Grand Principal Conductor of the Work has requested both by letter and by telephone that he is not to be considered for election to the next Grand Line Office. He stated that his health would not permit him to continue so, not only for his own sake but for the benefit of Grand Council as well, he asked me to accept his resignation. May the good Lord watch over him.

#### NECROLOGY

During the past year the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe has seen fit to conduct two Past Grand Masters and One Hundred fifty - one Companions past the Ninth Arch to the Secret Vault in that Celestial Temple in the Heavens, that place to which we are all travelling.

Give your attention to the Grand Chaplain R.I.: and Rev. Don Markham.

In the providence of Almgithy God, the Supreme Architect of the Universe, each individual picks up, uses in turn, and lays down the working tools of life. The task of building therefore is never finished because a lifetime on earth is not anywhere near enough to do all which needs to be done. Time and time again the building is interrupted by death and new companions must be enlisted to continue in the tremendous task before us all.

The work, therefore, which is allotted to us is a task that must be done to the best of our particular skills and abilities with the knowledge ever before us to remind us that someone else must continue where we leave off. It is not for any of us to choose either the nature or extent of our labors, but merely to labor on and do the very best we can.

This year, which is now past, has been a year of great work and advancement of the task of building, but in the process of doing this great work, a large number of Companions have laid down their tools and gone to their eternal rest. Among those who thus have left this field of labor were three of our Grand Masters:

M.I.: George O. Linkletter      died November 2, 1975  
Grand Master 1927-8

M.I.: Raymon H. Houst            died Sept. 8, 1975  
Grand Master 1963-4  
Grand Recorder Emeritus

M.I.: Gordon M. Caner            died August 21, 1976  
Grand Master 1975-6

In addition to these three who have headed Grand Council, 149 other Companions have laid down their working tools and they'll be sadly missed in the Constituent Councils of this Grand Council. All labored faithfully and well and they have left the task of building to those of us who are left behind.

In the wisdom of Solomon we read, "Souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them." (3:1)

It is also written in the book of Job, "I know that my Redeemer liveth and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and that though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger." (9:25)

We can ill afford the loss of any of our Companions, for the work of building must be done for the Kingdom of God and Man, but we must rejoice that they have been received into the Presence of the Almighty and welcomed as good and faithful servants. It is our loss but they are at rest from their labors.

Let us pray.

Almighty and most beneficent God, our Creator, we do not know, nor can we presume to predict Thy Will and Way for any of us. All we can do, O Lord, is to trust in Thee and in the power of Thy Love knowing that all things work together for good to them that love Thee, to those who are called according to Thy purpose. We thank Thee, O Lord, for the lives of those Companions which we were privileged to know and love and we thank Thee for their labors in the task of building a better world. Enable us who are left behind to pick up where they have left off that the task of building be not dininished but that we may build steadily for the advancement of Thy Kingdom on earth and among men.

Be with the families of our departed Companions, O Lord, to guide and comfort them by Thy Spirit, that they may be able to endure their loss secure in the knowledge of Thy Providence and Love. Keep us, we beseech Thee, ever cognizant of our obligations to the widows and orphans, that we might be faithful to the trust reposed in us; and that we might labor effectively for the future of Thy Kingdom.

Sustain, help, guide, guard and inspire us, O Lord that our labors in Thy behalf might be unceasing and all be done to the honor and glory of Thy most holy Name. Amen

#### VISITATIONS

In an attempt to conserve time I shall not read the full list of my Masonic Visitations this past year. I traveled over 32,000 miles most of which was done on Masonic visits which totaled over 140 both in this State and out.

My wife, Leah, and I traveled to a great many meetings where we represented the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York. We were graciously received at all times and has many fine experiences. This is one of the rewards one receives in serving as Grand Master. We will never forget the fine people we have met and the many friends we have made. We are looking forward to being with many of them in the future.

We attended the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, International Triennial at Cleveland, Ohio; the Grand Council of Ohio at Columbus, the Grand Council of Massachusetts at Boston, the

Grand Council of Delaware at Wilmington, the Tri-State Festival at Springfield, Mass., the Grand Council of New Jersey at Laurel, the Grand Council of Rhode Island at Cranston, the Grand Council of New Hampshire at Concord, the Grand Council of Maryland at Baltimore, the Grand Council of Ontario at Sault Ste. Marie, the Grand Council of Pennsylvania at Wilkes-Barre, The Council of Connecticut at Weathersfield, the Grand Council of Vermont at Bennington.

We also attended the Grand Commandery Knights Templar at Lake Placid and the New York Council of De Molay at Binghamton.

A more complete list will be printed in the proceedings.

#### REGRETS

Due to conflicts with important functions in our own state, namely Grand Chapter at Albany, Grand Lodge F.&A.M. at New York and the Reception for M.E. Osco W. Peterson, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter R.A.M., I was unable to attend the Grand Council of Michigan, the Grand Council of the District of Columbia and the Grand Council of Maine. Letters of regret were sent to these Grand Councils.

#### CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

We were fortunate this year in having the opportunity to Charter a new Council. On September 13, 1975 I issued a dispensation to form a new Council to be known as Bath Council #40. On September 22, 1975 I granted a Dispensation to confer the Thrice Illustrious Master Degree on the elected and installed Master, Ill. Companion Karl Ralston who is the son of R.L. Edgar K. Ralston, Past Grand Lecturer, known and respected by us.

After proof of perfection in their work a Charter was presented to Bath Council #40 on April 28, 1976. Present at this presentation were the Grand Master, Gordon M. Caner, Deputy Grand Master, Robert A.L. Bentley, the Grand Treasurer, Harold M. Kreason, the Grand Recorder, James D. Seatter, the Grand Chaplain, Rev. Don C. Markham and the Grand Sentinel, Harry E. Saxton acting as Grand Marshal. Others present were P.G.M. Bruce Dayton, P.G.M. Roy VanDelinder and about twenty other Companions.

This was a most rewarding experience.

#### OTHER DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

Catskill Council #78	To confer the T.I.M. degree on Master.
Goshen Council #93	For Master to open Council and conduct business until T.I.M. degree.
Alph Omega Council #71	To hold election and install Principal Conductor of the Work.

Hamburg Council #91	For Master to open Council and conduct business until T.I.M. degree.
Goshen #93	To confer T.I.M. degree on Master.
Hamburg #91	To confer T.I.M. degree on Master.
Dunkirk Council #25	To hold special Assembly in Jamestown to confer the Cryptic degrees.
Zabud Council #84	To hold Joint Assembly with North Shore Council #88 on April 6, 1976.
Palmyra Council #26	To hold Feb. 6th Assembly at Masonic temple in Canandaigua, NY.
Cayuga Council #19	To hold Special Assembly on Sat. May 8, 1976 to confer Royal Master degree.
Columbia Council #1	To elect Master without first having served as Deputy Master or Principal Conductor of the Work.
Manhattan Council #95	To hold open installation of officers on May 24, 1976.
Hudson Council #62	To hold semi-public Installation May 10, 1976
Alph Omega Council #71	To hold a Special Assembly to elect and to install officers on June 11, 1976.
Peekskill Council #55	To hold a Special Assembly to elect and to install officers on June 24, 1976.
Hamburg Council #91	To hold open Installation of Officers May 12, 1976.
Oneonta Council #87	To hold Special Assembly on June 9, 1976 to elect and install officers and to conduct other business.

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED**

MARYLAND.....	Joseph H. Wagner
COLORADO.....	James A. Kirkbride
ONTARIO.....	William L. Davies

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES ACCREDITED**

MICHIGAN.....	Osco W. Peterson.....	Southern Tier Council #16
MISSOURI.....	Joseph H. Whalen.....	Goshen Council #93
NEVADA.....	William K. Cross, Sr.....	Skoi Yase Council #75
ONTARIO.....	James D. Seatter.....	Temple Council #79

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES RECOMMENDED  
BUT NOT CONFIRMED**

RHODE ISLAND..	Frederick C. Nitz.....	St. George's Council #74
TEXAS.....	William J. Lucas.....	Binghamton Council #24
KENTUCKY.....	Keith Crook.....	Rockland Council #94
VERMONT.....	Owen E. Germain.....	St. George's Council #94

### 50 YEAR CERTIFICATES

Lawrence Weber.....	St. George's	Council #74
Clarence H. Snyder.....	St. George's	Council #74
Albert D. Lull.....	St. George's	Council #74
Eugene J. Francois.....	St. George's	Council #74
Herbert E. Woodworth.....	St. George's	Council #74
Victor C. Jensen.....	St. George's	Council #74
William F. Clark.....	St. George's	Council #74
George H. March.....	DeWitt Clinton	Council #22
Charles Maker.....	DeWitt Clinton	Council #22

### HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

Edward E. Hoerig.....	Phoenix	Council #70
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### PAST MASTER CERTIFICATES

Walter Batchtellar .....	Bloss	Council #14
Richard Cesare.....	Bloss	Council #14
George Deveb.....	Bloss	Council #14
Raymond Zink.....	Bloss	Council #14
Irvin Zeller.....	King Hiram	Council #18
Samuel W. Brecheisen.....	King Solomon	Council #31
Leo L. Heneghan.....	Adoniram	Council #36
August W. Litke.....	Phoenix	Council #70
Charles G. Steel.....	Phoenix	Council #70
Neil J. McCabe.....	Phoenix	Council #70
Robert H. Keir.....	St. George's	Council #74
Marion E. Carter.....	Rockland	Council #94
Frank L. Baker.....	Flatbush	Council #80
Walter Drake, Jr.....	Flatbush	Council #80
George Friedman.....	Manhattan	Council #95
William Hennecker.....	Manhattan	Council #95

### CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

Frank C. Maker.....	DeWitt Clinton	Council #22
Howard Gibson.....	Hudson	Council #62

### CRYPTIC RITER

It was my hope this year to see the Cryptic Riter again published but this did not come to pass. When the records in the Grand Recorder's Office were thoroughly examined we found no record of members who had paid for a subscription. With this condition existing we could find no way to publish the Cryptic Riter at this time.

This publication was the one close link between the membership and the Grand Council. Hopefully, it was to be their material that was printed. It was a bulletin board, so to speak, covering information of interest to the members, events taking place throughout the State and newsworthy events in other Masonic bodies. These things are important. If the Council is to remain healthy and strong, we must have a knowledge of those things taking place around us.

If this Grand Council feels that the Cryptic Riter should be published we must find a new way of financing the project. At the present time we have no printing equipment that can be used. Both the printing and addressing machines are antiquated and inoperable. With our financial condition as it is at this time, I do not feel that new equipment should be purchased.

I would like to RECOMMEND that the incoming Grand Master, appoint a committee to make a thorough study of this question, and report to the Grand Council.

#### TRIENNIAL ASSEMBLY

The Grand Council R. & S.M. of the State of New York was well represented at the Triennial Assembly at Cleveland, Ohio, on Sept. 28 to October 2, 1975. Present, and representing New York were, M.I. Albin F. Bruder, M.I. Sylvanus F. Nye, M.I. Vincent D'Anza, M.I. H. Randall Kreger, R.I. Robert A.L. Bentley and myself.

At this session of General Grand Council the following officers were elected:

Owen L. Shanteau	General Grand Master
John H. Watts	Deputy General Grand Master
James D. Penley, Jr.	General Grand Principal Conductor of Work
Charles F. Adams	General Grand Treasurer
Bruce L. Hunt	General Grand Recorder

We were pleased that M.I. Vincent D'Anza was appointed General Grand Sentinel.

The question of the General Grand Council and the General Grand Chapter meeting separately at the next Triennium was discussed at length. After a ballot of the voting delegates the result showed a decided preference for meeting together. The 33rd Triennial Assembly will be held at Denver, Colorado, September 10-14, 1978.

The General Grand Assembly, by a close decision, voted to increase the per capita due the General Grand Council from 9¢ per member to 15¢ per member. Your Grand Master was instructed at the last Grand Assembly to vote for this increase. This increase will be reflected in this year's payment.

