

The Grand Master
M:W: William Henry Balser, Jr.

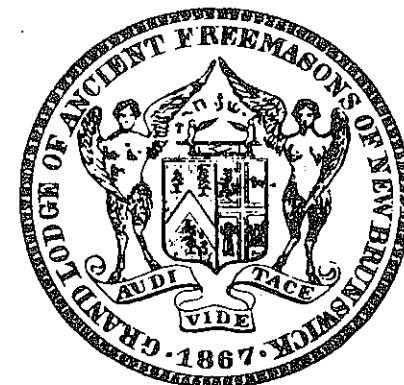
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The Grand Secretary's Address
P.O. Box 6430 Stn. "A"
Saint John, N.B.
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Notice

The 131st Communication
of the Grand Lodge will be held in the City of
Saint John, N.B., on
Friday the 8th and Saturday the 9th day of May,
A.D. 1998

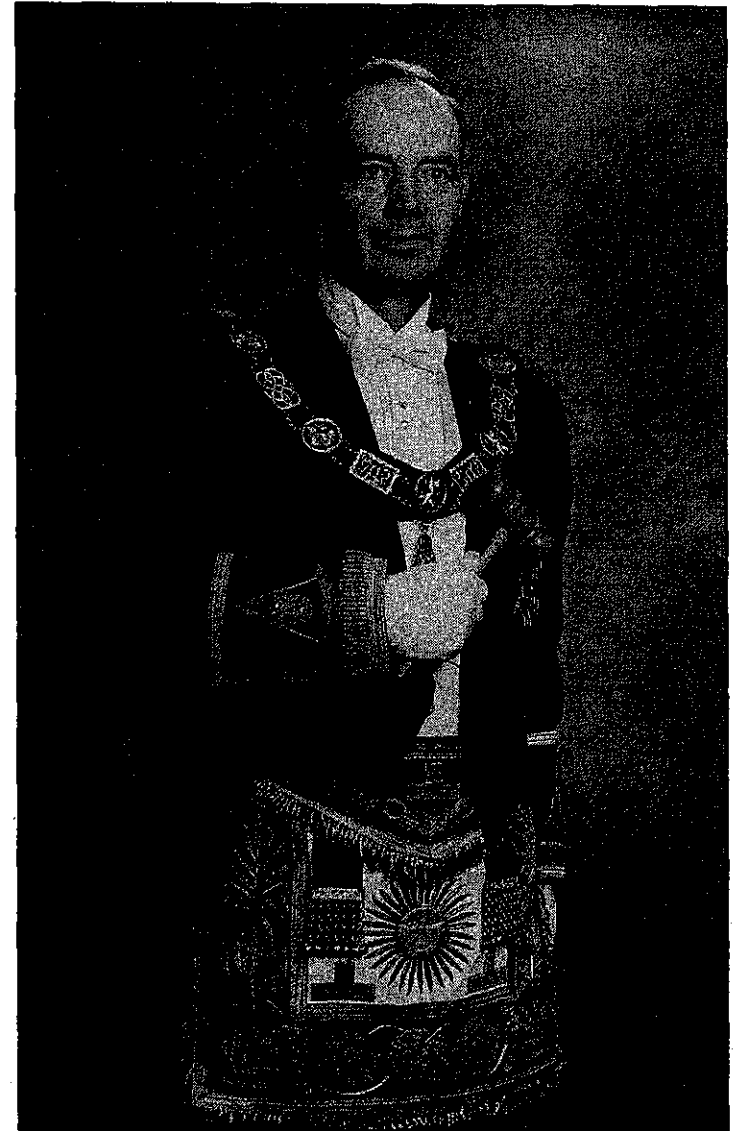
Proceedings
of the
Grand Lodge
of
New Brunswick



A.D. 1997

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William Henry Balser, Jr.
The Grand Master 1996-1997

PROCEEDINGS
of the
GRAND LODGE

of the
ANCIENT AND HONOURABLE FRATERNITY
of
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
of
NEW BRUNSWICK

1996 – 1997

SAINT JOHN, N.B.

Proclamation

BY THE
MOST WORSHIPFUL
William Henry Balser Jr.
THE GRAND MASTER OF THE ANCIENT
AND HONOURABLE FRATERNITY OF FREE
AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF NEW
BRUNSWICK

William Henry Balser Jr.

THE GRAND MASTER

*The Most Worshipful, Right Worshipful, Very
Worshipful and Worshipful Officers and Past Officers of
the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick; And the
Worshipful Masters, Past Masters and present Wardens
of all Lodges within the Jurisdiction of this Grand
Lodge.*

Are hereby summoned to attend the One Hundred and
Thirtieth Annual Communication to be holden at the Masonic
Temple in The City of Saint John, Friday and Saturday May 9 – 10,
1997. Grand Lodge will open on Friday May 9 at 2:00 p.m.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Grand Lodge at the
City of Saint John, Province of New Brunswick, this
20th day of March AL 5997 AD 1997

By Order of The Most Worshipful The Grand Master

J. RALPH ANDREWS
Grand Secretary

The Annual Meeting

of the

Masonic Grand Lodge Corporation

SATURDAY, MAY 10th, 1997
8:30 a.m.

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Masonic Temple
Saint John, N.B.
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Business:

To receive the Grand Treasurer's
Accounts and the Report of the
Audit Committee.

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ALL MEMBERS OF GRAND LODGE ARE ALSO
MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE CORPORATION...
IT IS YOUR DUTY TO BE PRESENT

The Masonic Grand Lodge Corporation ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Masonic Grand Lodge Corporation was held at 8:30 a.m., May 10, 1997 in the Masonic Temple, 92 Germain St., Saint John, N.B.

The meeting was called to order by James H. Pike, President of the Board.

Those present and eligible are listed in the attendance at Grand Lodge.

The minutes of the meeting of May 10, 1996 were read by J. Ralph Andrews, Grand Secretary.

The Grand Treasurer, A. S. Allan, presented the statements of the Corporation's Accounts for the past year, as distributed to the members present. These statements set forth the receipts, expenditures and balances of all accounts for the fiscal year of 1996.

Moved by A. S. Allan, seconded by M. A. Henderson and carried that the Report of the Grand Treasurer be received and laid on the table.

The Auditor's report was then presented by E. B. Campbell and on motion moved by E. B. Campbell, seconded by R. A. Kierstead and carried, the Auditor's Report was accepted, all recommendations therein carried out, entered in full in the Proceedings and that the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer be taken from the table and also entered in the Proceedings.

On motion moved by R. M. Johnston, seconded by R. G. Hodgins, the Masonic Grand Lodge Corporation adjourned at 8:45 a.m. Motion carried.

J. Ralph Andrews,
Secretary

**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
130TH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK
F. & A.M.**

Saint John, N.B.
May 9-10, 1997

The One Hundred and Thirtieth Annual Communication of The Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick was held in the Masonic Temple, Saint John N.B. on Friday and Saturday the 9th and 10th of May A.D. 1997, A.L. 5997.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master William Henry Balser Jr. assumed the Throne, and Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 2:00 p.m. with solemn prayer by R:W:B: The Reverend E. E. Caldwell, Chaplain.

The Proclamation calling this One hundred and Thirtieth Annual Communication was read by the Grand Secretary.

The Most Worshipful The Grand Master extended a cordial welcome to the Brethren and expressed his pleasure at the large number present.

Moved by R:W:B: O. L. Nason and seconded by V:W:B: G. R. Rattray that The Grand Master have discretion to alter the Agenda at his pleasure to facilitate time. Motion carried.

The Roll Call of Grand Lodge Officers, officially noted the following in attendance:

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| The Grand Master | |
| M:W:B: William H. Balser Jr. | Moncton #15 |
| Deputy Grand Master | |
| R:W:B: James H. Pike | Moncton #49 |
| Senior Grand Warden | |
| R:W:B: Robert M. Johnston | Saint John #1 |
| Junior Grand Warden | |
| R:W:B: Donald P. Jones | St. Stephen #7 |
| Grand Treasurer | |
| R:W:B: Andrew S. Allan | Saint John #10 |

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| Grand Chaplain | |
| R:W:B: Rev. Eric E. Caldwell | St. Stephen #7 |
| Grand Secretary | |
| R:W:B: J. Ralph Andrews | Saint John #3 |
| Assistant Grand Secretary | |
| R:W:B: Bernus W. Clark | Saint John #2 |
| D.D.G.M No. 2 | |
| R:W:B: Alvin L. Landsburg | Sackville #28 |
| D.D.G.M. No. 3 | |
| R:W:B: R. Melvin McLaughlin | Bathurst #27 |
| D.D.G.M No. 4 | |
| R:W:B: Wayne A. Rideout | Hartland #48 |
| D.D.G.M No. 5 | |
| R:W:B: Charles A. Rafuse | St. George #12 |
| D.D.G.M. No. 6 | |
| R:W:B: Leonard D. Bishop | Minto #47 |
| D.D.G.M. No. 7 | |
| R:W:B: Clinton E. Shaffer | Hillsborough #15 |
| Grand Historian | |
| V:W:B: Gordon R. Rattray | Hillsborough #15 |
| Senior Grand Deacon | |
| W:B: Stanley R. Bateman | Shediac #24 |
| Grand Director of Ceremonies | |
| W:B: Donald E. Williams | Riverview #52 |
| Asst. Grand Director of Ceremonies | |
| W:B: Merrill A. Henderson | Moncton #49 |
| Grand Sword Bearer | |
| W:B: Richard Whitcomb | Saint John #8 |
| Grand Standard Bearer | |
| W.B. G. Graham Vincent | Dalhousie #25 |
| Grand Pursuivant | |
| W:B: Harold S. Boomer | Hartland # 46 |
| Grand Organist | |
| W:B: Rodney G. Girvan | Rexton #16 |
| Grand Tyler | |
| W:B: B. Barry Sullivan | St. John's #2 |

The Past Grand Masters present then entered and were presented to the Grand Master as follows:

M:W:B: Blake Allan Oulton
 M:W:B: John William Murray
 M:W:B: The Rev. Kenneth Legassick
 M:W:B: Charles Norman Hollett
 M:W:B: Orville Herbert Mason
 M:W:B: Carr Ward Graham

The Distinguished Visitors present were then received and presented to the Grand Master as follows:

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS 1997

The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, A. F. & A. M.

M:W:B: Samuel **Karrel** – **Grand Master**

The Grand Lodge of **Quebec**, A. F. & A. M.

M:W:B: Clifford **Forshaw** – **Grand Master**

The Grand Lodge of **Maine** A. F. & A. M.

M:W:B: Walter M. **MacDougal** – **Grand Master**

The Grand Lodge of **Connecticut** A. F. & A. M.

R:W:B: Gustaf R. **Bodin** – **Grand Senior Deacon**

The Grand Lodge of **Canada in Ontario**

M:W:B: Durwood I. **Greenwood** – **Grand Master**

The Grand Lodge of **New Hampshire**, F. & A. M.

R:W:B: Jeremy **Sawyer** – **Junior Grand Warden**

The Grand Lodge of **Saskatchewan** F. & A. M.

M:W:B: Ronald E. **Coulson** – **Grand Master**

The Grand Lodge of **Prince Edward Island** A. F. & A. M.

M:W:B: J. Bruce **Small** – **Grand Master**

The Grand Lodge of **Rhode Island** A. F. & A. M.

M:W:B: Arnold B. **Wasserman** – **Grand Master**

The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of

Ontario & Jurisdiction

M:W:B: Reginald R. **Brothers** – **Past Grand Master**

The Grand Lodge of **New York** A. F. & A. M.

R:W:B: Louis H. **Juers** – **Grand Treasurer**

The Grand Lodge of **New York** – **1st Manhattan Dist** A. F. & A. M.

R:W:B: Edmund D. **Harrison** – **District Grand Master**

National Masonic Foundation for Children, Washington D.C.

Lawrence J. **Chisholm** – **Executive Director**

Members of Concordant Bodies then entered and were introduced and presented to the Grand Master as follows by
 R:W:B: Donald Cook.

OTHER VISITORS

R:W:B: Earl Faulkner

Grand Director of Ceremonies,
Nova Scotia

R:W:B: Milton Martelock

Grand Representative of New
Brunswick near the Grand Lodge
of New York

W:B: Arnold Hartling

New Hampshire

**REPRESENTATIVES
CONCORDANT BODIES**

1997

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| <i>DONALD TAYLOR</i> | |
| W:B: Winston Mackay | Potentate, Luxor Temple, Ancient Aribic Order of the Mystic Shrine. |
| R:W:B: E. Stanley Matheson | Deputy for New Brunswick, ✓ Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. |
| W:B: Donald McIver | Provincial Grand Master, Royal ✓ Order of Scotland. |
| W:B: J John Alan Arnold | Provincial Grand Prior of N.B. |
| <i>BRO GEORGE THEA</i> | representing Most Em. Kt. Roger N. Delisle, G.C.T. Supreme Grand Master, Sovereign Grand Prior of Canada. |
| R:W: Charles Webber | Representing Cecil G. Stetson Rt. Illustrious Knight Companion Grand Intendant General, Maritime Division of the Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada Red Cross of Constantine. |
| R:W:B: E. James Davis | <i>MOST EXCELLENT</i> Second Grand Principal, representing the First Grand Principal, Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. |
| Shirley MacDonald | Worthy Grand Matron, Order of the Eastern Star. |
| R:W:B: John Lingley | Representing M.K. Hennigar, Eastern Canada Priory #19, Knights of the York Cross of Honour. |
| W:B: Gerald Lewis | Deputy Grand Governor, York ✓ Rite, Sovereign College of North America. |

Mrs. Shirley MacDonald spoke on behalf of the members of Concordant Bodies.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies then conducted the Mayor of Saint John Ms. Shirley McAlary to the Altar and introduced her to the Grand Master, who invited her to a seat near the East.

The National Anthems of Canada and the United States of America were sung, accompanied by the Grand Organist.

The Mayor was then asked to bring greetings from the City and did so very eloquently.

The Grand Master thanked both ladies for their remarks and instructed the Grand Director of Ceremonies to escort the ladies from the room.

The Grand Master called on the Grand Representatives present to stand as their names were read by the Deputy Grand Secretary. He then thanked the representatives for their service and a suitable reply was given by R:W:B: O. L. Nason

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES - 1997

FROM NEW BRUNSWICK

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| H. M. Heckbert | 18 | Chatham |
| M. J. Linkletter | 15 | Hillsborough |
| J. S. Brooks | 31 | Aroostook |
| Rev. K. Legassick | 13 | Saint John |
| I. D. Steeves | 33 | Fredericton |
| J. W. Murray | 41 | Moncton |
| C. H. Jarvis | 18 | Chatham |
| R. M. McLaughlin | 17 | Nelson/Miramichi |

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| B. A. Oulton | 27 | Bathurst |
| Harvie McWhirter | 4 | Dorchester |
| E. A. Ryder | 41 | Moncton |

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| B. A. Prescott | 10 | Saint John |
| L. C. Bremmer | 18 | Chatham |
| G. E. Trentowsky | 22 | Saint John |
| F. S. Tuck | 41 | Moncton |
| H. W. Bannister | 16 | Riverview |
| F. J. Price | 3 | Saint John |
| R. G. J. Hopkins | 3 | Saint John |
| D. J. Belyea | 3 | Saint John |
| J. Gaudet | 42 | Fredericton Jctn. |
| C. W. Graham | 16 | Moncton |
| J. R. Andrews | 3 | Saint John |
| F. E. Robinson | 2 | Saint John |
| Austin Oulton | 44 | Port Elgin |
| M. G. Swetnam | 49 | Moncton |
| O. H. Mason | 50 | Harvey Station |
| P. M. Hovey | 10 | Saint John |
| E. F. Bateman | 24 | Shediac |
| B. W. Clark | 2 | Saint John |
| G. D. Gruchy | 6 | Fredericton |
| W. A. Rideout | 46 | Hartland |
| E. J. Murray | 23 | Moncton |
| G. L. Irvine | 8 | Saint John |

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| S. F. Hale | 52 | Riverview |
| Charles Rafuse | 12 | Pennfield |
| J. R. Storr | 36 | McAdam |
| J. Dunham | 8 | Saint John |
| A. B. Weldon | 17 | Newcastle |
| H. W. Perks | 49 | Moncton |
| E. L. V. Scott | 23 | Moncton |
| K. R. Peacock | 1 | Saint John |
| Eldon Libby | 52 | Riverview |
| H. M. Richardson | 26 | St. Stephen |
| C. R. Piercey | 13 | Hampton |
| A. G. Knowlton | 50 | Harvey |
| I. MacGregor | 4 | Dorchester |
| C. H. Webber | 52 | Riverview |
| G. Pelley | 13 | Hampton |
| J. G. Girvan | 16 | Rexton |
| O. L. Nason | 1 | Saint John |
| J. M. McKinnon | 25 | Restigouche |
| W. T. Ryan | 22 | Saint John |

CANADA

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| Alberta |
| British Columbia |
| Manitoba |
| Nova Scotia |
| Ontario |
| P.E.I. |
| Quebec |
| Saskatchewan |

GREAT BRITAIN

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| England |
| Ireland |
| Scotland |

UNITED STATES

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| Alabama |
| Alaska |
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| Arkansas |
| Colorado |
| Connecticut |
| Delaware |
| Dist. of Columbia |
| Florida |
| Georgia |
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| Illinois |
| Indiana |
| Kansas |
| Kentucky |
| Louisiana |
| Maine |
| Maryland |
| Massachusetts |
| Michigan |
| Minnesota |
| Mississippi |
| Missouri |
| Montana |
| Nebraska |
| Nevada |
| New Hampshire |
| New Jersey |
| New York |
| North Carolina |
| North Dakota |
| Oklahoma |
| Ohio |
| Oregon |
| Rhode Island |
| South Carolina |
| South Dakota |
| Tennessee |
| Texas |
| Utah |
| Vermont |
| Virginia |
| Washington |
| West Virginia |
| Wisconsin |

CENTRAL AMERICA

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| Costa Rica |
| Guatemala |
| Mexico (York) |

AT NEW BRUNSWICK

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| E. J. Murray | — |
| D. L. MacLaurin | Vancouver |
| R. A. MacKenzie | Winnipeg |
| G. G. Vickers | Halifax |
| F. R. Branscombe | North York |
| W. S. MacTavish | Charlottetown |
| E. M. Fidler, Jr. | North Hatley |
| E. G. Hearn | Yorkton |

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| R. R. Hill | Chepstow |
| M. M. Harvey | Dublin |
| J.M.M. Humphrey | Aberdeenshire |

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| M. F. Carmichael | Mobile |
| V. C. Darnell | Eagle River |
| J. B. Bourcet | Prescott Valley |
| C. Overton | McGehee |
| F. W. Olme | Monte Vista |
| E. W. Mack | New Britain |
| H. W. Murray | Frankford |
| Appel Stafford | Washington, D.C. |
| C.R. McCarthy | Daytona |
| W. D. Bridges | Roswell |

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| D. C. Stroller | Rupert |
| J. R. Loudon | LaHarpe |
| D. H. Roher | Kokomo |
| J. T. Ross | Wichita |
| Rev. A. W. Weaver | Baton Rouge |
| A. P. Foster | Burlington |
| R. H. Perry | Buckfield |
| L. E. Cohen | Baltimore |
| J. M. Gaskill | Lexington |
| R. N. Osbourne | Dearborn |
| O. R. Thompson | Pelican Rapid |
| L. B. Tanner | Vicksburg |
| R. G. Embrey | Boonville |
| L. J. Kafka | Havre |
| F. Smith | Bayard |
| G. F. Wessell | Reno |
| P. L. Hall | Nashua |
| D. E. Price | Tuckerton |
| M. Martelak | Islip |
| T. J. Mann | Charlotte |
| J. T. Stark | Fargo |
| L. W. Booker | Stroud |
| O. H. Ormiston | Bartlett |
| Merrill Maxwell | Tillamook |
| H. C. Olsen | Providence |
| C. S. Vernon | Cheraw |
| H. H. Gates | Custer |
| R. D. Sage | Kingsport |
| J. E. Kelly | San Antonio |
| H. J. Mikolash | Magna |
| A. D. Bishop | Burlington |
| R. J. Wimmer | Boones Mills |
| J. L. Hendricks | Tacomna |
| C. A. Louk | Summersville |
| C. C. Littlefield | Beloit |

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| J. MacCrespo | Perera |
| B. A. Landstrom | Edo |

