

THE GRAND CHAPTER
OF
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-THIRD
ANNUAL CONVOCATION



Held in The Ambassador Hotel and Conference Centre
Kingston, Ontario Canada
Thursday, Friday, Saturday
April 7, 8, and 9, 2001

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Sudbury, Ontario
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BIOGRAPHY

John William McGill

Personal:

Born - Toronto, Ontario, January 24th, 1926
Educated in the Whitby Board of Education Public and Secondary Schools
Married to the late Shirley Eckford, August 1952, deceased April 3rd, 1990
Two (2) children, a daughter and a son
Two (2) Grandchildren
Moved to Sudbury, October, 1948
Member, Knox Presbyterian Church Sudbury

Business:

Cochrane Dunlop Wholesale Hardware, 1948
International Nickel, 1951
Retired, 1986

Masonic Symbolic:

1948 Initiated Composite Lodge No. 30, Whitby
1949 Passed and Raised Sudbury Lodge No. 658, Sudbury
1959 Charter Member Bethel Lodge No. 699
1965 Worshipful Master Bethel Lodge No. 699
1971 District Deputy Grand Master Nipissing West District
1987 Life Member Composite Lodge No. 30, Whitby
1988 Life Member Bethel Lodge No. 699, Sudbury

Capitular Masonry:

1968 Exalted Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Sudbury
1985 Life Member Tuscan Chapter No. 95
1990 First Principal Tuscan Chapter No. 95
1994 Grand Superintendent New Ontario District No. 15
1995 Elected Grand Executive Committee
1995 Appointed Grand Representative, Grand Chapter of Rhode Island
1996 Elected Grand Third Principal
1998 Elected Grand Second Principal
1998 President Grand Executive Committee by virtue of office
2000 Appointed Grand Representative, Grand Chapter of Scotland
2000 Elected Grand First Principal

Knights Templar:

1968 Member Mavar Preceptory No. 65, Sudbury
1968 Life Member Mavar Preceptory No. 65
1985 Presiding Preceptor Mavar Preceptory No. 65
1986 Grand Appointment
1989 Elected Grand Council
1993-95 Chairman Committee on New Preceptories (Canadian)
1993 Presiding Preceptor, Mavar Preceptory No. 65



Most Excellent Companion John William McGill

Shrine:

1968 Member Rameses Temple, Toronto

1970 President Sudbury Club Oriental Band

1977 President Sudbury Shrine Club

1977 Life member The Glorious Order Hillbilly Degree Clan No. 1, Kentucky, Clan No. 8, Ohio, Clan No. 13, North Carolina, Clan No. 24, Tennessee and Clan No. 46, Toronto

Cryptic Rite Royal and Select Masters:

1973 Charter member Alpha Council No. 23, Royal & Select Masters

1977 Royal Ark Council

1978 Thrice Illustrious Master Alpha Council No. 23

1978 Worshipful Commander Noah Royal Ark Mariners

1979 Appointed Grand Stewart, Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Ontario

1987 Order of the Silver Trowel

1987 Life member Alpha Council No. 23

1999 Charter member Abitibi Council U.D.

Order of High Priesthood:

1990 Charter life member Unity Council No. 4, Midland

1999 Charter member Elam Council, Espanola

York Rite College:

1987 Charter life member Excalibur College No. 101

Red Cross of Constantine:

1993 Member Northern Light Conclave No. 20, Sault Ste. Marie

Allied Masonic Degree

1998 Order Secret Monitor Toronto Conclave No. 3

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite:

1951 North Bay Lodge of Perfection

1987 Spry Chapter of Rose Croix

1987 Barrie Consistory

1990 Sudbury Lodge of Perfection

Sundry:**Knights of the York Cross Honour:**

1992 Trent Priory No. 74, Peterborough

Eastern Star:

1980 Algoma Chapter No. 139, Sudbury

1986 Worthy Patron Algoma Chapter No. 139

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVOCATION

The One Hundred and Forty-third Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, held at the Ambassador Hotel, Kingston, Ontario on April 8th and 9th, 2001

M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill	Grand First Principal
R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour	Grand Second Principal
R.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson	Grand Third Principal

PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

M.Ex.Comp. Charles W Emmett	M.Ex.Comp. Aube L Weisman
M.Ex.Comp. Gordon H Stuart	M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe
M.Ex.Comp. Albert A Mortlock	M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt
M.Ex.Comp. Donald F Kline	M.Ex.Comp. G Robert Jackson
M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker	M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell
M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner	

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED 2000

R.Ex.Comp. David P Hardie	Grand Chaplain
R.Ex.Comp. B Andrew Downes	Grand Treasurer
R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke	Grand Scribe Ezra
R.Ex.Comp. Ronald Glen Harvey	Grand Scribe Nehemiah
R.Ex.Comp. Charles R Griffiths	Grand Principal Sojourner
R.Ex.Comp. William T Reynolds	Grand Registrar
R.Ex.Comp. William Stanfield	Grand Historian
R.Ex.Comp. Robert E Todd	Grand Archivist

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS 2000

R.Ex.Comp. Donald Herbert Winterton	St. Clair District No. 1
R.Ex.Comp. Kenneth Brian Mielkie	London District No. 2
R.Ex.Comp. Larry Arthur Hicks	Wilson District No. 3
R.Ex.Comp. Joseph Victor Games	Wellington District No. 4
R.Ex.Comp. Raymond Wilson	Hamilton District No. 5
R.Ex.Comp. Oliver Gerritt Zordgrager	Huron District No. 6
R.Ex.Comp. Robert McMaster	Niagara District No. 7
R.Ex.Comp. Brian Ernest Bond	Toronto District No. 8
R.Ex.Comp. Keith Douglas Robertson	Georgian District No. 9
R.Ex.Comp. William Arthur Armstrong	Ontario District No. 10
R.Ex.Comp. Lawrence Paul Groves	Prince Edward District No. 11
R.Ex.Comp. Gary Francis Harper	St. Lawrence District No. 12
R.Ex.Comp. M John Moor	Ottawa District No. 13
R.Ex.Comp. Charles Henderson	Algoma District No. 14
R.Ex.Comp. John Edmund Gamble	New Ontario District No. 15
R.Ex.Comp. Terence Dennis Paschal	Temiskaming District No. 16

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - HONOURARY

R.Ex.Comp. Roland A Paddle

R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker

R.Ex.Comp. Denis Langridge

R.Ex.Comp. Norman D McComb

R.Ex.Comp. Derek J Ward

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - ELECTED (1999)

R.Ex.Comp. William Klapatiuk

R.Ex.Comp. Brian R Simpson

R.Ex.Comp. William G Birnie

R.Ex.Comp. John R Pattison

R.Ex.Comp. Eugene F de Beupre

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - ELECTED (2000)

R.Ex.Comp. D Kenneth Bromley

R.Ex.Comp. Gordon E Cross

R.Ex.Comp. R William Glover

R.Ex.Comp. David W Laskey

R.Ex.Comp. W Bruce Miller

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - (APPOINTED 1999)

V.Ex.Comp. Michael J Bowman

V.Ex.Comp. Shayne H Eldridge

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - (APPOINTED 2000)

R.Ex.Comp. Grant B Parsons

R.Ex.Comp. R Arthur Etling

GRAND CHAPTER OPENED

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the One Hundred and Forty-second Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was opened in Ample Form at 9:00 a.m.

The Grand First Principal announced that all Royal Arch Masons in good standing and properly vouched for, would now be welcomed. After admitting all Companions, the Grand First Principal welcomed all present at the One Hundred and Forty-second Annual Convocation.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

The Grand Director of Ceremonies was directed to retire and present the Grand Superintendents whom the Grand First Principal warmly welcomed, thanked for their service during the past year and accorded Grand Honours before assuming their designated place in the convocation.

Distinguished Guests - Introduced by V.Ex.Comp. Leslie O Dawley

Newfoundland

M.Ex.Comp. John Dollimount, G.H.P.

New York

M.Ex.Comp. E Donald Lounsberry, G.H.P.

New Jersey

M.Ex.Comp. Frederick I Waldron, G.H.P.

Illinois

R.Ex.Comp. J Donald Saterlee, D.G.H.P.

Order of the High

M.Ex. Grand High Priest Glenson Jones, Grand President

Priesthood

Sovereign Great Priory

M.Em.Kt. Larry Hostine, Supreme Grand Master

of Canada

The Grand First Principal greeted the Distinguished Guests individually as they were presented and welcomed them warmly. They were then escorted to their seats by the Grand Second and Grand Third Principals. Grand Honours were accorded the guests led by the Grand Director of Ceremonies.

Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbon, the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, was presented in the West where he was formally and warmly received by M.Ex.Comp. McGill. Following Grand Honours he was escorted to his seat on the dias by the Grand First Principal.

INVOCATION

The Grand Chaplain, R.Ex.Comp. David Hardie, led the Companions in a prayer of Invocation.

FLAG CEREMONY AND ANTHEMS

The flags of Canada and the United States of America were presented at the Altar and placed in the East, following which the National Anthems of both countries were sung.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD AND MEMORIAL SERVICE

led by R.Ex.Comp. David P Hardie

Opening Hymn: Abide with Me.

The Collect: O God, the maker and redeemer of all, grant us, and all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your passion and mercy; that in the last day when you gather all things into heaven, we may, with them, enjoy the fullness of your promises. We ask this in your ineffable name. Amen

Reading of Scripture: Daniel 12: 1-3

Homily: A New Name: One of the basic tenets of Freemasonry is the belief that God will reward good and punish vice. Indeed, throughout the various degrees we are taught that the hope of mankind is life after death. Just how this life after death will be realized is only God's to reveal, and that revelation will come to each of us at that time when we will have been summoned from this sublunary abode to be with our Creator.

The passage of scripture we just heard, taken from Daniel 12:1-3 is one of the first breakthroughs in religious thought concerning God's plan for our eternal reward for a life well spent. In fact, along with the passage from Isaiah 24-27, it is the first scriptural references indicating a substantial belief in life after death as to be realized in terms of resurrection. These two scriptural passages are the proofs of faith that there lies beyond this mortal life and the prospects of a cold tomb, a sure and certain resurrection to a life eternal in God's kingdom.

This eternal life in God's kingdom is assured but will only come at the last day and only then after much tribulation.

When we do return to our Creator it will be as spiritual beings with spiritual bodies and at that time we will receive a new name suited to the new relationship we will experience with one another and with our Heavenly Father.

The new name will be found in the Book sealed until the last day. Those new names will no longer point out our earthly identities. There will no longer be a John Doe or a Tom Smith or a David Paul Hardie but rather a name pointing out our relationship as brothers and sons of the one true God.

So it is that while we live here in this earthly state we remember the names of our companions who have laid down their working tools and no longer dwell among us. We cherish their memories in our hearts but we look forward to being reunited with them as brothers with new identities and new names as sealed in the Book and to be opened on the last day. Amen

Closing Prayer: Father of all, we pray to you for those of our companions with whom we have toiled but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetually shine on them; and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will. Amen.

Closing Hymn: Amazing Grace.

M.Ex.Comp. McGill then called upon Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbon to bring greetings from The Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

GRAND MASTER'S REMARKS

M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, Grand First Principal of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, Distinguished Guests and my beloved Companions.

It is a pleasure to bring you and the Companions here assembled fraternal greetings on behalf of all the brethren of The Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario. We are delighted to be with you in the beautiful Masonic Limestone Quarries of Kingston and trust your efforts of hewing the stones will produce building blocks honourable to the builder and keystones of progress for the future. Thank you Most Excellent Sir for the courtesies and hospitality extended to your Grand Master and My First Lady Marjorie, they are very much appreciated.

I am delighted to see that M.Ex.Comp. Harry Turner is with us this morning. As many of you know Harry was in the hospital lately. His young doctor was quite concerned and was trying to impress upon Harry the seriousness of his illness "There is no point in hiding it from you Mr. Turner, the fact is that you are a very, very, very sick man. Do you have any last requests?" "Yes!" grumbled Harry "Get me another doctor!"

We are all familiar with the Legend of Hiram and how there was confusion in King Solomon's Temple when all of a sudden there were no plans or designs for the workmen.

Things had changed and for a time, chaos reigned supreme. Everyone looked to the other workmen to bring direction to the building of the Temple. The system had changed. Many said they were doomed without the Master Builder. Many threw up their hands in despondency, some couldn't cope and just quit. But there were others that grasped the new conditions and took a new leadership role for Scripture informs us that the Temple was indeed completed and dedicated.

Companions, have you ever considered that today we face a similar situation. The design is changed. Following the old plans will not build the Temple of the future. I refer of course to the manner in which new members may enter the Shrine. Last year at this time an edict was in place that would not permit Ontario Masons to join the Shrine without the prerequisites of being a member of the Preceptory or a 32 Degree Scottish Rite Mason. The design had to be the same ie. same rules for all Ontario Masons and this was not the case. On July 8th, a new plan equal for all was passed in Boston at the Imperial Session and so the edict that dealt with the inequality no longer was applicable. Regardless of whether you feel good, bad, or indifferent about the decision to remove the prerequisites the fact is, it is a reality and the old system is changed. It is a new game - the rules have changed. Same old, same old won't work anymore; and yes there is confusion in the Temple.

No longer can we as Companions let others be our sales force. No longer are we only competing with the other Rite for Members. Within the Craft the two lane road has changed to a multilane expressway with a multitude of cloverleafs. New plans and designs must be quickly adopted showing the benefits of taking this road to more light. As Companions we must seek new careers in Masonic sales and service. The product has the same intrinsic value but the packaging must be new and improved. Don't get me wrong, I am not advocating changing the ritual and I assure you I am definitely opposed to reading any Ritual. What I am saying is that a concerted effort is required to provide top notch, first class degrees. A concerted effort has to be made by each of us to live the lessons and follow the teachings of our Chapter and Craft Lodge. Ownership by all, not just a devoted few is necessary to build a better Arch; one that may be justifiably called "Royal" in every sense of the word, and you! you and you are the Keystones.

Companions if you believe in your Chapter, if you believe in Freemasonry then the time is now! It is time to pick up the new plans, time to apply your working tools and develop new skills, and together enter the Quarry to build an Edifice For The Future.

Companions it is time; time to "LIVE BETTER MASONICALLY!" God Bless!

PRESENTATION OF PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

The Grand First Principal instructed the Grand Scribe Ezra to call the roll of the Past Grand First Principals and for them to assemble in the West.

M.Ex.Comp. Charles W Emmett	1961-62
M.Ex.Comp. Aube L Weisman	1978-79
M.Ex.Comp. Gordon H Stuart	1982-83
M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe	1984-85
M.Ex.Comp. Albert A Mortlock	1986-87

M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt	1988-89
M.Ex.Comp. Donald F Kline	1990-91
M.Ex.Comp. G Robert Jackson	1992-93
M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker	1994-95
M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell	1996-97
M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner	1998-99

Most Excellent Sirs: It is my privilege, on behalf of this convocation here this morning, to greet you all and extend to you a warm welcome to this our 143rd Annual Convocation, here in the City of Kingston.

We thank you for your individual contributions to our Grand Chapter during your terms as Grand First Principals and let us who follow in your footsteps today and in the years to come see that this great organization continues to move ahead.

We are proud of your achievements in the interest of this Grand Chapter as Grand First Principals and may we continue to have the benefit of your wise council and judgements now and in the years to come.

G.Z: M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt I would call upon you for some remarks.

M.Ex.Comp. Levitt: Most Excellent Sir, it is a privilege for me to respond on behalf of my colleagues and we thank you for your warm welcome and comments and we assure you that we are here and ready to serve this Grand Chapter at all times.

G.Z. Most Excellent Sirs, after receiving Grand Honours, I would ask you to take your seats in the East.

M.Ex.Comp. McGill called upon R.Ex.Comp. Gary F Harper, Grand Superintendent of St. Lawrence District No. 12 to give the:

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions: On behalf of the Companions of St Lawrence District No. 12 it is indeed an honour to have you as our guest in the City of Kingston for the 143rd Convocation of Grand Chapter. I would like at this time recognise R.Ex.Comp Roland Paddle and his committee for the extensive planning and hard work they have put into this convocation.

I would recommend that you would take time while here to enjoy Kingston which is steeped in three centuries of Canadian History. Kingston is the oldest city in Ontario strategically located along the wealthiest business corridor in the country. It is the major city for commerce, education, and health services in southeastern Ontario.

It is home to Canada's oldest degree-granting institution Queens University

There is also St Lawrence college and the Royal Military College of Canada, The Canadian Forces Base Kingston along with multinationals such as Dupont Canada, Celanese Canada, Bombardier and Alcan, Canada's oldest daily newspaper The Kingston Wig—Standard, and former home of Sir John A MacDonald Canada's first Prime Minister who was also a craft and Royal Arch Mason.

If you are in District No 12 please consider this an open invitation to visit our chapters which are located in Cornwall, Prescott, Kemptville , Brockville and Kingston which is the oldest chapter in Ontario. Your presence guarantees the 143rd Grand Convocation success. Please enjoy a safe and fruitful visit. Once again welcome.

Garry Harper, Grand Superintendent St Lawrence District No. 12

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CONVOCATION

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Richard Jackson, Grand Third Principal that the proceedings of the 142nd Grand Convocation held in Kingston, Ontario, on Friday the 14th of April and Saturday the 15th of April 2000, having been printed and copies sent to all Chapters in the jurisdiction, that the recorded minutes be considered as read, and the same now be confirmed. CARRIED.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal that the order of business of this Annual Convocation be changed at the discretion of the Grand First Principal. CARRIED.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal that R.Ex.Comp. Guenther H Gahs be confirmed as Chairman of the Credentials Committee with power to form his own Committee as approved by the Grand First Principal. CARRIED.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal that R.Ex.Comp. Guenther H Gahs be confirmed as Chairman of the Scrutineer Committee with the power to form his own Committee as approved by the Grand First Principal. CARRIED.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Most Excellent Grand First Principal, asked the Grand Scribe Ezra to call the Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions near our Grand Body, and asked them to answer the call and assemble on the north and south sides of the Altar.

