THE GRAND CHAPTER
OF
ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

2006
PROCEEDINGS
ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHTH
ANNUAL CONVOCATION
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONSOF CANADA
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Held in Quality Hotel Parkway Convention Centre
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Thursday, Friday, Saturday
April 6, 7, and 8, 2006

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BIOGRAPHY

Masonic Biography:

1976    Joined St. David’s Lodge No. 302, St. Thomas
1983-84 Served as Worshipful Master
1986-90 Served as Secretary
2000    Life Member
1977    Joined Palestine Chapter No. 54, as a Life Member, St. Thomas
1981-82 Served as First Principal
1994-2000 Served as Scribe Ezra
1993-94 Elected as Grand Superintendent of District No. 2
1996-2000 Elected member of the Grand Executive Committee
2000    Elected Grand Third Principal
2002    Elected Grand Second Principal
2004    Elected Grand First Principal
2002    Affiliated with Beaver Chapter No. 73 in Strathroy
1984    Joined the Order of the High Priesthood as a Life Member
2002    Joined Mocha Shrine A.A.O.N.M.S. London
1995    Joined Maple Leaf Chapter No. 3 of the Order of the Eastern Star and served as Worthy Patron from September 1999 to September 2000
2002    Affiliated with Central Star No. 57 in St. Thomas
2004    Honorary Past Grand High Priest of the Order of the High Priesthood
2004    Honourary Life member The St Andrews - London Chapter No. 150
2004    Honourary Life member of the Grand Chapter of Michigan
Most Excellent Companion Richard James Jackson
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION

The One Hundred and Forty-eighth Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, held at the Quality Hotel Parkway Convention Centre, St. Catharines, Ontario on April 7th and 8th, 2006.

M.Ex.Comp. Richard James Jackson Grand First Principal
R.Ex.Comp. George Herbert Gifford Grand Second Principal
R.Ex.Comp. Roland Allen Paddle Grand Third Principal

PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS
M.Ex.Comp. Charles W Emmett
M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe
M.Ex.Comp. Donald F Kline
M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell
M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill

M.Ex.Comp. Gordon H Stuart
M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt
M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker
M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS
ELECTED AND APPOINTED 2005

R.Ex.Comp. Richard Allen Hryniw Grand Chaplain
R.Ex.Comp. Shavak Russy Madon Grand Treasurer
R.Ex.Comp. Dushan Surovy Grand Scribe Nehemiah
R.Ex.Comp. Paraag Natwarlal Suchak Grand Principal Sojourner
R.Ex.Comp. Barry Turnbull Grand Registrar
V.Ex.Comp. Gary Paul Humes Grand Historian
R.Ex.Comp. Robert E Todd Grand Archivist

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS 2005

R.Ex.Comp. Geoffrey Craig Perry Grand Superintendent - District 1
R.Ex.Comp. Robert Charles Wakefield Grand Superintendent - District 2
R.Ex.Comp. John Warren Reynolds Grand Superintendent - District 3
R.Ex.Comp. Howard Edwin Brown Grand Superintendent - District 4
R.Ex.Comp. Leroy Norton Grand Superintendent - District 5
R.Ex.Comp. David Pass Grand Superintendent - District 6
R.Ex.Comp. Ben J. Lam Grand Superintendent - District 7
R.Ex.Comp. James MacDonald Grand Superintendent - District 8
R.Ex.Comp. Leo Joseph Smith Grand Superintendent - District 9
R.Ex.Comp. Craig Stephen Robinson Grand Superintendent - District 10
R.Ex.Comp. Lloyd George Timson Grand Superintendent - District 11
R.Ex.Comp. Joseph Clifford Dove Grand Superintendent - District 12
R.Ex.Comp. Lowell Johnston Blaney Grand Superintendent - District 13
R.Ex.Comp. Robert Norman Coutts Grand Superintendent - District 14
R.Ex.Comp. Donald George Jones Grand Superintendent - District 15
GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
HONOURARY
(*Two Year Term # One Year Term)

*R.Ex.Comp. John William Lidstone

ELECTED 2005
R.Ex.Comp. Mohammed Hassan Mohamdee
R.Ex.Comp. William Klapatiuk
R.Ex.Comp. Thomas Charles Warner

ELECTED 2004
R.Ex.Comp. David W. Laskey
R.Ex.Comp. Thomas John King
R.Ex.Comp. Roland P. Mandeville

APPOINTED 2005
R.Ex.Comp. David Edward Jacklin

APPOINTED 2004
R.Ex.Comp. Walter Theodore Bulbeck

GRAND CHAPTER OPENED

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the One Hundred and Forty-eighth 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-eighth Convocation.

The Grand First Principal then appointed R.Ex.Comps. J William Lidstone and David E Jacklin as Parliamentarians for the duration of this Convocation. The Grand First Principal then advised all present that the matter relating to the legal claim against Grand Chapter reported last year remains sub jureis and will not under any circumstances be a matter of discussion at this Convocation.

Distinguished Guests - Introduced by R.Ex.Comp. Richard A Hryniw

British Columbia
Illinois
Michigan
Newfoundland
New Hampshire
New York
Nova Scotia
Ohio
Quebec

R.Ex.Comp. Howard Little, Grand Scribe
M.Ex.Comp. Alan Morgan, G.H.P.
M.Ex.Comp. Ronald Tallon, G.H.P.
M.Ex.Comp. Kermit Zimmerman, G.H.P.
M.Ex.Comp. Bertrand Poirier, G.Z.
Order of the High Priesthood of Ontario M. Ex. High Priest Peter D. Park, Grand President
Royal and Select Masters of Ontario M.III.Comp. David P Hardie
Sovereign Great Priory M.Em Kt. F Douglas Draker, Supreme Grand Master

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 Gary Laverne Atkinson, 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. Jackson. Following Grand
Honours he was escorted to his seat on the dias by the Grand First Principal.

INVOCATION
The Grand Chaplain, R.Ex.Comp. Richard A Hryniv 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
Opening Prayer: Most Almighty and Supreme Lord we remember before you those of our
Companions who have faithfully completed the work in the quarry and are now called on the
sixth hour to receive their wages. May the labour of their hands and the sharing of their
skills be pleasing in your sight and may their reward be a place of perfection in Your Holy
and Eternal Temple.

We pray to you Most Holy One that we may master the good works that they have set before
us and that like them we may be granted a place in Your heavenly realm when we have
completed our earthly labours. Finally, we continue to offer our praise and obedience with
thankful hearts for Your many blessings poured out upon us in great and unending
abundance. Amen - So Mote It Be

My soul finds rest in God alone. My salvation comes from Him. He alone is my rock and my
salvation. He is my fortress. I will never be shaken. These are the words of King David, the
father of King Solomon of Israel who is acknowledged as the First Grand Principal. In this
brief passage and throughout the many and varied volumes of the Sacred Law we are
continually reminded that the Supreme Being is not only the Great and Holy Architect of the
Universe but is the very foundation of our existence.

As Royal Arch Masons we are continually admonished to build a structure grounded on
brotherly love, belief and truth. We are also reminded that the edifice we erect requires
diligence and dedicated labour.
It is in the act of labour that we become enlightened not only to our own talents but of the contributions of others and the need for harmony to accomplish the tasks set before us.

We become aware that we are but rough ashlers that have the potential of becoming perfect but only when we allow the chisel and mallet of the skilled craftsman to smooth our uneven surface. It is to those craftsmen that we dedicate this service. It is they that have provided the rock upon which we can build. Because of them we can construct a beacon that can provide a guiding light for all to follow. It is therefore fitting that we should acknowledge and celebrate the light of those Companions who no longer labour by our side in the quarry by igniting a small vigil lamp in their memory. This small flame will burn both day and night during this Grand Chapter to remind us of the contribution made to Royal Arch Masonry by our departed Companions.

We light this lamp to the memory of those Companions who now labour in a distant place from which no workman returns. Companions, in memory of those who have passed before us and are now in the Grand Chapter above I would ask for a moment of silence.


GRAND MASTER'S REMARKS

Most Excellent Companion Richard J Jackson, Grand First Principal, Right Excellent Companion George H Gifford, Grand Second Principal, Right Excellent Companion Roland A Paddle, Grand Third Principal, Grand Chapter Officers, Past and Present. Reverend Sirs. My Companions all.

Most Excellent Companion Jackson. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to you, for those very kind words of Welcome, to this the 148th Annual Communication of Grand Chapter. My thanks to you Most Excellent Sir for extending the Grand Honours to the Office of the Grand Master. To Very Excellent Companion Norm Dix, thank you for leading the Companions in a most capable and professional manner. And to you, my companions, for the manner in which you have responded.

This year as Grand Master, I have been encouraging the Brethren across our jurisdiction, to take a moment, step back and reflect on two items. The first one is our Personal Image. As Freemason's, we must project an image, that is acceptable and appealing; one that reinforces the fraternal nature of Freemasonry. Our Personal Image as Masons, is a continual work in progress through the teachings of the Ritual and the Volume of the Sacred Law. The second one, is True Charity. Freemasonry itself is not a charity, nor does it have as its main purpose, charitable giving. Charity is receiving and sharing. Be tolerant of our Brethren's ideas, suggestions and desire to improve the Craft. When it comes to your time to give, pass it forward not backward. My Companions regardless if we are serving in Craft Masonry or Royal Arch Masonry - we are all Masons.

I remind you to be aware of your Personal Image at all times, and to remember that Masonic Charity should be part of your life everyday!
Most Excellent Companion Jackson, before you conclude your tenure as Grand First Principal, I must tell you how much I have enjoyed our relationship over the years. Be it through the positions we hold within our Masonic family, or outside of our Fraternity, I can honestly say you are a true professional and you have raised the bar one notch higher with class and distinction.

To Right Excellent Companion Gifford, I look forward with much anticipation in working with you during the years ahead.

To Right Excellent Companion Leo Smith, General Chairman for this, the 148th Annual Communication - to you and the members of your committee. we thank you for many hours of hard work to ensure this communication will be the success that it will be.

My Companions, if I could leave you with one thought... Freemasonry is kindness in the home... honesty in business... courtesy in society... fairness in work... pity and concern for the unfortunate... resistance towards the wicked... help for the weak... trust in the strong... forgiveness for the pertinent... love for one another and above all... reverence and love for the G.A.O.T.U. Freemasonry is many things. but most of all - Masonry is a way of life! Thank you.

**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. Gordon H Stuart 1982-83  
M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe 1984-85  
M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt 1988-89  
M.Ex.Comp. Donald F Kline 1990-91  
M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker 1994-95  
M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell 1996-97  
M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill 2000-01

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 148th Annual Convocation, here in the City of St. Catharines. We thank you for your individual contributions to our Grand Chapter during your terms as Grand First Principals and let we 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. Jackson called upon R.Ex.Comp. Ben J Lam, Grand Superintendent of District No. 7 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, Distinguished Guests and Companions, it is an honour to have you here for the 148th Grand Convocation. On behalf of District No. 7, I wish to extend my warmest welcome to everyone. Our district offers many historic sites and interesting places for sightseeing and shopping. To name a new - the Shaw Festival, Fort George, Queenston Heights, Niagara Falls, winery and vineyard tours, orchards, the well known Welland Canal and Dunnville on the Grand River. We hope you will take the time to visit some of these famous places and have an enjoyable stay. Thank you.

Right Excellent Companion Ben J. Lam, Grand Superintendent District No. 7

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CONVOCATION

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. George H Gifford, Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Roland A Paddle, Grand Third Principal that the proceedings of the 147th Grand Convocation held in St Catharines, Ontario, on Friday the 8th of April and Saturday the 9th of April 2005, 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 V.Ex.Comp. William G Esplcn 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 V.Ex.Comp. William G Esplcn 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.