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| T. L. Winter | 53 | Oromocto |
| E. J. Davis | 32 | Campbellton |
| R. F. Bard | 46 | Hartland |
| J. M. Maxwell | 26 | St. Stephen |
| H. M. Steeves | 23 | Moncton |

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| G. E. Collins | 53 | Oromocto |
| H. H. MacDonald | 25 | Restigouche |
| D. J. England | 2 | Saint John |

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| G. E. Mercer | 13 | Hampton |
| P. G. Ward | 51 | Ludlow |
| G. A. Tingley | 45 | Havelock |
| D. H. Scott | 33 | Fredericton |

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| P. E. Acheson | 14 | Upper Mills |
| Rev. Gerald Gray | 20 | Salisbury |
| E.W. Bradley | 15 | Hillsborough |
| P. R. Sloat | 35 | Centreville |
| E. W. Thomas | 24 | Shediac |
| H. A. MacLean | 18 | Miramichi |

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| R. M. Hoar | 45 | Havelock |
| N. J. Rubin | 12 | St. Andrews |
| S. A. Best | 53 | Oromocto |
| J. H. Lingley | 49 | Moncton |
| R. A. Jensen | 39 | Grand Falls |
| O. F. Walton | 23 | Moncton |
| F. K. Kohn | 22 | Saint John |
| W. C. Boone | 35 | Florenceville |
| R. S. Vail | 11 | Woodstock |
| R. S. Dobbin | 22 | Saint John |
| B. E. Francis | 8 | Saint John |
| D. G. Cook | 8 | Saint John |
| C.N. Hollett | 49 | Moncton |
| G. S. Young | 22 | Saint John |
| A. B. Dingee | 35 | Bath |
| R. W. Gamblin | 31 | Andover |
| C. E. Shaffer | 15 | Hillsborough |
| A. R. MacRae | 17 | Newcastle |
| V. E. Lister | 50 | Harvey Station |
| F. M. Langley | 5 | St. Andrews |

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| F. M. Langley | 5 | St. Andrews |

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| P. M. Whittaker | 6 | Fredericton |
| W. A. MacMillan | 32 | Tide Head |

SOUTH AMERICA

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| Argentina | E.A. Vaccaro | — |
| Chile | J. W. Lanza | — |
| Ecuador | J. Bony | Quay Aquil |
| Peru | A. Jacobs | Lima |
| Uruguay | — | — |
| Venezuela | F. A. L. Martinez | — |

SOUTH AMERICA (Brazil)

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| Amazones | — | — |
| Brasilia | — | — |
| Ceara | J. S. R. Barbosa | — |
| Mato Grosso | O. Gueded | — |
| Mato Grosso Do Sul | E. Q. Mendonca | — |
| Minas Gerais | — | — |
| Para | DeAlmeida | Porto Elegrie |
| Parana | — | — |
| Pernambuca | — | — |
| R.G. do Sul | M. C. Munroe | — |
| Rio Grande do Norte | V. Serveriano | Natal |
| Rio de Janeiro | A. J. Fadasta | Rio |
| Santa Catarina | — | — |
| Sao Paulo | A. B. DeSousa | — |
| Sergipe | L. Amado | Lagarto |
| Tocantins | — | — |

AUSTRALIA

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| New South Wales | R. F. Creighton | North Nowra |
| Queensland | T. F. Wardrobe | Brisbane |
| South Australia | G.B. Hevey | Woodside |
| Tasmania | V. W. Breaden | Burnie |
| Victoria | A. K. S. Chant | Melbourne |
| West Australia | G. E. Arnold | North Cottesloe |

NEW ZEALAND

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| New Zealand | W. Calder | Whangarei |
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WEST INDIES

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| Cuba | G.P. Valdez | Havanaj |
| Puerto Rico | Felipe Neives | Adjuntas |

EUROPE

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| Austria | — | — |
| Belgium (Reg.) | L. DeBouvere | Brussels |
| Czech Republic | C. Pavlat | — |
| Denmark | K.G. Overvad | Copenhagen |
| Finland | K. Detonen | Turko |
| France | Claude Arnold | Neuilly-sur-Seine |
| Germany | A. Geisenhoier | Hamburg |
| Greece | T. Sarikas | Athens |
| Hungary | G. Gatay | Budapest |
| Iceland | J. A. Skulason | Reykjavik |
| Italy | Renato Sivio | Rome |
| Norway | K. Rydningen | Oslo |
| Portugal | R. C. Rosa | — |
| Romania | — | — |
| Spain | M. T. Wexham | Geruna |
| Sweden | B. Gabrielson | Stockholm |
| Switzerland | C. Schumacher | St. Gallen |
| The Netherlands | D. C. Van Paype | Rapenberg |
| Yugoslavia | — | — |

ASIA

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| China | Joe C. C. Hsin | Taiwan |
| India | R. N. Bhattacharva | Bombay |
| Israel | D. Zechariah | Tel Aviv |
| Japan | Shigeru Nishiyama | Yokohama |
| Phillipine Islands | Wm. Bozel | Okinawa, Japan |

AFRICA

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| Cabon | A. Boumah | Liberville |
| Ivory Coast | — | — |
| South Africa | P. Olpin | Transvaal |
| Senagal | D. L. Lawson | — |
| Togo | M. L. Kowouri | — |

The following members were presented to the East and were commissioned as Grand Representatives.

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| R:W:B: Alvin Landsburg | Victoria, Australia |
| R:W:B: Wayne Rideout | Mississippi |
| R:W:B: Leonard Bishop | Switzerland |
| R:W:B: Clinton Shaffer | India |
| R:W:B: Andrew Allan | Sao Paulo, Brazil |
| R:W:B: Donald Williams | France |

R:W:B: Melvin McLaughlin was commissioned a Representative to Saskatchewan by the Grand Master of Saskatchewan Ronald Caulson who was present at the Communication.

R:W:B: Charles Rafuse was commissioned a Representative to New Hampshire by the Junior Grand Warden of New Hampshire R:W:B: Jeremy Sawyer who was also present at the Communication.

Following the Presentation of Certificates a motion was moved by R:W:B: The Rev. George Trentowsky, seconded by R:W:B: Evan Thomas and carried that nominations for the Elective Officers of Grand Lodge close at 9:00 a.m. on May 10th, 1997.

On motion moved by R:W:B: Robert Johnston, seconded by R:W:B: Donald Cook and carried that the Minutes of the 129th Annual Communication held on May 10th and 11th, 1996 were confirmed as printed in the Proceedings.

The Grand Master requested that the Grand Secretary read the names of any Lodges that had not submitted Annual Returns for the year 1996.

Woodstock Lodge #11 was reported as not having submitted Annual Returns.

The Grand Master then requested that any members of Woodstock Lodge who may be present to report to the Credentials Committee.

The Most Worshipful The Grand Master received the following reports which were dealt with and printed in full in the Proceedings.

- Report of the Board of General Purposes
- Report of the Grand Secretary
- Report of the Ritual Committee
- Report of Committee on Fraternal Relations
- Report of the Jurisprudence Committee
- Report of DeMolay Representative
- Report of the Benevolence Committee
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- Report of the Bursary Committee
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

May 1997

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND MASONIC
LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

The first meeting of the Board was an Emergent Meeting held on July 1st, 1996 called to discuss suggested changes that should be made in the Grand Lodge Office.

The June meeting was called to order by the Grand Master, M:W:B: William Balser, Jr. who presided during the election of the Chairman for the year, R:W:B: James H. Pike and the Vice Chairman, R:W:B: Robert M. Johnston.

A Committee was appointed to look into the Problem previous to the meeting and submitted the following report.

That a new computer and fax machine be obtained along with a new photocopier.

That a qualified Accounting Clerk be hired to replace the present Stenographer who is not trained in the Accounting Field. This was a suggestion of the Treasurer who noted the problem at a previous meeting.

As a result of this meeting the new equipment was obtained on a rental basis for five years and an Accounting Clerk was hired.

The problem of straightening out the records will be an ongoing one that will have to be done while other work is going on and could take a year or two.

The matter of Entered Apprentices being charged dues and not being allowed to vote was settled as follows:

The Masonic Fraternity has the power to make laws and regulate itself and as Apprentices do not have to remain apprentices they will eventually be given voting powers.

Check lists for Investigating Committees was referred to Jurisprudence who submitted a Check List which will be given to those who desire to have such a guide.

The appointment of a Grand Representative to Prince Hall Jurisdictions was referred to the Fraternal Relations.

The Masonic Float which is no longer being used was brought to the Boards attention and it was agreed that the Float would be sold if possible and the money given to Masonic Charities and Housing.

The Grand Master noted that he had discussed the matter of a one day conferral of degrees on a number of Candidates at the same time and asked for some input.

The Committee on Fraternal Relations reported to every meeting on progress being made toward the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

After some discussion on the matter of a one day conferral on the second and third degree, the first degree having been conferred in the Mother Lodge the project was indorsed in principal by the Board on motion regularly moved, seconded and carried.

A brief report on the Aldridge Atlantic Eastern Conference held in Moncton in late September was given by M:W:B: J. William Murray.

The matter of giving authorization to the establishment of an Internet Web Site for the Grand Lodge of N.B. under strict control. W:B: Ed Armstrong made a presentation to the Board and permission was granted.

R:W:B: Clark reported on the position of Fraternal Relations with the Prince Hall Masons noting that we have recognized two Jurisdictions.

The one day Conferral was again discussed and it was reported that monthly meetings were being held.

W:B: R. M. Hodgins was appointed the New Editor of Mostly Masonry and has produced his first Edition.

The Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master will attend the Canadian Conference of Grand Masters which will again be held in Winnipeg again this year.

An update on the arrangements for the one day conferral was given the members present by the Committee which has been meeting on a monthly basis. The site has been changed to the Riverview Recreation Centre due to the number of Candidates expected to attend.

At the March meeting, Notices of Motion for The Grand Lodge Meeting were dealt with.

Recommendations for awards were received and processed also recommendations for appointments were also received. Arrangements for a Speaker on the Drug Problem in Canada was arranged.

An Emergent meeting was called on Monday April 21, 1997 to consider the problem we were facing due to the illness and eventual passing of Mrs. Allan our Treasurers Wife.

As the Audit was in progress and could not be completed and no financial statement was available for mailing to the Members of Grand Lodge, The Grand Master was concerned and felt that the Members should be informed.

As a result of the meeting several motions were made and passed including:

- Signing Officers
- Maintaining Financial Records in the Grand Lodge Office
- Investments are to be made only on the recommendation of the Finance Committee
- A Financial Statement is to be presented to the Grand Master on week prior to the Board of General Purposes Meetings and a copy of the Annual Financial Statement and the Audit report are to be in the hands of the Grand Master 14 days prior to the Annual Communication.

On closing I would express my thanks to the Staff of the Grand Lodge Office for the cooperation I have received.

Fraternally,

James H. Pike
Deputy Grand Master

Moved by R:W:B: James H. Pike, seconded by V:W:B: Gordon Rattray that the report be recieved, printed in full in the Proceedings and that the Decisions and Actions of the Board be ratified by the Grand Lodge. Motion carried.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

1996

To the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick:

Grand Secretary's Statement

— 1996 —

Received and Deposited: —

| | |
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| Administration Fee | |
| Dues & Fees of Members | |
| Sales (Books, Pins, etc.) | |
| Dispensations & Replacing Certificates | |
| Photocopies for Lodges | |
| Postage (Paid by Scottish Rite) | |
| Total | |

Recapitulation of Membership:—

| | | | |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Membership | 1996 | 4,947 | 4 Lodges, No Report |
| Members (New | .81 | Demits | .60 |
| Affiliations | .41 | Suspension | .65 |
| Reinstated | .11 | Deaths | .173 |
| Total: | .133 | Total: | .298 |

Following our 1996 Communication, we have made the required changes in the Grand Lodge Office. The following equipment has been obtained on a rental basis: one computer/fax machine and one photocopier. A qualified accounting clerk with office experience has been engaged to implement the report of the Committee appointed to review the situation.

I regret that it was found necessary to relinquish the Scottish Rite recording as this provided additional income to Grand Lodge; approximately \$20,000.00 in four years.

We were confident that we had the mailing list almost under control when the implementation of the 911 emergency call system caused changes of address for many of our members. Once again, I am appealing to Lodge secretaries to furnish us with up-to-date lists of their Past Masters so that we may be able to correspond with these member of Grand Lodge once again.

I extend my sincere thanks to all who have assisted me in many ways during the year. To R:W:B: Clarke, Assistant Grand Secretary, who is retiring this year, it has been a pleasure working along with you; your quiet manner and attention to detail will be sorely missed around the Office.

Fraternally submitted,
R:W: J. Ralph Andrews, Grand Secretary

| Name of Lodge | No. | Amount |
|---------------------------|-----|--------|
| Albion | .1 | |
| Saint John's | .2 | |
| Hibernia | .3 | |
| Sussex | .4 | |
| Saint Mark's | .5 | |
| Hiram | .6 | |
| Sussex | .7 | |
| Carleton Union | .8 | |
| Union L of Portland | .10 | |
| Woodstock | .11 | |
| St. George | .12 | |
| Corinthian | .13 | |
| Aley | .14 | |
| Howard | .15 | |
| St. Andrew | .16 | |
| Northumberland | .17 | |
| Miramichi | .18 | |
| Salisbury | .20 | |
| Zion | .21 | |
| The New Brunswick | .22 | |
| Keith | .23 | |
| Zetland | .24 | |
| Restigouche | .25 | |
| Victoria | .26 | |
| Lodge St. John | .27 | |
| Lebanon | .28 | |
| St. Martins | .30 | |
| Benjamin | .31 | |
| Campbellton | .32 | |
| Alexandria | .33 | |
| Albert | .34 | |
| Carleton | .35 | |
| Ashlar | .36 | |
| Steven | .37 | |
| Mananook | .38 | |
| Coleman | .39 | |
| Tweedie | .41 | |
| Sunbury | .42 | |
| Westmorland | .44 | |
| Fownes | .45 | |
| Hartland | .46 | |
| Grand lake | .47 | |
| Tobique | .48 | |
| Acacia | .49 | |
| Cherry Mountain | .50 | |
| Landmark | .51 | |
| Coverdale | .52 | |
| Centennial | .53 | |
| Granite | .54 | |
| Abnaki | .55 | |
| Sunset | .56 | |
| Total | | |

| Lodge | No. | New Mem | Affiliated | Reinstated | Demits | Suspended | Deaths | Total |
|----------------|-----|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Albion | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | 99 |
| Saint John's | 2 | 5 | | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 102 |
| Hibernia | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | 4 | 4 | 171 |
| Sussex | 4 | | 1 | | 2 | | 6 | 51 |
| Saint Mark's | 5 | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | 6 | 71 |
| Hiram | 6 | 5 | 1 | | 5 | | 4 | 205 |
| Sussex | 7 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 169 |
| Carleton Union | 8 | 3 | | 1 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 253 |
| Union Portland | 10 | 1 | | | 3 | 1 | 5 | 100 |
| Woodstock | 11 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 144 |
| St. George | 12 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 4 | | 5 | 175 |
| Corinthian | 13 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 168 |
| Aley | 14 | | | | | | | 27 |
| Howard | 15 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 3 | 1 | 83 |
| St. Andrew | 16 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 55 |
| Northumberland | 17 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 207 |
| Miramichi | 18 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 89 |
| Salisbury | 20 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 69 |
| Zion | 21 | 1 | 2 | | 5 | | 5 | 121 |
| The NB | 22 | 4 | 2 | | 3 | 3 | 6 | 165 |
| Keith | 23 | 5 | 1 | | 1 | | 6 | 236 |
| Zetland | 24 | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | 55 |
| Restigouche | 25 | | | | 1 | | 2 | 64 |
| Victoria | 26 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | 79 |
| Lodge St. John | 27 | 2 | | | 2 | 2 | 4 | 178 |
| Lebanon | 28 | 1 | | | 1 | 5 | 2 | 57 |
| St. Martins | 30 | | 1 | | | | 2 | 74 |
| Benjamin | 31 | 3 | 1 | | | | 12 | 144 |
| Campbellton | 32 | 2 | | | | | 8 | 133 |
| Alexandria | 33 | 2 | | | | 3 | 9 | 193 |
| Albert | 34 | 1 | 1 | | | | 4 | 63 |
| Carleton | 35 | | 1 | | 3 | 3 | 5 | 112 |
| Ashlar | 36 | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | 94 |
| Steven | 37 | | | | 1 | 1 | | 60 |
| Mananook | 38 | | | | 1 | 5 | | 41 |
| Coleman | 39 | | | | | 1 | | 44 |
| Tweedie | 41 | 2 | | | 1 | | 9 | 117 |
| Sunbury | 42 | | 1 | | | | 1 | 54 |
| Westmorland | 44 | | | | 1 | 2 | 4 | 71 |
| Fownes | 45 | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 51 |
| Hartland | 46 | 3 | | | | | 2 | 46 |
| Grand lake | 47 | | 1 | | 2 | | 3 | 77 |
| Tobique | 48 | | 1 | | | | 2 | 61 |
| Acacia | 49 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 7 | 198 |
| Cherry Mnt. | 50 | 1 | | | | 3 | 2 | 107 |
| Landmark | 51 | 1 | | | | 9 | 1 | 119 |
| Coverdale | 52 | 2 | 2 | | 1 | | 4 | 163 |
| Centennial | 53 | | 3 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 86 |
| Granite | 54 | | 1 | | | | | 56 |
| Abnaki | 55 | | 1 | | | | 2 | 46 |
| Sunset | 56 | 5 | 9 | | | | | 27 |
| Total | | 94 | 43 | 13 | 62 | 71 | 193 | 5430 |

50 YEAR CERTIFICATES (1996 - 1997)

Albion Lodge No. 1

Merrill Bishop Cassidy
 Wilbur Wallace Blackey
 George Albert Grummett
 Edward Wallace Scully
 Harry Daniel Scully

Ronald Edgar Fenwick

Eric Hazelwood
 Donald Logie
 Murray Robert Reid
 Lew Cedric Scribner
 Royden Coleman Bates
 Lewis Dick Black
 Charles Wesley Burns

St. John's Lodge No. 2

Frank Lincoln Babington Nice
 Russell Leonard Robinson

Lodge St. Andrew No. 16

Lowell Cail
 Francis Gordon Graham
 Earl William Morton

Hibernia Lodge No. 3

Frederick Ernest Gordon
 Arnold Burton Hamm
 Kilburn Wordon London
 Kenneth Leslie Mainwaring
 James Ernest Scullion
 Robert Douglas Winchester

Northumberland Lodge No. 17

William John Dunnett
 Joseph Seaman Bryenton
 John Gordon Burchill
 Charles Earle Hubbard
 Wylie Oswald Russell
 Alfred Black Weldon

Hiram Lodge No. 6

Frank Inches Morrison
 John Gordon Neill
 William Lawrence Hall
 John Kelso Robinson
 Lewis Venning Brown
 Herbert Towe Swazey

Zion Lodge No. 21

Austin Lawrence Sharpe
 Donald Stewart McFarlane
 Richard Oswald Doncaster
 Jens Jakob Neilson Pederson
 Stanley Edward Perry
 Harold Russell Bryant

Sussex Lodge No. 7

Albert Livingston McMorran
 Benjamin Archibald Reilly, Jr.