A New York State dinner was held on Monday evening with about 25 from New York State attending

I would like to thank the Grand Council for the privilege of attending the General Grand Council Assembly.

#### CONCLUSION

My year as your Grand Master is nearly finished. No matter what has happened this past year or what happens here today, to-morrow will surely come, bringing with it a new Grand Master, probably with an entirely new approach to the problems with which we are faced. I pray that you will receive him with the same friendly hand of welcome and a promise of help and support that you did me a year ago. Without these tokens of your goodwill a new leader will never be able to accomplish those things that need to be done

To the Past Grand Masters let me say that just knowing you were ever present with your kindly words of advice and encouragement as well as an occasional reprimand, has been a great inspiration to me, not only this year but all the way through the line. In a few short hours - if I am permitted to join your ranks - I offer myself in any way I may be of assistance to the betterment of Cryptic Masonry.

To the incoming Grand Master, may God grant you health and wisdom to guide this Grand Council in a manner that will give benefit to the Council and honor to yourself

To the other Grand Line Officers and the District Deputies who have served this year, let me thank you for your wholehearted support. You have always been ready when called upon and have faithfully carried out your assigned duties.

I would be remiss if I did not commend Nundawaga Council #92 --- my Council, and one of the Host Councils for the fine manner in which they opened the Grand Council this morning. I would also like to thank you for the support you have manifested in many ways over the past few years. I shall be forever grateful.

To all of the Companions of this Grand Council goes a deep, hearty Thank you.

May God bless you and keep you under His protective care.

Respectfully submitted

Gordon M. Cener  
Grand Master 1975-1976

## COMMITTEE ON CONDITION AND EXTENSION OF THE RITE

Your committee is in the position of a weakling who takes comfort in the fact that others in his family are worse off than he is.

We do feel that the Councils seem to attract more enthusiastic workers and attendance on the average better than experienced by other Masonic Bodies. This is damning ourselves with faint praise and we take small solace from it.

Masonic bodies in this State, particularly the metropolitan New York area, are in bad shape especially the Lodges. Escalating per capita taxes, rent, aging membership, etc., is forcing many Lodges to surrender their charters. With less Lodges and smaller trestleboards our York and Scottish Rite bodies are feeling the pinch.

We can blame shifting population, danger on the streets, administration costs, degenerate feeling or whatever, but we are in a slump. Some of these reasons are not applicable elsewhere to our extent and the bodies in nearby southeastern states are thriving. Obviously Freemasonry is not dated and it still appeals to the younger men.

There are happy exceptions around the state and in every instance it can be attributed to enthusiastic leadership.

New York City Scottish Rite bodies and Mecca Temple have widened their prospective membership groups by taking in the colored. We are not convinced this will help attendance.

Bodies that predicate their membership on Masonic activity and are invitational seem to have no problem with candidates. It would seem that the passion for numbers some years ago at the expense of selectivity has taken its toll.

We have survived religious persecution, depressions, political witch hunts during the Morgan trouble, etc., and came back. God willing we'll turn the corner soon.

Stanley Wakefield, Ch.  
Joseph Evans  
Frederick C. Mitz  
David Fine

M.I. James D. Seatter introduced Mr. M. Paderewski who represented the Mayor of Niagara Falls, N.Y. He welcomed everyone to "The Falls" and wished them an enjoyable two days in the city.

GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL & SELECT MASTERS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York, I herewith submit my report as Grand Treasurer for this year of 1975-1976:-

OPERATING ACCOUNT - No. 521-326-9  
Lincoln-Rochester Trust Co., Rochester, N.Y.

RECEIPTS:-

Bal. on hand 8-15-1975	9000.42	
Received from Grand Recorder Houst	1266.00	
Received from Grand Recorder Seatter	8526 50	
Received from Per Diem Acct.	<u>540.00</u>	
		19332.92

DISBURSEMENTS:- Warrants 2771-2796 inc.

Grand Master Expenses	1000.00	
Grand Master Apron	136.80	
Grand Master Jewel - Part pay't from Houst.	50.00	
Grand Treasurer Honorarium	50.00	
Grand Lecturer Expenses	300.00	
1975 Grand Assembly Guest Expense	782.23	
1976 Grand Assembly Host Committee Allowance	800.00	
Transfer to Grand Master Triennial Fund	400.00	
Office Rent - Grand Recorder Houst	200.00	
Refund unused Grand Assembly Banquet tickets	68.50	
Flowers - Houst funeral	29.40	
Printing	167.03	
Stationery	121.54	
Moving expense Grand Recorder office	200.00	
Lettering	37.75	
Postage and Office expense	98.63	
Transfer to Per Diem account	2500.00	
Transfer to Ritual account	61.50	
Ish-Sodi Jewels - for resale	<u>61.05</u>	
		7064.43
Bal. on hand 7-15-1976		<u>12268.49</u>

GRAND COUNCIL RITUAL ACCOUNT - No. 209153  
Erie County Savings Bank, Buffalo, N.Y.

Deposits:-

10-10-75	30.00	
6- 2-76 (Transferred from Operating Acct.)	61.50	
6-14-76	61.50	
6-23-76	9.00	
7- 6-76	<u>36.00</u>	198.00
Interest to 7-15-76		<u>1.59</u>
Balance 7-15-76		199.59

GRAND MASTERS TRIENNIAL FUND - No. 749163  
 Erie County Savings Bank, Buffalo, N.Y.

Bal. on hand 6-30-75	9.64	
9-15-75 Deposit	400.00	
Interest to 3-31-76	<u>3.32</u>	412.96
9-15-75 Withdrawal		<u>300.00</u>
Bal. on hand 3-31-76		112.96

GRAND COUNCIL LIBRARY & MUSEUM FUND No. 771473  
 Erie County Savings Bank, Buffalo, N.Y.

Bal. on hand 6-30-75	58.51	
No deposits or withdrawals		
Interest to 3-31-76	<u>2.39</u>	
Bal. on hand 3-31-76		60.90

Respectfully submitted

Harold M. Kreason, Treasurer

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Bal. from 1974		.27
Transferred from Operating Account		<u>2500.00</u>
		2500.27
Paid to Council Representatives	1024.10	
Past Grand Masters	230.95	
Grand Line Officers	240.85	
District Deputies	238.90	
Committee Members	223.68	
Return to Operating Account	<u>540.00</u>	
		<u>2498.48</u>
Balance		1.79

Respectfully submitted

Harold M. Kreason, Treasurer

Most Illustrious Grand Master William Burke of Nevada appointed Companion William Cross, Sr. as Representative of Nevada to the Grand Council of the State of New York. Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master Bentley requested that Companion Cross be presented west of the Altar and he presented him with his Commission as Grand Representative of Nevada near New York.

REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER

To the M. L. Grand Master, Grand Council Officers and Companions of  
The Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, State of New York.

Membership as reported August 28, 1975 4553

Received and Greeted Cryptic Year 1975-76	151		
Affiliated	16		
Restored	<u>2</u>		
Total	165	Plus	<u>165</u>
			4718

Losses as reported August 21, 1976

By Death	159		
By Demit	69		
By Suspension in Chapter	16		
By Suspension in Council	51		
By Suspension in Lodge	<u>0</u>		
Total	295	Less	<u>295</u>
			4423

Membership as of August 23, 1976

Loss over Gain = 130

Councils reporting Largest Numbers Greeted:

Manhattan #95	16	Flatbush #80	7
Northern Star #34	10	Owego #30	6
Oneonta #87	10	Triangle #85	6
Bath #40	9	Lafayette #86	6
Hudson #62	9	Hamburg #91	6
Dunkirk #25	8	Doric #19	5
		Johnstown #72	5

14 Councils reported a gain in membership.

4 Councils reported no change.

34 Councils reported a loss in membership.

Councils with net gain and percentage of gain:

Council	Net Gain	Percentage Gain
Bath #40	9	90%
Owego #30	5	17%
Manhattan #95	16	16.6%
Hudson #62	5	8.9%
Cayuga #90	2	6%
Northern Star #34	4	5.9%
Oneonta #87	6	5%
Dunkirk #25	3	3%
Johnstown #72	3	2.8%
Lafayette #86	2	2.6%

Hamburg #91	2	2.6%
Flatbush #80	2	2.6%
Triangle #85	1	1%
Goshen #93	1	1%

Respectfully submitted

James D. Seatter  
Grand Recorder 1975-76

#### REPORT OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES

To the Grand Council:

Your Trustees submit herewith their annual report for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1976 in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

#### PERMANENT FUND (on separate sheet)

We have in our possession Fidelity Bond No. 10 F 778 B C covering the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder in the penal sum of \$5,000.00 each, issued by the Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, of Hartford Connecticut, on September 15, 1949 renewable every three years and presently in force to September 15, 1976.

The files, records and office equipment transferred from 514 Kallen Ave., Schenectady NY to 2944 South Ave., Niagara Falls NY is covered by Home Owners Insurance of our present Grand Recorder, M.L. James D. Seatter. We have an inventory of the property of the Grand Council which is now in the Grand Recorder's Office.

Respectfully submitted,  
By the Grand Trustees:  
R. Bruce Dayton  
Stanley W. Wakefield  
Michael A. Mallies

I move that the report of the Grand Trustees be approved & attached to the records of this Grand Assembly.

PERMANENT FUND

Savings Bank Location	Type of Account	Rate of Interest	Balance	Date of Maturity	Earned Interest	Balance 6/30/76	Account No.
ELMIRA NY	D D W	5%	\$ 115.79	--	\$ 6.35	\$ 122.14	932
ERIE COUNTY Buffalo NY	T D A	6%	5349.81	1/18/77	336.49	5686.30	108684
ERIE COUNTY Buffalo NY	T D A	8½%	6298.72	10/26/78	568.52	6867.24	4-947540
EAST RIVER New York NY	T D A	6%	7790.68	12/31/76	490.00	8280.68	L03-09550
NATIONAL Albany NY	T D A	7½%	3393.78	11/16/80	268.89	3662.67	1-33-26217
NATIONAL Albany NY	T D A	7½%	2180.15	5/13/78	172.74	2352.89	1-33-26763
NATIONAL Albany NY	D D W	5%	1060.33	--	58.12	1118.45	379563
			<u>\$26189.26</u>		<u>\$1901.11</u>	<u>\$28090.37</u>	

Verified 8/21/76  
 Robert L. Dod  
 Sylvanus F. Nye

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Grand Council Royal and Select Master of the State of New York:

I have examined the records of receipts and disbursements and the statement of Harold M. Kreason, Treasurer, for the Operating & Special accounts for the fiscal year 1975-76, and find them to be accurate when compared with the transmittal slips from the Grand Recorder and the check stubs, cancelled checks and vouchers. Bank statement from The Lincoln First Bank of Rochester for the period ending August 4th 1976, verifies the balance shown on the Grand Treasurer's report.

I have examined the Per Capita and Fees receipts (schedule attached) and note the following: during the current fiscal year two (2) checks for Per Capita and Fees were received from Councils #1, 12, 36, 37, 79 and 95. I realize with the retention of checks due to M.I. Ray Houst's illness, this necessarily distorts the Per Capita receipts of \$9490.00. No Per Capita receipts are shown during the fiscal year records for Councils #21, 52, 71, 80, 84, 85, 87 and 96. Are all of these Councils active and can we anticipate Per Capita from them during the coming year?

Respectfully submitted

Robert L. Dod

### PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1976-1977

Your Finance Committee presents a deficit Budget for the 1976 - 1977 Cryptic Year. The reason is the recommendation that a Proceedings be printed up covering several Grand Council Assemblies for the past several years, and this item alone would make it a deficit budget.