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Edward G Ounjian
W Bruce Miller
Dale Plant
Donald Gillis
John Post
Harry D Turner
James Napier
Roland P Mandeville

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. Jackson 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 of Royal Arch Masonry are to be honoured:

Companion John Bowen Sr. of Sussex-St Lawrence Chapter No. 59
Companion Robert Eric Grundy of Willson Chapter No. 64.
Companion John Alexander (Jack) Robinson of St Frances Chapter No. 133

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 by M.Ex.Comps. Harry D Turner, John McGill and R. Frank Russell, Chairman

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

GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS


Most Worshipful Brother Atkinson, on behalf of the Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, I pledge to you and the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario our continued allegiance and support. I thank you for taking the time from your busy schedule to be with us here this morning and also continued good health and safe travels to you and your wife Sandy for many years to come. Your dedication to Masonry is most appreciated and we are thankful for the leadership you have given over the many years of service in all your Masonic endeavours.

I extend my thanks to the Convocation Committee under the leadership of Right Excellent Companion Leo Smith, Grand Superintendent of District No. 9. I also extend my heartfelt thanks to the management and staff of the Quality Hotel Parkway Convention Centre for the efforts they have taken to make this a memorable event.

NECROLOGY: You have heard the moving ceremony of remembrance as conducted by our Grand Chaplain, Right Excellent Companion Richard Hryniw for those Companions who have passed on during the past 12 months. Right Excellent Sir. I thank you most sincerely for serving as Grand Chaplain of this Grand Chapter for my 2-year term. Your service to this Grand Chapter is to be commended.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS: The Grand First Principal and the Grand Scribe Ezra represent this Grand Chapter on the Ontario Masonic Leaders Committee, which is lead most capably by our Grand Master.
This committee has finally seen a banner promoting the Masonic Family produced and put to its intended use. I would encourage any Chapter or District that is planning on participating in a parade or other public event contact the Grand Secretary of Grand Lodge to make use of this to promote Masonry. I also thank our Grand Master for giving dispensation to Craft Masons to attend Royal Arch Masonic Divine Services in their Craft regalia. However, I must ask that this practice stop as this is contrary to the Constitution of Grand Lodge, Section 278. Please bear with us in this endeavour and hopefully there will be an amendment proposed to the Grand Lodge Constitution. I believe that it is imperative that since we sit at a table together to promote all branches of Masonry that this anomaly be rectified to allow us to promote all branches of Masonry in this Province. In addition, at the last meeting of this Committee, held in February, it was brought to my attention that a member of Royal Arch Masonry had accepted an invitation to speak to a group of new candidates for the Shrine. Some people in attendance were taken aback by some of the comments this individual made in regards to the Shrine. We are all working together to promote Masonry and it is imperative that we work cooperatively with other groups to the betterment of Royal Arch Masonry in general and Masonry in particular. If an invitation is extended to participate in an event such as this where the speaker is being invited to talk about Royal Arch Masonry, these requests should be forwarded to the Grand Chapter office.

The office will then ensure that the Public Relations Committee is aware of and may supply a representative of Royal Arch Masonry so the presentation may be done in a manner appropriate to reflect the position of Grand Chapter.

PAST RANK: Companion Gordon Simmons has been a member of Hiawatha Chapter No. 252 since 1992. He has served as Chaplain of this Chapter for the last 7 years as well as being very active in other Masonic bodies and in his community. I recommend that Past First Principal rank be granted to this worthy Companion in keeping with Section 26 (w) (ii) of the Constitution of this Grand Chapter.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER: On Saturday April 9th, 2005, after Grand Chapter was called on for the day. I announced that I had received a complaint that an individual felt electioneering had taken place prior to the voting for the Grand Chapter Offices. I notified all present that I would establish a committee to investigate this allegation. The committee, after conducting their investigation, informed me in October that they were unable to find any evidence that electioneering had taken place. I thank the committee for their work in this matter and hereby discharge this committee. I believe that those involved in this incident were walking a very fine line and I would recommend that the section of the Constitution dealing with this subject be examined and clarified so all are aware of what is considered proper behaviour.

The following is an extract of my last years address; “In addition, a letter was sent to all Chapters. in May 2004. regarding solicitation by any individual seeking an elected office with Grand Chapter. Our Constitution is very clear on this matter and we need to be diligent in our efforts to follow proper procedures. If we do not adhere to the Constitution, then what is the purpose of having a Constitution?”. end of quote. Unfortunately this was not the end of concerns raised regarding the subject of electioneering. I was advised in December 2005, that an individual was approaching Past Principals in his District asking for their support in his bid to become Grand Superintendent of the District.
I immediately sent a letter to the individual concerned and advised him that he was not to let his name stand for the Office of Grand Superintendent and if his name was put forward at the District meeting, he was to decline such nomination.

An attempt was again made this past year by the Grand Council to settle the lawsuit that was filed against several members of Grand Chapter. Unfortunately, I must report that this attempt was not successful and as a result no member of Grand Chapter should discuss this matter until it is resolved, as it remains *sub judice*.

In April 2005, I appointed an individual to mediate a situation in a Chapter where a person who had served as First Principal of his Chapter, had not been installed as the Immediate Past Principal and in addition had not received a Past Principals jewel. The mediator was unable to resolve the situation so in September 2005, I had a letter sent to the First Principal of the Chapter directing him to see that this situation was rectified at their October Convocation. I learned that the Chapter was not going to follow my direction and as a result I, along with the Grand Second Principal, attended the October meeting of this Chapter to ensure that this duty was performed.

There are procedures to follow when one does not agree with a directive from the Grand First Principal. A Chapter or individuals cannot simply choose to not follow procedure.

I am well aware that this is not the first time a Grand First Principal has had to direct a Chapter to take the action, which I directed. A similar incident occurred during the term of Most Excellent Companion G. Robert Jackson and he took the same action. Unfortunately, this did not resolve the problems in this Chapter and the First Principal was summoned to the Grand Chapter Office on March 1, 2006. He was directed to bring the books and Charter for the Chapter to explain why the Chapter and its members should not be suspended. After a meaningful discussion, the First Principal agreed to hold a meeting with the parties who were causing dissent within the Chapter in an attempt to resolve the problems. The First Principal has met with the parties involved and I hope that this will now come to a final resolution. However, our Grand First Principal elect has indicated that he will continue to monitor this situation and will take any necessary action required to resolve the dispute amicably.

In May 2005, it became obvious that there was some confusion among the Grand Superintendents as to whom they were responsible in regards to their duties as a Grand Superintendent. They were reminded that they were responsible to the Grand First Principal, not the Grand Second or Grand Third Principal. They were also directed that the practice of having “Advisors” be stopped immediately. We are all aware that our Constitution changes from time to time and if we do not stay current with the changes, it becomes difficult to offer advice although it may be well intentioned. They were advised that any matters of which they were unsure were to be directed in writing to the Grand Chapter Office so they could be directed to the proper individual for a written response. If we all follow this simple procedure, there should be fewer opportunities for the dissemination of incorrect information. I also, by separate letter to the Grand Superintendents, reminded them to advertise the information sessions, which were to be held in September and October of 2005. Unfortunately, even with the support of the Grand Superintendents, these sessions were poorly attended with the exception of the session held in Ingersoll. As a result of the poor participation, our Grand Second Principal has indicated that these sessions will be suspended.
I hope that in the future we will have some way of informing potential Grand Chapter Officers of their roles and responsibilities so they can make a more informed choice when considering offering their services to Grand Chapter.

In addition, I directed the Grand Superintendents to remind the Companions of the new procedures to follow when nominating an individual for an elective Grand Chapter Office. This also did not appear to resolve the issues with this subject, as once again this year 3 nominations for elective offices were not accepted for one reason or another.

It also came to my attention that there was an increase in the promotion of the publication and use of unauthorized material in our Grand Jurisdiction. The Grand Superintendents were again directed to advise the Chapters in their District that the Grand Executive Committee must approve anything relating to Royal Arch Masonry prior to its use in this Grand Jurisdiction. We must ensure that we do not inadvertently tarnish the name or reputation of Royal Arch Masonry in particular and Masonry in general.

Over the summer, a request was received from a Companion in one of our Districts asking that the Grand Council consider realigning the Districts. The Grand Council did review the concerns of this individual, but decided that there was no need to make any changes at that time. The Grand Superintendent of this District was apprised of our review and decision, as this request should have been directed through his office. Companions rest assured that this issue has been a subject for review by the Grand Council for the last several years and I am sure that it will continue to be so for quite some time to come.

The following paragraph is also reproduced from my last years address to this Grand Chapter. “In May of 2004, our Grand Scribe Ezra received an E-mail from a Scribe Ezra to which was attached a Registration of a Candidate who had recently received a Degree in his Chapter. On May 12, 2004, I sent a letter to all Chapters informing them that it was contrary to our Constitution to submit a form in this manner. The Federal Government has recently introduced strict Privacy Laws, which have a bearing on the way we operate”, end of quote. Once again this year we received information from Scribe Ezra’s concerning the registration of candidates by E-mail. As a result on December 6, 2005, I sent a letter to each First Principal reminding them that this procedure was contrary to our Grand Chapter Constitution. There is a proper procedure to follow when submitting information to the Grand Chapter Office and this procedure is to be strictly observed by all Chapters. Our Grand Chapter Office does not have an E-mail address and correspondence should not be sent to our Grand Scribe Ezra’s personal E-mail address. Also in this regard, I had struck an Ad-hoc Committee under the leadership of Right Excellent Companion Roland A. Paddle to investigate the subject of allowing the Chapters to send their Summons by E-mail. This Committee reported back indicating there is very little desire on the part of the Chapters to proceed with the implementation of this method of delivery of the Summons. I thank the Committee for its detailed investigation and support their decision.

Once again this year, the subject of a two-year term for the office of Grand Superintendent was raised in 2 Districts. On March 4, 2006, I along with the Grand Second Principal visited one of these Districts and spoke about this subject with the members present. The Constitution of Grand Chapter does not allow for an individual to be elected to a two-year term, as there is to be an annual election for this Office. However, there is nothing preventing a District from re-electing an individual for as many years as they wish.
In the other District, the Principals Association, which has no legal standing in Grand Chapter, was going to consider a motion from one of its Past Principals that their District change the term of the Office of Grand Superintendent to two years. The Grand Superintendent was contacted and advised that this motion was out of order, as the Principals Association does not have the authority to take this action and it is in contravention of our Constitution. I do not disagree with an individual serving a term as Grand Superintendent for two years, but we must follow the proper procedure and remember to follow the Constitution of Grand Chapter.

You are all well aware that it had been my hope to raise the funds in our Medical Research - Release a Miracle Fund to One Million Dollars by the end of my term. Unfortunately, this has not happened, but I have been encouraged by the work of several Companions in attempting to increase donations to this worthwhile cause, in particular Right Excellent Companion William Armstrong. Companions, I ask that you continue to consider making donations to the fund and I am sure that one day we will reach the bar that I have set. I am sure that the Medial Research Committee will continue to come up with ideas that will make my dream a reality.

This year there were no reminders sent to the Superintendents or Chapters to submit the year-end forms and financial returns by the end of January. It was felt that with the effort put forward by the Grand Council in the past, it would be sufficient and that the Chapters would submit the forms in the proper manner and at the proper time. How foolish I was to believe that the Chapters would do things properly this year. I regret to advise that 21 Chapters were denied the right to vote for not submitting their year-end reports or making their financial returns in the proper manner.