New Brunswick Lodge No. 22

Beverley Gordon Appleby, Jr.
 William Edward Scaplen
 Mervyn Jardine Sweezey

Carleton Union Lodge No. 8

James Ronald Belyea
 Byron Richard Moffat
 Ronald Percy Walker Reid
 David Andrew Turnbull

Keith Lodge No. 23

Leonard Barnes
 Edward Robert Fowler
 William Albert Humphrey
 Leslie Martin James
 Robert Purvis Lorimer
 Albert Curtin Muncey
 Robert Seymour Hart

Union Lodge of Portland No. 10

Stanley Morrell Caraghan
 Weldon Havelock Fuller
 Ainslie St. Clair Shuve

St. George Lodge No. 12

Thomas Henry Crosby
 Aubrey LeRoy Hatt
 Charles Blair Wadlin

The Corinthian Lodge No. 13

Lawrence Allen Dickson
 John Howard Drummond

Zetland Lodge No. 24

John Lawrence Irvine

Restigouche Lodge No. 25

John William Vincent

Victoria Lodge No. 26

Alexander Donald Armstrong
Robert Douglas Lee
James Malcolm Monahan

Lodge St. John No. 27

Roger Jardine Keswick
John William Vincent
Kenneth Sinclair Chalmers
James Morley Branch

Lebanon Lodge No. 28

Clarence Edward Anderson
Hudson Hersey Sears

St. Martins Lodge No. 30

Thomas Walter Thompson
Eldon Reginald Gamble

Campbellton Lodge No. 32

Frederick Richard Lodge
William Alexander
MacMillan
John William Vincent

Alexander Lodge No. 33

Ingram Dale Steeves
Ralph Merlyn Culligan
Richard Jones Morris

Albert Lodge No. 34

Herbert Trites Brand
Pierce Atkinson Butland
Walter Stanley Elliott
Victor Emerson Elliott
Manford Thomas Hewston
Stuart Lewis Keiver
Cecil George Porter

Carleton Lodge No. 35

Paul Rayworth Sloat
Paul Ogdon Adair
Arnold Dixon Smith

Ashlar Lodge No. 36

Lawrence Giles Cook
Eldon James Woodland
Paul Findley Gardiner
James Arthur McEnery

James Campbell McCracken

Sidney William Arseneault

Stevens Lodge No. 37

John Selwyn Drury
Avarad Maxwell MacPherson
Gerald Curtis Smith

Mananook Lodge No. 38

Arthur Percival Cowie
Rupert Gale Griffin
Eugene Linton
George Astor Munroe
Ronald Harold Gallagher

Colebrook Lodge #39

Perley Lewis Adams

Sunbury Lodge No. 42

Kenneth Raymond Tracy

Westmorland Lodge No. 44

Stanley Harold Crawford

Grand Lake Lodge No. 47

Jack Calabrese

Tobique Lodge #48

Guy Kenneth Steeves

Acacia Lodge No. 49

Hubert James Pike
James Robert Kidney
John Harold Lingley

Landmark Lodge No. 51

Harry Ernest Merrill

Coverdale Lodge No. 52

Donald Bliss Dunfield

Centennial Lodge No. 53

Frederick Gordon Heans
Frederick William Pollitt

60 YEAR BARS (1995 - 1996)**Sussex Lodge No. 7**

Ralph Nevers Pollard

St. George Lodge No. 12

Charles Chandler Brown

The Corinthian Lodge No. 13

Earl Edward Bovaird
Alan Noble MacGowan

Campbellton Lodge No. 32

Dr. Clarence Rosenhek

RE-CAP OF DISPENSATIONS - 1996

| | |
|--|-----------|
| District Meetings | 4 |
| Changes of date, time and location | 10 |
| Divine Services | 11 |
| Parades | 8 |
| Installations | 12 |
| International Night | 1 |
| Emergent Meeting to Confer Entered Apprentice Degree | 1 |
| Meeting to Receive DDGM | 1 |
| Dedication of New Lodge Hall | 1 |
| Total | 49 |

On motion moved by R:W:B: J. R. Andrews, the Report of the Grand Secretary was received and laid on the table, seconded by R:W:B: James Pike and carried.

REPORT OF THE RITUAL COMMITTEE

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK:

I have the pleasure on behalf of the Ritual Committee to present this report for the year 1996-1997.

The Ritual Committee did not have an overly busy year. We attended on the Grand Master at the District Meetings. We were called on by a few Lodges to attend workshops that they put on.

It has been our pleasure to attend these meetings and if any Lodge requires our services, please feel free to contact the Chairman of the Ritual Committee so as to arrange an agreeable time and place.

I would like to thank all brethren who have assisted the Ritual Committee in their endeavours.

Fraternally submitted,

R:W:B: G. Pelley

R:W:B: J. R. Andrews

R:W:B: F. Price

R:W:B: F. Healey, Chairman

Moved by R:W:B: Fergus Price, seconded by W:B: Ronald Hodgkin and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

Your Committee is pleased to note that during the past year a number of appointments were made to fill the on going vacancies in the Grand Representative Ranks, not only with recommendations covering our own deserving brethren but in receiving and responding to the recommendations from Grand

Lodges of foreign lands. Your Committee reviewed requests for recognition from a small number of foreign Grand Lodges. These having been carefully examined and recommendations follow.

The Grand Lodge of Russia

In our report presented at the 129th Annual Communication in May 1996, you were informed of the request for recognition received from the Grand Lodge of Russia, regularly consecrated by the Grande Loge National Francais in Moscow on the 24th June 1995. Although that new Grand Lodge had advised the Commission for Recognition that the standards for recognition are followed, your Committee deferred a recommendation while awaiting further information. This has now been forthcoming through the Annual Report of the Commission for Recognition which encourages recognition by other members of the Conference of the Grand Masters of Masons in North America, when it is sought by the Grand Lodge of Russia. The above noted Annual Report states there are now five constituted Lodges under the new Grand Lodge, with recognition coming from four Grand Lodges in the United States, five in Canada, six in Europe and a number of Grand Lodges elsewhere in the world.

Accordingly it is this Committee's recommendation that the Grand Lodge of Russia be recognized by the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick and Representatives be exchanged.

The Grand Lodge of Malgache

The Commission for Recognition reported in 1996 that the Grande Loge National Francais had chartered three Lodges in Madagascar with the ultimate purpose of constituting a new Grand Lodge on this Island, formerly a French Colony but now independent.

The Grand Lodge of Malgache was consecrated by the Grande Loge National Francais on March 6, 1996 with three Lodges. This past January 10th, 1997 two new Lodges were set to work, The New Grand Lodge has provided the Commission with full information relating to it regularly, showing that it meets the Standards for Recognition. A letter has been received from the New Grand Lodge confirming the above events and extending their fraternal greetings.

Accordingly it is recommended that Recognition be Extended the Grande Loge National Malgache and where an exchange of

Representative has not been requested this feature should be deferred to the future.

The Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia

The Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia has been recognized by this Grand Lodge and our nominated Grand Representative appointment recommended to them, however after a lengthy period we have not been apprised of the results of our recommendation. The member of their Grand Lodge named for our appointment was subsequently expelled from the Grand Lodge Yugoslavia due to internal disruption.

The name of the Grand Lodge has been changed to read "Regular Grand Lodge Yugoslavia" and the Commission for Recognition is of the opinion that the Grand Lodge operating as the Regular Grand Lodge is the only regular Grand Lodge in Yugoslavia.

Concurrence is now requested of the Grand Lodge to recognize this new identity and to re-submit the name of a selected nominee for Grand Representative and respectfully suggest that the Regular Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia be requested to re-submit the name of thier nominee.

The Grand Lodge of Panama

The Grand Lodge of Panama is desirous of establishing fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

It is recognized in Canada by all Grand Lodges except for British Columbia. This Grand Lodge is Regular and meets the Standards for Recognition. Therefore it is recommended that the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick extend fraternal recognition and exchange Grand Representatives.

Fraternally submitted,

R:W:B: Bernus W. Clark

R:W:B: Earl B. Campbell

R:W:B: Gilbert L. Irvine, Chairman

R:W:B: Bernus Clark

Motion: I move that this report be received, its recommendations carried out and printed in full in the proceedings. Seconded by R:W:B: Earl Campbell and carried.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

February 13, 1997

The first item on the agenda was the matter of Entered Apprentices not being permitted to vote and be appointed to Committees. This was referred to the Committee by the Board of General Purposes.

Findings:

The Masonic Fraternity has the legal right to make Laws and Regulations to Govern itself.

Entered Apprentices are not confined to the Degree of Entered Apprentices Forever but may continue on through the First, Second and Third Degrees when they will recieve voting rights and privileges.

The present ruling makes things easier for Lodge Secretaries as it spells out an Entered Apprentices situation.

He is a member of the Lodge

He must pay yearly dues

If he does not pay, he will be dismissed for N.P.D.

Regarding the motion at the 129th Communication

R:W:B: Douglas Wood may present the motion again at the 130th Communication if he so wishes.

Another request for a ruling on the use of the Square and Compasses in money making ventures by Lodges in the Jurisdiction was referred to the Committee.

We approve the request of Colebrook Lodge #39 in Principal with the following changes.

That the Squares and Compasses be placed with the Title Bar only, on the same level and not in the area of Business Ads.

We also recommend that Section 53, Page 61 be changed to read:

No Member shall, on any pretence, exhibit or expose any representation or similitude of any jewel or furniture of the Lodge, or of any Masonic Emblem or Device in any way that may be interpreted as for personal or commercial gain.

We recommend that the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution consider the matter of adding a section to the Constitution that would contain a list of Masonic Offences and the method of conducting Masonic Trials.

The Jurisprudence Committee also recommends that the Education Committee check the Officers Manual and bring Seniority Listing in line with the information contained in the Book of Constitutions.

On motion moved by R:W:B: James Pike, seconded by R:W:B: Merrill Henderson the report was adopted and published in the Proceedings. Motion carried.

REPORT ON DEMOLAY

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
WARDENS, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND
LODGE ,

As The Grand Lodge Liaison Officer for DeMolay, it is my pleasure to report that the Canadian Supreme Council and Canadian DeMolay Parliament Sessions which were held in Moncton, NB in May of 1996 was a resounding success. More than 185 registered for the event and many were envious of the support and participation that this Grand Lodge, as well as the other Masonic bodies of the Maritime Provinces demonstrated.

18 DeMolays and Advisors attended Maine DeMolay Convention in June of 1996 and brought home quite a few trophies. In August, 2 Advisors and 4 DeMolays attended a seven day Leadership Training Conference in New Hampshire. They came away with a renewed purpose and dedication to DeMolay. I hoped that we can continue to support this kind of endeavour in the future.

This year will be a trying year for DeMolay in the Moncton area. Seven of the boys that started in DeMolay over six years ago will be graduating from High School and in most cases will be moving away to further their education. They will be missed.

Many of the Advisors have also drifted away due to job commitments, health or family related reasons.

Interest has been shown in DeMolay in many of the areas around our Jurisdiction however no new chapters have been formed this year. There is a great need for this type of organization in all areas of the province and I believe that this Grand Lodge should continue to encourage its members to make IT HAPPEN. All we need is a few good Masons who are willing to donate some of their time and abilities into helping young boys become young men. You will never know how rewarding it can be until you try.

Respectfully submitted,
R:W:B: Maurice Linkletter Moved
W:B: Wayne Bannister Seconded

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

Your Committee of Benevolence wishes to report that during the past year they have received three (3) requests for assistance all of which are currently being reviewed, assessed and regretfully delayed for several reasons, namely:

In all three cases, your committee members have found it necessary to return the applications for proper completion and further information concerning and including;

- Full details of the applicants current financial status,
- Assistance received forthcoming from families, Mother Lodges, and all other sources as requested on the application forms.

This information is necessary to assist the committee in making a just and proper assessment of all pertinent circumstances and, thereby render a completely fair and just decision in each case.

Your committee is most anxious to extend the utmost charity for each and every deserving case, and, therefore, requests that in future, Lodge Secretaries and Masters make every effort to ensure that all applications are fully and properly completed before

submission for adjudication and thereby avoid undue and extended delays in processing.

Fraternally,
R:W:B: Stanley Matheson
R:W:B: B. W. Clark
R:W:B: C. A. Peircey
R:W:B: B. A. Prescott, Chairman

This report was moved by R:W:B: Basil Prescott, seconded by R:W:B: Clark and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WARRANTS

TO: THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

The Committee on Warrants is pleased to report on the newest Lodge in the Jurisdiction, Sunset Lodge #56.

This Lodge received a Dispensation to operate on Dec. 15, 1995. The Grand Master and the Grand Lodge Officers proceeded to Compobello, Installed the Officers and granted the Lodge a Dispensation to operate.

On April 5th of this year the Grand Master having been assured by the District Deputy that the Lodge had advanced to the point where a Warrant was deemed appropriate, then proceeded to Compobello to present the Warrant.

The Grand lodge Officers arrived in Campobello at 12:00 noon where a Luncheon had been prepared by the Officers of Sunset Lodge.

Following the Luncheon the Lodge Rooms were dedicated according to Ancient Usage in a very moving Ceremony conducted by the Grand Master assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers. This Ceremony was Semi-Public and was attended by Mason, Non Masons and Ladies.

The Warrant itself was prepared and designed by the Grand Lodge Office Staff assisted by W:B: Derik England and was constricted by the Printing Staff of the Irving Chandler Division.

The Frame was produced by the Deputy Grand Master R:W: James Pike.

Respectfully submitted,

M:W:B: Blake Allan Oulton,
Chairman
M:W:B: Reverend Kenneth Legassick
M:W:B: James William Murray
M:W:B: Charles Norman Hollett

On Motion moved by M:W:B: Blake A. Oulton, seconded by M:W:B: The Reverend Kenneth Legassick and carried, the report was accepted and will be entered in full in the proceedings.

Very Worshipful Brother the Rev. Lloyd Carver was escorted to the East and was presented with a 50 Year Certificate and Pin by the present Grand Master of Saskatchewan Most Worshipful Brother Ronald E. Coulson whom Rev Carver was the Mentor for upon his admission into St. John's Lodge #2 several years ago.

The Grand Master then called the attention of the members to the meeting of the Board of General Purposes that will be held at 8:30 on Saturday morning.

On motion moved by R:W:B: Fergus Price, seconded by R:W:B: Evan W. Thomas and carried the Grand Lodge will recess until 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning May 10th, 1997.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
GRAND LODGE CORPORATION
OF NEW BRUNSWICK**

28 March, 1997

TO: THE MASONIC GRAND LODGE CORPORATION:

Your Board of Directors submits the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and the Report of the Auditors.

Receipts and expenditures have been fully considered by the Auditors as set forth in the printed Financial Reports.

Respectfully submitted,

R:W:B: James H. Pike
President

**THE MASONIC
GRAND LODGE CORPORATION
OF
NEW BRUNSWICK**

Financial Reports

1996

AUDITORS REPORT

TO: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MASONIC GRAND LODGE CORPORATION:

We, the Audit Committee, advise that we have examined the Books and Records of the Masonic Grand Lodge Corporation and that the figures shown on the Financial Statements of the General and Benevolent Accounts represent a true and accurate account of the financial position of the Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1996.

Respectfully submitted,
K. D. Dunn
E. B. Campbell
F. E. Robinson

**GENERAL ACCOUNT
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

Assets:**1996****1995**

C.I.B.C. Account
Scotia Bank - Current
Scotia Bank - Savings
Royal Trust (Hoar)
Wood Gundy
Accounts Receivable
Equipment
Inventory
Investments

Liabilities:

Accounts Payable
Benevolent Fund
Bethal Lodge
Earned Surplus

**MASONIC GRAND LODGE
PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

RECEIPTS:

1996

1995

Administration Fee
Dues
Fees
Investment Income
Miscellaneous
Sales

DISBURSEMENTS

Bad Debts
Bank Charges
Grand Master Conf
DeMolay
Education
Equipment Repair
Grand Lodge Comm
Miscellaneous
Gr. Secretary & Deputy
Honorariums
Office Improvements
Insurance
Library Grants
Lights
Lodge Grants
Masonic Charities
Masonic Relief
Masonic Renewal
Medalions & Pins
Memorials
Mostly Masonry
Office Equipment
Office Salary
Office Supplies
Postage
Printing
Public Relations
Publications
Purchases
Regalia
Rent
Telephone
Travel
Wage Levies

Net Income

**GRAND LODGE INVESTMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

With Wood Gundy:

| Investment | Int. | Quantity | Market Value | Maturity |
|------------------------|-------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Scotia Bank | 6.50 | 00 | | 28/04/97 |
| Royal Trust | 9.25 | 00 | | 20/05/97 |
| Scotia Bank | 6.00 | 97 | | 13/10/97 |
| Business Dev. Bank | 7.125 | 00 | | 18/12/97 |
| Royal Trust | 7.00 | 00 | | 30/03/99 |
| Government of Canada | 7.75 | 00 | | 01/09/99 |
| British Columbia | 8.00 | 00 | | 01/12/99 |
| Royal Trust | 8.375 | 00 | | 30/03/00 |
| N.S. Power | 9.25 | 00 | | 22/02/02 |
| Government of Canada | 15.50 | 00 | | 15/03/02 |
| Ontario Hydro | 9.25 | 00 | | 06/01/04 |
| C.I.B.C. | 5.00 | 00 | | 05/12/05 |
| Industrial Income Fund | | | | |

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Hoar Scholarship Investments:

| | | | |
|-------------|-------|--|----------|
| Royal Trust | 4.75 | | 02/03/97 |
| Royal Trust | 9.25 | | 20/05/97 |
| Royal Trust | 5.125 | | 02/03/98 |
| Royal Trust | 7.50 | | 08/04/98 |
| Royal Trust | 6.00 | | 12/04/99 |
| Royal Trust | 4.00 | | 20/12/99 |
| Royal Trust | 7.00 | | 30/10/00 |

Lodge Loans:

| | | | |
|-------------------------|------|--|----------|
| St. John Masonic Temple | 6.50 | | 22/12/08 |
| St. John Masonic Temple | 6.50 | | 11/12/08 |
| Mananook Lodge #38 | 7.00 | | 15/11/02 |

**GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK
BENEVOLENT FUND
(ASSETS & LIABILITIES)
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

ASSETS:

| | 1996 | 1995 |
|---------------------|------|------|
| C.I.B.C. Account | | |
| Scotia Bank Current | | |
| Scotia Bank Savings | | |
| Wood Gundy | | |
| General Account | | |
| Investments | | |

LIABILITIES:

| | | |
|----------------|--|--|
| Earned Surplus | | |
| Equity | | |

**RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS
December 31, 1996**

RECEIPTS:

| | 1996 | 1995 |
|----------------------|------|------|
| Income on Investment | | |

DISBURSEMENTS:

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| Benevolent Grants | |
| Scholarships | |
| Bank Charges | |
| Net Income | |

**BENEVOLENT FUND INVESTMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996**

| Investment | Int | Quantity | Market Value | Maturity |
|----------------------|-------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Scotia Bank | 6.50 | 15,000 | | 28/04/97 |
| Business Dev. Bank | 7.125 | 5,000 | | 18/12/97 |
| British Columbia | 7.00 | 29,000 | | 09/06/99 |
| Royal Trust | 8.25 | 12,082 | | 29/10/99 |
| Royal Trust | 8.25 | 1,010 | | 29/11/99 |
| Scotia Bank | 7.875 | 4,000 | | 18/05/00 |
| Saskatchewan | 8.75 | 20,000 | | 01/06/01 |
| N.S. Power | 9.25 | 11,000 | | 22/02/02 |
| Government of Canada | 11.25 | 3,000 | | 15/12/02 |
| Government of Canada | 11.75 | 4,000 | | 01/02/03 |
| Government of Canada | 10.25 | 6,000 | | 01/02/04 |
| Ontario Hydro | 14.25 | 15,000 | | 21/05/06 |
| Scotia Bank | 6.00 | 5,000 | | 04/11/06 |
| Ontario Hydro | 10.00 | 7,000 | | 10/05/09 |

LODGE LOANS:

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|-------------------------|------|--|--|----------|
| Zion Lodge #21 | 6.50 | | | 01/12/04 |
| St. John Masonic Temple | 6.50 | | | 29/06/08 |
| St. John Masonic Temple | 6.50 | | | 26/07/08 |

R:W: A. S. Allan, Grand Treasurer

CHEQUE PRESENTATION

On Saturday morning prior to the opening of Grand Lodge, Anne McTiernan, Executive Director, Canadian Cancer Society was introduced along with one of the campers of a previous year, Stacy Smith.

McTiernan thanked the Grand Lodge members for their faithful support and was presented with a cheque covering the expenses of Camp Goodtime and suitable photographs were taken.

MORNING SESSION MAY 10TH, 1997

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 9:00 a.m. with the Most Worshipful The Grand Master presiding. He announced that nominations for Elective Officers were duly closed.

The Grand Secretary read the names of those who have been nominationed to date for Elective Offices for the ensuing year.

On motion moved by W:B: John Dunham, seconded by R:W:B: Donald P. Jones and carried the ballot will close at approximately 2:00 p.m., following the report of the Credentials Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The following recommendations were then dealt with.

Moved by R:W:B: Bernus Clark that the Grand Lodge of Russia be recognized by the Grand Lodge and representatives be exchanged, seconded by R:W:B: Andrew S. Allan and carried.

Moved by R:W:B: Bernus Clark that this Grand Lodge recognize the Grand Lodge National of Malgashe, seconded by V:W:B: Rattray and carried.

Moved by R:W:B: Bernus Clark that the Regular Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia be recognized by this Grand Lodge as the Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia, seconded by W:B: Donald Williams and carried.

