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Of
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Charles Albert Lewis Jr.
Grand Master 2003

Charles A. Lewis Jr.

Charles Albert Lewis Jr. was born on July 14, 1937 in Port Washington, New York, the eldest of four children, to Charles A. and Marie A. Lewis. He completed his public school education in the Port Washington Schools, graduating from Paul D. Schreiber High School in 1955. He received his B.S. degree from the State University Maritime College at Fort Schuyler, New York, in 1959, at which time he was commissioned an Ensign, USNR and licensed as a third deck officer in the US Merchant Marine. In 1962 he received the M.S. degree in Education from Hofstra University; in 1966 he received the M.A. degree from C.W. Post College; in 1968 he received the Ph. D. degree in Education from New York University. From 1959 to 1966 he served as a deck officer on vessels operated by the Military Sea Transportation Service, Lykes Steamship Co., and American Export Isbrandtsen Lines. He retired from the Naval Reserve as an LT.

Following nearly twenty years of service in the public schools and the State University of New York as a faculty member, he relocated in 1982 to Wilmington, North Carolina, as department chair of the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation at The University of North Carolina at Wilmington. He is currently a senior professor and program coordinator in that department. A published author of several books, numerous articles, and professional conference program presenter, Lewis is past president of the American Association for Leisure and Recreation and several state and regional organizations, including president of the Cape Fear Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa.

Lewis was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Port Washington Lodge No. 1010 by his father, Charles Lewis. Since 1962 he has been active in the York Rite, having served as High Priest, Commander, and Illustrious Master of Hooper Chapter (NY), Plantagenet Commandery (NC), and Munson Council (NC). He has been grand lecturer of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of North Carolina and in 1995-96 served as most excellent grand high priest. He is the recipient of the Order of the Purple Cross and the Grand Chapter Service Medal (NC). He has received the KYCH recognition, Knight York Cross of Honor.

In the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Lewis has been a member of both Northern and Southern Jurisdictions. He is currently a line officer in all four bodies of the Wilmington Consistory, class lecturer, bulletin editor, and Advisory Conference member. He has received the rank of KCCH, Knight Commander of the Court of Honor.

In the symbolic lodge Lewis has been a certified lecturer in North Carolina for ten years, a secretary of the original Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Research and Development, member and chairman of the Grand Lodge Youth Committee, and currently, a member of the Board of Custodians of Grand Lodge. His blue lodge membership is in St. John's Lodge No. 1 in Wilmington, where he is past master (1979) through the continuous membership plan.

In the appendant bodies Lewis is past governor of Joseph Monfort York Rite College No. 82, past excellent chief of Shamrock, Thistle and Rose Council No. 2 Knight Masons, sovereign master of Joseph Monfort Council No. 103 of the Allied Masonic Degrees, past president of Camp LeJeune Chapter No. 329, National Sojourners, and member, Tun Tavern Heroes, a past commander of the DeMolay Legion of Honor Preceptory of NC, an honorary member of the Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay, a member of the North Carolina Societas Rosicruciana in Civitabus Foederatis, a member of the Royal Order of Scotland, a member of the Holy Royal Arch Templar Knight Priests, and a member of the St. Titus Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine.

Lewis is very active in the Boy Scouts of America. He is a Wood Badge Scoutmaster, Camping Promotion chairman of the Cape Fear Council, a vigil member of the Order of The Arrow, and a recipient of the Silver Beaver recognition.

Charles A. Lewis Jr. and Helga M. Gunkel were married on November 17, 1962 and are the proud parents of Dr. Kristin Lewis, M.D. a graduate of Wake Forest University and the Bowman Gray School of Medicine and Heidi Lewis Williams, a graduate of Wake Forest University; the Lewises are also most proud of Heidi's husband and their son-in-law, Mark Williams, also a Wake Forest graduate. The Williamses reside in Ft. Worth, Texas, and Kristin resides in Atlanta, Georgia.

Charles and Helga make their home in Wilmington. They are members of the Little Chapel on the Boardwalk where Helga is a member of the choir and a bell ringer; Charles is currently an elder.

Past Grand Masters

A list of the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina from 1787 to 2000 inclusive, and dates when elected.

Samuel Johnston	1787	Samuel M. Gattis	1908, '09
Richard Caswell	1788	Richard N. Hackett	1910, '11
Samuel Johnston	1789, '90, '91	W. B. McKoy	1912
Wm. R. Davie	1792, '93, '94, '95	F. M. Winchester	1913
	'96, '97, '98	John T. Alderman	1914
William Polk	1799, 1800, '01	F. P. Hobgood Jr.	1915
John L. Taylor.....	1802, '03, '04	A. B. Andrews Jr	1916
John Hall	1805, '06, '07	Claude L. Pridden	1917
Benjamin Smith	1808, '09, '10	George S. Norfleet	1918
Robert Williams	1811, '12, '13	Henry A. Grady	1919
John L. Taylor.....	1814, '15, '16	James C. Braswell	1920
Calvin Jones	1817, '18, '19	J. Bailey Owen	1921
John A. Cameron.....	1820, '21	James H. Webb.....	1922
James S. Smith	1822	Hubert McN. Poteat.....	1923
Robert Strange	1823, '24	James LeG. Everett	1924
H. G. Burton	1825, '26	Leon Cash.....	1925
L. D. Wilson	1827, '28, '29	John E. Cameron	1926
R. D. Spaight Jr.	1830, '31	John H. Anderson.....	1927
S. J. Baker	1832	Raymond C. Dunn	1928
S. F. Patterson	1833, '34	John J. Phoenix	1929
L. H. Marsteller.....	1835, '36	E. W. Timberlake Jr.	1930
D. W. Stone	1837, '38, '39	J. W. Winborne	1931
S. J. Baker	1840	H. C. Alexander	1932
D. L. Crenshaw	1841	P. T. Wilson	1933
J. H. Wheeler.....	1842, '43	R. F. Ebbs	1934
P. W. Fanning	1844, '45, '46	Charles B. Newcomb	1935
W. F. Collins	1847, '48, '49	J. Giles Hudson	1936
A. J. Jenkins	1850, '51, '52	Watson N. Sherrod	1937
Clement H. Jordan	1853, '54	Harry T. Patterson	1938
P. A. Holt	1855, '56	J. Edward Allen	1939
Alfred Martin.....	1857, '58	Thomas J. Harkins	1940
Lewis S. Williams	1859, '60	Charles P. Eldridge	1941
W. G. Hill	1861	James E. Shipman	1942
E. F. Watson	1862, '63	James W. Payne	1943
John McCormick	1864	Julius C. Hobbs	1944
E. G. Reade	1865, '66	Clyde H. Jarrett	1945
R. W. Best	1867	William J. Bundy	1946
Robert B. Vance.....	1868, '69	Luther T. Hartsell Jr.	1947
Charles C. Clark	1870, '71	Maxwell E. Hoffman	1948
John Nichols	1872, '73	Wilkins P. Horton	1949
George W. Blount	1874, '75	Wallace E. Caldwell	1950
Horace H. Munson	1867, '77	Herbert M. Foy.....	1951
William R. Cox.....	1878, '79	William H. White	1952
Henry F. Grainger	1880, '81	Edwin T. Howard	1953
Robert Bingham	1882, '83, '84	Robert L. Pugh	1954
Fabius H. Busbee	1885, '86	Charles H. Pugh.....	1955
C. H. Robinson.....	1887, '88	John C. Vance.....	1956
Samuel H. Smith.....	1889, '90	Charles A. Harris.....	1957
Hezekiah A. Gudger	1891, '92	James G. Johnston.....	1958
John W. Cotten	1893, '94	W. Eli Hand	1959
Frances M. Moye.....	1895, '96	Harvey W. Smith	1960
Walter E. Moore	1897, '98	James W. Brewer	1961
Richard J. Noble.....	1899	Charles C. Ricker	1962
B. S. Royster	1900, '01	W. Edward Burrier.....	1963
H. I. Clark	1902, '03	G. Dudley Humphrey.....	1964
W. S. Liddell	1904, '05	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	1965
Francis D. Winston	1906, '07	Arnold J. Koonce	1966

Past Grand Masters (Continued)

Alfred A. Kafer Jr.	1967	Norburn C. Hyatt.....	1985
Robert N. Bass Jr.	1968	Walter F. McCall	1986
William A. Hooks	1969	Eddie P. Stiles	1987
Maurice E. Walsh	1970	Lee Roy Thomas Jr.	1988
William W. Mims Jr.	1971	Jerry G. Tart.....	1989
Berl M. Kahn	1972	Bunn T. Phillips Jr.	1990
Nathaniel C. Dean	1973	Lester Poindexter Martin Jr....	1991
William L. Mills Jr.	1974	Ray Norris	1992
S. Frank Noble Jr.	1975	Richard G. Moore	1993
Leslie H. Garner.....	1976	William Bailey Brunk	1994
J. Earl Watson	1977	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	1995
Jacob C. Goodman Jr.	1978	William H. Simpson.....	1996
William B. Bellois	1979	Gerry T. Smith	1997
E. Stansil Aldridge.....	1980	Thomas W. Gregory	1998
Nelson B. Banks.....	1981	Charles M. Ingram.....	1999
A. C. Honeycutt	1982	Charles E. Cathey	2000
Cecil J. Liverman	1983	William G. Mathis	2001
I. Boyd Hopkins	1984	Jerry R. Tillett	2002

**Officers of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina
Through the Annual Communication of 2003**

Elected Officers

Charles A. Lewis Jr. (1)	Grand Master
Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. (109)	Deputy Grand Master
Graham W. Pervier (707)	Senior Grand Warden
Gene T. Jernigan (206)	Junior Grand Warden
Clifton W. Everett Jr., PGM (708)	Grand Treasurer
T. Walton Clapp III (237)	Grand Secretary

Appointed Officers

W. Berry Rigdon (472)	Senior Grand Deacon
David R. Cash (374)	Junior Grand Deacon
Dan C. Rice (409)	Grand Marshal
William L. Dill (3)	Grand Steward
Lewis R. Ledford (27)	Grand Steward
Robert W. Powell (395).	Grand Tyler
James B. Sullivan (1)	Grand Chaplain
Randy L. Flack (491)	Grand Chaplain
Michael W. Brantley (500)	Grand Historian
Ralph V. Shipton (1)	Grand Lecturer
Wilbur Lee Johnston Jr. (1)	Grand Orator
Jimmie B. Hicks Jr. (3)	Judge Advocate

Past Grand Officers

Sam A. Hennis Jr. (322)	Grand Master 1965
S. Frank Noble Jr. (3)	Grand Master 1975
Leslie H. Garner (708)	Grand Master 1976
A. C. Honeycutt (40)	Grand Master 1982
Norburn C. Hyatt (118)	Grand Master 1985
Walter F. McCall (530)	Grand Master 1986
L. R. Thomas Jr. (724)	Grand Master 1988
Bunn T. Phillips Jr. (495)	Grand Master 1990
Lester P. Martin Jr. (134)	Grand Master 1991
Richard G. Moore (544)	Grand Master 1993
William B. Brunk (40)	Grand Master 1994
Clifton W. Everett Jr. (708)	Grand Master 1995
William H. Simpson (428)	Grand Master 1996
Gerry T. Smith (741)	Grand Master 1997
Thomas W. Gregory (27)	Grand Master 1998
Charles M. Ingram (13)	Grand Master 1999
Charles E. Cathey (472)	Grand Master 2000
William G. Mathis (138)	Grand Master 2001
Jerry R. Tillett (521)	Grand Master 2002
William L. Mills III (32)	Deputy Grand Master 2000

Boards and Committees

Board of General Purposes

Charles L. Lewis Jr. (1), Grand Master
Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. (109), Deputy Grand Master
Graham W. Pervier (707), Senior Grand Warden
Gene T. Jernigan (206), Junior Grand Warden
Clifton W. Everett Jr. (708), Grand Treasurer
T. Walton Clapp III (237), Grand Secretary

2003 – Walter F. McCall, PGM (530)	2003 – Charles E. Cathey, PGM (472)
2004 – Jerry T. Dowdy (463)	2004 – Wayne R. Lambertson (53)
2005 – William G. Mathis, PGM (138)	2005 – Michael A. Norris (145)

Board of Custodians

Charles A. Lewis Jr. (1), Grand Master
Ralph V. Shipton (1), Grand Lecturer

2003 – John V. Evans (208)	2003 – Dalton W. Mayo (98), Chairman
2004 – H. Wayne Cox (328)	2004 – Robert D. Street (495)
2005 – Howard Kahn (680)	2005 – Kolen Flack (91)

Board of Trustees of Drewry Memorial Grand Secretary's Fund

Charles A. Lewis Jr. (1), Grand Master
Clifton W. Everett Jr. (708), Grand Treasurer
T. Walton Clapp III (237), Grand Secretary

Robert J. Downen (735)	Cameron E. Shearon (40)
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Board of Directors of The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Incorporated

2004 – Charles E. Scott (289), President

2003 – James G. Martin (31)	2005 – William Simpson
2006 – David B. Wilson (384)	2007 – William G. Mathis, PGM (138)

Board of Directors of The Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc.

Charles A. Lewis Jr. (1), Grand Master
Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. (109), Deputy Grand Master
Graham W. Pervier (707), Senior Grand Warden

2003 – Bryant D. Webster (650)	2003 – William L. Mills III (32)
2003 – Douglas L. Caudle (27)	2004 – Julian M. Pitts (75)
2004 – Moffitt W. Coats Jr. (106)	2004 – Mitchell L. Spruill Jr. (7)
2005 – Walter Jervie Babson (395)	2005 – Robert A. Schafer (743)
2005 – Corbett L. Quinn (279)	
Gene T. Jernigan (206), Observer	

**Board of Directors of
The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Inc.**

Charles A. Lewis Jr. (1), Grand Master
Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. (109), Deputy Grand Master
Graham W. Pervier (707), Senior Grand Warden

2003 – E. Earl Wells (98)	2003 – Dewey R. Preslar Jr. (576)
2003 – Lewis R. Ledford (27)	2004 – Larry S. Newell (317)
2004 – Dan C. Rice (409)	2004 – Roger L. Meadows (521)
2005 – James A. Wiley (3)	2005 – R. Thomas Dooley Jr. (738)
2005 – Thomas O. Eller (283)	
Gene T. Jernigan (206), Observer	

**Representative to the George Washington
Masonic National Memorial Association**

L. R. (Pete) Thomas Jr., PGM (724)

**Representative to the Masonic Service
Association of the United States**

L. R. (Pete) Thomas Jr., PGM (724)

Lodge Service Commission

2003 – Jerry L. Stapleford (568)

2004 – James F. Parker (170)	2005 – Ronald J. Bowers (99), Chairman
2006 – James M. Long (106)	2007 – Thomas R. Jackson Jr. (257)

Code Commission

2003 – Edwin L. Becton (704)

2004 – Gerald W. Ringler (736)	2005 – George F. Jones (395)
2006 – Cecil L. Winslow (106)	2007 – Louis O. Dean Jr. (8)

Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges

T. Walton Clapp III (237), Grand Secretary, Chairman

Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence

Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. (109), Deputy Grand Master
Graham W. Pervier (707), Senior Grand Warden
Gene T. Jernigan (206), Junior Grand Warden

2003 – Michael A. Norris (145)	2003 – James A. Weisel (32)
2003 – H. Lloyd Wilkerson (680)	2003 – William B. Brunk (40)
2004 – Lester P. Martin Jr., PGM (134)	2004 – Carlton F. Jackson (7)
2004 – Richard G. Moore, PGM (544)	2004 – Randall E. Holmes (521)
2005 – Walter F. McCall, PGM (530)	2005 – Jimmie B. Hicks Jr. (3)
2005 – Oscar W. Harbin Jr. (482)	2005 – C. Hylton Wright (322)

Committee on Finance

- 2004 – Robert E. Gresham Jr. (703), Chairman
Charles A. Lewis Jr. (1), Grand Master
Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. (109), Deputy Grand Master
Graham W. Pervier (707), Senior Grand Warden
- 2003 – James S. Loftin (40) 2003 – Edward A. Gaskins Jr. (319)
2003 – Thomas B. Gray Jr. (698) 2004 – David G. Cronk (743)
2004 – Daniel R. Bishop (708) 2005 – G. Sherman Brewington (314)
2005 – Joseph C. Knox Jr. (1) 2005 – G. Glenn Adams (515)

Committee on Appeals

- 2004 – Thomas D. Haigwood (284), Chairman
- 2003 – Carl James Weisel (32) 2005 – Charles M. Ingram (13)
2006 – Herbert T. Mullin Jr. (314) 2007 – R. Glenn Capps (679)

Committee on Masonic and Miscellaneous Ceremonies

- C. Speed Hallman (19), Chairman
- Don L. Tew (754) Ronald Don Ross Sortino (680)
G. Anderson Greene (319) Timothy M. Daniels (704)

Committee on Charter and Dispensations

- G. Frank Jones (395)
- Howard G. Hirt (727) Kermit C. Finchum (758)
Donald B. Street (40) Dennis L. Jackson (753)

Committee on Fraternal Correspondence

- Thomas W. Gregory Jr., PGM (27), Chairman

Committee on Charity

- Ronald D. Graves (138), Chairman

Committee on Credentials

- Norman C. Miller (754), Chairman
- George D. Greene (534) Donald A. Bennett (686)

Committee on Necrology

- Tommy Leon Jones (746), Chairman

Board of Publication

- 2007 – Eddie H. Moody Jr. (711), Chairman
- 2003 – Benjamin F. Smith Jr. (117) 2004 – Donald E. Bolden (409)
2005 – J. Carroll Simmons (289) 2006 – David E. Webb (724)

Committee on Permanent Building

- 2003 – Norman W. Karr Jr. (701)
- 2004 – E. John Elmore (721) 2005 – Kevin S. Walton (230)

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David R. Cash (374), JGD, Chairman
 Peter C. Eure (708) William W. Howell (594)
 Henry Walton Johnson (405) Mervin E. Hogg (1)

Committee on the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Inc.

W. Berry Rigdon (472), SGD, Chairman
 James R. Shingleton (405) Starkey S. Shaw (564)
 Johnny W. Davidson Jr. (343) Joseph J. Vale (590)

Accountant

David E. Scobie (40) CPA

Committee on Unfinished Business

Robert Snipes (1)

Grand Master's Committee on Youth Organizations

Frank E. Silber (735), Chairman
 Kevin C. Hall (198) Cleo Haase (1)
 Forrest R. Pugh (53) Calvin W. Gaddy (64)

Committee on Masonic Education

2004 – Daniel P. Weatherington (712), Chairman
 2003 – William B. Ball (405) 2003 – James E. Reddish (578)
 2003 – A. Gene Cobb Jr. (2) 2004 – Kris B. Hoffler (609)
 2004 – George G. Braddy (708) 2005 – A. Ed Lawing (217)
 2005 – Raymond B. Casey Jr. (112) 2005 – John U. Newman (353)

Commission on Subordinate Lodge Special Activities

2004 – Jerry O'Neal Combs (521), Chairman
 2003 – John M. Burchfield (663) 2005 – Job Richard Conner (646)

Committee on Masonic Public Relations

2003 – Richard A. Klein (261) 2004 – E. John Elmore (721)
 2005 – Mitchell S. Setzer (606) 2006 – Kevin D. Hardison (431)
 2007 – Augustus C. Everette (1)

Special Insurance Committee

Dolan Allen Surratt (404)
 John Otts Coan III (40)
 Eugene Beery Woodbury (1)

Grand Lodge Library Committee

Clifton W. Everett Jr., PGM (708)
 T. Walton Clapp III, Grand Secretary (237)
 Brian D. Edwards (521)
 J. Morton Jayson (670)
 Larry B. Thompson Jr. (127)

District Officers

District Deputy Grand Master	District	District Deputy Grand Lecturer
Donald Dale Kosik (317)	1	Mitchell Leroy Spruill (7)
Desmond Roderic Foster Jr. (698)	2	Hyler Wayne Cox (328)
Hal Gray Swindell Jr. (294)	3	George Arthur Sullivan (104)
Theodore Campbell Jr. (405)	4	William Noel Thacker (429)
Carl Russell Hunsicker (17)	5	Johnny Love Reynolds Jr. (418)
Peter Crawford Eure (708)	6	James Preston Wooten (132)
George Eden Herring (725)	7	Tony Randell Hawkins (81)
Gene Worth Todd (689)	8	Donald Broughton Street (40)
Donnie Hadley Liles (411)	9	James Daughtry Davis Jr. (525)
Oscar Dene Tyndall (304)	10	Donald David Joyner (4)
John Vaiden Matthews Jr. (664)	11	Dalton Wayne Mayo (98)
Evangelos John Fragos (395)	12	Edward Bryan Chadwick (319)
George Edwin Summers III (122)	13	John William Hudson (735)
Allan Baker Bonner Jr. (735)	14	Michael Wiley Brantley (500)
William Curtis Hare (231)	15	Walter Ray Highsmith Jr. (198)
James Douglas Galloway (92)	16	
Thomas Arnold Pope Jr. (730)	17	Billy Hoston Barefoot (679)
Homer Eugene Burroughs Jr. (563)	18	Robert Glenn Capps (679)
Ronald Maddox Johnson (210)	19	Herbert Currie Lyon (210)
Robert Anthony Smith (143)	20	Donald Alton Bennett (686)
Floyd Leroy Trimmer (181)	21	David Hubert Troxell (305)
Walter Frank Reid Jr. (136)	22	Carlis Junior Martin (136)
Carl Ray Hall (76)	23	Edd Ray Little Jr. (542)
Hal Worth Hodgkin (699)	24	Charles Ray Williams (699)
Richard Jackson Smith (493)	25	Dillard Wade Loflen (322)
John Wesley Boner (685)	26	Stewart Carroll Hodges (669)
Jimmy Laird Myers (265)	27	Royal Sanford Jarvis (214)
Robert Dennis Sims (576)	28	James Henry Carmichael (576)
Wayne Ray Rummage (637)	29	Douglas Spencer Moore (749)
Keith Bradley Rash (299)	30	Joseph Henry Brantley (374)
Steven Joseph Guidry (739)	31	Christopher Michael Owsiany (693)
Charles Leland Davidson (676)	32	Dennis Eugene Woolery (759)
Morgan Lester Bowers (483)	33	
Agusta Ed Lawing (217)	34	Wendell Morris Powell (670)
Steven Marvin Vincent (757)	35	Samuel Elliotte White (137)
Leonard Luther Lewis (713)	36	Michael Lee McGinnis (263)
Shelby Dean Branton (717)	37	Thomas Harvey Fleming (401)
Oscar Wilson Harbin, Jr. (482)	38	Charles Wayne Maxwell (381)
Johnny David Sutphin (561)	39	Michael Charles Meadows (491)
William Russell Howell (427)	40	John William Couch (387)
Joseph Herman Williams (529)	41	Robert Frederick Wolfersteig (301)

First Day Morning Session

At 10:00 A.M., Friday September 26, 2003, at the Adams Mark Hotel in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Robert J. Snipes, master of St. John’s Lodge No. 1, called the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina to order for the purpose of opening its 216th Annual Communication.

Presentation of Colors

The Tun Tavern Camp Heroes of ’76 of Camp Lejeune Chapter 329, National Sojourners, Jacksonville presented the colors.