COUNTRY OF JURISDICTION

Alabama
Alaska
Alberta
Argentina
Arizona
Arkansas

REPRESENTATIVE

Verne E Young
Harry S Smith
Albert A Mortlock
Lawrence Halliday
Donald Attridge
John V Lawer

British Columbia	M Sheldon Boomhour
California	B Andrew Downes
Colorado	Bert A Mennie
Connecticut	David W Laskey
Delaware	R Frank Russell
District of Columbia	Robert S Wylie
Finland	E Roy Harrison
Florida	Alan F Walker
France	Russell H Sills
Georgia	Frederick C Garvin
Germany	Guenther H Gahs
Greece	Sandy Glasgow
Idaho	Guy G Deavu
Illinois	Melvyn J Duke
India	Malcolm W Watling
Indiana	R Allan Cadwallader
Iowa	T Bilardino Segui
Ireland	William J Boston
Israel	Eric Laiken
Kansas	Edwin R Carr
Kentucky	Brian E Keighley
Louisiana	Edward S P Carson
Maine	Henry E Winslow
Manitoba	L Ian Montague
Maryland	David G Walker
Massachusetts	Sven Nielsen
Mexico	Harold G Hubbell
Michigan	Donald F Kline
Minnesota	Frederick Gronski
Mississippi	James W Reid
Missouri	R William Glover
Montana	Larry J Hostine
Nebraska	William Klapatiuk
Netherlands	Ronald McClung
Nevada	Brian Stapley
New Brunswick	William Stanfield
Newfoundland	Roland A Paddle
New Hampshire	Percy Barr
New Jersey	Aube Weisman
New Mexico	Alton Roy
New South Wales	Edward W Elcombe
New York	Charles Meldrum
New Zealand	Glenison T Jones
North Carolina	Donald J Emerick
North Dakota	Norman D McComb
Nova Scotia	Wesley Massey
Ohio	Gordon Cross
Oklahoma	Shayne H Eldrige

Oregon	Alan A Foote
Pennsylvania	Wilson S Anderson
Philippines	David C Hill
Quebec	Walter T Bulbeck
Rhode Island	John E Gamble
Queensland Australia	Gilbert G Fowlow
Saskatchewan	Richard Stevenson
Scotland	John W McGill
South Africa	Leslie Levitt
South Australia	B Donald Lamont
South Carolina	George Gifford
South Dakota	M John Moor
Switzerland	James A Shaw
Tennessee	Derek J Ward
Texas	C Gordon Sinclair
Utah	John Post
Vermont	Edward G Ounjian
Victoria Australia	Bruce Miller
Virginia	Dale Plant
Washington	Donald Gillis
Western Australia	John S Murdock
West Virginia	Harry D Turner
Wisconsin	James M Napier
Wyoming	George Chambers

G.Z. To you Most Excellent, Right Excellent and Very Excellent Companions, I welcome you all to this convocation and feel that you are all carrying out your duties as a Grand Representative to the satisfaction of our Grand Chapter.

M.Ex.Comp. McGill called on the Grand Director of Ceremonies to lead in Grand Honours.

REPORT OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

On behalf of the Distinguished Service Award Committee I am pleased to announce the results of the review of the applications for the recognition of outstanding service to Royal Arch Masonry in Ontario.

The following Companions are to be so honoured:

Companion Albert Edwin Morgan	Kirkland Chapter No. 251, Kirkland Lake
Companion Derrick Saulters	Waterloo Chapter No. 32, Cambridge
Companion James E Guillmette	Dochert Chapter No. 248, Arnprior

The dedication of these men to the service of their fellow Companions is greatly acknowledged and appreciated. For them we wish the Supreme Architect's richest blessing and many years to enjoy them.

Fraternally and sincerely submitted, M.Ex.Comps. Harry D Turner, R Frank Russell and Alan F Walker, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Walker that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED

M.Ex.Comp. McGill then requested M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner to assume the Sceptre.

GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, Past Grand First Principals, Grand Chapter Officers, Distinguished Guests and Companions. It is a privilege to receive and greet the representatives of the concordant bodies and visitors from our sister provinces and from the United States of America.

I also wish to acknowledge in our midst – "Companion and Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbin," Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario. Most Worshipful Sir, may I extend to you on behalf of this Grand Convocation a most sincere and warm welcome and assure you that this Grand Chapter pledges its loyalty and allegiance to you. Your outstanding contributions, devoted leadership, and mutual understanding during your term of office is much appreciated by this Grand Chapter. As your term of office is nearing its end may I on behalf of this Grand Convocation wish for you good health and happiness, and may you continue to serve our Grand Lodge in the years to come.

Companions we are again meeting here in Kingston, a city with a population of 71,000 people. Kingston is situated near the entrance of the St. Lawrence River and was the Capital of Canada from 1841 to 1844. Many of the old limestone buildings are still standing throughout the city. Fort Henry, a majestic landmark overlooking the St. Lawrence River stands as a symbol of strength and relates to the early years of wars on Canadian soil.

To the Companions serving on this Convocations Committee under the chairmanship of R.Ex.Comp. Rolland Paddle, I thank you all for your participation and all you have done to make this convocation successful. One year ago, I was installed to the high and important office of Grand First Principal of this Grand Chapter.

As Grand First Principal one must recognize the importance of setting an example of excellence in one's life and realize that the future of this Fraternity rests on our shoulders.

We as companions of this great fraternity of Royal Arch Masons must prepare ourselves for entry into this new century of changing times and new challenges. Should we change with the times — Set new goals and methods of operations, in order to maintain a position in the changing times. My answer to these questions is Royal Arch Masonry lies in the hands of our present membership. They will make of it what they desire (they are you and I, Companions.)

Let us never be afraid to question Royal Arch Masonry in relation to changing conditions. But along with all this, the voices of experience should not go unheeded.

The voices of experience lay in the hands of our Past Grand First Principals. We must recognize fully the great contributions in time, in energy, and the many honours they have brought to Royal Arch Masonry during their terms in office over the last many years. I will not attempt at this time to describe the sterling qualities they all possess as it would infringe on the time allotted for this convocation. I thank you all Most Excellent Sirs for being here today and would ask you to continue your interest in Royal Arch Masonry.

At this time, I would like to thank the many Companions and Chapters who expressed their concern during my hospital stay in the months of January and February with phone calls and get well cards. I thank you all for your concern.

To Most Excellent Companion Leslie Levitt who ably represented your Grand First Principal at two installations and two amalgamations in the month of February and March. I thank you Most Excellent Sir for representing me on those occasions.

NECROLOGY: As in other years, we in our Chapters mourn the passing of so many Companions who have gone from our Chapters and moved through that celestial gates from which no traveller returns. Let us remember them as good men and may we thank God for such men. They have left with us a noble heritage of blessed memories. We and the world are richer for having them live amongst us. Our Grand Chaplain R.Ex.Comp. David Hardie during the morning will give us a full and complete report on the Fraternal Dead and a Memorial Service to their memory.

BENEVOLENCE: Benevolence is a word which implies that none of us prospers but by the Grace of God and there is a duty to see that those who are in need are provided for. It is also a kind word, the friendly greeting, it is the sympathetic understanding of a Companion or widow's shortcomings, and joy in their welfare. It is not for me to dwell on the work being done by R.Ex.Comp. Edward Ounjian, Chairman of the Benevolent Committee and his Committee Members on the quiet and compassionate manner in which they carry out their duties and commitments to the Benevolence Committee and to our Grand Chapter. May your Committee continue their good work on behalf of Royal Arch Benevolence.

CONSTITUTION: During my first year as Grand First Principal my main concern is with 52 Chapters who failed to send in their Annual Returns on time and were denied voting privileges. Returns according to Section 20 G (Annual Returns) must be sent in on or before the closing of business on January 31. The Grand First Principal on being advised by the Grand Scribe Ezra that the returns and payments of a Chapter having been received prior to the First day of March may lift such denial after due and serious consideration. Such demands have been lifted on 40 chapters. However 12 who did not send in returns prior to March 1st are deprived of voting privileges and are prohibited from having a member stand for or holding a Grand Chapter office or for consideration to receive a Grand Chapter appointment. It was also necessary by your Grand First Principal to disqualify three Companions seeking elective office in our Grand Chapter. These disqualifications were the results of aspirants names being published in Chapter summon's and by other means of communication.

PAST RANK: I have received a request from Peel Chapter No. 195, Brampton to grant Past Rank on Excellent Companion Fred Highmore. Excellent Companion Highmore was installed as Second Principal on January 8th, 2000. He was forced to leave his place of employment and the office of Second Principal due to a serious heart condition. I am pleased to recommend that the Rank of Past First Principal be conferred upon Excellent Companion Fred Highmore.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS: The Grand Superintendents over the past year have represented the Grand First Principal with dignity and propriety. They have served their districts well and rendered a distinct and much appreciated service to Royal Arch Masonry. Although their term in office was twelve months in duration, in those twelve months they completed their allotted tasks to the satisfaction of your Grand First Principal and this Grand Chapter. I would like to thank the Grand Superintendents who supported the Grand First Principal at many official functions.

DISPENSATION: During the past twelve months there has been 76 dispensations issued. The majority being for changes of dates and times of meetings and several for Ladies Nights.

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS AND CERTIFICATES: Over the past year many of our veteran members have been presented with Bars and Jewels in recognition of long service:

25 year Past Principal Bars	11
50 year Past Principal Bars	2
50 year Royal Arch Jewel	29
60 year Pin	1
Past Principal Certificates	22

ANNIVERSARIES: On September 14th, 2000 a 50 year celebration was held by Tillsonburg Chapter No 255, Wilson District No. 3. This one day event was well attended by the Companions and Ladies of Tillsonburg Chapter as well as Companions from other Chapters in the surrounding districts.

APPOINTMENTS: In keeping with our Constitution, Section 50 Subsection (c) for dedicated service rendered to our Grand Chapter, I recommend the confirming of Honourary Membership in the Grand Executive on V.Ex.Comp. Norman E. Byrne. V.Ex.Comp. Norman E Byrne who over the last many years has been active in Grand Chapter. As Chairman of the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence, he has contributed his expertise on matters of importance and Grand Chapter has gained much. His sterling character, great ability, and high integrity is my assurance that he deserves this Honourable Rank.

AMALGAMATIONS: On Wednesday, September 27, 2000 a large turnout of Past and Present Grand Chapter Officers and Companions attended the amalgamation in London of St. John's Chapter No. 3 and St. Georges Chapter No. 5.

On Thursday, January 25, 2001 in the City of Cambridge we saw the amalgamation of Preston Chapter No. 245 and Waterloo Chapter No. 32. And again on Thursday, March 8, 2001 in the City of Hamilton we saw the amalgamation of St. John's Chapter No. 6 and McKay Chapter No. 243. A large turnout of Past and Present Grand Chapter Officers and Companions were in attendance. Grand Chapter closely investigated these applications for amalgamation and felt it was a necessary step for these Chapters to take in order to guarantee their survival in the years to come.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND KEYSTONE: The Public Relations Committee members have given our Grand Chapter many hours of their time visiting Chapter events, Ontario Ploughing Match, Grand Lodge, Royal and Select Masters and Shrine Ceremonials. As the new year is now upon us, our Public Relations Committee will be looking for volunteers to assist with this project.

Over the last year I discontinued the publication of the "Keystone." It was felt that in many cases, the events mentioned had already taken place and were considered to be "old news", by mailing time. We replaced the "Keystone" in favour of a page in the "Ontario Mason" published by Grand Lodge. Some 60,000 Master Masons are receiving our message, "Curious about the Holy Royal Arch?" through this publication. Master Masons are asking questions and in many cases requesting Chapter applications.

VISITATIONS: During the past year I have visited Chapters throughout our Grand Jurisdiction, probably not as many as the Past Principal living in our southern Districts, who are a few miles from many Chapters. Distance and weather conditions are the draw back of living so far north. I was forced to cancel my visits during the last half of the month of January and all of February due to health reasons (my surgery and hospital stay).

My Itinerary to date will be printed in the 2001 Proceedings and will only include my visits to Chapters and Chapter events.

During the year I had the opportunity to represent our Grand Chapter at the following Convocations outside our Jurisdiction:

October 3, 2000	184 th Grand Convocation, Grand Chapter of Ohio, Columbus Ohio
October 6, 2000	152 nd Grand Convocation, Grand Chapter of Michigan, Lansing MI

SPECIAL RECEPTIONS: During the Past year, I was received and honoured at three receptions. I will long remember these special nights and thank the Companions of the individuals districts for their kind and considerate efforts:

October 14, 2000	London District No. 3, Tillsonburg
October 19, 2000	New Ontario District No. 15, Sudbury
November 4, 2000	Ontario District No. 10, Midland

INTERNET: Since our last convocation, we have become involved with a Royal Arch Web site available to "cyber surfing" Masons and the world at large. This project is being put together by members of the various Chapters under the direction of our Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. Sheldon Boomhour.

Some of our members may oppose this move by Grand Chapter while others, may favour the use of computers and the Internet by Grand Chapter. With the availability of this new technology, it affords our Grand Body a wonderful opportunity to communicate with all masonic bodies and the non-masonic communities at large.

CONCLUSION: It has been my pleasure over the last twelve months to visit many Chapters in many Districts. I thank the Companions of these Chapters for the cordial manner in which I was received. To the Companions and Superintendents who attended these meetings, your presence was much appreciated.

To our Committee Chairmen and their respective committee members, I congratulate you all collectively for your presence here today and for your reports describing your accomplishments over the past year. To our Past Grand First Principals, I thank you for your assistance over the last twelve months and may I wish for you all many years of good health.

From the many Chapter summons I receive, I am pleased to report that many of our Chapters are reporting an increase in Candidates while others are experiencing difficult times and looking to amalgamation for survival.

As our Grand Convocation drew near I had much concern pertaining to Grand Chapter appointments. During my visits, over the last twelve months, I have asked the Scribes to send to the Grand Chapter Office for consideration by your First Principal, the names of worthy Companions who the Chapter felt should be given an appointment. Very few names have been submitted. It must be realized that your Grand First Principal does not know who these Companions might be and results in worthy Companions not receiving the appointed honour they deserve.

To R.Ex.Comp. Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Second Principal and R.Ex.Comp. Richard Jackson, Grand Third Principal, I thank you for your support over the last twelve months and for your dedication to our Grand Chapter.

To our Grand Scribe Ezra, R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke, your knowledge of your duties and details of the work entrusted to you in the interest of Royal Arch Masonry and this Grand Chapter has given your Grand First Principal the benefits of your assistance on all matters of importance. I anticipate a continuance of your endeavours during the coming year and thank you for it.

And finally, may I say Companions, it is my hope that your Chapter will keep in sight the high ideals of the Craft and for each one of you to practice in your every day life - Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth against which there is no law in Heaven or on Earth. Amidst all the unrest and false teaching of the day may the foundation of the Craft stand firm as a rock as Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth will always prevail.

Thank you Companions and may the blessings of the Supreme Being be with you always.

John William McGill

Moved by the Grand Second Principal and seconded by the Grand Third Principal that the address of the Grand First Principal be received by the Grand Chapter and that it be referred to a Special Committee on the Grand First Principals Address and that Committee report thereon at this convocation. CARRIED.

Grand First Principal's Itinerary April 2000 - April 2001

2000 May

- 1 Dochart Chapter No. 248, Installation - Arnprior
- 3 Maple Granite Chapter No. 61, Installation - Carleton Place
- 4 St Johns Chapter No. 103, Regular Meeting - North Bay
- 13 Couchiching Chapter No. 198, Installation - Orillia
- 16 Espanola Chapter No. 257, Regular Meeting - Espanola
- 18 Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Regular Meeting - Sudbury
- 26-28 Grand Council Royal & Select Masters - St Catharines

June

- 10 Order of High Priest Hood Council No. 5, Espanola

- 16 Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Regular Meeting - Sudbury
- 28 Convocation meeting - Kingston
- 29 Ontario Masonic Leaders - Toronto

July

18-20 Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. - Toronto

September

- 5 Ontario Masonic Leaders - Toronto
- 9 Order of the High Priest Hood Council No. 5 - Espanola
- 11 Keystone Chapter No. 35, Confer Past Rank of Deputy Grand Master - Whitby
- 20 King Darius Chapter No. 134, Regular meeting - Cannington
- 21 Midland Chapter No. 94, Regular meeting - Lindsay
- 23 Royal & Select Masters, Regular meeting - Sudbury
- 27 St John's Chapter No. 3 and St George's Chapter No. 5, Amalgamation - London

October

- 3-4 Grand Chapter of Ohio
- 6-7 Grand Chapter of Michigan
- 11 Ontario Masonic Leaders - Toronto
- 14 Tillsonburg Chapter No. 255, 50th Anniversary and reception - Tillsonburg
- 19 Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Regular meeting - Sudbury
- 28 Orient Chapter No. 79, Installation and Ladies night - Toronto

November

- 4 Grand Chapter Executive meeting - Midland
- 4 Kichikewana Chapter No. 167, Ladies night and reception- Midland
- 8 Friendship Lodge No. 691 Visitation of DDGM and Z of Tillsonburg Chapter No. 255
- 16 Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Regular meeting -Sudbury
- 18 Northern Lights Conclave No. 20, Sault Ste Marie
- 23 Mavar Preceptory No. 65, Regular Assembly
- 25 Grenville Chapter No. 22, Social Evening with ladies - Prescott

December

- 4 Ontario Masonic Leaders - Toronto
- 21 Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Regular meeting - Sudbury
- 21 Mavar Preceptory No. 65, Sudbury

January 2001

- 2 Pentalpha Chapter No. 28, Installation - Oshawa
- 9 White Oaks Chapter No. 104, Installation - Oakville
- 13 Peel Chapter No. 195, Installation and dinner with ladies - Brampton
- 18 Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Regular meeting - Sudbury

March

- 3 District Meeting - Espanola
- 10 Grand Chapter Executive Committee meeting - Pickering
- 15 Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Regular meeting - Sudbury
- 30 Reception for Grand Master with ladies - Sudbury

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

I am pleased as Chairman of this committee to present the report of this committee for the year 2000/2001 covering administration under its mandate over the above period, together with other matters with which the committee dealt as required by the Constitution of Grand Chapter under Article 59.