The First Principals of these Chapters were instructed to determine the reasons for non-compliance by their Chapter and report in writing to the Grand Chapter office the reason for the non-compliance. After reviewing the replies, 11 Chapters had their suspension lifted. However, 8 either chose not to respond or submit the appropriate paperwork and 2 Chapters were directed to return their Warrant, books and accounts to Grand Chapter. I had hoped that by giving the Chapters more options for returning the necessary information, that we would have fewer not more Chapters that failed to comply with the procedures. If the returns are not submitted, it is impossible to have accurate records at Grand Chapter. It became obvious to me upon reading the replies from the First Principals that some do not understand their roles and responsibilities relating to the operation of the Chapter. The First Principal is the individual in charge of the Chapter and after he has discussed the operation of the Chapter with the Officers and Members, we all are bound to support him to the best of our abilities. This does not mean that the First Principal should be dictatorial in running the Chapter, but a spirit of cooperation will ensure the harmonious operation of the Chapter and subsequently Grand Chapter. I am recommending that the Grand Superintendents keep a record of those Chapters which do not attend his Course of Instruction and on his Official Visit to those Chapters, ensure they are instructed on those items that were covered at his Course of Instruction.

The last item I will address is to remind the Companions that our Grand Chapter Office is only open on a part time basis and that when you have a question that needs clarification you should follow these simple procedures.
Any questions should be directed to the First Principal of the Chapter and if he is unable to respond satisfactorily, then he should either contact the Grand Superintendent or direct the Scribe Ezra to contact him on behalf of the Chapter. If this does not provide the necessary information, then the Grand Superintendent should contact the Grand Chapter Office. I would strongly recommend that all of this contact should be in writing, by mail or fax, as it makes it easier to respond to the request with the proper clarification. Our Grand Chapter Office does not have the resources to respond to every Companion in our Grand Jurisdiction so if we follow these simple steps, life should be easier for all concerned.

CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES: Once again this year our Committees have worked in an exemplary manner to ensure that those less fortunate receive the necessary financial support possible under their mandate. It is extremely important that a Chapter handles any requests for assistance for either Benevolence or Bursary in the most efficient method. The people applying for assistance are doing so because of a need and we should show compassion and expedite their request. The Chairman of the Bursary Committee will be speaking about the concerns his committee has regarding the delays in submitting applications for assistance to students. I thank the members of the Bursary, Benevolence and Medical Research - Release a Miracle Committees for their continued dedication and service to those in need.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS: On behalf of the members of Royal Arch Masonry in Ontario, I extend thanks to the Grand Superintendents for their cooperation and dedication over the past year. However, I have some concerns with the manner in which some Superintendents have carried out their duties. You are the representative of the Grand First Principal in your District and it is important that you act accordingly at all times. A session is held on the Thursday prior to Grand Chapter for the Grand Superintendent elect and his Secretary but you cannot learn everything about this important role by simply attending this session.

Individuals interested in serving Grand Chapter as a Grand Superintendent should take an active role in their District by supporting any and all Grand Chapter Officers whenever possible. I hope you all will remember this year fondly for a long time and thank you for your efforts on behalf of Royal Arch Masonry.

DISPENSATIONS, JEWELS AND CERTIFICATES: This past year the following dispensations, jewels and certificates were issued:

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To all of these recipients, congratulations for your achievements and continued good health for many years to come. Royal Arch Masonry is the better for your dedication.
GRAND REPRESENTATIVES: It was my pleasure to approve the request from Most Excellent Companion W. H. Lyons. Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan, for the appointment of Excellent Companion Michael Whiting, as the Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario near the Grand Chapter of Michigan. In addition, I approved the request of Most Excellent Companion Robert Parsons. Grand First Principal of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of South Australia & Northern Territory to appoint Excellent Companion T. B. Adams as the Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Ontario near the Grand Chapter of South Australia & Northern Territory. I also had the pleasure of approving the request of Most Excellent Companion Robert G. Fitzgerald, the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut to appoint Companion Robert J. Knowles as the Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Ontario near the Grand Chapter of Connecticut. Lastly, it was my pleasure to approve the request of Most Excellent Companion Gene Fricks, the Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of New Jersey to appoint Right Excellent Companion Richard C. Amme as the Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Ontario near the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Jersey. In addition, I am pleased to recommend as Grand Representatives for Sister Jurisdictions near our Grand Chapter pending receipt of Commissions, the following:

R Ex Comp Robert Charles Wakefield                  Arizona
R Ex Comp M Hassan Mohamdee                          Arkansas
V Ex Comp Gary Humes                                Connecticut
R Ex Comp Michel Sastre                              France
R Ex Comp Robert J McMaster                          Louisiana
R Ex Comp Lowell Blaney                              New Hampshire
R Ex Comp E Roy Harrison                             New South Wales
V Ex Comp William Harold Woods                       New Zealand
R Ex Comp Robert Hugh McKelvie                       Ohio
R Ex Comp Lloyd George Timson                        Queensland Australia
M Ex Comp Edward W Elcombe                           Scotland

APPOINTMENTS: In keeping with our Constitution, Section 50, Subsection (e), I recommend Right Excellent Companion Douglas William Overy be conferred Honourary membership to the Grand Executive Committee. Right Excellent Companion Overy joined Keystone Chapter No. 35 in Whitby in March 1981 and served as First Principal in 1987, 1992 and 1993. He was elected and served as Grand Superintendent of District No. 10 in 1990. Since 1995 he has faithfully served as the Scribe Ezra of his Chapter and this past year assisted our Grand Second Principal in revising the Scribe Ezra’s manual. I am confident that he will serve this Grand Chapter with the same enthusiasm that he has shown in his District and Chapter over the past several years.

AMALGAMATIONS AND DEDICATIONS: In my address last year, I advised that I had placed Manitou Chapter No. 27 under the direction of a Trustee in the person of Right Excellent Companion Eric Laiken. Under the guidance of Right Excellent Companion Laiken, this Chapter has made great strides. However, this Chapter was one of those not properly returned. Even though they have changed their meeting night, to accommodate the members’ attendance and have received new applications for Advancement, there still are some issues that require attention.
I hereby recommend to our Grand First Principal elect, that he appoint another well-qualified Companion to assist this Chapter in resolving their outstanding issues. I also hereby advise, that this Chapter has been moved to District No. 4 which will result in strengthening both Manitou Chapter No. 27 and District No. 4.

On June 7, 2006, Grand Chapter assembled with the Officers and members of Chantry Chapter No. 130 in Port Elgin for the Dedication of the Chapter room. All in attendance had a very enjoyable evening and I wish the best to this Chapter in their new accommodation.

After discussion with the Grand Superintendent of District No. 14, Right Excellent Companion Norm Coutts, and the Grand Council, a letter was sent to the First Principal of Kirkland Chapter No. 251 advising him to surrender the Warrant, books and accounts of the Chapter to the Grand Superintendent at the District Meeting on March 4, 2006 in Espanola. The First Principal did not follow this directive and I contacted him by telephone on March 6, 2006 to determine why he had failed to follow this directive. After discussion with the First Principal, he was directed to ensure that the requested documentation be turned over to the Grand Superintendent on March 11, 2006 at the Official Visit to Abitibi Chapter No. 223. Even after this personal discussion with the First Principal, he failed to follow my direction. I then appointed a Grand Chapter Officer to attend this Chapter to obtain the Warrant, books and accounts at his earliest convenience and return these documents to Grand Chapter at this Convocation, which was accomplished.

This decision was not made lightly as we have been carefully watching this Chapter for some time. The last time this Chapter sent any returns to the Grand Chapter Office was in January 2004 and the last time a copy of their Summons was received was for October 2004. The last set of returns indicated there were 20 Dues Paying Members and 12 Life Members. The Grand Superintendent has been unable to attend this Chapter for an Official Visit for the last 2 years. The District had elected a member of this Chapter to be the Grand Superintendent and since the individual chosen was not an Installed Past Principal, his election was not confirmed. I recommend that our Grand First Principal elect direct the Grand Superintendent to hold another District Meeting in order that the District might select an eligible representative.

In addition, after discussion with the Grand Council and the Grand Superintendent of District No. 3, I directed the First Principal of Lucknow-Huron Chapter No. 30 to surrender their Warrant, books and accounts to Right Excellent Companion John Reynolds, The Grand Superintendent, at the District Meeting on March 18, 2006 in Mitchell. This Chapter followed the direction of the Grand First Principal and the Grand Chapter Office will contact each member of this Chapter, by letter, informing them of their options in order that they might affiliate with the Chapter of their choice. This Chapter has been struggling for some time and once again this year is one of the Chapters not properly returned.

Correspondence was received from King Cyrus Chapter No 232 dated February 21, 2006, requesting permission to move their meeting place from the York Masonic Temple in Toronto to Stouffville effective June 2006, which I have approved. This will result in the Chapter moving from District No. 8 to District No. 9 and will ensure the Chapter has a bright future.

CELEBRATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS: On May 13 and 14, 2005, I attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Chapter of Quebec. I was thrilled to receive an honourary membership in the Grand Chapter of Quebec.
I wish them the best in their future endeavours to increase the presence of Masonry in La Belle Provence. They currently only have 3 Districts and are struggling with the problems of membership and members willing to serve as Officers both in the Chapters and at the District level.

I was pleased to be present on June 14, 2005 at Shekinah Chapter No. 138 for the presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to Companion Douglas A Arnold. This Companion is a fine example of dedication to Royal Arch Masonry and I was pleased to play a small part in the celebration the Chapter offered to this individual. It was a great evening as most of his family was also present for the presentation.

My wife and I attended the 150th Anniversary celebrations of Grand Lodge in Toronto from July 21 to 23, 2005, where we had a most enjoyable time. The food was excellent and the entertainment was outstanding. Congratulations to all involved for putting on such an outstanding event. It should be noted that our Grand Second Principal has obtained the leadership of Companion Terry McLean, who chaired the celebrations at Grand Lodge, to chair the 150th Anniversary celebrations of Grand Chapter.

On July 28 and 29, 2005, I was in attendance at the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Illinois and here also I was presented with an honorary membership in this Grand Chapter. I extend my thanks to Most Excellent Companion J Donald Saterlee for looking after me and ensuring that my time in Illinois was entertaining.

I travelled to Midland on August 11, 2005 to attend the Kichikewana Chapter No. 167's summer barbecue. I thank the Officers and Members of this Chapter for the invitation and everyone who was in attendance had a great time and a great meal. This is a yearly event and I would encourage the Companions to attend this event whenever possible as you will be treated royally.

When my wife and I attended the Grand Chapter of Michigan from August 15 to 17, 2005, Most Excellent Companion Stanley Luykx again presented me with Honourary Membership in this body. I was informed that since I had been made an honorary member twice, my dues would be doubled. I extend my thanks to the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Michigan for this special honour.

On September 29, 2005, it was my pleasure to attend the Installation and Investiture of the Officers of Mount Sinai Chapter No. 212 in Richmond Hill where I was presented with an Honourary Life Membership. This was very special to me as I had been wearing the regalia of Most Excellent Companion Aube Wiseman who had been a dedicated member of this Chapter.

The Officers and members of St. John's Chapter No. 6 in Stoney Creek honoured me with a life membership at their 150th Anniversary celebration held on October 21, 2005. My wife and I had a most enjoyable evening even though we did not stay for the dance held after the dinner. I extend my best wishes to this Chapter for continued success for the next 150 plus years.
St. John's – St George's Chapter No. 3, held a special evening in honour of Right Excellent Companion Robert Wakefield, Grand Superintendent of District No. 2 on October 26, 2005. It was made even more special with the attendance of Most Worshipful Brother Gary Atkinson. our Grand Master and Right Worshipful Brother Allan Petrisor, our Deputy Grand Master also in attendance. It was an evening I will never forget and I am sure it will remain a lasting memory for all others in attendance that evening.