The district deputy grand masters, district deputy grand lecturers, distinguished guests, past grand officers, and the Grand Lodge officers under escort of the grand marshal were received and conducted to their stations and places. There being a constitutional number of lodges represented, Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. opened the Grand Lodge in ample form.

Recognition of DDGMs and DDGLs

Grand Marshal Dan C. Rice introduced the district deputy grand masters and the district deputy grand lecturers of North Carolina as a body. Grand Master Lewis welcomed them and they were accorded private grand honors.

District Deputy Grand Masters Present

District	Name	Lodge
4	Theodore Campbell Jr.	405
5	Carl Russell Hunsicker	17
6	Peter Crawford Eure	708
7	George Eden Herring	725
8	Gene Worth Todd	689
10	Oscar Dene Tyndall	304
11	John Vaiden Matthews Jr.	664
12	Evangelos John Fragos	395
13	George Edwin Summers III.	122
14	Allan Baker Bonner Jr.	735
15	William Curtis Hare.	231
16	James Douglas Galloway.	92
17	Thomas Arnold Pope Jr.	730
18	Homer Eugene Burroughs Jr.	563
19	Ronald Maddox Johnson	210
20	Robert Anthony Smith	143
21	Floyd Leroy Trimmer	181
23	Carl Ray Hall	76
24	Hal Worth Hodgkin	699
25	Richard Jackson Smith	493
26	John Wesley Boner	685
29	Wayne Ray Rummage	637
30	Keith Bradley Rash	299
31	Steven Joseph Guidry	739

33	Morgan Lester Bowers	483
34	Agusta Ed Lawing	217
35	Steven Marvin Vincent	757
36	Leonard Luther Lewis	713
37	Shelby Dean Branton	717
38	Oscar Wilson Harbin Jr.	482
39	Johnny David Sutphin	561
40	William Russell Howell	427
41	Joseph Herman Williams	529

District Deputy Grand Lecturers Present

District	Name	Lodge
2	Hylar Wayne Cox	328
4	William Noel Thacker	429
7	Tony Randell Hawkins	81
9	James Daughtry Davis Jr.	525
11	Dalton Wayne Mayo	98
13	John William Hudson	735
14	Michael Wiley Brantley	500
15	Walter Ray Highsmith Jr.	198
20	Donald Alton Bennett	686
23	Edd Ray Little Jr.	542
24	Charles Ray Williams	699
27	Royal Sanford Jarvis	214
30	Joseph Henry Brantley	374
31	Christopher Michael Owsiany	693
32	Dennis Eugene Woolery	759
34	Wendell Morris Powell	670
35	Samuel Elliotte White	137
36	Michael Lee McGinnis	263
38	Charles Wayne Maxwell	381
40	John William Couch	387

Recognition of Distinguished Guests

The following distinguished guests were introduced by the grand marshal, welcomed by the grand master, and accorded private grand honors:

England: Secretary Alex Viner, Internet Lodge No. 9659

Georgia: Grand Master Bobby B. Simmons

Ohio: Grand Master Ronald L. Winnett

Rhode Island: Past Grand Master Joseph B. Brearley

Virginia: Grand Senior Warden John R. Quinley

West Virginia: Grand Master Harry F. Robinson

George Washington National Masonic Memorial:

Executive Secretary George D. Seghers

National Masonic Foundation for Children:

Executive Director W. Don Baugher, PGM

National Sojourners: President Andrew O. Drenkhahn

York Rite Sovereign College: Governor General David Hargett

General Grand Council Cryptic Masons:

General Grand Conductor of the Work Joseph J. Vale

Grand York Rite Bodies:

- Grand High Priest Danial M. Hogue
- Grand Council Grand Master Douglas L. Soltow
- Grand Commander M. Gene Lewellyn
- Grand Secretary-Recorder Robert A. Shafer

Scottish Rite:

Sovereign Grand Inspector General William B. Brunk, PGM

Shrine:

- Amran Potentate Charles E. "Buddy" Clemmons
- Oasis Chief Rabban Paul Hagerty Jr.
- Oasis Recorder W. Calvin Gaddy

Recognition of Past Grand Officers

The following past grand officers of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina were introduced by the grand marshal, welcomed by the grand master, and accorded private grand honors:

Sam A. Hennis Jr., PGM	1965
Leslie H. Garner, PGM	1976
A. C. Honeycutt, PGM	1982
Norburn C. Hyatt, PGM	1985
Walter F. McCall, PGM	1986
L. R. Thomas Jr., PGM	1988
Bunn T. Phillips Jr., PGM	1990
Lester P. Martin Jr., PGM	1991
Richard G. Moore, PGM	1993
William B. Brunk, PGM	1995
Clifton W. Everett, PGM	1996 (Voting as Grand Treasurer)
William H. Simpson, PGM	1997
Thomas W. Gregory, PGM	1999
Charles M. Ingram, PGM	2000
William G. Mathis, PGM	2001
Jerry R. Tillett, PGM	2002
William L. Mills III, PDGM	

Grand Lodge Officers Present

Charles A. Lewis Jr.	Grand Master
Leonard Y. Safrit Jr.	Deputy Grand Master
Graham W. Pervier	Senior Grand Warden
Gene T. Jernigan	Junior Grand Warden
Clifton W. Everett Jr.	Grand Treasurer
T. Walton Clapp	Grand Secretary
Berry Rigdon	Senior Grand Deacon
David R. Cash	Junior Grand Deacon
Dan C. Rice	Grand Marshal

William L. Dill	Grand Steward
Lewis R. Ledford	Grand Steward
Robert W. Powell	Grand Tyler
James B. Sullivan	Grand Chaplain
Randy L. Flack	Grand Chaplain

Members of Grand Lodge Committees Present

The following members of Grand Lodge committees, commissions, and boards registered to vote at Annual Communication:

Lodge	Committeeman
405	William Bernie Ball
704	Edwin Lee Becton Jr.
686	Donald Alton Bennett
374	David Ronald Cash
27	Douglas Lynn Caudle
8	Louis Overton Dean Jr.
463	Jerry Thomas Dowdy
735	Robert John Downen
1	Augustus Codington Everett Jr.
656	James G. Exum Jr.
91	Kolen Flack
319	Edward Augusta Gaskins Jr.
703	Robert Elvis Gresham Jr.
1	Cleo Haase
19	Charles Speed Hallman
431	Kevin Donald Hardison
521	Randell Eugene Holmes
198	Joseph Morton Jayson
395	George Franklin Jones
680	Howard Kahn
1	Joseph Clyde Knox Jr.
217	Agusta Ed Lawing
40	James Shepherd Lofton
31	James Grubbs Martin
98	Dalton Wayne Mayo
754	Norman C Miller Jr.
685	Eddie Hamilton Moody Jr.
145	Michael Anthony Norris
576	Dewey Ralph Preslar Jr.
736	Gerald Wilfred Ringler
289	Charles Eugene Scott
289	James Carroll Simmons
680	Ronald Don Ross Sortino
724	Jerry Lee Stapleford
40	Donald Broughton Street
590	Joseph John Vale
680	Herbert Lloyd Wilkerson

Representatives of Lodges Present

The following officers of the subordinate lodges registered to vote at Annual Communication. Present and voting as a proxy is denoted by †.

1 St. John's

M Robert J. Snipes
SW Cleo Haase
JW Joseph C. Knox Jr.

2 Royal White Hart

M John F. Mathison†
SW John F. Mathison†
JW John F. Mathison

3 St. John's

M Dale D. Davis
SW Zach H. Paul Jr.
JW Glenn N. Norman

4 St. John's

M Donald G. Green
SW Gerald D. Harrison
JW Donald G. Green†

5 Charity

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

7 Unanimity

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

8 Phoenix

M William D. Ivy Jr.
SW Paul H. Monroe Jr.
JW Brett L. Johnson

10 Johnston-Caswell

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

11 Caswell Brotherhood

M George Williamson
SW Ronald Markham
JW Michael G. Adkins

13 St. John's

M Edward L. Cloninger
SW Absent
JW Davis Brinson

17 American George

M Carl R. Hunsicker†
SW Carl R. Hunsicker†
JW Carl R. Hunsicker†

19 Eagle

M Speed Hallman†
SW Speed Hallman
JW Scott Tutor

27 Statesville

M Bobby J Stewart
SW Rick Farlee
JW Ron Smith

31 Phalanx

M Christopher W. Cox
SW Mark A. Rosen
JW John Harder†

32 Stokes

M James A. Brickey
SW James C. Davis
JW Dale G. Rodia

39 Davie

M Wilbert W. Blowe
SW Wilbert W. Blowe†
JW Wilbert W. Blowe†

40 Hiram

M Samuel E. Lee II
SW William J. Price Jr.
JW Bruce Muhlheim†

45 Liberty

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

53 Hall

M Steven Needham†
SW Steven Needham†
JW Steven Needham

58 Concord

M Charles E. Bartley
SW Carl Wayne Cross Jr.
JW Boyd Gardner

59 Perseverance

M Raymond D. Bennett
SW Absent
JW Absent

64 Kilwinning

M Chesley M. Greene
SW Clyde H. Wright Jr.
JW Chesley M. Greene†

75 Widow's Son

M Raymond Lee Wine Jr.
SW Robert W. Spruill
JW Herbert L. Bryum

76 Greensboro

M Douglas G. Wright†
SW Walt Maness†
JW C. Ray Hall†

81 Zion

M Tony R. Hawkins
SW Thomas R. Arthur
JW Joseph M. Weeks

83 LaFayette

M Robert Lee White
SW Michael F. Powell†
JW Richard L. Plowden Jr.

84 Fellowship

M Larry W. Barnes
SW Jimmy D. Hooks
JW Terry A. Parker

85 Morning Star

M Ralph M. Howell Jr.
SW Robert A. Sitton
JW Robert A. Sitton†

90 Skewarkee

M F.E. Oglesby†
SW F.E. Oglesby†
JW F.E. Oglesby†

91 Western Star

M John Rutland
SW Howard Lane†
JW William L. Hamrick†

92 Joseph Warren

M James D. Galloway†
SW James D. Galloway†
JW James D. Galloway†

95 Jerusalem

M James R. Langley Jr.†
SW James R. Langley Jr.†
JW James R. Langley Jr.

97 Millbrook

M James L. Ammons†
SW Thomas V. Fahnestock†
JW James L. Ammons†

98 Hiram

M Dalton Mayo†
SW Dalton Mayo†
JW Dalton Mayo†

99 Fulton

M Kevin Trexler
SW Carl S. House
JW Carl S. House†

102 Columbus

M Richard K. Torbert
SW John E. Tredinnick
JW Paul A. Hepp

104 Orr

M David M. Sparrow
SW J. Manuel Housley†
JW David Sparrow†

106 Perquimans

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

109 Franklin

M Jeffery Styron
SW Asa B. Buck III†
JW Earl B. Jones

112 Wayne

M Willis K. Wichard†
SW Richard D. Scott
JW Willis K. Whichard Jr.†

113 Person

M Robert L. Dixon
SW Kenneth E. Paith
JW Gregory E. Elrod†

114 St. Albans

M James Paul†
SW Albert Andrews†
JW James Paul†

115 Holly Springs

M Ken Webster†
SW Ken Webster†
JW Ken Webster†

117 Mount Lebanon

M T. Allen Bass
SW John G. Taylor Jr.
JW T. Allen Bass†

118 Mt. Hermon

M Kenneth B. Lance†
SW Mark K. Rodgers†
JW Robert Bryson†

122 Oxford

M Robert L. Stewart
SW Robert L. Stewart†
JW Robert L. Stewart†

123 Franklinton

M James W. Payne Jr.
SW Andrew T. Hoyle
JW Absent

125 Mill Creek

M Gordan A. Joyner†
SW Gordan A. Joyner†
JW Gordan A. Joyner†

126 Gatesville

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

127 Blackmer

M Billy Hamilton
SW Charles H. Dorsett
JW Larry B. Thompson Jr.

128 Hanks

M William G. Baird
 SW Absent
 JW Larry T. Chilton

129 Dan River

M Stan Allen†
 SW Stan Allen†
 JW Stan Allen†

132 Radiance

M Bennie J. Heath
 SW James A. Murray†
 JW Bennie J. Heath†

134 Mocksville

M Philip Cartner
 SW Taylor Slye†
 JW Charlie Whaley†

136 Leaksville

M Craige Reavis
 SW Ben Bragdon
 JW Larry Dunlap

137 Lincoln

M Al Tate†
 SW Sam White†
 JW Terry L. Smith

138 Burgaw

M Michael L. Collier
 SW Keith A. Batson
 JW Ronald D. Graves†

143 Mt. Vernon

M Robert Smith
 SW Robert Smith†
 JW Robert Smith†

145 Junaluskee

M Lon Peden
 SW Damien Oneill
 JW Joel Medford

146 Cherokee

M David Sumpter
 SW Ronald Ledford
 JW Absent

147 Palmyra

M Johnathan S. Johnson†
 SW Johnathan S. Johnson†
 JW Johnathan S. Johnson†

149 Adoniram

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

150 Pee Dee

M Michael M. Sandy
 SW Michael M. Sandy†
 JW Michael M. Sandy†

151 Sanford

M L.D. Foster
 SW David Thornton†
 JW David Thornton†

154 Scotch Ireland

M William L. Steele
 SW William A. Angel Jr.
 JW Eric B. Nail

155 White Stone

M Jerry Eason
 SW David Gillespie
 JW Roy Pearce

158 Knap of Reeds

M Robert A. Haun Jr.
 SW Gary Edgerton
 JW Mark Archambault

162 Yadkin

M Jason L. Casstevens
 SW Gary W. Kearney
 JW William R. Shouse

165 Archer

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

167 Winston

M Parker N. Bare†
 SW John A. Redding†
 JW Charles D. Sheets†

170 Blackmer

M Walter Capps
 SW Walter Capps†
 JW Edward M. Shally

172 Buffalo

M Jerome C. Hall
 SW Aruss L. Upchurch
 JW John W. Woosley

176 Williams

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

181 Carthage

M Robert J. Sullivan Jr.†
 SW Robert J. Sullivan Jr.†
 JW Robert J. Sullivan Jr.†

187 Central Cross

M Perry I. Bartholomew†
 SW Perry I. Bartholomew
 JW Larry M. Walker†

188 Balfour

M Phillip E. Williamson
 SW W. H. Russell
 JW Athel Cox

190 Fair Bluff

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

191 Granite

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

198 Cary

M David J. Milidonis
SW Waldon W. Ward
JW Joseph M. Jayson

202 Cleveland

M C. Harvey Ferree
SW C. Harvey Ferree†
JW C. Harvey Ferree†

205 Long Creek

M Charles G. Burgess
SW Chad R. Irons†
JW Troy Purvis

206 Mingo

M Tommy S. Hobson
SW Gene Jernigan†
JW Gene Jernigan†

207 Lebanon

M Terry T. Miller
SW Tony D. Edwards
JW Allen D. Edwards

208 Mt. Olive

M Michael Saviak III†
SW Michael Saviak III
JW Michael Saviak III†

210 Eno

M Jack T. Dossett
SW Ron Johnson
JW Dave Minshall

214 Thomasville

M Michael W. Elbertson
SW Fred C. Powers
JW Sam L. Watford

217 Catawba Valley

M J. David Rakestraw
SW Ed Lawing†
JW Ed Lawing†

218 William G. Hill

M John L. Tidball
SW Nathaniel A. Dunn
JW Walter C. Phelps

226 Olin

M John W. Douglas Jr.
SW John W. Douglas Jr.†
JW John W. Douglas Jr.†

229 Henderson

M Anthony G. Williamson
SW Richard D. Matthews
JW Jack H. Greene

230 Corinthian

M Harold V. Stafford
SW Harold V. Stafford†
JW Harold V. Stafford†

231 William T. Bain

M Tandy Ogburn
SW Gary Stephenson†
JW Larry Reynolds†

237 Mystic Tie

M Glenn Henline
SW Fred Alexander
JW Carol Davis†

240 Wiccacon

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

243 Grifton

M Ernest F. Albritton†
SW Ernest F. Albritton†
JW Ernest F. Albritton†

244 Monroe

M Craig A. Hyatt
SW James R. Mills
JW John M. Walston Jr.