On motion moved by R:W:B: Bernus Clark, seconded by R:W:B: Evan Thomas and carried this Grand Lodge will recognize the Grand Lodge of Panama. Motion carried.

M:W:B: Blake Oulton then questioned the status of Panama and the Grand Master referred the matter to the Jurisprudence for clarification. After seeking clarification, the motion was deemed correct and will stand.

It was then moved by R:W:B: Jamie H. Pike, seconded by W:B: Harold Day and carried that the Committee on revamping of the Constitution include a Section on Masonic Offenses and Trials.

On motion moved by R:W:B: James H. Pike, seconded by W:B: Ronald Hodgins and carried the Education Committee was asked to bring the Seniority List of Grand Lodge Officers in line with the list recorded in the Constitution.

It was moved by R:W:B: Clinton Shaffer, seconded by R:W:B: James Pike that the Recommendations of the Protocol Committee be printed in the Officers Manual.

The Chairman of the Bursary Committee, M:W:B: J. William Murray requested in his report that he wished to remain on the Committee, however, he would like to be replaced as Chairman.

The Most Worshipful The Grand Master then requested the Deputy Grand Master to assume the East and delivered the following address.

REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF FREE AND
ACCEPTED MASONS OF NEW BRUNSWICK

BRETHREN:

Today we celebrate the Anniversary of the 130th Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge. Best wishes and a warm fraternal welcome are extended to all of our Brethren on this special occasion. Our guests from sister Grand Jurisdictions are very special. Kathy and I have enjoyed our visits with you and will always cherish the many friends we have met. It is our privilege to extend, to you, the hospitality of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

Two years have passed by very quickly. To serve as Grand Master has been the highlight of my Masonic Career. There have been times when I have thought that I would like to continue for another term, however, once I shake my head that thought soon disappears. Many years ago as a young Mason I remember PGM the late M:W:B: Murray Spieght remark, as he neared the end of his term that he had 90,000 miles on his Ford car, and that he was looking for a new car. I have more than 200,000 kms on my Ford car and both the car and I are ready to be traded. We have laboured at a fast pace. I offer my support to the new Grand Master, and just as PGM Hollet has supported me I will be there to support you at every opportunity.

Our goal has been to make Grand Lodge visible to all the Brethren. At all of the Grand Lodge visits we have tried stimulating Masonic activity and I feel very confident that this objective has been accomplished.

We have made a few changes in the past two years. We have tried to walk the line between tradition and the continuing need for evolutionary change. We have balanced the desire for change with the need for change and the level of acceptance for change. If there is value in change and the fraternity is able to accept and follow, then we have served them well.

Brethren, I am very pleased to see each and every Brother. Your attendance is very important to me and I hope to have the opportunity to say hello everyone. Please be active and participate. This is your Grand Lodge and its success depends on everyone's participation.

Distinguished Guests

When I look in the East and see so many distinguished visitors from our Sister Jurisdictions in Canada and the United States I am truly humbled. Many of you I have known for several years as we travelled to the Grand East together, we have met many times at Masonic functions across this country and shared a few late nights in the hospitality rooms. To our Brethren whom today I have met for the first time, welcome and I trust that this will be the first of many visits to our Jurisdiction and the first day of a lasting friendship. Brethren we thank you very much for attending. It is our sincere wish that you will enjoy this Annual Communication and return many times to our Picture Province.

We are very pleased to welcome our Brethren representing the Concordant Bodies. In the past two years I have had many invitations to attend your special functions and I thank you very much for that opportunity and for all the courtesies extended. As members of the Masonic Family of New Brunswick each one of you brings to Masonry a unique, rewarding and most necessary element. The synergies and opportunities we realize by working together are truly immense and can only enhance the future of our great Fraternity.

Your Worship The Mayor of the City of Saint John. It is always a pleasure to welcome you to our Grand Lodge. Recently, I heard your city's slogan, "Saint John where it all begins". This year we celebrate the 130th Anniversary of our Grand Lodge and for our Grand Lodge this is where it all began, here in Saint John. We thank you for being with us today and for the Saint John hospitality which has been extended to us for the past 130 years.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, welcome, we have had a terrific time together this past year and shared many laughs. I have enjoyed extending greetings on behalf of Grand Lodge at your Grand Chapter and wish you both every success as you complete your term of office.

Your Majesty Queen of Neridies Temple, welcome and thank you for attending. Last fall I had the honour of attending your temple on the occasion of the Visit of your Supreme Queen. It was a special day for your temple and I thank you very much for the invitation and the opportunity to extend the best wishes of this Grand Lodge.

The International Order of Rainbow and the Order of DeMolay are very special to me. I am very proud of each one of

your members. It was an honour for me to attend and take part in your installations and special ceremonies. This Grand Master supports you, I believe in you, you are the leaders of tomorrow, and assure you that I will always continue to support Rainbow and DeMolay.

Necrology

Brethren, again this past year several of our Brethren have reached the end of their earthly toils. The brittle thread which bound them to earth has been severed and the liberated spirit has winged its flight to the unknown. We mourn for our Brethren and extend to the bereaved families and friends our sincere sympathy. I was deeply saddened by the death of two brethren from my own Lodge, W:B: Elvin Woodworth and W:B: Leonard Hawkes, who lost their lives as the result of a tragic highway accident.

Brother Grand Secretary you will now read the names of our departed Brethren.

We will observe a moments silence in their memory, following which, our Grand Chaplain will offer a prayer.

Their memory we cherish in our hearts.

Visitations

The format use in the first year of my office was continued again this year. A team approach was used by the DGM, SGW, JGW, the DDGMs and myself to ensure that as many visits as possible were made to the craft lodges. It was our privilege to make many official Grand Lodge visits. Many of these visits were for special celebrations and historic events. Each visit was special and I wish to thank the Grand Lodge Officers for their faithful attendance, together we have made Grand Lodge more visible to our Brethren. As mentioned each lodge visit was special and without slighting any lodge I must mention the visit to St. Marks Lodge in St. Andrews to celebrate their 150th Anniversary. I have never been more proud to be a Mason than when I walked in the Church Parade. As we marched past the Quinn House and turned the corner for as far as I could see, I saw Masons marching led by a colour party with several Canadian flags flying. What a sight and what a feeling of pride.

Your Grand Lodge Officers and I also made many visits to our Sister Grand Jurisdictions and the Concordant Bodies. I also wish to acknowledge and thank PGM Graham for making visits to the Grand Lodges of Quebec, Vermont and Massachusetts on behalf of our Grand Lodge. It was our privilege to make these visits and to experience the warm fraternal brotherhood which exists between us as brethren.

Camp Goodtime

I have attended sponsors day at camp since the beginning but it was not until last year when I met the Father of a terminally ill child that I came to understand and appreciate just what Camp Goodtime is all about. We implemented a new project this past year with the DDGMs. Each DDGM was given a MASON Jar with attached labels of the Camp Goodtime Logo and the Square and Compass. It was requested that each DDGM carry the Mason Jar to all Lodge meetings and promote Camp Goodtime and suggest to the Brethren that if they had any spare change, they could deposit in the Mason Jar. This project was very successful with each DDGM collecting between \$300.00 and \$500.00 in the past eleven months. It was a terrific experience for Kathy and I to attend sponsor's day these past two years and participate in the opening ceremonies. We are making a difference in the lives of these children and I am very proud of our participation.

Grand Master's Certificates of Achievement

One of the items listed in the Grand Master's Renewal Program was the recognition of outstanding contributions made by our Brethren and Friends to our fraternity or to our fellowman. Certificates were presented to the following:

Mrs. Madeline Cormier for her outstanding contribution and assistance in organizing Camp Goodtime.

M:W:B: Blake Oulton for dedicated service to this Grand Lodge for over thirty years.

W:B: Ashley Jagoe for his service to his fellowman as a Draggerman in the Westray Mine Disaster

W:B: Gerald Dawson & B: Ashley Lloyd for many years of dedicated service in providing music at all the Annual Installations in Districts 2 and 7.

Mrs. Erma Horsman & Mrs. Marjorie Scott, members of Frank H. Tingley #5 OES for a combined total of more than 100 years of

love and labour in providing refreshments to members of Keith Lodge #23.

District Deputy Grand Masters

The DDGMs have been my right arm these past two years. I am not the easiest Grand Master to work with, once the program has been established I fully expected it to be carried out. They have superintended the craft under their care and they have worked very hard for all the Brethren in their respective Districts.

Through their efforts our Grand Lodge visits were well attended and the Brethren kept informed of everything which was taking place at the Grand Lodge level.

I am very proud of the District Deputies and in recognition of their loyalty and support I have presented each one with a Grand Representatives Commission.

Grand Officers

Very early in my term we implemented the team concept with your Grand Lodge Officers. I may have been elected as the lead horse on the team but to make our programs work we have all pulled together. Each elected officer was elected because of the confidence the brethren had in their abilities. The appointed officers were appointed for the same reason. The brethren had confidence in their abilities. We have operated at a fast pace and several new programs have been presented. The Grand Lodge Officers have met every challenge. They have been very loyal and have travelled throughout our Jurisdiction at every opportunity supporting Grand Lodge Visits and representing Grand Lodge officially at our concordant bodies. The Grand Lodge Officers are the ones who made it happen, one person does not constitute a team, but together we are a team. Any accomplishments made during my term of office are a direct result of dedication and hard work by all the members of the team.

Conferences

The Aldridge Atlantic Conference was held in Moncton on Sept. 27/96 with delegates from the Maritime Provinces and Quebec attending. All of our Grand Lodge Officers together with several PGMs attended as observers. Several papers were presented by representatives from each Jurisdiction. The papers

related to topics which were of concern to all Jurisdictions and sparked some very interesting debate.

In March 1997 R:W:B: Pike, DGM and I attended the All Canada Conference in Winnipeg. Many interesting papers were presented and ideas discussed. One of the hottest topics discussed was the Situation with the Shrine Temple in Quebec accepting applications from Master Masons. It was suggested that a letter be sent from each Grand Master to the Imperial Potentate voicing our displeasure with idea and suggesting that anyone entering the shrine without following the established route through the concordant bodies could be disciplined and/or proscribed from membership. As Grand Master of New Brunswick I strongly disagreed with this idea and will not endorse such a letter to the Imperial Potentate.

Brethren, each year members of the Board of General Purposes ask the question. Are these conferences worth the time and expense? In my opinion they are very worthy. I feel that it is very important that New Brunswick be kept up to date and have a voice in all Masonic matters which may have an effect on the Masons of New Brunswick.

Lewis Mason Program:

In the fall of 1996 the Lewis Mason program was presented to and endorsed by the Board of General Purposes. The purpose of this program is the same as all of our programs. To stimulate activity and make us proud to be Masons. The Lewis Jewel is worn by the son of a Mason. The top bar of the jewel contains the initiation date of the Father and the bottom bar contains the initiation date of the Son. In some Jurisdictions special privileges were afforded to Lewis Masons. In this Jurisdiction there are no special privileges afforded to Lewis Masons. The bond between a Father and a Son is strong and when this bond is strengthened by the bonds of freemasonry. It is very special. We feel that it is a terrific way for the Son of a Mason to honour his Father.

The Masonic Family in New Brunswick

We are unique in New Brunswick in that we have a strong Masonic Family. Many times as I travelled I am told that we have something special in New Brunswick, we are all working together, we support each other. That is very true, we are too small a Jurisdiction to compete with each other. Much more is

accomplished when we work together. In 1995 we met with the Heads of all concordant bodies and established a procedure in that we would prepare a calendar of events for all bodies and not hold Provincial events on conflicting dates. This program has been very successful. In 1997 we published The New Brunswick Family Booklet. Each member of the family participated in the booklet by writing and/or approving the script of their respective bodies and by contributing to the publishing costs. We feel that this booklet will be of assistance to non-masons and Master Masons by providing information to everyone about our Fraternity.

New Lodge Warranted

It was with a great deal of excitement that Grand Lodge travelled to Campobello Island in December 1995 and issued a warrant to Sunset Lodge #56 to operate as a Lodge under dispensation from this Grand Lodge. The Officers of Sunset Lodge #56 were also installed during the same visit. In April 1997 we returned to Sunset Lodge #56 and issued their warrant as a regular Lodge under the Jurisdiction of The Grand Lodge of New Brunswick. The Lodge was also consecrated by the traditional ceremony previous to the presentation of the warrant. The members of Sunset Lodge are very excited about having their own Lodge. They are active in their Lodge and have seen their membership increase in the past year. Sometimes we hear of Lodges closing or amalgamating to survive, but here in New Brunswick Lodges are not closing we are growing. I wish to thank the brethren of Sunset Lodge for giving me the opportunity to participate in a special event in the history of our Fraternity.

Grand Lodge Home Page

Our Grand Lodge now has its own home page on the world wide web. This page was created by W:B: Ed Armstrong, PM Zion Lodge #21. W:B: Armstrong was also appointed as WebMaster of our homepage and we commend him for his hard work and dedication to our Fraternity. Shortly after going online through a link from our homepage to the GL of NS we had an inquiry from a Mason in Yellowknife, NWT seeking information for his brother in New Brunswick, who was inquiring about membership in the Fraternity. As a result of a few E-Mail messages and personal visits we now have a new member in St. Mark's Lodge #5. It is anticipated that in the very near future our Grand Lodge Office will be equipped to handle E-Mail.

Youth Programs

The members of the Order of Rainbow and the Order of DeMolay are the future leaders of our nation. We are very fortunate to have both Orders established in our Jurisdiction. Both of the organizations teach our youth the values of good citizenship and the foundations of leadership. It is with a great deal of pride that I welcome them as members of our Masonic family. However, I am very concerned about the lack of support by the members of our Fraternity to our youth. I do not mean financial support. The Masons of New Brunswick have been very generous with financial support to our youth. I mean hands on support. Attendance at meetings and participation on the Advisory Boards. The task of working with our youth has fallen on the shoulders of a few dedicated Masons and Star members. They are working their hearts out because they believe in our youth, but they need some help. We have the potential to expand Rainbow and DeMolay throughout the province. However, I am very concerned that if we do not take "a hands on approach" and volunteer to get involved that we are going to lose a very vital member of our Masonic Family. I am very proud to be a Senior DeMolay. Several Senior DeMolay's from my generation are active in our Fraternity with many serving as Masters and Grand Lodge Officers. A Senior DeMolay was a candidate in our recent Grand Master's Class. I believe that any success that I have had in my Masonic career is directly related to my membership in DeMolay. Believe in our youth and become active in their programs. Remember you will be working with the leaders of tomorrow.

Masonic Renewal

The Masonic Renewal Program is firmly established in our province. Our goal was to REKINDLE Masonry in New Brunswick and I firmly believe that we have accomplished that goal. Masons are proud to be Masons and we see this pride in many lodges as we travel the Jurisdiction. **The Friend to Friend Program** has been the catalyst which has started the ball rolling. Many lodges have had very successful Friend to Friend nights which have resulted in a number of good men joining our Fraternity.

To complement the Friend to Friend Program we have recently introduced the **Brother to Brother Program**. This program is designed to retain the interest of our members who are active and to regain the interest of our members who are not

attending. With these two programs being utilized by each Lodge I see a very bright future for our fraternity.

The Grand Master's Class of conferring the Fellow craft and Master Masons' degrees was a further step of our Renewal program. The **objective** was to stimulate Masonic activity in our province. Even before the event was held, this objective was accomplished. From the beginning of the early planning stages Masons concerned about our Fraternity met with the determination that we would make Masonry come alive in New Brunswick. Brethren Masonry is alive in New Brunswick. On April 26 almost 400 Masons watched as **forty-one** Masons became members of the first Grand Master's Class in New Brunswick and the first class in Canada. Brethren it was an exciting event, history was made, our objective was accomplished. The ball is now rolling and we are going to keep it rolling.

Acknowledgements

Brethren you have given me an opportunity to serve the Masons of New Brunswick, an experience which I will never forget. It has been exciting and very rewarding for me, an experience of a lifetime.

The Masons of New Brunswick are excited about our Fraternity. You have given me the opportunity to be the leader of your team. We have worked very well together and through your dedication and hard work much has been accomplished.

What we have done together, is more than what we have done, because it was done together.

Thank you my Brethren;

W. H. Balser, Jr.
Grand Master
Masons of New Brunswick

It was moved by R:W:B: Price, seconded by R:W:B: Robert Johnston and carried that The Grand Masters Address be received and referred to a committee for report.

The Deputy Grand Master then appointed M:W:B: Oulton and the Past Grand Masters present to serve on the committee.

The Grand Master then assumed the East and called for the Report of Masonic Charities and Housing Limited.

Following this report cheques were presented to the Masonic Charities and Housing to be used for Camp Goodtime

ANNUAL REPORT 1996 – 1997 NEW BRUNSWICK MASONIC CHARITIES AND HOUSING COMPANY LIMITED

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS
AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW
BRUNSWICK, F. & A. M.

It is my pleasure on behalf of the members of New Brunswick Masonic Charities and Housing Company Limited to submit the following report summarizing the activities of our Company during the past year.

Since my last report to Grand Lodge our Company has met five times at various locations throughout the province with our Annual Meeting being held on April 19th at the Masonic Hall in Oromocto.

At the June meeting held at the Masonic Hall in Fredericton it was agreed that our Company design a lapel pin bearing the Camp Goodtime logo. One thousand pins were ordered and I am pleased to say they are now available at a cost of three dollars each. We will be sending a number to each Lodge but if anyone wishes to purchase one today we will be most happy to provide the same.

Camp Goodtime 1996 held June 30th to July 6th proved a great success and I am pleased to say was well attended by members of the fraternity and their wives on Sponsor Day. Forty-four children attended last year's Camp and each were provided with a Camp Goodtime cap and T-shirt. Treats were provided on Sponsor Day and Camp was off to a good start. The children look forward to this care free holiday and many express the hope of being able to return to the next year's camp.

This year's Camp is scheduled to be held June 29th to July 5th but at this time we do not have a firm number of children who will be attending. The cost of this year's Camp will be \$18,500.

Your contributions have further brightened the lives of another group of handicapped young people. I refer to those we sponsor to the Deafblind and Rubella Camp held September 5th, 6th and 7th at Richibucto. Each year for the past three years we have been able

to sponsor four children and their intervenors, however this year the Deafblind and Rubella Association was faced with an unseen situation. Three additional children moved into the area. No budget provision was available and we have been asked if we might be able to assist. It is with great pleasure that I am able to inform the Deafblind Association that we would cover the cost of seven children this year at a total cost of \$4,550.

The efforts of the Masonic Fraternity is not going unnoticed. The general public has become more aware of what we are accomplishing. Our Lodge activities have done much to spread our message and increase our image. To better illustrate the point, I would like to quote from a letter I recently received from Madeleine Cormier, retired Director of Patient Services, Canadian Cancer Society NB Division. "I am indeed very happy to hear that once again, you have been able to realize the necessary funds for Camp. Last week, the mother of one of the Campers who attended the Camp years ago wrote to thank me once again. She wrote that I would never know what it did for her son. When he was diagnosed he was young, shy and insecure. Camp provided him with security, fun and an opportunity for the parents to let go of their possessiveness. Today he is a fine young man going to College who still keeps in touch with the ones that he shared his Camp experience with. Tom, as you can see, your group has really provided something very special for so many of these sick kids. Congratulations and thank you. I will always be forever grateful for the generosity of the N.B. Masonic Charities & Housing." I think the foregoing says it all.

The Masonic Charities brochure we published last year has been widely circulated with encouraging results. Several Lodges have distributed them at their fund raising projects. Any Lodge wishing a supply of these brochures may obtain the same by contacting the Secretary or Treasurer.

Quinn House in St. Andrews, providing comfortable accommodation for seniors, continues to function in a most efficient manner under the capable chairmanship of R:W:B: Frank Langley of St. Mark's Lodge #5 in St. Andrews.

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank all Masons in the Jurisdiction for their splendid support without which our projects would not be the success that they are. I would also like to sincerely thank the members of the Board of Directors for the wonderful support they have given me during my term as President.

Respectfully submitted:
R:W:B: Thomas L. Winter, Moved
President
R:W:B: Fred Pollett, Seconded

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

1996

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M:

Your Awards Committee has met and considered well the names for the Quinn Medallion and The Beardsley Medal. The following recommendations were approved by the committee.