I attended the Installation and Investiture of Beaver Chapter No. 74 and Minnewewawa Chapter #78 in Strathroy on January 12, 2006. I had affiliated with Beaver Chapter No. 74 some 4 years ago and on this evening I was honoured with a Life Membership.

On February 28, 2006, I attended Oxford-Harris Chapter No. 18 in Ingersoll for the presentation of a bursary cheque to my youngest daughter. In addition, I was at a loss for words when the Companions of this Chapter presented me with an Honourary Membership. I extend my sincere appreciation to this Chapter for this honour and I will cherish it for the rest of my life.

I had the distinct pleasure of attending District 15 on March 4, 2006 after their District Meeting in Dryden, Ontario. Right Excellent Companion George Gifford was also present and I hope the Companions of this District much success in the years ahead. The North has many unique issues and hopefully we were able to offer some worthwhile suggestions to assist them in keeping Royal Arch Masonry alive in their cold, snowy, unique corner of our Jurisdiction.

The next day, March 5, 2005, I was in attendance at a Nondenominational Vesper Service held in London under the leadership of our Grand Chaplain. Right Excellent Companion Richard Hryniw along with Craft Masons in their regalia.

CONCLUSION: Words alone cannot express the thanks to those Chapters and Grand Chapters who have made me one of their own. I will never forget the many kindnesses that have been extended to my wife and me over these past two years. I also extend my heartfelt thanks to every Member and Officer of Grand Chapter for working so diligently to promote Royal Arch Masonry. Your efforts are so greatly appreciated. To Right Excellent Companion George H. Gifford, Grand Second Principal, soon it will be your time to lead this Grand Chapter and I have no doubts that the leadership of this Grand Chapter is being left in capable hands. Right Excellent Companion Roland A. Paddle, Grand Third Principal, thank you for your dedication and attendance to all issues dealt with this past year. You will soon chair the Grand Executive Committee, and I look forward to your guidance in the years to come.

To both of you, thank you so very much for your support and encouragement, you have made these past two years very enjoyable. It is my hope that you will continue to have good health and safe travels. Right Excellent Companion Mel Duke. Grand Scribe Ezra, thank you does not seem like enough to say to someone who has always been there to offer his experience and wise counsel. You have made my term on the Grand Council not only enjoyable but a learning experience that I will always value highly. Please accept my best wishes for many continued years of faithful service and good health.

Finally to my family, especially my wife Wendy, thank you for your love and support over the last several years and I look forward to the future now that my tenure in Grand Chapter comes to an end.
Over these last 6 years, my family has allowed me to dedicate my time to an organization that I hold in great esteem. It appears that I will no longer have any excuse for dinner not to be ready when she gets home from work. I will now be able to spend more time with my entire family and I look forward to that with great anticipation.

Fraternally submitted.

Richard Jackson, Grand First Principal

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal that the Address of the Grand First Principal be received by 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.

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 Committee Report for the year 2005-2006 covering administration under its mandate during the above period, together with other matters dealt with by the Committee as required by the Constitution of Grand Chapter under Article 59.

NOTICES OF MOTION

1. I. J. William Lidstone, in compliance with Section 16(d)(ii) of the Constitution, and on behalf of the Constitution. Laws and Jurisprudence Committee hereby give notice that at the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter I will move or cause to be moved that the current Constitution of Grand Chapter be amended as follows:

DUTIES - THE FIRST PRINCIPAL - Subsection 95(d) be deleted and replaced with “He will ensure that the Chapter Financial Returns and other year end reports are forwarded to Grand Chapter by Courier, Express Post, Priority Post by Canada Post, Registered Mail or Hand Delivered, to arrive on or before the Thirty-first day of January of the following year. Year end reports may also be forwarded by Facsimile Transmission (Fax) to arrive on or before close of business on the Thirty-first day of January of the following year.”

DUTIES - THE SCRIBE EZRA - Subsection 99(d) be deleted and replaced with “He will ensure that the Chapter Financial Returns and other year end reports are forwarded to Grand Chapter by Courier, Express Post, Priority Post by Canada Post, Registered Mail, or Hand Delivered, to arrive on or before the Thirty-first day of January of the following year. Year end reports may also be forwarded by Facsimile Transmission (Fax) to arrive on or before close of business on the Thirty-first day of January of the following year.”

Your Committee finds these amendments to be regular and in order.
2. I, George H. Gifford hereby give notice that at the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, I will move or cause to be moved the following amendments to the Constitution of Grand Chapter:

**NOMINATION OF OFFICERS AND GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS** - Subsection 18(g) delete the last sentence and replace with "The nomination paper containing the names of the nominees for election with nomination and biographical information (Full Name, Royal Arch Masonic Designation, Name and Number of his Chapter, Post Office Address, Office or Committee for which he is nominated, Age, Occupation, Grand Chapter Office(s) held, and a current Passport Photo or a Black and White facsimile (50x70 millimetres) will be printed in the same order as the ballot paper." Your Committee finds this amendment to be regular and in order.

**VOTING** - Subsection 20(q) delete and replace with "A chapter failing to file its Annual Returns and pay the prescribed assessments, as provided in this Constitution on or before the Thirty-first day of January in the following year shall have the current presiding officers (the First, Second, Third Principal and Proxy) deprived of the privileges of voting at the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, including the District Meeting. Such Chapter shall be advised immediately of their being denied voting privileges." Nothing in this clause shall deprive a Past Principal in possession of a current Dues Card, of his vote at such. Your Committee finds this amendment to be regular and in order.

**DUTIES, POWERS AND RULES REGARDING THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL** - Subsection 26(y) delete and replace with "No later than Thirty (30) days preceding the Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, the Grand First Principal shall appoint a First Principal or a Past First Principal not being an active Grand Chapter Officer, as Chairman of the Credentials Committee."

Subsection 26(z) delete and replace with "No later than Thirty (30) days preceding the Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, the Grand First Principal shall appoint a First Principal or a Past First Principal not being an active Grand Chapter Officer, as Chairman of the Scrutineers Committee." Your Committee finds these amendments to be regular and in order.

**THE GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS** - Subsection 29(c) delete and replace with "The Grand Superintendent will be elected by a majority of the eligible First, Second, Third and Past First Principals present."

Subsection 29(k) delete and replace with "Prior to the Fifteenth day of September, after his Installation, he must hold a Course of Instruction in relation to the Constitution and other Rulings of the last Grand Chapter Convocation for the Principals in his District and if unable to do so, he will notify the Grand First Principal who will appoint a competent Royal Arch Mason to instruct the Excellent Principals of such Chapter or Chapters."

Subsection 29(m) delete and replace with "He shall arrange for holding Chapters of Instruction, separate and distinct from Subsection (k), pertaining to the Work and Administration of the Chapter in his District and report to the Grand First Principal." Your Committee finds these amendments to be regular and in order.
DUTIES OF THE GRAND SCRIBE EZRA - Subsection 32(t) delete and replace with “Have charge of all jewels, furniture, clothing and paraphernalia of Grand Chapter during its recess.” Your Committee finds this amendment to be regular and in order.

MEMBERSHIP - JOINING A CHAPTER - Subsection 81(a) delete and replace with “A Brother who has been raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason and who is, and remains to be, in good standing in any Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Canada in the Province of Ontario A.F. & A.M. or within the Jurisdiction of any other Grand Lodge, recognized and in fraternal communication with the first mentioned Grand Lodge, resident in Ontario for at least one year, is a fit person to be a Candidate for the degrees of Royal Arch Masonry.” Your Committee finds this amendment to be regular and in order.

Since last reporting to the Grand First Principal and the Companions of Grand Chapter in 2005, your Committee has dealt with a number of issues brought to their attention pertaining to interpretations as per our mandate under the Constitution.

In addition 22 submissions from Constituent Chapters pertaining to amendments to their Chapter By-laws have been received, reviewed and recommendations made to the Grand First Principal for either approval, minor changes before receiving his approval, or not recommended for approval.

In September 2005, your Committee lost of of our most valued members in the person of Right Excellent Companion Norman E Byrne. We remember his wise counsel and contributions in our deliberations, and mourn his departure.

All the above is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee V.Ex Comp. Donald H. Mumby and R.Ex.Comp. J. William Lidstone as Committee 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.

MOTIONS TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal the following amendments to the current Constitution of the Grand Chapter.

DUTIES - THE FIRST PRINCIPAL - Subsection 95(d) be deleted and replaced with “He will ensure that the Chapter Financial Returns and other year end reports are forwarded to Grand Chapter by either Courier, Express Post, Priority Post by Canada Post, Registered Mail or Hand Delivered, to arrive on or before the Thirty-first day of January of the following year. Year end reports may also be forwarded by Facsimile Transmission (Fax) to arrive on or before close of business on the Thirty-first day of January of the following year.” CARRIED as amended
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principal or a past first principal not being an active grand chapter officer, as chairman
of the credentials committee." CARRIED.

subsection 26(z) delete and replace with "no later than thirty (30) days preceding the
annual convocation of grand chapter, the grand first principal shall appoint a first
principal or a past first principal not being an active grand chapter officer, as chairman
of the scrutineers committee." CARRIED.

the grand superintendents' - subsection 29(c) delete and replace with "the
grand superintendent will be elected by a majority of the eligible first, second, third and
past first principals present." CARRIED.

subsection 29(k) delete and replace with "prior to the fifteenth day of september, after his
installation, he must hold a course of instruction in relation to the constitution and other
rulings of the last grand chapter convocation for the principals in his district and if unable
to do so, he will notify the grand first principal who will appoint a competent royal arch
mason to instruct the excellent principals of such chapter or chapters." CARRIED.

subsection 29(m) delete and replace with "he shall arrange for holding chapters of
instruction, separate and distinct from subsection (k), pertaining to the work and
administration of the chapter in his district and report to the grand first principal." CARRIED.
DUTIES OF THE GRAND SCRIBE EZRA - Subsection 32(t) delete and replace with
"Have charge of all jewels, furniture, clothing and paraphernalia of Grand Chapter during
its recess." CARRIED.

MEMBERSHIP - JOINING A CHAPTER - Subsection 81(a) delete and replace with "A
Brother who has been raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason and who is, and
remains to be, in good standing in any Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons within
the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Canada in the Province of
Ontario A.F. & A.M. or within the Jurisdiction of any other Grand Lodge, recognized and
in fraternal communication with the first mentioned Grand Lodge, resident in Ontario for at
least one year, is a fit person to be a Candidate for the degrees of Royal Arch Masonry." 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 Committee would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve
this Grand Chapter for the past 12 months. Now with our term complete, and as Chairman of
the Committee, it gives me pleasure to inform you of our activity for the past year.

Eighty-seven applications have been received this year, 81 have been approved, 1 was rejected
and 1 was returned, with a total of $27,950.00 being awarded to worthy students. There are
5 new applications pending, waiting to be sent to the 2006-07 Committee for their
consideration.

To date there have been 27 - 1st year applications and 31 - 2nd year applications approved. This
would indicate that there are a lot of new students entering college or university while just
over ¼ of the students are in the final stages of college or university education, soon to be the
leaders of tomorrow.

The Committee has received applications from 14 of the 15 Districts this year with District
No. 3 and District No. 10 being tied for the top spot, with each having 16 applications
approved. District No. 12 follows close behind with 12 applications approved.