In the last Masonic year your committee has considered applications from twenty six chapters to amend their respective bylaws. After close examination of the material received from the Grand Scribe Ezra your committee approved twenty four of the applications, returned one for correction and re-submission, and reviewed one set of proposed bylaws presented for preapproval and comments, which, with a slight amendment were returned with your committees approval and comments.

Your committee has considered and reviewed several notices of motion to amend the Constitution, and as required by the committee's mandate, reports on them now.

Your committee has reviewed the material containing the various amendments that were received from the Grand Scribe Ezra and without restating word for word, all of the amendments, which are quite extensive, your committee has referred to them in this report by naming the companion who proposed them. Full copies of the several notices of motion are available through the office of the Grand Scribe Ezra.

1. M.Ex.Comp. Harry Turner has proposed an amendment to Article 55(h) in effect to remove the "Long Range Planning Committee" as a Standing Committee of the Grand Executive Committee. Your Committee finds the proposed amendment regular and in order.

2. R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck proposes an amendment to Section 72 which defines the responsibilities of the "Long Range Planning Committee". As there is already an amendment dealing with the status of this Committee before Grand Chapter, it is premature to consider this amendment to rename and redefine a new Committee's responsibilities and, accordingly, your Committee finds this amendment not to be regular and in order.

Comp. Bulbeck proposes to amend Article 56(a) and 56(c), (incorrectly lettered (b)) by adding the word "Grand" before Treasurer in 56(a) and in 56(c) deleting "that the expenditures... to cover them" and to replace it with "the financial viability of Grand Chapter". Your Committee finds this proposed amendment regular and in order.

The third amendment of Comp. Bulbeck is to delete Article 54(b), (f) and (g) and insert them in Article 55 as (j) Constitution Review, (k) Archives and (l) History. Your Committee finds this amendment to be regular and in order.

The fourth amendment of Comp. Bulbeck is an amendment to Article 29(k) (incorrectly stated in the proposed amendment as Article 28(k) deleting the word "principals" and "excellent principals" with the word "councils". The word "councils" is nowhere defined in the Constitution of Grand Chapter and therefore, due to lack of definition and uncertainty, your Committee finds this proposed amendment not to be regular or in order.

3. The first amendment by M.Ex.Comp. Bob Jackson proposes "remuneration" to the Principals in specified amounts respectively. Traditionally, elected senior officers of Grand Chapter have never been paid for their services, or otherwise remunerated. Accordingly, your Committee finds this proposed amendment not to be regular or in order, as it flies in the face of Royal Arch traditions of many, many, many years. Your Committee suggests that this matter more properly should be a budgetary matter of a committee and dealt with accordingly.

In the second part of Comp. Jackson's amendments, he uses the expression "an elected member of Grand Executive Committee", Article 50(c) has two kinds of "elected persons". Those described in the first seven lines of that section e.g. the Grand First Principal etc. and those described in the last three lines of the Article, namely five members of the Grand Executive Committee to be elected annually for a two-year term, it is uncertain, and otherwise unknown to your Committee, whether the proposed amendment refers to the first group or the second group above indicated, as both are "elected members of the Grand Executive Committee". Accordingly, for uncertainty and lack of definition, your Committee finds this proposed amendment not regular or otherwise in order.

4. The amendments to the Constitution proposed by Comp. Gordon Cross to Articles 109 and 110 have been examined by your Committee, and your Committee finds the proposed amendment to Article 109, dealing with amalgamation of Chapters, is contrary to the basic legal principles that a body or entity must be first formed in its basic form and then it has the capacity to regulate its conduct and affairs by creating By-laws accordingly and, therefore, your Committee finds this proposed amendment not to be regular or in order.

The proposed amendment to Article 110 provides for an "adjudicator" (proposed amendment 110(c)) to make decisions for the Grand First Principal. When a Companion is elected to this office of leadership by the Companions of Royal Arch, he does not have the right to delegate that power to someone else, as he himself, (the Grand First Principal) is, in effect, delegated by the Royal Arch Companions to carry out the administration and management of Grand Chapter. Accordingly, your committee finds this proposed amendment not regular or otherwise in order.

5. The amendment by V.Ex.Comp. George White to Article 87(a) is obviously designed to remove the six-month waiting period before applying for membership in Chapter as presently set out in Article 87(a). His wording of the amendment also removes the requirement that a Royal Arch Mason must remain during such membership a member in good standing of a Craft Lodge. It is fundamental and very basic to Royal Arch Masonry, that every Royal Arch Mason must be and remain a member in good standing of a Craft Lodge. Accordingly, with the wording used in the amendment proposed by V.Ex.Comp. White, your committee is unable to find this proposed amendment regular or otherwise in order.

6. R.Ex.Comp. Grant Parsons has proposed four amendments, the first to Article 69, where he proposes to deal with the responsibilities of the Public Relations Committee. One of the suggested amendments is to deal with the film "The Saga of the Holy Royal Arch".

He then proposes to amend Article 70 by forming a new committee for Membership Recruitment, Retention and Restoration and, again, he proposes to give the administration of the above film to this committee as well. Due to the actual wording of these two amendments, (the amendment purports to give the film and its distribution to two committees), your Committee is unable to find these amendments regular and in order. The third amendment proposes to deal with Article 55 (Standing Committees of the Grand Executive Committee) by adding the committee apparently referred to in the amendment to Article 70 to be a standing committee of the Grand Executive Committee. Your Committee has already found the amendments to Articles 69 and 70 not to be regular etc. and, accordingly, is unable to find this amendment to be regular and in order.

The fourth amendment to Article 29 proposes to add some responsibilities on the newly elected Grand Superintendent of the District with particular reference to naming and, accordingly, establishing district committees and their respective chairmen. This amendment takes away the authority of each Grand Superintendent of each district, (and it would seem that each district is different, and each different district may not want specific committees, that this amendment puts forward,) to establish or not to be established by each District Grand Superintendent. Therefore, as this proposed amendment restricts, or takes away, the accountability of the elected Grand Superintendent in each district, and the autonomy of each district, your Committee must find this proposed amendment not to be regular or in order.

As chairman of your committee I extend to the other members of the committee, R.Ex.Comp. Sheldon Boomhour and V.Ex.Comp. John V Lawer my sincere thanks for their assistance, with special thanks to the Grand Scribe Ezra, R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn Duke for all his help and the many courtesies extended to the committee during the last year.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee, V.Ex.Comp. Norman E Byrne Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE BURSARY COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Scholarship and Bursary Fund was established to provide assistance to Royal Arch Masons, dependants of members, widows and orphans of members to complete their education at Universities, Community or Technical Colleges..

This Committee has awarded 34 Bursaries to students who qualified to receive our help, and 2 Medical Scholarships to the University of Toronto, for a total of \$9,800. Applications received this year were from 14 first year students, 9 second year students, 5 third year students and 6 fourth year students. Applications were received from District 1- 1, District 2 - 3, District 5 - 5. District 6 - 5, District 8 - 7, District 10 - 4, District 12 - 5 and District 13 - 4. This year courses ranged from Teachers, Science Research, Film and Television Editor, Physiotherapist, Social Worker, Software Engineer, Police Officer, Veterinary Medicine,

Sports Doctor, Lawyer, Archaeologist and Aerospace Engineer to name a few..were pleased to receive letters and cards of thanks from these students who told of special evenings at the Chapters and the presentations by the Grand Superintendents or the Bursary Chairmen. The Committee extends its warmest thanks to each of the Companions who made presentations and to R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn Duke and the Grand Chapter Office for the assistance and information so willingly offered..

Thank you to all the Companions and Districts who have made contributions to the Grand Chapter Bursary Capital Fund. We would like to express the gratitude of the Committee to the Companion who donated \$110,466 to the Bursary Capital Fund. The interest from the investment of this large sum of money will certainly be a great encouragement to future chairmen and members of this committee and even more appreciated by the young people who apply for our bursaries.

I would like to thank the other six members of this committee for the support and effort in seeing that the work of this committee has been done efficiently. The bursary applications come in spread over the whole year and this has meant we have had to work every month and I am pleased to say the response has been 100%..

I thank the Grand First Principal for the opportunity of taking part in the workings of Grand Chapter, it has been an interesting experience and I am pleased to have been of service.

Respectfully submitted by: V.Ex.Comps. Fred Lewis, George White, R.Ex.Comps George Chambers, Michael Sastre, Gordon Cross, M.Ex.Comp. G Robert Jackson and R.Ex.Comp. Denis Langridge. Chairman..

Moved by the Grand Second Principal seconded by myself R.Ex.Comp. Denis Langridge that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE GRAND REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Grand Representatives Committee is once again pleased to report its activities for the past Masonic year. Last fall a survey was again mailed to every Grand Representative in order to obtain accurate information concerning the Grand Representatives program and how it is working. The mailing included a cover letter on Committee letterhead and an information / opinion sheet to be filled out and returned.

The Committee received a reply from 42 of the 79 representatives, a 53% response. The Committee wishes to thank those Companions who responded to our request. Without your time this survey data wouldn't be possible.

The survey reveals the following facts:

- 32 of the 42, or 76% of Grand Representatives who replied made contact with their opposite member in the other Grand Jurisdiction.

This is up from only 54% making contact last year.

- 81% of this group claimed that they had a "GOOD" contact experience while 24% either didn't make contact or said that their contact experience was not very rewarding.
- Written letters seems to still be the favourite form of communication at 97%, however telephone and e-mail are making steady advances in this area. Even personal contact is up and stands at 22% of those who made contact
- The most common information discussed during these contacts are:

The proceedings @ 40%, discussion of Masonic life and bodies in general @40%, family life and personal information @28%. This last figure shows that the number of the Representative contacts that are making personal inroads is up compared to last year. This leads me to understand that more permanent, and genuine relationships are slowly bridging the Masonic gap around the world.

We also asked the question: "Do you feel the Grand Representatives program is working and should it be continued?"

- 62% claimed that it is working and are quite satisfied at its efficiency.
- 29% felt that it is in critical need of improvement or reform
- .05% were uncertain of its condition.

The next figure caught me a little by surprise

- The last part of the question asking if the Program should be continued, no one said directly that it should be discontinued. In fact most made the comment that it should be continued as it is a valuable tool and even though some had no success making contact they were more then willing to keep trying.

In Summary, the results of this year's survey indicate that the program is working on a more positive and rewarding level than last year. I believe more of our own Representatives are making a 150% effort to establish and maintain a rewarding contact with their counter part.

Even of the 24% who didn't make contact most have indicated that they are not willing to give up and will keep trying, for that we are thankful. Like any survey this one also holds some not so encouraging news as well as some complaints and problems. Copies of these comments are being passed on to the Grand Scribe Ezra and Grand Council for their consideration and resolution.

In conclusion, the Committee wishes to report to the Grand Chapter that it feels that our Grand Representatives Program is still in need of attention and updating, and even with the work done last year it seems that we haven't solved all the problems. Although with the commitment and determination of the Representatives who have willingly put forth a tireless effort it can be concluded that, better contact, more often, at more meaningful levels does seem to be at hand.

On behalf of the Committee and myself, we wish to thank M.Ex.Comp. McGill for the opportunity to serve on this committee so that we may do our part in the operations of our Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted by V.Ex.Comp. Michael I Bowman, Chairman, R.Ex.Comps. John R Pattison and Richard W Stevenson

Moved by, the Grand Second Principal seconded by V.Ex.Comp. Michael Bowman that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Constitution Review Committee wishes to report that their activities have been minimal in that only a few requests for amendments have been received. Appropriate notices of motion on the proposals have been actioned and the motions will be presented accordingly.

Further, some preliminary work has been undertaken towards reordering the sections in an effort to concentrate the various articles in more appropriate locations. This is a time consuming activity and may not be completed before the next printing. Editing will also continue.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee, M.Ex.Comp. Allan F Walker, R.Ex.Comps. Walter T Bulbeck, James W Reid, Frederick C Garvin and V.Ex.Comp. William H Collinson.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

I would like to thank M.Ex.Comp. John McGill for my appointment to this committee. I would also like to recognize the support from our Grand Scribe Ezra and his staff for all their assistance, as well as our Grand Representatives.

We have only received thirty-four (34) reports this year from Sister Jurisdictions. It is interesting that some jurisdictions are still catching up by sending back copies. We received fourteen (14) reports for the year 2000, sixteen (16) for 1999, three (3) for 1998 and one (1) for 1997. The number of reports are all reported on this year. It is possible that because of our 2000 reports which are not available for distribution, our Grand Representatives have not corresponded that we have not received the usual reports.

It seems that most jurisdictions are experiencing the same problems with attendance, membership and people using the correct ritual work without the use of books. These appear to be similar to the problems being evident in Chapters. The membership appears to average a decline of 2% to 5% in most other jurisdictions.

In closing I would like to paraphrase and quote the Most Excellent Grand High Priest Robert B Malwitz of the Grand Chapter of Maryland; "We have the opportunity to grasp the future in our hands and to manage it in the short term. I suggest that we expand our efforts to help aid and support each other. We need to communicate better than we have. We need to visit each other more often. We need to go back into our lodges and offer a program to the Brethren. As part of the effort I recommend that we establish stronger links with our Grand Lodge."

This is certainly something for all of us to consider. Respectfully submitted by R.Ex.Comp. B Donald Lamont, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal and seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received by and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

On behalf of M.Ex.Comp Albert A Mortlock and myself I am pleased to report that no matters have been referred to the committee subsequent to the 142nd Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

Respectfully and fraternally V.Ex.Comp. John V. Lawer Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal and seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings.

APPEAL to GRAND CHAPTER

Following presentation of the report of the Grievances and Appeals Committee R.Ex.Comp. Donald Gillis rose to present on behalf of R.Ex.Comp. Lawrence Groves, who was temporarily absent from the meeting, an Appeal dated April 2, 2001 and delivered to the Grand Chapter office the same date. The Appeals stated purpose is: "To reverse the decision of the Grand First Principal who has refused (1) to consider Keystone Chapter No. 72 as been duly returned and alternately (2) To grant relief from Masonic disability to Excellent Companion Gerald Barber of Keystone No. 72 Stirling Ontario."

Shortly after R.Ex.Comp. Gillis began R.Ex.Comp. Groves returned and continued the presentation following which the Grand First Principal directed M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker to speak to the Appeal.

Following a significant amount of discussion relating the Constitution and facts presented by R.Ex.Comp. Groves. M.Ex.Comp. Walker moved, seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Levitt that the Appeal be denied. This motion was defeated. While dialogue continued for a considerable length of time no further motions or resolutions were made on this Appeal.

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

I am pleased to submit this report on behalf of the Archives Committee. We continue to look after the materials which have been entrusted to our care and maintain the inventory. A number of items of Chapter Room furnishings have been sent to Chapters in need of those items.

We are entering the early chapter membership records into the computer and sending print outs to the Chapters for their review. Please review and advise of any differences from your records.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee. R.Ex.Comps. Melvyn J Duke, William Stanfield and Robert Todd, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal and seconded by the Grand Third principal that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

I am pleased to submit this report on behalf of the members of the Printing Committee. We have met a number of our stated objectives and hope that our work will be of benefit to the Grand Chapter Office and to the Scribes Ezra of the Chapters.

We have created the Instructions to the Scribe Ezra in electronic format. This is the information found in the front of the Scribe Ezra's Red Manual. The Grand Chapter Office did not have this information in electronic format. This will enable Grand Chapter to recreate new Manuals quickly and conveniently.

After consultation with the Grand Scribe Ezra, we decided not to present a motion at the Grand Convocation regarding dropping the requirement to send in notification of the Most Excellent Master Degree within 10 days. Our Grand Chapter Staff is very small and benefits from an even flow of work over the course of the year rather than have it all arrive at once.

Some of the Grand Chapter forms were not in electronic format. All forms can now be computer generated however, further work will have to be done to convert the files to the different formats used by the Scribes Ezra.

We have spent much time creating, modifying and recreating a new Combination Registration form which has been designated TGC15. This form takes the place of five former Grand Chapter forms, and while giving the Grand Chapter all the information they need, it is simpler

for the Scribe Ezra of the Chapters to fill out and reduces the number of forms that they must deal with, a win-win solution. It will be presented at the November 2001 Grand Executive Meeting.

As all of the forms have not been converted to the several formats we feel they should be in, we are unfortunately not able to meet our target of having the forms ready on a CD or diskette at this time. This will be a task for the future.

We have enjoyed our work on behalf of Grand Chapter and the Companions, and wish to express our appreciation for the opportunity of serving them.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted R.Ex.Comps. Donald Gent, Eric Laiken, Bill Reynolds, David Walker and Glen Harvey, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Glen Harvey that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Background: At the Grand Executive Committee meeting of November 4, 2000, the Investments Committee presented an investment plan to the Grand Executive. As outlined in the Investment Plan, the objective of the fund is to provide a high level of income consistent with an emphasis on preservation of capital plus an exposure to growth type investments, providing potential for capital gain sufficient to protect the purchasing power of the fund and to meet a gradually increasing need for income. The role of the bonds in the fund is to provide a high level of stable income. The role of the equities in the fund is to provide the growth potential necessary to protect the purchasing power of the income.

The Investment Plan stipulates that equities should not go above 35% of the market value of the portfolio, especially for charitable funds.

It is the recommendation of the Investments Committee that this plan be reviewed annually by the Investments Committee, and updated if necessary.

Portfolio Details Summary of Grand Chapter Accounts At Year Ended February 28, 2001

Account	Book Value	Market Value	Income Feb 28 2001	Income Feb 29 2000
General Fund	418,585	415,690	17,023	13,619
Medical Fund	436,663	438,340	18,252	17,226
Bursary Fund	330,428	329,699	14,343	9,006
Combined	1,185,676	1,183,729	49,618	39,851

Asset Reconciliation March 1, 2000 to February 28, 2001

Opening Market Value	\$1,044,298
Contributions	\$131,000
Withdrawals	\$ 10,000
Management Fees and G.S.T.	\$ 4,288
Income Received on Investments	\$51,813
Capital appreciation on Investments	\$ 29,094
Closing Market value	\$1,183,729

- Two sizeable donations made to Bursary and Medical funds this year.
- One withdrawal made for Medical Research.