QUINN AWARD

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|-------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| District #1 | W:B: Murray Stevens | Hibernia #3 |
| District #2 | W:B: Keith Smith | Westmorland #44 |
| District #3 | W:B: Ernest M. Maltby | Nothumberland #17 |
| District #4 | W:B: Fred Giberson | Tobique #48 |
| District #5 | W:B: Wayne Matheson | St. George #12 |
| District #6 | W:B: Edwin V. Harrison | Centennial #53 |
| District #7 | W:B: Avard MacPherson | Steven #37 |

The recipients of the Quinn Medal were conducted to the East and presented with the Award by the District Deputy Grand Master.

BEARDSLEY AWARD

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|-------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| District #3 | R:W:B: Stewart Norton | St. John Lodge #27 |
| District #4 | R:W:B: Raymond Gamblin | Benjamin Lodge #31 |

The recipients of the Beardsley Medal were conducted to the East and presented their Award by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master then called for R:W:B: Thomas Winter to be presented to the East and awarded him the Beardsley Medal, a special presentation.

The Grand Master was then presented the Beardsley Medal, a special presentation by M:W:B: Charles N. Hollett.

Respectfully submitted,

R:W:B: Harvie L. McWhirter
 R:W:B: Chesley R. Peircey
 R:W:B: Murray E. Clouston
 V:W:B: G. R. Rattray
 R:W:B: Neil A. Grass
 R:W:B: George E. Trentowsky,
 Chairman

REPORT OF THE BURSARY COMMITTEE

1997

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
 OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
 NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

Your Committee, appointed by the Grand Master, to award Bursaries for 1996-1997 met in Moncton at the Masonic Temple, Queen Street, in August 1996 to review the applications. We had 40 applications, a slight increase over the previous year. After due consideration of each application, agreement was reached on eight winners. Each to receive a \$1,000.00 bursary. The following are the award winners.

Murray H. Bateman
 Curtis Lee Harvie
 Craig Stuart Haynes
 Christina Dawn Hicks

Cindy Ruth Allan
 Greg Lloyd
 Lionel Ian Murray
 Steven G. Driscoll

We congratulate these winners of last years bursaries. Application forms for 1997 are available from your Lodge Secretary and should be returned to the Grand Lodge Secretary by July 14th. I again point out that these forms should be signed by the Master of the Lodge and the Secretary of the Lodge. As this is our last bursary report to Grand Master Balser, the committee thanks him for his appointment and the pleasure of serving this committee. It has been my pleasure to have served as Chariman of this committee for the past ten years, and I would ask the new Grand Master to appoint a new Chairman and remove my name from the committee.

Yours fraternally,
 M:W:B: Blake Allan Oulton
 M:W:B: Kenneth Legassick
 M:W:B: Charles Norman Hollett
 M:W:B: Orville Herbert Mason
 R:W:B: Gordon S. Young
 M:W:B: J. William Murray,
 Chairman

Also in attendance R:W:B: J. Ralph Andrews,
 Grand Lodge Secretary

I move the adoption of this report, seconded by M:W: Blake Allan Oulton.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER, RT. WORSHIPFUL DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THIS GRAND LODGE OF F. & A. M. OF NEW BRUNSWICK:

Your Education Committee being comprised of District Deputies, District Education Officers and other appointed Brethren, as well as all Past Grand Masters, met four times this past term with an average of seven in attendance.

The decisions and recommendations as a whole, deferred very little from those of previous years. They did however support and highly endorse The Friend to Friend Program, and strongly encourage the participation of all Masters, Wardens and Brethren. Many copies of this brochure were distributed this year along with a copy of the manual for Officers. Each Master is encouraged to read this manual, as well as having it read by his Officers.

Recommendations made by this committee for future projects, was to have a more detailed outline of each Officers Duties, including those of the District Deputy, Educational Officer, and Lodge Mentor. It was suggested that workshops for each Officer, giving instruction and guidance be considered and also that the Educational Officer and Lodge Mentors in each district meet periodically to prepare and exchange short talks on education, that could be used in each Lodge. These talks if taken from the Officers Manual, the Mentor Program, More Light in Masonry and others, for only ten minutes, would provide education for all members. The Mentor Program has been written and distributed, for the education of new members, and it is very important that the Master see that this program be carried out.

Brethren, Masonic Education, like the education we receive in school or at the work place, must be shared with each other. We must share our knowledge and experience, by working together as brothers.

In closing, may I say that having been appointed Chairman of this committee by The Most Worshipful Grand Master, after being elected Junior Grand Warden, it has been an honour and pleasure to serve this Grand Lodge in both of these positions.

I want to express my sincere appreciation for this opportunity.

Respectfull submitted,
R:W:B: Donald P. Jones, Moved
on behalf of the Committe
Seconded R:W:B: Leonard Bishop

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

TO: THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, F. & A. M.

Your Committee begs leave to report that no requests were received from Lodges for the purchase of books for their libraries during 1996-97.

Money is available from the Quinn Trust to acquire Masonic Educational materials, and Lodges are encouraged to make use of this funding.

Respectfully submitted,

M:W:B: Blake Allen Oulton,
Chairman
R:W:B: Stuart O. Norton

REPORT ON MOSTLY MASONRY

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, F. & A. M.

I was appointed Editor of "Mostly Masonry" in December 1996 and have published one issue to date. This was the January - March issue which was distributed in early March at the request of The Grand Master as it contained information referring to the Grand Master's Class in April.

I expect to publish three issues of "Mostly Masonry" annually and plan on including more information on the workings of Grand Lodge, it's various committees and articles relevant to Masonic Renewal.

Fraternally submitted,

W:B: Ronald G. Hodgin, Editor

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

I wish to submit this my final report as Chairman of the Grand Lodge Finance Committee. I have been a member of this committee for the past thirteen years, eleven of them as Chairman. I believe in that time I have done my duty to the craft and that it is time for a new face as well as new ideas and perhaps new direction for this committee.

During this period, that I have been a member of this committee, our Grand Lodge investments have more than doubled and we now have investments in excess of \$850,000. Most of these investments are now managed by the investment firm of Wood-Gundy. This has allowed us a greater maximization of return on our investments and greater flexibility in our investment account then when it was self administered.

During the time I have been a member of this committee we have seen the annual expenditures of Grand Lodge raise from approximately \$48,000. to a projected expenditure for 1997 of approximately \$125,000.

Previously most of our income was derived from the per capita levied against each lodge. This has remained stable at \$10.00 per member since 1980. More than half of our income is now derived from our investments and if investments continue to grow, no increase in per capita is forecast for the near future.

During 1996 several of our higher yielding investments were recalled and had to be reinvested at lower interest rates. During 1997 several more of our investments are maturing and will have to be reinvested at a lower interest rate. This will result in lower investment income over the next few years.

We believe that proper management of our investments as well as slow growth in investments and strict control of expenditures that the financial outlook for this Grand Lodge should remain sound for the next several yeats.

We have recommended to the Board of General Purposes that the unconditional grant to Lodges be reduced from \$550.00 to \$400.00 per Lodge for 1997.

We also recommend that Bursaries totalling \$10,000.00 again be given in 1997 and that amount be taken from the Fund of Benevolence.

Respectfull y submitted by

R:W:B: Osborne L. Nason, Chairman
on behalf of the Finance Committee,

R:W:B: Andrew S. Allen, Grand Treasurer
R:W:B: J. Ralph Andrews, Grand
Secretary
W:B: R. A. Kierstead
R:W:B: E.. B. Campbell

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

Most Worshipful the Grand Master, distinguished east and brethren all. It is my pleasure to present my report on the activities of this Grand Lodge for the last year. This past year has been one of the busiest for Grand Lodge in recent years.

At the last communication of Grand Lodge it was voted to have the ritual of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick printed in full except for a few pass words. The ritual committee who had the task of preparing a full text manuscript from the jewel did an excellent and timely job. The new rituals have been in use since the fall. This decision of the Grand Lodge took several years to come to fruition, but the end product has been well received.

The Lodges of the Jurisdiction were very busy this year having many special nights for such things as rededication's, 50 years pins and anniversaries to which the Grand Master and many of the Officers attended. Two of these events are particualrly noteworthy. In June of 1996 a special event was held by St. Marks #5 of St. Andrews where they reenacted the reception of numerous brethren arriving by boat. In this case the sailing was from St. Stephen to St. Andrews where the brethren were received by the Grand Master and many other masons. They formed up and Marched through the town to Church for divine worship

conducted by the Grand Chaplain R:W: Eric Caldwell. The Grand Master and the Officers presented the warrant to Sunset Lodge No. 56 on Campobello Island.

The participation of the Masons of New Brunswick in Camp Goodtime has continued over the past year. We have been able to cover the complete cost of this camp for young cancer patients. The raising of the funds has brought many of the Lodges closer together as they put on events to raise the money. The Masonic Charities has also continued to sponsor children to the Canadian Deaf, Blind and Rubella Camp.

During the year our Grand Lodge Office structure was changed with the hiring of an Executive Assistant to help the Grand Secretary run the office. The position of secretary was discontinued. The computer and communication equipment was also updated.

The Grand Lodge of New Brunswick entered the electronic highway with the setting up of a web page on the internet. There are many Masonic Pages on the internet and our page is connected to these. The site is still growing and all are invited to visit and register at the site. Suggestions on the pages are invited.

One of the initiatives of The Grand Master this year has been the promotion of the Lewis Mason in New Brunswick. This is a program where the sons of a Mason who are members of the craft can wear a special medal, The Lewis Medal, that shows their dedication to their father. The first of these in the Province was received by the Deputy Grand Master R:W:B: James Pike. The most recent presentation of this medal took place this week at Howard Lodge. The Grand Master and Officers of Grand Lodge were there to rededicate the Lodge in their new Lodge room. During the ceremony W:B: Bill Balser, Sr. presented the Lewis Medal to his two sons, Most Worshipful Grand Master William Blaser, Jr. and B: George Balser all members of Howard Lodge.

A major program of the Grand Master has been Masonic Renewal and to reach this objective several things have been done to improve membership both new members and current members. The Lewis Medal was one of these and the expanded use of the Friend to Friend was another. Also this year a booklet "The Masonic Family in New Brunswick" was produced. This booklet gives a brief explanation of the Blue Lodge and each of the concordant bodies in the Province.

The largest undertaking of the year had to be the Grand Masters Class held in Riverview on April 26, 1997. This class was a one day conferral of the Fellowcraft and Master Mason degrees. The degrees were given in full to each of the candidates in mass. The second degree team was lead by R:W:B: Maurice Linkletter with the assistance of Moncton area Masons. R:W:B: Linkletter took the chair and the Senior Deacon was done by W:B: Don Williams. The third degree team was lead by R:W:B: Fred Healey with R:W:B: Ossie Nason in the chair. At this all day meeting 38 received their Fellow Craft and 42 received their third degree. The attendance of Masons both helping and observing was 274. At a banquet in the evening 276 were in attendance. The new Masons received their aprons and their charters. For those who attended this historic occasion they were treated to excellent degree work in front of a large crowd. This was a first for Canada although many have been done in the USA.

In closing I must say that the pace of this past year in terms of new ideas and the number of initiatives points well to growth of Masonry in this Jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted
V:W:B: Gordon Rattray
Grand Historian

REPORT OF THE MASONIC RENEWAL COMMITTEE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS
AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW
BRUNSWICK, F. & A. M.

Brethren, it is with deep regret that I must report that due to work commitments and slight health problems, I was unable to organize a meeting of the Renewal Committee. I apologize to the members of the committee as well as the brethren of the Grand Jurisdiction.

However, it is apparent that Masonic Renewal is still alive and very active with many new programs being implemented within the Lodges. I congratulate Albion Lodge on establishing their own Masonic Renewal Committee and implementing a renewal program.

Thanks to the efforts of your Grand Master M:W:B: William H. Balser, Jr. the 20-point Program has been very successful with many Lodges being the beneficiary. I offer him my congratulations. His One Day Conferral Class is evidence of the new spirit of Masonry within this Grand Jurisdiction.

With your continued support brethren, Masonic Renewal will continue to succeed and will become an active part of Masonry for many years to come.

I thank you, Most Worshipful Brother William H. Balser, Jr. for appointing me to this position. It has been very challenging and an experience that will always remain with me. I also would like to offer my support to the new Grand Master in any capacity he may wish because Masonic Renewal MUST continue well into the next century.

Fraternally submitted,
R:W:B: Wayne A. Rideout, Chairman
For the Committee

Seconded by R:W:B: Leonard Bishop. Move acceptance and that it be printed in full in the proceedings of this Grand Lodge Communication.

REPORT OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, F. & A. M.

On behalf of the Protocol Committee I have the pleasure of presenting this report.

We had one meeting during the year and I presented the following suggestions to the Board of General Purposes on February 1st, 1997 for their comments or suggestions and any changes that they felt necessary.

1. Official order of recognition.
2. Sign of Fidelity.
3. Grand Lodge Church Parades.
4. Canadian flag etiquette.

I would like to thank The Most Worshipful The Grand Master for appointing me to chair this committee and the members of this committee for their support.

Fraternally submitted,

R:W:B: James H. Pike
W:B: Donald E. Williams
R:W:B: Clinton E. Shaffer, Chairman

REPORT OF CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, F. & A. M.

This has been the first year that the Constitution Review Committee has been separated from the Jurisprudence Committee. The committee first met in September and have had monthly meetings since then.

The first thing that was done was to review the action of previous committees to bring ourselves up to speed. We then proceeded with continuing the review of the Constitution with housekeeping as the general theme of our endeavours.

Due to the events over the past few years the committee was given the task of giving guidance in solving Masonic conflicts. The Constitution of Grand Lodges from across Canada were reviewed and it was determined that the sections of the Grand Lodge of Alberta concerning Masonic Offences was very detailed and complete. This has been recommended to the Board of General Purposes for their decision. This is a detailed section and should be dealt with as an entity, and not on a piecemeal basis.

As this was the first year of this committee as a separate entity we have several suggestions that hopefully will make this committee more efficient in the future. The committee needs some continuity. We, generally, were all new to this committee. We would like to see some of the committee reappointed each year. The committee could do with some direction on what is required of them during the year. This year we had the task of providing the information on Masonic Offences.

The review of our Constitution is detailed and time consuming, and we suggest that it be developed over a three year period. The committee should be prepared to report to the Board of General Purposes at each meeting on their progress and recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

R:W:B: J. Ralph Stephens
R:W:B: Chesley R. Piercey
W:B: Ronald Hodgkin
R:W:B: Robert M. Johnston, Chairman

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER DISTRICT NO. 1

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

It is with pleasure that I submit to you my second and final report as District Deputy Grand Master of District #1 and to express my sincere appreciation to the members of District #1 for their support over the past two years. I would like to especially thank Rt. Wor. Bro. Andrews for his guidance and support over my term of office.

I have made official visits to the lodges of District #1 over the past year and noted that attendance to be low in various lodges. I urge the brethren to come out and support their mother lodge as well as their sister lodges and show that masonry is still strong in New Brunswick

It has been a busy two years but I have enjoyed every minute of it, especially the courtesy and fellowship shown to me during my visits to the various lodges in my district and the sister lodges in other districts when I had the opportunity to visit.

I also had the honour of taking part in the first Masonic Field Day held in New Brunswick under the direction of the Grand Master

It has been a great experience to serve as District Deputy for the past two years. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Most worshipful the Grand Master William H. Balser Jr. for affording me the opportunity to serve as your District Deputy. I wish my successor in office all the best and hope he enjoys this position as much as I did.

Fraternally submitted,
William T. Ryan
District Deputy Grand Master
District No. 1

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER DISTRICT NO. 2

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

It is with great pleasure that I submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master, this being my second year.

I have made official visits to all Lodges in my district over the past year and I have also made unofficial visits to Lodges in District 2 and 7. I was always made to feel welcome and would certainly be remiss if I didn't thank the Brethren for their support and encouragement. Many thanks to the Brethren.

The Most Worshipful, the Grand Master William Henry Balser, Jr. held a district meeting for District 2 in Zetland Lodge #24 in Shediack. There was a very large attendance present including all Masters of District No. 2.

A district church service was held in Dorchester United Church with all lodges present. In my travels with the Camp Good Time bottle, I collected \$519.00. Thanks again to all members of District No. 2

I attended on the M:W: The Grand Master at a District No. 3 meeting in Bathurst, official visits in District No. 2 and 7, and also travelled to Charlottetown on an official visit with the M:W: Grand Master.

It is with pleasure that I was made a member of the Education Committee, I believe this is where the futures of Masonry lies.

I was able to attend the Board of General Purposes meetings and found them to be interesting and informative. I would also like to thank the Grand Secretary for his help and advice.

I give thanks to the Most Worshipful The Grand Master on arranging the One Day Conferral on April 26th. This can only help to benefit Masonry in New Brunswick.

Respectfully submitted:
R:W:B: Alvin Landsburg
District Deputy Grand Master
District No. 2

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER DISTRICT NO. 3

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

It has been a great honour for me to have been appointed District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 3 for the year 1996, and to submit my first annual report.

I had the honour of attending on the Grand Master on his official visits to Campbellton Lodge on June 3, 1996, at which time our district meeting was held, and 50 Year Pins and Grand Lodge Certificates were presented to R:W:B: Sandy MacMillan and R:W:B: John Vincent; and Lodge St. John, Bathurst on October 16, 1996, and the Grand Master presented 50 Year Pins and Grand Lodge Certificates to W:B: Roland Keswick, W:B: Kenneth Chalmers, and P.G.M. M:W:B: Blake Oulton received a Grand Lodge Certificate in recognition of his outstanding service to Masonry, and W:B: Ashley Jagoe received a Grand Lodge Certificate in recognition of his outstanding Public Service in the Westray Mine rescue operation; and due to sickness, I was unable to attend on the Grand Master on his official visit to Northumberland Lodge on December 10, and I wish to thank P.D.D.G.M. R:W:B: Ritchie McRae for filling in for me. Northumberland Lodge presented 50 Year Pins and Grand Lodge Certificates during the year 1996 to B: Earl Hubbard, W:B: William Dunnet, B: Seaman Bryenton, P.G.D. of C W:B: Fred Welson, B: Wylie O. Russel, and B: John Burchill.

I also had the pleasure of attending on the Grand Master on his official visit to Zetland Lodge and Acacia Lodge in District No. 2, and Hiram Lodge District No. 6, and Lodge St. John in Charlottetown, PEI, and also the Grand Lodge Church Parade to St. George's Anglican Church, Moncton, NB hosted by Acacia Lodge No. 49. I was also pleased to attend on the Deputy Grand Master on his official visit to Acacia Lodge District No. 2.

I attended most meetings in preparation for the Grand Master Class which was held on April 26, 1997, and the Board of General Purposes Meetings, and I attended opening day at Camp Goodtime, and enjoyed it very much. I am very pleased by the

support given by all Lodges in District No. 3 during my visits covering the period June 3, 1996 to April 20, 1997. The sum of six hundred and forty three dollars and sixty two cents was received for this worthy cause.

Most Lodges in District No. 3 are experiencing declining attendance, and hopefully in the coming year, all Lodges will take a serious look at this situation.

In closing, I wish to thank all the people who supported me, particularly on my official visits, and to especially thank I.P.D.D.G.M. R:W:B: James Davis for his support throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
R:W:B: R. Melvin McLaughlin
District Deputy Grand Master
District No. 3

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER DISTRICT NO. 4

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

I am pleased to present my final report as District Deputy, but I must admit it is with some regrets. I have enjoyed my two years and have found the experience very rewarding and an experience I will never forget.

Unfortunately, the District Official Visit held in Woodstock in September was a disappointment. I wish to express my thanks to the faithful brethren who attended. However, the Masters should remember that ALL Lodges are to be represented at these Official Visits. It is hoped such poor attendance never happens again.

Once again, the Travelling Gavel continues to circulate very well among Benjamin, Colebrook and Tobique Lodges. Perhaps the other Lodges will soon become more active in Lodge Visitations.

The Lodges throughout the District are very active, with most having some degree work throughout the year. A sincere welcome is extended to the New Master Masons. I am pleased to report that Hartland Lodge has become very active and is very busy doing

degree work. I congratulate the Worshipful Master and his Officers for their renewed spirit and excellent efforts.

Again this year the Lodges have done an excellent job on fund raising events in support of Camp Goodtime. Once again I had the opportunity to visit Camp Goodtime on Sponsor's Day and found it to be very rewarding.

I attended on the Grand Master as often as time would permit, as well as attending all the meetings of the Board of General Purposes.