Once again there have been a few problems with application forms being incomplete or
signatures missing but, there has been an improvement over last year. The information
provided on these forms is considered very critical as in most cases this is the only way that
we as a Committee can understand and verify the students’ eligibility for our assistance. When
an application has to be returned for correction or completion it causes a lengthy delay of the
approval process. These types of mistakes are inevitable, therefore all we can do is educate
and emphasize the importance of the requested information and ask that the instructions be
read carefully when filling out the application forms. and remember, you should always
double check the required information.
Having dealt with and while attempting to resolve the information problem there is another very disturbing problem that has been noticed even more this year than last.

The amount of time that it takes an application to be processed! Once an application has been submitted by the District, it takes this Committee about six weeks to process the application and get a cheque to the Grand Superintendent for presentation. Having said this it has been noted that in some cases it has taken 4 to 7 months from the date the applicant signs an application form until it reaches my desk - this is unacceptable! If this Committee can process upwards of 18 applications in six weeks why does it take some Chapters and Districts 4 to 7 months to process one or two?

Call these remarks harsh if you wish. but think of the students...for some their year will be finished by the time our money reaches them!...how fair is that? On the other hand thank you to the Chapters and Districts who get their applications filled out and submitted within a matter of a few weeks, your efforts are much appreciated by this Committee and the students. Remember the Students are the ones who will suffer from our negligence!

Because these long delays are unacceptable I have been taking a close look at the application process. trying to determine how this Committee can eliminate some of the problem areas. This Committee's internal procedure and time frame have been reviewed and found to be acceptable and it was determined by the information on the applications submitted that the problem lies before and after this Committee deals with them. After consulting with the Grand First Principal. our findings were taken to the other members of Grand Council and the Grand Scribe Ezra. They have taken this Committee's comments and suggestions into consideration and have chosen to change the application form and its requirements in order to better facilitate a more streamlined application process and it will be implemented this year.

Packages containing new application forms and guidelines for bursary grants have been prepared for the new Grand Superintendents and they must be distributed to the District Chairmen respectively.

We. the Committee rest assured that our work this past year has helped to make a difference in the lives and education of the students we have assisted and consider the money we spent an investment in OUR FUTURE.


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 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:

This year I have had the pleasure of receiving and reviewing the Annual Proceedings of the following Grand Chapters: Alberta, Arkansas, British Columbia/Yukon, Connecticut, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Ireland, Kansas, Maryland, Mexico, New Brunswick, Newfoundland/Labrador, New Jersey, New Zealand, Nevada, North Carolina, Nova Scotia, Oklahoma, Saskatchewan, South Africa, Victoria (Australia), Washington, Wester Australia and West Virginia.

While membership decreases continue in all jurisdictions, much effort is being directed into the following areas:

- Education and Training
- Cooperation with Concordant Bodies
- Fraternalism
- Family Involvement
- Community Involvement/Public Relations
- Change - Organization - Technological

As reported in their Proceedings, all Royal Arch Jurisdictions are actively involved in most if not all of these activities. Training of officers is of the highest priority to all, and much material has been prepared for this activity. Training is usually scheduled for Saturdays or evenings other than Chapter meeting nights. It is expected that once the officers are trained, they will lead the training of companions and masons.

Material for the enlightenment and education of companions has also become more readily available. Of interest, the Grand Chapter of Washington has included within its proceedings a “Monitor and Guide for Royal Arch Masons”. This second edition offers guidance and information on all aspects of Royal Arch Masonry. For example, you will find information on the Necessity for the Royal Arch. Reception of Visitors, Altar, Meetings, Parliamentary Procedures, Floor Work, Memorial Services, plus many other areas that are applicable to the Royal Arch.

A lot of progress has been made in developing closer and more cooperative positions with concordant bodies. Grand Lodges have been particularly welcoming of these overtures as seen by the reported establishment of ad-hoc committees to tackle recruitment, education and other mutual concerns. The immediate benefit has been the opportunity to educate masons on the York Rite.

The fraternal aspects of the order are getting much more attention these days with encouragement and reinforcement of the benefits to be derived. Visitation and teamwork lead to close bonds being formed.

Efforts are being made by some Jurisdictions to promote family involvement, since younger members are reluctant to share their limited free time away from their families.
Programs of interest to the whole family are being developed and implemented so that the families can share in rewarding experiences.

Similarly, community involvement can play a large role in retaining younger members especially. Grand Chapters are approving more and more local initiatives in this area. Such Masonic endeavours are to our advantage in providing self-satisfaction to our new companions and at the same time making the public aware of our involvement in community affairs.

While many changes have occurred, a number of Jurisdictions are actually promoting further organizational and technological changes to keep pace with the changing environment. In making the case for change, the Grand Orator of the Grand Chapter of Nevada quotes Franklin D. Roosevelt: "Wise and prudent men have long known that in a changing world, worthy institutions can be conserved only by adjusting them to changing times." Such are the areas of activity and the efforts being expended suggest that there is a lot of life left in our fraternity.

I would like to thank you, Most Excellent Sir, for the opportunity to serve our Grand Chapter and also I would like to thank our Grand Scribe Ezra for his continuing support.

Respectfully submitted by: Walter T. Bulbeck, 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.

GREETINGS EXTENDED FROM ATTENDING COMPANIONS

During the 148th 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.

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:

Once again, your Investment Committee is very pleased to report that our investment portfolio is in excellent health. Your Committee monitors the management of our three portfolios: the General Account, which includes the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolence Fund, the Scholarship and Bursary Account, and the Medical Research Fund Account.

We are about to complete four years using the services of our current portfolio manager - RBC Dominion Securities. Under the overall guidance of the Investment Policy approved by this Grand Executive, our portfolio has flourished. We are indeed fortunate to have a very talented Investment Advisor, Mr. Richard te Boekhorst. He is very familiar with our requirements, having been retained as the Investment manager of other Masonic bodies with sizeable portfolios, and similar investment objectives as our Grand Chapter.
Let me quote from our Investment Policy Statement:

Objectives: “The portfolio is to be constructed so as to maximize long-term capital and income growth, consistent with low-to-moderate risk. Within this overall objective the portfolio should seek to earn total annual returns in excess of the rate of inflation + 3% over the long term. Over the short term the portfolio should be sufficiently flexible to accommodate any capital withdrawals required.”

Income Needs: “An income stream is required to cover operating expenses, as well as the funds necessary to fund the medical research and bursary programs of the Grand Chapter Charities. While the extend of the funds allocated to finance the medical research and bursary programs is at the discretion of the relevant Committees, [within approved guidelines] it is desirable to have an income stream at sufficient to maintain the present level of funding and to endeavour to increase the level of funds allocated for these purposes.”

Our Policy Statement includes guidelines for the asset mix of our investment portfolio, which calls for the various components [cash, short term investments, fixed income instruments and equity investments] to fall within set proportions of the entire portfolio.

We are very pleased to report that our Investment Advisor has performed admirably within the Policy guidelines. Your Investment Committee is in regular contact with the Advisor and his staff, and receives regular detailed reports on the portfolio and all transactions.

Each of our investment portfolios continues to grow, within the defined risk profile, and earns a rate of return in excess of the objectives.

The average rate of return over the fiscal year ended February 28, 2006, is about 10.5%, comprising approximately 5.7% investment return (dividends, interest and distributions) and 4.8% capital growth. The market value of our total portfolio is in excess of $1,700,000 having increased by about $170,000 over the previous year.

Your Investment Committee recommends that Grand Chapter continue to retain the services of our current investment fund company, RBC Dominion Securities, downtown Hamilton branch, and our current advisor, Mr. Richard te Boekhorst.

Finally, on behalf of the other members of the Investment Committee, R.Ex.Comp. Shavak R. Madon and R.Ex. Comp. Melvyn J. Duke, we are pleased to have had this opportunity to serve our Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted, on behalf of the Investment Committee, R.Ex.Comp. Eric H. Lakien, 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 GRAND TREASURER

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 my privilege to present to you the financial statements of the Grand Chapter, the Medical Research Fund and the Scholarship and Bursary Funds for the year ended February 28, 2006.

Unfortunately, all three financial statements are unaudited. Our auditors appear reluctant to render professional services to our organization mainly because of our size. After considerable persuasion, both by the Grand Scribe Ezra and myself, a fee quote was finally given to us for the current year which was 50% more than in prior year. At the Grand Executive meeting held on March 11, 2006, the following motion was passed:

In the event that our auditors are not willing to perform the audit for the year ended February 28th, 2006, or for fiscal year 2007, for reason of fees or any other reasons, then the Grand Council together with the Grand Scribe Ezra and Grand Treasurer be permitted to appoint another qualified auditor to perform these functions.

We are in the process of receiving and reviewing proposals for the appointment of new auditors and you have the assurance of the Grand Council that the audited financial statements will be included in the 2006 Proceedings of the Grand Chapter.

The following are the highlights for the fiscal year 2006 before adjusting for any capital gain on sale of investments:

The Grand Chapter: The total revenue was $120,200 compared to $98,500 in 2005. Our expenses amounted to $111,700 as against $99,200 in the prior year. It should be pointed out that revenue included $6,200 for the 150th Anniversary Celebration and a similar amount has been earmarked under expenses. We ended the year with excess of revenue over expenses of $8,500.

The Scholarship and Bursary Fund: The total revenue was $58,600 compared to $51,600 in the prior year. We paid out bursaries of $29,200 compared to $24,000 in 2005. We ended the year with a surplus of $27,700 after deducting for audit fees.

The Medical Research Fund: The total revenue was $20,100 compared to $42,900 in 2005. During the year we made grants of $21,000 as against $30,000 in the prior year. We ended the year with a deficit of $2,400 after providing for audit fees.

Investments: The market value of our total investments at the Grand Chapter, the Scholarship and Bursary Funds and the Medical Research Fund amounted to $1,730,900 compared to $1,554,600 in the prior year. As in prior years we will not book the excess of market value over book value in the financial statements until the investments are realized.
General: During the year I met several times with the Grand Scribe Ezra to discuss the financial affairs of our Grand Chapter and where necessary I have also met with the Grand Council. I sincerely appreciate the efforts of our Grand Scribe Ezra to stringently control the finances of the Grand Chapter and the two related funds.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the efforts and dedication of the Finance Committee and Investments Committee members.

Respectfully and fraternaly submitted, R.Ex.Comp. Shavak R. Madon, Grand Treasurer

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.

AUDITOR'S REPORT ON SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

The accompanying summarized statement of Financial Position and Revenue, Expenses and Net Assets are derived from the complete financial statements of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario as at February 28, 2006, and for the year ended February 28, 2006. The fair summarization of the complete financial statement is the responsibility of the organization’s management. Our responsibility, in accordance with applicable Assurance guideline of The Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, is to report on the summarized financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements fairly summarize, in all material respects, the related complete financial statements in accordance with criteria described in the Guidelines referred to above.

These summarized financial statements do not contain all of the disclosures required by Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes. For more information on the Grand Chapter’s financial position, results of operation and cash flows, reference should be made to the related complete financial statements.

Hamilton, Ontario
June 2, 2006

Lepore and Company
Chartered Accountants

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## Summarized Statement of Financial Position

**Year Ended February 28, 2006**

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| Net Asset                                 | 485,831| 446,442|
|                                           | **$490,536** | **$452,317** |

## Summarized Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Net Assets

**Year Ended February 28, 2006**

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**AUDITOR'S REPORT ON SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

The accompanying summarized statement of Financial Position and Revenue, Expenses and Net Assets are derived from the complete financial statements of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario - The Scholarship and Bursary Fund as at February 28, 2006, and for the year ended February 28, 2006 on which we expressed a reservation of opinion concerning the completeness of donation revenue because we were unable to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of that revenue. The fair summarization of the complete financial statement is the responsibility of the organization’s management. Our responsibility, in accordance with applicable Assurance guideline of The Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, is to report of the summarized financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements fairly summarize, in all material respects, the related complete financial statements in accordance with criteria described in the Guidelines referred to above.