248 Catawba

M Robert W. Jarrett†
SW Robert W. Jarrett†
JW Ronnie Ingram†

249 Pythagoras

M Paul D. Owen Jr.
SW Paul D. Owen Jr.†
JW Paul D. Owen Jr.†

253 Lee

M Charles W. Feimster
SW Ronald L. Fortner
JW Cary M. Davis

257 Kenly

M Sanford J. Waddell
SW Jimmy B. Waddell
JW Brandon E. Scott

258 Fuquay

M David J. Milidonis†
SW Archie C. Capps†
JW Archie C. Capps†

259 Waynesville

M Stephen D. Allen
SW Steve Allen†
JW Steve Allen†

261 Excelsior

M Johnny L. Moser
 SW George Mandell
 JW Absent

262 Hibriten

M T. Clyde Robbins
 SW Ronald J. Coffey
 JW Steve E. Reid

263 Gaston

M Chuck L. Webb
 SW Jeffery F. Beaty
 JW Robert G. Pasour

265 Farmington

M Absent
 SW Craig P. Steilman
 JW John M. Nelson

267 Dunn's Rock

M Jeffery C. Owen
 SW Geoffrey Shepherd
 JW Keith D. Harbin

271 Tabasco

M Wallace Williams
 SW John R. Smith†
 JW John R. Smith†

272 Bingham

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

276 Beaver Dam

M Eric Rummage
 SW N. Edward Ziegler
 JW Daniel Edwards

277 Green Level

M Herbert Underwood Jr.†
 SW Herbert Underwood Jr.
 JW Scott Rose

279 Rehoboth

M A. B. Johnson†
 SW A. B. Johnson†
 JW A. B. Johnson†

282 Wake Forest

M Jerry R. Blake
 SW Christopher L. Yarleets
 JW Carlos J. Asencio

283 Eureka

M Fred L. Shipwash
 SW Don Lyerly
 JW William L. Comer†

284 Greenville

M William B. Hall
 SW Stephen Spindler
 JW Clinton L. Parker

289 Salem

M Cliff Pranke†
 SW Henry Heidtman
 JW Chris Eubanks

292 French Broad

M Robert Millard Walsh
 SW Jesse Hampton†
 JW Ed Frisby†

293 Vance

M Jerry D. Clevenger
 SW John E. Rice
 JW Jerry G. Clevenger†

294 Swan Quarter

M Richard H. Credle
 SW Absent
 JW Richard H. Credle†

296 Stonewall

M Wiley B. Rogerson Jr.
 SW Louis Moore†
 JW Michael Woolard

299 Harmony

M John W. Dobson
 SW Ernest R. Gallitter
 JW Little J. Cardea

300 Aurora

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

301 Clay

M Melvin V. Cantrell
 SW Melvin V. Cantrell†
 JW George V. Webber

302 Lillington

M Boyd Byrd
 SW Dean Byrd
 JW Gene Lewis

304 Pleasant Hill

M Calvin C. Turner†
 SW Oscar Tyndall†
 JW Billy D. Davis

305 Laurinburg

M Richard Best†
 SW Dewey Pittman
 JW Justin Buffkin

306 Raeford

M Wayne Gardner
 SW A.W. Gardner†
 JW Norman L. White†

314 New Lebanon

M Raymond A. Vallas
 SW Raymond Vallas†
 JW John C. Floyd

317 Eureka

M Charles E. Mahaffey II†
SW Charles E. Mahaffey II
JW Charles E. Mahaffey II†

319 Wilmington

M Wayne R. Ellers
SW Christopher D. Snowden
JW William E. Mitchell

320 Selma

M Harry E. Greene†
SW Harry E. Greene†
JW Harry E. Greene†

322 Granite

M Joseph G. Owens
SW Walker D. Leonard
JW Keith E. Osborne

328 Mattamuskeet

M H. Wayne Cox†
SW H. Wayne Cox†
JW H. Wayne Cox†

331 Bayboro

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

339 Fairview

M Bobby Tumbleson†
SW Johnny Hutchins†
JW Bobby Tumbleson†

340 Harmony

M Craig E. Edwins
SW Kevin E. Johnson
JW Dale S. Newell

343 Hickory

M Walter J. Hunley
SW Jeffery P. Kuykendall
JW James Steven Dyson

344 Numa F. Reid

M Tom Welch†
SW Tom L. Welch
JW Henry Everhart

348 Stanly

M Scottie W. Cox
SW Jeffery A. Chance
JW Scottie W. Cox†

352 Durham

M Thomas M. Browne III
SW Edward E. Herring
JW Charles R. Lee

356 Fallston

M Calvin Wehunt†
SW Calvin Wehunt†
JW Calvin Wehunt†

357 Bakersville

M Clarence Fleet Hensley
SW Lawrence W. Pilgrim
JW Howard B. Garland

358 East LaPorte

M Ron E. Stephens
SW Ron E. Stephens†
JW Ron E. Stephens†

359 Mount Vernon

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

363 Snow

M Dean Coffey†
SW Dean Coffey
JW J. Richard Holshouser†

369 Gastonia

M Blake R. Skarpalezos
SW Charles R. Thomas†
JW James K. Yelton

373 Ashler

M Homer F. Greene†
SW Harlan O. Greene†
JW Absent

374 Campbell

M Eugene N. Kobe†
SW Eugene N. Krise
JW David R. Myers

375 State Line

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

377 Youngsville

M Donald B. King
SW Steve Tucker†
JW Dallas T. Glover

378 Seaboard

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

379 Coharie

M Ken Curvin†
SW Ken Curvin†
JW Ken Curvin†

380 Granville

M Joseph P. Price†
SW Max G. Bloodworth
JW Absent

381 Forest City

M John P. Hamrick
SW Robert J. Powell
JW William J. Harris

384 Jefferson Penn

M Art VanHook
 SW Art VanHook†
 JW Earl Moore†

386 Pigeon River

M Bobby C. Paxton
 SW James M. Henson Jr.
 JW Steven R. Staley

387 Kedron

M Sam S. Settle
 SW Carl L. Hinderer
 JW Bryon A. Beddingfield

388 Friendship

M Tony Sewell
 SW Mike McSwain
 JW Eddie Bridges†

390 Copeland

M Jackson S. McCormick
 SW H. C. Mooney Jr.†
 JW Charles W. Haney

391 Lebanon

M David Bowles
 SW Maurice Shatley
 JW Robert Cope

395 Orient

M James A. Wolfe
 SW Morris G. Brown†
 JW Robert W. Powell II

397 Bald Creek

M Randy Blankinship
 SW Anthony Willis
 JW Chris Taffer

401 Joppa

M Jimmie Harris
 SW Carroll Melton†
 JW Billy Thomas†

403 Siler City

M James D. Brooks
 SW Thurman H. Walters
 JW Robert D. Walters

404 Denton

M C. L. Snider III
 SW Eugene Hughes
 JW C. L. Snider III†

405 Ocean

M Michael D. Pargeter
 SW Richard C. Morris
 JW James S. Hall

407 North Wilkesboro

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

408 University

M William Towne†
 SW William Towne
 JW William Towne†

409 Bula

M Dwight W. Crews
 SW Dwight Crews†
 JW Dwight Crews†

411 Bailey

M Kenneth Farmer†
 SW Kenneth Farmer†
 JW Kenneth Farmer†

412 Henry F. Grainger

M Robert Perkins†
 SW Robert Perkins
 JW Robert Perkins†

413 James A. Johnson

M William H. Riggan III
 SW Bill Riggan†
 JW Shad E. Leonard

417 Maxton

M Michael L. Perla
 SW Michael L. Perla†
 JW Michael L. Perla†

418 Pendleton

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

420 Harmony

M James B. Rutledge Jr.
 SW Absent
 JW Wayne Ireland

423 Sparta

M Gleason James
 SW William K. Dowell
 JW Ricky L. Crouse

426 Montgomery

M George F. Beaston
 SW Henry Hiss†
 JW Charles L. Forrister

427 Oconee

M Kenneth Pressley†
 SW Kenneth Pressley†
 JW Kenneth Pressley†

428 Stokesdale

M P. Shaun Bradshaw
 SW Christopher L. Wright
 JW Christopher L. Wright†

429 Seaside

M James L. Moreira
 SW Stephen J. Svetlovics
 JW David J. Gillis†

431 Relief

M Larry Parker
SW Johnny Toole
JW Danny R. McLamb

432 Piney Creek

M David M. Harris
SW Clifton Blevins
JW Billy B. Brooks†

433 Vanceboro

M Joseph Midgett
SW Absent
JW Absent

434 West Bend

M Leon M. Monroe Jr.
SW Donald K. Galyean
JW Thomas L. Brown

435 Blue Ridge

M Dennis Hurst†
SW Dennis Hurst
JW John D. Cashion

437 Biscoe

M Ed Goodwin
SW Carl Brown
JW Carl Brown†

439 Marble Springs

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

444 Marietta

M Jim Pickeral
SW Donald Joyce
JW Mike Cox

446 Biltmore

M Russell H. Matheson†
SW Gregory E. Moore†
JW Russell H. Mattheson†

447 Enfield

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

453 Clyde

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

454 Elkin

M Tex R. Spicer
SW Tex R. Spicer†
JW Aaron P. Cave†

459 Dillsboro

M Gary Todt†
SW Gary Todt†
JW Gary Todt†

460 Cliffside

M Herman Jones
SW Wayne Millis
JW Wayne Millis†

461 Matthews

M William M. Warr
SW Charles F. Bivens Jr.
JW James J. Hightower

462 South Fork

M William H. Crenshaw II
SW William H. Crenshaw I
JW Kenneth W. Revels

463 Currituck

M William F. Pugh
SW William F. Pugh†
JW William F. Pugh†

471 Grassy Knob

M Randy W. Cass
SW William T. Sloan
JW Noah B. Nicholson

472 Sonoma

M William D. Lane Jr.
SW Clarence H. Morrow Jr.
JW Hugh K. Terrell Jr.†

473 Lexington

M Thomas J. Jolly Jr.
SW Edward M. Athay
JW Brandon R. Faircloth

474 St. Pauls

M James D. Herring
SW Joe M. Barnhill Jr.
JW Ted Muse

475 Grimesland

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

479 Rainbow

M D.D. Kitchin
SW Absent
JW M.R. Lee

482 Saluda

M Jamie Thompson†
SW Roy B. Laughter
JW Luke Burrell†

483 Traphill

M Jeffery Shumate
SW Bily Wagoner
JW Olen Bowers

484 Southern Pines

M Charles G. Brewer
SW LeRoy W. Huber
JW Frank D. Wanko

486 Lawndale

M Gerald Ledwell†
 SW Johnnie G. Ledwell†
 JW Johnnie G. Ledwell†

488 Rich Square

M Arthur L. Horton†
 SW Arthur L. Horton†
 JW Arthur L. Horton†

489 Linville

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

491 Hominy

M William F. Bailey
 SW Michael C. Meadows†
 JW Randy L. Flack†

492 Thomas M. Holt

M David M. Thompson
 SW Dorsey T. Wiggins
 JW D. T. Wiggins†

493 Pilot

M Dyrk Garrison
 SW Dyrk Garrison†
 JW Dyrk Garrison†

495 Rockingham

M W. Thomas Ingle
 SW Richard W. Lunceford
 JW Marvin T. Powell

496 Mooresville

M Mariman C. Long
 SW Robert W. Womack
 JW John G. Rhyne

497 Royal Hart

M Jeff Peedin†
 SW Harry Williams
 JW Walter Williams

498 Ayden

M Kenneth E. Rose III
 SW Kenneth E. Rose III†
 JW Kenneth E. Rose III†

499 Creedmoor

M Steve Haskins
 SW Larry Brim
 JW Drew Foley

500 Raleigh

M Randall W. Fuquay
 SW Gene B. Jordan†
 JW William M. Ingram

501 Red Springs

M Phillip Edney
 SW John Seago Jr.
 JW Norm White

502 Cookville

M George C. Ross
 SW Benny D. Parsons†
 JW Donald K. Clark†

505 Cherryville

M Wayne Black
 SW Wayne Black†
 JW Ed Day

509 Belhaven

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

515 Whetstone

M Ron Moss
 SW Jason Mauney†
 JW Mark Love

517 Farmville

M William E. Wooten†
 SW William E. Wooten†
 JW Absent

519 Widow's Son

M Michael Reaves
 SW Larry Moseley†
 JW Keith Banty†

520 Fairfield

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

521 Manteo

M Brian D. Edwards
 SW Randall Holmes†
 JW Russell A. Lay†

525 Rodgers

M Danny Sullivan
 SW Absent
 JW Daniel Sullivan

527 Lucama

M L. E. Raper Jr. †
 SW L. E. Raper Jr. †
 JW L. E. Raper Jr. †

528 Fairmont

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

529 Andrews

M Larry Bryant†
 SW Ronald Clontz
 JW Jeff Clark

530 Joppa

M Clifford F. LaMere Jr.
 SW William N. Robertson
 JW Rockwell S. Boyle Jr.

532 Hamlet

M Edward L. Mercer
SW Robert W. Bishop Jr.†
JW Bobby W. Smith

534 Camp Call

M James McMurry
SW Bob Russ†
JW Thomas Covington†

535 Hollis

M Chad Huffstickler
SW Terry Horn
JW Chad Huffstickler†

542 Corinthian

M Arvil D. Evans Jr.†
SW Arvil D. Evans Jr.†
JW Arvil D. Evans Jr.†

543 Spencer

M John E. Wagoner
SW John E. Wagoner†
JW John E. Wagoner†

544 Mt. Holly

M William McKinney
SW Jerry Lamberth
JW Bobby Blankenship

550 Roman Eagle

M James Sweetzer
SW Gary D. Bosworth
JW W. Mark Conner†

551 Glenville

M J. Michael Dormer
SW Absent
JW Merritt Newman IV

552 Revolution

M Allen Spain
SW Allen Spain Jr.†
JW Allen Spain†

554 Vesper

M Theodore W. McEntire
SW William D. Carterson
JW Lloyd Hise Jr.

555 Elise

M Alan D. Sessoms
SW Robert Boone†
JW Eugene Morgan†

556 Neil S. Stewart

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

558 Ararat

M Rufus Cooke†
SW D. Kornell Hooker†
JW D. Kornell Hooker†

561 Swannanoa

M David Perkins†
SW David Perkins†
JW David Perkins†

562 Waxhaw

M Richard Primm
SW Bobby McLain
JW Mike Bell

563 Tabor

M Michael L. Norris
SW J. Richard Turbeville
JW Michael L. Norris†

564 Richlands

M Edward Rouse
SW Jimmie Baysden
JW Absent

565 Wendell

M Stephen W. White
SW Rodney Brown
JW James Baker

568 New Bern

M Bruce R. Arnold
SW Absent
JW Absent

571 Snow Creek

M D. Jack McLelland
SW J. Don McLelland
JW Leonard Burton

573 Mount Pleasant

M James H. Richardson
SW Claude R. Wright
JW Bobby R. Huffman

576 Andrew Jackson

M Gary Yost
SW John G. Annas
JW Tommy R. Yarbrough

578 Meadow Branch

M Marcus S. Carlan
SW Walter D. Evans
JW Joseph C. Moore

579 Casar

M Brian Houser
SW Ray Mathis
JW Harold Hudson

583 Ionic

M Charles A. Wethington
SW Anthony P. Avery
JW Dred C. Mitchell Jr.

584 Apex

M John H. McLaughlin II
SW David Nyce†
JW David S. Nyce

585 Roseboro

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

589 Bethel

M James W. Futrell†
 SW James W. Futrell†
 JW James W. Futrell†

590 Lowell

M Jerry Genovese
 SW Jerry Genovese†
 JW Les Owens†

592 Maiden

M Jack C. Lutz†
 SW Lance C. Hopper†
 JW Lance C. Hopper

593 Stony Point

M Larry D. Gilreath
 SW Absent
 JW Neil E. Starnes

594 West Jefferson

M Russell Vannoy
 SW Russell Vannoy†
 JW Russell Vannoy†

595 Wallace

M Jeffery Murray
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

596 Waccamaw

M Mike Porter
 SW L.V. Connor Jr.†
 JW Phillip Caines†

598 Cranberry

M Ken Brewer
 SW James Garland†
 JW John Phillips

602 Queen City

M James H. Lancaster†
 SW James H. Lancaster†
 JW James H. Lancaster†

605 Jeff L. Nelson

M Joseph B. Foster
 SW M. Austin Bradley
 JW Absent

606 Riverside

M Kelly Nash
 SW Danny Chafin
 JW Bill Stamey

607 Chadbourn

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

609 Zebulon

M Robert Barron
 SW Robert Barron†
 JW Robert Barron†

612 Atkinson

M Allan F. Squires
 SW Roy L. Brown†
 JW Alan C. Weyhrouch

613 Home

M Connie Price†
 SW Connie Price†
 JW Connie Price

616 Round Peak

M Kenneth M. Fulk
 SW Jeffery M. Mitchell
 JW John C. Williams

617 St. Patrick's

M William D. Rose†
 SW William D. Rose†
 JW William D. Rose†

618 Union

M Eli Matheson
 SW Darren Hartsell
 JW Absent

624 John H. Mills

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

626 Cannon Memorial

M John C. Pipkin
 SW John C. Pipkin†
 JW John C. Pipkin†

627 Belmont

M John R. Patterson
 SW Charles R. Silvers
 JW Johnny E. Wilson

629 Walnut Cove

M Jerry W. Tate
 SW Charles W. Johnson
 JW Terry F. Fagg

630 Francis S. Packard

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

634 Goldsboro

M Michael A. Grantham
 SW Steve P. Keen
 JW Robert L. Murphy Jr.†

637 Yadkin Falls

M Ernie M. McSwain
 SW E. M. McSwain†
 JW E. M. McSwain†

643 Proctorville

M Bobby Freeman†
 SW David C. Freeman
 JW Danny C. Walters†

646 Bladen

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

650 Nichols-West Asheville

M Dewitt Stamey†
 SW Joseph B. Howard
 JW Bryant D. Webster

654 Elberta

M Jim Atkins
 SW Ren L. Agustin
 JW Douglas Rabb

656 Guilford

M James Kellam
 SW Terry Cox
 JW Michael James†

657 Keller Memorial

M Richard A. Misenheimer
 SW Kenneth J. Fisher
 JW Robert Charles Peeler†

658 Beulaville

M Jerry R. Kennedy
 SW Carris B. Whaley
 JW Arthur G. Edwards Jr.

663 Black Mountain

M Darrell L. Slaughter
 SW James R. Shope
 JW Terry J. Davis

664 Garland

M John Matthews†
 SW John Matthews†
 JW John V. Matthews

667 Fort Bragg

M Charles Cole
 SW Jack Vannoy
 JW Nolan Bowling†

668 Holland Memorial

M James P. Aaron
 SW Doc B. Blankenship
 JW Jeffrey M. Gale

669 Kernersville

M Robert M. Bridges
 SW George Page
 JW Jeffery M. White

670 Lovelady

M Charles R. Watson
 SW Samuel L. Melton
 JW Clyde G. Harbison

672 Robbinsville

M Jessie B. Aldridge†
 SW Jessie B. Aldridge†
 JW Jessie B. Aldridge†

673 Spindale

M Andy Greenway
 SW Ed Hiffsticker
 JW Buck Goforth

674 Acacia

M Claude (Joe) Honeycutt
 SW Jonathan G. Shoe
 JW Franklin O. Pitzer

675 Washington

M Roger B. Williams
 SW Ronald W. Pilgreen
 JW Roger B. Williams†

676 Temple

M H. Vernon Norwood
 SW Roscoe White Jr.
 JW Clayton L. Wright

677 Warsaw

M James W. Preston III
 SW James W. Preston III†
 JW James W. Preston III†

678 Providence

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

679 Creasy Proctor

M Billy E. Strickland
 SW Steven D. Crockett
 JW Charles D. Crockett†

680 Semper Fidelis

M John J. Brown
 SW Francisco Ortiz
 JW Ronald Sortino

681 Piedmont

M Donald Hoosier
 SW Donald Hoosier†
 JW Donald Hoosier†

683 Rolesville

M Jerry Rose†
 SW Jerry Rose†
 JW Jerry Rose†

685 Piedmont-Pioneer

M Billey A. Baker†
 SW Vance A. Pascal†
 JW Randall E. Ogburn†

686 Angier

M Donald A. Bennett†
 SW Donald A. Bennett†
 JW Donald A. Bennett†

687 Fellowship

M John T. Killough
 SW Cecil J. Goodwin
 JW Horace H. Lane†

688 Cherry Point

M James Delk
 SW Jack Deaton
 JW Roy Myers

689 Scotland Neck

M William W. Leggett
 SW Gene W. Todd†
 JW William W. Leggett†

690 Mt. Moriah

M Andy Selzer
 SW Randy Lambeth
 JW Larry Furr†

691 Renfro

M Absent
 SW Eric Morrison
 JW Absent

692 East Gate

M Todd J. McCrainie
 SW Allen E. Hardy
 JW Omar Alameda†

693 Charles M. Setzer

M Russell C. Elliott
 SW Lloyd W. Cox
 JW William W. Conder III†

694 Gate City

M Arthur V. Marshall Jr.
 SW David R. Chesney†
 JW Dudley H. Sheppard

695 Allen-Graham

M James R. Rogerts Jr.
 SW Frank L. Hare
 JW Jeffrey L. Sellers†

696 Memorial

M Roy C. West
 SW Robert A. Taylor
 JW Douglas T. Sink†

697 Butner

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

698 Cape Hatteras

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

699 Asheboro

M James R. Williams
 SW Timothy Trogdon
 JW James S. Hurley

701 Garner

M Ronald S. Williams
 SW Gregory S. Ray
 JW Kenneth W. Hartman

702 St. Andrew

M I. J. Corley
 SW Blair Ferguson
 JW Absent

703 Albemarle

M Joseph G. Faulkner
 SW Milton D. Allman
 JW Robert D. Baker

704 King Solomon

M Ronnie E. Melton
 SW Rodney D. Huss Jr.
 JW Michael R. Wiggins

705 Richard Caswell

M Daniel M. Forbes
 SW Daniel M. Forbes†
 JW Daniel M. Forbes†

706 Newport

M James McDougal
 SW James McDougal†
 JW Jeffrey Almany

707 Forsyth

M Joseph Manning†
 SW Joseph Manning†
 JW Bobby Adams

708 Crown Point

M Stephen Natale†
 SW Steve Natale
 JW Jim Skipper

709 Conover

M Harley L. Fisher
 SW David W. Schronce
 JW Harley Fisher†

710 Advance

M Jeff Allen†
 SW Jeff Allen
 JW Allen Blakley

712 Wilson

M Norman E. Pridgen
 SW Ernest L. Carson
 JW Tony R. Ferrell

713 Stanley

M Stephen C. Burr
 SW Brian K. Costner
 JW Christopher M. Whitten

714 Liberty

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

715 Derita

M Clifford J. Warnstaff
SW Benjamin F. Copeland
JW William R. Brown

717 Burnsville

M Dean Branton
SW Jack Wolfenson†
JW Edwin Horhorouny†

718 Troy

M Tom Tarlton III†
SW Herbert E. Stanley
JW Daniel Morris†

719 Horse Creek

M Jeffrey M. Ruff
SW George L. Sain
JW Martin J. Fischer

720 Cabarrus

M William Darrell Long
SW Troy Faggart
JW Gene Carter

722 Burlington

M William L. Bridges
SW Ralph W. Burcham
JW William K. Russell

723 King

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

724 Berne

M Grady W. Stilley
SW John C. Underwood
JW James S. Hall Jr.

725 Grantham

M Luther A. Jones
SW Basil H. Byrd
JW Luther A. Jones†

726 Keystone

M N. Peter Hansen†
SW A. G. Bartlett†
JW Arthur G. Bartlett

727 Shallotte

M Johnny A. Brookshire
SW Tommy O. Robinson
JW Allen D. Smith

730 Stedman

M Thomas A. Pope Jr.†
SW Thomas A. Pope Jr.†
JW Thomas A. Pope Jr.†

731 John Huske Anderson

M Robert P. Richling
SW Matthew D. Thomas
JW Shiloh Back Jr.

732 Bush Hill

M Roland B. Lawrimore
SW Max R. Wood
JW Harry A. Green

733 Stump Sound

M Shirley L. King
SW Shirley L. King†
JW Earl B. Yates Jr.

734 William Pitt

M Charles G. Gregory
SW Lloyd F. Foley†
JW David J. Stapleton

735 James B. Green

M Allan B. Bonner III
SW Allan B. Bonner III†
JW Allan B. Bonner III†

736 New River

M Donald L. Cook
SW Jesse A. Seago
JW John W. Davis Jr.

737 Steele Creek

M Ralph N. Hamilton
SW C. R. Smith
JW M.D. Lawson

738 West Gate

M Stephen Crachoff
SW Edgar D. Ellis Jr.†
JW Ronald H. Gosey†

739 Newell

M Charles E. Michael
SW Edward R. Trammell
JW David C. Lail†

740 Charles B. Newcomb

M Edward Poole
SW Eric Decker
JW Robert Hamilton

741 Crissie Wright

M Ray H. Lewis Jr.
SW Michael B. Fulcher Jr.
JW Arnold L. Wade†

742 Mint Hill

M Gary L. Isenhour
SW Phil McBryde
JW Kenneth P. Carriker†

743 J. J. Crowder

M Absent
SW Absent
JW Absent

744 Shelby

M James Jenkins
SW David Kester
JW Cicero Terry

745 Vandora

M W. H. Hamilton
 SW Bryant Nash
 JW E. J. Smith

746 P. P. Turner

M Jack M. Callaham Jr.†
 SW Jack M. Callaham Jr.
 JW Raymond C. Gaulden

747 Ocracoke

M Absent
 SW Absent
 JW Absent

749 Truth

M Rocky Mills
 SW Edward Currie
 JW Roger Abernathy

750 Oak Grove

M Duane M. DeLay
 SW Sam D. Vaughan Jr.†
 JW Lindon H. Lykins†

751 Old Town

M Charlie G. Allen Jr.
 SW Raymond E. Tomlinson Jr.
 JW Neal Byrd†

752 Enterprise

M Danny L. Hedrick
 SW Thomas R. Sink
 JW Bobby L. Sparks

753 Federal Point

M Bobby Passmore
 SW William Bordeaux
 JW Thomas R. McKay

754 Masters

M Keith Legrow
 SW Mark Steelman
 JW Martin Carter

755 Clemmons

M G. Douglas Buie Jr.
 SW Jon A. Canupp
 JW Robert Charlier†

756 Clifford Duell

M Charles D. McLaurin
 SW Charles D. McLaurin†
 JW Homer Charles Shoe

757 Denver

M Max H. Kennedy
 SW Kenneth G. Carnley
 JW David M. Carpenter

758 Oak Island

M Harold R. Hoy Jr.†
 SW John A. Roberts
 JW Roland P. Efford

759 James K. Polk

M James B. White†
 SW Marion Baxley
 JW Robin Lamb

760 Wilkerson College

M Daniel G. Bishop
 SW Joseph M. Jayson
 JW Benton W. Oakes Jr.†

Address of the Grand Orator

The Grand Master presented Wilbur Lee Johnston Jr., Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, who delivered the following oration:

Grand Master; officers of the Grand Lodge and constituent lodges; voting delegates, and special guests:

When one is asked to orate, there are two questions that immediately come to mind.

The first is, "What topic shall I speak on?" This is a most important theoretical and philosophical question. When our grand master asked me to give this talk he suggested the topic and direction he wished me to take. Being a dutiful brother, I had no problem with his suggestion. Grand Master Lewis asked me to speak on Masons who live their lives by "the precepts and ideals" which Masonry teaches but fail to participate in the regular communications of the lodges.

One may think of these Masons as similar to Christians who direct their lives according to the teachings of the *Bible* but do not regular attend religious services. These type Masons make the big events: Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason; they pay their dues; and they expect to be buried according to our ancient Masonic ritual. Our Grand Master Lewis, who knows me as an academic colleague, Masonic brother, and genuine personal friend, told me that he knew that I could speak on this topic with authority, since I was that kind of Mason. Until the grand master's recent illness and surgery, I was comfortable with this topic, but since these events and my own serious reflection on the occasion of my 60th birthday, I have decided that this topic is inadequate for this important occasion.

But before I expound on my new thesis, I need to answer the second major question or direction to speakers. Grand Secretary Walt Clapp told me that my topic was important, but it was not nearly as significant to the Grand Lodge as the length of my oration. He directed me to speak twenty minutes, and only twenty minutes. He reminded me that President Abraham Lincoln spoke less than five minutes at Gettysburg, and that the nation's greatest orator of the day, Senator Edward Everett of Massachusetts, spoke for approximately one hour and forty-five minutes. We all know which speech is engraved in our collective national consciousness. So you will hear from me but twenty minutes. I am most thankful to the grand master and the grand secretary for their directions and guidelines. I wish to thank our Grand Master Lewis for this honor. His confidence in me and his appointment of me to this position has honored me, my lodge, and my brothers. I am awed by the company of past North Carolina Grand Lodge orators. One may arguably state that Senators Sam J. Ervin Jr. and Jesse Helms were North Carolina's two greatest national statesmen of the second half of the 20th century. They were both grand orators, and I am proud to follow them in this office. Whether you agreed with their political positions or not, you never had any doubt whatsoever that their voices and votes were directed by their conscious, not by the politics of money or public relations. I believe that our Masonic teachings directed their public lives. These two Senators made us proud that they and we are North Carolina Masons.

This leads me to my subject for today. We Carolinians need a rebirth of Masonic ideals and principals in our public lives. And as well, we need to rekindle the Masonic truths in our private lives. Our state's motto, *Esse Quam Videri* is a beautiful sentiment, but in the 21st century we need to stop hiding Masonry under a bushel. We must remove this artificial cover and return Masonry to the position of prominence in our communities, in our state, and in our nation that it had from "the founding period" until recently.

