

Grand York Rite Bodies of Montana

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons
Established June 25, 1891

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons
Established March 29, 1910

Grand Commandery of KT
Established May 14, 1888

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MONTHLY BULLETIN for DECEMBER 2018

To all officers and members of Montana York Rite Bodies. Herein is the listing of the activities as reported by the various York Rite Bodies for the month of December 2018. Please read at your next meeting and place on file.

PASSINGS

None.

MEGHP / MIGM / REGC

Below is the contact information for the three heads of the three Montana Grand York Rite Bodies. If you would like to have one, two or all three to visit your York Rite Body, Install your officers, etc., you must contact them directly.

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GRAND YORK RITE RAFFLE

Please do not forget about the raffle tickets for the ¼ beef that were sent out to each York Rite Body... they represent a fundraiser for our Youth Groups and the three (3) York Rite Charities. Tickets are \$10.00 each or 6 for \$50.00. Lets's make the generous donation by MEGHP Guy Maberry a profitable one for our Youth Groups / Charities...

ROYAL ARCH MASONS RITUAL

The electronic copy of the RAM Ritual work has been corrected and sent to a publisher in the Bozeman / Belgrade area. PIGM / PGM MWB Don Cerovski worked on the conversion of said file and has forwarded such on to his publisher. We should have ritual books available in the near future. We will be reviewing the ritual getting it ready for print very soon...

RARA / CMMRF / KTEF

Just a push / reminder about the three (3) York Rite Charities... your support of all three charities is needed and appreciated. If you would like to make a donation to one, or all three; please find the forms by following the links or yorkrite.org. You do NOT need to send in to the Grand York Rite office... just send your donation directly to the charity... they keep track of all donations... and will send you a receipt...

SECRETARIES / RECORDERS

IMPORTANT!: To all Secretaries / Recorders... I am in need of any and all information for your new Companions / Sir Knights, to include: Date of Birth, Full Name, Address, Phone Number, Wife / Spouses Name, which Chapter / Council / Commandery, etc. and the DATES of their Exaltation / Greeting and Knighting. Please send any information regarding such to me in a timely manner... do not wait until the end of the year, etc.

DIRECTORY

The directory for 2018 – 2019 has been published and mailed out to all Secretaries / Recorders as well as all Grand line officers and Past Grand Officers. If there is any issue with such, or if any entry is misspelled / incorrect, etc. please understand, it was not intentional... please send me any and all corrections necessary to my email: recathel-owp@msn.com. I will make said corrections to my template, and send said correction out via email.

2017 – 2018 ANNUAL PROCEEDINGS

The 2017 – 2018 Annual Proceedings will be out in the mail next couple of weeks. (A hard copy will be mailed to all Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, and Secretaries / Recorders. An email copy will be sent out to all that I have email addresses.) This means that there will not be a bunch of copies available at the next York Rite Grand Sessions... (maybe a few... but not a bunch...)

GRAND ENCAMPMENT DATABASE (YRIS)

The Grand Encampment Database (YRIS) now includes information for Chapter and Council. Robert Bigley and Marci Martinez have worked very diligently to import the data from the Grand Chapter / Grand Council of Montana. There will some incomplete / incorrect data... we will have to work on correcting said data. I have requested access to all Secretaries / Recorders throughout the State. However, you must request to have access granted. Additionally, you must send to me any and all changes as made to the YRIS database so that I may continue updating the database which remains in State.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Dear secretaries all... If you are going to purchase a life membership for any Comp. / SK... please write our one check; made payable to **Stifel**... and send me a note denoting who the life membership is for, how much for each body, etc. [(Example) I.e.: one check # 1234, amount: \$300.00, for PLM for Comp. / SK John Doe; \$87.50 for RAM, \$62.50 for CM and \$150.00 for KT.] Thank you.

CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE / MESSAGES

The Christmas messages (to use for your Christmas Observance...) as received from the Grand Encampment, REGC John Metcalf and Grand Prelate Clint Crites are attached to this bulletin. (This will include messages from the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Prelate of Montana, and the Most Eminent Grand Master and Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment) Please print them out for your use... Please remember, the Christmas Observance is a MANDATORY observance as noted by the Grand Encampment... however, there is no prescribed forum for such... it does not have to be an overly indulgent, nor fancy affair. A simple gathering of Sir Knights to read the messages and perform the toasts is all that is required... I have also included a sample program for your observance...

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 8th, 2018: Lewistown York Rite Bodies - Council Degrees Festival (to start about 12:00 p.m.)

December 13th, 2018: Great Falls York Rite Bodies – Christmas Observance 6:30 p.m.

December 15th, 2018: Hamilton / Missoula York Rite Bodies – Christmas Observance @ 10:30 a.m. (Invitation attached). Council Degrees Festival to begin after lunch...

March 23rd, 2019: Grand Council / Great Falls York Rite Bodies – Council Degrees Festival (To include Super Excellent Master Degree) (Degree attached – via email only...)

Remember, if you have any events that you would like broadcast York Rite – wide... I need to know about them... send me an email to let me know.....

**We want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year!**

**Sincerely,
Roger, Shannon and Hannah Cathel**

Fraternally Submitted,
Roger E. Cathel, GS/R