#### RECEIPTS:

Dues and Fees	\$ 9000.
Dispensations and Certificates	40.
Miscellaneous Receipts	60.
	<u>\$ 9100.</u>

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

Entertainment, Grand Assembly Guests	1000.
Host Council Donation	600.
Travel & Per Diem	2000.
Grand Recorder's Salary	1200.
Grand Treasurer's Honorarium	50.
Office Space Rental	200.
Postage and Office Expense	750.
Triennial Assembly	100.
Printing Proceedings plus Postage	2000.
Grand Master's Expenses	1000.
Grand Lecturer's Expenses	600.
Grand Council Per Capita	700.
Social Security ( F.I.C.A. )	140.
Insurance	180.
Grand Master's Apron	150.
Grand Master's Jewel	350.
Estimated Deficit \$1920.	<u>\$11020.</u>

## RITUAL COMMITTEE

M.I. Harold M. Kresson announced that there was no Ritual Committee Report this year.

### REPORT OF THE AWARDS COMMITTEE 1975-1976

At the request of our Grand Master for 1975-76, M.I. Gordon M. Caner, I undertook to carry on the duties of the Awards Committee Chairman, as well as Ish Sodi, which has been relinquished by the former Chairman. I must admit that it was quite a task to gather up the information available, since our former Grand Recorder had passed away and had been unable to carry on his duties for most of the year prior to his death.

As far as Ish Sodi is concerned, I want to thank Companion Osco Peterson for the list of Ish Sodi members which he made available to me. However, this list may not be complete since the committee ceased to function after the death of Companion Roger Christian, and I have found a few Companions whose names should have been on the list but were not. I have tried to verify these names, and have issued cards to those who earned the Award.

We have kept in contact with the Grand line as well as the various District Deputies, and we make the following recommendations:

1. Council with the greatest increase in membership:  
Manhattan #95
2. Council with the greatest percentage increase:  
Bath #40
3. Council with the greatest percentage present at Grand Assembly:  
Bath #40
4. Council having the greatest number of members present at the Grand Assembly, exclusive of host Council:  
Buffalo-Keystone #17
5. Council having greatest per member donations to Charity Fund:  
Flatbush # 80
6. Outstanding District Deputy:  
R.I. Carl E. Doyle, District Deputy for the First District has been Nominated District Deputy of the Year by our Grand Master and others for the outstanding job he has done. I therefore ask him to come forward to receive the honors due him.
7. Outstanding Cryptic Mason for the Year:  
The Award this year is being given to Companion Cornell Martin of Mechanicville, New York, who belongs to On-Da-Wa Lodge and Chapter, Mechanicville Council #37, Saratoga Springs, Washington Commandery #33, Saratoga Springs and Oriental Temple, Troy, New York. If he is present will he please rise. Our Records will show that Companion Martin is the Outstanding Cryptic Mason for the year 1975-1976.

I might also mention that Suffolk Council #76 recommended Companion Joseph A. Hruby for this award as the most Faithful member, so today, we are giving him Honorable Mention for his many years of faithful service, rarely missing a meeting and always helpful as Sentinel and in charitable volunteer work. We are also giving Honorable Mention to Companion Lester C. Simon of Adoniram Council #36, for his many years of service and the work he has done for Cryptic Rite. Will they both please rise.

As Chairman of the Awards Committee, I have found that there is a great deal of work done by other Bodies which conflicts with our awards by their having the names of their Honorary Bodies printed in Cryptic notices and communications, and by their having their members wear their jewels at Cryptic Councils. This is entirely out of order as the other York Bodies have outruled such operations. I therefore recommend that the Grand Master issue an Edict to stop all members of our Council, who are members of Honorary Bodies, from wearing their jewels or have their names printed in communications of any sort. This would strengthen our awards in the Grand Council and its various Bodies. I also recommend that the awards, as outlined by the Awards Committee for the past ten years, be reviewed and revised.

I also recommend that the honor of Ish Sodi with its insignia be given to members earning the same without cost. The present cost of the Ish Sodi Jewel is about \$6.00, and the new award, which has not yet been given out, as it has not been earned, would cost approximately, \$25.00. An article has been published and distributed nationally pertaining to Ish Sodi in New York State, and it might be well to have a copy of this sent to each Council

I have enjoyed being Chairman of the Awards Committee, but as I have said before, I cannot continue, but wish the new Chairman and his committee the best of luck.

Respectfully submitted

Kenneth C. Schwartz, Chairman

#### REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Most Illustrious Master:  
Right Illustrious Companions:  
Illustrious Companions:  
Companions:

"THE YORK RITE BODIES ARE CRUMBLING BEFORE OUR EYES."

The time is overdue for Masonry to put its house in order, if it intends to compete for men's time, thought and energy. The trend is definitely against spending extra evenings out at Lodge Meetings. We are

competing for men's time and service with churches, education, patriotic, sports, radio, TV and entertainment world, in addition to making a living and keeping up our homes.

Our York Rite Bodies problems have been ignored long enough. We must reappraise our structure as well as our methods. The General Grand Chapter, General Grand Council and Grand Encampment have set up York Rite Commissions. Meetings of these joint commissions have been held and great strides have been made toward the objectives of York Rite Unification "

Since the above was written ten years ago (by the undersigned), we have seen Chapters, Councils and Commanderies make consolidations of their respective bodies, yet membership and attendance continue to drop. Let's look at the record:

New York State Masonic Membership

	1965	1975	Loss	% Loss	Av. No. Per Yr Loss
Grand Lodge	279,518	208,605	70,913	25.3	7,879
Grand Chapter	27,549	17,987	9,562	34.7	956
Grand Council	6,305	4,423	1,882	29.8	188
Grand Commandery	12,801	8,482	4,319	33.7	431
Scottish Rite	39,409	33,988	5,421	13.7	542
Shrine	29,708	25,904	3,804	12.8	380

In the face of losses like these, we must re-group.

IN UNITY THERE IS STRENGTH We must: SELL YORK RITE MASONRY

MAKE EVERY ASSEMBLY AN EVENT

Let's look at York Rite Co-operation in other Grand Jurisdictions . The Grand York Rite Bodies of eighteen states now hold their Annual Business Meetings consecutively at the same location. This time proven procedure has proved to be a big savings in time, money, duplication of work.

Arizona: saved so much time they have started a three year trial period of holding York Rite Conventions two days instead of three  
 California: This year went from a five day session to three days and it worked out very well.

Alabama: Holding a Grand York Rite Convention has a unifying effect and has eliminated approximately half the cost to the Grand York Bodies of Alabama.

Oregon: The attendance has been greater when holding meetings consecutively.

North Carolina: We have found the Meeting of Grand York Masonic Bodies at the same location in consecutive sessions so successful that we have now included a Joint Session at which all Bodies are in session together

The advantages that are derived from the meeting of the Grand Chapter Grand Council and Grand Commandery in consecutive sessions at the same location are so many that it would entail quite a long discourse on the subject.

In some states the Constituent Bodies hold Joint Chapter, Council and Commandery Business Meetings to off-set the ever increasing costs of Temple maintenance, taxes, rents, printing, postage, per-capita taxes, dues, transportation, combined with declining membership and attendance. Joint Business Meetings will enable most Bodies to open.

Most Illustrious Master: Your Committee offers the following Resolution:

Be it resolved that the recommendations following, made by the Special Committee on York Rite Co-operation, be adopted as read and they are incorporated in the Resolution by reference thereto. That your Committee be authorized to approach the Grand Chapter and the Grand Commandery to initiate the necessary action to activate the Recommendations contained in the report.

I move the adoption of the following:

Step No. 1 Recommend: We petition the Grand Chapter and the Grand Commandery to join the Grand Council in the formation of a "Grand York Rite Council", composed of nine (9) Members: the three Officers in the East of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery. The Chairmanship of the "Grand York Rite Council" shall rotate from Body to Body annually.

Step No. 2 Recommend: We petition the Grand Chapter and the Grand Commandery to co-operate in the planning and the initiation of legislation (Constitution and By-Laws changes) for the Grand York Rite Bodies of New York State, to hold their Annual Business Meetings consecutively, at the same location.

Step No. 3 Recommend: Grand Council petition Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery to join in planning and initiating legislation (Constitution and By-Laws changes) to house the Grand Recorder's offices in one central office, with one person serving as Secretary-Recorder. This will be a big cost reduction from the operation of separate offices.

Step No. 4 Recommend: The Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Chapter Grand Council and Grand Commandery be amended, thru proper amendment procedure of each Body, permitting Constituent Bodies, to hold joint business meetings, when requested by such Constituent Body.

Step No. 5 Recommend: The Grand Council Royal and Select Masters, petition the Grand Commandery, through proper channels, to make Council membership a prerequisite for membership in the Commandery.

Respectfully submitted

Carl E. Doyle Ch. (36)

The foregoing Resolution was tabled and referred to the Policy Committee.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S MESSAGE

It is evident, from the Grand Master's Address that he has worked long and diligently during his year as Grand Master.

The Grand Master deserves the commendation of the entire membership of Grand Council for his accomplishments. He has won the esteem and respect of those who were associated with him. He was considerate and conscientious in the performance of his duties. During his visits throughout the State, he inspired the Constituent Councils to increased activity and devotion to Cryptic Rite Masonry. He has also represented the Grand Council of New York in many other Masonic Bodies in the State and in neighboring States.

On behalf of the Grand Council, this committee desires to commend the Grand Master for his many activities promoting Cryptic Masonry during the past two years. We feel that his dedicated service will have a lasting effect in Cryptic Rite.

Respectfully submitted

R. Bruce Dayton  
Harold M. Kreason  
Albin F. Bruder

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

TO THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF THE STATE OF N.Y.

Your committee respectfully reports that during the year requests for approval of changes in By-Laws, or new By-Laws were received and acted upon in the following cases:

Bruce Council No. 15  
Southern Tier Council No. 16  
Cryptic Council No. 37  
Hamburg Council No. 91  
Nundawaga Council No. 92  
Manhattan Council No. 95

The proposal to amend Article II of Section 30(a) of the Constitution, to the effect of requiring but seven members in attendance instead of nine to open a constituent Council, and the concomitant proposal to change the Ritual by use of the word "symbolically" before the numbers 3x3, have both failed to receive the approval of this committee. The decision of the committee was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

Vincent D'Anza  
Chairman

A letter of resignation from R.I. Arthur F. Chapman was read by our Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master, Robert A. L. Bentley. Because of ill health Companion Arthur Chapman would not be able to travel. Rules of the Assembly were suspended and Most Illustrious Harold M. Kresson moved that the Grand Council extend to Companion Chapman, the courtesy and honor of his being known as Honorary Most Illustrious Grand Master. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

#### ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

Deputy Grand Master Bentley announced that the time for election of officers had arrived and requested Most Illustrious James D. Seatter to preside. The following tellers were appointed: Ill. James F. Vogel of Nundawaga Council No. 92, Ill. Richard W. Hillman, Buffalo-Keystone Council No. 17 and Ill. Thomas C. Stackpole, Jr. of Hornellsville Council No. 35. The following Grand Officers were duly elected and installed to serve the Grand Council for the ensuing year:

Robert A. L. Bentley (1)	Grand Master
Edward E. Hoerig (86)	Deputy Grand Master
Gordon W. Hathaway (12)	Grand Principal Conductor of the Work
Harold M. Kresson (35)	Grand Treasurer
Sylvanus F. Nye (17)	Grand Recorder
Jerrold L. Hastings (31)	Grand Captain of the Guard
Kepneth J. Tullock (74)	Grand Conductor of the Council
Charles E. Grant (85)	Grand Marshal
Robert W. Wallace (79)	Grand Standard Bearer
Stuart Sturges (37)	Grand Steward
Stanley W. Wakefield (86)	Grand Trustee, 3 Years

Most Illustrious Grand Master Harold F. Blaess of Michigan presented Companion Osco Peterson Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Michigan near the State of New York.

REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT FOR 1975 - 1976  
(Read by M.I. Vincent D'Anza)

The Fraternal Correspondent of Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, State of New York, submits the following for this year:

Due to the transition of offices and records of the Grand Council, following the Election and Installation of the Grand Recorder, the lines of communication have been severed temporarily between both the Most Illustrious Grand Master and the Most Illustrious Grand Recorder. However, I have undertaken to maintain our position with sister Grand Councils as some of the correspondence appended hereto will show. The Most Illustrious Grand Master said every effort was being made to overcome the difficulties.