Consolidated Asset Mix February 28, 2001

Asset	Market Value	% of Portfolio	Income	% Yield
Cash& Short Term	70,956	6	3,548	5.0
Fixed Income (incl. GIC's)	650,857	55	41,620	6.39
Common Stock	461,916	39	4,450	0.96
Total Portfolio	\$1,183,729	100%	\$49,618	4.18%

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the members of the committee, M.Ex.Comps. Donald F Kline, R Frank Russell, R.Ex.Comp. B Andrew Downes, V.Ex.Comp. Robert S Wylie, Comp. Wayne E Elgie and Ex.Comp. George Fairbairn, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received and approved in the Grand Chapter proceedings for printing. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

First of all, may I express my thanks to the Grand First Principal for his ongoing confidence in my abilities to handle the financial affairs of Grand Chapter.

I have met with Grand Scribe Ezra many times through the year and reconciled the various bank statements and the statements from our Investment advisor. I am again pleased to express my confidence in Grand Scribe Ezra's ability and business acumen, which is performed in an exemplary fashion.

There has been meetings of the Finance Committee, under the direction of R.Ex.Comp. David Walker, and his report will fully illustrate those proceedings.

There has also been meetings of the Investment Committee with our Investment advisor, Mr. Arthur Skeat of Scotia Cassels.

Ex.Comp. George Fairbairn has brought you up-to-date on those proceedings. I commend these two Companions for their knowledgeable hard work for the benefit of Grand Chapter.

I am pleased to report that Grand Chapter has been in receipt of a \$31,000 bequest from a widow in the Peterborough area. These funds have been divided between the Bursary Fund, and the Medical Research Fund. We express our thanks to her for her generous gift.

I pass on one concern. Many Chapter's semi-annual assessments and annual assessments continue to be received as much as 120 days late. All proper encouragement is passed on to these Chapters that future receipts be received in a more timely fashion.

Respectfully submitted, R.Ex.Comp. B Andrew Downes, Grand Treasurer

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Downes, that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Grand Executive Committee of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario

We have audited the statement of operations of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario as at February 28, 2001 and the statements of operations and changes in the net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at February 28, 2001 and the results of its operations and the changes in cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Hamilton, Canada
March 29, 2001

Grant Thornton L.L.P.
Chartered Accountants

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario
Statement of Financial Position

February 28	2001	2000
Assets		
Current		
Cash and short term investments	\$ 18,385	\$ 29,148
Cash on hand at broker	24,679	73,648
Accounts and interest receivable	2,076	2,302
Inventory for resale & rewards	<u>10,499</u>	<u>13,325</u>
	55,639	118,423
 Fixed assets (Note 3)	 <u>335</u>	 <u>335</u>
	<u>55,974</u>	<u>118,758</u>
 Investments (Note 4)	 <u>395,588</u>	 <u>324,961</u>
	<u>\$ 451,562</u>	<u>\$443,719</u>

Liabilities

Current		
Payables and accruals	\$ 3,115	\$ 3,991
 Net Assets		
Net Assets restricted for Commuted Membership (Note 5)	258,491	258,491
Net Assets restricted for Benevolence (Note 5)	56,009	55,964
Unrestricted net assets	<u>132,947</u>	<u>125,273</u>
	<u>448,447</u>	<u>439,718</u>
	<u>\$ 451,562</u>	<u>\$443,719</u>

Related entities (Note 6)

On behalf of the Grand Chapter

John W McGill
Grand First Principal

Melvyn James Duke
Grand Scribe Ezra

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario
Statements of Operations

Year Ended February 28	2001	2000
Revenue		
Dues - per capita	\$ 74,990	\$ 69,679
Interest and dividends from Commuted Fund	10,742	12,345
Sales of publications and other products	1,908	5,913
Interest and dividend income	4,850	6,256
Income and dividend from V. T. B. F.	2,327	2,056
Capital gain on investments	2,733	16,364
Registration fees	2,590	3,100
Other income	<u>780</u>	<u>690</u>
	<u>100,920</u>	<u>116,403</u>
Expenses		
Rent and parking	8,412	7,770
Office supplies and expenses	17,327	17,571
Salaries and benefits	36,600	36,600
Benevolence	3,200	2,000
Travel	10,000	9,000
Cost of goods sold including awards	2,826	5,687
Annual Convocation	2,122	2,166
Annual Convocation proceedings	2,783	2,929
Professional fees	2,140	2,140
Keystone publication	246	3,710
Miscellaneous and instruction	15	76
Regalia refurbishing	1,269	982
Insurance	1,057	1,030
Jewels and engraving	250	200
Council and Committee expenses	185	349
Promotion and public relations	3,770	1,140
Loss on sale of investments - General Fund	-	-
Loss on sale of investments - Commuted Membership Fund	-	-
Loss on sale of investments - V.T.B.F.	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>92,202</u>	<u>93,350</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ 8,718	\$ 23,053

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario
Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended February 28, 2001

	Restricted for Commuted Membership <u>Fund</u>	Restricted for Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent <u>Fund</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>2001 Total</u>	<u>2000 Total</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 258,491	\$ 55,964	\$ 125,273	\$439,728	\$ 416,675
(Deficiency) excess of revenues over expenditures	-	-	8,718	8,718	23,053
Internally imposed restrictions	1,000	45	(1,045)	-	-
Shares in York Masonic Temple Limited (at nominal value)	-	-	1	1	1
Balance end of year	259,491	56,009	132,947	\$ 448,447	\$ 439,729

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario
Statement of Cash Flows
February 28

	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		
Operating		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ 8,718	\$ 23,053
Change in non-cash operating working capital		
Accounts receivable	226	1,049
Inventory	2,826	(718)
Payables and accruals	(875)	1,852
Due to other funds	-	-
	<u>10,895</u>	<u>25,236</u>
Financing		
Surrendered charters	-	<u>3,783</u>
Investing		
Proceeds on sale of investments, net of investment purchases	<u>(70,627)</u>	<u>21,138</u>
Net increase in cash and short term investments	59,732	50,157
Beginning of year	<u>102,796</u>	<u>52,639</u>
End of year	\$ 43,064	\$ 102,796

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario
Notes to the Financial Statements February 28, 2001

1 Nature of Operations: The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario is a not for profit organization which serves as the central administrative body for Masonic Chapters in the Province of Ontario. The organization is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Act.

2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Inventories: Inventories of supplies for sale and for use are valued at cost.

Fixed Assets: Fixed assets are stated at acquisition cost. New additions are not depreciated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principals but are charged to expenditure in the year of acquisition. The cost of additions is then added to the accumulated cost of fixed assets in the records and to accumulated depreciation.

Revenue recognition: The organization follows the deferral method of accounting contributions whereby restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Revenue from operations is recognized at the time goods are shipped or services are supplied to members.

Income from investments: Dividends are recorded as revenue when received. Interest on investments is recognized as income when it becomes due. Premiums or discounts on investments are expended or recognized as income, when incurred.

3 Fixed Assets

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	<u>2001 Net Book Value</u>	<u>2000 Net Book Value</u>
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 36,754	\$ 36,744	\$ 10	\$ 10
Library	250	-	250	250
Regalia	<u>2,413</u>	<u>2,338</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>75</u>
	\$ 39,417	\$ 39,082	\$ 335	\$ 335

4 Financial Instruments: The financial instruments of the organization include cash, receivables, payables and portfolio investments. The fair market values of cash, receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their carrying amounts because of their short term maturity. The fair values of investments are assumed to approximate quoted values. Market value of the investment portfolio is \$390,789 (2000 - \$334,531).

Included in investments are share in York Masonic Temple Limited, received as part of the dissolution of a particular chapter. These shares are recorded in the books at a nominal value of \$1 per share. Portfolio investments are placed in well capitalized, high quality corporate and government securities. The organization does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to interest and foreign currency risk. The organization has not significant concentrations of credit risk.

5 Restricted Net Assets: The net assets restricted for Commuted Membership represents funds that have accumulated with respect to lifetime membership payments. Some chapter members have made lump sum payments to satisfy future membership obligations. These net assets are subject to internally imposed restrictions stipulating that the resources be maintained to provide annualized returns intended to compensate the organization for the costs of servicing these members.

The net assets restricted for Victory Thanksgiving Benevolence are internally restricted for purposes of providing welfare assistance to companions and their families in need. These amounts are not available for other purposes without the approval of the membership.

6 Related Entities: The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario (The Grand Chapter) exercises significant influence over both The Grand Chapter - Scholarship and Bursary Fund and The Grand Chapter - Medical Research Fund. The Grand Chapter annually appoints the board of directors for both organizations. Both related entities are registered charities under the income tax act.

The Scholarship and Bursary Fund was established to provide assistance to Royal Arch Masons, dependants of members, widows and orphans of members to complete their education at universities, community or technical colleges. The Medical Research Fund was established to provide funds for medical research upon receiving a valid request for assistance.

Neither the Scholarship and Bursary Fund nor the Medical Research Fund have been consolidated in the Grand Chapter financial statements. Financial summaries of these unconsolidated entities as at February 29, 2000 and 1999 and for the years then ended are as follows:

**The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario
- Scholarship and Bursary Fund**

<u>Financial position</u>	<u>2001</u>	2000
Total assets	\$ <u>336,362</u>	\$ <u>204,795</u>
Total liabilities	<u>1,065</u>	535
Total net assets	<u>335,297</u>	<u>204,260</u>
	<u>\$ 336,362</u>	<u>204,794</u>
<u>Results of operations</u>		
Total revenues	\$ 144,921	\$ 28,161
Total expenses	<u>13,884</u>	<u>11,853</u>
Excess of revenue over expenses	<u>\$ 131,037</u>	<u>\$ 16,308</u>

**The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario
- Medical Research Fund**

<u>Financial position</u>	<u>2001</u>	2000
Total assets	\$ <u>443,783</u>	\$ <u>433,605</u>
Total liabilities	<u>535</u>	535
Total net assets	<u>443,248</u>	<u>433,070</u>
	<u>443,783</u>	<u>433,605</u>
<u>Results of operations</u>		
Total revenues	\$ 47,248	\$ 54,077
Total expenses	<u>37,025</u>	<u>33,769</u>
Excess of revenue over expenses	<u>10,178</u>	<u>20,308</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Grand Executive Committee of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario - Medical Research Fund (Release A Miracle Fund)

We have audited the statement of operations of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario - Medical Research Fund (Release A Miracle Fund) as at February 28, 2001 and the statements of operations and changes in the net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

The organization derives some fund revenue in the form of donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, excess of revenues over expenses, assets and fund balances. The organization derives some funds in the form of donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, excess of revenues over expenses, assets and fund balances.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at February 28, 2001 and the results of its operations and the changes in cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Hamilton, Canada
March 17, 2001

Grant Thornton L.L.P.
Chartered Accountants

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario Medical Research Fund (Release a Miracle Fund) - Statement of Financial Position

February 28	2001	2000
Current		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 4,796	\$ 5,606
Cash on deposit at broker	<u>30,407</u>	<u>61,221</u>
	35,203	66,827
Investments (market value \$407,648; 2000 - \$375,663)	<u>408,580</u>	<u>366,778</u>
	<u>\$ 443,783</u>	<u>\$ 433,605</u>
Liabilities		
Current		
Payable and accruals	<u>\$ 535</u>	<u>\$ 535</u>
Net Assets		
Net assets restricted for medical research (Note 3)	<u>443,248</u>	<u>433,070</u>
	<u>\$ 443,783</u>	<u>\$ 433,605</u>

On behalf of the Grand Chapter

John W McGill
Grand First Principal

Melvyn James Duke
Grand Scribe Ezra

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Medical Research Fund - (Release A MIRACLE)

Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets
Year Ended February 28

	2001	2000
Revenue		
Donations	\$ 24,331	\$ 8,626
Interest and dividend income	19,305	32,194
Capital gain on investments	1,217	12,793
Bank interest	<u>2,350</u>	<u>464</u>
	<u>47,203</u>	<u>54,077</u>
Expenses		
Audit fees	535	535
Grants	34,500	30,000
Portfolio Management fee	1,833	1,268
Printing and bank charges	<u>157</u>	<u>1,966</u>
	<u>37,025</u>	<u>33,769</u>
Excess of revenue over expenses	10,178	20,308
Net assets		
Beginning of year	<u>433,070</u>	<u>412,762</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 443,248</u>	<u>\$ 433,070</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

1 Purpose of the organization: The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Medical Research Fund (Release A Miracle Fund) is a registered charity in Ontario, and is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Act. The object of the organization is to provide funds for medical research upon receiving a valid request for assistance.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies: Investments: Dividends are recorded as revenue when received. Interest on investments is recognized as income when it becomes due. Premiums or discounts on investments are expensed or recognized as income when incurred.

3 Restricted net assets: The net assets of the organization are externally restricted for the purposes of providing support for medical research. These amounts are not available for other purposes without the approval of the membership.

4 Financial instruments: The financial statements of the organization include cash, receivables, payables and portfolio investments. The fair values of cash, receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their carrying amounts because of their short term to maturity. The fair values of investments are assumed to approximate quoted market values. Portfolio investments are placed in well capitalized, high quality corporate and government securities. The organization does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to interest and foreign currency risk. The organization has no significant concentration of credit risk.

5 Charitable status: For the fiscal year 2000, the fund has met the distribution quota requirement to maintain its status as a charitable organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada).

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Grand Executive Committee of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario -The Scholarship and Bursary Fund

We have audited the statement of operations of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario - The Scholarship and Bursary Fund as at February 28, 2001 and the statements of operations and changes in the net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organizations management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

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Hamilton, Canada
March 17, 2001

Grant Thornton L.L.P.
Chartered Accountants

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario
The Scholarship and Bursary Fund
Statement of Financial Position
February 28

	2001	2000
Assets		
Current		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 4,719	\$ 13,951
Cash on deposit at broker	15,953	4,424
Investments (market value 2001- \$313,385; 2000 - \$295,523)	<u>315,690</u>	<u>186,420</u>
	<u>\$ 336,362</u>	<u>\$ 204,795</u>
Liabilities		
Current		
Payables and accruals	\$ 1,065	\$ 535
Net Assets		
Net assets restricted for Scholarships and bursaries (Note 3)	<u>335,297</u>	<u>204,260</u>
	<u>\$ 336,362</u>	<u>\$ 204,795</u>

On behalf of the Grand Chapter

John W McGill
Grand First Principal

Melvyn James Duke
Grand Scribe Ezra

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario The
Scholarship and Bursary Fund
Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets
Year Ended February 28

	2001	2000
Revenue		
Donations	\$ 132,504	\$ 9,829
Interest on investments	9,857	8,507
Capital gain on investments	719	9,569
Bank interest	<u>1,841</u>	<u>256</u>
	<u>144,921</u>	<u>28,161</u>
Expenses		
Audit fees	535	535
Grants	11,800	8,700
Portfolio Management fee	1,310	581
Printing and bank charges	<u>239</u>	<u>2,037</u>
	<u>13,864</u>	<u>11,853</u>
Excess of revenue over expenses	131,037	16,308

Net assets		
Beginning of year	<u>204,260</u>	<u>187,952</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 335,297</u>	<u>\$ 204,260</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

1 Purpose of the organization. The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Scholarship and Bursary Fund is a registered charity in Ontario, and is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Act

The object of the organization is to provide assistance in the form of bursaries to Royal Arch Masons' dependants of members, widows and orphans of members to complete their education at universities, community or technical colleges.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies: Income from Investments: Dividends are recorded as revenue when received. Interest on investments is recognized as income when it becomes due. Premiums or discounts on investments are expensed or recognized as income when incurred.

3 Restricted net assets: The net assets restricted for scholarships and bursaries are externally restricted for purposes of providing educational assistance. These amounts are not available for other purposes without the approval of the membership.

4 Financial instruments: The financial statements of the organization include cash, receivables, payables and portfolio investments. The fair values of cash, receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their carrying amounts because of their short term to maturity. The fair values of investments are assumed to approximate quoted market values.

Portfolio investments are placed in well capitalized, high quality corporate and government securities. The organization does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to interest and foreign currency risk. The organization has no significant concentration of credit risk.

5 Charitable status: For the fiscal year 2001, the fund has met the distribution quota requirement to maintain its status as a charitable organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada).

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Finance Committee has reviewed the monthly Financial Statements of the Grand Treasurer, monitoring the progress in comparison to the Budget Estimates approved by Grand Chapter April 2000. With the appointment of the Chairman of the Investment Committee as a member of the Finance Committee, considerable dialogue and interchange of information and ideas has taken place between these two Committees, again during the past year, to their mutual benefit and that of our Grand Chapter. The Committee acknowledges the Grand Scribe Ezra and the Grand Treasurer's assistance in providing the information required. The February year end Financial Statement has been reviewed in detail. And, subsequently the Financial Statements prepared by our Auditor, Comp. George Benton of Grant Thornton. We are satisfied that they present the financial operations of our Grand Chapter during the last fiscal year. It is pleasant to note that Grand Chapter had a surplus of revenue over expense of \$8,718.

We compliment the Grand Council and the Kitchener Convocation Committee on their fiscal results for the 2000 Annual Convocation.

We are budgeting Revenue for this fiscal year to February 28th, 2002 of \$ 92,900 and Expenses of \$ 93,540. A budgeted deficit of \$ 640. Your Finance Committee has included a 3% increase in office salaries. The first increase since 1998-1999 (3 years). We are confident that the expenditures are appropriate and the receipts, while showing a small deficit, are conservatively reliable.

We recommend to the Finance Committee for the ensuing year, that a plan for the Commutation of Grand Chapter Per/Capita be prepared for consideration. Life membership Programs in Constituent Chapters promote membership retention. An important issue for the 21st Century.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee: M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe, R.Ex.Comps. Melvyn J Duke, B Andrew Downs, V.Ex.Comp. Robert S Wylie, Ex.Comp. George Fairbairn and R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal seconded by R.Ex.Comp. David Walker that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by David G Walker, seconded by the Grand Treasurer that: The Audited Financial Statements of the Grand Chapter General Fund, Medical Research Fund and the Scholarship and Bursary Fund be received and adopted. CARRIED.