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Hamilton, Ontario          Lepore and Company
June 2, 2006               Chartered Accountants

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### THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

THE SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY FUND

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2006

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| Excess of revenue over expenses | 37,070 | 26,696 |

| **NET ASSETS, beginning of year** | 572,556 | 545,860 |

| **NET ASSETS, end of year** | $609,626 | $572,556 |
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)

The accompanying summarized statement of Financial Position and Revenue, Expenses and Net Assets are derived from the complete financial statements of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario - Medical Research Fund (Release A Miracle) as at February 28, 2006, and for the year ended February 28, 2006 on which we expressed a reservation of opinion concerning the completeness of donation revenue because we were unable to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of that revenue. The fair summarization of the complete financial statement is the responsibility of the organization's management. Out responsibility, in accordance with applicable Assurance guideline of The Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, is to report of the summarized financial statements.

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Hamilton, Ontario
June 2, 2006

Lepore and Company
Chartered Accountants

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### THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
### THE MEDICAL RESEARCH FUND (RELEASE A MIRACLE)
### SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
### YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2006

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Liabilities

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Net Asset

| 484,504 | 464,759 |

$ 485,155 $ 465,507

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND NET ASSETS

YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2006

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Excess of revenue over expenses

| 19,745 | 12,164 |

NET ASSETS, beginning of year

| 464,759 | 452,595 |

NET ASSETS, end of year

| $ 484,504 | $ 464,759 |

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:

At the time of presenting this report, the figures for the year ended February 28, 2006, have not been audited and particularly no recognition has been given to any gain or loss on sale of investments.
Our actual revenue for 2006 came to $120,200 compared to the budget of $114,100. Our expenses were $111,700 against a budget of $113,000. As a result we have a surplus of $8,500 which compares favourably with a budgeted surplus of $1,100.

For the fiscal year ending February 2007 we are projected a budgeted income of $114,100 compared to budgeted expenses for $118,000 resulting in a small budgeted deficit $3,900. Our increases in expenses are just about in every category, particularly in the areas of office equipment and upgrade, audit, insurance and other office expenses. Our revenue base keeps going down due to drop in membership and as a result our projected per-capita dues are $3,000 lower than the actual for 2006. We are hoping that the actual numbers for the year will reflect a smaller deficit, or even a small surplus. I am pleased to report that our receivables from various chapters were minimal at the year end, which was certainly not the case last year.

In two years our Grand Chapter will be celebrating its presence in Ontario for 150 years. Our Grand Council has approved a preliminary budget of $15,000 and has also agreed to consider increasing the budget if required. This budget does not include the printing costs for any historical booklets.


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.

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
2005-2006 FISCAL YEAR
BUDGET

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**Excess / (Shortfall)** (3,900)

**Note:** No provision is made for gain or loss on sale of investments.

**REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN**

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

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

In 2008 we will be marking the 150th Anniversary of the Grand Chapter in Ontario. Committees and subcommittees have been struck and will be under the guidance of Chairman, Terry McLean, and will be meeting regularly to plan and coordinate activities to ensure a successful and memorable year.

Companions, seven of the fifteen Districts of Ontario have their own web site which has proven to be an invaluable tool for the interchange of news and information relating to Chapter activities and functions throughout our Jurisdiction and beyond. The Grand Chapter web site provides a wealth of information complete with LINKS to other Grand Masonic Bodies.

In the past year our membership has decreased by 341, with our Jurisdiction now consisting of 107 Chapters totalling 8129 Companions. Although indications are showing the memberships in our Craft Lodges improving, it only remains to be seen whether it will have a positive influence on our Royal Craft. *Hope without a Plan is merely a Wish.* We as a whole must not just HOPE that it does but coordinate PLANS to take advantage of this resurgence. Royal Arch Masons must continue to encourage all Master Masons into seeking further LIGHT in Masonry.

I again offer my sincere gratitude to Most Excellent Companion Richard J. Jackson and the Grand Council for allowing me the privilege and honour of serving our Grand Chapter and also a sincere thank you to Right Excellent Companion Melvyn J. Duke for his patience and support.


Moved by the Grand Second Principal. Seconded by the Grand Third Principal that this report be received and be approved for printing in the proceedings.
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 the period from April 2005 until the present four applications have been received and assistance was provided. Three applicants have encountered medical problems that have placed a financial burden on their families. One of our companions that we assisted has since passed away. The fourth was from a son-in-law of a Royal Arch Mason who has a wife on disability and a special needs daughter. He was in a low paying job and has decided to return to school to enable him to be a better provider for his family.

The Benevolence Committee also sent a letter to each Grand Superintendent on the essence of Benevolence, which we asked to be forwarded to the Chapters in their Districts. The Committee felt that they should play a more active role to get the message of the need for Benevolence to all of our Companions in our Jurisdiction.

Our term on this Committee is drawing to a close, and we would like to thank the Grand First Principal for allowing us to serve this Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted by the Grand Chapter Benevolence Committee: R.Ex.Comps. Robert McMaster (Chairman). Aaron Orr. William Klapatiuk

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:

This year end report covers the activities of the Committee on Medical Research of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario for the year ending March 2006.

During the summer months of 2005, a letter was sent to all Grand Superintendents to congratulate them on their preferment and encouraging them to promote the Grand Chapter Charities, especially “Release-a-Miracle” and to encourage the Companions in their Districts to start projects and raising funds for this extremely important commitment that has been made by the Royal Arch Masons within our Jurisdiction.
A brochure was designed and distributed to the Districts highlighting the History of the Fund, how the funds are raised and its objectives, together with general information on the programs that have been supported.

Over the past twenty-three years an amount in excess of seven hundred thousand ($700,000) has been donated to medical research programs. Over the past few years there have been approximately 8 to 10 research areas selected and supported on a yearly basis. This year instead of spreading smaller amounts over a greater area, it was decided to concentrate larger amounts to more centralized projects. Those projects being selected are: Autism, Prostate Cancer and Arthritis.

I would respectfully request that the following projects be given our support:

a) Dr. Jeanette J.A. Holden. Director, Autistic Spectrum Disorders. Queen’s University for research into the genetics and epidemiology. $9,000.00
b) Dr. Neil Fleschner. Head Division of Urology. University Health Network investigations into the relationship of dietary factors to prostate cancer. $6,000.00
c) Dr. Edward Keystone. Director, Centre for Advanced Therapeutics Arthritis AARC Foundation. University Health Network conducting research on new treatment modalities. $6,000.00

Total $21,000.00

Our financial efforts in the past have been very commendable but, over the last few years we have seen a significant downturn in investment income. No longer do we enjoy the 8 to 10% return on investment and, in order to maintain our support at these levels, we need continued contributions to the principal of the Fund.

At our Annual Convocation in April 2005, the Grand First Principal, in his inaugural address, urged once again, that we concentrate our efforts in the fight against Autism. In order to make this a really meaningful contribution we would need to have a minimum of $1,000,000 in our Medical Research Fund, a number that we have not yet reached. He appealed to all Royal Arch Masons to re-double our efforts, to donate to this worthwhile cause and most strongly encouraged us to do so. We trust that the companions will heed this call to help in this great undertaking.


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:

This report is submitted on behalf of the 15 District Grand Superintendents.

Communications: The summons is the life line of every Chapter, serving not only as a news letter for the shut ins and non resident companions but to raise special interest. Initially 9 Chapters from 7 districts failed to circulate notices to the Grand Council. Grand Superintendents have managed to reduce this number to four. Official visit notice boards provide Chapters information at the District level and these notices are necessary early in the year. District web sites are becoming more active and local use is to be encouraged.

Course of Instruction: Attendance in some Districts is still traditionally poor. Credit to the Grand Superintendents for designing progressive methods, encouraging interest with agendas, and issuing hand outs. This is the first important contact with the First Principals and Scribe Ezras to review and update proceedings and duties, and outline the program throughout the District.

Official Visits: Proper protocol was observed for all receptions. Quality of the work varied from reading parts to reciting exceptional work. Senior dedicated members set prime examples but most encouraging are enthusiastic new officers. Instructional, degree rehearsals, and educational mentoring program for junior members is our future. Officers occupying chairs of office for the first time is promising with strong progressive Chapters reporting 4 to 8 candidates on the official visit.

Reports: Official visit reports were generally submitted on time, with complete detail however, 23% did not meet the deadline, were incomplete, or failed to observe the proper guidelines. It is recommended that periodic review of procedures for all reports be conducted including due dates. This year 20% of Chapters did not meet the Annual Returns Constitutional deadline but within a week that number was reduced to 9%.

Long Range Planning: Several Chapters report open planning meetings to address membership problems and low interest to seek collective solutions. Positive results are expected.

Finances: Chapters are encouraged to address financial short falls by increased income and cost reduction to meet the challenge of today. Several discrepancies in accepting the Grand Chapter assessments were due to misunderstanding the 1991 Grand Convocation Proceedings that Commuted Life Memberships had been discontinued. Constituent Chapters are responsible for continued Grand Chapter annual fees on behalf of any succeeding life members.
Dedications: Chantry Chapter No. 130 was dedicated June 7. Unfortunately Keystone Chapter No. 72 dedication at Frankford is still outstanding and is the expected wish to be concluded in the near future.

District Divine Church Services: On October 23, District 11 held their first joint Divine Church service in St. Mary Magdalene Church, Napanee. This proved to be a most improved attendance with over 50 Masons present, clothed as Craft and Royal Arch Masons with their families. The event made news in the local community paper, Ontario Mason and District Ashlar. Several other Districts are taking this example and having joint services. District 1 Grand Superintendent attended an Annual Civic Service January 15 with the DDGM supporting joint attendance.

Masonic Family: October 26 the Craft and Royal Arch Leaders attended Chapter together at St. John’s and St. George’s Chapter No. 3 in London. A Royal Arch Masons Degree Team conferred the Master Masons Degree in Maple Leaf Lodge. Bath. Past Grand Master M.W.Bro. Donald H Mumby was present and participated. Companions support your Brethren and work together in unity.

Finally, a special thanks goes out to the District Grand Superintendents for your hard work representing this Grand Chapter and directing devoted contributions to presenting a positive image of Royal Arch Masonry in Ontario. Share your experiences with your successor in the interest of continuous improvement.

Respectfully submitted by R.Ex.Comp. Roland Allen Paddle, Grand Third Principal

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

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:

On behalf of the members of the Public Relations Committee, I would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve this Grand Chapter. This Committee has promoted Royal Arch Masonry to Brethren in the Craft by means of Open Houses, Master Masons Nights, while at the same time increasing our visibility by attending social functions within the Communities.

Open Houses - Outreach members V.Ex.Comps. Howard McCandless and John Richel and R.Ex.Comp. Donald Laycock visited the Lodges in Brampton Masonic Centre. Each Lodge was sent a letter explaining the mission and asking for a date to make the Royal Arch presentation. At each Lodge the “Saga of the Holy Royal Arch” was presented. This was followed by a short talk about the history of Grand Chapter. The session ended with a question and answer period. At some Lodges this period was quite spirited. We found that the best place to make the presentation was in the Lodge room after they had finished the business of the evening and before closing.
If the presentation was at the end of the Lodge session and in the Lodge room, very few brethren left and there were little or no distractions. Feedback from other Chapters were requested. Another significant Master Mason’s night was put on by Oakwood Chapter No. 233. Many thanks to the First Principal and the organizing committee for a wonderful evening. There were 25 Master Masons in attendance and the Chapter received a number of applications. The most recent Master Mason night was at Mount Sinai Chapter No. 212 where a few applications were received. These sessions indicate that we can be successful in attracting candidates by preparing a well planned and well advertised Master Mason Night.