Since 1959 our national, state, and most individual blue lodges have been losing

members. This is not a unique phenomenon to Masonry; it is happening across the board to service clubs, fraternal organizations and societies, voluntary associations, and even many mainline churches. Not only is our total membership on a linear decline, our membership is yearly becoming older. Brothers, look to your brother on your right and your brother on your left. Do these brothers have more hair gray hair than dark — rarer heads than full? The average age of our members is now over 63. We must not let the same fate befall us that befell the Shakers religious sect. In the 1800s they were a strong, pious and moral religious group, but they refused to have children. Without young members our beloved fraternity will surely perish. We must reverse both of these trends. And we must accomplish these two goals simultaneously. Each of us needs to do what is best for our home lodges and this Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons. We must bring “the light” of Masonry to young men of character and potential. I dare say there isn’t a brother among us who does not know at least one such potential Mason. If we do not wish this brotherhood to disappear, as the Shakers did, then I ask you, no I implore, you to buy a copy of Jasper Ridley’s, *The Freemasons* and put it in the hands of such a young man. If such men are made aware of “the light,” they will ask to be brought to that light. For over fifty years our fraternity’s numbers, vitality, fervor, services to fellow Masons, and to our communities has been slipping away. We must reverse these trends! The brotherhood and fellowship which we have provided to each other during times of wars, depressions, and in times of plenty and peace means too much to us. Our lodges and brotherhood can mean the same to future generations of Masons if we answer these challenges.

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina has extended recognition to grand lodges in Europe, Africa, Asia, Latin American, and the Grand Lodge of North Carolina Commission on Fraternal Relations has recommended, as presented in our last *North Carolina Mason*, that we consider the recognition of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge as a duly constituted grand lodge. I ask that you reflect on men who have been Masons: 1) Presidents Washington, Madison, Jackson, Polk, Buchanan, Garfield, McKinley, Ted Roosevelt, Taft, Harding, Truman, Johnson, and Ford; 2) signers of the Declaration of Independence Franklin, Hancock, and William Hooper; 3) statesmen of the world Voltaire, Napoleon, Churchill, and Lafayette; 4) distinguished jurists John Marshall, and Earl Warren; 5) American military heroes John Paul Jones, Douglas MacArthur, George Marshall, and John Glenn; 6) celebrities William Shakespeare, Robert Burns, Arnold Palmer, Sugar Ray Robinson, and Alex Haley; 7) recent distinguished popular culture figures Chet Atkins, Nat King Cole, John Wayne, Cecil B. DeMille, Peter Sellers, Norman Vincent Peal, J.C. Penney, and Harland Sanders.

These were and are men of the highest caliber and personal stature. In their professional lives and in their personal lives, they have lived by the truths of this brotherhood.

Please examine your conscience and recall the teaching of this ancient, free, and accepted society. Forty years ago this past summer, Rev. Martin Luther King made his most famous plea for racial toleration and justice in our country. He said that he dreamed of a day when people would be judged by the content of their character not the color of their skin. Masonry has always held that we as a brotherhood judge our brothers and others by their character not by some ascribed characteristics. We do not judge each other by religious denominations in the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. We have recognized grand lodges that accept men of non-Christian faiths, who acknowledge God. Other state’s grand lodges recognize Masons who are different from us. Haven’t we learned that the true strength of our country, of the American society, and of our lodges comes from the brotherhood and sharing of us all on the level field? Our lodges are where laborer, lawyer, craftsmen, and minister are equal. We are all brothers before our lodges altar and God.

Grand Master Charles Lewis will tell you that we must be great not just better.

We must meet our financial obligations to our home lodges, to this Ancient, Free, and Accepted Grand Lodge and to its service projects. I ask you that we together make the first step into a new era of Masonic brotherhood, service, and prominence by acting with conscience on the Resolution of Mutual Recognition of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina and Its Jurisdictions, Inc. by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina.

I urge the delegates here assembled to vote with God's guidance and in light of your obligation taken on the *Bible*, square, and compass. What is best for Masonry now and in the future is in your hands.

Thank you for your attention and your consideration.

Wilbur Lee Johnston Jr.
Grand Orator

Report of the Grand Treasurer

The Interim Report of the Grand Treasurer was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Finance. For purposes of completeness and the historical record, the End of Year Report of the Grand Treasurer is included here instead.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

I submit this Final Report as of December 31, 2003. Included in this report are the total receipts and disbursements, special funds, and the securities held by this Grand Lodge.

Total Funds available 01-01-03 (General Funds and Special Funds)		660,692.48
Receipts YTD	583,168.15	
Total Income		583,168.15
Total Disbursements YTD	610,587.53	
		<u>610,587.53</u>
TOTAL CASH TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR 12/31/2003		<u>633,273.10</u>

Deposits:	Issue Date	Maturity	Rate	Amount
Petty Cash				100.00
1st Citizens (operating account)				145,155.45
First South Bank	3/11/03	3/11/04	1.29%	100,000.00
American Community	3/5/03	3/5/04	1.59%	100,000.00
LJL Wach. - Ford Motor Bonds	2/27/02	3/1/32	7.60%	100,000.00
LJL Wach. - IBM 7% CORTS	7/9/02	7/12/07	7.00%	48,013.47
Fidelity Bank - Money Market		n/a	vari	10,353.78
CCB/NBC Bank - Money Market		n/a	vari	9,862.87
RBC Centura Bank - Money Market		n/a	vari	19,787.53
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTED FOR				633,273.10

SPECIAL FUNDS SUMMARY	1/1/03	12/31/03	
Special Contingency Reserve	199,587.50	203,055.03	
Emblems and Awards Reserve	(2,717.39)	813.60	
Automobile Reserve	28,380.39	23,688.93	
Book Reserve	106,194.25	123,127.74	
Building Reserve	52,462.97	27,947.42	
Office Reserve	26,375.94	29,370.66	
Disaster Relief	50,840.65	11,491.65	
Charity Fund	<u>45,992.57</u>	<u>61,098.34</u>	
Total Special Funds	507,116.88	480,593.37	
Total Special Funds 12/31/03			480,593.37
Total General Funds Available			<u>152,679.73</u>
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS			<u>633,273.10</u>

Respectfully Submitted,
Clifton W. Everett Jr.
Grand Treasurer

Report of the Grand Secretary

The Interim Report of the Grand Secretary was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Finance. For purposes of completeness and the historical record, the End of Year Report of the Grand Secretary is included here instead.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

I herewith submit my Final Report as of December 31, 2003, including expenditures for the year and the approved budget for the calendar year 2004.

**Financial Reports
Budgets
January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003
and Proposed 2004 Budget**

		Budget 2003	YTD Actuals 2003	Variance 2003	Proposed Income 2004
47,979	Est. Master Masons @ \$12.00 (48,497 Act.)	\$575,748.00	\$581,974.00	\$6,226.00	\$0.00
46,767	Est. Master Masons @ \$12.00				561,204
299	Endowed Members	2,025	2,735.00	710	3,124
1,000	Initiation Fees @ \$1.00	1,000	1,025.00	25	1,000
	Penalty for Late Returns	1,500	1,607.00	107	1,500
	Dividends and Interest	15,000	4,923.00	-10,077	5,000
	Miscellaneous Income	500	1,086.00	586	500
	Total Income	\$595,773	\$593,350	(\$2,423)	\$572,328
Account No.	Account Name	Budget 2003	YTD Actuals 2003	Variance 2003	Proposed Budget 2004
800-00	Philanthropy				
800-01	North Carolina Masonic Charities	25,000	25,000	0	25,000
800-03	Charity	14,000	14,500	(500)	14,000
	Charity (initiation fees)	(10,000)	(10,250)	250	(10,000)
800-04	Hospital Visitation (MSA)	6,000	6,000	0	6,000
800-05	Hospital Visitation (NC)	300	100	200	300
800-06	Masonic Youth Organizations	6,500	6,250	250	4,250
800-09	Geo. Washington Nat. Mas. Mem.	5,000	5,140	(140)	5,000
800-10	Geo. Washington Nat. Mas. Mem.(Inc)	(5,000)	(5,140)	140	(5,000)
	Total	41,800	41,600	200	39,550
810-00	Salaries and Fees				
	Total	175,654	171,924	3,730	179,229
820-00	Administration Costs				
820-01	Stationery	2,500	2,500	0	2,500
820-02	Printing (Routine)	11,000	10,851	149	11,000
820-03	Printing (Proceedings)	8,500	8,500	0	8,500
820-04	Office Supplies	3,700	3,662	38	3,700
820-05	Postage	10,500	9,485	1,015	10,500
820-06	Office Equipment	9,000	9,000	0	9,000
820-07	Office Equipment Maintenance	7,500	7,500	0	7,500
820-08	Telephone	7,000	6,889	111	7,000
820-09	Transportation (Grand Secretary)	7,500	7,500	0	7,500
820-10	Official Forms (Annual Returns)	0	0	0	0
820-11	Auditing	6,500	8,450	(1,950)	8,450
820-12	Dues Cards Income	(12,000)	(12,070)	(70)	(12,000)
820-13	Legal Fees	10,000	11,402	(1,402)	5,000
	Total	71,700	73,670	(1,970)	68,650
830-00	Building Expenses				
830-01	Utilities	15,000	15,780	(780)	16,500
830-02	Building Maintenance	12,500	12,500	0	12,500
830-03	Equipment Maintenance	5,000	6,595	(1,595)	5,000
830-04	Hazard Insurance	11,000	12,899	(1,899)	13,500
830-05	Building Reserve	15,000	15,000	0	15,000
	Total	58,500	62,775	(4,275)	62,500

840-00	Membership Fees and Dues				
840-01	Masonic Service Association	2,700	2,603	97	2,700
840-02	Conference of Grand Masters	690	750	(60)	690
840-03	GMC Committee on Recognition	100	100	0	100
840-04	Conference of Grand Secretaries	130	130	0	130
840-05	Southeastern Masonic Conference	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>300</u>
	Total	3,920	3,883	37	3,920
850-00	Travel and Officers Expense				
850-01	Grand Master's Travel	7,500	8,014	(514)	7,500
850-02	Grand Master's Automobile	9,000	9,050	(50)	9,000
850-03	Grand Master's Office	1,250	1,184	66	1,250
850-04	Deputy Grand Master's Travel	500	(49)	549	500
850-05	Senior Grand Warden's Travel	500	0	500	500
850-06	Junior Grand Warden's Travel	500	0	500	500
850-07	Grand Treasurer's Travel	500	0	500	500
850-09	Grand Secretary's Travel	5,800	6,459	(659)	5,800
850-10	Judge Advocate Office & Travel	300	0	300	300
850-11	DDGM Travel	1,000	1,578	(578)	1,000
850-12	DDGL Travel	1,000	970	30	1,000
850-13	Travel - Comm & Emer. Comm Travel	2,000	619	1,381	2,000
850-14	Travel - Other GL Appointees	<u>2,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
	Total	31,850	27,824	4,026	31,850
860-00	Boards and Committees Office and Travel				
860-01	Board of General Purposes	2,800	2,473	328	2,800
860-02	Board of Custodians	4,000	5,147	(1,147)	4,000
860-03	Special Activities Commission	300	29	271	300
860-04	Masonic Public Relations	300	0	300	300
860-05	Finance Committee	500	0	500	500
860-06	Code Commission	300	146	154	300
860-07	Lodge Service Commission	300	0	300	300
860-08	Masonic Education/Leadership Development	<u>5,000</u>	<u>7,780</u>	<u>(2,780)</u>	<u>8,000</u>
	Total	13,500	15,575	(2,075)	16,500
870-00	Out-of-State Visitation				
870-01	Visiting other Grand Lodges	2,000	2,767	(767)	2,500
870-02	Conference of Grand Masters	3,500	3,500	0	2,500
870-03	Conference of Grand Secretary	1,200	1,056	144	1,200
870-04	MSA & GWNMA Conference	1,200	1,200	0	1,200
870-05	Southeastern Masonic Conference	3,000	1,387	1,613	1,500
	Masonic Conference (Chile)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,000</u>
	Total	10,900	9,910	990	11,900
880-00	Annual Communication				
880-01	Grand Lodge Officers		2,799		
880-02	Past Grand Masters		2,346		
880-03	DDGM's Travel		2,167		
880-04	DDGL's Travel		992		
880-05	"Board, Committees, & Commissions"		4,214		
880-06	Guests		2,593		
880-07	"Auditorium, Banquets, Etc."		22,245		
880-08	Printing	<u>0</u>	<u>6,683</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total	44,000	44,039	(39)	46,000
890-00	Miscellaneous Expenses				
890-01	"Awards, Aprons, and Emblems"	8,000	8,000	0	8,500
890-02	Grand Master's Portrait	550	460	90	550
890-03	Trial Commission Expense	100	0	100	100
890-04	Contingencies	5,000	4,203	797	5,000
890-06	Grand Lodge Library	<u>2,500</u>	<u>573</u>	<u>1,927</u>	<u>2,000</u>
	Total	16,150	13,235	2,915	16,150
900-00	North Carolina Mason				
900-01	Editor's Salary	19,001	19,001	(0)	19,750
900-02	Social Security Tax	1,454	1,454	0	1,511
900-03	Printing	49,000	50,855	(1,855)	49,000
900-04	Postage	41,500	36,315	5,185	40,500
900-05	Retirement/Health & Life Insurance	3,231	3,231	0	3,752
900-07	Travel	2,000	572	1,428	2,000
900-08	Equipment and Supplies	2,000	1,770	230	2,200
900-09	Internet Web Page	<u>1,500</u>	<u>2,174</u>	<u>(674)</u>	<u>2,250</u>
	Total	119,686	115,373	4,313	120,963
910-00	Development Program				
910-01	Director's Salary	64,811	54,009	10,802	66,107
910-02	Social Security	7,442	7,442	0	7,591
910-03	Retirement/Health & Life Insurance	14,587	14,587	0	16,100
910-04	Travel Expenses	7,000	5,081	1,919	7,000
910-05	Telephone	3,000	3,000	0	3,000
910-06	Postage	2,500	2,500	0	2,500
910-07	Office Supplies	1,000	1,000	0	1,000
910-08	Miscellaneous Program Expense	4,500	4,193	307	4,500
910-09	Office Equipment	5,000	5,000	0	5,000
910-10	Clerical Assistance	<u>32,467</u>	<u>32,467</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>33,116</u>
	Sub-Total Administrative	142,307	129,279	13,028	145,914

Program Development					
910-11	Spring Orientation	<u>19,000</u>	<u>3,888</u>	<u>15,112</u>	<u>19,000</u>
	Total	303,614	262,445	41,169	310,828
910-15	Development Program Reimbursement	<u>(161,307)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(164,914)</u>
	Total	0	0	0	0
800-00	Philanthropy	41,800	41,600	200	39,550
810-00	Salaries and Fees	175,654	171,924	3,730	179,229
820-00	Administration Costs	71,700	73,670	(1,970)	68,650
830-00	Building Expenses	58,500	62,775	(4,275)	62,500
840-00	Membership Fees and Dues	3,920	3,883	37	3,920
850-00	Travel and Officers Expense	31,850	27,824	4,026	31,850
860-00	Boards and Committees Office and Travel	13,500	15,575	(2,075)	16,500
870-00	Out-of-State Visitation	10,900	9,910	990	11,900
880-00	Annual Communication	44,000	44,039	(39)	46,000
890-00	Miscellaneous Expenses	16,150	13,235	2,915	16,150
900-00	North Carolina Mason	119,686	115,373	4,313	120,963
910-00	Development Program	0	0	0	0
	Total General Fund Expenses	587,658	579,808	7,850	597,212

Membership Statistics

Initiated	1,037
Passed	849
Raised	806
Admitted	366
Restored.....	252
Total Gains	1424
Suspended.....	458*
Expelled	10
Excluded	1053
Demitted	371
Died	1,396
Total Losses.....	3,281
Membership 12/31/2002.....	52,526
Membership 12/31/2003.....	50,669
Net Loss	1,857
Average of Membership	61.90
Unfinished candidates for 2000	182
Unfinished candidates for 2001	217
Unfinished candidates for 2002	256
Unfinished candidates for 2003	307
Twenty-five year awards and emblems presented in 2003	1,108
Veteran's emblems and awards presented	631
60-Year awards and emblems presented	93
75-Year awards and emblems presented	1
Number of lodges 1/1/2003	377

(*Revolution Lodge No. 552 charter arrested)

Respectfully submitted,
 T. Walton Clapp III, Grand Secretary

Recommendations of the Committee on Finance

The Recommendations of the Committee on Finance were read and entered on the record for consideration during the Committee's presentation of the budget on Saturday morning.

We recommend the Charity Fund transfer \$8,000 to the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc.

We recommend that \$10,000 of General Fund "Reserve Fund" be transferred to the Building and Office Reserve Fund.

The Finance Committee will review the two recommendations above and submit these or revised recommendations at this Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Y. Safrit Jr., Deputy Grand Master

Graham W. Pervier, Senior Grand Warden

Gene T. Jernigan, Junior Grand Warden

Clifton W. Everett Jr., Grand Treasurer

Robert E. Gresham Jr., Chairman

G. Glenn Adams

Daniel R. Bishop

David G. Cronk

Edward A. Gaskins Jr.

Thomas B. Gray Jr.

James S. Lofton

Joseph C. Knox Jr.

Report of the Auditor

The following report of David Scobie, Certified Public Accountant, auditor, was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of The Grand Lodge of AF & AM of North Carolina (Grand Lodge) as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Grand Lodge as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the results of its activities and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Scobie

Grand Lodge Accountant

Report of the Committee on Charity

The Committee on Charity presented the following report, which was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Charity wishes to report the following disbursements for the calendar year 2003:

To AJT.	\$500.00
To TG	\$500.00
To JSH	\$500.00
To the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford	\$6,000.00
To the Masonic and Eastern Star Home	\$6,000.00
Masonic Service Association for Disaster in Oklahoma and Kansas	\$5,000.00

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph Knox, Chairman

Committee on Permanent Building

The following Report of the Committee on Permanent Building was received and entered on the record.

The Grand Lodge building and grounds are being maintained with the guidance of a five-year capital improvement plan. This past year we renovated the central lobby area and added new rugs and upholstered the furniture.

Removing the old carpet revealed the black and white checked terrazzo flooring that originally brightened the lobby area. That floor is now more visible thanks to the Oriental area rugs we now use. This reminder of the lobby's former beauty brings us to contemplate replacement of the glass that was across back of the Grand Lodge office building. Heating and air conditioning engineers have suggested that replacing the glass might actually improve the efficiency of our current HVAC facility. We would like to pursue this goal further.

We are improving the parking lot with a major re-asphalt program and are replacing some areas. This should be completed by October 1, 2003. We will continue with the building improvement plan in 2004 as budget allows.

Respectfully submitted
E. John Elmore, Chairman

Report of the Lodge Service Commission

The following Report of the Lodge Service Commission was received, entered on the record, and adopted by the delegates to Annual Communication.

An application to build a patio addition was received from Palmyra Lodge No. 147. Application was approved.

An application to swap land, was received from Pee Dee Lodge No. 150. Application was approved on June 24, 2003.

Inquiry was received from Scottish Rite Bodies of Raleigh in regard to certificates of interest in the Masonic Temple Corporation of Raleigh. Resolution procedures were suggested. It is uncertain whether further action may be needed.

The application from Biltmore Lodge No. 446 to enter into a building project remains pending.

An application to borrow money and enter into a building project was received from University Lodge No. 408. Additional information was requested from the lodge.

An inquiry regarding a building project was received from Coharie Lodge No. 379.

An inquiry regarding a building project was received from Pleasant Hill Lodge No. 304.

There have also been numerous informal inquiries.

Policies and procedures to expedite Commission activities and coordinate them with and through the Office of the Grand Secretary remain under review.

Respectfully submitted,
 Ronald J. Bowers
 Chairman

Report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence

The following report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was received and entered on the record. Grand Lodge action on the requests was taken during the second day of business when Grand Orient of Brazil and Gran Logia de Sinaloa were granted fraternal recognition.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Formal requests for recognition has been received from four grand lodges. This Grand Lodge subscribes to the services of the Commission on Information for Recognition of the Conference of Grand Masters in North America to gather information and investigate whether the grand lodge in question satisfies the conditions of regularity. The Commission's guidelines or Standards for Recognition are as follows:

- Legitimacy of Origin
- Exclusive Territorial Jurisdiction, except by mutual consent and/or treaty.
- Adherence to the Ancient Landmarks – especially, a belief in God, the Volume of Sacred Law as an indispensable part of the furniture of the lodge, and the prohibition of the discussion of politics and religion.

Grand Lodge of Montenegro

We have received a request for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Montenegro. The Commission on Recognition has stated in their report the following: Montenegro was part of the Union of Yugoslavia. The Grand Lodge of Montenegro consists of two lodges with 42 members. They constituted themselves into a Grand Lodge on July 7, 2000, without the benefit of a constituting regular grand lodge, and without permission of the Regular Grand Lodge of Yugoslavia (which is recognized by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina) under whom they previously labored. The Commission on Information and Recognition concludes the Grand Lodge of Montenegro does not meet the standards for recognition. It is the position of this committee not to act on this recognition at this time nor until the Commission has given a favorable report.

Grand Lodge of Niger

The Grand Lodge of Niger was consecrated on November 23, 2002, by the National Grand Lodge of Burkino Faso. The rites practiced in their ceremonies are the same as those prescribed by the constituting grand lodge, and they strictly comply with the regulations, ways, and customs of Masonry. The Grand Lodge of Niger appears to satisfy the requirement of recognition. This is a new grand lodge. The Committee on Information and Recognition has advised additional data needs to be received before

grand lodges enter into fraternal relations. To our knowledge, no other grand lodge in the United States has recognized the Grand Lodge of Niger at this time. It is the position of this committee not to act on this recognition at this time until the Commission has received additional data and gives a favorable report.

Grand Orient of Brazil

A request was received from the Grand Orient of Brazil for recognition. The Grand Orient of Brazil shares territory with the state grand lodges of Brazil. In 1999, the first treaty was signed by the Grand Orient and the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo. To date treaties have been signed by a number of the other state grand lodges with the Grand Orient. It is the opinion of the Commission on Information and Recognition that agreements have been reached with the remaining grand lodges and it is hoped that all treaties will be signed by February, 2004. Eighteen grand lodges in the United States as well as the United Grand Lodge of England have recognized the Grand Orient. The Commission has stated that the Grand Orient of Brazil is regular and entitled to recognition. It is the recommendation of this committee to approve recognition of this Grand Lodge.

Gran Logia de Sinaloa

The Gran Logia de Sinaloa submitted a request for recognition. This state grand lodge in Mexico was constituted September 1, 1985, by the Gran Logia del Pacifico. The Commission on Information and Recognition has issued the opinion this grand lodge is regular and entitled to recognition. It is the recommendation of this committee to approve recognition of this grand lodge.