Moved by David G Walker, seconded by the Grand Treasurer that: \$7,500.00 of the 2000-2001 Surplus of \$8,718 be transferred to the Commuted Fund. CARRIED.

Moved by David G Walker, seconded by the Grand Treasurer that: In accordance with Section 56 of the Constitution, the estimate of receipts and expenditures on account of the General Fund for the ensuing fiscal year of March 1, 2001 to February 28, 2002, be received and adopted. CARRIED.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO 2001-2002 FISCAL YEAR

	2001-2002 BUDGET	2000-2001 BUDGET	2000-2001 ACTUAL	2000-2001 VARIANCE
Annual Total Interest & Dividends	18,000	18,000	17,919	19
REVENUE				
Registration fees	2,500	2,900	2,590	90
Per capita dues	71,700	74,000	74,990	990
Dispensations and Warrants	700	700	780	80
Constitutions, Rituals & Jewels	--	-	1,908	1,908
Investment Income - General Fund	2,700	3,000	4,850	1,850
Interest from Commuted Fund	12,600	12,200	10,742	(1,458)

Interest from V.T.B.F.	2,700	2,700	2,327	(373)
Donations - Benevolence	--	-	-	-
Capital gain on Investments			2,733	2,733
Other income	--	--	-	-
Total revenue	<u>92,600</u>	<u>95,600</u>	<u>100,920</u>	<u>5,820</u>
EXPENSES				
Remuneration Grand Scribe Ezra	20,600	20,000	20,000	-
Office salaries and wages	12,978	12,600	12,600	-
Library Assistance	4,000	4,000	4,000	-
Rent and parking	8,412	8,600	8,412	188
Office Expenses	15,600	15,500	15,388	(112)
Office equipment purchases	1,500	1,000	939	(1,061)
Convocation	3,000	3,500	2,122	(1,378)
Executive Committee	250	400	-	(400)
Regalia refurbishing	1,000	1,000	1,269	269
Printing Proceedings	3,400	3,200	2,783	(417)
Grand Council expense	250	400	185	(215)
Promotion	2,000	1,500	3,770	1,270
Constitutions, Rituals & Jewels	--	--	-	-
Travel	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
Audit	2,200	2,200	2,140	(60)
Investment Management	1,600	1,400	-	(1,400)
Insurance	1,100	1,100	1,057	(43)
Jewels and engraving	250	250	250	-
Communications	2,000	3,000	246	(3,254)
Loss on Sale of Investments	--	--	-	-
Benevolence	2,700	2,800	3,200	500
Miscellaneous and instruction	100	100	15	(85)
Transfer to Commuted Fund	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Purchase supplies for inventory	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>2,826</u>	<u>2,826</u>
Total expenses	<u>93,540</u>	<u>92,925</u>	<u>92,202</u>	<u>(3,748)</u>
Excess / (Shortfall)	<u>(640)</u>	<u>(1,493)</u>	<u>8,718</u>	<u>8,718</u>

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

During the past year, a number of amalgamations and anniversaries have taken place, and are recorded elsewhere in the reports, but there are a few that warrant our attention. The evening of September 27th in London, was of special significance to Royal Arch Masonry, when a great number of companions were present to witness the Amalgamation of two of the oldest chapters in our Grand body, St John's Chapter No. 3 with St George's Chapter No. 5. The ceremony was conducted, with decorum, by M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, Grand First Principal. M.Ex.Comp. McGill was accompanied and assisted by a large delegation of Grand Chapter Officers. The evening was further enhanced when Excellent Companion and Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbin, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, was presented to the assembled companions.

October 14th saw the 50th Anniversary Celebration of Tillsonburg Chapter No. 255. In attendance were many visitors and Grand Chapter Officers, to support M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill and Tillsonburg Chapter No. 255. The festivities began in the Chapter Room, where five, 25 Years of Service Awards and two, 50 Years of Service Awards, were presented. The companions were then treated to a detailed, historic explanation of "The Dome", which adorns the ceiling of the chapter room, by R.Ex.Comp. Mew Hicks, Past Grand Superintendent.

The companions then sat down to a scrumptious roast beef dinner, which was enjoyed by all and then an appropriate address was presented by our Grand First Principal. The evening was a huge success thanks to a lot of hard work under the supervision of R.Ex.Comp. Larry A Hicks, the Grand Superintendent, District No. 3.

At Keystone Chapter No. 35, on September 11th twenty-two Officers of Grand Chapter, led by M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, Grand First Principal, R.Ex.Comp. Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Second Principal and R.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson, Grand Third Principal, supported by five Past Grand First Principals took part in the installing and investing of Excellent Companion and Right Worshipful Brother Terence Shand, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge into the offices of Third Principal, Second Principal, First Principal and Past First Principal of Keystone Chapter No. 35. Excellent Companion Shand later expressed his thanks and appreciation to all those who took part.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Historic Committee; R.Ex.Comps. William Stanfield (Chairman) and Dennis Amandola.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal seconded by the Grand Historian that this report be received and be approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions;

Your Committee on Benevolence wishes to report that for the period from April 2000 up to the present time, three applications for benevolence were received and approved and a sum of \$3,200 was dispersed.

It is a privilege to serve our less fortunate Companions on behalf of our Grand Chapter. It certainly makes one appreciative of our lot in life and is conducive of wishing that we could do more.

We do hear a great deal about our Medica Research and Bursary funds and very little about our Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund. The onus is on Grand Chapter and it's Officers to make our Chapters and members more aware so that more donations are given and so enable us to be more generous to those less fortunate.

One can well say when seeing a fellow Companion in circumstances of ill health and difficulty; "There but for the Grace of God, go I". Please promote our Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent fund.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee, M.Ex.Comps. Donald F Kline, Aube Weisman and R.Ex.Comp. Edward G Ounjian, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE MEDICAL RESEARCH FUND RELEASE A MIRACLE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Medical Research Fund - Release a Miracle Committee has this year increased the grants given to medical research. This was due in part to one of the grants having been returned last year. The Novis trial which was one of the projects we were helping to fund came to an end and so the amounts were returned by the Hotel Dieu Grace Hospital. Consequently we have this year given to the Hotel-Dieu Hospital a grant of almost double to help in another research area.

The total funds dispersed this year have been \$34,500. among eight projects as follows:

1. John Roberts Institute	\$5000.
2. Dr. B. Gallie (HSC)	\$5000.
3. Prof. Del Maestro	\$5000.
4.Dr. J Dennis (Mount Saini)	\$2500.
5.Prof. Dr. Yendt (Kingston)	\$3000.
6.Help-2-Hear (Grand Lodge)	\$5000.
7.Hotel Dieu Hospital	\$5000.
8.Dr. P Szatmari (autism)	\$4000.

Over the last two years I have had the honour of chairing this committee and have been pleased to have had such wonderful companions with whom to share this undertaking. My personal thanks to them and to our Grand Scribe Ezra, R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn Duke.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee; M.Ex.Comp. Gordon H Stuart, R.Ex.Comps. William Birnie, D Kenneth Bromley, R Arthur Etling, Dennis Amendola, V.Ex.Comp. Robert Temperton, R.Ex.Comp. David Hardie, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal and seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

It is with great pleasure that I present the Report of the Committee on the Condition of Capitular Masonry on behalf of the 16 Grand Superintendents. There are some areas that have been raised in the year end reports from the Grand Superintendents that I would like to address.

A number of the Grand Superintendents stated that because a Master Mason can now go directly to the Shrine, that Royal Arch Masonry is in trouble. How many Royal Arch Masons currently attend Chapter on a regular basis? I believe that in most cases, you would find that the number attending is less than 20% of the actual membership. The main reason for this is that, in the past, we have simply been a stepping stone to the Shrine and only our dedicated members continue to keep our body alive. I believe that the Shrines' decision to accept Master Masons directly is a sign that they are in trouble not Royal Arch Masonry. It means, that those who now join our Fraternity are anxious to be a member and we should take advantage of this situation by putting these new members to work as soon as possible to keep their interest in Royal Arch Masonry. We must also look at those members who have not been out to Chapter and change how we conduct our meetings to encourage them to come back to Chapter. We can accomplish this by trying new things such as having more Masonic education during the meetings and organizing events in which families can also participate. Why not have a social evening when the ladies are present, a barbecue, a bus trip to the theatre, a fishing derby, a golf tournament, a curling bonspiel and the list can go on. We have to be inventive to not only bring back our senior members but to keep our new members. It is very discouraging to a new member to see only a handful of people present when he takes his degree.

Another area in which there has been considerable discussion is that the policies and procedures that we follow are out of date. We need to remind ourselves that all Principals and Past Principals are members of Grand Chapter and that the Grand Executive and the Grand Council must follow the Constitution. If a Companion is upset by a decision made by this body, they should be encouraged to offer a change to the Constitution that can be debated and voted on at the annual Convocation of Grand Chapter. Don't just sit and complain about the way we operate, offer real solutions for change. We should act by the old Nike promotion and "Just Do It".

It has been suggested that the members of the Grand Council and Grand Executive are not making themselves available to the Companions. The Grand Superintendent, in the District, is the representative of the Grand First Principal. If there is a problem in a Chapter or a District, they should use all of their resources to find a solution to the problem including consulting with the members in their Districts and contacting the Grand Chapter office for advice when they are unable to resolve the problem. The Grand Council and the Grand Executive members are always available to offer assistance when asked, but we need to know the concerns of the members. We all need to work together to make our organization strong so that it will continue for many years to come, but we must communicate for this to happen.

I would like to end on a positive note that not all Districts are having these problems and even those who raised these observations are encouraged for the prospects of Royal Arch Masonry. I was pleased to read that all Districts advised that the condition of Royal Arch Masonry is alive and well and the prospects for the future are encouraging. In most cases it was reported that where amalgamations have taken place, the Chapters are flourishing with new Candidates joining. This is especially the case when the two Chapters had a close working relationship prior to the amalgamation process.

Yes we do have some concerns but if we all work together I am sure we will overcome these bumps in the road. Life is not easy and we all face difficulties but by working together many hands make the task easier.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal and seconded by myself, Grand Third Principal, that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

As I begin, may I humbly express my appreciation for being appointed chair of this very important post. I was hopeful and would be pleased, to have been named to support any committee. I was quite a surprise since I still consider myself to be a neophyte to the workings of this Grand body.

My tenure started with difficulty. Researching the committee members addresses and phone numbers proved arduous as the Grand Chapter office does not possess such a database of membership in a format that would provide easy reference of the Excellent Companions of our Grand jurisdiction. To this end, I would recommend that our Grand Chapter formulate such a directory. If the incumbrance is time usage or expense issues, surely there is sufficient talent in the Hamilton area that could voluntarily format and perhaps even maintain such an information system. In time, I'm sure that this will be seen and become appreciated, prudent and even invaluable.

I continued to be kept off an even keel as, in quick succession, requirements to provide our presence and attendance at Grand Lodge, the plowing match at Elora and the London Fair were made known to me. I was unaware of the existence of a "plowing match" or London fair nor that our attendance or participation was expected until nearly the last minute. These were large and lengthy commitments. I was further hamstrung as I was given the understanding that I was limited to accessing and staffing all functions solely with the committee members. Twelve members (including myself) from throughout our expansive jurisdiction proved much too small a group to draw upon and will continue to be. To this end, I would submit that this committee needs to be expanded further, or at least the latitude of enlisting the aid of the talented area Companions increased, to be able to attend and operate at these larger functions of longer terms. It is too much to expect one or two relatively close committee members to step out of their secular life, with the travel that may still be required and often the staying in hotel residence with its' cost and inconvenience. It may be a viable alternative to appoint a small number from within, and attached to, each District. This would, by arrangement, place committee members in the area of any requests, and these individuals, hailing from their individual area, would be familiar with their piece of our Jurisdiction and accessible to fellow Companions with the eye of enlisting of their assistance.

Since the flurry of activity between our presence at Grand Lodge in mid July and the plowing match in mid September the requests for attendance and participation of this committee has been minimal. Further, requests for our presence was found to be rather last minute ordeals, thereby proving to be an arduous process.

An appeal of these to be more timely should be expressed and made known. On the direction of R.Ex.Comp. Boomhour, all copies of the film "Saga of the Holy Royal Arch" and all of the displays boards have been directed to be surrendered and returned to the Grand Chapter Office.

This will allow the boards to be continually updated of common material, pictures, etc., save all of these items from unequal distribution and remove the need to pass on these lecture aids to committee member successors. As needed, they are transported to the desired locations for use. The publication "The Keystone" was placed in hiatus a couple of years ago that the budget may be redirected towards a full page submission into the Grand Lodge publication, "The Ontario Mason". There it has remained, and to the best of my knowledge or awareness, there are no immediate plans to resurrect it.

R.Ex.Comp. Sheldon Boomhour has requested an "action plan" to be undertaken by all of the Grand Chapter committees. I had determined that this Public Relations Committee would undertake to re-produce the film "Saga of the Holy Royal Arch". This presentation aid, while a cinematic award winner, is taken from an American perspective, which is logical as it is an American production. Also as it being somewhat older, it has been said, even criticized, as being "dated". My endeavour was to rewrite it from the perspective of this jurisdiction, while updating it to make it current to today. It was suggested at the Grand Executive Meeting in November at Midland, that this could be formatted in the Power Point computer program, which I do not know. Nevertheless, it is my regret that this project never got beyond the desire and concept stage. If this project is deemed desirable, then perhaps successive committees may adopt this venture or Grand Chapter itself may see it as of value sufficient to assign select and talented Companions able to accomplish this.

Historically and operatively, this committee has responded to requests to attend functions in the community, for the benefit, exposure and information of non-masons, at Lodge meetings, and fraternal gatherings for the purpose of inciting the interest and desire of potential new members and at Chapter functions for the general interest and education of our Companions. While similar in theory, in practise, these targets groups and purposes are diametrically opposed. This is the PUBLIC RELATIONS committee and by strict definition of its' title, should be dedicated to addressing and enlightening the public with the information and education appropriate to that group. The appeal to prospective applicants should be the providence of a committee mandate to that purpose. Further to this direction of recruitment could also be the issue and effort of member restoration and retention.

I would like to thank the collective members of this committee who have so congenially responded to my appeals and so ably offered advise based on so much experience. Their commitment to this Grand Chapter is obvious by their efforts and dedication to the work of this committee. They have always been prompt to return my calls and lend their time, efforts, expertise and advice. Particular appreciation is extended to R.Ex.Comps Eugene de Beaupre and William Glover as they have exhibited so much help to me and so much dedication to the cause of this Grand Chapter through this committee's efforts.

My term on this committee has been quite the introduction to the operations of this Grand Chapter. It has been an invaluable experience and I am eternally indebted to you, Most Excellent Sir, for this opportunity and your confidence in me. I hope it has not been ill placed.

Respectively submitted on behalf of the committee; R.Ex.Comps. Eugene F de Beaupre,

Richard R Berday, Donald Gillis, Charles R Griffiths, William Glover, Norman D McComb, Raymond R Meadows, John W Murphy, Roland Paddle, Allen T Tibbets, Malcolm W Watling, and myself, R.Ex.Comp. Grant B Parsons, Chairman.

Moved by myself, R.Ex.Comp. Grant B Parsons, seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE LEGAL COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

This Committee is pleased to report the good news that this Committee has had no matters referred to it during the past year.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

GREETINGS EXTENDED FROM ATTENDING COMPANIONS

During the 143Rd Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Fraternal Greetings were extended by Visiting Companions of each of the Grand Chapters and other Bodies represented.