In conjunction with the Grand Lodge Public Relations Committee and other concordant bodies, another important open house and Master Mason Night is planned for the Brampton Temple in April 2006.

Ceremonials - A number of Shrine Ceremonials were attended by Committee Members during the year.

Grand Lodge - The RAM display again received many positive and favourable remarks at the open houses and at Grand Lodge Convocation in Toronto in July 2005. Once more I urge Chapters to contact the Chairman or Committee Members if they need to use the display. A voice mail or email is the easiest way to contact the members.

International Ploughing Match - Together with the other Masonic Bodies, the Royal Arch display was set up at the International Ploughing Match at Listowel in September 2005. Thanks to those members who helped in manning and transporting the display. In particular, the Companions of District 3 and especially of Bernard Chapter No. 146 in Listowel.

Web Site - The Events Section of the web site is available and should be used whenever possible by the Companions. The Grand Superintendents should encourage Chapters to use the web site at http://www.royalarchmasons.on.ca to advertise events and generally to find out what is happening in this Jurisdiction. Some (post event) pictures for the web site is encouraged. Remember pictures for our web site and display establishes both awareness and interest. Thanks to the Web Master for his co-operation. this site has already proven to be a valuable tool.

The Power Point Presentation on Royal Arch Masonry is rather old and is in the process of being updated.

Information and a mandate are essential for the Committee to function well. Those Companions who are not on the Committee and who have workable suggestions should not hesitate to convey them to the members of the Committee. May I take this opportunity to thank the Committee Members for their commitment and support for Grand Chapter. We look forward to serving the Companions of this Jurisdiction.

Respectfully submitted by The Public Relations Committee; R. Ex. Comp. Roland Mandeville, Chairman; R. Ex.Comps: Thomas Warner, Douglas McGillivray, Thomas King, Brian Vansickle, Donald Laycock, Douglas Stitt, Paraag Suchak, Dushan Surovy

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.
STATISTICAL REPORTS

DEATHS - 2005


**DEMITTED - 2005**


SUSPENDED - 2005

REINSTATED - 2005


DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE 2006

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent and 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 is pleased to report that no matters were brought before it this past year.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee, by myself R. Ex. Comp. David E. Jacklin

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

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL’S ADDRESS

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 the Grand First Principal’s Address has had the opportunity to review that Address. We concur with his decision with respect to Past Rank to the worthy Companion and other appointments that require the approval of Grand Chapter.

We note that questions and suggestions pertaining to the realigning of the Districts are still being received and are being considered by the Grand Council. We have the Grand First Principal’s assurance that the matter will continue to be so, for quite some time to come. We note his support for Medical Research, the Release A Miracle Fund, and the need for continuing donations to that worthy cause.

We are saddened to learn that two Chapters had surrendered their Warrants, books and accounts. We have the hope that the Companions of those Chapters, which have been dissolved and are now considered “unaffiliated members”, will be successful in affiliating with some other Chapter, as provided for in the Constitution. Your Committee congratulates the Grand First Principal on his outstanding leadership and contributions to this Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee. R. Ex. Comp. J. William Lidstone and V. Ex. Comp. Donald H. Mumby.

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

The Committee of Scrutineers are pleased to report to results of the first ballot for the Office of Grand Third Principal. Most Excellent Sir there has been an election.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. George H Gifford, Grand Second Principal seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Roland A Paddle that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings.

PRESENTATION OF THE WILLIAM S THOMSON TROPHY

M.Ex.Comp. Jackson called upon the Grand Scribe Ezra to advise the Companions of the winner of the William S. Thomson Trophy, which is awarded to the Chapter with the greatest percentage increase in membership.

Second Runner Up Caledonia Chapter No 236 - 6.5%

First Runner Up Niagara Chapter No. 55 - 9.1 %

This years winner Seguin Chapter No. 261- 22.2%

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

M.Ex.Comp. Jackson upon the Grand Scribe Ezra to advise the Companions of the winner of the William S. Thomson Trophy. St. Johns Chapter No. 148. Van Kleek Hill was announced as the Chapter with the greatest percentage increase in membership (16.7%)

GRAND CHAPTER CALLED OFF

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GRAND CHAPTER CALLED ON

At 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 8th, 2006 the Grand First Principal directed the Grand Principal Sojourner to call the Grand Chapter from refreshment to labour.

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 Companion

The Committee of Credentials take great pleasure in presenting the following report:

Number of Chapters ................................................................. 108
Number of Chapters represented .................................................. 80
Number of Chapters represented by proxy ..................................... 35
Number of Chapters represented by Past Principals only ................... 33
Number of Chapters not represented ........................................... 20
Number of Delegates present ..................................................... 235
Total Number of Ballots .............................................................. 369
Spoiled Ballots ........................................................................ 3
Number of Chapters Denied Vote .................................................. 8

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. George H. Gifford, Grand Second Principal, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Roland A. Paddle, Grand Third Principal that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

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 Companion

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

Grand First Principal ................................................................. R. Ex. Comp. George Herbert Gifford
Grand Second Principal ............................................................. R. Ex. Comp. Roland Allen Paddle
Grand Third Principal ............................................................... R. Ex. Comp. Roland Philip Mandeville
Grand Scribe Nehemiah .............................................................. Ex. Comp. Richard James McSkimming
Grand Principal Sojourner .......................................................... No Nominations
Grand Registrar ........................................................................ Ex. Comp. Richard Foster Hewitt

Grand Executive Committee members elected:
Moved by V.Ex.Comp. William G. Esplen, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Joseph Janacak that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

M.Ex.Comp. Jackson announced that the time had arrived for the Ceremony of Installation and Investiture of Officers of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year. Under the direction of M.Ex.Comp. Leslie and Alan F. Walker the newly elected officers were installed according to ancient custom. M.Ex.Comp. George Herbert Gifford 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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1002-5-1 Errol Road West, Sarnia ON N7V 4H1

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Grand Steward

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Grand Steward

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Grand Steward

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Grand Steward

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Grand Steward

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Grand Steward

97 Woodfield Drive, Ottawa ON K2G 0A1

Grand Steward

142 Alderdale Road, Unit 3, Astorville ON P0H 1B0

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Grand Steward

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Grand Steward

V.Ex.Comp. Paul James Nielsen  
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Grand Outer Guard

V.Ex.Comp. Gary Paul Humes  
2247 Courtland Drive. Burlington ON L7R 1S5  
Grand Historian

V.Ex.Comp. Warren Errol MacKenzie  
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Grand Archivist

PAST RANK

Moved by M.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson, seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker that Past Rank be granted to the Grand Chapter Officers of 2005 with the exception of the Grand Superintendent of District 1. CARRIED.

GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Most Excellent Companion George Herbert Gifford


Standing here this morning, as your newest Grand First Principal, is a dream fulfilled. It took three tries before I was able to begin the journey that brought me to this point in my Masonic life. I mention this for those who encouraged and stood by me through those experiences. There were times when I wondered if I was doing the right thing. When I was about to give up there were those who encouraged me to try one more time. I’m glad I listened and took one more try.

Over the years there were many great Masons who attempted and lost never to try again. I often wonder what kind of contributions they would have made should they have become our Leaders. Some became leaders of other Masonic Orders and made great contributions and changes to a number of the Concordant Bodies of the York Rite of freemasonry as well as the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. These Brethren and Companions are to be congratulated and admired for the time, energy, and concern that they have displayed to the whole family of Masonry. It is only through such commitments that we can hope to extend the Tenets and Principals of freemasonry into the future in order for others to find the happiness and comfort of being in the presence of so many like minded individuals.

To the Installing Board under the direction of Most Excellent Companion Alan F. Walker and Most Excellent Companion Leslie Levitt I extend my heartfelt thanks. These two Most Excellent Companions have been long time friends and I am pleased and proud to have had them organize and participate on this very special occasion.
It was also very pleasing to have Most Excellent Companion Donald Satterlee, Past Grand High Priest of Illinois take part once again in the Installation Ceremonies. A special highlight was having Right Excellent Companion Robert H. McKelvie, my brother Very Excellent Companion Gary H. Gifford, and my son Excellent Companion Richard G. Gifford invest me with apron and sash. To all those on the Board and the Companions in attendance, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

I must at this time thank all the Companions of Pentalpha Chapter No. 28 in Oshawa for their unfailing support and encouragement. Especially Right Excellent Companion Robert H. McKelvie who never hesitated to encourage me and always signed my nomination papers. Also I thank all the Principals throughout the Province who placed their trust and faith in electing me to the position of Grand Third Principal and starting the process which has now placed me in the position of Grand First Principal. I pledge to you my Companions that I will make every attempt to fulfill this office with the dignity and compassion you expect. I will also make every attempt to be present at any Chapter or function that you may request.

Congratulations are in order to our Immediate Past Grand First Principal - Most Excellent Companion Richard J. Jackson, on his having completed a successful term of office. To Richard and his wife Wendy I thank you for the friendship, courtesies and considerations which have been extended over the past two years.

I must also at this time thank all those who found the time to act as chairmen and members of the various Committees of this Grand Chapter. It is only through the efforts and commitments made by the individuals such as yourself that this Grand Chapter can hope to function in a manner acceptable to all the Companions of this great jurisdiction. As my term of office as President of the Grand Executive Committee now draws to an end, your term as a member of the various Committees also comes to an end.

Your support and friendship during this period will be long remembered. It is hoped that all the excellent work which has been started will be continued in the future, by those teams which have been selected by myself and Right Excellent Companion Roland A. Paddle. The names of the chairmen and members of the various committees will be available at the conclusion of this Grand Convocation from the Grand Scribe Ezra’s desk.

Over the last four years we have had a few issues which have caused great consternation to the organization. Some are ongoing and out of our hands. Others were addressed and dealt with to the satisfaction of those involved. Realignment of Districts no longer seems to be the issue it was. Most of the Companions seem to have put this issue behind them and are now focusing on strengthening their respective Chapters.

Over the last few months the Summonses seem to be showing a positive influx of new candidates, hopefully this will continue into the future. As I have previously stated, if each and every one of us were to replace ourselves in our Lodges, Chapters and the other Masonic families that we belong to, we would see growth as never before.
Two years ago it was decided that our Medical Research Committee should make a concentrated effort in the fight against Autism. We currently have approximately $456,000 in the Medical Research Fund and it was felt two years ago that we needed to have a minimum of $1,000,000 in the Medical Research Fund to make a regular and sustainable contribution. (Our Medical Research Committee has donated $21,000 in the past year $9,000 of which has been donated to this cause). Therefore if is my wish to continue to support this worthwhile effort on behalf of those suffering from a very sad and unfortunate illness. Companions the Capital amount of this fund is not unrealistic and is very attainable. With a mere $70.00 donation from each and every Royal Arch Mason in this Province over the next two years we would be able to attain our goals. This can only happen with your continued support and contributions.