This committee finding is in accord with the opinions issued by the Commission of Information and Recognition, it is our opinion that the Grand Orient of Brazil and the Gran Logia de Sinaloa are entitled to recognition.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerry T. Smith
Fraternal Correspondent

Report of the Judge Advocate

The following Report of the Judge Advocate was received, entered on the record, and adopted by the delegates to Annual Communication.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

During the Masonic Year 2003, the Judge Advocate has considered and disposed of matters as follows:

Determined by the Judge Advocate.....	6
Felonies.....	(6)
Determined by the Trial Commission.....	5
Matters Pending Trial.....	1
Matters Referred Due to Lack of Jurisdiction.....	0

Respectfully Submitted
Jimmie B. Hicks Jr.
Judge Advocate

Report of the Committee on By-Laws

The following Report of the Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges was received and adopted by the delegates to Grand Lodge.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges reports that amendments to the by-laws of the following lodges were approved during the year 2003:

Blackmer Lodge No. 127
Tabor Lodge No. 563
St. John's Lodge No. 3
Sanford Lodge No. 151
Twin County Lodge No. 729
St. Andrew Lodge No. 702
Keystone Lodge No. 726
Selma Lodge No. 320
Stump Sound Lodge No. 733
Blackmer Lodge No. 170
Wendell Lodge No. 565
Atlantic Lodge No. 294
Kernersville Lodge No. 669
Vance Lodge No. 293
Corinthian Lodge No. 230
Saluda Lodge No. 482
Harmony Lodge No. 340
Coharie Lodge No. 379
Perquimans Lodge No. 106
Farmington Lodge No. 265
Conover Lodge No. 709
Eureka Lodge No. 317
Marble Springs Lodge No. 439
Sanford Lodge No. 151
John Huske Anderson Lodge No. 731
Piney Creek Lodge No. 423
Advance Lodge No. 710
Davie Lodge No. 39
Charles M. Setzer Lodge No. 693
Newport Lodge No. 706
Bailey Lodge No. 411
Union Lodge No. 618
Concord Lodge No. 58
Catawba Valley Lodge No. 217
Ocracoke Lodge No. 747
Clay Lodge No. 301
Elberta Lodge No. 654
Dunn's Rock Lodge No. 267
Providence Lodge No. 678
St. John's Lodge No. 1
Gaston Lodge No. 263
Spencer Lodge No. 543
Oak Island Lodge No. 758
Nichols-West Asheville Lodge No. 650
Wilkerson College Lodge No. 760
Fair Bluff Lodge No. 190

Love Lady Lodge No. 670
St. Paul's Lodge No. 474
Copeland Lodge No. 390
Harmon Lodge No. 420
Charity Lodge No. 5
Doric Lodge No. 568
Wilson Lodge No. 712
Black Mountain Lodge No. 663
Bethel Lodge No. 589
Grantham Lodge No. 725
Johnston-Caswell Lodge No. 10
Hollis Lodge No. 535
Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 690
King Lodge No. 722
Warsaw Lodge No. 677
Waccamaw Lodge No. 596
Durham Lodge No. 352
Rockingham Lodge No. 495
Robbinsville Lodge No. 672
Clemmons Lodge No. 755
William Pitt Lodge No. 734
LaFayette Lodge No. 83
Palmyra Lodge No. 147
Montgomery Lodge No. 426
Wake Forest Lodge No. 282
Junaluskee Lodge No. 145

Respectfully submitted,
T. Walton Clapp III, Chairman

Report of the Administrator Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc.

The following report of John A. Rose, administrator of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Inc., was presented, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Thank you for receiving this, my tenth report to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. The emphasis for this report will be on the last fiscal year with some comment on what has happened through August 2003.

The Mesh Business Plan

The MESH business plan has been effective in funding, in part, improved resident services for all residents through an alternate admission system where qualified residents pay for the services they receive. Last year I provided an example that may bear repeating. Remember that this is but one example.

Presume we wish to attract applicants to apply at a younger age before their assets are consumed and at a time when they can most enjoy their retirement years. Presume these applicants have sufficient resources to pay for, at least for a longer period, the services they need and receive.

Suppose such applicants would apply if we offer an attractive salad and fruit bar, as well as, a choice of soups and breads.

Once this service is offered, the new residents enjoy the soups, fruit, salad and bread that are part of a more efficient program due to its volume. As well, the residents who came to the Home in need of subsidy are also enjoying the same improved service.

Independent Living

Last year I reported that MESH had completed construction of the 29th new patio home with a change order expected for four more. At this writing we have completed the 38th house and anticipate moving toward a maximum of 46 in the near future.

The program is efficient at this stage. When a new couple is admitted to this program, we do not have to hire as many additional staff. The fixed costs are simply allocated over a wider base. A greater part of the monthly maintenance goes to the bottom line.

Interim Service Plan [ISP] – A Win-Win Program

The MESH Care and Wellness Center, in being approved for Medicare certification, we are able to use our vacant accommodations for both fraternally eligible members and their kin or for members of the community who are not affiliated. In sum, the ISP allows, within a fixed vacancy, patients to receive temporary nursing services in our nursing facility.

The ISP is a wonderful example of generating revenue from an unused resource. This program has done much to “uncircle the wagons” of MESH and bring a very favorable opinion among those who might have otherwise remained at a distance.

Fraternal Assistance

The position of Fraternal Assistance Coordinator [FAC] has been tweaked several times to be more efficient. The FAC now has some accounting related duties when not otherwise engaged in the primary role of fraternal assistance. Making application to MESH is smoother and less complex for our elder members. This is because the FAC travels to and visits applicants in their homes and coordinates with the sponsoring lodges and chapters. This process has, as hoped, helped identify and resolve potential problems before they arise.

The Depth of Our Service

MESH is more than just a retirement community; it is, in large measure, a tangible part of our obligation. During fiscal year 2002, MESH cared for a daily average of 239.95 people. This can be compared with 212.60 people in the prior year, a 12.9% increase. At year-end, 2002, we are serving 254 persons. These people are more than numbers, they are a measurable part of our commitment to aid and assist our distressed brethren and their wives, mothers, sisters, daughters, and widows.

Population	Men	Women	Total
Beginning Census on 1/1/2002	56	177	233
Admissions	14	36	50
Subtotal	70	213	283
Withdrawals	0	1	1
Deaths	4	24	28
Ending Census on 12/31/2002	66	188	254
Comparison to Previous Year	+10	+11	+21 (9.0%)
Waiting List	Men	Women	Total
Waiting list on 1/1/2002	11	22	33
Waiting List on 12/31/2002	14	25	39
Comparison to Previous Year	+3	+3	+6 (+18.2%)

Our Promising Future

The MESH Board of Directors has adopted a vision for the future. This is the third of three segments. The first was a new Care and Wellness Center. The second was to respond to a market and construct new two-bedroom patio homes. The third segment, although a vision only at this time, is the replacement of our older congregate living buildings with state-of-the-space one and two-bedroom apartments and private studios for those in Assisted Living. The standard of small rooms with shared bathing facilities needs to be replaced with better accommodations and private bathing. Hopefully, the effective business model upon which our patio homes have been constructed can be applied to these new accommodations. Modifying the resident mix (ratio of subsidized versus non-subsidized accommodations and services) will allow MESH to maintain, or even increase, the depth of our charity. One may ask, "Why is it necessary to grow our way out of this challenge?" The answer may be found in the following subject.

The Length of Our Cable Tow

As reported last year, the resources of MESH are finite. MESH has the primary responsibility to discharge its obligation to the residents now living in the Home. Given the decline in the economy and the extent of charitable giving, MESH is providing more charity than it can afford. This is not something to be ashamed of but, rather, something of which to be very proud. Until the last several years, we have been able to do this because growth on the investment of our small portfolio has made up the difference.

MESH has a minimum reserve requirement to assure that we have the funds available to discharge our remaining responsibilities. We have nearly reached the point where our small portfolio value is close to the statutory reserve required by the Department of Insurance. What this means is that our small portfolio must be preserved and support the residents with whom we now have life-care responsibilities.

Since charity is not picking up the deficit, we must find a solution. We are trying to be more efficient. When comparing MESH to benchmark studies, we are more efficient than other non-profit and — even proprietary — continuing care retirement communities. We are trying to increase revenue from other sources and through modified admission systems.

One way to reduce expenses is to lower the census capacity of residents receiving charitable services and then have a moratorium on charitable admissions until the deficit is resolved.

Clearly, the fraternity does not favor reducing the population of MESH to satisfy a deficit, particularly at a time when our services are needed as much or more as at anytime in our history.

We are left then with finding other sources of resident-based revenue through entitlements and modifying the resident mix (ratio of subsidized versus non-subsidized accommodations and services).

On May 10, 2003, the Board of Directors of MESH unanimously approved that MESH may apply for Medicaid certification of 15 beds in the MESH Care and Wellness Center. This decision was made after receiving a legal opinion from our attorney with Smith Helms opining on the ability to withdraw from certification in the future and MESH's responsibility as a fiduciary. MESH currently has residents in the Care Center to fill the beds if we are successful in becoming certified. Medicaid certification for these 15 beds in which current residents are now receiving nursing services means additional revenue going directly to the bottom line.

Acknowledgments

I would like to express my fraternal appreciation for Brother T. Walton Clapp and the staff in our Grand Lodge. These folks are so very helpful to MESH and our liaison with the fraternity. I would also like to thank Ric Carter, editor of *The North Carolina*

Mason. We will continue to seek Brother Ric's cooperation, as fraternal information is paramount to our success.

We must again acknowledge those employees at MESH who, for a second year of a sluggish economy, have continued to work without benefit of a raise. I do not have the words to express my appreciation to these dedicated people.

It has been a pleasure traveling and attending area meetings with the chairman of the MESH Board of Directors, and our Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. There are few leaders that set an example, as has this man. Some leaders encourage from the back. Others march to the front and light the way through example. This grand master knows that a rope cannot be pushed as successfully as pulled. Charles Lewis has tried to instill a common goal that we can be better than we are. He represents the idea espoused by that ancient Chinese Warrior, Sun Tsu, who wrote in his book *The Art of War*, "He will win whose army is animated by the same spirit throughout all its ranks."

I wish to thank our fraternal members. If I could paint a picture, it would be of an old person's face. Radiating through that face would be the bright and excited eyes of a child. Those who know and love this retirement community, dedicated to relief, are the rare people who understand that we are all children of God, just some older than others.

Lastly, I would like to thank every resident at MESH. These are the bravest people in the world. Like the distance runner, we all slow down at the end of the race. Like the runner at the end of the race, our residents are still giving 100% pursuing goals, having hope, looking for ways to contribute, and dreaming.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted,
John A. Rose, Administrator/CEO
Masonic and Eastern Star Home

Report of the Board of Directors of the Masonic And Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc.

The following report of the received and entered on the record.

To The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Governance

During this Masonic year, the Board of Directors convened their regular quarterly meetings in February, May, August and is scheduled to meet in November.

The Board of Directors is comprised of twenty qualified members of whom twelve are Masons and eight are members of the Order of the Eastern Star. The grand master serves as chairman. The deputy grand master and senior grand warden are members by virtue of their position. The other Masonic members are nominated, or in the event of a vacancy, appointed by the grand master and elected by the voting members of Grand Lodge at the Annual Communication. The junior grand warden serves as an observer, which helps him prepare for his ensuing term.

The Board of Directors receives regular reports from the administrator that relate to the general operations of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home [MESH].

The many important responsibilities of the Board are directed through committees and, when necessary, ad hoc committees. Standing committees are instrumental in maintaining efficient and effective operations of your Masonic Home. These committees include Admissions, Personnel, Finance, Buildings and Grounds, Real Estate, Long Range Planning, and Investment.

At this time there are three ad hoc committees working to the benefit of MESH. The Construction Committee, chaired by Wayne Jackson, continues its important work of directing and overseeing the current Independent Living expansion project. The Ad

Hoc Focus Committee, chaired by Deputy Grand Master Leonard Safrit, is charged to review certain recommendations with respect to operations at MESH. The details of the work of this committee follow in the next report segment. The Ad Hoc Steering Committee is charged to review, identify advantages and disadvantages, and implement a conceptual organizational model approved at a special called meeting in March of 2003.

The Length of Our Cable Tow

It is not surprising that MESH is providing charitable services to more residents than MESH can afford. This is not something of which we, as Masons, should be ashamed. MESH has, for many years, experienced an annual deficit. The deficit has been satisfied, in large part, by the growth on a small investment portfolio invested by the North Carolina Masonic Foundation (NCFM). MESH is required by law to have sufficient funds to discharge its responsibility to the current residents of MESH. The complex formula to compute this value is based on the age of our residents, number of residents, the care levels of residents, and a host of other variables. Because of the political-social economy and its effect upon our investment portfolio, we are not realizing growth on our portfolio. Worse, we must tap into its corpus to resolve the deficit.

It is noted by the Board of Directors that a reasonable gift from every Mason in North Carolina would resolve the deficit situation. This is consistent with our Grand Master's belief that we can do better and "...the best is yet to come." In sum, we have a marketing opportunity more than a financial problem. The subject of improved marketing will be considered in the FY 2004 operating budget.

In August of 2002, Brother John A. Rose, our administrator/CEO of MESH, made a timely report to the Board of Directors entitled, "The Length of our Cable Tow." This report alluded to the extent of MESH charity, the MESH business plan to resolve the deficit financial condition, a candid review of performances, and made a number of recommendations. The recommendations were referred to a Focus Committee who caused a thorough study to be made and advanced recommendations of its own.

The work of this Committee continues. Actions at this writing include a review and changes in certain major vendors, improved use of third party revenues, expansion of the interim service program (ISP), allowing affiliated and unaffiliated persons to receive restorative nursing in otherwise vacant accommodations at MESH, approval to apply for Medicaid certification of 15 beds in the MESH Care and Wellness Center, and consideration of a proposal to recommend to the Grand Lodge Committee on Finance an increase in the per capita paid by Masons to help support MESH.

Phase II of the Long Range Plan

Phase I of the Long Range Plan included a new Care and Wellness Center. Phase II included construction of new two-bedroom patio homes under an expanded independent living program. The Phase II program continues to serve our members well. The value of this phase can be simply stated. By attracting eligible applicants who expect excellent services, we bring excellent services to all the residents of MESH. In our last report we had 33 new houses completed or under contract. At this time we have 38 completed and interest expressed for four of the remaining eight vacant lots. At this time MESH has invested less than \$1.0 million in this new village and the value of new construction is \$6.0 million. This value transfers over to the MESH books over a 49-month period.

Phase III Only a Vision

A study of aging in our fraternity suggests the number of eligible beneficiaries will grow significantly over the next decade. The number of residents served at MESH has a direct correlation to the number of fraternal members over the age of 65. After more than eight years of planning, review, and analysis, MESH pulled together all its information into a vision that meets its objectives for the next step of its long-range plan.

Although only a vision at this time, the major question to be resolved is whether, like the Independent Living Village, the replacement of our older congregate living buildings will be efficient, pay for itself over time, and allow us to maintain or even expand the length of our charitable cable tow?

At this time we are conducting a marketing study and financial projection upon which will be based business plans, a comprehensive master plan, schematic design documents, a reliable estimate of costs, and preparation of marketing documents. Spending a comparably few dollars to plan and determine if the vision can be financed — in large part — through what we generally refer to as “resident mix,” will increase revenue in the future.

The vision concentrates on the oldest part of campus, our congregate living area. This part of the vision includes new studios with private baths as well as one and two bedroom apartments in the congregate area of the Home. We envision expansion of the Chapel to include a chaplain's office, enlarging the dining room, and building attractive offices, classrooms, lobbies, activity areas, an auditorium, all within a landscaped and park-like campus whose entrance and focal point is based on a reorientation of the campus.

A Decade of Decisions

The current economical and political challenges have made it possible for the Board of Directors of Masonic Charities in North Carolina to see and measure problems and opportunities. For the second time in the last ten years, the Boards of Directors of the Masonic Charities met together in a special session named Decade of Decisions II.

Following a two-day meeting on March 22–23, the Boards of Directors of the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford, the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, and the Jones Masonic Campus took specific actions designed to address issues of effectiveness of all Masonic charity in North Carolina, potentially mitigate the liabilities inherent with governance and operations of our Masonic Charities, and to identify opportunities to create efficiencies among the charities.

At the close of this very exciting meeting, the Boards adopted a Resolution for Common Trust Fund Accounting, agreed to further consider a single corporation known as the North Carolina Masonic Charities, appropriated funds to complete market assessment updates, and appropriated funds to perform legal reviews and services for the organization under consideration.

The grand master, as board chairman, and the worthy grand matron, as board vice chairman, formed a Steering Committee to oversee implementation and coordination of the actions taken at the Decade of Decisions meeting. That ad hoc committee is hard at work.

Financial Overview

Revenues in 2002 were 2.8% less than the previous year. This reduction is due, in part, to reduced earnings on investments, fewer assets being assigned by residents upon admission, and a drop in legacy income.

Expenses increased by 7.18%. This increase is no surprise given a 12.9% increase in average census. The good news is that MESH is more efficient. The average cost per resident served at MESH has been reduced by 5%.

The MESH business plan is slowly gathering momentum. The model has several facets. One facet is that of amortizing the cost of care to include a “resident mix” concept. Resident mix includes residents whose needs go beyond financial support alone. The business model was hindered by war and an economic downturn. This is just a temporary setback. MESH has survived two World Wars, the Great Depression, eras of disease, and social problems. With time, patience, perseverance, and the commitment of North Carolina Masons, we will get back on track.

Operating Revenue

	2001	2002
From Residents		
Income from Residents	2,036,234	2,253,838
Entrance Fees (NAAS)	196,000	43,000
Asset Division	602,811	529,716
Real Estate	357,177	269,989
Accommodation Fees	102,300	155,000
Maintenance Fees	317,438	501,188
RTA Transfer	474,676	239,838
Mortgage Interest	16,188	10,715
Operating Expense Recoveries	<u>428,219</u>	<u>471,450</u>
Subtotal Resident Participation	\$4,531,043	\$4,474,734
Fraternal Support		
Income from Charitable Trusts	168,512	135,189
Blue Lodges, Appendant Bodies	367,828	479,329
N.C. Masonic Foundation	235,462	168,756
Grand Lodge	12,500	12,530
Grand Chapter	<u>365,135</u>	<u>661,489</u>
Subtotal Fraternal Support	\$1,149,437	\$1,457,293
Investment Income		
Endowment Interest/Dividends	<u>172,111</u>	<u>148,360</u>
Subtotal Investment Income	\$172,111	\$148,360
Legacies		
	529,725	123,404
Total Revenue From All Sources	2001	2002
	\$6,382,316	\$6,203,791
Total Operating Expenses		
Administrative	1,019,408	996,649
Dietary	1,103,032	1,168,321
Maintenance	827,439	851,572
Care Center Health Care	2,595,490	2,848,2286
Residential Health Care	624,750	690,565
Environmental Svc	484,397	389,199
Activities	200,552	203,634
Independent Apartments (Cottages)	83,984	176,091
Social Services	44,006	45,175
Board of Directors	<u>21,039</u>	<u>16,810</u>
Total Expenses	\$7,004,097	\$7,507,217
Key Ratios		
Cost Per Resident Year	\$32,945	\$31,287
Cost Per Resident Month	2,745	2,607
Cost Per Resident Day	90.26	85.72
Average Population Served	212.60	239.95

Conclusion

Each resident served in your Masonic and Eastern Star Home represents more than a name. Each contribution and dollar spent represents more than money. Your Home is tangible evidence of the extent to which Masons accept their obligation. Charity is love and your continued love is needed.

On behalf of your Board of Directors, "Thank you," for your continued attention to this, one of the purest forms of charity that can be found. The *Bible* reminds us to plead

the widow's cause and to visit the fatherless in their affliction. What better example can be found than our North Carolina Masonic Charities?

The Board of Directors
Masonic and Eastern Star Home of NC, Inc.

Report of the Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home

The following report of the Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

In compliance with Regulation 34-17 of *The Code* of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina, the Committee on the Masonic and Eastern Star Home convened at the MESH campus on Thursday, July 17, 2003, at noon with committee members David. R. Cash, Peter Eure, Mervin Hogg, and MESH Administrator John Rose present. William Howell and Henry Johnson were unable to attend. The duty of this committee is to personally visit the Masonic and Eastern Star Home and to examine the condition of its property, the management of its business, the reports of its officers and directors, and to communicate its findings to the Grand Lodge at its annual communication.

The Committee is happy to report that MESH is being well maintained. The facilities and campus are clean, attractive, and inviting. Lawns and landscapes are very well groomed and manicured. Contracts have been issued for the construction of new retirement homes thirty-nine and forty. There remains a vision for an outdoor multipurpose pavilion whereby the home could accommodate picnics, family reunions, and outdoor events like concerts. Lodges could host events and picnics. Although all buildings seem to be in good repair, there remain some dilemmas. One dilemma of facility maintenance directly involves the immediate needs versus the Long Range Planning Committee's visions for the Continuous Care Retirement Community. How much care should be given for painting and improvements on existing buildings that will be replaced? How much money should be invested now to seal and repave streets and driveways that will be affected by new construction? The Committee commends our administrator and staff for their effective management in the face of such dilemmas.

While the services at the Home include resident care for the independent ambulatory, assisted living ambulatory, assisted living non-ambulatory, and skilled nursing, MESH continues to operate and focus its mission upon being a home, not an institution. Residents and staff appear very happy, excited, and well satisfied with their/our home. A resident of this home can expect delicious food intertwined with unique dining experiences, outstanding health care agreeable to their different levels of need, and a daily array of activities and outings. The Committee also learned of a new idea for future service considerations. Some minor remodeling of the dining room could facilitate a deli or sandwich bar meal alternative.

The presence of an onsite daycare facility would provide volunteer and interactive opportunities for residents to mingle more with the much younger generation. Day care would also lend support to our present staffing needs and help reduce staff turnover and loss of work.

North Carolina Masons and Eastern Star members, their wives, widows, daughters, sisters, and mothers of North Carolina Masons, and mothers of North Carolina Eastern Star members are eligible for admission to the Home. It was noted that new federal privacy laws (HIPAA) necessitated a change to the application

procedures. MESH now employs a fraternal assistance coordinator to assist each applicant to the Home. This person will handle the applicant's resolution form that is mailed to the appropriate lodge or chapter secretary. The FAC also acts as marketing director for MESH accommodations, is the liaison with MESH department heads and vendors, administers non-resident assistance and outreach services programs.

In conclusion, the Committee realizes that the economy has greatly impacted MESH. Employees have not received a raise in salary the past two years. Like most recent portfolios, investment incomes have drastically reduced. MESH will probably operate in a deficit again this year despite its faithful efforts to generate revenues. Brother Rose shared that this deficit could be resolved if every Mason in North Carolina would make a gift of just \$25 to the Home. This committee salutes the great work and ministry at MESH. We wish to express appreciation to all the MESH staff for their hard work and loving care, to the Grand Lodge for its charitable support, and to the 268 residents who make our Masonic and Eastern Star "HOME!"

Respectfully Submitted,
David R. Cash, Chairman
Peter C. Eure
William W. Howell
Henry W. Johnston
Mervin E. Hogg

Report of the Administrator of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

The following report from the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford by Interim Administrator J. Allen Hughes was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of Directors of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The year 2002 was another historic year for the Masonic Home for Children, as the Home was granted state license on January 25, 2002. In preparing for the license, the organization was restructured, job descriptions were rewritten and upgraded, a standard grade and pay schedule was refined, and the evaluation system was revised. Additional personnel were hired to meet license mandated ratios of direct care supervision and clinical social workers. As the year progressed, changes in policies and procedures were made to meet the license standards. The MHCO was inspected for license compliance in June 2002, and no areas of noncompliance were found.