I carefully reviewed the six Journals of Proceedings sent to me by the Grand Secretaries with personal correspondence attached hereto. A clear perspective of the state of Cryptic Rite in other areas is shown. It would be a conclusive inference that the general trend is looking upward except here in our Northeast. New interest and large classes are reported in Southern and Midwest states with revitalized enthusiasm. A brilliant ray stands out; that of a fresh new leadership which intends as its goal, to make Cryptic Masonry assume its place as a pillar of Free-Masonry. We note with pride that within local areas new and fresh blood is infused in our leadership to strengthen and shore up our Council structures, and much potential high caliber officer material is already recognized within our Councils.

The Bicentennial has added a heavy part to my duties for the year. The Craft, locally, has participated in several memorial celebrations. A York Rite Festival was held at the Schaghticoke Fairgrounds by local York Rite bodies on August 14, 1976. The Mark Master and Past Master Mason degrees were presented in full form, out-doors and in authentic colonial costumes. It was an all-day affair ending with a steak roast at 5:00 P.M. Many Masonic dignitaries were there and took part in the festivities of the day.

Since we are to take part in nationwide elections this Fall, it is the duty of every free thinking Companion, to review national, local and state policies and carefully select those who would become our representatives.

To all the brethren who have assisted me, I express my sincere gratitude. Most Illustrious Past Grand Master Vincent D'Anza has kindly volunteered to present this report due to my enforced absence which is due to personal illness. Best fraternal regards to the Companions present and congratulations to those who will become our leaders during 1976-1977.

Respectfully submitted

Lloyd M. Brinkman

## GRAND LECTURER'S REPORT

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters in the State of New York, and by the expressed wish of the Grand Master, M.I.: Gordon M. Caner, I held a Grand Lecturer's Convention in each of our ten Cryptic Districts.

The Royal Master Degree and the opening and closing ceremonies were exemplified. In most Districts the work was very skillfully performed. On only two occasions the officers lacked skill in opening and the closing ceremonies. I regret to state that they were appropriately admonished by this Grand Lecturer.

There was an average attendance of 28 per convention.

I would recommend that all Councils furnish or cause their officers to purchase through their Recorder a copy of the 1973 Ritual. This would unify the work throughout the State. Some Companions are still using the 1966 or older Ritual.

At this point I would take the opportunity to express sincere thanks on behalf of the Grand Council on myself to each of the Councils who were host to the District Conventions. Well done, Companions.

May I suggest that our Grand Council make a diligent effort to find a competent Companion who is retired, to assume the duties of a Grand Lecturer, and to pay him a salary of \$1,800. per year plus the present travel allowance. This would keep him within the present framework of the Social Security law and enable him to receive his monthly checks without any loss in benefits. Thus we will be able to keep a competent, zealous Companion as Grand Lecturer for many years. Of course the means to finance the Grand Lecturer's salary will have to be determined by our finance committee.

I thank the District Deputies and Assistant Grand Lecturers for their co-operation and their sincere concern for the Cryptic Rite of Free Masonry.

I would further recommend that an appropriate certificate be embossed for the District Deputies and Assistant Grand Lecturers and perhaps for all of the Grand Line Officers. This, I am aware, is costly. In my travels I have found that the Companions would be willing to reimburse the Grand Recorder for their Certificates.

Lastly, I regret that I found it necessary to resign as Grand Lecturer in order to devote my efforts to the Grand Line of the Grand Commandery in the State of New York.

I thank each of you, my Companions, for giving me the privilege of serving you as Grand Lecturer for 1975-1976.

Respectfully submitted

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Alexander Pollio  
Grand Lecturer

REPORT OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
1976

To the Grand Council:

Your Committee on Masonic Education submits the following report:

One of our Most Worshipful Grand Masters of Masons once remarked that man had never devised and it is doubtful if there could be devised an institution more ideally fitted to organize the lives of men according to the spiritual principles of democracy and equality than the Masonic Fraternity, which is in itself a great system of education, primarily devoted to the conduct of life based on the history and the traditions of the Craft.

What is Freemasonry? There are many who ask. The Fraternity of Freemasonry, a society of friends and brothers, binding its members together by a system of ceremonies revealing a moral philosophy veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols and emblems. It was never designed to be in any sense a secret organization but rather its conception is that of an institution laboring among men for the moral and social advancement of the human race. Its eternal truth has ever been hidden in symbols to preserve it for future generations and its history bound closely with the highest philosophies that the world has ever known. Its beginning no man knows and its strength lay in the practice of the virtues that have sustained and given mankind hope down through the years. One thing of which we are certain is that it is the most remarkable and altogether unique institution on earth. It makes no claim to religion. It claims no superiority over other men, levies no taxes, maintains no army, navy or air force and takes as its creed the Fatherhood of the Grand Master of the Universe and the Brotherhood of Man. It has drawn to itself the teachings and philosophies of the greatest Human and Divine that ever lived. It is honored for its benevolence. It has a brilliant history. Its members have distinguished themselves in the highest fashion in time of stress, strain and peril.

The tenets of Freemasonry are Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth and as long as a fraternity holds fast to those virtues, Freemasonry will last to the end of time.

Freemasonry was never intended to rely on outside interests to perpetuate its influence. It will never have to change its organization or the materials of our ceremonies to meet an ever-changing world.

Let us think of some in years past who have accepted Masonry as a way of life. Masonry was an umbrella under which men could be united in their faith in God and in each other as Masonic Brothers as they labored to shape a new nation.

We find George Washington, taking his obligations on the Bible of the Lodge at Fredericksburg. When the Grand Lodge of Maryland conducted the ceremonies of laying the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol, Washington wielded the gavel. During the winter of Valley Forge, at least 51 of Washington's 128 General Officers and Regimental Commanders were Masons.

General Lafayette was an ardent supporter of Freemasonry. He contributed so much to the cause of freedom for America. Did you know that his attachment to America was such he desired to be buried here? This wish was not fulfilled, but he was buried in American soil shipped to France for the purpose. Benjamin Franklin, R.H. Livingstone and Roger Sherman and pretty sure Thomas Jefferson, four of the five-man committee who drafted a declaration very similar to the soon later adopted Declaration of Independence, were Masons. The Declaration of Independence was signed by 57 men. At least 31 of these were Masons. At the close of the Revolutionary War, there was the mammoth task of drawing up a constitution for our new nation. Twenty-two of the thirty-nine signers were Masons.

It might be of interest, looking out onto the diversity of fields of endeavor by men who came from all walks of life, some rich and some poor, some highly educated and others of meager formal education, but each dedicated to the principles of Freemasonry. There was Jean Sibelius in music; Daniel Beard in woodcraft and a great Boy Scout; Roscoe Pound, law; the military, George Marshall; aviation and exploration, Richard Byrd; science and medicine, Sir Richard Fleming; business, Thomas Watson; sport, Branch Rickey; the clergy, Daniel Poling; government, Hubert Humphrey. These mentioned are only a very small part of the great American Patriots and World Leaders who have contributed so much and, so much to Masonry. And then there is the generally conceded most powerful, prestigious and second most honored office in the United States - Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in 200 years has been occupied by only 15 men - seven of them were Masons.

It has always been a thrill to see Chief Justice Earl Warren and members of his family at the Easter Sunrise Service in the Amphitheatre at Arlington, along with the others of the Supreme Court.

Our country has had 13 Presidents who were Masons and now, a few years back, a man who brought up his four sons in the tradition of Masonry, taught him in turn by his father before him, saw them all raised the same night, the eldest of which is Gerald B. Ford, President of the United States of America.

I have mentioned a few things about what Masonry is and does and have named a few of the Greats who knew Masonry and how fine it is. Tell such things to many good men and their answer will be, "I didn't know that." And there are many of those who will say, "I want this." And

Masonry needs members. The general public needs the story. The prospect buys when he sees the need for the product.

That these leaders of men and as R.W. Harold V.B. Voorhis reports in his "Mason Membership in the World", 5,000,056 more should make Masonry part of their lives, does this not speak well for it? Need I say more?

These Bicentennial years bring forcibly to mind the importance of New York State in those early days. The French and the English recognized it. Fought for it. This area was considered the key to the domination Colonial North America. Wealthy magnates use these mountains and lakes as millionaire resort paradise. Travel, tourism and commerce have increased the steady flow of humanity over this important way North.

Now Freemasonry is strong throughout New York State. As New York State has been important in the development of our Country, New York State has been a pillar of Masonry. The Council is not required for so-called advancement in the York Rite. Royal and Select Masters are those who join for the love of the Craft. They are the logical choice to teach. Let this New York State Grand Body, the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York, take up the challenge and lead in educating all good men.

New York - the important State!

New York - the Masonic Educator State!

Respectfully submitted

Harry G. McNeil Ch.

#### REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

There were 4 Councils with no representation: King Hiram (18), Fulton (50), Johnstown (72), Catskill (78).

The following were registered from the other 48 Councils:

P.G.I. MASTERS	11	Past Ill. Masters	79
Ill. Masters	36	Companions	74
Deputy Masters	15	Guests: Men	32
P.C. Ws	9	Women	31

Total Registered....287

James V. Pucchio  
Chairman  
Robert Hay  
Kenneth Cott

ANNUAL MEETING - AUGUST 1976

To the Members and Life Members of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York, Inc. and the Companions of the Grand Council Assembly:

Our Charity Corporation has functioned well this year, although we were unable to get started very quickly due to the fact that our previous Grand Secretary and Treasurer of the corporation had been ill for many months, and no one knew the records had not been kept up-to-date until the time of his death, when a search was made for the said records. However, things have been straightened out, and at our special Directors' meeting, Ill. Robert Dod, former High Priest, and an accountant by trade, took over the records from M.I. Vincent D'Anza, who had helped Mrs. Houst gather the records, and who also took care of Ray's estate.

I have been given a report of the financial condition of our Charity Corporation, and have attached that to this report for our records. At the meeting of the Directors on Saturday night at the hotel it was decided that the corporation should give \$5000.00 to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation. I am happy to state that more of our contributors have now found it advisable to purchase Life Memberships as we have had 8 new ones this year. The finances of our corporation are sound, and we hope the charity corporation will increase in size so that the amounts we are able to give to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation will also increase, so that, in the future, this dread disease may be eliminated. The research in this field is continuing at a great pace, and those in charge hope that in the near future, the pace will be even greater.

I would call your attention to the fact that Life Memberships are Fifty Dollars each and the annual membership is One Dollar, and we hope that more of you will contribute, either through Life Memberships or annual memberships, during your stay at this convention.

At this time I ask for nominations for Directors for the coming year. I would like to call your attention to the fact that I would like to terminate my Presidency of the corporation inasmuch as I have been with the corporation as its lawyer and President since 1959. I organized the corporation under the laws of the State of New York, as a charity corporation that is tax exempt. I now ask for nominations for 5 Directors for the coming year. Such nominations were made and five Directors were duly elected for the coming year.

I wish to thank you for permitting me to be a member of this corporation and its President for the past few years. My wife and I shall of course, always be interested in its future success since we are both Life Members, and I shall always be happy to assist in any way possible in its continuing growth.