The Grand Council of this Grand Chapter will continue to meet on a regular basis in order to act on any and all matters which should arise between our Grand Convocations. Adherence to the Grand Chapter Constitution is of the utmost importance and must and will be upheld. We will continue to be available to any Chapter or Companion. In order to set up a meeting an appointment is necessary through the Grand Scribe Ezra’s office. All of your issues, concerns and questions are important to this Grand Council and it will become user friendly at all costs. All correspondence and requests from the Chapters must come through the proper channels as outlined in the Constitution. In some cases this is not happening. If the Grand Chapter Office has no record of the requests, problems or questions it has no way of knowing if this correspondence has been properly addressed to the satisfaction of those involved.

As of May 2006, we will be publishing and mailing to all Chapters, the Grand Executive, all current - elected and appointed Grand Chapter Officers and Past Grand First Principals a regular bi-monthly (May, Sept, Nov, Jan & March) bulletin - The Soapbox - which will be composed of messages, rants and raves of the Grand Council and will include the Grand First Principal's Itinerary.

To the new Grand Second Principal, Roland A. Paddle and the new Grand Third Principal, Roland P. Mandeville congratulations and best wishes in your term of office. Both of you will now undertake new responsibilities in this Grand Chapter. Right Excellent Companion Roland A. Paddle as the President of the Grand Executive Committee and Right Excellent Companion Roland P. Mandeville as the apprentice who will have two years to learn the ropes. I also extend congratulations to all the other Companions who have been elected or appointed for the coming year to a Grand Chapter Office. Without a doubt each of you will bring something of benefit to the table of Royal Arch Masonry.

Finally, to my many friends thank you for your encouragement and support. To my family and especially my wife Carol for her constant care and affection “I love you”.

P.S. You only have the remote for 24 more months then I’m taking it back.

If you’re not part of the Team then you’re part of the Problem
BIography

Born - Smiths Falls Ontario - September 7, 1944
Member of the United Church of Canada
Educated - Durham Region Public and Secondary School System
Married - Carol Ann Henry January 18, 1963 - two children and five grandchildren
Employed - General Motors of Canada Oshawa - started December 15, 1961, on the Boys Line in the Radiator Department; Retired January 1, 1998 as a Prod., Mfg. & Mat. Manager's Clerk from the A/C Delco Battery Plant. Oshawa

Civic - Co-ordinator of the United Way Campaign in the Battery Plant for 10 years; General Chairman of the G.M.C. Fabrication Division 1989 United Way Campaign; Co-ordinated the Battery Plant Campaigns for the Terry Fox Run, Rick Hanson - Man in Motion and the Oshawa General Hospital Expansion and Cancer Wing

Masonic -

Capitular Masonry: Pentalpha Chapter No 28, Oshawa ON - Initiated Oct 7, 1980; Installed 1st Principal Jan 6, 1987; Life Member 1987; Treasurer Pentalpha Chapter 1989-99; District No 10 Chairman of Education 1990-91

Principal's Association - Ontario District: Life Member March 24, 1986; Elected President March 28, 1991: Elected Grand Superintendent March 27, 1992

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario: Grand Superintendent Ontario District No 10 April 16, 1992; Appointed Grand Representative to the Grand Chapter of South Carolina 1995; Elected Honorary Life Member Grand Chapter of South Carolina 1997; Elected Member of the Grand Executive 1997; Elected Grand Third Principal 2002; Elected Grand Second Principal 2004; Elected Grand First Principal 2006

Cryptic Rite: Hiram Council No 24 Royal & Select Masters. Peterborough ON; Royal Master 1987; Life Member 1988; Installed as Thrice Illustrious Master 1993


Chivalric Orders- St John the Almoner Perceptory Oshawa ON: Order of the Red Cross May 28, 1981: Life Member 1985: Installed Presiding Preceptor Jan 25, 1996; Elected Honorary
Life Member Grand Commandery of South Carolina 1997; Appointed Chairman Knight Templar Advancement Toronto District No 3 1999


Red Cross of Constantine- Moore Conclave No 15, Peterborough ON; Red Cross of Constantine March 6. 1993: Appendant Orders 1993; Installed Most Puissant Sovereign December 3. 2005

York Rite College - Quinte College No 53 Belleville ON; Admitted Feb 26, 1993; Life Member 1996: Order of the Purple Cross & Assoc Regent 1998; Installed Governor 1999

Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests - Kene Tabernacle No 118, Belleville ON (under the constitution of Great Briton and Tabernacles Overseas); Admitted Aug 29, 1994: Life Member 1994; Installed Very Eminent High Priest 2004

Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests - Emmaus Tabernacle No 47 Hamilton ON (under the Constitution of the USA); Admitted April 8, 2000; 5th Pillar 2005


Knight York Cross of Honor - Trent Priory No 74, Peterborough, ON - Dubbed August 30. 1997; Life Member 1997: Received one Quadrant as Prov. Prior 2001


Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite - Received 14th Degree Peterborough Lodge of Perfection 1990; Received 18th Degree Peterborough Lodge of Perfection 1990; Received 32nd Degree Moore Sov. Consistory. Hamilton ON 1991


Ancient and Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine - Rameses Temple, Toronto ON - Created a Noble Nov 21, 1981: Member of the Oshawa Shrine Club Sept 16. 1981
Most Excellent Companion George Herbert Gifford
THANKS

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. Roland A Paddle, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Roland P Mandeville 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 2005 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 148th Convocation being completed Grand Chapter was closed at 10:45 a.m. in ample form.

Melvyn J Duke, Grand Scribe Ezra

STANDING COMMITTEES OF GRAND CHAPTER

GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - President R.Ex.Comp. Roland A. Paddle Vice President R.Ex.Comp. Roland P. Mandeville. Committee members - as per constitution.


FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Walter T. Bulbeck


STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE


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

*David McLellan .......... 1878-91 *Frederick C. Conley .......... 1969-78
*Edwin Smith .......... 1929-49

*Deceased

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
*William H Sweeting, Victoria, Australia, Past Grand Principal Sojourner .......... 1958
*Reginald J Lewis, P.G.Z. .......... 1964
* Deceased
LIVING PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

1961-62 Charles W Emmett 1508-2000 Islington Avenue, Toronto ON M9P 3S7
1982-83 Gordon H Stuart 506 Comanche Road Mississauga ON L5H 1W2
1984085 Edward W Elcombe 65 Cuffley Crescent North Downsview ON M3K 1Y1
1988-89 Leslie Levitt 7 Hillerest Court Hamilton ON L8P 2X7
1990-91 Donald F Kline 889 Hollowtree Crescent Mississauga ON L4Y 2V3
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
2000-01 John W McGill 1838 Millwood Crescent. Sudbury ON P3E 2T1

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

*William Mercer Wilson ........... 1857 *Frederick Weir Harcourt ......... 1911-12
*Thompson Wilson ................. 1858 *Daniel Frazer MacWatt ........... 1913-14
*Thomas Douglas Harrington .... 1858-60 *William S R Murch .............. 1915-16
*Thomas Douglas Harrington .... 1863-71 *William Nisbet Ponton ........ 1919-20
*Samual Bickerton Harmon ...... 1872 *Herbert Spohn Griffin .......... 1921
*Charles Davis MacDonnell ..... 1873 *Richard Henry Spencer ......... 1922-23
*James Seymour ................. 1874 *Walter Hamill Davis ............ 1924-25
*Lawrence H Henderson ........ 1875-76 *Kenneth Jewell Dunstan ....... 1926-27
*Frederick Joseph Menet ...... 1877-78 *Edwin Smith .................... 1928-29
*Daniel Spry .................. 1879-80 *Walter Garnet Price ............. 1930-31
*Donald Ross .................. 1881-82 *Charles William Haentschel .... 1932-33
*Henry MacPherson .......... 1883-84 *Alexander Cowan ................. 1934
*Thomas Sargent ............... 1885-86 *George Lawrence Gardiner ..... 1935-36
*Robert Hendry Jr ............. 1887 *William Young Mills ......... 1937-38
*Richard Beecher Hungerford ... 1888-89 *Llewellyn Fred Stephens ....... 1939-40
*John James Mason ............. 1890-91 *John Morgan Empy .............. 1941-42
*John Elly Harding ............ 1892-93 *John MacDonald Burden ........ 1943-44
*John Ross Robertson ......... 1894-95 *Reginald Van Every Conover .... 1945-46
*Michael Walsh ............... 1896-98 *Frederick William Dean ....... 1947-48
*William Gilzean Reid ....... 1899-1900 *Clarence McLeod Pitts ........ 1949-50
*William Gibson ............. 1901-02 *Alexander Geo. Noel Bradshaw 1951-52
*Abraham Shaw ............... 1903-04 *John Alex. MacDonald Taylor .... 1953-54
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*William Harold Sproule ........ 1976-77
*Aube L Weisman .................. 1978-79
*Frederick Scott ................ 1980-81
Gordon Harold Stuart .......... 1982-83
Edward W Elcombe ............... 1984-85
*Albert A Mortlock .............. 1986-87
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Harry D Turner ................... 1998-99
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COMPANION Scribe Ezra

Do not print circulate or advertise the name of any companion being proposed for or seeking an elective or appointed office in this grand chapter. This includes the office of grand superintendent. Refer to the constitution under "nominations".

The financial year of constituent chapters ends on December 31st and scribes Ezra are to forward the chapter's per capita dues and returns to the grand scribe Ezra on or before July 31st and January 31st. Each chapter will forward its financial returns, semi-annually, to the grand scribe Ezra on or before July 31st and January 31st in each year.

All chapters must forward their annual returns to the grand scribe Ezra on or before January 31st of each year. Chapters failing to comply with the foregoing regulations shall be deprived of the privilege of voting at the next annual grand chapter convocation. The grand first principal may, at his discretion, summon the chapter to show cause why its warrant should not be suspended until such time as the dues are paid and the annual returns submitted.

Write the names of companions, in full, plainly in the returns, so that there may be no errors in completing the grand chapter certificate. Also see that the age, occupation, and place of residence are not omitted. Where deaths are included, the date of death as well as the companion's rank should accompany the record, also state if a commuted member.

Send a full list of the officers of your chapter immediately after installation. Do not enter material on any form not requested. Use a separate sheet for other information you wish to convey to the grand scribe Ezra's office.
Ancient Craft Masons: commence their era with the creation of the world, called it Anno Lucius (A.L.), "In the year of Light," and add 4000 to the common time, thus 2000 plus 4000 equals A.L. 6000. Lodges A.L. & A.M. hold Annual Communications.

Royal Arch Masons: date from the year the second Temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, Anno Inventionis (A.I.), "In the year of Discovery," and add 530 to the common time, thus, 2000 plus 530 equals A.I. 2530. Royal Arch Chapters hold Annual Convocations.

The Order of High Priesthood: dates from the year of the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchizedek, King of Salem, Anno Benedictionis (A.B.) "In the year of Blessing," and add 1913 to the common time, thus, 2000 plus 1913 equals A.B. 3913. Councils of the Anointed High Priests hold Conventions.

Royal and Select Masters: dates from the year in which the Temple of Solomon was completed, Anno Depositionis (A.D.), "In the year of the Deposit," and adds 1,000 to the common time, thus, 2000 plus 1,000 equals A.D. 3000. Councils of Royal & Select Masters, hold Assemblies.

Knights Templar: commence their era with the organization of the Order, Anno Ordinis (A.O.), "In the year of the Order," and deduct 1,118 from the common time, thus, 2000 less 1,118 equals A.O. 882. Preceptories of Knight Templars hold Assemblies.

Scottish Rite: date same as Ancient Craft, except the use of the Jewish chronology, Anno Mundi (A.M.), In the year of the World," and add 3,760 to the common time, thus, 2000 plus 3,760 equals A.M. 5760. After each September add another year. Consistories of Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite hold Rendezvous or Reunions.