Despite changes in programs, the MHCO continues to provide holistic care for the children admitted. Discipline training, education, recreation, health care and safety, and religious training are provided in an effort to prepare the children to cope in society outside the Home. The admissions process was changed to require that all applicants visit the MHCO and meet with the clinical services staff to help determine if the MHCO is the proper place for the applicant. The policies on visitation with other than authorized family members were changed to require that background checks are completed on all adults living in the home of prospective visiting families. Visits must be scheduled and coordinated through a child's clinical social worker to ensure that the children are released to authorized personnel only. Visiting families that were previously authorized to take any of the children for off-campus visits were asked to establish a closer relationship with only one child or sibling group. The changes were necessary to ensure the safety of the children, and to comply with requirements that the guardians of a child approve all his or her visits off-campus.

Recreation activities for the children were significantly increased. While the athletic programs were still available to the children, more games, crafts, and non-traditional recreation programs were made available to all ages. Two classrooms in the gym were converted to a pool room and a video room. A ceramics workshop for all ages was opened and activities were scheduled in the evening and during the weekend when children had free time. With the decreased population on campus, we allowed selected students from J. F. Webb High School to participate on the MHCO basketball and baseball teams to enable our students to compete in interscholastic teams. Our girls formed a cheerleading squad and received valuable experience in working together toward a common goal. Many of the Lodges, church groups, and businesses provided cookouts, trips, or outings on campus for our children, and we thank them for those generous efforts.

We continue to stress the education and training of the children. Each quarter during the school year, a number of our children received monetary awards for academic excellence and/or major improvements in their academic performance. A training incentive program was started in 2002 to help prepare the children to work. A number of jobs on campus were identified, job descriptions were written, and students applied for the jobs. Those accepted for the jobs are required to work during their free time, be at work on time, and meet all the job requirements when at work, or get fired. Those who meet the work requirements and are not working off punishments are paid one dollar per hour. This provides training for the children without violating child labor laws.

Ten to twelve of our children were trained in the School of Graphic Arts. They are taught desktop publishing, newsletter and newspaper layout, advanced computer operations, camera work, and even press setup and operations. They apply their skills in producing the *Campus Tracks*, our student newspaper. The School of Graphic Arts has been tasked to become a break-even operation, and it has increased its volume of commercial paying business. While the older, more experienced students can help produce some of the jobs, the vocational instruction and supervision provided by the employees detracts from profit-producing printing. The School of Graphic Arts has continued to increase the volume of commercial work completed and actually produced a profit in the fourth quarter of 2002. But we should not forget that we are providing valuable training to our students in this shop.

Pastor Pat Stone has increased the involvement of our children in religious and community activities. Various groups of children participate in the weekly services each Sunday at the chapel. Although small, our youth choir usually has special music. Some of our children visit residents of the retirement homes and continuing care centers and some have helped glean potato fields to support the worldwide hunger program. Special religious programs were conducted around Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Children of non-Protestant faith were occasionally taken to a church of their faith. Baptism classes were periodically conducted for children whose guardians granted permission for the baptism, which was conducted at one of the area churches. Vacation Bible School was held on campus during the summer and group devotionals were frequently held in the cottages.

Construction of the seven new cottages and upgrade of the existing campus facilities continued during the year. The MHCO was licensed for 20 children when approved in January. During the year, extensive work was done to the older cottages to upgrade them to licensure standards. But as the work progressed, the State facilities inspectors kept interpreting the requirements to a higher standard. After making a courtesy inspection of the first new cottage, the fire and safety requirements were increased by the same inspector who approved the original blueprints. At the end of 2002, the MHCO still was licensed for only 20 children. This had an impact on the low number of referrals we got from State and local DSS agencies. While work continued on the buildings, the telephone system was upgraded, and the old 4 KV power distribution

system was replaced by a modern 23 KV distribution system. Additional panels were added to permit hookup of emergency power generation for the St. John's Building and cafeteria.

Chris Richardson worked tirelessly with Dan Rice and other members of the Vision Campaign Fund Raising Committee to seek funds to pay for the new cottages and expanded programs. He and the committee helped coordinate and conduct a series of information briefing across the State to advise prospective donors and fund drive leaders of the changes occurring at MHCO. By the end of the year, the Oxford Orphanage Alumni Association and the North Carolina Masonic Foundation had each pledged \$500,000 to pay for a cottage. Many of the pledges made during the year spread payment over five years. Since construction was started before the capital funds were raised, it proved to be important that the construction was financed with the \$8 million in tax-free bonds through the NC Housing and Finance Agency.

Major personnel changes that started in 2001 to meet license requirements and to support program changes continued into mid-2002. Additional clinical social workers, house parents, medical and recreation staff, and supervisors were hired. Couples were hired as house parents to create a more family-like environment in the cottages. As changes developed, reorganization occurred. In June, a supervisory employee whose position was eliminated as a result of reorganization filed an EEOC complaint. That case was still pending at year end. On July 20, Reverend Grissom, the administrator, was seriously injured in an automobile accident and was out of his office for almost three months. At the end of 2002, Brother Grissom announced to the Board his intention to resign as administrator and return to preaching as a Methodist minister.

The staff and children of the MHCO extend our sincere gratitude to Reverend David Grissom for the fourteen years of loving and dedicated service he gave to the Home. He brought stability to the Home after a long period of changing superintendents and administrators. We also wish to thank the Masons across the state, alumni, and friends for donating their time, love, and money to keep this a wonderful home for our children. We especially thank those Masons who continued to support the Home and the children, even though you may not have understood or agreed with the changes being made. With your continued support, the quality of life at the MHCO has improved for the children.

We truly express our gratitude to Grand Master Jerry R. Tillett for his leadership as chairman of the Board of Directors during this challenging year. A special note of thanks is extended to Joseph K. Transou, president of the Board and Finance Committee chairman, who was instrumental in securing the bond financing for the new construction. We also thank James M. Galloway and Dennis Mikeal for their three years of service on the Board of Directors. To all members of the Board of Directors, thank you for your devoted efforts to raise the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford to the next level. We thank all Brother Masons and your families. We need your support of our programs, and we need your assistance in finding the children in your area who we can help. Let us, together, continue our proud tradition of providing a home for the needy, the abused, or the neglected. While there are few true orphans who need our help, the statistics indicate that there are many "social orphans" who need your home. Help us share your Home with those in need.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Allen Hughes
Interim Administrator

Report of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

The following report of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford was received and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of Directors of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford conducted business in accordance with the by-laws by meeting four times in regular session and twice in special session during the year 2002. The actions of the Board brought positive changes to the Home and improved the lives of the children.

The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford (MHCO) became a licensed residential home of foster care on January 25, 2002. The Board approved an upgraded organizational chart and a revised pay grade scale to meet increased staffing requirements for licensure. Additional staff, especially social workers and house parents, were hired to meet the increased supervision and counseling needs. In compliance with license requirements to add diversity to the Board, two female members, Mrs. Anna Troutman and Secretary of State Elaine Marshall, were invited to serve on the Board in an advisory capacity. As the year progressed, the Board directed the MHCO administration to publish a series of information articles to advise Masons across the state what changes were being made at the Home. The Directors of the Department of Social Services in every county in the state were notified that the MHCO is now licensed and were asked to consider referring children who meet the profile of children we can help and need a long-term residence to the MHCO.

The Board members recognized the need to finance the construction of the seven new cottages and upgrade of existing campus facilities, approved in 2001, to avoid a major drawdown of the endowment fund. The Board passed the necessary resolutions authorizing borrowing and repayment of funds for new construction, facilities upgrade, and other program improvements. After analyzing several finance options, the Board approved financing the construction through issuance of \$8 million in 20-year tax-free bonds through the NC Housing and Finance Agency, with Wachovia Bank issuing the Letter of Credit. Funds were requisitioned from the bond account as needed to pay for the construction of the new cottages and upgrade of existing facilities. A fund raising program, the Vision Campaign, was launched to raise the funds needed to pay for the new cottages.

Construction of the new cottages progressed ahead of schedule and within budget during the year. A new telephone system was installed to meet the increased demands of more staff and additional cottages on campus. The campus power distribution system was old and inadequate, so it was replaced with a new 23 KV power distribution system. The old transformers which contained hazardous materials were disposed of as part of the upgrade. The MHCO maintenance staff performed and coordinated the work needed to bring the older cottages to license standards. One cottage, Bemis, and the dining hall were licensed in January 2002. Five other cottages were upgraded to the standards required to license Bemis Cottage. However, the requirements to meet license standards were significantly increased by the Department of Facilities Services, and by the end of 2002 Bemis Cottage remained the only licensed cottage, thereby minimizing the number of referrals the Home could receive from DSS.

The year 2002 was tough financially. The endowment portfolio lost almost 25% of its value, donations and legacies were down, and investment income fell due to the poor economy. The Board reviewed the losses of the endowment portfolio and suggested that a more conservative investment policy be established. Health insurance for the employees and property and liability insurance for the Home increased about 50%. Operating expenses for the year were within budget, but the reduced income resulted in another deficit. Although the Home had counted on a significant donation from

private grants and foundations after becoming licensed, the Masonic Home for Children received only \$10,000 from foundations in 2002. The budget realities of 2002 caused the Board to direct the MHCO administration to consider drastic cost-saving measures for 2003. Approval of the 2003 budget was deferred until the February 2003 Board meeting. In preparation of that budget, the MHCO administration was advised to consider a 15% staff reduction and cut \$1 million from the 2002 budget final budget. The Masonic Model Student Assistance Program (MSAP) was reviewed to determine whether the benefits gained offset the costs to the Home. Statements of financial position and activities are enclosed.

Several significant personnel actions affected the operations of the MHCO during 2002. There was a high turnover rate, especially in house parents, as the administration tried to improve the quality of the direct care staff. In June, a former employee whose position was eliminated as part of reorganization filed an EEOC complaint against the MHCO. The Board closely monitored the actions and effects of this case, but it was still open at year's end with no apparent major impact. The former administrator, David Grissom, was victim of a serious automobile accident on July 20, 2002, and was unable to return to work for almost three months. Assistant administrator and business manager, Allen Hughes, assumed the duties of acting administrator during Reverend Grissom's absence. At the end of the year, Brother Grissom indicated his intention to resign effective January 6, 2003.

While the year of 2002 was one of change and challenge, we feel the status of the Masonic Home for Children has improved. As a result of the changes implemented, the children are safer in the cottages and around campus, they are better supervised, and they are offered more help in dealing with their personal problems. The house parents have better working conditions and schedules and better support in dealing with disruptive situations. This enables them to be more effective with the children.

We commend the staff of the MHCO for the wonderful work they are doing for the children. We express our sincere appreciation to Grand Master Jerry R. Tillett for his leadership as chairman of the Board of Directors. We also thank Joseph K. Transou, president, James M. Galloway, and Dennis Mikeal, who completed their terms on the Board. Special thanks is extended to all members of the Board of Directors for their devotion and service to the children and the Masonic Home for Children.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Directors

The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

**The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Inc. Statements of Activities
For the Years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001**

	2002	2001
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:		
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:		
Revenues, Gains and Other Support:		
Contributions	\$ 2,409,563	\$ 1,151,403
Bequests	705,342	850,743
Investment Income	1,012,474	1,123,518
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Investments, Net	(73,281)	1,043,478
Unrealized Loss on Swap Contract	(291,925)	
Unrealized Loss on Investments, Net	(5,152,653)	(1,230,522)
Productive Enterprises - Printing	702,234	412,337
Children's Benefits	8,356	7,929
Farm Income	5,394	5,511
Loss on Sale of Property and Equipment	2,102	(6,432)
Miscellaneous	42,500	45,451
Total Revenues, Gains and Other Support	<u>(628,894)</u>	<u>3,403,416</u>

Expenses:		
Childcare and Support	1,792,890	966,929
Education	470,943	474,985
Health Care and Infirmary	357,922	338,640
Food Service	606,699	536,584
Religion	265,752	220,187
Productive Enterprises - Printing	900,929	620,840
General and Administrative	1,145,310	1,156,708
Fundraising	<u>413,405</u>	<u>388,687</u>
Total Expenses	<u>5,953,850</u>	<u>4,703,560</u>
Change in Unrestricted Net Assets	(6,582,744)	(1,300,144)
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:		
Investment Income	9,708	15,050
Decrease in Value of Split Interest Agreements	(48,316)	(19,427)
Unrealized Loss on Investments	(118,839)	(42,215)
Bequests and Contributions	<u>16,241</u>	<u></u>
Change in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	<u>(141,206)</u>	<u>(46,592)</u>
PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:		
Increase (Decrease) in Value of Split Interest Agreements	(284,643)	87,248
Unrealized Loss on Investments	(18,360)	(57,769)
Bequests and Contributions	<u>5,599</u>	<u>6,479</u>
Change in Permanently Restricted Net Assets	<u>(297,404)</u>	<u>35,958</u>
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:	(7,021,354)	(1,310,778)
NET ASSETS — Beginning of Year	<u>35,062,750</u>	<u>36,373,528</u>
NET ASSETS — End of Year	<u>\$ 28,041,396</u>	<u>\$ 35,062,750</u>

The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Inc.
Statements of Financial Position
December 31, 2002 and 2001

	2002	2001
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,717,812	\$ 3,779,158
Investments	15,877,903	21,144,379
Accounts, Pledges, and Notes Receivable, Net	251,325	311,563
Inventories	18,768	33,484
Prepaid Expenses	<u>93,865</u>	<u>66,599</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>21,959,673</u>	<u>25,335,183</u>
INVESTMENTS HELD BY TRUSTEES:		
Temporarily Restricted	213,489	261,805
Permanently Restricted	<u>4,217,434</u>	<u>4,502,077</u>
Total Assets Held By Trustees	<u>4,430,923</u>	<u>4,763,882</u>
OTHER ASSETS:		
Investments, Temporarily Restricted	474,502	593,341
Investments, Permanently Restricted	844,149	862,509
Pledges and Notes Receivable	710,210	159,259
Property and Equipment, Net	<u>8,069,507</u>	<u>3,569,747</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>10,098,368</u>	<u>5,184,856</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 36,488,964</u>	<u>\$ 35,283,921</u>

Liabilities and Net Assets

CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 347,341	\$ 221,171
OTHER LIABILITIES:		
Bonds Payable	7,808,302	
Swap Contract	<u>291,925</u>	
Total Other Liabilities	<u>8,100,227</u>	
Total Liabilities	<u>8,447,568</u>	\$ 221,171

NET ASSETS:

Unrestricted Net Assets:		
Board Designated for Land, Buildings, and Equipment	8,069,507	3,569,747
General Unrestricted	13,367,031	24,449,535
Temporarily Restricted	934,846	1,076,052
Permanently Restricted	<u>5,670,012</u>	<u>5,967,416</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>28,041,396</u>	<u>35,062,750</u>
 Total Liabilities and Net Assets	 <u>\$ 36,488,964</u>	 <u>\$ 35,283,921</u>

**Report of Committee on
Masonic Home for Children at Oxford**

The following report of the Committee on the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford was received and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Per Regulation 34-18 of *The Code*, the Committee on Masonic Home for Children at Oxford wishes to submit the following report:

The children have now occupied the seven new cottages. They are greatly appreciated by the children and house parents creating more of a family atmosphere. Extended training of staff and house parents has upgraded our standards to an even higher plane of more qualified personnel giving more of the family environment, also placing couples instead of individuals in many cottages. Following visits from DSS to our new cottages they are now recommending children stay with us for an extended period instead of being placed in foster home care.

As most now know, David Grissom has stepped down as administrator and returned to a church pastorate. We wish to commend and thank him for his years of devoted service to the craft in this capacity and his deep love and devotion to the well-being of our children. Allan Hughes now serves as our interim administrator and is doing a fine job. Necessary changes have been made to reduce cost, while still providing excellent service and care for our children while operating under a balanced budget. We wish to commend Brother Hughes for this.

The need is always there for the individual members and lodges support. The lodges and members need to look in their communities for that child or those children that qualify as needing the support of our Children's Home and contact the Home to assist in getting those children admitted. Of course the continued support with fund-raising activities and contributions of our lodges and members financially is greatly needed and appreciated. We must also keep in mind the capital outlay of funds for the new cottages that needs to be met.

Per Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr., "We are good, but we must strive to be better for the best is yet to come."

W. Berry Rigdon, SGD, Chairman
James R. Shingleton
Starkey S. Shaw
Johnny W. Davidson Jr.
Joseph J. Vale

Resolution of the Committee on Finance

The following Resolution of the Committee on Finance was received, entered on the record, and adopted by the delegates to Annual Communication.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Finance shall be the first order of business at the morning session of the Grand Lodge held on Saturday, September 27, 2003, and,

Resolved further, That all resolutions, motions, and reports asking for or carrying appropriations and expenditures not included in the proposed budget, shall be placed before the Grand Lodge before 4:00 P.M. on Friday September 26, 2003, and,

Resolved further, That all such matters offered after 4:00 P.M. on Friday, September 26, 2003, be carried over to the next business communication of this Grand Lodge when the 2005 budget will be considered.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Gresham

Chairman

Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence. The matters contained therein are, along with the disposition of each, included in the Report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

Resolution Re: Change in the Order of Business

The following resolution was introduced and adopted by the delegates to Annual Communication.

Whereas, the present Order of Business of the Annual Communication was adopted in 1995, and

Whereas, *The Code* states that the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence presents its reports on the second day of the annual meeting, and

Whereas, *The Code* allows for changes in the order of business by delegates, and

Whereas, the volume of business is much greater than normal, and

Whereas, the delegates have been informed of possible Friday voting on the amendments.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the business of the Committee Jurisprudence commence during the Friday afternoon session of the Annual Communication if time permits.

Respectfully submitted.

T. Walton Clapp III

Grand Secretary

Report of the Representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association

The following report was received and entered on the record. The portion pertaining to finance was referred to the Committee on Finance and the recommendation that we continue our membership in the Association was adopted by the delegates to Annual Communication.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your representative attended the Annual Meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association held at the Minneapolis Hyatt Regency in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in conjunction with the Conference of Grand Masters in North America on February 16–18, 2003. The annual business of the Association was conducted including reports from the various committees and the election of officers and directors.

This majestic Masonic Memorial is located in Alexandria, Virginia and was dedicated on May 12, 1932 to honor the memory of our greatest citizen and Freemason, George Washington. It is open to the public and attracts thousands of visitors each year who enjoy the guided tours through one of the most impressive Masonic edifices in the world. Lodges and other Masonic groups are encouraged to visit the Memorial with pre-arranged tours scheduled by appointment. The executive secretary-treasurer is Brother George D. Seghers, whose office is located in the Memorial.

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial belongs to all the grand lodges of the United States and Puerto Rico and therefore is owned by all the Freemasons of this great nation. The grand masters comprise the voting delegates at the annual meeting.

This stately building, now over seventy years old, requires constant maintenance and repairs at substantial cost. At the annual meeting, the Dedicatory Tree Program was described and continues to be a successful fund raising source. For a donation of \$500, a tree will be planted on the Memorial grounds in honor or memory of an individual or organization. A granite marker will be installed near each tree to identify the donor and honoree. The grounds of the Memorial consist of 36 acres of beautiful park like setting.

It is recommended that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina continue its membership in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association and increase its contributions as funds become available.

Respectfully submitted,
L.R. "Pete" Thomas Jr., PGM
Representative

Report of the Representative to the Masonic Service Association

The following report was received and entered on the record. The portion pertaining to finance was referred to the Committee on Finance and the recommendation that we continue our membership in the Association was adopted by the delegates to Annual Communication.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your representative attended the Annual Meeting of the Masonic Service Association held at the Minneapolis Hyatt Regency in Minneapolis, Minnesota in

conjunction with the Conference of Grand Masters in North America on February 16–18, 2003.

Reports of the various programs of the Masonic Service Association were received and approved. The reports included the following programs for which the MSA is responsible: Disaster Relief, Education and Publications, Membership, Masonic Information Center, and Hospital Visitation Program. The Masonic Service Association continues to be a most valuable instrument of service to Freemasonry and is fortunate to have as its executive secretary, Richard E. Fletcher, PGM.

The MSA Hospital Visitation Program at the VA Medical Centers provides a commendable service to hospitalized veterans. The Grand Lodge of North Carolina is well represented in this program at each of the VA Medical Centers in Fayetteville, Durham, Salisbury, and Asheville. Those Masons who serve as volunteers at these centers give generously of their time and in fulfilling this important responsibility truly exemplify the teachings of our gentle craft. I regret to report that Brother Ed Rose, MSA Director of Hospital Visitation, passed way on September 15, 2002.

During the year 2002, the Masonic Service Association continued its appeal for Disaster Relief on behalf of the Grand Lodges of New York and Virginia to help in their recovery from the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

Another valuable service of MSA is the publication of a wide range of Masonic literature including its ever popular *Short Talk Bulletin*. These publications are available from MSA including a catalog with instructions for ordering. The Masonic Information Center provides excellent responses to anti-Masonic allegations.

It is recommended that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina continue its membership in the Masonic Service Association and its participation in the MSA Hospital Visitation Program at the VA Medical Centers in North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,
L.R. "Pete" Thomas Jr., PGM
Representative

Petition for Restoration

The Petition for Restoration of WRT, formerly a member of Richard Caswell Lodge No. 705, was read, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Appeals.

Petition for Restoration

The Petition for Restoration of FLA, formerly a member of Gastonia Lodge No. 369, was read, entered on the record, and referred to the Committee on Appeals.

Report of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc.

The following report of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc. was received, entered on the record, and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc. and Subsidiary

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

Years Ended December 31, 2002 and 2001

ASSETS

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:		
Revenue, gains and other support:		
Interest and dividends	\$ 368,237	\$ 442,386
Contributions received	280,475	161,790
Net realized gains on sales of securities	16,305	662,173
Net unrealized losses on securities held	<u>(3,075,894)</u>	<u>(924,261)</u>
Total revenue, gains and other support	<u>(2,410,877)</u>	<u>342,088</u>
Expenses and distributions to beneficiaries:		
Distributions to related beneficiaries	791,492	367,590
Management and general expenses	30,331	17,786
Fund-raising expenses (Development program)	<u>53,580</u>	<u>51,208</u>
Total expenses and distributions to beneficiaries	<u>875,403</u>	<u>436,584</u>
DECREASE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	<u>(3,286,280)</u>	<u>(94,496)</u>
CHANGES IN PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS:		
Contributions received	12,758	239,506
Investment income	9,940	3,612
Distributions and expenses	(3,939)	(2,362)
Realized gain on sale of land	14,794	
Unrealized gains on securities held	<u>8,080</u>	<u> </u>
INCREASE IN PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS	<u>41,633</u>	<u>240,756</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(3,244,647)	146,260
NET ASSETS:		
Beginning of year	<u>15,055,013</u>	<u>14,908,753</u>
End of year	<u>\$11,810,366</u>	<u>\$15,055,013</u>

Report of the Grand Historian

The following report of the grand historian was received and entered on the record.

Grand Master Charles Lewis charged the grand historian with two important tasks this year. The first was to gather together the biographies of the 150 past grand masters of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina since its inception in 1787. The second was to assess and issue a report on the state of the archives of the Grand Lodge.