STATISTICAL REPORTS

DEATHS - 2000

1-Cecil M Peters, Victor William Sharpe, 2-T Lloyd Evans, George Edmund Appleyard, Cecil George Nelson Carr, 3-Joseph W Bradt, James Ackland Jr Elgie, Ernest Henry Malton, Edward Stokes Gale, George Robert Nash, James Alexander Sneddon, James Cubit McIlvenna, Gerry Dufresne, Earl Oliver Brown, Archibald Pynn, John Cyril Eriksson, Bernard Ferdinand Venuta, Lawrence Mark Fitchett, Arthur Patarick Neiderman, 5-Walter Kenneth Fletcher, 6-James Duguid Skene, 7-Jack C Lundberg, Albert Ellsworth Thompson, George A Zegouras, Gordon William Parrinder, James Richard Purvis, 8-Charles Norman Wright, Alexander Kane McLeod, Robert Matthews, Frank Wilkinson, Kenneth Mearns, 15-Carlyle Elgin Hodgins, Robert John Gabriel, George Richard Gabriel, Douglas Vaughan Dunsmoor, 16-Daniel Robert Glenn, William Martin Wright, Clifford J Meunier, Hugh A Francis, 18-Albert Bourne, Stewart Laidlaw Thurtell, Lawrence Russell Moore, James Hoyle, 19-Harry William Ballantyne, John Allen Hetherington, Robert James Munro, Albert C McCay, 22-Harold B Lawrence, William Denzil Locke, 23-Howard Miller, Craig Neil Stuart, 24-Charles William Slater, Leonard Richard Bannister, Percy Edward Schneider, Christopher Swanston, Douglas Lloyd Meades, 26-George Franklin Stride, 28-William J Carnegie, Ernest Franklin Brock, Howard Louis Gauthier, Lawrence Chute, 29-Archie McWilliam Aiton, James G Oldfield, Gove Merritt, 30-Ralph Snyder Henderson, Leighton Buckwell Graham, 31-Benjamin Davidson Carman, 32-George Curtis Walker, Thomas Robert White, Robert George Black, 34-David Findley Watson, Frank Magill Campbell, 35-Sidney Jenkins, Denis Michael S Gabrielle, Louis Michael Gabrielle, Louis Terrence Gabrielle, Francis Knox Irwin,

36-William Edward Dorrington, Robert Reginald Dyer, John Keith Innes, Lesley Wilmar Edwards, Oliver Edward Braley, George William Graham, James Lindsay Henry, William Henry Hughes, Cecil Moore Osborne, Clifford Bertram Chapman, Allan Lockington, 37-William G Benson, Trevor Richardson Miles, Alfred Ray Furnidge, Edward James Brown, Lloyd G McKay, 40-John Wynn, George Robert Sheard, John Adams, 46-George Sidney Towle, 47-John Martin Terry, Gordon Ford, Lionel Inwood, Thomas George Neelands, 53-Melvin John Karr, 54-James McCrory, Lawrence Jay Parker, Daniel Sumner Reith, Frederick William Towers, Morgan James Skelding, John Henry Spicer, Thomas McGregor Melville, Leonard Alfred Bayliss, Leo Ross Jewell, Murray Ronald Land, Michael Joseph Hutchin, William Stewart Love, 55-Walter Edmond Theobald, 56-Marshall Wynne MacIntosh, Donald Alexander Gilchrist, 57-Charles Alex Winn, Henry Schmid, 59-Sheffield Hauraney, Carman Alvey Brayton, Lawrence Dixie, Arnold Henry Johnston, John Garnet Walker, 61-Alexander Kenneth Beaton, Frederick Alexander McTavish, George Bertrand Reaburn, Delmar Robert Millar, Herman Garland, 62-Glen Roy Church, 63-James Clifford Cox, Andrew Cowe, 64-Gordon Ross Evans, George R Pearson, 66-Otis Lloyd Wassman, Melbourne H Stewart, Stuart F Bryans, 67-Kenneth McKenzie Henderson, John Sanford Ferguson, 68-(Rev) Stanley Kerrison, Lowell Gerald Craig, Alexander Bulloch, 71-Dennis Arthur Lambley, Marvin Alexander Haggith, Richard Joseph Croson, John Middleton, Frederick William Towers, 72-Burton Dracup Morton, William James Peacock, 73-Wesley Townsend Sebben, Ernest James Stewart, Gerald Cameron Craven, John Lewis Carnegie, George S Bieber, Glen Walter Clark, William Melnyk, James Thomas Saunders, 74-Gordon Ingham Cuddy, William Leonard Ward, Wilfred Charles Linnell, 75-Robert Gerald Clark, Francis William Chisholm, 77-Gorton Blake Hillier, Frederick J P Vickers, 78-Douglas John Shearman, 79-Kenneth Mearns, 81-Ray Edson Moore, 82-Michael Ostaff, Arnold Victor Ben Almos, Herbert George Pile, Lloyd MacIver, Reginald Winston Hopkins, Andrew Thomson Watson, 84-James Kenneth McGregor, 90-George Noble, James Latimer Powers, Frank William Townsend, Arthur John McMillan, 91-Melville Oscar Adams, Donald Craig Adams, Merlin Joseph Smith, 94-William A Davis, Elvin P McLennan, 95-Reynolds Willis Dixon, Joseph Merville Park, Ernest H James, Angus Gabriel Fudge, 103-Amer Holt Moore, Edmund Kenneth How, William Darwin S Jessup, 104-Kenneth Shanks, John George Burritt, 110-George Duncan Nash, 113-Arthur Antoine, John Cook, 114-Calvin E Meunier, Alexander James Parkhill, Reginald M Harrison, Henry Graham Walsh, 115-Harold Alexander Garner, Ernest Weyburn Laughlin, 119-Donald A Matheson, George Heppel Robinson, Lloyd Salem McKibbin, Mathew Arnold Nash, Harvey Owen Carson, 131-Robert Frederick Keene, Mansil Nixon, 133-Ivan John McCrimmon, Seymour Harold Allan, John Edward Acheson, James Elmer Wark, Douglas Earl Wrightly, Durward Quinton Hamilton, 134-Frederick Harrison Johnston, 135-Robert James Warren, Glen Roy Church, 138-Frank Faulkner, Gerald Ball, Alastair Coutts Watson, Alex James Watson, Tom Sidney Blackwell, Thomas Keith Blackwell, Frederick J P Vickers, 144-John Thomas R Whitehouse, 145-Thomas Saunders, 146-Thomas James Ross Cockwell, Deryck Roger Weber, 152-George Edmund Mudge, 155-Russell A Brown, 161-William James Peacock, Norman A Donaldson, 169-Samuel Doney Leonard, Alonzo Joseph Dugas, 175-Joseph Aldo Fabbro, 184-Floyd Gerald Hughes, George Brown, Thomas McKay Palmer, Richard Beverly Moses, 195-Robert Turnbull, Charles Kenneth Russell, 205-Robert Archibald March, Joseph Andrew Bell, Kenneth Robbins, Kenneth F Guilbert, Louis Alexopoulos, William Stenhouse Mitchell, 212-Fred Harris, Harold F Lipton, Carl Rees, Sam Kirsh, Michael Orzech, Alan C Snider, Donald Craig Adams, Leo Winnick, Paul Avrum Jacobson, 213-Eugene Merikallio, Vincent William Thompson, Gordon Miller, Hubert Vincent Maxwell, 214-Walter Kenneth Fletcher, 215-James Clifford Cox, 218-Wilmot Edgar Harper, 220-George Robert Sheard, 221-Wildred E Crerar, Harold E McNaughton, Lorne Neil McCannell, Thomas Saunders, Walter McBride, 222-Elymer C

Scott, Ernest Walter Janes, Robert Henry Alfred Bulbrook, Randolph Dickson Boyle, Glen Henry Sage, 223-Sherwood Hamcock, John Mitchell, 226-John Maxwell McIlquham, Andrew Lian Ballang McQuaid, 230-Peter E Sr Mitchell, Alwyn W Crowther, 232-Neville Ethelbert C Thomson, William Edward Watt, 233-Thomas McKay Palmer, 234-Trevor N Williams, Gordon Albert Harley, Elmer Bartholomen Grischow, 235-Ira Thayer, George Arthur Armstrong, George Eugene Grills, Eric Garnett Simon, Paul Avrum Jacobson, 236-Oliver Wilhelm Sayer, 241-Douglas Trevor Whitney, 243-Alexander Murray, Joshua James Reid, 245-Carl Frank Russ, 247-Archie Hoggarth, Jack Allan Woodfield, 248-Mervyle F Clarke, George Howard Shideler, 249-Malcolm MacKenzie, 251-John Hamilton, 252-Donald Frederick McKenzie, Henry Russell, Willard Barclay Kirkpatrick, Hugh Edward Passingham, Arthur Raymond Thomson, Leslie Gordon Odell, Eric John Edmonds, David Edward Percival, Charles Richard Perry, 254-Roy Albert Kelly, Richard William Schopff, Frank Folino, Orrie Lewis Colegrove, 255-Jack M Pow, W Ross Wittet, Roy J Paget, Currie Kitchener Wilson, 260-George Robert Sheard, 262-John Garnett Robbins, 264-Leslie Gordon Odell, Harold Stanley Cauthers, 266-Lloyd MacIver, Herbert George Pile, 267-William James Peacock.

DEMITTED - 2000

1-Cornelius F A Hearbos, 3-Robert Reginald Shaw, Michael Paul Belan, Robert John Briars, Robert W Crawford, 6-James Stewart, 7-David Andrew Middleton, Keneth Charles Ward, William David Henderson, 8-Nelson King, Richard Eric Priddle, 15-Dennis John Kostash, Lewis McLean, 16-Gordon William Baine Dalgetty, Johan Frans Olberg, 19-William Henry Rudge, Ralph William Butler, Alfred Lyons, William M Williams, 20-Douglas Howard Flemming, Lorne Franklin Hunt, Paul Allan, 22-Hans Joachim Noe, 23-Darcy Dudolph Majors, 28-Save Artym, 29-(Dr)Kenneth William Vickers, William Harvey Rittenhouse, 32-Kurt Szaueroppe, Archibald Clark Ferguson, William Donahue, David Robertson Gibson, James Montague, Kenneth Higginson, Wilfred A Lewis, Stanton Hamilton Linton, 35-William Muir Simpson, 36-Alexander Charles Ellis, Willis Frederick Cleveland, Gerald Anson Foy, John Steven Magee, John Fred Burnett, 37-Garnet Ernest Collins, 40-Thomas George Johnson, 46-Charles Cauchi, 47-Harvey Edwin German, 53-Robert George John Paxton, 55-Terrace Michael McGuire, 56-Robert William Holtz, 57-Charles W Campbell, 59-James William Stevenson, Cornelius F A Haarbos, 61-Robert John Stacey, Ewart McMillan Cameron, 63-William Arnold, Paul Stevan Tiplady, 64-Jan Kurkiewicz, Bruce Cameron Howlett, Robert Walker, Allan Zurborg, 66-Michael John Diamond, Robert Stewart, Gordon Parkinson, 71-Charles Douglas McMullen, Daniel Keith Lauzon, 72-Frank Edward Randall, Jerry Genereux, John MacEwen Greenshields, Ronald Robert Ellis, Robert Donald Ward, 74-Philip Sims, Kenneth Garrett, 77-Bruce Gordon Edwards, Hans Toon Sanders, Thomas Bell Lloyd, 78-Eric Alan Butt, 79-John H Brentnall, Ralph Craig Neely, Owen Frank Daly, Peter Pearson, Desmond M Tutin, James Boyd Conner, 81-(Rev) William Dixon Towson, 82-Herbert George Pilc, Alexander Gibb Gardiner, Malcolm Dougal Wilson, James Leo Gomm, Desmond M Curran, Patrick George Curran, Lawrence John Britt, Philip Gilbert, William Richard Axent, 90-Henry Franklin Chaney, Daniel Hust, 94-Derek Rolfé, John Leslie Bannon, Douglas James Pollock, 95-George Hitchman, Samuel Alexander B Gray, 102-Arthur Albert Bragg, Lloyd Stanley R Gray, William Franklin Cooksley, Tim Brown, 104-LeRoy Morden, Alan Wight, Russell Soady, Murdoch MacFarlane, 110-Harold B Rayner, Arthur Breeze, 113-Gordon MacGregor, Leo Joseph Kuhn, Alfred E Nurse, Lorne Mellan, David Edward Hough, 114-Alexander James Parkhill, 117-Donald Underwood, Desmond Leon Paul Killen, Stephen Douglas Arnold, Brian James Clark, Michael Paul Govier, 119-Ronald Kieth Duncan, Wilbert Andrew Cranston, 130-Robert Warren Shular, James Fraser Downey, 131-Frederick Jay Clarkson, 133-Cavin Lewis Dunham, Keith Hector Findlay, William Emerald Dolmage, 138-Glen Carroll Nagle, 145-Robert Arthur Wiseman, 147-Glen

Walden, William Arnold, 150-William Douglas Westman, 152-Edwin Frank Taylor, Roy George Morrow, Edward Preston Goode, 155-Arnold Venema, 167-Norman D Mills, 175-Gordon Edward Massey, Dowton Christopher Thompson, 205-William Charles Imeson, Orvil Ralph Bruce Jenkes, Colin Walter Couper, Robert Bruce Judd, William Benjamin Bolton, 210-James Allen De Vries, 212-Wildred Stermeroff, 213-Charles MacCallum Stewart, William Charles Sweet, 218-Ross Gordon Urquhart, 220-John Edward Oldham, Walter Renouf, Hans Toon Sanders, 221-Kenneth L MacArthur, Beverly Arthur Neff, Ross Clark, Russell French, Ronald Wayne Code, 222-Donald George Hewer, John Alexander Provins, Kenneth Brian Almey, Charles Duncan Carroll, Russell A Sutton, Roger Ghantous, 223-Blaine Eddy, 224-Vincent Samuel Scott Vizante, 226-Richard John Attersley, 230-Edward Love, 233-James Roberts, John Wilfred, Gary Floyd Titus, 234-Robert Allan Keyes, 235-John Chalmers Leitch, Kenneth J Swann, Thomas William Bevin Carrique, 236-William Lewis Tomlinson, 241-Harley A Miller, 243-Allan C McIntyre, William Henry Sorbie, Thomas Stanley Pocock, Frank Robert Emberto Haighton, Thomas Fiddes, 245-Robert Johnston, 248-Donald Thomas Graham, Neil Eric McKay, 249-Kenneth William Lang, 251-Karl W W Jodko-narkiewicz, 252-Ronald Smith, Ronald Henry Tunbridge, David Carl Gough, 254-Gerald Henry Koblum, 255-Allen Douglas Goodlett, 257-David Ham, Clifton Michell, Slavko Koscevic, 261-Murray Jack Milburn, 262-Peter John Prediger, John Alun Owen, Harold Vernon Roman, George Edward Smith, Michael Frank Etter, 266-David Dupuis

SUSPENDED - 2000

1-Burton Deline Snider, 7-Paul Victor Landon, David Driscoll, 8-Donald Munro, Kevin McCormick, Jerry Meredith Peckford, Robert Merrilles, Martin Rosenbaum, Robert Foster, 15-Joseph Michael Taylor, James H Wade, 19-John Brian Millers, Edward Watson Peacock, Nicholas S Ward, 20-James Patterson Michie, Frederick Heywood, Donald Ion, Keith Roger Morley, Robert John Hamilton, Arthur James F Coombs, Brian Robert Adlam, Gary George Dunlop Weeks, James Victor Stannard, William Edwin Howes, Kenneth Ronald H Ferguson, Dennis James Rawlins, 22-Sтивен Frederick Durant, 24-Norman Walter Huggins, 29-Edward McAlpine, John Fairlie, 32-Lyle William Havens, Donald Pitts, Peter Alan Havens, 34-Donald earle Stephenson, 36-Maurice Collins Farquhar, 40-Derek Charles Hebbes, Saif Al-Haydari, 46-Nancy Gill Hoare, Daniel Franklin Richardson, 53-Donald Clemens Faulkner, Grand Edwards, John B Sherman, Gene Glen Timpany, Walter Lewis Anderson, Charles Keith Clinansmith, John Wesley Holling, Glen Evans Pugh, William James John Pearson, James Alexander Peterkin, David Ross Gleason, Jackie Colyer, 54-David Donald Sadler, Kenneth Larry Pike, Marvin Howard Berry, Richard Waite, John Gales, 63-Edward Victor Guy, 64-Joseph William McGuire, 66-Edward C Scherbarth, Jerry Smith, 68-James Robert Swartman, 71-Malcolm Jeffreys, Lloyd Hunter Harrow, John Wood, Herbert Stewart, 72-Donald Wallace Spafford, Randy Van Norman, 78-Robert James Pattingale, Donald Sterling Giberson, Eon Pentecost, 79-Alan Stevenson, Frederick D MacNamara, James R McLean, 82-John Teodor Christie, Julius Frederick Mundt, Robert L Paradis, James McMahon, Charles Edward Walton, James Loveday, Cameron Postill Howard, 90-Leonard Alfred Hamill, 94-John Hushin Wilson, Ian Woolfe Taylor, 95-Albert James Brown, Randal Leonard Armstrong, Alex John Skowronski, 104-George Frederick Kym Anthony, 110-Frederick Archie Smith, 114-William Norman Thurlwell, Donald Geoffrey Waddell, 117-John Michael George Summers, 130-Nelson Scott Lewis, Edward Victor Guy, 131-Lloyd Alvin McCutcheon, Bruno Pruetz, William Bryan Ross, 144-Christian Emond, 146-Norman Walter Huggins, 147-Anthony Norman Johnstone, 149-Wesley Reed Armstrong, 152-Fred Burtrum Joseph Whitehead, 155-Tony Niblett, 167-James Richard Christie, 175-Andrew Norwich, 198-Brian Francis Lee, 212-Marvin I Teperman, Mario Incenzo Baldesarra, 214-Brian N Dunlop, 222-Donald Hunter Perkins, George Abdul-Nour, Julien Kacou, 224-William Dennis

Sheridan, 230-Evon Nitsopoulos, 243-Ronald David Wessel, Pashalis Giore, Delmer Wayne Robinson, 252-James Noel Gascoigne, John William Lightfoot, Dennis James Rawlins, Lancelot Norwood Smith, William Harry MacIntosh, William Glover, John Douglas Gifford, John Stanley Ewart, Paul Robert Fulcher 254-John Alvin Nash, Charles Edward Walton, Kenneth Lawrence Anderson, Ernest Joseph Daigle, 257-Murray A Ede, Gregory Size, Randolph R Eadie, 264-Allan Henry Hack, 266-James McMahon

REINSTATED - 2000

6-Thomas B Clark, 7-James Alexander MacKay, James Maurice Campbell, 16-Calvin Edward Bellamy, Harold Friedrich Butt, 47-Wayne Glenwood Smith, 55-Eric W Turner, 59-Chester Charles Kain, 72-Donald MacKenzie Scandrett, 77-Donald Henry Youngblut, 82-Edward Albert Topple, Paul Krabok, 90-Jerry Ossachuk, 113-Robert J Bender, 117-Denis C Buckley, 119-George Edwin Meuser, 134-Hugh Alexander Kernohan, 168-Denis Clifford Lunn, 222-Richard Leslie Amey, 234-Leroy Norton, 241-Brian Douglas Wilson

DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE

1-M Kennedy, R Bjerknes, JG Langton, RA Paddle, D Holton, AW Holton, D Dale, W Lutes, 2-JW Reid, DJ Downey, FD Draker, C Lemmex, 3-CW Crow, RC Hemming, WR Sutherland, RJ McKibbin, 6-L Levitt, 7-M Smith, K Campbell, H Smith, W Goodfellow, 8-F Kilian, D Dainard, R Uhrig, P Skazin, E deBeaupre, D Kennedy, W Luter, A Connelly, J Jones, 15-D Emerick, 16-M Jenkyns, PA Canniff, M Sastre, WH Woods, EP Sally, MW Watling, GG Fowlow, BD VanSickle, 19-W Klapatiuk, H Turner, 22-S Hall, P Martin, M Jenkins, 23-J Lewis, 24-O Zorgdrager, 26-G Brummell, J Chambers, R Smith, R McDonald, 28-R McKelvie, W Esplen, G Gifford, 29-J Hodgen, R Harrington, R Bain, J Furedi, G Deavu, L Gimblett, A Kofink, R McMaster, J Barich, 31-D Mercer, A Allan, R Burden, D King, G Holmes, 32-L Miller, J Freer, P Sceviour, 34-G Parker, D Ross, J Dunlop, 36-TJ King, TA Mortlock, PL Lake, G Hurley, VG Young, 37-F Guy, B Keighley, 40-A Rilett, R Alton, 44-J Troyer, R Jeffrey, R Davies, G LeGier, C Sararas, L Timson, 48-D Ward, 54-L Cook, B Lang, R Hale, R Jackson, GR Jackson, 55-B Nehring, 57-A Etling, 59-R Millar, G Todd, R Eyre, G Robertson, 61-D Andrews, G Graves, 68-B Hamilton, A Graham, G Harper, C Conn, 71-MA Fletcher, R Bates, 74-R Collier, W Moore, 75-E Ramsbottom, P Barr, E Evans, 78-D Russell, W Bannon, M Jackson, H Jameson, 79-S Boyko, R Boal, I Nichols, R Johnson, D Martyn, C Meldrum, R Harrison, 81-B Segui, 83-S Brass, D Clark, 84-D Langridge, 90-JJ Ossachuk, 91-A Olbrecht, L Taranowski, JA Walker, G Gahs, 94-R Hewitt, D Blakey, R Lindsay, C Sudlow, 95-DR Gamble, GW White, J Weir, GW Chambers, 102-G Parsons, 104-Z Byramjee, P Suchak, J Whitehead, G Fairbairn, S Madon, J Shaw, 113-B Wellman, T Smith, W Bulbeck, D Smith, 114-G Cross, 117-PR Borland, C Sherwood, BW Miller, AG Wolfe, 119-L Hostine, 130-F Richardson, 133-MR Rodgers, GH Patterson, 134-D Wilfong, 145-A Maitland, 155-G Stewart, T Fiddes, R Norsworthy, 168-J Parsons, WA Armstrong, 175-A Cree, W Stanfield, 184-G Faraday, K Hooper, H Winslow, 195-GH McCandless, GS Good, JC Bird, LO Dawley, FR Russell, 198-B Simpson, B Stapley, 220-P Monkman, BA Downes, MJ Duke, G Sinclair, 222-JA Keith, GT Jones, MJ Moor, CE Meslage, 223-TA Firth, H Hubbell, 224-RE Todd, 226-JD Arbuckle, VC Garrett, TA Poole, 230-W Schneiders, JC Gordon, D Ross, E Carr, 233-R Beverley, D Surouy, B Bond, P Scott, 236-D Hill, G Harvey, R McClung, L Yule, 248-J Bonney, J Hill, E Poole, 249-G McCormick, R Thompson, K Bromley, F LeGresley, 251-H Pysklywee, E Nash, 252-S Thomson, 255-L Hicks, 257-A Glasgow, JB Gibbs, 261-D Hardie, C Griffiths, 262-T Warner, W Reynolds, TR Binns, 264-A Walker, B LoPatriello, P Cameron, 265-J Richel, R Mandeville, BD Lamont, 266-RR Berday

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The goal of the Long Range Planning Committee is to set forth suggestions and plan for the governance of this Grand Chapter over the next five years. A long-range plan (to be reviewed annually) is important in meeting the challenges and in maintaining continuity towards a vision of the future. This committee has examined reports of the previous five years, assessing the strengths and weaknesses in the following areas: Membership, Communication, Governance, Financial/Human Resources, and Technology and Communications. If there is one need that emerges most strongly, it is communication, communication, and communication. In every aspect of Grand Chapter communication is a key issue to provide a stronger, more focussed and informed Grand Chapter. Communication at the Grand Executive level, as well as to and from Chapters and Companions is fundamental to our success as a viable Masonic body.

What an opportunity the Grand Executive meetings offer for the Grand Council. It is here that the Grand First Principal could give a "state of the union" address to inform us of the plans he has for the next few months. It should also be an occasion for the Grand Executive to discuss specific issues upon which the Grand Council wishes input and permission to execute programs requiring funding. It is proposed that the following actions be undertaken to better define the of the Grand Council, the Grand Executive and the various committees.

1. The Grand Executive should be made more fully responsible for the administrative and executive functions of Grand Chapter by:

- (a) Reviewing and redefining authorities and responsibilities.
- (b) Reviewing and perhaps reducing in size and composition the committee to keep it responsive to the tasks at hand.
- (c) Establishing such a schedule of meetings as may be considered necessary. Quarterly meetings should not be considered as excessive.
- (d) Establishing a policy that all officers and members of the Grand Executive generally chair various committees.
- (e) Redefining roles and responsibilities of all committees, considering them all as Grand Chapter Committees.
- (f) Including an agenda item at Grand Executive meetings "Meeting with the Grand Council."
- (g) Collecting and distributing the names addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses for all Members of the Grand Executive by the Grand Scribe Ezra. This would vastly improve networking and sharing of information. All members must provide this information.
- (h) Reviewing the structure of the Grand Executive. This will require the willingness of Grand Council and Grand Executive to consider, recommend and implement changes to the laws, rules and regulations. This will demand great thought as to what constitutes an infringement of the ancient usages, customs and landmarks.
- (i) Establishing an action list to catalogue the decisions of Grand Executive with respect to the recommendations of Long Range Planning Committees since 1991.

2. While we have been most fortunate in having a Grand Scribe Ezra who has undertaken countless duties increasing needs will require further assistance as new programs are introduced.

3. Steady communication between Grand Chapter and Chapters should be encouraged to discuss any difficulties and possible solutions.
 4. Grand Council should continue to seriously consider committee recommendations while ensuring that the final disposition is communicated to the committee.
 5. With increasing numbers of amalgamations, realignment of districts is needed to foster closer ties within the Masonic communities geographically to better reflect the relationship between the Chapters and the Craft Lodges from which they draw their membership. The election of Grand Superintendents for two-year terms has some support, especially in the smaller districts.
 6. Introduction of new and revised programs would strongly indicate the leadership of Grand Chapter:
 - (a) Pre-training of Grand Superintendents
 - (b) Training of Chapter Scribes.
 - (c) Masonic education—including written literature, videotape and PowerPoint presentations.
 - (d) More frequent use of Chapters of Instruction.
 7. Fraternal visits to the districts by the First Grand Principal, the Grand Second Principal and the Grand Third Principal, should continue to be promoted with as much fanfare as possible.
 8. Photographs and information should be published for elected office: This would correspond to the practice of Grand Lodge.
- Nurture and promote Royal Arch Masonry:
- 1) Mission Statement: "Royal Arch Masonry will continue the Solomonic Degrees begun in the Craft and reinforce Masonic principles and tenets.
 - 2) Changes to the Constitution should be considered to permit Chapters to open, without opening in the Royal Arch, but solely in the Mark and Most Excellent Master Degrees for business and performing the work of the evening, as is the case in the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan. This would permit more time being devoted to the degree.
 - 3) Lodges can now devote up to 20% of their summons to other bodies such as Royal Arch Masonry. Royal Arch items should be written for use in lodge summonses.
 - 4) Bursaries for needy students should be advertised by a letter size poster to be placed on the Students' assistance board in the Colleges and or Universities.
 - a. An academic achievement award at a College where the Grand Superintendent presents it during the Award Ceremony provides an opportunity to expand on all facets of our charitable work.
 - b. Royal Arch Charities and Bursaries should be better promoted within the Community and fraternity. Consideration should be given to creating a special "Charity Medallion" to mark contributions of a specific total amount over a specified period of time (\$200 or more over 5 years) to our Charities or Bursaries.

Leadership and Training

1. Joint programs in concert with Grand Lodge should be developed to promote Masonry in general and Royal Arch Masons in particular.

2. Grand Chapter should build upon the Leadership and Training programs of Grand Lodge. After a Mason has completed the four courses of the College of Freemasonry and become a Fellow of the College, Grand Chapter could consider a fifth course which would be the College course re: Administration for Grand Chapter would earn an additional certificate. This would also ensure that RAM's are continuing to support the Grand Lodge structure.

3. Grand Chapter should consider developing a standard course of instruction for Chapter Officers, especially the three Principals. Mandatory attendance should be required at that Course of Instruction by any companion elected to the office of Third, Second or First Principal of a Chapter.

4. The three Principals of a Chapter should receive a letter, after their investiture, directly from the Grand First Principal congratulating them on their election reminding them of the full range of their duties stressing.

a) that the Scribes Ezra in every Chapter must inform the First Principal about Grand Chapter directives so that they are followed.

b) visiting other Chapters is as important as for the Craft Lodges

The entire issue of leadership training is crucial to life in Canada and few realize it. Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Sovereign Great Priory, Royal and Select Masters, Allied Masonic Degrees, etc. should meet to define an integrated strategy to build leaders of tomorrow, not just for Freemasonry, but for society as a whole.

Financial and Human Resources

1) A review of budgets from 1995/96 to 2000/01 indicates that efforts to reduce costs have been successful.

2) Reducing the frequency of the Grand Convocations to every second year, corresponding to the election and installation of the officers, could provide for a saving of \$3500 to \$5000 in the "off year".

i) A one day business formatted meeting would require one conference room only at an estimated cost of \$1000. The cost of printing the proceedings should also be reduced.

ii) It is recommended that a review of the convocation expenses should be undertaken at the fall Grand Executive Meeting immediately after the Grand Convocation. The budget for the next convocation can be set at the same time.

iii) It is recommended that Grand Chapter establish a two man permanent committee to set-up convocations with the Grand Scribe Ezra and Grand First Principal.

3) The Grand Chapter Long Range Financial Plan should evaluate operating costs and methods to reduce/enhance, and to define internal controls. We must be thankful to the companions charged with the financial oversight who have done such a commendable job.

4) Grand Chapter should develop a handbook of financial management for use by all Chapters. Technological and Communication: Communication, communication, communication! Our Grand Chapter web site is a most valuable tool for communication. It could carry "The Keystone" in electronic format with one copy per Chapter mailed versus every Companion.

Efforts should continue to improve electronic efficiencies in office activities. All forms should be computer formatted and their use by constituent Chapters be greatly encouraged. Greater use of electronic mail should be encouraged to reduce postage and handling costs.

While many Companions had contributions to this section, R.Ex.Comp. Denis Amendola who teaches web sites and technology information offered these insights.

1. One of the best tools for any organization is its ability to be open and create a curiosity for those who first access the web site. A Grand Chapter web site could provide a list of Chapter Numbers, followed by the Chapter name, Scribe's name as an e-mail link set up by Province, District or individual Chapters.

2. To decrease the printing and mailing costs Grand Chapter word processor forms could be saved on the web site and downloaded as "Acrobat pdf" MS Word or WordPerfect files. Completed forms could be printed and mailed or e-mailed to the Grand Scribe Ezra, The ordering of supplies could also be set up in a simple form.

3. Scribes Ezra should have an ID-PASSWORD registration access. As Scribe's submit new applicants, deaths and suspensions forms, a "cgi" script could update each Chapter's database, thereby providing an immediate roll of members..

Conclusion:. A much more integrated approach should be pursued by Grand Chapter in partnership with Grand Lodge, Sovereign Great Priory, Royal and Select Masters and, to a lesser extent, the AMD. Each serves a decreasing number of Masons who move to these bodies, and each exemplifies different aspects of the fundamental principles on which the entire system is built. The long run success of both our membership development and retention programs will ultimately depend upon the member satisfaction with individual Chapters which are supported by the Grand Chapter. Grand Chapter must overcome the challenges facing this us with a long-range plan that sets specific goals. Criteria for evaluating performance of the Strategic Plan must be specified as we progress. It must be regularly monitored and evaluated. Finally, my Companions, I leave you with the following thought, "A plan without time lines and measurable landmarks is nothing but a dream."

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee: M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner, R.Ex.Comps. W Bruce Miller, Melvyn J Duke, George F Graves, William D Amendola, Richard R Berday, Raymond R Meadows, Derek J Ward, Walter T Bulbeck

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. W Bruce Miller seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Walter T. Bulbeck, that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

Statistical Report of Membership

No.	Chapter	Memb 1999	Reg Memb	Comm Memb	Memb 2000	Advanced Rest	Afml	Died	Susp	Demit	Prev Yr Adj
1	Ancient Frontenac &	74	53	17	70	0	0	2	1	1	0
2	Cataraqui	69	48	22	70	2	0	2	0	0	0
3	The Hiram	119	115	75	190	0	2	14	0	4	87
5	St. John's	88	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-88
6	St. George's	107	65	40	105	1	0	1	0	1	-1
7	St. John's	148	92	50	142	1	2	5	2	3	-1
8	Quinte Friendship Moira	186	159	21	180	2	0	5	5	2	1
15	King Solomon's	100	49	43	92	1	0	4	2	2	-1
16	Wawanosh	181	121	56	177	2	1	4	0	2	-1
18	Carlton	140	83	54	137	1	0	4	0	0	0
19	Oxford	137	96	46	142	6	0	1	3	4	0
20	Mount Moriah	83	52	11	63	0	0	3	12	3	-3
22	Brant - Mount Horeb	44	38	4	42	2	0	2	1	1	0
23	Grenville	47	32	15	47	0	1	2	0	1	2
24	Regal - Ezra	95	64	23	87	0	0	6	1	0	-1
26	Tecumseh	64	49	15	64	1	0	1	0	0	0
27	St. Mark's	57	50	9	59	2	0	0	0	0	0
28	Manitou	110	89	23	112	7	0	4	0	1	0
29	Pentalpha	75	61	7	68	0	0	3	2	2	0
30	McCallum - Grimsby	59	46	11	57	0	0	2	0	0	0
31	Huron	86	78	15	93	8	0	1	0	0	0
32	Prince Edward	75	57	6	63	0	0	2	3	8	0
34	Waterloo	114	45	67	112	1	0	2	1	0	-1
35	Signet	78	55	18	73	0	0	4	0	1	0
36	Keystone	157	111	46	157	3	0	11	1	5	0
37	Corinthian	74	61	10	71	2	0	5	0	1	0
	Victoria						1				

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40	Guelph	97	60	32	92	1	0	3	2	1	0
44	Mount Sinai	47	30	17	47	0	0	0	0	0	0
46	St. James	60	51	5	56	0	0	1	2	1	0
47	Wellington - MacNabb	74	62	8	70	0	1	4	0	1	0
48	St. John's	35	34	1	35	1	0	0	0	0	-1
53	Bruce - Sombra	79	37	28	65	0	0	1	12	1	0
54	Palestine	219	44	160	204	0	0	11	5	0	1
55	Niagara	47	36	12	48	3	1	1	0	1	-1
56	Georgian	78	37	20	77	2	0	2	0	1	0
57	King Hiram	42	36	4	40	1	0	2	0	1	0
59	Sussex - St. Lawrence	128	96	29	125	3	1	5	0	2	-1
61	Maple - Granite	70	59	6	65	1	0	5	0	2	0
63	Havelock	60	49	6	55	0	0	2	1	2	0
64	Willson	85	71	12	83	3	0	2	1	4	0
66	The Elliott-Malloch	74	56	10	66	0	0	3	2	3	0
67	Enterprise	40	30	10	40	2	0	2	0	0	0
68	Maitland	52	46	3	49	0	0	3	1	0	1
71	Windsor	159	112	47	159	9	0	4	4	2	0
72	Keystone	65	48	9	57	1	1	2	2	5	-1
73	Erie - Blenheim	127	107	17	124	6	0	8	0	0	-1
74	Beaver	80	69	8	77	2	0	3	0	2	0
75	St. Clair	70	70	1	70	3	0	0	0	0	0
77	Occident	73	58	15	73	4	1	2	0	3	0
78	Minnewawa	59	40	17	57	2	0	1	3	1	1
79	Orient	153	119	33	152	7	1	0	3	6	0
81	Aylmer	91	86	6	92	3	0	1	0	1	0
82	Shuniah	163	118	31	149	5	2	5	7	9	0
83	Ionic	67	60	7	67	0	0	0	0	0	0

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84	Lebanon	46	35	11	46	0	1	1	0	0	0
90	Golden	72	66	0	66	0	1	4	1	2	-1
91	Toronto Antiquity	85	55	32	87	4	0	3	0	0	0
94	Midland	95	79	13	92	2	0	1	2	3	0
95	Tuscan	191	112	76	188	6	0	4	4	2	0
102	Algonquin	94	84	7	91	2	1	0	0	4	-2
103	St. John's	104	81	21	102	2	0	3	0	0	-1
104	White Oak	74	52	23	75	6	0	2	1	4	0
110	Warkworth	33	28	0	28	0	0	1	1	2	-1
113	Covenant - St. John's	81	60	17	77	2	1	2	0	5	0
114	Sanhedrin	95	85	4	89	0	0	4	2	1	1
117	Kitchener	117	87	30	117	3	1	0	1	5	0
119	King Cyrus	94	54	35	89	0	1	5	0	2	1
130	Chantry	54	43	9	52	2	0	2	2	2	0
131	Amabel	63	48	9	57	0	0	2	3	1	0
133	St. Francis	116	93	14	107	1	0	6	0	3	-1
134	King Darius	36	22	17	39	4	1	1	0	0	-1
135	Sucoth	20	16	2	18	0	0	2	0	0	0
138	Shekinah	128	80	44	124	4	0	6	0	1	-1
144	Presqu'ile	33	31	1	32	1	0	1	1	0	0
145	The St. Patrick	67	35	29	64	0	0	1	0	1	-1
146	Bernard	51	47	2	49	1	0	2	1	0	0
147	Lucknow	33	32	1	30	0	0	0	1	2	-1
148	St. John's	29	32	0	32	3	0	0	0	0	0
149	Atwood	13	12	0	12	0	0	0	1	0	0
150	St Andrew - London	206	153	55	208	1	1	0	0	1	1
152	Alberton	95	83	7	90	1	0	1	1	3	-1
155	Ancaster	46	41	2	43	1	0	1	1	1	-1