I congratulate W:B: Wayne Hitchcock from Colebrook Lodge for an excellent job at trying to establish an Association of Masters and/or Past Masters. However, it is apparent that there is a lack of interest by some Lodges. It will take an effort by ALL Lodges in the District to make such an Association work.

International Night was hosted this year by Carleton Lodge and was held in October with a good attendance from District 4 Lodges and from District No. 1 in Maine. I congratulate Carleton Lodge on a very successful day.

I attended most of the meetings of The Grand Master's One Day Conferral as well as the Grand Master's Class in April. It was a huge success and an experience I will always remember. Congratulations to the Grand Master and all the Brethren who made the day so successful.

A special "Thank You" is extended to all the Lodges for the excellent reception I received whenever I visited. I also would like to congratulate Tobique Lodge on an excellent evening when the Grand Master made an Official Visit in April.

To my successor, I offer my "Congratulations" and wish him "The Best Of Luck" as well as my continued support.

Finally, I wish to thank M:W:B: William H. Balser Jr. for allowing me the opportunity to serve as District Deputy No. 4. It has been two very active years.

Fraternally submitted,
R:W:B: Wayne A. Rideout
District Deputy Grand Master
District No. 4

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER DISTRICT NO. 6

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

It is with pleasure and some regret that I submit my final report as District Deputy Grand Master for District 6. It has been a very rewarding and memorable two years and I would like to express my sincere appreciation to you for the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

I would like to thank R:W:B: Doug Scott, Past District Deputy Grand Master, for his advice, guidance and assistance during my term of office. His help has been invaluable. A special thanks to W:B: Robert Bailey who accompanied me on my travels during the last two years. Also, a special thank you to W:B: Ron Chisholm for serving as District Education Officer. His presentations on Masonic Education have been an asset to the promotion of Masonry in this District. I would like to thank the Brethren and the Lodges in the District for their cooperation, support and courtesies extended to me during my term of office.

Official Visits have been made to each Lodge in the District. I have attended many of the regular lodge communications in this District. I am pleased to report that most of the lodges have had candidates, however, there continues to be a decline in membership and attendance. Degree work has been well presented in most lodges.

Visitation between lodges seems to be picking up. This may be due in part to the Travelling Gavel and that most lodges are listing the date and time of the meetings of the lodges in our District in their notices.

I am pleased to report that our District Council is active and the meetings are well attended. R:W:B: J. Ralph Andrews and W:B: Graham Pelley, representatives of the Grand Lodge Ritual Committee, attended our meeting on January 25th, and put on an excellent presentation. Our District Church Parade was held on June 16th at Saint Mary's Anglican Church in Fredericton hosted by Alexandria Lodge. There were 25-30 in attendance.

I have attended on the Most Worshipful The Grand Master and the Deputy Grand Master on their visits to District 6 and on several occasions throughout the Jurisdiction. Also, I have

attended the Board meetings and found them interesting and informative.

A special "Thank You" goes to the Lodges in District 6 for their time and efforts in support of Camp Goodtime.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the Brethren for their support and hospitality and to you, Most Worshipful The Grand Master for the opportunity and privilege to serve as your District Deputy Grand Master. I hope I have contributed in some way.

Fraternally submitted,

R:W:B: Leonard D. Bishop
Deputy District Grand Master
District No. 6

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER DISTRICT NO. 7

TO: THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER,
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF
NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

It is with mixed emotions that I submit my final report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 7.

I have visited the Lodges in District No. 7 several times throughout the year, also many Lodges in other Districts of New Brunswick.

I attended many historical events in lodges throughout New Brunswick as well as in Prince Edward Island and Maine. I attended the meetings of the Board of General Purposes, Protocol, Masonic Education and Jurisprudence Committees during my term of office.

I have supported The Most Worshipful Grand Master on his official visits whenever possible, also supported the Deputy Grand Master on his official visits.

This has been a very disappointing year for me as far as gaining the support of many of the members of District No. 7 due to conflicts within the District over which I had no control. I am hopeful that these conflicts will be resolved and that you will give your full support to the incoming District Deputy Grand Master.

Fraternally Submitted,
R:W:B: Clinton E. Shaffer
Deputy District Grand Master
District No. 7

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT FROM DISTRICT NO. 7

Money collected in the Camp Goodtime Mason Jar from Lodges in District No. 7 was \$362.31.

A cheque in the amount of \$275.00 was sent to Masonic Charities and Housing Company Ltd. on January 31, 1997 and a cheque for \$90.00 was presented to the chairman on May 9, 1997. I would like to thank the lodges in District No. 7 for their donations to this fund.

Fraternally Submitted,
R:W:B: Clinton E. Shaffer
Deputy District Grand Master
District No. 7

At 10:45 a.m. the Grand Lodge recessed to attend Morning Worship at Trinity Anglican Church.

The Brethren, led by the Grand Piper then proceeded in procession to the Church where the Service was conducted by Venerable Archdeacon L.N. Harding. The Sermon was delivered by The Grand Chaplain R:W:B: the Reverend Eric E. Caldwell. The music was under the direction of R:W:B: James D. McKenna.

Following the service the Brethren returned to the Temple and The Grand Master thanked The Grand Chaplain for a most inspiring message.

It was then moved by R:W:B: The Rev. George Trentowsky that the Devotional Address given by the Grand Chaplain be filed in the Grand Secretaries Office, seconded by R:W:B: Donald Cook and carried.

It was then moved by R:W:B: Osborne Mason, seconded by R:W:B: Evan Thomas and carried that the Grand Lodge recess for Lunch and resume labor at approximately 1:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION – MAY 10, 1997

On resuming labor at 2:10 p.m. it was announced that the ballot box was now closed.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Motion 1

I will move or cause to be moved that Section 53, Page 61, in the Constitution dated 1996 Edition be changed to read: "No member shall, on any pretense, exhibit or expose any representation or similitude of any jewel or device in any way that may be interpreted as for personal or commercial gain."

- Moved by R:W:B: Robert M. Johnston
- Seconded by W:B: Ronald Hodgkin
- Carried

Motion 2

I will move or cause to be moved that the section "Election of Officers of Private Lodges", Item 2, Page 53, be changed to read: The first sentence – "Every Lodge shall annually, at a

communication in November or December, elect....." The last sentence – "On the regular night of installation, after"

Item 2 would then read: "Every Lodge shall annually, at a communication in November or December, elect its master and treasurer by written ballot, such master having first served as warden of a warranted lodge for one year, that is to say, from the date of his appointment to the office on the regular night of installation until the day on which the election of officers takes place. On a regular night of installation, after the minutes shall have been read and approved, he shall be installed according to ancient usage; he shall then appoint the other officers and install them and the treasurer into office."

- Moved by R:W:B: Leonard Bishop
- Seconded by W:B: D. W. Gillrie
- Motion carried.

Motion 3

I will move or cause to be moved that page 42, sections 7 and 7a be replaced with the following: 7(a) "No motion shall be entertained for altering or amending the Constitutions of the Grand Lodge, or for adding a new section thereto, without notice in writing to the Grand Secretary, at least 60 days previously to the communication at which it is to be considered." (b) "Such notice of motion shall state in full, and exactly, the proposed amendment or addition." (c) "The Grand Secretary shall immediately forward a copy of such notice of motion to every lodge secretary instructing that it be introduced to his lodge at its next regular meeting." (d) "No amendment, alteration or addition to the Constitutions shall be adopted unless supported by two-thirds of the votes cast." (e) "No motion shall be entertained for expenditures in excess of \$5,000.00 that have not been recommended or approved by the Board of General Purposes, unless it is submitted in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth earlier in this section."

- Moved by R:W:B: Michael Swetnam
- Seconded by W:B: Merrill Henderson
- Motion carried.

Motion 4

I will move or cause to be moved that page 44, section 12 be replaced with: "Directives, which may be issued by the Grand Master to address matters of immediate concern to this Jurisdiction, shall expire at the next annual communication of Grand Lodge, except that they may be proposed as Constitutional

amendments in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in section 7 of 'The Proceedings of Grand Lodge'."

- Moved by R:W:B: Michael Swetnam
- Seconded by V:W:B: Rattray
- Motion carried.

At the 1996 Grand Lodge Session a motion as follows was moved and seconded :

I will move or cause to be moved that the words "Entered Apprentice" in the line 2 Section 24, page 56 of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of F. & A. Masons of New Brunswick be deleted and replaced with "Master Mason" and the section be called 24a. Section 24a, as amended, will then read as follows:

"Every candidate initiated in a Lodge shall become a member thereof upon receiving the Master Mason Degree, and shall become liable for the regular lodge dues. Upon receiving the Master Mason degree, he shall thereupon sign the by-laws and receive a copy thereof together with a copy of the Constitutions and General Regulations of the Grand Lodge."

This motion was laid on the table last year. On motion moved by R:W:B: Douglas Wood, seconded by V:W:B: Rattray the motion was removed from the table. Motion carried.

It was then moved by R:W:B: Douglas Wood, seconded by M:W:B: Carr Graham and carried that the motion be withdrawn and be resubmitted at a later date.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE 1996

The following members of Grand Lodge were recorded as being present:

ALBION LODGE NO. 1 – SAINT JOHN

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| W:B: Robert B. C. Manzer | W:M: |
| Bro: Adrian K. Smith | S:W: |
| R:W:B: Robert Johnston | J:W: |
| W:B: Kenneth D. Dunn | W:B: Gerald A. Lewis |
| W:B: Thomas I. Findlay | M:W:B: Osborne L. Nason |
| W:B: Stuart J. MacDonald | W:B: Stewart A. Brenton |
| W:B: Russell H. Newman | R:W:B: K. Roy Peacock |
| W:B: Ronald G. Hodgins | W:B: Joseph R. Secord |
| R:W:B: James D. McKenna | |

ST. JOHN'S LODGE NO. 2 – SAINT JOHN

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| W:B: Joseph D. Koty | W:M: |
| W:B: James D'Entremont | S:W: |
| V:W:B: A. Lloyd Carver | W:B: Frank E. Robinson |
| W:B: F. Lincoln Nice | R:W:B: Bernus W. Clark |
| W:B: Fred Godwin | |

HIBERNIA LODGE NO. 3 – SAINT JOHN

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| W:B: Gary E. Bard | W:M: |
| B: James Leach | S:W: |
| B: John Jenner | J:W: |
| R:W:B: J. Ralph Andrews | W:B: James E. Lawton |
| R:W:B: Fergus J. Price | W:B: Dale L. Stevens |
| W:B: Murray D. Stevens | W:B: Ron Ferris |

SUSSEX LODGE NO. 4 – DORCHESTER

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| W:B: Carl E. Kingston | W:M: |
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ST. MARK'S LODGE NO. 5 – ST. ANDREWS

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| W:B: Robert M. Flewelling | W:M: |
| W:B: Morton A. Mitchell | |

HIRAM LODGE NO. 6 – FREDERICTON

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| W:B: Joel F. MacDonald | W:M: |
| W:B: John A. Arnold | W:B: Ronald G. Cornell |
| W:B: David W. Gillrie | |

SUSSEX LODGE NO. 7 – ST. STEPHEN

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| B: Donald P. Jones | S:W: |
| R:W:B: Arnold R. MacLeod | R:W:B: Eric E. Caldwell |
| W:B: Thomas M. Brigham | |

CARLETON UNION LODGE NO. 8 – SAINT JOHN WEST

W:B: Leroy R. HoffmanW:M:

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| W:B: Roy E. Carson | R:W:B: Gilbert L. Irvine |
| R:W:B: John C. Dunham | R:W:B: Donald G. Cook |
| W:B: Fred J. Tilley | R:W:B: E. Stanley Matheson |
| W:B: Robert A. Kierstead | R:W:B: Earle B. Campbell |
| W:B: Ivan G. MacDonald | W:B: Brian W. Francis |
| W:B: Donald J. Taylor | W:B: Gordon W. McNulty |
| W:B: Robert J. Tilley | R:W:B: Richard A. Whitcomb |

UNION LODGE OF PORTLAND NO. 10 – SAINT JOHN

R:W:B: Andrew S. AllanW:M:

R:W:B: Ralph G. ThompsonJ:W:

R:W:B: Basil A. PrescottM:W:B: Orville H. Mason

WOODSTOCK LODGE NO. 11 – WOODSTOCK

W:B: Timothy B. KirkpatrickW:M:

R:W:B: J. Kurtis Brown

ST. GEORGE LODGE NO. 12 – ST. GEORGE

W:B: William D. CraigW:M:

Bro.: James O. HanleyS:W:

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| W:B: Nathan J. Rubin | W:B: A. Wayne Matheson |
| R:W:B: Charles A. Rafuse | |

THE CORINTHIAN LODGE NO. 13 – HAMPTON

W:B: M. J. Millard GanongW:M:

Bro: Allen L. DicksS:W:

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| M:W:B: Rev. Kenneth Legassick | R:W:B: Philip M. Hovey |
| R:W:B: F. Graham Pelly | R:W:B: Chesley R. Piercey |
| W:B: D. Keith Lyon | W:B: Robert R. McInnis |
| W:B: Randall W. Nelson | |

ALLEY LODGE NO. 14 – UPPER MILLS

No Representation

HOWARD LODGE NO. 15 – HILLSBOROUGH

W:B: Thomas S. MillerW:M:

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| M:W:B: William H. Balser Jr. | W:B: William H. Balser Sr. |
| R:W:B: Harold W. Bannister | W:B: William T. Holmden |
| R:W:B: Maurice J. Linkletter | V:W:B: Gordon R. Rattray |
| R:W:B: Clinton E. Shaffer | |

LODGE ST. ANDREW NO. 16 – REXTON

W:B: James CailS:W:

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| R:W:B: J. Garth Girvan | R:W:B: Douglas Wood |
| M:W:B: Carr W. Graham | W:B: Rodney G. Girvan |
| W:B: David J. Mundle | W:B: Myles R. Graham |
| W:B: William C. Dutcher | |

NORTHUMBERLAND LODGE NO. 17 – MIRAMICHI WEST

W:B: William SawyerW:M:

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| W:B: R. Melvin McLaughlin | R:W:B: A. Ritchie MacRae |
| W:B: R. J. Wallace | W:B: A. S. Parks |
| W:B: E. Maltby | W:B: D. Hubbard |

MIRAMICHI LODGE NO. 18 – MIRAMICHI EAST

R:W:B: H. A. MacLean

SALISBURY LODGE NO. 20 – SALISBURY

W:B: Allan J. GroundwaterW:M:

Bro.: Chris LeClairJ:W:

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| W:B: Donald McIvor | W:B: Robert O'Hara |
| W:B: Ronald Collins | |

ZION LODGE NO. 21 – SUSSEX

W:B: Lloyd G. PattersonW:M:

W:B: Donald StilesW:B: Cecil Jefferies

THE NEW BRUNSWICK LODGE NO. 22 – SAINT JOHN

Bro.: John J. McCoyS:W:

Bro.: Eric C. GardnerJ:W:

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| R:W:B: George E. Trentowsky | W:B: Harold J. Scott |
| R:W:B: Gordon S. Young | W:B: R. Stuart Dobbin |
| R:W:B: Douglas H. Mayes | R:W:B: Frederick A. Healey |
| W:B: Barry A. Roberts | W:B: Robert C. McNee |
| W:B: Harold W. Day | W:B: Peter A. Olsen |
| W:B: William L. Kerwin | |

KEITH LODGE NO. 23 – MONCTON

W:B: William E. DohertyW:M:

Bro.: Robert E. MulhernS:W:

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| R:W:B: William A. Sherrard | R:W:B: George A. Watling |
| W:B: Gordon M. Marshall | R:W:B: Horance M. Steeves |
| W:B: Barry V. Ellsworth | W:B: E. R. Neil MacNeil |

ZETLAND LODGE NO. 24 – SHEDIAC CAPE

W:B: Everett KuhnW:M:

Bro.: Ronald OakleyS:W:

W:B: Stanley BatemanJ:W:

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| W:B: N. Hubert Bateman | R:W:B: Ellwood Batema |
| R:W:B: C. Ronald Bateman | R:W:B: Evan Thomas |
| W:B: Edgar Cove | W:B: Earle Murray |

RESTIGOUCHE LODGE NO. 25 – DALHOUSIE

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| W:B: G. Graham Vincent | W:B: R. Wayne MacNair |
| W:B: Robert H. Brown | |

VICTORIA LODGE NO. 26 – ST. STEPHEN

R:W:B: James M. Maxwell

LODGE SAINT JOHN NO. 27 – BATHURST

W:B: John RobertsonW:M:

Bro: Ronald JagoeS:W:

M:W:B: Blake A. Oulton

R:W:B: Murray E. Clouston

R:W:B: Stuart O. Norton

W:B: Roy Carleton

LEBANON LODGE NO. 28 – SACKVILLE

R:W:B: Alvin L. Landsburg

W:B: A. William Anderson

ST. MARTINS LODGE NO. 30 – SAINT JOHN

W:B: Kevin Gillrie.....W:M:

W:B: Frank Cobett

BENJAMIN LODGE NO. 31 – PERTH-ANDOVER

R:W:B: Raymond W. Gamblin

CAMPBELLTON LODGE NO. 32 – CAMPBELLTON

Bro.: L. I. Felix.....J:W:

W:B: H. B. Munroe

W:B: E. J. Davis

W:B: D. J. Munroe

W:B: J. B. Poley

ALEXANDRIA LODGE NO. 33 – FREDERICTON

W:B: James D. WaughW:M:

Bro.: Gerald G. RussonS:W:

R:W:B: Wayne H. McKay

W:B: Ralph W. W. Smith

ALBERT LODGE NO. 34 – RIVERSIDE

W:B: Robert K. KiersteadW:M:

W:B: Hugh W. Woodworth

CARLETON LODGE NO. 35 – EAST FLORENCEVILLE

W:B: Wilmot M. ThompsonW:M:

Bro.: Blaine D. BrooksS:W:

W:B: J. D. Winston Morton

ASHLAR LODGE NO. 36 – MCADAM

W:B: R. Donald KinneyS:W:

W:B: John R. Storr

W:B: Malcolm A. Harris

W:B: R. Donald Kinney Sr.

W:B: R. Donald Kinney Jr.

W:B: J. W. Hunter

STEVEN LODGE NO. 37 – PETITCODIAC

W:B: D. Tait TaylorW:M:

W:B: Ronald W. JonesS:W:

MANANOOK LODGE NO. 38 – GRAND MANAN

W:B: David Hepditch

COLEBROOKE LODGE NO. 39 – GRAND FALLS

W:B: R. Wayne HitchcockW:M:

W:B: Gordon A. Steeves

TWEEDIE LODGE NO. 41 – MONCTON

W:B: Herbert R. Dixon

M:W:B: William John Murray

W:B: David Leon Jones

SUNBURY LODGE NO. 42 – FREDERICTON JUNCTION

W:B: Kenneth R. Tracy

R:W:B: James A. Gaudet

W:B: Elmer J. Trott

R:W:B: T. Charles Mills

WESTMORLAND LODGE NO. 44 – PORT ELGIN

W:B: Colin AllenW:M:

W:B: Dale AllenJ:W:

W:B: Keith Smith

W:B: Blaine Nicholson

FOWNES LODGE NO. 45 – HAVELOCK

W:B: Boyce WardW:M:

R:W:B: Ronald HoarS:W:

R:W:B: Delbert A. Alward

HARTLAND LODGE NO. 46 – HARTLAND

W:B: Harold S. BoomerW:M:

R:W:B: Wayne A. Rideout

GRAND LAKE LODGE NO. 47 – MINTO

W:B: Allan H. BishopW:M:

W:B: Robert E. Bailey

R:W:B: Leonard D. Bishop

W:B: Brian L. Gillcash

TOBIQUE LODGE NO. 48 – PLASTER ROCK

W:B: Fred N. Giberson

W:B: Gerald J. Bucci

ACACIA LODGE NO. 49 – MONCTON

W:B: John W. M. MillerW:M:

W:B: Douglas G. BairdS:W:

R:W:B: John H. Lingley

W:B: John A. Duncan

W:B: Harris C. Tait

W:B: William B. Pond

R:W:B: Michael G. Swetnam

W:B: J. Robert Kidney

R:W:B: James H. Pike

R:W:B: H. William Perks

W:B: Merrill A. Henderson

W:B: Gerald A. Chaulk

W:B: Carlye F. Yuill

M:W:B: Charles N. Hollett

CHERRY MOUNTAIN LODGE NO. 50 – HARVEY STATION

W:B: Dewitt T. Lister

R:W:B: Vernon E. Lister

W:B: Larry E. Brown

LANDMARK LODGE NO. 51 – BOIESTOWN

W:B: Tony F. MunnW:M:

R:W:B: Douglas H. Scott

R:W:B: Perley G. Ward

W:B: Merle C. Hunter

W:B: Winston D. MacKay

W:B: Charles W. Bruce

W:B: Hubert R. Davis

COVERDALE LODGE NO. 52 – RIVERVIEW

W:B: Gilbert R. MeridethW:M:

Bro.: Jens P. WaltersS:W:

Bro.: Ian S. Whiteway.....J:W:

R:W:B: John M. Jeffries

W:B: Eldon R. Libby

R:W:B: Charles H. Webber

R:W:B: Donald E. Williams

W:B: Frank W. Delvin

W:B: G. Hicks

CENTENNIAL LODGE NO. 53 – OROMOCTO

W:B: Raymond WassonW:M:

Bro.: Gordon GravelleJ:W:

R:W:B: Thomas L. Winter

R:W:B: Samuel A. Best

W:B: Edwin V. Harrison

W:B: Rettie E. Crossman

R:W:B: Frederick W. Pollitt

GRANITE LODGE NO. 54 – TEMPERANCE VALE

W:B: William T. MacLeanW:M:

W:B: B. Arnold Wright

ABNAKI LODGE NO. 55 – LAMBERTVILLE

W:B: Carl L. Stover

SUNSET LODGE NO. 56 – CAMPOBELLO

W:B: Sheldon ElliotW:M:

W:B: Wilfred Newman

W:B: Lloyd Leighton

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS – 1997

TO: THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A. M.