The key to any Masonic biographical investigation is the splendid system of card files (computerized beginning in 1995) on every North Carolina Mason, past and present, kept by the grand secretary's office. In researching the biographies, it was found that the practice of publishing a life sketch of the presiding grand master in the *Proceedings* of the Grand Lodge was not instituted until 1918 during the term of George S. Norfleet. Fortunately, however, all but three biographies of those grand masters prior to 1918, were gathered together and published in the *Proceedings* of 1938, 1939 and 1940 et seq. Events in the lives of those grand masters since 1918 subsequent to their term of office are usually to be found in the Necrology section of the *Proceedings* of the year following their death. These bipartite biographies will usually require extensive editing. The three missing biographies, those of Grand Masters P.W. Fanning (1844, '45, '46), Alfred Martin (1857, '58) and Horace H. Munsen (1876, '77) will be written before the end of 2003 and these, together with all the others will gradually be made available, at first on the Grand Lodge's website, and later, hopefully, in a publication honoring these fine Masonic leaders.

In assessing the state of the Grand Lodge archives it first should be noted that the archives as a whole appear to be intact, their physical state reasonably sound and the conditions of their storage adequate to good. These archives fall into several categories. First: published materials. Under this category are found a collection of works on Masonic history and reference and particularly the history of this Grand Lodge, including a full set of *Proceedings*. These works, for the most part, have been arranged on shelves through the good work of Brother Brian Edwards and are accessible to interested scholars with permission of the grand secretary. Second: the returns and secretary reports from the subordinate lodges, including those subordinate lodges which are now defunct. Third: papers of grand masters and Grand Lodge correspondence from Samuel Johnson on down. And lastly: non-paper objects such as gifts to the Grand Lodge, portraits of grand masters, paintings, charters and other displayable objects. There is also a collection of officer's jewels, tracing boards, columns and globes, etc., usually from defunct lodges. It is in the organization of returns, reports, papers and correspondence and seeing to their proper dehumidified and acid free storage that the bulk of archival work needs to be accomplished. Furthermore, this is a duty that must be done. The Grand Lodge of North Carolina should not and cannot let its tangible history perish. We owe it to ourselves as Masons and our posterity to preserve our rich heritage. This archival work, however, will neither be quick nor easy and will require the efforts of dedicated volunteers under knowledgeable supervision and must have the moral and financial support of the Grand Lodge leadership. We owe Grand Master Lewis a sincere debt of gratitude for emphasizing this need during his year in office.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael W. Brantley, Grand Historian

The Report of The Board of Publication of *The North Carolina Mason*

The following report of the Board of Publication of *The North Carolina Mason* was received and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your *North Carolina Mason* is, and continues to be, one of the outstanding Masonic papers in the country, reaching over 54,000 Masons in North Carolina and many Masons in other jurisdictions. It has always been the goal of our editor, Ric Carter, and the Board of Publication, to present the views of our members in an unbiased manner, whether they be the popular or minority viewpoint. We are grateful to contributing members for their enthusiasm, interest, and cooperation in the submission of pictures and articles on lodge activities for printing which helps make our paper the high quality publication that you, as members, deserve. However, this section of the paper, ever so interesting to the Craft, can improve if a little extra time is taken to insure that the camera is in proper focus. Brethren, keep up the good work, your picture quality seems to be improving.

Have you noticed that your *North Carolina Mason* does not have an address label and is now bar coded; that the name and address are printed directly on the paper; and that there are tabs to hold the paper together? Bar coding the paper has proved to be very beneficial to us from a cost stand point to improved delivery. The Post Office has to do minimum handling; the size of *The North Carolina Mason* is the maximum size of a First Class Letter; it is addressed like a letter; and it can thereby be sorted with First Class mail for delivery. This makes for a more timely delivery to the Brethren.

It is a continuing concern of your Board of Publications to exercise good stewardship in keeping costs down without sacrificing information flow or quality. The content of *The North Carolina Mason* has improved again this year, and each Brother is receiving his paper timely and at the lowest Postal rate. The Postage budget for 2004 has been decreased an additional \$1,000.00. The budget will not reflect potential savings until they become real. We will under-spend our 2003 Postal budget as forecast and should under spend the 2004 Postal budget. However the exact amount will remain unknown until changed operating procedures and the resulting postal bills can be analyzed.

We wish to thank our Grand Lodge officers for their help and support. The School of Graphic Arts of the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford deserves special recognition for their outstanding service.

Do you need to read an article in *The North Carolina Mason*, but your copy has been misplaced? The web site <http://www.grandlodge-nc.org> will have a copy on file that you can access through the Internet. The Board of Publication budget supports the web site — an electronic publication.

We hope that you get as much joy out of *The North Carolina Mason* as we do in keeping the means working so that you can be kept-well informed. We have had a great year! Everything is working as it should, and more efficiently, and with only a one percent budget increase for 2004. Enjoy your paper!

Procedure for Inserts to be Included in the Mailing of *The North Carolina Mason*

In order to maintain proper order and reliable scheduling, the following polices will govern insert materials in *The North Carolina Mason* by the Masonic Home for Children Oxford (MCHO) School of Graphic Arts and Commercial Fund Raisers.

1. MHCO School of Graphic Arts

Written application will be made to the editor of *The North Carolina Mason*, explaining the content, purpose, and detailed description of the proposed insert. In

order to be considered for insertion in a requested issue, application must be in the hands of the editor in accordance with the following deadlines.

Deadline	Issue
December 1	January/February
February 1	March/April
April 1	May/June
June 1	July/August
August 1	September/October
October 1	November/December

The editor in consultation with the Board of Publication, will be the final authority for the appropriateness of any proposed insert. The editor will notify the MHCO School of Graphic Arts of such approvals so that they can begin negotiations with the requester as to cost of inserting and/or printing the insert(s).

All approved materials, in their finished form and ready for insertion, will be in the possession of the MHCO School of Graphic Arts no later than the first (1st) of the earlier scheduled issue month, i.e. January 1 for the January/February issue, prior the printing of *The North Carolina Mason*.

No insert may delay the publication or mailing date of an issue of *The North Carolina Mason*.

All costs of an insert(s), the cost of its insertion into *The North Carolina Mason*, and any extra postage the insert(s) may necessitate will be borne by the insert applicant. A postage increase occurs if the total weight of the tabbed *North Carolina Mason* with insert(s) exceeds 3.3 ounces. By having one point of control, such increases should be avoided as long as the United States Postal Service maintains the 0.0 through 3.3 ounce weight group for the first class letter size Bulk Rate delivery.

2. Commercial Fund Raisers:

Promotional inserts of a commercial fund raiser nature, i.e. commemorative watch programs, etc. will be negotiated separately with the designated outside vendor and the Grand Lodge Office (grand secretary, director of development, and editor of *The North Carolina Mason*), after approval of the Board of General Purposes. No other inserts will be considered for any such issues of *The North Carolina Mason* since these issues are printed by the School of Graphic Arts, and shipped to the vendor for their inserting, tabbing, and bulk mailing.

This procedure has been written at the request of Grand Master Charles Lewis to establish the necessary bench marks for approval, production, insertion, and delivery of inserts in *The North Carolina Mason*. Procedures such as this are necessary when multiple organizations are involved, especially when there are changes in personnel.

Respectfully submitted,
Eddie H. Moody, Jr., Chairman

Petition of Lexington Lodge No. 473 To Change Its Name

The following petition for Lexington Lodge No. 473 to change its name was received and referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

WHEREAS: Memorial Lodge No. 696 and Lexington Lodge No. 473 have agreed to merge into one lodge and by rule to become known as Lexington Lodge No. 473, AF & AM, and

WHEREAS: The consolidated lodge will meet in the building of Memorial Lodge No. 696, and

WHEREAS: The lodge would like the name to represent both lodges, and

WHEREAS: Both lodges have approved by resolution to change the name of the consolidated lodge to Lexington Memorial Lodge No. 473, AF & AM.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That Lexington Lodge No. 473, AF & AM, hereby petitions the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina to change the name of the consolidated lodge to read Lexington Memorial Lodge No. 473, AF & AM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: The effective date of the consolidation and the new charter is January 1, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

Lexington Lodge No. 473, AF & AM

Memorial Lodge No. 696, AF & AM

Report on the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Education was received and entered on the record.

To the most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

This year your Committee on Masonic Education continued publishing the quarterly *Lodge Night Program* which has been proven to be very popular with many of the lodges. The program offers a ten to fifteen minute discussion program which can be used during stated communications. Unfortunately, some lodges do not offer any form of Masonic education programs which is often reflected in poor attendance and low member satisfaction. It has been shown time and time again that when some form of Masonic education program is regularly offered attendance does improve over a period of time.

In the third quarter of this year the *Lodge Night Program* will be looking at the Masonic funeral and explore ways to make the Masonic funeral a better experience for both the family and the lodge. Certain problems with unresponsive ministers, family requests that disagree with *The Code*, no provision for ceremonies that differ from the standard, etc. will be explored.

It was realized that our present data on the membership gives little information on who they really are. This lack of information makes providing programs and other relative planning difficult. In order to correct this oversight contacts were made with the University of North Carolina at Wilmington to provide an in-depth survey and overview of who our members actually are, their likes and dislikes, and what they expect from their fraternity. As of this writing, the initial steps are taking place and the information should be available in early 2004.

In late 2004 your committee hopes to provide your lodge with information of the duties expected in most lodges for their officers. We expect this to be in a handbook format and it should provide useful information to officers who might otherwise not know what is expected of them. The information should help make being an officer in a Masonic lodge a more rewarding experience.

If you have any suggestions, requests, or needs, we suggest you contact any one of the committee members or the Grand Lodge and make them known. We sincerely welcome your thoughts.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Weatherington, Chairman

Report of the Committee on Masonic Public Relations

The following report was received from the Committee on Masonic Public Relations and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee continues to explore all areas of public information about our fraternity, including the draft and publication of a new, custom brochure with inclusive information for a prospective member and their family. One of our goals for 2004 will be to establish a professional approach to all of our public relations issues and concerns. We encourage all members of this Grand Lodge to furnish us any suggestions or comments concerning the public image they envision for our Craft, not only for immediate use, but also for future generations of members.

Respectfully submitted,

E. John Elmore, Secretary

Report of Committee on Masonic Youth Organizations

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Youth Organizations was received and entered on the record. The portions pertaining to finance were referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

It is my pleasure to update you on some of the activities of our Masonic youth organizations during the past year.

DeMolay

Chuck Rouse (Hiram Lodge No. 40) is serving as executive officer of North Carolina DeMolay, and Frank Silber (James B. Green Lodge No. 735) is serving as the deputy executive officer. Steven Gourley, a member of the Greensboro Chapter, is now leading the young DeMolay in North Carolina as state master councilor. The key focus for DeMolay is now on membership. While DeMolay continues to be dedicated to improving the leadership skills and character of young men, there has been an increased effort over the past year to make all of the events more fun. For example, this year's winter Conclave included a "broom ball" tournament (think of in-door hockey but with brooms being used like hockey sticks and a large ball being used in place of a hockey puck).

In May, the DeMolays and Job's Daughters joined together to hold initiations at the same time, in the same building in Greensboro, followed by bowling. The DeMolays also took a trip to Washington, DC over the Fourth of July weekend. The DeMolays are hopeful that these fun events will lead to increased membership.

Another new tool for increasing membership is a mini CD-ROM being distributed which prospects can put in their computer to learn all about DeMolay. In addition, the membership fees for new members have been waived at a number of initiations, including this year's Conclave. Finally, DeMolays who bring in new members are rewarded with "Chuck Bucks" and "DeMolay Dollars" which can be used to offset registration fees at future DeMolay statewide events. Those are just some of the new and creative ideas which are being explored to increase membership.

Rainbows

The Rainbows continue to be the largest of the three Masonic youth organizations in North Carolina. Kay Letterman continues to serve as supreme inspector, the adult leader of the International Order of the Rainbows for Girls in North Carolina. In June, Rachel Klenovic, from Gastonia Assembly, was installed grand worthy advisor at this year's Grand Assembly in Raleigh. Kimberly Wood, from Winston-Salem Assembly, was

installed grand worthy associate advisor. The Spring Lake Assembly, led by Maude Pleasants, mother advisor, received honors as Assembly of the Year.

The Rainbows have many activities planned throughout the next year. Charities and projects they will be supporting include the Ronald McDonald House, Animal Companion Network, and the Etrulia H. Taylor and Estella M. Bell scholarship funds in North Carolina. The Rainbows also have implemented a new community service memorial award. During the first year of this award, it will be in honor of John and Veleigh Narron, active supporters of Rainbow who recently passed away.

Job's Daughters

The Job's Daughters are active through their Bethel in Raleigh, where Cindy Robinson has been serving as Bethel guardian and Lindsey Hall has been serving as honor queen. In September, Marsha Batchelor will take over as Bethel guardian and in December, Ashley Robinson will begin her term as honor queen. As mentioned above, the Job's Daughters joined together with the DeMolay in May to hold initiations at the same time. The DeMolays and Job's Daughters at the Raleigh Masonic Temple also held a joint luncheon in August for prospective members and families. In July, North Carolina had several girls attend this year's Supreme Session in Chicago, including Michelle Hall (currently Miss Carolina Job's Daughter), Carla Batchelor (last year's Miss Carolina Job's Daughter), and Irene Birbeck (Miss International Congeniality 2000-2001). The Job's Daughters continue to work hard in support of the Hearing Impaired Kids Endowment fund (H.I.K.E.), and children in North Carolina and South Carolina continue to benefit as a result.

Masonic Youth Day

Last year's Masonic Youth Day, which included a caravan across the state, fun activities, and a dance on the USS North Carolina Battleship, was a huge success. This year's Masonic Youth Day is being held October 18, 2003, at the Red Fez Club on Lake Wylie south of Charlotte. Plans for this event were in the development stages at the time of submission of this report. This event continues to be a great success bringing together all of our youth organizations, and we hope to see it continue in the future.

N.C. Masonic Foundation Scholarship

Thanks to continued funding from the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, we were able to award four scholarships, in the amount of \$1,000 each, to deserving young applicants that are members of our Masonic youth organizations. Those receiving scholarships this year include Kimberly Wood who will be attending UNC-Greensboro, Katie Thomas who will be attending UNC-Charlotte, Virginia Eury who will be attending Stanly Community College, and Rachel Klenovic who will be attending Campbell University. Individuals serving on the Scholarship Committee include John Rose, E. John Elmore, Leanne Keith, and Frank and Johanna Silber. The Committee believes this scholarship is an extremely beneficial program and sincerely hopes we will be able to continue offering it to deserving members of our Masonic youth organizations.

Assistance

Our Masonic youth organizations are facing many challenges, and they need our support. While each organization is extremely appreciative of the existing financial assistance it already receives from the Grand Lodge, I encourage each of you to get involved with a DeMolay chapter, Rainbow assembly, or Job's Daughter Bethel in your area. There are DeMolay chapters in Greensboro, Jacksonville, Raleigh, Charlotte, and Asheville. There are Rainbow assemblies in Raleigh, Gastonia, Fayetteville, Greensboro, Wilmington, Albemarle, Winston-Salem, Jacksonville, Goldsboro, Spring Lake, Hillsborough, and Bahama. There is a Job's Daughter Bethel in Raleigh. If you are in one of these areas, please ask your children, grandchildren, nephews and nieces, and those of their friends, to join these youth groups. Please consider serving as an advisor and role model for these young individuals who are the future leaders of our

lodges and Masonic organizations. If you are not in one of these areas, please consider getting your Masonic lodge or other Masonic body to sponsor a new chapter, Bethel or assembly.

Any kind of assistance you can offer is welcome, and would be greatly appreciated. With your help, the future growth of our Masonic youth organizations, and the future of Masonry, can be ensured.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank E. Silber, Chairman

Report of the Board of Custodians

The following report of the Board of Custodians was received and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The members serving on the Board of Custodians for the year 2003 are: Ralph V. Shipton, grand lecturer; H. Wayne Cox, chairman; Dalton W. Mayo, secretary; John V. Evans; Robert D. Street; Howard Kahn; and Kolen Flack. Jerry T. Dowdy serves as a liaison between the Board of Custodians and the Board of General Purposes.

The Board of Custodians has met quarterly during the year 2003. The fall meeting is scheduled to coincide with the Grand Lodge Annual Communication.

Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr., is himself a certified lecturer, and has expressed a great deal of interest in the certified lecturer program. He attended the January meeting, and offered some ideas intended to strengthen the program and find ways to bring recognition to our certified brethren. He proposed, and the Board endorsed, that we promote small study groups within the districts for the purpose of preparing brethren to become Class "B" Instructors, and Class "A" Certified Lecturers. These study groups could incorporate meal and other social functions into their activities as a means of providing additional interest and bonding of the group. Grand Master Lewis also suggested the idea of making shirts available for purchase by certified lecturers that would identify them as such. In general, he suggested that we look for ways to make our certified brethren more visible within the fraternity. An additional suggestion of the Grand Master was that the Board consider examine ways to provide recognition to faithful coaches in the lodges. The Board has authorized a certificate to be presented to coaches that are identified by their lodge as being worthy of recognition.

Grand Master Lewis conveyed to the Board his desire that Laudamus Certificates (for 15 years of continuous certification) and Past District Deputy Grand Lecturer Certificates be presented to qualified brethren during the Grand Lodge Annual Communication.

Certified brethren qualifying for the Laudamus Certificate in 2003 are: Allen L. Bevell, Pythagoras Lodge No. 249; Virgil Chase Crump, Long Creek Lodge No. 205; Rufus Adams Matthews, Pendelton Lodge No. 418; Michael Charles Meadows, Hominy Lodge No. 491; Gerald Lynn Potter, Gate City Lodge No. 694; and Johnny Marvin Smith, Belhaven Lodge No. 509.

District Deputy Grand Lecturers qualifying for the Past District Deputy Grand Lecturer Certificate in 2003 are: Billy Hoston Barefoot, Creasy Proctor No. 679; Donald A. Bennett, Angier No. 686; James Daughtry Davis Jr., Rodgers No. 525; Thomas Harvey Flemming, Joppa No. 401; Tony Randell Hawkins, Zion No. 81; Walter Ray Highsmith Jr., Cary No. 198; Stewart Carroll Hodges, Kernersville No. 669; Donald David Joyner, St. John's No. 4; Dillard Wade Loflen, Granite No. 322; Herbert Currie Lyon, Eno No. 210; Carlis Junior Martin, Leaksville No. 136; Charles Wayne Maxwell, Forest City No. 381; Christopher Michael Owsiany, Charles M. Setzer No. 693; Wendell

Morris Powell, Lovelady No. 670; William Noel Thacker, Seaside No. 429; Robert Frederick Wolfersteig, Clay No. 301; and James Preston Wooten, Radiance No. 132.

At its April meeting, the Board of Custodians approved the awarding of the honor "Grand Lecturer Emeritus" to selected grand lecturers who have served with distinction for at least one year, and who have completed their term of office. The Board voted to confer this honor on Kolen Flack, who is the first recipient of this award. The grand master presented this award to Brother Flack on July 13 during the York Rite Summer Assembly in Waynesville.

A new *Vocabulary* was printed during the year and made available to the lodges. The new *Vocabulary* is in two sections, and is presented both alphabetically and numerically. Each lodge was required to return their old *Vocabulary* before receiving a new one.

The *Official Standard of the Work* underwent a second printing after the first edition sold out. All errors that had come to the attention to the Board of Custodians at that time were corrected in the second printing. Also, the *OSW* was prepared in a braille edition for our blind brethren. The Board thanks Ms. Helen Hickling of Blue Ridge Braille in Fletcher, North Carolina, for volunteering her services in transcribing the *OSW*. The Board also thanks Metrolina in Charlotte, North Carolina, for preparing the embossed pages.

At its July meeting, the Board of Custodians voted to change the required attendance at Lecturer Services and Schools of Instruction from three officers and four members, to three officers and two members. This was done to accommodate small lodges, and those lodges that have to travel great distances to attend.

The certified lecturer examinations were held on August 18–22 in Greenville, Clinton, Greensboro, Charlotte, and Asheville. The Board thanks the brethren in those locations for making facilities available for the examinations. Although this report was submitted prior to the examinations, it was anticipated that there would be 105 brethren examined, with at least ten of them being new Class "A" certified lecturers.

Finally, the Board wishes to express its sincere appreciation to Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr., for his wonderful support of the Board of Custodians and the Certified Lecturer program. The Board also expresses its appreciation to Bro. Ralph V. Shipton, for his tireless efforts as grand lecturer, and to Brother Walt Clapp, grand secretary, for his valuable assistance and support during the year. A special word of thanks goes to Luigi Ammons, who was secretary of this Board for nine years. Brother Ammons inherited a manual system of record-keeping from his predecessor, and spent countless hours putting the records on computer. It was truly a labor of love, and for all his hard work and dedication, the Board expresses its sincere gratitude. Thanks, Luigi, from all of us!

Respectfully Presented,
H. Wayne Cox, Chairman

Report of the Committee on Masonic Ceremonies and Miscellaneous Publications

The following report of the Committee on Masonic Ceremonies and Miscellaneous Publications was received and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Grand Lodge appointed committee members in late 2002. In February 2003 I phoned members to introduce myself, discuss the committee's charge, and collect information on members' schedules in order to set a date for an organizational meeting.

I also emailed the proposal and outline for a new publication entitled *More Light in Masonry: A New Mason's Guide to the History, Customs and Practice of Freemasonry in the Tar Heel State*. I wrote these documents as a member of the committee in 2002.

The committee met March 6 at the Grand Lodge building in Raleigh. Four members attended. We discussed and amended the publication outline and set an April 18 deadline for the first draft.

Work on the draft continued past the April deadline. On June 3, in response to a request from the Grand Lodge, I submitted a budget of \$3,000 for printing and \$250 for travel and per diem should further meetings be necessary. I also noted that printing costs could be avoided by publishing our document on the web.

I emailed drafts to committee members as sections were completed. On July 11 I emailed an initial draft to the grand secretary and the assistant to the grand secretary and asked for their comments and suggestions. On August 7 I emailed the draft to the chairman of the Committee on Masonic Education for his review and comments.

The draft is complete with the exception of Chapter 9, titled Additional Resources, where we intend to suggest articles, books, websites, Grand Lodge publications and other resources for readers who want to extend their knowledge of Freemasonry. I have notes for this section and will complete it by the end of August. I also hope to receive comments and suggestions on the drafts that have been circulated.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve on this committee and to contribute to the advancement of Freemasonry in North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted
Speed Hallman

Report of the Code Commission

The following report from the Code Commission was received and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Code Commission handled the proposed amendments to *The Code* referred to it this year by first assigning the individual members of the Code Commission to work on certain proposed amendments. These individual commissioners worked with the proposed amendment sponsor to work out the details relating to that particular proposed amendment. After this individual work was completed, each commissioner brought his work back to the entire Code Commission where each proposal was reviewed, discussed, and finalized for presentation to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence. The Code Commission worked very close with the Jurisprudence Committee this year to optimize the proposed amendments for presentation to the Grand Lodge during its Annual Communication.

One of the duties of the Code Commission is to render service to the lodges to assist them in preparing proposed amendments to *The Code*. During the course of the year the Code Commission offered its services to several lodges to assist them in properly preparing any proposals that the particular lodge would like to submit. Limited use was made of this offer, but some lodges have indicated their intent to make use of that service in the future. The Code Commission would like to encourage lodges to make more use of that provision of *The Code*.