Kenneth C. Schwartz

CHARITY FUND - TREASURER'S REPORT 1975-1976

BALANCE IN BANKS, AUGUST 4, 1975		
National Commercial Bank & Trust Co	#5600559-6	892.75
National Commercial Bank & Trust Co	#35663380-8	7208.35
National Commercial Bank & Trust Co	#35662149	4779.10
Community Savings & Loan Assn	#402510	<u>2063.33</u>
Total Cash		14943.53
	Adjustment, F/Y 7-75	<u>.50</u>
		14943.03

Contributions & Dues 4231.17

Interest, bonds	5181.36	
Interest, savings accounts	<u>557.05</u>	<u>5738.41</u>
		24912.61

DISBURSEMENTS

Parkinson's Disease Foundation	5000.00	
Audit	450.00	
Office Expense	<u>81.29</u>	<u>5531.29</u>
Cash Balance, August 20, 1976		<u>19381.32</u>

BALANCE IN BANKS, AUGUST 20, 1976

National Commercial Bank & Trust Co	#35663380-8	4423.90
National Commercial Bank & Trust Co	#35662149	3209.01
Community Savings & Loan	#402510	2183.84
Walden Savings Bank	#15000006	9121.36
Manufacturers-Hanover Trust Co	#7104871	<u>443.21</u>
Total Cash		19381.32

BOND HOLDINGS

Bell Telephone Co of Pennsylvania	5000.	
Consumers Power Company	5000.	
Public Service Co., Indiana	10000.	
Norfolk & Western Railroad	10000.	
Southern California Edison Co	9000.	
Bethlehem Steel Company	9000.	
Public Service Electric & Gas Co	5000.	
Ford Motor Credit Corp	5000.	
Detroit Edison Company	<u>10000.</u>	
Face Value	68000.	
Carried at cost		<u>67437.53</u>

Total Assets, August 20, 1976 86818.85

ROBERT L. DOD  
Secretary-Treasurer

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals is happy to report that nothing has been referred to them during the Cryptic Year and therefore

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

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals is happy to report that nothing has been referred to them during the Cryptic Year and therefore they have no report.

Peace and harmony seem to prevail. May it ever be so.

M.I.: Stanley W. Wakefield (86)

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensations reports that of this date Bath Council No. 40 has been re-activated. It further reports that High Peaks Council No. 96 has forfeited its Charter.

M.I.: Vincent D'Anza (22)

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Your Committee on Unfinished Business finds that all the work of this Grand Assembly has been completed and that there is no unfinished business.

M.I.: R. Bruce Dayton (19)

CLOSING

The Grand Master expressed his appreciation on being elevated to the Office of Grand Master, and promised to do all in his power to carry on the splendid efforts of his predecessors. He said he was going to need the help of all Companions to help share in the work. He then announced the appointments of the Permanent Committees.

The Grand Master closed the 153rd Annual Grand Assembly in ample form with a prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

ROBERT A. L. BENTLEY  
Grand Master

Attest:  
Sylvanus F. Nye  
Grand Recorder



## In Memoriam

M.I. GORDON M. CANER  
Grand Master 1975-76

Nundawaga No.92  
Greeted 5/12/62  
Died 8/21/76

M.I. RAYMON H. HOUST  
Grand Master 1963-64

St. George's No.74  
Greeted 4/12/50  
Died, 9/8/75

M.I. GEORGE O. LINKLETTER  
Grand Master 1927-28

Adoniram No.36  
Greeted 5/5/17  
Died 11/2/75

*In Memory of*

THE COMPANIONS OF THIS AND

OTHER JURISDICTIONS

WHO HAVE PASSED ON

TO THAT

ETERNAL LIFE

WE FRATERNALLY DEDICATE

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## ANNUAL RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS 1975-1976

No. Council	Membership 1975	Greeted	Affiliated	Restored	TOTAL	Died	Demitted	Suspended Council	Suspended Chapter	Suspended Lodge	Indigent	Gain	Loss	Membership 1976	Dues & Fees
1 Columbian	51	1	1		53	4	2	3					7	44	\$104.00
2 Union	49				49	1	1						2	47	98.00
4 Brooklyn	83		1		84	4	4	1					9	75	166.00
7 Adelphic	108	3			111	4	2	1					7	104	220.00
12 Rotica	104				104	1	1				4		2	102	200.00
13 Central City	200	4			204	6	4		1				11	193	404.00
14 Bloss	119				119	6	1						7	112	238.00
15 Bruce	55			1	56			1					1	55	112.00
16 Southern Tier	128	2			130	2	1				4		3	127	252.00
17 Buffalo-Keystone	117	3			120	6	2	12	2		4		22	98	232.00
18 King Hiram	37			1	38							1		38	74.00
19 Doric	139	5			144	2	2		4				8	136	288.00
21 Ancient City	64				64	1	2						3	61	128.00
22 DeWitt Clinton	102				102	6	1	1	1				9	93	204.00
24 Binghamton	89	1	1		91	4	4	3	1				10	79	180.00
25 Dunkirk	97	8			105	2	3						5	100	210.00
26 Palmyra	85				85	5	1		1				7	78	170.00
30 Owego	29	6	1		36	1	1					5		34	70.00
31 King Solomon	87	1			88	1	2						2	85	176.00
34 Northern Star	63	10			73		4	1	1			4		67	146.00
35 Hornellsville	80				80	3	2	1					6	74	160.00
36 Adoniram	117				117	8	2	5	1				16	101	234.00
37 Cryptic	65	4			69	4	1	1					2	63	138.00
40 Bath	0	18	1		19									19	16.00
50 Fulton	100	4			104	4	1						1	99	208.00
52 Washington	40				40	1							1	39	80.00
53 Corning	48				48									48	96.00

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55	Peekskill	51				51	3		4					7	44	\$102.00
62	Hudson	56	9			65	3	1							67	130.00
70	Phoenix	113	2	1		116	9	6					5	12	101	230.00
71	Alph Omega	40	1			41	1	2						2	38	81.00
72	Johnstown	107	5	1		113	3							3	110	216.00
74	St. George's	362	2			364	16	3		1	1			19	343	728.00
75	Skoj Yase	102				102	4	2				2		6	96	200.00
76	Suffolk	126	3	1		130	6							2	124	258.00
78	Catskill	70	3			73	4								69	146.00
79	Temple	63	2			65	1		5					4	59	130.00
80	Flatbush	115	7			122	5						2		117	244.00
81	Joseph Warren	198	1	1		200	3	1				3		2	196	394.00
82	Salamanca	57	1			58			9					8	49	116.00
84	Zabud	52				52									52	104.00
85	Triangle	91	6			97	2	1	2			2	1		92	190.00
86	Lafayette	76	6			82	4					1	2		78	162.00
87	Oneonta	109	10			119	3	1				1	6		115	236.00
88	North Shore	45	1			46	2							1	44	92.00
89	Cyrus	49		1		50	4	1		1				5	44	98.00
90	Cayuga	31	1	1		33							2		33	66.00
91	Hamburg	76	6			82	3	1					2		78	164.00
92	Nundawaga	79	4			83		5		1				2	77	166.00
93	Goshen	88	3			91	2						1		89	182.00
94	Rockland	59	2	1		62	2		1			2			59	118.00
95	Manhattan	72	16			88	3	1					12		84	178.00

COUNCIL OFFICERS OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS, RECORDERS, LOCATION AND STATED ASSEMBLIES 1975-76

No.	Council	Master	Deputy Master	P. C. of W.	Recorders	Location	Stated Assembly
1	Columbia	Rowland Kimberlin	Reginald Smith	William A. Klein	Ludvigs Kiploks	New York	3rd Th.
2	Union	Henry Emerson	Edward Fagan	James B. Tobin	Charles Kramer	Bronx	4th Tu.
4	Brooklyn	Roy J. Rossell	Eric Lofgren	Leo L. Henegan	Ludvigs Kiploks	Brooklyn	1st Wed.
7	Adelphic	Wilfred Vachon	John Koenig	James Antjony	V. Whitehurst	New York	1st Sat.
12	Rotica	Hobert Cook	Arthur Genung	Harold Totten	R. Stephenson	Rome	1st Mon.
13	Central City	David J. Lyon	Bernard Archer	Lawrence Bennett	Victor DeWitt	E. Syracuse	2nd Wed.
14	Bloss	John J. Powell	Remington Kraft	William Howe	Charles Dawson	Troy	1st Fri.
15	Bruce	Richard Tower, Sr.	Paul Roberts	R. Walker, Sr.	W. R. Blanchard	Lockport	4th Fri.
16	Southern Tier	Robert Keller	H. C. Joel Webb	Luther Bowen	John Cooper	Elmira	3rd Mon.
17	Buffalo-Keystone	Warren Stone	Kenneth Cott	John M. Doepp	Weston Carter	Buffalo	4th Tu.
18	King Hiram	Felix Revette	William DeVall	Paul Watson	Arley Bauder	Auburn	1st Fri.
19	Doric	Ralph A. Biggar	George Gerken	Ray Beardsley	R. Bruce Dayton	Rochester	4th Mon.
21	Ancient City	Hilary Schultz	Lemuel Boice	Claude Schambach	Sidney E. Friar	Kingston	2nd Th.
22	De Witt Clinton	Walter Benedict	John R. Schoch	Theo. Lagace, Sr.	Leo H. Maynard	Albany	2nd Th.
24	Binghamton	William Lucas	D. W. Holbrook	Thomas D. Jones	A. John Warren	Binghamton	3rd Fri.
25	Dunkirk	James A. Lenna	Ralph B. Haller	Paul N. Cave	Earl Kommer	Dunkirk	4th Wed.
26	Palmyra	Leslie Thomas	Joseph D. Nyé	F. E. Daniels	Ernest Hack	Palmyra	1st Th.
30	Owego	Ralph Hefft	Alton Mathews	George Morrôw	L. M. Brister	Owego	2nd Wed.
31	King Solomon	Jay Kosseff	Norman Wanser	S. Brecheisen	J. L. Hastings	Poughkeepsie	4th Fri.
34	Northern Star	Chas. Liscum	W. A. Stowell	Herbert Gould	H. E. Wheeler	Carthage	1st d.mo.
35	Hornellsville	Daniel Fuller	Norval Haskins	Theron Booth	H. M. Kreason	Hornell	1&3 Fri.
36	Adoniram	Frank Murray	A. Montaures	David Salage	Leo Heneghan	Flushing	1st Fri.
37	Cryptic	Nathan Berkowitz	Harold Cady	Stuart Sturges	W. H. Atwood	Saratoga	2nd Th.
40	Bath	C. Stackpole, Jr.	D. J. Bogardus	Roger Palmer	Edgar Ralston	Bath	4th Wed.
50	Fulton	Earl M. Everts	Orris M. Best	Kenneth Sweet	Elmore Stone	Fulton	4th Tue.
52	Washington	Gordon Z. Dean	Percy Thompson	Wm. Grastorf	Herbert Belden	Whitehall	4th Tue.
53	Corning	Charles Harder	Donald Stalbird	John Der sham	Walter Conlin	Corning	3rd Th.

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55	Peekskill	Richard E. Warsin	Howard B. Artist	Zdenek Batik	Roger Patterson	Peekskill	4th Th.
62	Hudson	Robert Stenger	Albert Lanz, Jr.	Kenneth Purdy	Aloysius Curran	Hudson	2nd Mon.
70	Phoenix	Herman Knief	Edward Keer, Jr.	Wm. Briderrick	John S. Child	Mt. Vernon	2nd Fri.
71	Alph Omega	Ross Coolaw	Charles Raymond	Dale Cameron	Joe Willard	Medina	2nd Fri.
72	Johnstown	Robert Lindholm	Lester Barker	Warren Pierce	Ronald Wicks	Johnstown	1st Tu.
74	St. George's	Conrad Kupinski	Courtland Andrew	Leslie Osterhout	Harry Griffen	Schenectady	2nd Wed.
75	Skoi-Yase	Homer Fritz	Ernest Patterson	Charles Wickes	Elroy Walker	Waterloo	2nd Fri.
76	Suffolk	Carl Eisenschmied	Harrison Bopp	Harold Hyman	W. S. Matsunaye	Smithtown	2nd Fri.
78	Catskill	Garry Lynn	Gordon Gibson	Charles Fensterer	George Smith	Catskill	4th Mon.
79	Temple	Richard Tower, Jr.	Spencer Martin	George Cudney	Horace Cragun	Niagara Falls	1st Fri.
80	Flatbush	Ole Klevedal	Byrge Kalvehagen	Samuel Moore	Walter Drake, Jr	Brooklyn	4th Tu.
81	Joseph Warren	A. Macauley, Jr.	Earl Douglas	Richard Perkett	Alfred Heermans	Glens Falls	1st Fri.
82	Salamanca	F. McLaughlin	J. R. Crocker	Donald Bixby	Raymond Abbott	Salamanca	2nd Fri.
84	Zabud	Edward Ruppell			S. E. Dorlan	East Meadow	1st Wed.
85	Triangle	James Mason	George Mandiall	John Patterson	N. J. Superty	Jamaica	4th Th.
86	Lafayette	W. Schneider, Jr.	Charles Matties	George Davis	Edward Hoerig	Dobbs Ferry	4th Wed.
87	Oneonta	Joseph Hover	M. D. Olmsted	Darrell Lawson	Fred Hickein	Oneonta	4th Wed.
88	North Shore	F. G. Luckham	James Merritt	Frederick Wildt	Ralph J. Ely	Glen Cove	1st Tu.
89	Cyrus	George Waddy	James Lobdell	Frank Reynolds	C. McClellan	Champlain	5th Wed.
90	Cayuga	Harry Cordes	Lawrence Potter	C. Bowerman	Burr Phelps	Ithaca	2nd Wed.
91	Hamburg	Don Markham	Carl Fisher	Michael Driver	Howard DeVoe	Hamburg	2nd Wed.
92	Nun-da-wa-ga	Gordon Flammger	Allen Capwell	Michael Howlett	Merle Robinson	Warsaw	4th Mon.
93	Goshen	Melvin Griffin	Charles Smith, Sr	David Snell	G. E. Gregory	Middletown	4th Th.
94	Rockland	Robert Wilson	Walter Franks, Sr	Nick Stuffer	Ralph Jones	Sparkill	3rd Mon.
95	Manhattan	Edward Norton	Walter Slodki	Mordecai Horwitz	Robert Causin	New York	1st D mo.