We, the Committee, to whom was referred the Address of The Most Worshipful The Grand Master, beg leave to advise that we have duly reviewed the address and report as follows:

This Grand Lodge has been most fortunate in its election of a Grand Master who, during the past year, in the company of other Grand Lodge Officers have presented themselves at so many Masonic functions. Surely this activity has made the Grand Lodge more visible to the Brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction.

In addition to that, other visitations within and without New Brunswick have been made to other Grand Jurisdictions and

Concordant Lodges. We congratulate him on his dedications to the work of this Grand Lodge which requires a great amount of time as well as thought. His messages have been inspiring and challenging.

We commend him for those distinguished guests who have assembled here today at this Communication of Grand Lodge and trust that in this way fraternal goodwill will continually spread to bind all men together for peace, happiness and brotherly love.

We join with the Grand Master in his expression of grief for those Brethren who have passed to the Celestial Lodge above. These Brethren will be sadly missed from their Lodges and the Craft in general.

We commend the Grand Master for the manner in which the elected Grand Lodge Officers were involved in the visits to the Craft Lodges. This process has made Grand Lodge much more visible to the brethren.

We are pleased to join the Grand Master in his appreciation of the work of Mason's in promoting Camp Goodtime, and of his unique method in increasing financial support of this project.

We appreciate the significance of the Grand Master's Certificate of Achievement as part of the Grand Master's Renewal Program. The Certificate recognizes Brethren & Friends of our Fraternity who might be honoured by the awards presently available.

We note his appreciation of the District Deputy Grand Masters and the efforts that they have committed to the Lodges in their charge. The work of the Grand Lodge is well served by the dedication of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

Our Grand Master was Chairman of the Aldridge Atlantic Conference held in Moncton on September 27th, 1997, and our Grand Secretary R:W:B: Ralph Andrews was the Conference Secretary.

We join with the Grand Master in his pleasure of issuing a Warrant for Sunset Lodge No. 56 on Campobello Island and the consecration of the Lodge. This is an indication of the growth of Freemasonry in New Brunswick.

Now that our Grand Lodge has a home page on the world wide web we believe that the Masonic fraternity will be better served and Masonic knowledge be more readily available.

The commitment of the Grand Master and other Brethren to the Order of DeMolay and the Order of Rainbow is most

commendable and can only lead to benefits for our Jurisdiction. However, the Grand Master's plea for more Brethren to get involved should be heeded.

We commend the Grand Master for the progress of the Masonic Renewal Program. Certainly the success of the Grand Masters Class exceeds all expectations. The forty-one new members was an accomplishment in itself but the coming together of so many Masons for such an event was probably more satisfying. Only good can come from interest in this Masonic endeavour.

In conclusion, we congratulate our Grand Master on his accomplishments during his term of office and wish for his good health and happiness in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

M:W:B: Blake Allen Oulton
M:W:B: James Willaim Murray
M:W:B: The Rev. Kenneth Legassick
M:W:B: Charles Norman Hollett
M:W:B: Orville Herbert Nason
M:W:B: Carr Warden Graham

M:W: Past Grand Master Oulton, conducted the Ceremonies of Installation for the coming year, assisted by the Grand Director of Ceremonies.

ELECTION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS FOR 1997 – 1998

The election of Grand Lodge Officers resulted in the following:

THE GRAND MASTER
NO. 1

M:W: Osborne L. Nason
44 Neck Road
Quispamsis, NB
E2G 1J5
Phone: 847-2772

DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
No. 24

R:W: Evan W. Thomas
Box 209
Shediac, N.B.
E0A 3H0
Phone 532-8534

SENIOR GRAND WARDEN
No. 8

R:W: John C. Dunham
325 Duke Street West
Saint John, N.B.
E2M 1V1
Phone: 635-4036

JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN
NO. 49

R:W: Merrill Henderson
52 Laird Ave.
Moncton, N.B.
E1E 3Y4
Phone: 382-1444

GRAND TREASURER
No. 10

R:W: Andrew S. Allan
R.R. #4, Sussex, N.B.
E0E 1P0
Phone: 432-6858

GRAND CHAPLAIN
No. 7

R:W: The Rev. Eric E. Caldwell
5 Maplewood Court
St. Stephen, N.B.
E3L 2V3
Phone: 466-4302

GRAND SECRETARY
No. 3

R:W: J. Ralph Andrews
228 Ellerdale St.
Saint John, N.B.
E2J 2L9
Phone: 652-1159 (r)
652-2390 (o)

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

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| DISTRICT NO. 1 | R:W: Richard Whitcomb 52 Burnside Cres. Saint John, N.B. E2M 5P4 Phone: 674-1492 |
| DISTRICT NO. 2 | R:W: Gordon M. Marshall 17 McDowell Ave. Riverview, N.B. E1B 4A3 Phone: 386-1985 |
| DISTRICT NO. 3 | R:W: Melvin R. McLaughlin R.R. #2 Nelson Miramich, N.B. E0C 1T0 Phone: 622-1911 |
| DISTRICT NO. 4 | R:W: J. Kurtis Brown 129 Helen St. Woodstock, N.B. E0J 2B0 Phone: 328-6178 |
| DISTRICT NO. 5 | R:W: Donald Kinney Sr. P.O. Box 498 McAdam, N.B. E0H 1A0 Phone: 784-2445 |
| DISTRICT NO. 6 | R:W: Hubert Davis Box 233 Boiestown, N.B. E0H 1A0 Phone: 369-1989 |
| DISTRICT NO. 7 | R:W: Donald E. Williams 54 Warren Ave. Riverview, N.B. E1B 3M3 Phone: 386-1015 |
| SENIOR GRAND DEACON No. 3 | W:B: Dale Stevens 9 Crestwood Drive Rothesay, N.B. E2E 5H3 Phone: 847-5730 |
| JUNIOR GRAND DEACON No. 49 | W:B: Gerald Chaulk 16 Seventh St. Moncton, N.B. E1E 3G1 Phone: 382-8450 |

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| GR. DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES No. 1 | W:B: Ronald Hodgkin 30 Hillcrest Drive Saint John, N.B. E2M 4C1 Phone: 672-0041 |
| ASST. GRAND DIR. OF CEREMONIES No. 16 | W:B: Myles Graham 122 Menzies Drive Fredericton, N.B. E3C 1M6 Phone: 455-9967 |
| GRAND SWORD BEARER No. 54 | W:B: Gordon F. Thompson McNair Dr., Box 514 Nackawick, N.B. E0H 1P0 |
| GRAND STANDARD BEARER NO. 17 | W:B: Scott Parks Derby, N.B. 4694 Route 108 E1V 5E1 Phone: 622-0687 |
| GRAND ORGANIST No. 8 | W:B: Lloyd Pile R.R. #1 Clifton Royal Kings County, N.B. E0G 1N0 Phone: 763-2195 |
| GRAND PURSUIVANT No. 6 | W:B: David W. Gillrie 15 Cambridge Cres. Fredericton, N.B. E3B 4N8 Phone: 454-6026 |
| GRAND TYLER No. 2 | W:B: Joseph Koty P.O. Box 4585 Rothesay, N.B. E2E 5X3 |
| GRAND HISTORIAN | V:W: Gordon R. Rattray P.O. Box 56 Hillsborough, N.B. E0A 1X0 Phone: 734-2475 |
| GRAND PIPER No. 22 | W:B: William L. Kerwin 86 Orange Street Saint John, N.B. E2L 1M4 Phone: 652-7445 |

GRAND STEWARDS 1997

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| W:B: Robert B. C. Manzer | No. 1 |
| W:B: Joseph D. Koty | No. 2 |
| W:B: Gary E. Bard | No. 3 |
| W:B: Carle E. Kingston | No. 4 |
| W:B: Robert M. Flewelling | No. 5 |
| W:B: Joel F. MacDonald | No. 6 |
| W:B: LeRoy R. Hoffman | No. 8 |
| W:B: Timothy Kirkpatrick | No. 11 |
| W:B: Andrew S. Allen | No. 10 |
| W:B: William D. Craig | No. 12 |
| W:B: J. Millard Ganong | No. 13 |
| W:B: Tom S. Miller | No. 15 |
| W:B: William Sawyer | No. 17 |
| W:B: Lloyd G. Patterson | No. 21 |
| W:B: William E. Doherty | No. 23 |
| W:B: Everett Khun | No. 24 |
| W:B: John Robertson | No. 27 |
| W:B: Kevin Gillrie | No. 30 |
| W:B: James D. Waugh | No. 33 |
| W:B: Robert K. Kierstead | No. 34 |
| W:B: Wilmot M. Tompkins | No. 35 |
| W:B: D. Tait Taylor | No. 37 |
| W:B: R. Wayne Hitchcock | No. 39 |
| W:B: Colin Allen | No. 44 |
| W:B: Boyce Ward | No. 45 |
| W:B: Harold S. Boomer | No. 46 |
| W:B: Allan H. Bishop | No. 47 |
| W:B: John W. Miller | No. 49 |
| W:B: Tony F. Munn | No. 51 |
| W:B: Gilbert R. Meredith | No. 52 |
| W:B: Raymond Wasson | No. 53 |
| W:B: William T. MacLean | No. 54 |
| W:B: Sheldon Elliot | No. 56 |

THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK**1997-98****BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES****1 M:W:B:Osborne L. NasonThe Grand Master****CHAIRMAN****24 R:W:B: Evan ThomasDeputy Grand Master****EX-OFFICIO**

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| 8 R:W:B: John C. Dunham |Senior Grand Warden |
| 49 R:W:B: Merrill Henderson |Junior Grand Warden |
| 31 M:W:B: J. Stewart Brooks |Past Grand Master |
| 27 M:W:B: Blake A. Oulton |Past Grand Master |
| 33 M:W:B: I. Dale Steeves |Past Grand Master |
| 41 M:W:B: J. William Murray |Past Grand Master |
| 13 M:W:B: Rev. Kenneth Legassick |Past Grand Master |
| 49 M:W:B: Charles N. Hollett |Past Grand Master |
| 10 M:W:B: Orville H. Mason |Past Grand Master |
| 16 M:W:B: Carr W. Graham |Past Grand Master |
| 15 M:W:B: William H. Balser Jr. |Past Grand Master |
| 10 R:W:B: Andrew S. Allan |Grand Treasurer |
| 3 R:W:B: J. Ralph Andrews |Past D. Gr. Master - Gr. Secretary |
| 8 R:W:B: Richard Whitcomb |District Deputy Grand Master No. 1 |
| 23 R:W:B: Gordon M. Marshall |District Deputy Grand Master No. 2 |
| 27 R:W:B: R. Melvin MacLaughlin |District Deputy Grand Master No. 3 |
| 11 R:W:B: J. Kurtis Brown |District Deputy Grand Master No. 4 |
| 36 R:W:B: Donald Kinney Sr. |District Deputy Grand Master No. 5 |
| 51 R:W:B: Hubert Davis |District Deputy Grand Master No. 6 |
| 52 R:W:B: Donald E. Williams |District Deputy Grand Master No. 7 |

APPOINTED

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| 22 R:W:B: Rev. George E. Trentowsky |Past Deputy Grand Master |
| 15 R:W:B: Maurice Linkletter |Past Junior Grand Warden |
| 22 R:W:B: Gordon S. Young |Past Deputy Grand Master |
| 49 R:W:B: James H. Pike |Past Deputy Grand Master |
| 49 R:W:B: Michael G. Swetnam |Hon. Past Sr. Gr. Warden |
| 22 R:W:B: Fred A. Healey |Past Jr. Gr. Warden |
| 13 R:W:B: F. Graham Pelley |Hon. Past Jr. Gr. Warden |
| 8 R:W:B: Earl B. Campbell |Past Jr. Gr. Warden |
| 3 R:W:B: Fergus J. Price |Past Deputy Grand Master |
| 10 R:W:B: Basil A. Prescott |Past Gr. Sec., Past DDGM |
| 13 R:W:B: Chesley R. Piercey |Past DDGM |
| 15 V:W:B: Gordon A. Rattray |Grand Historian |
| 8 W:B: Robert A. Kierstead |Finance Committee |
| 7 R:W:B: Donald Jones |Past Jr. Gr. Warden |
| 46 R:W:B: Wayne A. Rideout |Chairman, Masonic Renewal |

THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK F. & A.M. COMMITTEES 1996-97

RITUAL

| | | | |
|--------|------------------|------|----------|
| R:W:B: | Fred A. Healey | (22) | Chairman |
| R:W:B: | Fergus J. Price | (3) | |
| R:W:B: | J. Ralph Andrews | (3) | |
| R:W: | F. Graham Pelley | (13) | |

MASONIC EDUCATION

| | | | |
|--------|-------------------|------|----------|
| R:W:B: | Merrill Henderson | (7) | Chairman |
| R:W:B: | Michael Swetnam | (49) | |
| W:B: | Gerald Chalk | | |
| R:W:B: | Morris Linkletter | (15) | |
| W:B: | Tait Taylor | (37) | |

JURISPRUDENCE

| | | | |
|--------|-----------------------|------|----------|
| M:W: | William H. Balser Jr. | (15) | Chairman |
| R:W:B: | James H. Pike | (49) | |
| M:W:B: | J. William Murray | (41) | |
| R:W:B: | Clinton E. Shaffer | (15) | |
| R:W:B: | Graham Pelley | (13) | |
| R:W:B: | J. Ralph Andrews | (3) | |
| B: | Cedric Allaby | (15) | |
| R:W:B: | George E. Trentowsky | (22) | |

RELATIONS WITH FOREIGN LODGES

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| R:W:B: | Gilbert L. Irvine | (8) | Chairman |
| R:W:B: | Bernus W. Clark | (2) | |

BENEVOLENCE

| | | | |
|--------|---------------------|------|----------|
| R:W:B: | Basil A. Prescott | (10) | Chairman |
| R:W:B: | Bernus W. Clark | (2) | |
| R:W:B: | E. Stanley Matheson | (8) | |
| R:W:B: | Chesley R. Piercey | (13) | |

WARRANTS

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|--------|------------------------|------|----------|
| M:W:B: | Blake A. Oulton | (27) | Chairman |
| M:W:B: | Rev. Kenneth Legassick | (13) | |
| M:W:B: | J. William Murray | (41) | |
| M:W:B: | Charles N. Hollett | (49) | |

AWARDS

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|--------|----------------------|------|----------|
| R:W:B: | George E. Trentowsky | (22) | Chairman |
| V:W:B: | Gordon R. Rattray | (15) | |
| R:W:B: | Murray E. Clouston | (27) | |
| R:W:B: | Chesley R. Piercey | (13) | |

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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|--------|---------------------|------|----------|
| R:W:B: | Earle B. Campbell | (8) | Chairman |
| W:B: | Robert A. Keirstead | (8) | |
| R:W:B: | Andrew S. Allan | (10) | |
| R:W:B: | J. R. Andrews | (3) | |

BURSARIES

| | | | |
|--------|-------------------|------|----------|
| M:W:B: | John C. Dunham | (8) | Chairman |
| M:W:B: | Blake A. Oulton | (27) | |
| V:W:B: | Gordon A. Rattray | (15) | |
| M:W: | J. William Murray | (41) | |

PUBLIC RELATIONS

| | | | |
|--------|-------------|------|----------|
| R:W:B: | Evan Thomas | (24) | Chairman |
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AUDIT COMMITTEE

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|--------|-------------------|-----|----------|
| W:B: | Kenneth D. Dunn | (1) | Chairman |
| R:W:B: | Earl B. Campbell | (8) | |
| W:B: | Frank E. Robinson | (2) | |

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

| | | | |
|--------|------------------|------|----------|
| M:W:B: | Blake A. Oulton | (27) | Chairman |
| R:W:B: | Stuart A. Norton | (27) | |

MOSTLY MASONRY

| | | | |
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| W:B: | Ronald Hodgkin | (1) | Chairman |
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YOUTH AND DEMOLAY

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| R:W:B: | Maurice J. Linkletter | (15) | Chairman |
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CONSTITUTION REVIEW

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|--------|--------------------|------|----------|
| R:W:B: | John C. Dunham | (8) | Chairman |
| R:W:B: | J. Ralph Andrews | (3) | |
| R:W:B: | Chesley R. Piercey | (10) | |
| W:B: | Ronald G. Hodgkin | (11) | |
| R:W:B: | Robert M. Johnston | (1) | |

MASONIC RENEWAL

| | | | |
|--------|---------------|------|----------|
| R:W:B: | Wayne Rideout | (46) | Chairman |
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MASONIC CHARITIES AND HOUSING

| | | |
|-----------|--|--------------------------------|
| President | W:B: Brian E. Francis 73 Harbary Terrace Saint John, NB E2M 4B8 | Res. 672-0131 Bus. 633-8329 |
| Secretary | W:B: D.W. Gillrie 15 Cambridge Drive Saint John, NB E3B 4N8 | Res. 454-6026 |
| Treasurer | W:B: Stewart A. Brenton 24 Cedarwood Drive Saint John, NB E2K 4T4 | Res. 633-9391 |

**HONORARY PAST GRAND OFFICERS OF
THE GRAND LODGE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, F. & A.M.**

- P. L. Powers, Grand Lodge of Maine,
Hon. Past Grand Master, May 26th, 1955
- W. E. Moseley, Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia,
Hon. Past Grand Master, May 24th, 1962
- Guy E. Mercer, Grand Lodge of New Brunswick,
Hon. Past Junior Grand Warden, May 12, 1979
- Richard E. Fletcher, Grand Lodge of Vermont,
Hon. Past Grand Master, May 9, 1992
- Eric E. Caldwell, Grand Lodge of New Brunswick,
Hon. Past Senior Grand Warden, May 11, 1985
- Michael G. Swetnam, Grand Lodge Of New Brunswick,
Hon. Past Senior Grand Warden, 1991
- Ronald W. Caines, Grand Lodge of New Brunswick,
Hon. Past Senior Grand Warden, May 15, 1993
- F. Graham Pelley, Grand Lodge Of New Brunswick,
Hon. Past Junior Grand Warden, May 15, 1993
- Ralph G. Thompson, Grand Lodge of New Brunswick,
Hon. Past Junior Grand Warden, May 15, 1993
- Gordon F. Conrad, Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia,
Hon. Past Grand Master, June, 1996
- Harley C. Ings, Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island,
Hon. Past Grand Master, June, 1996

**DEATHS
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 27, 1995**

Albion Lodge No. 1

William Harding Howard
Gerald Sanford Wry

St. John's Lodge No. 2

Andrew Gardner Neilson
Manfred Erwin Alder

Hibernia Lodge No. 3

Joseph Elbridge Rowley
Albert Cyril Kessler
James Dalton Rogers
George Avelon Avery
James Clarence Hamm

Sussex Lodge No. 4

Gordon Milford Armour
Herman Berton Bulmer
John Henry Eaton
George Edward Lowerison
George Marven Smith
Gerald Arthur Tower