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167	Kichikewana	100	63	35	98	1	0	1	1	1	0
168	Ionic	59	56	9	65	4	1	0	0	0	0
169	Teniskaming	30	28	0	28	0	0	2	0	0	0
175	The Hamilton	71	66	6	72	4	0	1	1	2	0
184	Hugh Murray	61	58	2	60	2	0	4	0	0	0
195	Peel	118	64	56	120	3	0	2	0	0	0
198	Couchiching	95	60	39	99	2	0	0	1	0	0
205	Victoria	160	106	45	151	2	0	6	0	5	0
210	Kitchener	54	51	4	55	2	0	0	0	1	0
212	Mount Sinai	262	41	182	223	3	0	8	2	1	-31
213	Northern Lights	46	29	11	40	1	0	4	0	2	-1
214	Vimy	39	21	16	37	0	0	1	1	0	0
218	Prince Edward	38	34	2	36	0	0	1	0	1	0
220	Lebanon	93	71	23	94	4	0	1	0	3	1
221	Durham	53	44	2	46	2	0	4	0	5	0
222	Ottawa	122	94	20	114	3	1	5	4	6	0
223	Abitibi	33	32	0	32	0	2	2	0	1	0
224	Keystone	81	37	43	80	1	0	0	1	1	0
226	Prince of Wales	86	16	67	83	0	0	2	0	1	0
230	Port Credit	64	56	8	64	2	0	2	1	1	0
232	King Cyrus	69	47	20	67	2	0	2	0	0	-2
233	Oakwood	52	38	12	50	1	0	0	0	3	0
234	Halton	51	51	1	52	2	1	3	0	1	0
235	Aurora	81	42	29	71	1	0	4	0	3	-5
236	Caledonia	33	27	6	33	2	0	1	0	1	0
241	University	90	76	18	94	4	1	1	0	1	0
243	McKay	58	35	15	50	0	1	2	3	5	1

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245	Preston	40	38	1	39	1	0	1	0	1	0
247	Nilestown	108	55	52	107	1	0	2	0	0	0
248	Dochert	46	42	2	44	1	0	2	0	2	0
249	Palestine	66	57	7	64	0	0	1	0	1	0
251	Kirkland	37	21	13	34	2	0	1	0	1	-3
252	Hiawatha	234	102	112	214	1	0	9	9	3	-1
254	Golden Star	133	77	47	124	0	0	4	4	1	0
255	Tilsonburg	77	45	26	71	2	0	4	0	1	-3
257	Espanola	92	75	12	87	2	0	0	3	3	-1
261	Seguin	59	52	6	58	0	0	0	0	1	0
262	King David	68	57	7	64	1	0	1	0	5	1
264	Tecumseth	75	25	50	75	2	0	2	1	0	0
265	Brampton	76	14	64	78	2	0	0	0	0	0
266	Kenogamisis	31	24	3	27	0	0	2	1	1	0
Total		10386	7167	2792	9959	207	20	306	135	201	-62

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28	Pentalpha	Ex.Comp. Richard Gifford	5 Robinson Cres., Whitby, L1N 6W6
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15	Wawanosh Sarnia	81	Aylmer	Aylmer
53	Bruce-Sombra Petrolia	150	The St Andrew - London . .	London
54	Palestine St Thomas	214	Vimy	Oil Springs
74	Beaver Strathroy	247	Nilestown	Nilestown
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30	Huron	Goderich	46	St. James	St. Mary's
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205	Victoria	Thornhill	212	Mount Sinai	Richmond Hill

220	Lebanon	Etobicoke	230	Port Credit	Port Credit
232	King Cyrus	Toronto	233	Oakwood	Pickering
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130	Chantry	Southampton	264	Tecumseth	Tottenham
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36	Corinthian	Peterborough	134	King Darius	Cannington
37	Victoria	Port Hope	168	Ionic	Campbellford
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133	St. Francis	Smith Falls	248	Dochert	Arnprior
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213	Northern Lights	Timmins	251	Kirkland	Kirkland Lake

GRAND CHAPTER CALLED OFF

At 2:55 p.m., the Grand First Principal directed the Grand Principal Sojourner to call the Grand Chapter from labour to refreshment until 8:30 a.m. in the morrow.

GRAND CHAPTER CALLED ON

At 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 7th, 2001 the Grand First Principal directed the Grand Principal Sojourner to call the Grand Chapter from refreshment to labour.

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEER COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Committee of Scrutineers take great pleasure in presenting the results of the elections held at this Grand Chapter.

The results of the ballot were:

Grand Scribe Nehemiah:

Ex.Comp. George William Hurley Acclaimed

Grand Principal Sojourner:

No nomination

Grand Registrar:

Ex.Comp. Leslie W B Brown Acclaimed

Grand Executive Committee: R.Ex.Comp. William Klapatiuk, R.Ex.Comp. William G Birnie, R.Ex.Comp. Eugene F A de Beaupre, R.Ex.Comp. Gordon J Carr, R.Ex.Comp. Donald R Winkworth.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. Guenther H Gahs and seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Committee on Credentials take great pleasure in presenting the following report.

Number of Chapters	122
Number of Chapters represented by Officers	32
Number of Chapters represented by proxy	21
Number of Chapters represented by Past Principals only	25
Number of Chapters not represented	32
Number of Delegates present	203
Total number of Ballots	301
Spoiled ballots	5
Total number of Chapters denied vote	12

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. Guenther H Gahs and seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS ADDRESS

To the Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Excellent Sir and Companions;

We, the Special Committee on the Grand First Principal's address having received and reviewed the address of Most Excellent Companion John W. McGill, take this opportunity to congratulate him on his efforts to lead this Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons during the past year.

We join with our Grand First Principal in his welcome to you, the Companions of this Grand Chapter, to the distinguished guests from Sister Grand Jurisdictions and representatives of other Concordant Masonic Bodies, to this our 143rd Grand Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, being held once again in the City of Kingston.

We are pleased to join M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill's acknowledgment and pledge of support to Excellent Companion and Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbin, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, and his office.

Our committee endorses the congratulations extended by M. Ex.Comp. McGill to the Companions of St. Lawrence District No. 12 for hosting this 143rd Grand Convocation, and his comments to the Grand Superintendent, R.Ex.Comp. Garry F Harper and the General Chairman, R.Ex.Comp. Roland Paddle, the Companions of the various committees and their ladies. Due to circumstances beyond anyone's control, we unexpectedly called on the Companions, and their ladies, of St. Lawrence District No. 12 to host this Grand Convocation. We thank them for a job well done.

We support our Grand First Principal in his challenge to the Companions throughout our jurisdiction to work for the betterment of Capitular Masonry in this the Twenty-first Century.

We, the Past Grand First Principals, are pleased for the kind words of appreciation extended to us, and we accept the responsibility when called on, to labour for the benefit of our Grand Chapter. Our Committee joins with the Grand First Principal, and the Companions, in paying tribute to those of this Jurisdiction, and of Sister Jurisdictions who have passed to the Grand Chapter Above. We give thanks to the Great Jehovah for having had the opportunity to share our time with these dedicated Masons. We shall remember them.

We join with you, Most Excellent Sir, and commend R.Ex.Comp. Edward Ounjian and his committee in administering our Benevolence Fund. We also agree with your decision to confer Past First Principal rank on Excellent Companion Fred Highmore of Peel Chapter No. 195, Brampton we share the concern for his health and pray the Great Jehovah grants him many more years that he may continue to enjoy his Masonic endeavours.

The Past Grand First Principals support M.Ex.Comp. McGill's decision to uphold our Constitution when a First Principal of a Chapter has failed to work in accordance with his obligation to Grand Chapter.

Invariably the suspension of voting privileges causes an abrasive attitude by some Companions towards Grand Chapter and a Grand First Principal. Such remarks and questions should properly be directed to their own First Principal, the rules have not changed, a First Principal is still responsible for the operation or default of his Chapter.

Further, we support the actions of our Grand First Principal when it became necessary to disqualify Companions seeking elective office as a result of a First Principal's summons publishing the name of the aspirant. It is unfortunate that today a presiding officer of this Grand Chapter is still obliged to make these rulings due to the failure of a First Principal working in accordance with our Constitution.

We endorse the expression of appreciation extended to the Grand Superintendents in their having represented our Grand First Principal during this past year, and thank them for their attendance at many official functions.

This Committee extends our thanks and best wishes to those Companions who have been recognized and received long service jewels, bars or certificates. Your actions and support of our Grand Chapter and your own Chapters are very much appreciated. Also, we support the conferring of Honourary Membership to the Grand Executive Committee on Very Excellent Companion Norman E Byrne.

The committee adds our support to the Companions of those Chapters who have taken the positive steps and responsibility to amalgamate. May your efforts prove to be fruitful, that you may enjoy a prosperous future in Capitular Masonry.

The Past Grand First Principals join with M.Ex.Comp. McGill in expressing thanks to the Public Relations Committee as they spread the word on Royal Arch Masonry throughout our jurisdiction. Also, we support the use of the Ontario Mason magazine as a 'working tool' to reach our Craft Lodge brethren to offer them information and an opportunity for further light in Masonry. The Keystone has been a form of communication to the Companions of our jurisdiction, and should time and circumstance prove favourable we would recommend consideration of future publications of this paper.

Most Excellent Sir we express to you our congratulations in representing this Grand Chapter during your travels in the United States of America and your visits to attend special receptions throughout Ontario.

The Past Grand First Principals particularly noted, with interest, the information of our Grand Chapter becoming involved with a Royal Arch Web site. A working tool of the future which will require dedicated and qualified Companions to look after the interests of our Grand Chapter. Under the direction of R.Ex.Comp. Sheldon Boomhour we wish the committee good luck in their endeavours and await, with guarded anticipation, the results of your labours.

Our committee noted, with pleasure, the thanks to the Past Grand First Principals for any offers of assistance extended to M.Ex.Comp. McGill. We, the committee, recognize the contributions of R. Ex. Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson, Grand Third Principal and all Grand Chapter Officers and Committee members. We also join our Grand First Principal in recognizing the Grand Scribe Ezra, R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn James Duke. He, and his staff, continue to serve our Grand Chapter in an exemplary manner, and he is always ready with a word of advise or support.

Most Excellent Sir, the Past Grand First Principals express our thanks to the Great Jehovah for your recovery from surgery and wish for you, and your lady Margaret Rondina, continued good health and safe travelling as you begin your second year as our Grand First Principal.

Respectfully submitted: M.Ex.Comps. Charles W Emmett, Aube L Weisman, Gordon H Stuart, Edward W Elcombe, Albert A Mortlock, Leslie Levitt, Donald F Kline, G Robert Jackson, Alan F Walker, R Frank Russell and myself, Harry D Turner, Chairman.

Moved by M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner, seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt that this report, and thereby the Grand First Principal's address be received by Grand Chapter for printing in the Proceedings. CARRIED.

MOTIONS TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION

Moved by M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner, seconded by the Grand Second Principal that:

Section 55 (h) be deleted, thus removing the Long Range Planning Committee as a standing Committee of the Grand Executive Committee. CARRIED.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck seconded by the Grand Second Principal the following three amendments:

Section 56 (a) be amended by adding the word "Grand" before the word Treasurer. CARRIED.

Section 56 (c) be amended by deleting the words "that the expenditures to cover them" and replace it with "the financial viability of Grand Chapter." CARRIED.

Section 54 (b), (f) and (g) be deleted and inserted into Section 55 as (j) Constitution Review, (k) Archives and (l) History. CARRIED.

PRESENTATION OF THE WILLIAM S THOMSON TROPHY

M.Ex.Comp. McGill called upon the Grand Scribe Ezra to advise the Companions of the winner of the William S Thomson Trophy. St Johns Chapter No. 148 of Van Kleek Hill was announced as the Chapter with the greatest percentage increase in membership.

After congratulating the Companions and the Chapter M.Ex.Comp. McGill, accompanied by the other Grand Council members presented the trophy to the winner.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

M.Ex.Comp. McGill announced that the time had arrived for the Ceremony of Installation and Investiture of Officers of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year and requested M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt to assume the gavel and to carry on with those duties. The newly elected officers were installed according to ancient custom. M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill then proceeded to announce the Appointed Officers of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

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PAST RANK

Moved by M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt, seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker that Past Rank be granted to the Grand Chapter Officers of 2000. CARRIED.

THANKS

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Richard Jackson that the thanks of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario be extended to the following collectively:

- the Credentials Committee for the efficient manner in which they discharged their duties.
 - the Scrutineers for their service in taking charge of the election of the Officers
 - the 2001 Convocation General Chairman and his committees and subcommittees for their most successful efforts and achievements.
 - to the Hotel staff for their great efforts which helped to make this such a fine Convocation.
- CARRIED.

CLOSING

The business of the 143rd Convocation being completed Grand Chapter was closed at 11:15 a.m. in ample form.

Melvyn J Duke
Grand Scribe Ezra

FUTURE CONVOCATIONS OF GRAND CHAPTER

April 10, 11,12 and 13, 2002
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BENEVOLENCE - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Denis Langridge, Committee member R.Ex.Comps. Derek Ward, George Chambers

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CONSTITUTION REVIEW - Chairman - R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck, Committee members - R.Ex.Comp. James W Reid, Leslie O Dawley

FINANCE - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker, Committee members M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe, R.Ex.Comps. B Andrew Downes, Melvyn J Duke, V.Ex.Comp. George B Fairbairn

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1961-62 Charles W Emmett	27 Colwood Drive Islington ON M9A 4E5
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1982-83 Gordon H Stuart	506 Comanche Road Mississauga ON L5H 1W2
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1986-87 Albert A Mortlock	748 Hopkins Avenue Peterborough ON K9J 4Y5
1988-89 Leslie Levitt	7 Hillcrest Court Hamilton ON L8P 2X7
1990-91 Donald F Kline	889 Hollowtree Crescent Mississauga ON L4Y 2V3
1992-93 G Robert Jackson	8 Luton Crescent St. Thomas ON N5R 5K1
1994-95 Alan F Walker	2 Blackcombe Drive R. R. No. 2 Coldwater ON L0K 1E0
1996-97 R Frank Russell	12 Kingsview Boulevard Brampton ON L6Y 1C3
1998-99 Harry D Turner	2390 Red Maple Avenue, RR 1 Jordan Station ON L0R 1S0

**HONORARY PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS AND OTHERS
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**

*Henry Robertson P.G.Z.	1888
*Kivas Tully, P.G.Z.	1891
*Hugh Murray, P.G.Z.	1903
*Harry Holgate Watson, P.G.Z.	1909
*Elias Talbot Malone, P.G.Z.	1919
*Augustus Toplady Freed, P.G.Z.	1920
*Sir John Morison Gibson, P.G.Z.	1922
*Roderick B Dargavel, P.G.Z.	1923
*Melville S Gooderham, P.G.Z.	1957
*The Rt.Hon. Earl of Galloway, Scotland, P.G.Z.	1958
*Sir George Boag, England, Past Grand Superintendent.	1958
*William H Sweeting, Victoria, Australia, Past Grand Principal Sojourner.	1958
*Reginald J Lewis, P.G.Z.	1964
The Rt.Hon. Earl of Elgin & Kincardine, P.G.Z.	1975
* Deceased	

**GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**

*William Mercer Wilson	1857	*Charles William Haentschel	1932-33
*Thompson Wilson	1858	*Alexander Cowan	1934
*Thomas Douglas Harrington	1858-60	*George Lawrence Gardiner	1935-36
*John Charles Franck	1861-62	*William Young Mills	1937-38
*Thomas Douglas Harrington	1863-71	*Llewellyn Fred Stephens	1939-40
*Samual Bickerton Harmon	1872	*John Morgan Empy	1941-42
*Charles Davis MacDonnell	1873	*John MacDonald Burden	1943-44
*James Seymour	1874	*Reginald Van Every Conover	1945-46
*Lawrence H Henderson	1875-76	*Frederick William Dean	1947-48
*Frederick Joseph Menet	1877-78	*Clarence McLeod Pitts	1949-50
*Daniel Spry	1879-80	*Alexander Geo. Noel Bradshaw	1951-52
*Donald Ross	1881-82	*John Alex. MacDonald Taylor	1953-54
*Henry MacPherson	1883-84	*John Loftus House	1955-56
*Thomas Sargant	1885-86	*Maurice Arthur Searle	1957-58
*Robert Hendry Jr	1887	*Bruce Harrison Smith	1959-60
*Richard Beecher Hungerford	1888-89	Charles William Emmett	1961-62
*John James Mason	1890-91	*Fraser Earl Jeffrey Hay.	1963-64
*John Elly Harding	1892-93	*James Elwood Girven	1965-66
*John Ross Robertson	1894-95	*Stanley Portch	1967-68
*Michael Walsh	1896-98	*George Harold Shannon	1969
*William Gilzean Reid	1899-1900	*Frederick Wm. Davis Welham	1970-71
*William Gibson	1901-02	*Leo John Gent	1972-73
*Abraham Shaw	1903-04	*William Simpson Thomson	1974-75
*William Roaf.	1905-06	*William Harold Sproule	1976-77
*John Leslie	1907-08	Aube L Weisman	1978-79
*George Moore	1909-10	*Frederick Scott	1980-81
*Frederick Weir Harcourt	1911-12	Gordon H. Stuart	1982-83
*Daniel Frazer MacWatt	1913-14	Edward W Elcombe	1984-85
*William S R Murch	1915-16	Albert A Mortlock	1986-87
*Arthur Stirling Gorrell	1917-18	Leslie Levitt	1988-89
*William Nisbet Ponton	1919-20	Donald F Kline	1990-91
*Herbert Spohn Griffin	1921	G Robert Jackson	1992-93
*Richard Henry Spencer	1922-23	Alan F Walker	1994-95
*Walter Hamill Davis	1924-25	R Frank Russell	1996-97
*Kenneth Jewell Dunstan	1926-27	Harry D Turner	1998-99
*Edwin Smith	1928-29	John W McGill	2000-
*Walter Garnet Price	1930-31	*Deceased	

GRAND SCRIBES EZRA
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

*Thomas Bird Harris	1857-73	*Frederick J. Johnson	1949-59
*Richard Porter Stephens	1874-75	*Maurice A. Searle	1960-61
*Daniel Spry	1876-77	*Robert J. Hamilton	1962-69
*David McLellan	1878-91	*Frederick C. Conley	1969-78
*Thomas Sargent	1892-98	*Robert Thornton Rigby	1978-88
*George J. Bennett	1899-1915	Edward W. Elcombe	1988-94
*Henry Thomas Smith	1916-28	Melvyn James Duke	1994-
*Edwin Smith	1929-49		
*Deceased			

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