MASTERS AND RECORDERS 1976-1977

First Name - MASTER

- COLUMBIAN #1 New York 3rd Thurs.  
 Rowland H. Kimberlin, 221 Bergen St. Woodbridge NJ 07095  
 Ludvigs P. Kiploks, 837 President St., Brooklyn NY 11215
- UNION #2 Union 4th Tues.  
 Henry Emmerson, 148 Elm St., Cresskill NJ 07626  
 Charles F. Kramer III, Box 454 Church St. Sta. New York NY 10008
- BROOKLYN #4 Brooklyn 1st Tues.  
 Roy J. Rossell, 171 Greenpoint Ave., Brooklyn NY 11222  
 Ludvigs P. Kiploks, 837 President St., Brooklyn NY 11215
- ADELPHIC #7 New York 1st Sat.  
 Wilfred Vachon, 352 W. 20th St., New York NY 10010  
 Vincent Whitehurst, %Keil Apt.5G,77 Burrow St. New York NY 10014
- ROTICA #12 Rome 1st Mon.  
 Robert C. Cook, 5089 Ridge Rd. RD#4, Cazenovia NY 13035  
 Ronald N. Stephenson, Box 392, Clinton NY 13323
- CENTRAL CITY #13 E. Syracuse 2nd Wed.  
 David J. Lyon, 227 Ridge Ave. POBox 474, Liverpool NY 13088  
 Victor R. DeWitt, Orchard Lane RD#1, Lafayette NY 13084
- BLOSS #14 Troy 1st Fri.  
 John J. Powell, 89 Old London Rd., Latham NY 12110  
 Charles E. Dawson, 32 Masten Ave., Cohoes NY 12047
- BRUCE #15 Lockport 4th Fri.  
 Richard Tower, Sr., 1258 Loskport Rd., Youngstown NY 14174  
 Warren R. Blanchard, 5683 Murphy Rd., Lockport NY 14094
- SOUTHERN TIER #16 Elmira 3rd Mon.  
 Robert Keller, 84 Cleveland Ave., Elmira NY 14905  
 John W. Cooper, 907 Laurel St., Elmira NY 14904
- BUFFALO-KEYSTONE #17 Buffalo 4th Tues.  
 Warren H. Stone, 188 Hopkins Rd., Buffalo NY 14221  
 Weston H. Carter, 275 Newfield Ave., Buffalo NY 14207
- KING HIRAM #18 Auburn 1st Fri.  
 Felix Revette, Towpath Rd., Weedsport NY 13166  
 Arley Bauder, 98 Osborne, Auburn NY 13021
- DORIC #19 Rochester 4th Mon.  
 Ralph Biggar, 524 Landing Rd. North, Rochester NY 14625  
 R. Bruce Dayton, 187 Elmdorf Ave., Rochester NY 14619

ANCIENT CITY #21 Kingston 2nd Thurs.  
 Hilary F. Schultz, 85 Stahlman Pl., Kingston NY 12401  
 Sidney E. Friar, RD#3 Box 116, Kingston NY 12401

DeWITT CLINTON #22 Albany 2nd Thurs.  
 Walter C. Benedict, 31 Forest Rd., Delmar NY 12054  
 Leo H. Maynard, 4 Norwood Ave., Albany NY 12208

BINGHAMTON #24 Binghamton 3rd Fri.  
 William J. Lucas, 246 Burbank Ave., Johnson City NY 13790  
 A. John Warren, River House, 40 Front St. Apt 2K, Binghamton 13905

DUNKIRK #25 Dunkirk 4th Wed.  
 James A. Lenna, 10 Oakland St. Lakewood NY 14750  
 Earl M. Kommer, 605 Roosevelt Ave., Dunkirk NY 14048

PALMYRA #26 Palmyra 1st Thurs.  
 Leslie W. Thomas, Vienna Rd., Newark NY 14513  
 Ernest M. Hack, 282 Barnes Rd., Walworth NY 14568

OWEGO #30 Owego 2nd Mon.  
 Ralph E. Hefft, Star Route 1, Owego NY 13827  
 LaVerne M. Brister, 173 Front St., Owego NY 13827

KING SOLOMON #31 Poughkeepsie 4th Fri.  
 Jay Kosseff, 1 Manor Rd., Rhinebeck NY 12572  
 Jerrold L. Hastings, 13 Daria Dr., Poughkeepsie NY 12603

NORTHERN STAR #34 Carthage 1st wk. day  
 Charles S. Liscum, Rte.#4 Lowville NY 13367  
 Harold E. Wheeler, 1605 Columbia St., Watertown NY 13601

HORNELLSVILLE #35 Hornell 1st Fri.  
 Daniel C. Fuller, 49 Oak St., Wellsville NY 14895  
 Harold M. Kreason, 82 Platt St., Hornell NY 14843

ADONIRAM #36 Flushing 1st Fri.  
 Frank G. Murray, 6304 Broadway, Woodside NY 11377  
 Leo L. Heneghan, 62-87 Wetherole St., Rego Park NY 11374

CRYPTIC #37 Saratoga 2nd Thurs.  
 Nathan Berkowitz, 382 Broadway, Saratoga Springs NY 12866  
 William H. Atwood, RD#1 Box 245, Greenfield Center NY 12833

BATH #40 Bath 4th Wed.  
 C. Thomas Stackpole, Jr. P.O.Box 769, Bath NY 14810  
 Edgar K. Ralston, 35 Colonial Lawns, Bath NY 14810

FULTON #50 Fulton 4th Tues.  
 Earl M. Everts, Scenic Ave., Mexico NY 13114  
 Elmore B. Stone, 5419 Scenic Ave., Mexico NY 13114

WASHINGTON #52 Whitehall 2nd & 4th Tues.  
 Gordon D. Zean, P.O.Box 52, Hydeville VT 05750  
 Herbert A. Belden, 96 West St., Whitehall NY 12887

CORNING #53 Corning 3rd Thurs.  
 Charles R. Harder, 10 West Hazel St., Corning NY 14830  
 Walter R. Conlin, 140 Fuller Ave., Corning NY 14830

PEEKSKILL #55 Peekskill 4th Thurs.  
 Richard E. Warsin, 285 Ravencrest Rd., Yorktown Heights NY 10598  
 Roger D. Patterson, 11 Whelan Ave., Croton-on-Hudson NY 10520

HUDSON #62 Hudson 2nd Mon.  
 Robert G. Stenger, Stuyvesant Falls NY 12174  
 Aloysius H. Curran, 15 South Sixth St., Hudson NY 12534

PHOENIX #70 White Plains 2nd Tues.  
 Herman D. Knief, 43 Myrtle Blvd., Larchmont NY 10538  
 John S. Child, 240 Alpine Pl., Tuckahoe NY 10707

ALPH OMEGA #71 Medina 2nd Fri.  
 Ross Coolaw, Bates Rd., Medina NY 14103  
 Joe R. Willard, 4233 S. Main Ext., Middleport NY 14105

JOHNSTOWN #72 Johnstown 1st Tues.  
 Robert L. Lindholm, 2 Lipe Pl., Canajoharie NY 13317  
 Ronald P. Wicks, P.O.Box 367, Johnstown NY 12095

ST. GEORGE'S #74 Schenectady 2nd Wed.  
 Conrad Kupinski, RD#1, Jenkins Rd., Burnt Hills NY 12027  
 Harry W. Griffen, 26 Vassar St., Schenectady NY 12304

SKOI YASE #75 Waterloo 2nd Fri.  
 Homer E. Fritz, 449 E. Lake Rd., Penn Yan NY 14527  
 Elroy P. Walker, Romulus NY 14541

SUFFOLK #76 Smithtown 2nd Fri.  
 Carl Eisenschmied, 1137 Waverly Ave., Holtsville NY 11763  
 William S. Matsunaye, Jr., P.O.Box 335, Medford NY 11763

CATSKILL #78 Catskill 4th Mon.  
 Garrie R. Lynn, 84 Maple Ave., Catskill NY 12414  
 George A. Smith, 10 Cauterskill Ave., Catskill NY 12414

TEMPLE #79 Niagara Falls 2nd Tues.  
 Richard P. Tower, Jr., 962 Meadow Dr., Youngstown NY 14174  
 Horace A. Cragun, 724 Mohawk St., Lewiston NY 14092

FLATBUSH #80 Brooklyn 4th Tues.  
 Ole M. Klevedal, 9480 Ridge Blvd., Brooklyn NY 11209  
 Walter Drake, Jr., 111 Wheeler Ave., Staten Island NY 10314

JOSEPH WARREN #81 Glen Falls 1st Fri.  
 Alvon Macauley, Jr., 6 St. Patricks Lane, Cambridge NY 12816  
 Alfred Heermans, 15 Clark St., Glens Falls NY 12801

SALAMANCA #82 Salamanca 2nd Fri.  
 Frank McLaughlin, 310 E. Riverside Dr., Olean NY 14760  
 Raymond L. Abbott, 157 West Ave., Salamanca NY 14779

ZABUD #84 East Meadow 1st Wed.  
 Edward Ruppell, 3 Drake Lane, Kings Park NY 11754  
 Sylvester E. Dorlan, P.O. Box 269, Bayshore NY 11706

TRIANGLE #85 Woodhaven 4th Thurs.  
 James Mason, 62-16 Eliot Ave., Middle Village NY 11379  
 Nicholas J. Superty, Jr., 563 Park Ave., N. Merrick NY 11566

LAFAYETTE #86 Dobbs Ferry Day in 5th wk.  
 William A. Schneider, Jr., 194 Crest Dr., Tarrytown NY 10591  
 Edward E. Hoerig, 414 Warburton Ave., Yonkers NY 10701

ONEONTA #87 Oneonta 4th Wed.  
 Joseph W. Hover, RD#3, Norwich NY 13815  
 Fred G. Hickey, 82 Elm St., Oneonta NY 13820

NORTH SHORE #88 Sea Cliff 1st Tues.  
 Frederick G. Luckham, 2 Ridge Dr., Glen Cove NY 11542  
 Ralph J. Ely, 16 Sylvia St., Glen Head NY 11545

CYRUS #89 Champlain 5th Wed.  
 George W. Waddy, Saranac NY 12981  
 Charles W. McClellan, Champlain NY 12919

CAYUGA #90 Ithaca 2nd Wed.  
 Harry D. Cordes, 2 Pine Crest Dr., Cortland NY 13045  
 Burr L. Phelps, 607 Auburn Rd., Groton NY 13073

HAMBURG #91 Hamburg 2nd Wed.  
 Don Carl Markham, 396 Washington Hwy., Snyder NY 14226  
 Howard P. DeVoe, 26 Oakland Pl., Hamburg NY 14075

NUNDAWAGA #92 Warsaw 4th Mon.  
 Gordon L. Flammger, 101 E. Main St., Arcade NY 14009  
 Merle L. Robinson, 5 Montclair Ave., Batavia NY 14020

GOSHEN #93 Middletown 4th Thurs.  
 Melvin A. Griffin, 5 Mt. William St., Port Jervis NY 12771  
 G. Elmer Gregory, Box 292, Goshen NY 10924

ROCKLAND #94 Sparkill 3rd Mon.  
 Robert E. Wilson, 3 Hirsch Dr., Garnerville NY 10923  
 Ralph H. Jones, 57 McKenna St., Blauvelt NY 10913

MANHATTAN #95 New York LstWk Day  
 Edward J. Norton, 142 Fort Hill Rd., Yonkers NY 10710  
 Robert Causin, 82-33 252 St., Bellerose NY 11426

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS  
1976-1977

First District-

R.: James B. Milne (80), 1117 86th St., Brooklyn, 11228.  
COUNCILS: Brooklyn #4, Adoniram #36, Suffolk #78, Flatbush #80,  
Triangle #85, North Shore #88.