St. Mark's Lodge No. 5

Herbert William Eaton
William Victor Carson
Earl Byd Stinson
Hector Cunliffe Burgess
Arthur Mitchell Sirles
Frederick Preston McLaren

Hiram Lodge No. 6

Charles Francis Williamson
Robin Long Kilburn
James Earle Brooks
Hedley William Wilson

Sussex Lodge No. 7

Wallace Raymond Dorey
Robert Frank Hay
Alexander Melvin Sinclair Murray
Robert Allan Lord
Robert Allan MacDonald Sr.
Roy Fulton Mann
Gerald Robert Walker
Walter Ralph Nevers Pollard
John Hebert Irving
David Albert Matthews

Carleton Union Lodge No. 8

Clifford Douglas Boyd
Harold St. Clair Cleghorn
Derick Roy Ross
Robinson Gray Fulton
James Campbell
James Arthuer Nice

Union Lodge of Portland No. 10

Leo Bennett
Paul Roland Mawhinney
Kenneth Leslie Wood
Robert McArthur
James Watson

Woodstock Lodge No. 11

Charles William Connell
Arthur Graham Peabody
John Ferguson Minard
James ALEXander Montgomery
Ronald John Monteith

St. George Lodge No. 12

Arthur Willard Hughes
Douglas Alexander Maxwell
Abner Lewis Justason
Rupert Ward English
Lloyd George Leland

The Corinthian Lodge No. 13

John Stuart Brown
Charles Wesley Burns
Allan Noble MacGowan
Frederick William Rafferty
William Reginald Wilce
Ralph Haddon Hill
Cyril Beverly Sherwood

Howard Lodge No. 15

Leonard Robert Hawkes

Lodge St. Andrew No. 16

Lewis Raymond Cail
Allan Kapner

Northumberland Lodge No. 17

Norman Frederick McIvor
Ephraim Leonard Stymiest
Ralph Havelock Gilks
Murdoch Stewart MacKenzie
John Richard Fogan
Hilton Andrew Laventure
Willis Nicholson Taylor
Henry Sterling Burchill

Miramichi Lodge No. 18

Thomas Henry William Elliot
Winston James Johnston
Duncan Charles Morrison
Ephraim Leonard Stymiest
Howard Newton Parks

Salisbury Lodge No. 20

Alfred Robinson Marshall
Gerald Walter Tait
Ernest Robert Wood

Zion Lodge No. 21

Harvey Murray
Walter Clarence White
Ralph Richard Willis
Myles Duncan Chown Sr.
John Rankin

New Brunswick Lodge No. 22

James Henry Stewart
Harold Peer
Keith Royce Beyea
Cecil William John Mitchell
Charles Murray Dobbin
Harold Matthew Humphrey

Keith Lodge No. 23

Richard Cregan
Phillip Browning Howlett
Russell Fredericik
MacCharles
Ronald Beattie MacDonald
Donald Morrison Richards
Robert Luther Williston

Zetland Lodge No. 24

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George Raymond Wilson

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Carl Walker Griffiths
Ralph Frederick Taylor
Roy Glendon Smith
Allen Charles Campbell
David Duncan Giberson
Douglas Hazen Monteith
Robert William White
George L. Mason
Ian Allison Clark
Maxwell Gaines Davis
Berton Paul Moore
Richard Clarence Smith

Campbellton Lodge No. 32

Karl Patrick
Stillman Thompson Firth
Gerald James Mann
Joseph Ernest Stokes
Murdoch Stewart MacKenzie
Raymond Douglas
Sherwood
James Thomas Lewis Brown
Hilbert Harry Fearon

Alexandria Lodge No. 33

Ralph Reid Bailey
Robin Ralph Bird
James Douglas Pickard
Earl Lawrence Somerville
Fred Jaffrey MacKay
Alfred Morris Perley
David Harvard Slipp
Paul Randall Wade
Angus Stewart McLellan

Albert Lodge No. 34

Donald Howard Stevens
Ottie Benjamin Weir
Elvin John Woodworth
George Curtice Robinson

Carleton Lodge No. 35

Donald William Lyon
Frank Frederick Pearson
Russell Craig Crawford
James Henry Oakes
John William Kenyon

Ashlar Lodge No. 36

Donald Smith Mersereau

Tweedie Lodge No. 41

Russell Clifford Dysart
John Edgar Pinney
Robert Darrall Hargrove
Cecil Arthur Roney
Robert Roy O'Brien
George William Tremble
Edgar Wood Mitton
Douglas Gordon Moore
Karl Bezanson Crandall
William Henry McKay

Sunbury Lodge No. 42

Ronald Leslie Dewitt

Westmorland Lodge No. 44

Morton Stephen Herrett
Neil R. MacKay
Edward Ernest Smallwood
Gerald Glyn Urquhart

Fownes Lodge No. 45

Jacob Blois Corey
George Curtice Robinson

Hartland Lodge No. 46

Carl Almond Rigby
Sidney Weinman

Grand Lake Lodge No. 47

Kenneth Porter Darrah
Thomas Lovett Fulton
Willard James Morrison

Tobique Lodge No. 48

Keith Mathew Briggs
Thorvald Hans Neilson

Acacia Lodge No. 49

Arthur Bliss Grear
Harry James Livingston
Joseph Ralph Wood
Donald William Edgecombe
Edward Merrit Lloyd Smith
Cecil Joseph MacEachern
George Curtice Robinson

Cherry Mountain Lodge No. 50

Ronald Ernest Corey
John Cloney Thomas

Landmark Lodge No. 51

Eugene Allston Fowler

Coverdale Lodge No. 52

Harry Kelly Janes
Harry James Livingston
Malcolm Noble MacLeod
Kenneth Maurice Ratcliff

Centennial Lodge No. 53

Robert Ross Calder
Mearl (Don) Mitchell

Abnaki Lodge No. 55

Herbert William Eaton
Willard Chaffer McNeil

ROLL OF

| No. | Name of Lodge | Location | Meetings |
|-----|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Albion | Saint John | Third Wednesday (Except July & Aug.) |
| 2. | Saint John's | Saint John | First Tuesday |
| 3. | Hibernia | Saint John | Second Tuesday |
| 4. | Sussex | Dorchester | Third Wednesday |
| 5. | Saint Mark's | St. Andrews | First Thursday |
| 6. | Hiram | Fredericton | First Thursday |
| 7. | Sussex | St. Stephen | First Tuesday |
| 8. | Carleton Union | Saint John West | First Thursday |
| 10. | Union Lodge of Portland | Saint John | Third Tuesday |
| 11. | Woodstock | Woodstock | First Thursday |
| 12. | St. George | St. George | First Wednesday |
| 13. | The Corinthian | Hampton | Second Wednesday |
| 14. | Alley | Upper Mills | First Thursday |
| 15. | Howard | Hillsboro | First Tuesday |
| 16. | St. Andrew | Rexton | Second Monday |
| 17. | Northumberland | Newcastle | Second Tuesday |
| 18. | Miramichi | Chatham | Third Monday |
| 20. | Salisbury | Salisbury | First Friday |
| 21. | Zion | Sussex | First Monday |
| 22. | The New Brunswick | Saint John | Second Thursday |
| 23. | Keith | Moncton | Third Friday |
| 24. | Zetland | Shediac | Second Thursday |
| 25. | Restigouche | Dalhousie | First Tuesday |
| 26. | Victoria | St. Stephen | Second Thursday |
| 27. | Lodge Saint John | Bathurst | Second Monday |
| 28. | Lebanon | Sackville | Third Thursday |
| 30. | St. Martins | St. Martin's | Fourth Monday |
| 31. | Benjamin | Andover | First Thursday |
| 32. | Campbellton | Campbellton | First Monday |
| 33. | Alexandria | Fredericton | First Monday |
| 34. | Albert | Albert | First Wednesday |
| 35. | Carleton | East Florenceville | Second Thursday |
| 36. | Ashlar | McAdam | Third Thursday |
| 37. | Steven | Petitcodiac | Second Tuesday |
| 38. | Mananook | Grand Manan | First Tuesday |
| 39. | Colebrooke | Grand Falls | Second Wednesday |
| 40. | Bethel | Edmundston | |
| 41. | Tweedie | Moncton | Third Tuesday |
| 42. | Sunbury | Fredericton Jct. | First Saturday |
| 44. | Westmorland | Port Elgin | Second Wednesday |
| 45. | Fownes | Havelock | Fourth Friday |
| 46. | Hartland | Hartland | First Wednesday |
| 47. | Grand Lake | Minto | Second Wednesday |
| 48. | Tobique | Plaster Rock | Third Thursday |
| 49. | Acacia | Moncton | Fourth Monday |
| 50. | Cherry Mountain | Harvey Station | Second Thursday |
| 51. | Landmark | Boiestown | Third Tuesday |
| 52. | Coverdale | Riverview | First Monday |
| 53. | Centennial | Oromocto | Second Monday |
| 54. | Granite | Temperance Vale | Third Wednesday |
| 55. | Abnaki | Lambertville | Third Wednesday |
| 56. | Sunset | Campobello | Fourth Tuesday THURSDAY |

LODGES

| No. | Name of Worshipful Master | Name and Address of Secretary |
|-----|---------------------------|--|
| 1. | Robert B. Manzer | Sturat J. MacDonald, 6 Kent St., Rothesay, NB, E2E 3L6 |
| 2. | Joseph D. Koty | Fred H. Dean, P.O. Box 6521, Sta. A, Saint John, N.B. E2L 4R9 |
| 3. | Gary E. Bard | John Johnston, Captain's House, Gen.; Del. Pocologan, NB, E0G 2S0 |
| 4. | Carl E. Kingston | Kenneth D. Trueman, P.O. Box 46, Dorchester, N.B. E0A 1M0 |
| 5. | Robert M. Flewelling | Peter H. Mitchell, P.O. Box 148, St. Andrews, N.B. E0G 2X0 |
| 6. | Joel F. MacDonald | David W. Gilrie, 15 Cambridge Cres., Fredericton, N.B. E3B 4N8 |
| 7. | Donald A. Price | Rev. E. E. Caldwell, 5 Maplewood Crt., St. Stephen, N.B. E3L 2V3 |
| 8. | LeRoy Hoffman | Earl B. Campbell, Box 27029, Saint John, N.B., E2M 5S8 |
| 10. | Andrew S. Allan | Ches. R. Piercey, 660 Greystone Terr., Saint John, N.B. E2M 3S7 |
| 11. | Timothy B. Kirkpatrick | R. E. McLellan, P.O. Box 427, Woodstock, N.B. E0J 2B0 |
| 12. | William Craig | Fred R. Hatt, P.O. Box 587, St. Andrews, N.B. E0G 2X0 |
| 13. | J. Millard Ganong | Paul J. Leger, PO Box 368, Hampton, N.B., E0G 1Z0 |
| 14. | Earl McCray | D. McLaughlin, 54 Queen St W., St. Stephen, N.B., E3L 2K4 |
| 15. | Tom S. Miller | William T. Holmden, RR2, Moncton, N.B. E1C 8G6 |
| 16. | David J. Mundie | Douglas A. Wood, 13 Hazelton Ave., Moncton, N.B. E1A 4J5 |
| 17. | William Sawyer | R. J. Wallace, 688 King George Hwy, Newcastle, N.B. E1V 1P3 |
| 18. | John H. MacDonald | John W. Baldwin, R.R.2, Chatham, N.B. E1N 3A2 |
| 20. | David Nichol | Ray Jones, Box 3, Site 3, R.R.2 Salsbury, N.B. E0A 3E0 |
| 21. | Lloyd G. Patterson | Donald Stiles, P.O. Box 2028, Sussex, N.B. E0E 1P0 |
| 22. | Ralph E. Hatfield | B. A. Roberts, 516 Lewin Park, Saint John, N.B. E2M 2M7 |
| 23. | William E. Doherty | R.A. Dutcher, 102 Hedgewood Dr., Moncton, N.B. E1E 2W5 |
| 24. | Everett Khun | Ellwood Bateman, PO Box 425, R.R.1, Scoudouc, N.B. E0A1N0 |
| 25. | Gregory C. Good | Albert P. MacLean, P.O. Box 121, Charlo, N.B. E3L 2X8 |
| 26. | Steven C. Backman | Philip C. McKay, RR&, St. Stephen, N.B. E3L 2X8 |
| 27. | John Robertson | Robert C. Edwards, Box 27, Site 10, R.R. 7, Bathurst, N.B. E2A 4P6 |
| 28. | Sherman D. Estabrooks | Alvin L. Landsburg, Box 1046, Sackville, N.B. E0A 3C0 |
| 30. | Kevin Gillrie | Bertram S. Miller, St. Martins, N.B. E0G 2Z0 |
| 31. | Clarence E. Stacey | G. H. Brooks, P.O. Box 713, Perth-Andover, N.B. E0J 1V0 |
| 32. | Wallace H. McCully | E. James Davis, 20 Athol St., Campbellton, N.B. E3N 1Y5 |
| 33. | James D. Vaughn | Glenn C. Scott, 113 Melvin St., Fredericton, N.B. E3A 2M0 |
| 34. | Robert K. Kierstead | M.G. Swetnam, S13, C16, RR1, Hillsboro, N.B. E0A 1X0 |
| 35. | Wilnot M. Tompkins | J. W. Morton, RR#3, Bath, N.B., E0J 1E0 |
| 36. | Darrell B. Murray | J. C. McCracken, Box 421, McAdam, N.B. E0H 1K0 |
| 37. | D. Tait Taylor | M. G. Swetnam, S. 13, C. 16, R.R.1, Hillsborough, N.B. E0A 1X0 |
| 38. | Lloyd Green | Brock Daggett, Grand Harbour, Grand Manan E0G 1X0 |
| 39. | R. Wayne Hitchcock | Gavin Johnston, P.O. Box 366, Grand Falls, N.B. E3Z 1B8 |
| 40. | | |
| 41. | Harry G. Burlock | J. A. Buchanan, 110 McKay Ave., Moncton, N.B., E1A 3N4 |
| 42. | John S. Lawther | Philip E. Nason, Fredericton Junction, N.B. E0G 1T0 |
| 44. | Colin Allenr | Daniel Allen, Box 228, Port Elgin, N.B. E0A 2K0 |
| 45. | Boyce Ward | Gerald A. Tingley, Box 55, Havelock, N.B. E0A 1W0 |
| 46. | Harold S. Boomer | J. Sherman Hannah, P.O. Box 275, Woodstock, N.B. E0J 2B0 |
| 47. | Allan H. Bishop | Elderic Thorne, P.O. Box 383, Minto, N.B. E0E 1J0 |
| 48. | Blanchard C. McDougall | M. V. Miller, R.R.1, Plaster Rock, N.B. E0J 1W0 |
| 49. | John W. M. Miller | Paul G. MacQuarrie, R.R. #8, Moncton, N.B. E1C 8K2 |
| 50. | Gerald R. Dorcas | Larry Brown, frog Lake Rd., Harvey Station, N.B. E0H 1H0 |
| 51. | Tony F. Munn | Harry L. Pond, Box 58, Boiestown, N.B. E0H 1A0 |
| 52. | Gilbert R. Meredith | Ronald Caines, 369 McAllister Rd., Riverview, N.B. E1B 1T9 |
| 53. | Raymond Wasson | JRB Henstridge, RR1, Oromocto, N.B. E2V 2G2 |
| 54. | William T. MacLean | William B. Rae, Dumfries, N.B. E0H 1S0 |
| 55. | Allison R. Pendleton | Percy Stuart, Lord's Cove, Grand Manan, N.B. E0G 2J0 |
| 56. | Sheldon Elliot | Blair W. Tinker, Wilson's Beach, Campobello, N.B., E0G 2L0 |

In Memoriam
to
The Honoured Dead
of
Sister Grand Jurisdictions
1996 – 1997

In Memory of Past Senior Grand
Lodge Officers

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1996-1997

RUSSELL FREDERICK MACCHARLES
Past District Deputy Grand Master
Died August 22, 1996

GEORGE RAYMOND WILSON
Past Junior Grand Warden
Grand Tyler, Grand Pursuivant and Grand Steward
Died November 2, 1996

ROBERT WILLIAM WHITE
Past District Deputy Grand Master District No. 4
Died July 22, 1996

GEORGE CURTICE ROBINSON
Past Deputy Grand Master
Died June 30, 1996

HARRY JAMES LIVINGSTON
Past Junior Grand Warden
Died May 26, 1996

**In Memory of Past
Masters**

1996-1997

Joseph Elbridge Rowley
Hibernia Lodge No. 3
Died September 2, 1996

George Marven Smith
Sussex Lodge No. 4
Died April 28, 1996

Gerald Arthur Tower
Sussex Lodge No. 4
Died August 27, 1996

Hector Cunliffe Burgess
Saint Mark's Lodge No. 5
Died October 2, 1996

Robin Long Kilburn
Hiram Lodge No. 6
Died January 25, 1996

Robert McArthur
Union Lodge of Portland No. 10
Died October 29, 1996

Arthur Graham Peabody
Woodstock Lodge No. 11
Died January 15, 1996

**In Memory of Past
Masters**

1996-1997

Abner Lewis Justason
St. George Lodge No. 12
Died November 16, 1996

Rupert Ward English
St. George Lodge No. 12
Died February 7, 1996

John Stuart Brown
The Corinthian Lodge No. 13
Died August 5, 1996

Allan Noble MacGowan
The Corinthian Lodge No. 13
Died April 12, 1996

Leonard Robert Hawkes
Howard Lodge No. 15
Died November 20, 1996

Hilton Andrew Laventure
Northumberland Lodge No. 17
Died August 10, 1996

Henry Sterling Burchill
Northumberland Lodge No. 17
Died January 16, 1996

*In Memory of Past
Masters*

1996-1997

Harold Peer
The New Brunswick Lodge No. 22
Died October 5, 1996

Keith Royce Beyea
The New Brunswick Lodge No. 22
Died October 17, 1996

Harold Matthew Humphrey
The New Brunswick Lodge No. 22
Died December 28, 1996

Russell Frederick MacCharles
Keith Lodge No. 23
Died August 22, 1996

Hilton Andrew Laventure
Zetland Lodge No. 24
Died August 10, 1996

Keays Ronald MacNeill
Restigouche Lodge No. 25
Died March 30, 1996

Eugene Simpson Spence
Lodge St. John No. 27
Died September 24, 1996

*In Memory of Past
Masters*

1996-1997

Willis Nicholson Taylor
Lodge St. John No. 27
Died October 2, 1996

Norman Edward Rees-Potter
Lebanon Lodge No. 28
Died May 11, 1996

Gerald Arthur Tower
Lebanon Lodge No. 28
Died August 27, 1996

William Stanley Crawford
Lebanon Lodge No. 28
Died October 28, 1996

George Raymond Wilson
St. Martins Lodge No. 30
Died November 2, 1996

David Duncan Giberson
Benjamin Lodge No. 31
Died July 27, 1996

Douglas Hazen Monteith
Benjamin Lodge No. 31
Died July 26, 1996

**In Memory of Past
Masters**

1996-1997

Robert William White
Benjamin Lodge No. 31
Died July 22, 1996

Raymond Douglas Sherwood
Campbellton Lodge No. 32
Died November 6, 1996

James Thomas Lewis Brown
Campbellton Lodge No. 32
Died October 21, 1996

Alfred Morris Perley
Alexandria Lodge No. 33
Died May 14, 1996

Donald Howard Stevens
Albert Lodge No. 34
Died December 22, 1996

Elvin John Woodworth
Albert Lodge No. 34
Died November 20, 1996

Russell Clifford Dysart
Tweedie Lodge No. 41
Died August 17, 1996

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George William Tremble
Tweedie Lodge No. 41
Died February 26, 1996

Edwin Ernest Smallwood
Westmorland Lodge No. 44
Died February 13, 1996

George Curtice Robinson
Fownes Lodge No. 45
Died June 30, 1996

Harry James Livingston
Acacia Lodge No. 49
Died May 26, 1996

George Curtice Robinson
Acacia Lodge No. 49
Died June 30, 1996

John Cloney Thomas
Cherry Mountain Lodge No. 50
Died August 9, 1996

Eugene Allston Fowler
Landmark Lodge No. 51
Died May 28, 1996

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1996-1997

Harry James Livingston
Coverdale Lodge No. 52
Died May 26, 1996

Kenneth Maurice Ratcliff
Coverdale Lodge No. 52
Died August 18, 1996