Second District-

R.: Frank Roth (95), 9805 63rd Rd., Rego Park 11374  
COUNCILS: Columbian #1, Union #2, Adelphic #7, Peekskill #55,  
Phoenix #70, Lafayette #86, Rockland #94,  
Manhattan #95.

Third District-

R.: Henry Yochmann (21), 72 Robin Lane, Kingston, 12401.  
COUNCILS: Ancient City #21, King Solomon #31, Hudson #62,  
Catskill #78, Goshen #93.

Fourth District-

R.: David E. Golden (22), 30 Boyack Rd., Clifton Park 12065  
COUNCILS: Bloss #14, DeWitt Clinton #22, Johnstown #72.

Fifth District-

R.: Byron J. Howe (81), 31 Coolidge Ave., Glen Falls 12801  
COUNCILS: Cryptic #37, Washington #52, Joseph Warren #81,  
Cyrus #89.

Sixth District-

R.: Earsley J. Merrill (13), 7890 Ursa Course, Liverpool, 13088.  
COUNCILS: Rotica #12, Central City #13, King Hiram #18,  
Northern Star #34, Fulton #50.

Seventh District-

R.: Carlton Bowerman (90), 28 Halstead Rd., Cortland 13045  
COUNCILS: Southern Tier #16, Binghamton #24, Owego #30,  
Hornellsville #35, Corning #53, Cayuga #90.

Eighth District-

R.: Elmet D'Arcy (75), 124 Caboor Court, Newark 14513  
COUNCILS: Doric #19, Palmyra #26, Bath #40, Skoi Yase #75.

Ninth District-

R.: James V. Puccio (17), 91 Campus Dr., Snyder 14226.  
COUNCILS: Buffalo-Keystone #17, Dunkirk #25, Salamanca #82,  
Hamburg #91.

Tenth District-

R.: Merle L. Robinson (92), 5 Montclair Ave., Batavia 14020  
COUNCILS: Bruce #15, Alph Omega #71, Temple #79,  
Nundawaga #92.

## COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

### JURISPRUDENCE, LAWS and GENERAL ACTIVITIES

D. Boardman Lee (90) Chairman  
Kenneth C. Schwartz (70)                      Osco W. Peterson (16)  
James D. Seatter (79)                              Vincent D'Anza (22)

### FINANCE and ACCOUNTS

Robert L. Dod (55) Chairman  
Victor R. DeWitt (13)                              John Tresnowske (1)

### MASONIC EDUCATION

Harry G. McNeill (81) Chairman  
(Members to be appointed)

### AWARDS COMMITTEE

James D. Seatter (79) Chairman  
(To appoint his own committee)

### ISH SODI COMMITTEE

James D. Seatter (79) Chairman  
(To appoint his own committee)

### RITUAL COMMITTEE

Harold M. Kreason (35) Chairman  
Edgar K. Ralston (40)                              Edward Holloway (7)  
Harry Saxton (25)                                      Sidney E. Friar (21)

### CONDITION and EXTENSION of the RITE

R. Bruce Dayton (19) Chairman  
David Fine (95)                                      Wilmer E. Bresee (87)

### TIME and PLACE

Ronald MacDonald (1) Chairman  
Ludvigs P. Kiploks (4)                              John Tresnowski (1)  
Juliam Jurgenson (7)

## REPORT OF TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE

R.I. Ludvigs P. Kiploks, chairman of the Time and Place Committee extended an invitation from Columbian Council #1 to hold the 1977 Assembly at West Point. He moved that the 154th Annual Assembly of Royal and Select Masters meet at the Thayer Hotel, Westpoint, New York on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 23rd and 24th, 1977. Motion seconded and adopted.

PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL, R. & S.M. of N.Y.  
 PAST ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS, LIVING AND IN GOOD STANDING

\* Indicates RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS

\*\*\* Indicates last record

\* Indicates MOST ILLUSTRIOUS

was received in 1970.

COLUMBIAN #1

*Ronald MacDonald	Gew Sun Wong	Richard S. Denenholz
John H. Rehm	*James A.D. Ferguson	William K. Klein
E.Reginald Smith	**Robert A.L. Bentley	
James L. Fardon	*Rowland H. Kimberlin	

UNION #2

James Howie	*Charles F. Kramer III	Delmar C. Mattison
*H. Randall Kreger	Germain A. Mahler	*David P. McCracken
*Albert T. Weir	Robert Rorrison	*John S. Child
William E. Guth	Adone S. Pirrone	*Harold S. Davidson
*Walter D. Lindholm	Frank D. Hudson	**Kenneth C. Schwartz
*Paul E. Dinda Sr.	Herbert A. Plassman	
Robert M. Dinda	Charles A. Banten	

BROOKLYN #4

*Otto F. Maelir	*Thomas G. Koehler	*Diego A. Quintero
*James Tilney	*Bernard J. Hansen	*Ludvigs P. Kiploks
*Warren R. Green	**Michael A. Mallies	*Edward J. Harrold
*Robert W. Cauldwell	Eric V. Lofgren	Frank N. Miller
*James C. Pettersen	*Salvatore Caradonna	William C. Iwyer
*Charles J. Safarik	*Irs Ether	Roy J. Rossell

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TABLE #1

Cash Cost - Life Membershp.

Age	Annuity @ \$1.00	Cost	Age	Annuity @ \$1.00	Cost
21	\$18.432	\$ 92.15	58	\$10.321	\$51.60
22	18.342	91.70	59	9.985	49.90
23	18.228	91.15	60	9.648	48.25
24	18.109	90.55	61	9.309	46.55
25	17.985	89.90	62	8.969	44.85
26	17.857	89.30	63	8.630	43.15
27	17.723	88.60	64	8.290	41.45
28	17.585	87.95	65	7.952	39.75
29	17.440	87.20	66	7.616	38.10
30	17.291	81.45	67	7.282	36.40
31	17.136	85.70	68	6.952	34.75
32	16.973	84.85	69	6.627	33.15
33	16.806	84.00	70	6.307	31.55
34	16.632	83.15	71	5.993	29.95
35	16.451	82.25	72	5.685	28.40
36	16.263	81.30	73	5.383	26.90
37	16.069	80.35	74	5.086	25.45
38	15.868	79.35	75	4.794	23.95
39	15.659	78.30	76	4.505	22.50
40	15.443	77.20	77	4.219	21.10
41	15.220	76.10	78	3.936	19.70
42	14.988	74.95	79	3.656	18.30
43	14.749	73.75	80	3.380	16.90
44	14.502	72.50	81	3.108	15.55
45	14.248	71.25	82	2.842	14.20
46	13.985	69.90	83	2.580	12.90
47	13.714	68.55	84	2.318	11.60
48	13.436	67.20	85	2.057	10.30
49	13.151	65.70	86	1.799	9.00
50	12.858	64.30	87	1.548	7.75
51	12.559	62.75	88	1.310	6.55
52	12.255	61.30	89	1.085	5.40
53	11.994	59.95	90	.867	4.35
54	11.628	58.55	91	.654	3.25
55	11.307	56.55	92	.454	2.25
56	10.982	54.90	93	.291	1.45
57	10.653	53.25	94	.137	.70

TABLE #2

Cost/Year of Life Membershp at age 55

Years to pay	Age @ start	Factor	Life Member at 65 Years
2	63	.49020	\$10.50
3	62	.32035	12.75
4	61	.23549	9.35
5	60	.18463	7.35
6	59	.15076	6.00
7	58	.12661	5.00
8	57	.10853	4.30
9	56	.09449	3.75
10	55	.08329	3.30
11	54	.07415	2.95
12	53	.06655	2.65
13	52	.06014	2.40
14	51	.05467	2.20
15	50	.04994	2.00
16	49	.04582	1.85
17	48	.04220	1.70
18	47	.03899	1.55
19	46	.03614	1.40
20	45	.03358	1.35
25	40	.02401	.95
30	35	.01783	.70
40	25	.01052	.40

Based on cost of \$39.75 at age 65.

Alternate plans for the payment of an even sum of money each year in excess of the Annual Dues can be arranged for those desiring. For example; payment of \$5.00 plus Dues starting at age 35 for 10 years and one payment of \$3.80 in the 10th year will purchase Life Membership at age 45. Contact the Recorder for other plans.

Please note that in the event the Annual Dues are increased to over \$5.00 in the future, the costs in Table 1 will be increased and any installment plan may take a little longer than shown above, at the discretion of the Board of Trustees.  
**CASHPURCHASES OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP ARE GUARANTEED.**

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\*Howard E. Lewis  
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Harry L. Brown

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Steven L. Wing

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\*Louis A. Pine  
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\*Joseph E. Whelan, Sr.  
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\*John H. Sexton  
\*Michael Korotky  
Alexander M. Hoag  
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Richard G. Bull  
Charles J. Reilly

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\*Ralph H. Jones  
Keith M. Crook  
Frank E. Smith  
Ed McCue

Bernard Bush  
\*John A. Springer  
Gerard V.W. Rifenbary  
\*Nick Stuffer

Marion E. Carter  
Edwin F. Kohler

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Arthur Zahn  
\*Nicos Mourouzis  
\*Robert Causin  
Murray Fidlow

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Alvin Finger  
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Morris Lookatzer

Morris Schreier  
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George Friedman  
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OFFICIAL VISITATIONS 1976-1977

<u>COUNCIL</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>VISITOR</u>
COLUMBIAN	1	New York City	Stuart Sturges
UNION	2	Bronx	Stuart Sturges
BROOKLYN	4	Brooklyn	Charles E. Grant
ADELPHIC	7	New York City	Kenneth J. Tullock
ROTICA	12	Rome	Charles E. Grant
CENTRAL CITY	13	E. Syracuse	Gordon W. Hathaway
BLOSS	14	Troy	Edward E. Hoerig
BRUCE	15	Lockport	Charles E. Grant
SOUTHERN TIER	16	Elmira	Edward E. Hoerig
BUFFALO-KEYSTONE	17	Buffalo	Jerrold L. Hastings
KING HIRAM	18	Auburn	Robert W. Wallace
DORIC	19	Rochester	Jerrold L. Hastings
ANCIENT CITY	21	Kingston	Edward E. Hoerig
DeWITT CLINTON	22	Albany	Jerrold L. Hastings
BINGHAMTON	24	Binghamton	Edward E. Hoerig
DUNKIRK	25	Dunkirk	Gordon W. Hathaway
PALMYRA	26	Palmyra	Gordon W. Hathaway
OWEGO	30	Owego	Jerrold L. Hastings
KING SOLOMON	31	Poughkeepsie	Gordon W. Hathaway
NORTHERN STAR	34	Carthage	Robert W. Wallace
HORNELLSVILLE	35	Hornell	Robert W. Wallace
ADONIRAM	36	Flushing	Stuart Sturges
CRYPTIC	37	Saratoga Springs	Jerrold L. Hastings
BATH	40	Bath	Edward E. Hoerig
FULTON	50	Fulton	Gordon W. Hathaway
WASHINGTON	52	Whitehall	Gordon W. Hathaway
CORNING	53	Corning	Charles E. Grant
PEEKSKILL	55	Peekskill	Kenneth J. Tullock
HUDSON	62	Hudson	Jerrold L. Hastings
PHOENIX	70	Mt. Vernon	Kenneth J. Tullock
ALPH OMEGA	71	Medina	Jerrold L. Hastings
JOHNSTOWN	72	Johnstown	Charles E. Grant
ST. GEORGE'S	74	Schenectady	Jerrold L. Hastings
SKOI YASE	75	Waterloo	Kenneth J. Tullock
SUFFOLK	76	Smithtown	Stuart Sturges
CATSKILL	78	Carskill	Gordon W. Hathaway
TEMPLE	79	Niagara Falls	Kenneth J. Tullock
FLATBUSH	80	Brooklyn	Robert W. Wallace
JOSEPH WARREN	81	Glens Falls	Robert W. Wallace
SALAMANCA	82	Salamanca	Kenneth J. Tullock
ZABUD	84	East Meadow	Stuart Sturges
TRIANGLE	85	Jamaica	Stuart Sturges
LAFAYETTE	86	Dobbs Ferry	Robert W. Wallace
ONEONTA	87	Oneonta	Kenneth J. Tullock
NORTH SHORE	88	Glen Cove	Edward E. Hoerig
CYRUS	89	Champlain	Robert W. Wallace
CAYUGA	90	Ithaca	Edward E. Hoerig
HAMBURG	91	Hamburg	Charles E. Grant
NUNDAWAGA	92	Warsaw	Charles E. Grant
GOSHEN	93	Middletown	Gordon W. Hathaway
ROCKLAND	94	New York City	Stuart Sturges
MANHATTAN	95	New York City	Edward E. Hoerig

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS NEAR THE  
GRAND COUNCIL OF NEW YORK

ALABAMA	1975	Nick Stuffer	(94)
ARIZONA	1967	Arthur Jensen	(21)
ARKANSAS	1970	Arthur Radlein	(88)
CALIFORNIA	1973	Victor DeWitt	(13)
CANADA, EAST	1966	Neil R. Baker	(13)
CANADA, WEST			
COLORADO	1973	David Aiken	(84)
CONNECTICUT	1974	Bernard Illoway	(85)
DELAWARE	1967	J. Glenn Drumb	(34)
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	1975	Richard R. Waldron	(92)
ENGLAND & WALES	1969	Stanley W. Wakefield	(86)
FLORIDA	1969	John A. Baringer	(72)
GEORGIA	1967	Jack Freudenberger	(76)
GERMANY	1971	Albin F. Bruder	(85)
IDAHO	1960	Charles E. Lewis	(35)
ILLINOIS	1975	Ronald MacDonald	( 1)
INDIANA	1964	Charles McClellan	(89)
IOWA	1969	John H. Sexton	(93)
KANSAS	1972	Nelson Strauch	(85)
KENTUCKY	1976	Keith Crook	(94)
LOUISIANA	1974	Theodore Lagace	(22)
MAINE	1974	Charles S. Dawson	(14)
MARYLAND	1972	Roy E. VanDelinder, Sr.	(19)
MASSACHUSETTS	1971	Harry C. Frederick	(70)
MICHIGAN	1976	Oscro W. Peterson	(16)
MINNESOTA	1974	Alexander Martin	(55)
MISSISSIPPI	1965	Frank W. Allen	(19)
MISSOURI	1976	Joseph Whelan	(93)
MONTANA	1964	Jasper Livingston	(70)
NEBRASKA	1965	Sylvester Corlon	(84)
NEVADA	1976	William K. Cross	(75)
NEW HAMPSHIRE			
NEW JERSEY	1971	Ludvigs P. Kiploks	( 4)
NEW MEXICO	1969	Diego Quintero	( 4)
NORTH CAROLINA	1963	Albert T. Weir	( 2)
NORTH DAKOTA	1970	Lloyd Loke	(71)
OHIO	1964	D. Boardman Lee	(90)
OKLAHOMA	1969	Robert Causin	(95)
ONTARIO	1976	James D. Seatter	(79)
OREGON	1963	Robert T. Mills	(75)
PENNSYLVANIA	1973	Allan E. Gibbons	(86)
PHILIPPINES	1958	Kenneth C. Schwartz	(70)
RHODE ISLAND	1976	Frederick C. Nitz	(74)
SCOTLAND	1969	R. Bruce Dayton	(19)
SOUTH CAROLINA	1964	William Herberg	(62)
SOUTH DAKOTA	1965	Ernest Robertson	(88)
TENNESSEE	1970	Victor Garner	(80)
TEXAS	1976	William J. Lucas	(24)
UTAH	1963	Howard E. Lewis	(92)
VERMONT	1976	Owen E. Germain	(74)
WASHINGTON			
WISCONSIN	1967	Walter Lindholm	( 2)
WYOMING	1974	Paul F. Kilmer	(91)

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1976-1977

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NORTH DAKOTA.....	Delbert J. Miller, Box 128D, Devils Lake	58301
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PAST GRAND MASTERS

PAST GRAND MASTERS from the Organization, September 2, 1810, until the formation of the Grand Council of Royal Master Masons of the State of New York, January 25, 1823:

Name	Period of Service	Name	Period of Service
Thomas Lownds.....	1810-1819	Oliver M. Lownds.....	1822
Silas Lyon.....	1820-1821		

PAST GRAND MASTERS FROM ITS ORGANIZATION, January 25, 1823, to its Union with the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York, June 7, 1860:

Name	Period of Service	Name	Period of Service
Thomas Lownds.....	1823-1824	Richard Ellis.....	1831-1843
Olliver M. Lownds.....	1825-	Fred W. Leeds.....	1844-1848
Garret Morgan.....	1826-	Jonathan Jarvis.....	1849-1858
William F. Platt.....	1827-	John W. Willis.....	1859-
Henry March.....	1828-1830		

PAST GRAND MASTERS from its organization, May 27, 1854:

Name	Period of Service	Name	Period of Service
M. J. Drummond.....	1854-1855	Alexander B. King.....	1891-1893
J. B. Y. Sommers.....	1855-1856	George A. Newell.....	1893-1895
H. L. F. Bunting.....	1856-1857	John F. Baldwin.....	1895-1897
John J. Tindale.....	1857-1858	Abraham Oppenheimer.....	1897-1898
N. O. Benjamin.....	1858-1862	Frederick Cantor.....	1898-1899
Charles H. Platt.....	1863-1869	James B. McEwan.....	1899-1900
James McCredie.....	1870-1872	George McGown.....	1900-1901
John D. Williams.....	1872-1873	John P. Deal.....	1901-1902
G. Fred Wiltsie.....	1873-1874	Willard S. Bradt.....	1902-1903
John B. Sacket.....	1875-1876	John R. Gardner.....	1903-1904
George M. Osgoodby.....	1876-1880	Irving D'Hommedieu.....	1904-1905
Charles W. Brown.....	1880-1881	Charles Stewart.....	1905-1906
John J. Martin.....	1881-1883	Fred E. Ogden.....	1906-1907
Thomas Glidden.....	1883-1885	William H. Andrews.....	1907-1908
John W. Coburn.....	1885-1887	Frank M. Adec.....	1908-1909
John L. Brothers.....	1887-1888	M. S. McKenzie.....	1909-1910
R. C. Christiance.....	1888-1889	Will L. Lod.....	1910-1911
John N. Macomb, Jr.....	1889-1891	Martin Q. Good.....	1911-1912

Herbert W. Greenland.....	1912-1913	George S. Wyman.....	1944-1945
J. Harris Balston.....	1913-1914	Eugene B. Sanford.....	1945-1946
George E. Hatch.....	1914-1915	Arthur A. Bryant.....	1946-1947
William H. Ellis.....	1915-1916	Ira R. Ferguson.....	1947-1948
Oliver H. LaBarre.....	1916-1917	Harold Gardner Dobson...	1948-1949
Eugene E. Hinman.....	1917-1918	George W. Pratt.....	1949-1950
James Chambers.....	1918-1919	Harold I. Blessing.....	1950-1951
Roland K. Mason.....	1919-1920	James G. Purdy.....	1951-1952
Hugh H. Kendall.....	1920-1921	Howard L. Adams.....	1952-1953
Henry A. McGruer.....	1921-1922	Walter E. Price.....	1953-1954
George S. Haswell.....	1922-1923	Edward L. Flemming.....	1954-1955
William S. Riselay.....	1923-1924	James H. Watson.....	1955-1956
Joseph L. Lockhart.....	1924-1925	Theodore M. Billings....	1956-1957
George R. Hemenway.....	1925-1926	W. Ray Converse.....	1957-1958
James A. Smith.....	1926-1927	Max V. Cote.....	1958-1959
George O. Linkletter....	1927-1928	Harold M. Kreason.....	1959-1960
Charles M. Colton.....	1928-1929	Stanley W. Wakefield....	1960-1961
Charles H. Johnson.....	1929-1930	James D. Seatter.....	1961-1962
Jerome L. Cheney.....	1930-1931	R. Bruce Dayton.....	1962-1963
John A. Derthick.....	1931-1932	Raymon H. Houst.....	1963-1964
Albert S. Price.....	1932-1933	Joseph J. Smith.....	1964-1965
William F. Seber.....	1933-1934	John A. Baringer.....	1965-1966
S. Ormond Goldan.....	1934-1935	Kenneth C. Schwartz....	1966-1967
A. Edward Krieger.....	1935-1936	B. Franklin Slye.....	1967-1968
Raymond E. Westbury....	1936-1937	Walter R. Conlin.....	1968-1969
Charles B. Weller.....	1937-1938	Albin F. Bruder.....	1969-1970
E. Parker Waggoner.....	1938-1939	Roy E. VanDelinder, Sr..	1970-1971
Edward Feih.....	1939-1940	Michael A. Mallies.....	1971-1972
Chester D. Crowell.....	1940-1941	Sylvanus F. Nye.....	1972-1973
Harlan S. Perrigo.....	1941-1942	Vincent D'Anza.....	1973-1974
Albert G. Odell.....	1942-1943	H. Randall Kreger.....	1974-1975
Walter M. Hartmann.....	1943-1944	Gordon M. Caner.....	1975-1976

LIVING PAST GRAND MASTERS

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| <u>1958</u> | Max V. Cote<br>18 Notre Dame Street<br>Hudson Falls NY 12839            | <u>1968</u> | Walter R. Conlin<br>14Q Fuller Avenue<br>Corning NY 14830            |
| <u>1959</u> | Harold M. Kreason<br>82 Platt Street<br>Hornell NY 14843                | <u>1969</u> | Albin F. Bruder<br>450 A. North Bloulevard<br>Boynton Beach FL 33425 |
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| <u>1961</u> | James D. Seatter<br>2944 South Avenue<br>Niagara Falls NY 14301         | <u>1971</u> | Michael A. Mallies<br>501 Park Avenue<br>N. Linden NJ 07036          |
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| <u>1964</u> | Joseph J. Smith<br>2649 Osaka Drive<br>Clearwater FL 33516              | <u>1973</u> | Vincent D'Anza<br>63 Wisconsin Avenue<br>Delmar NY 12054             |
| <u>1965</u> | John A. Baringer<br>945 Seacrest Lane<br>Englewood FL 33533             | <u>1974</u> | H. Randall Kreger<br>56 Livingston Ave.<br>Cranford NJ 07016         |
| <u>1966</u> | Kenneth C. Schwartz<br>10 Fisk Place<br>Mt. Vernon NY 10550             | <u>1976</u> | Robert A. L. Bentley<br>390 First Avenue<br>New York NY 10010        |

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