Respectfully submitted,
Edwin L. Becton, Chairman

**Report on Wilkerson College,
North Carolina's College of Freemasonry**

The following report from Wilkerson College was received and entered on the record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

This year Wilkerson College entered its second year on an up note. The Class of 2002 had exceeded every expectation and the leadership potential from the class began showing in numerous ways that were positive to Freemasonry in North Carolina. Members of the class assumed positions and duties that insured the future successes of the college and virtually every area of Masonry.

The Class of 2003 hit the ground running. The desire and ability of this class was obvious from the beginning and by the end of the three sessions it was obvious that each year we were discovering people who would take our fraternity to new heights. By the third session at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home the class had taken on a project to commission murals to be painted on the bare walls of the Wellness center primarily in the Alzheimer's area. This work will provide a fresh, new, cheerful pictorial for the residents.

Late this year a Fellows program will be introduced to the College that will encourage the graduates to join with the master, officers and members of their home lodges and districts to create new and exciting projects both for involvement of the membership as well as possible fund raising for the lodge. The workings of these projects will be documented and made available to every Masonic lodge via the Internet.

In 2004 Wilkerson College will add three new post graduate sessions throughout the year. These sessions will expand on the subjects introduced at the regular sessions and inject new ideas for discussion. The one day sessions will be held in the east, west, and central parts of the state and will be open to any Wilkerson Graduate or faculty member.

Again, we thank the Masons of North Carolina for their help in creating a college that is receiving both national and international recognition. "North Carolina's College of Freemasonry" are becoming buzzwords known throughout the world.

Respectfully submitted,
Dan Weatherington,
Dean of Wilkerson College

Final Report of Past Grand Master Jerry R. Tillet

Brother Jerry R. Tillet, past grand master of Masons in North Carolina, delivered his final report on 2002, his year as grand master. His interim report was made at the previous Annual Communication. Portions of the report were referred to the Board of General Purposes. You may find Grand Master Tillet's final Report to the Craft in the *2002 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina*.

Tribute to Grand Master Tillet

The following tribute, adopted by the Board of General Purposes, was delivered to Annual Communication.

What could we have hoped for this Masonic year, but some oil on the water? This saying, an old expression, reveals an inclination to keep the waters smooth. Our grand

master has accomplished this with but a minimum amount of disturbance. Grand Master Jerry Tillett has come to us from the big waters, the Atlantic Ocean, at the easternmost boundary of our state. His home turf is Roanoke Island and the town of Manteo, the cradle of our civilization. His family is rooted deep in the history of this region and this background has given him a sense of focus. Our grand master is not only comfortable between us one on one, but among us as equals. His redirection of the affairs of the Grand Lodge during the year have greatly reduced the tension and rhetoric that had built up and escalated over the last several years. As a result, the craft has been able to direct its energies toward the improvement of the facilities for our children at Oxford and our elderly in Greensboro.

During the past year, our grand master has probably traveled more miles than any other grand master in recent history. Hailing from the farthest region of the state, he has fulfilled the directive of Horace Greeley in his famous expression, "Go west young man, go west." Living, as he does in the far east, he cannot go anywhere, but west — and in like manner, he has given full measure to the returning eastern miles.

It is not always easy to fulfill the duties of grand master while at the same time juggling a hectic work schedule. Jerry has been able to preside over our superior courts during the day and travel to district meetings at night. These long hours can take a toll, but his regular routine of vigorous exercise has kept him fit and up to the task. He can now return the stomach toning flexor to the trunk of his own automobile.

So to Jerry, our grand master, we salute you on your year as the head of our fraternity, we commend you on your balance and perspective in the affairs of our craft, we salute you on the manner with which you conducted our business. The forthright manner in which you presided, even though others attempted to change the direction of the meeting, kept our compass directed on the task at hand. Your training and experience as a superior court judge and your keen legal mind kept us focused on the problems before us. Those of us who remember your father as a member of this board, know he would be looking over the rim of heaven today and voting with the usual sign in approval of your year as our Grand Master.

Presentation on Behalf of Governor Mike Easley

Brother Mitchell Setzer, representative of the 43rd District to the North Carolina Legislature presented the Order of the Long Leaf Pine to Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. on behalf of North Carolina Governor Mike Easley.

Joseph Montfort Medals Presented

Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. presented Joseph Monfort Medals for meritorious service to two distinguished Masons. One went to Past Grand Master William H. Simpson, a member of Stokesdale Lodge No. 428. The other was for George F. Jones of Orient Lodge No. 395.

Plaques of Appreciation

Grand Master Lewis was presented plaques of appreciation from the Masonic Service Association and the George Washington Masonic National Memorial for his support and promotion of their programs.

Recognition of Five-Star Lodges

Director of Development Jim Medlin presented Grand Master's Five-Star Awards to those lodges which earned them during the year.

Called From Labor to Refreshment

The Grand Chaplain offered a prayer, and the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 1:15 P.M.

First Day Afternoon Session

Call to Order

Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. called the Grand Lodge Annual Communication to order at 1:15 P.M., Friday, September 26, 2003.

Presentations from Representatives of the Masonic Youth Organizations

Before calling the Communication from refreshment to labor, Grand Master Lewis introduced speakers from our Masonic youth organizations.

Miss Rachel Klenovic, grand worthy advisor, International Order of Rainbow for Girls in North Carolina delivered the following address.

Most Worshipful Grand Master Lewis, Deputy Grand Master Safrit, Grand Lodge Officers, Distinguished Guests and Members All:

It is indeed a pleasure to come before the Grand Lodge this afternoon and bring greetings to you on behalf of our supreme inspector, Mrs. Kay Letterman and the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls in North Carolina. I would like to thank Most Worshipful Grand Master Lewis for the kind invitation extended to me to be with you today. The Rainbow Girls in North Carolina would like to thank each of you for the continued support you have given us over these many years. To you, Most Worshipful Grand Master, I know Rainbow is dear to your heart as your daughter, Heidi, is a former Rainbow girl and a past grand officer.

My term this year is entitled, "Let the Rays of Friendship Shine." Our aim this year is to create lasting friendships through our love for Rainbow, family, church and our great country. We will be giving assistance to various organizations throughout the year. This year, we are going to continue collecting aluminum can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. This program was established in 1987 and to date, over 400 million tabs have been collected, generating over \$300,000. The money from the tabs collected is used for families who cannot afford to stay at the house while the children are enduring treatment.

My service project this year is the Animal Compassion Network. This organization is a non-profit animal rescue group that fosters and finds homes for stray and abandoned cats and dogs in Western North Carolina. Since 1999, the Animal Compassion Network has found permanent loving homes for more than 1,600 cats and dogs. This program provides pet food programs and low-cost spay/neuter and

vaccination clinics. We are collecting animal carriers, cat litter, dog/cat toys, leashes, office supplies, etc.

On Saturday, October 18, the Rainbow Girls, Demolay, and the Job's Daughters will meet on Lake Wylie in South Carolina for our annual Masonic Youth Day. It will be a fun-filled day of games and a hayride, complete with roasting marshmallows and making s'mores. I encourage any of you interested in attending to come and join us for a day of fun and fellowship amongst our Masonic youth.

Last, but not least, I would like to invite you all to our Grand Assembly of the "Let the Rays of Friendship Shine" session, to be held next June 2004, at the North Raleigh Hilton. I look forward to seeing many of you there next summer.

I would like to leave you all this afternoon with a favorite quote of mine; from a magnificent woman, who accomplished much over her lifetime, Helen Keller: "Many persons have a wrong idea of what constitutes true happiness. It is not attained through self-gratification, but through fidelity to a worthy purpose."

Thank you again for your attention today and I would like to wish you all the best for a wonderful session.

Thank you.

Miss Michelle Hall, Miss Carolina's Job's Daughter, International Order of Job's Daughters, delivered the following address.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers, Members, Friends, and Guests:

Good afternoon! My name is Michelle Hall and it is my honor to bring you greetings on behalf of the International Order of Job's Daughters. I am the Miss Carolinas Job's Daughter for 2002-2003. Other than being a member of Bethel No. 2 in Raleigh, I am also a member of Millbrook Chapter No. 293 Order of the Eastern Star and am a second year student at Campbell University studying Pharmacy and minoring in Chemistry. I thank you so much for the opportunity to speak to you today.

Freemason De Witt Clinton once said, "Of all the institutions which have been established for the purpose of improving the condition of mankind, Freemasonry stands preeminent in usefulness as it is in age."

Freemasons have stood as pillars in our communities for hundreds of years, and have seen many others like it come, go, and fail. Still today, Freemasonry continues to thrive because the values and lessons that it teaches and because it gives its members friends, companions, brothers a second world-wide family. Since 1921 when Job's Daughters was founded in Omaha, Nebraska, there have always been Masons here to guide us, help us, and support us. They have been our friends and mentors, and have so graciously welcomed us into this family.

I have traveled all over the state of North Carolina this past year. I have been received with wonderful welcomes and gracious smiles in places such as Bethania, Winston-Salem, Goldsboro, Greensboro, Raleigh, Washington, Holly Springs, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, and Durham. This is what has impacted me the most this year. It is the lesson that I have learned and experienced first hand. The world of Freemasonry, the people that are involved in this fraternity, as well as the other associated fraternities and organizations, are my second family. I know that anywhere I go, if I need anything, there will always be someone to help me, calm me down, or tell me what to do. I have learned that people will say, think, and do things that will hurt me, frustrate me, and discourage me, but there is no need for me to get upset. I will always have people backing me up, standing behind and beside me, and looking out for me.

For those of you not familiar with Job's Daughters, I will give you a brief summary. Our Order was founded on the 42nd Chapter, 15th verse of the book of Job in the *Bible* which states, "In all the land were no women found so fair as the daughter's of Job and

their father gave them inheritance among their brethren.” Our motto that “Virtue is a quality which highly adorns woman,” is a landmark that we were founded on when we began our order 82 years ago in Nebraska. Our purpose is “to band together girls for spiritual and moral upbuilding, to develop leadership, to seek knowledge, to teach love of God, love of Country and respect for its flag, love of home and family, and reverence for the teachings of the holy scriptures: (Art. II Sec. I).

Our official philanthropic project, to which our jurisdiction has already raised and donated over \$10,000, is the HIKE Fund; which gives hearing aids to impaired children who could not otherwise afford them. The jurisdiction of the Carolinas was founded in 1996 and sadly now, the jurisdiction has closed and we are now just North Carolina. I am speaking to you as the last Miss of both Carolinas, as we no longer have Job’s Daughters Bethel in South Carolina. Raleigh is the only current and active Bethel here in NC, and although we have two prospective Bethels that we are in the process of instituting, we still need your help. We have fallen from a couple hundred girls in 1996 in both North and South Carolina, to about a dozen active girls today in North Carolina alone.

The great soldier, statesman, and Freemason George Washington said, “We must never despair; our situation has been compromising before; and it changed for the better; so I trust it will again; If difficulties arise; we must put forth new exertion and proportion our efforts to the demand of the times.” The membership for all three youth organizations, as well as your own order, is sadly falling at a semi-constant rate every year. However, you know just as well as I do, that this is not because the morals and standards of our orders are changing, but because society is changing. The morals and family values that once people shared and prided themselves in upholding no longer exist. Nevertheless, as long as there are Job’s Daughters and Masons who love and are dedicated to our order, it will never completely die or be forgotten. If for every 100 Masons in our state, just one Mason would have their daughter, granddaughter, stepdaughter, niece, or cousin brought into our order, we would be thriving with almost 6,000 members. As it stands now, there is one Job’s Daughter for every 4,667 Masons in North Carolina. I do not see why we cannot change this. There are not many organizations today that provide a good and positive environment while teaching young women the morals and standards that Job’s Daughters teaches. The saddest part is these young women are not in Job’s Daughters because of their ignorance of it, not because of their lack of interest in it. They don’t know who we are or what we do. As our adult support, as our mentors, and as a part of our family, we need you to help us. Talk about us, tell others about us, and support us. Help us spread the word about our wonderful order as we continue to grow and provide a future for Eastern Star and the Masonic fraternity.

As I said before, the Masonic fraternity is unmatched. No other fraternity or club has been able to imitate its greatness or outlast its history. No other fraternity has produced greater leaders of our country or have more honorable men as members. It is my honor to stand up here and tell you that my father’s side of my family has been involved in Freemasonry for five generations and to thank you for all you have done to support and help Job’s Daughters. However, it is my greatest honor to stand up here as a daughter — but as not only a Job’s Daughter — but also a Mason’s daughter, and a part of the great Masonic family that spans this globe. It is a part of my heritage and a part of me that I am and forever will be extensively proud of.

I thank you so very much for allowing me the humbling privilege of speaking to you today. I leave you now with a blessing that until we meet again, “May God watch between me and thee while we are absent, one from another.” Thank you.

Steven Gourley, North Carolina’s state senior counselor, International Order of DeMolay, delivered his address. It was not available for publication.

Called From Refreshment to Labor

Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. called Annual Communication from refreshment to labor.

Report of the Committee on Necrology

Brother Tommy L. Jones, chaplain at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, presided over the memorial service for those Masons who died since our last Annual Communication. Windell Cunningham played the music and Past Grand Master Leslie H. Garner led the singing of the hymns.

PGM Ray Norris Eulogy

Past Grand Master Norburn Hyatt delivered the following eulogy of Past Grand Master Ray Norris.

“Catch then O Catch the transient hour. Improve each moment as it flies; Life’s a short summer — man a flower — He dies — alas! How soon he dies!” — Dr. Samuel Johnson

Most Worshipful Brother Ray Norris was born in Candler, North Carolina on September 27, 1924. He and his lovely wife, Jean, were married in October 1946 and are the parents of five children, Steve, Kathy, Mike, Debbie, and Renee.

Ray was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on June 30, 1958 by Waynesville Lodge No. 259.

It was my pleasure to appoint Ray grand steward at the 198th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina in 1986. He served all of the offices in the Grand Lodge line honorably and well and was elected grand master at the 205th Annual Communication in 1992. As our grand master in the ensuing year Brother Ray served our Grand Lodge with fervency and zeal. He is one of the few grand masters ever to hold a Grand Lodge meeting in each of the then 65 Masonic districts in our great state.

Most Worshipful Brother Ray was a 33° Scottish Rite Mason, a K.Y.C.H. York Rite Mason, a Shriner, and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star Grand Chapter of North Carolina. He served on many boards, committees and commissions and was presiding officer and/or outstanding leader in each. Ray and Jean were members of Waynesville Chapter No 165 Order Of The Eastern Star which he served as worthy patron in 1964–65.

Psalm 90, Verse 10 — “The Days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength, labor and sorrow, for it is soon cut off and we fly away.”

Most Worshipful Brother Ray Norris achieved this promise of threescore and ten plus an additional nine years. He was a man of steadfast purpose, serving his country, his church, his avocation, and Freemasonry, all of these while keeping his family uppermost in his busy and eventful life.

Ray departed this life on June 5, 2003.

“Life’s race well run, Life’s work well done. Life’s victory won. Now cometh rest.”

Norburn C. Hyatt

Past Grand Master 1985-86

Brother Jones closed the service by reading the following poem.

The Freemason's Home

Where hearts are warm with kindred fire,
And love beams free from answering eyes,
Bright spirits hover always there,
And that's the home the Masons prize.
The Mason's Home, the peaceful home,
The home of love and light and joy;
How gladly does the Mason come
To share his tender, sweet employ.

All around the world, by land, by sea,
Where summers burn or winters chill,
The exiled Mason's turns to thee,
And years to share the joys we feel.
The Mason's Home, the happy home,
The home of light and love and joy;
There's not an hour but I would come
And share this tender, sweet employ.

A weary task, a dreary round,
Is all benighted man may know,
But here a brighter scene is found,
The brightest scene that's found below.
The Mason's Home, the blissful home,
Glad center of unmingled joy
Long as I live I'll gladly come
And share this tender, sweet employ.

And when the hour of death shall come,
And darkness seal my closing eye,
May hands fraternal bear me home,
The home where weary Masons lie!
The Mason's Home, the heavenly home,
To faithful hearts eternal joy;
How blest to find beyond the tomb
The end of all our sweet employ!

Report of Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr.

Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. presented his interim report at this time, his term not yet having concluded. For completeness of the record, his final report is published here for historical clarity. The report was referred to the Board of General Purposes. Their report on its distribution is included later in this *Proceedings*.

Past grand masters, grand line officers, officers of constituent lodges, and voting delegates to this Annual Communication, brethren all:

Welcome to this great city of Winston-Salem and the 216th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina. Helga and I are very pleased to be in Winston-Salem. During my years in North Carolina Freemasonry I have particularly enjoyed the fellowship I have shared with area Masons such as PGM Lester Martin, the Grand Lodge venerable financial investment overseer Brother Charlie Scott, Brother Hugh Phillips, and Brother Eddie Moody, to name a few. More importantly, Wake Forest University is where my two daughters were nurtured and educated, a university known for its standards of excellence and the academic home as well of several outstanding North Carolina Masons such as Brothers Hubert Poteat, Clifton Everett, Jerry Tillet, and William Mills. I trust that you will take the time to savor this historic city while you are here. Sample some Moravian pastry at Dewey's or at the bakery in Old Salem.

Those of you who are here representing your home lodges as voting delegates have a most important obligation and Masonic duty to perform. There will be several amendments and business items that will come before you. As you know, my theme this year has been "The Best Is Yet To Come." The sub-theme has been "Good Is the Enemy of Great." You will be considering action items that will make important statements about who you are, what you believe, and how we want this Grand Lodge to be perceived. We will conduct our business with the dignity and decorum befitting a great Grand Lodge. We will have the opportunity to make decisions. I repeat my admonition made throughout the year — in my actual presence amongst you, in the DVD program viewed by fifteen districts during my mandated absence during my medical recovery, and in my writings in *The North Carolina Mason* — whatever be your individual and collective decision — I urge you to vote in the best interests of Freemasonry.

As you know, I chose not to have Summer Seminars to discuss the proposed amendments to *The Code*. I have grown weary of the suspicions of intimidation, of forcing the will of the delegates to a given position, to name calling, and to divisiveness. I am fully confident that you can read the materials that have been published and provided to you and the lodges. I am even more confident that you can interpret the significance of the matters under consideration. We will not tolerate negative treatment and behavior that undermines the fraternal association we share one to the other. Finally my brethren, the great principles of our order and the brotherly association we share should make it very clear to all of us that wherever the ballot is cast, we meet on the level and we part on the square. Alexander the Great was very wise when he reminded his troops, "On the shoulders of each of us rests the destiny of all of us."

We are especially happy and proud to welcome in our midst today the representatives of other grand jurisdictions and officers of the appendant bodies of the Masonic family. Recent history tells us that the Masonic family is truly a global one; it is in the striving for mutual assistance and unity of purpose that we share a bond that unites rather than separates us. The presence of those from within North Carolina's Masonic family as well as those who have come from distant places reminds us that Masonry exists beyond our local lodges and this grand jurisdiction. I take note that many of the men on this platform as invited guests are personally well-known to me. During the past twenty plus years the friendships that I have established with you, my

distinguished brethren, and the experiences we have shared, have meant so much to me.

I want to take a moment now to introduce to you Brother Alex Viner, a past master and the current secretary of the lodge I belong to under English Constitution, the Internet Lodge No. 9659 whose see is in Manchester, England. I urge each of you, if for no other reason than taking a look, to go to the search engine of your computer and look up the general information available on the web for this lodge. I cherish my visits to England to attend its communications when this is possible. More importantly, I value the forward-looking approach the Internet Lodge offers to worldwide Masonry. Talk to Brother Alex while he is here with us. He will dispel your suspicions and he may even invite you to join if you are so disposed. Brother and friend, Brother Alex Viner, please come forward so that I might share a special moment with you. Under the power and authority given to me as grand master, I hereby confer upon you honorary membership in the Grand Lodge of North Carolina as a testimony to the personal relationship and fraternal association we enjoy "across the big pond." As I have been a guest in your home, so will you be in mine after this Annual Communication. I trust that you and your lovely lady, Jan, will enjoy your time in North Carolina and sojourning in South Carolina and Georgia. I offer you this platform momentarily for any short remarks that you would offer. To all of our guests, we are very happy to have you visit with us and we hope your stay will be an enjoyable one.

In compliance with the provision of *The Code* of this Grand Lodge, I am required to make a report to you on my activities during the Masonic Year of 2003. I am duty-bound to do this and I accept it with much pleasure and honor. When you elected me to be your grand master one year ago, I told you that five feet, four inches is what you see and that's all you will get! I told you that I would be honest, forthright, and attempt to act in the best interest of Freemasonry in North Carolina. Many of you know that the key words this year have been the words short and great. Brother David Cash, I have asked you to grace this assembly with a special tribute from this short man with a big heart, a grand master who has been touched by the greatness of the brethren and the lodges of this grand jurisdiction. Would you please come to this platform and through your great gift offer to this great community of my brethren a song which represents the feeling this grand master has for them. My brethren, the voice of Brother David Cash.

I asked Brother Cash to share this music in the spirit of thankfulness. On April 28 I underwent cardiac surgery to replace my aortal valve. This was an unplanned interruption in the midst of a very busy Masonic schedule. If there is ever any doubt about how great Masonry is, the events subsequent to that surgery forever dispel that doubt. The Supreme Architect of the Universe answered my prayers and enfolded me in His care. The talents of the surgeon and the uplifting spirit of Masonry at work sustained and upheld me. Cast your eyes upon the breadth of the many wishes I received from individual Masons, from our lodges. The many e-mail messages, the visits to my home, the flowers, the gifts, the telephone calls, the hospital visits, the simple offerings to be of assistance — all of these things tell me that we are truly brethren in the finest sense of the word. I particularly thank the officers of the grand line who stepped up and saw to it that fifteen of the forty-one district meetings were held and that the message of the grand master was shared. You should know that the grand secretary and his assistant, the ladies of the Grand Lodge office, and your deputy grand master made visits to me and saw to it that the business of your Grand Lodge went on uninterrupted. Brother Leonard Safrit, you are a special person and I will value your kindness and sincerity forever. Brothers Pervier, Jernigan, Rice, and Rigdon, thank you for what you did as well.

Necrology

Since our last Annual Communication we have suffered the loss through death of many brethren; they have answered the call of their Creator to that undiscovered

country from whose bourne no traveler returns. Those of us who remain in their lodges mourn their loss and respect their service and memory. We extend the sympathy of a grateful fraternity to those members of their immediate families who suffered their loss. I particularly am saddened by the loss of Past Grand Master Ray Norris who served this Grand Lodge in 1992. He and his wife Jean were special in the manner in which they extended cordial fraternalism to me and to Helga. We always looked forward to seeing them at the Summer Assembly of York Rite Masons in Waynesville. Jean was there this past July and she has accepted our invitation to attend the activities of this Grand Lodge session. I conducted my District 28 meeting in Hendersonville at Kedron Lodge No. 387 and lamented the fact that PGM Ray was in the Asheville Veteran's Hospital. I am glad that the grand secretary and I were able to spend a few minutes with Ray the following morning. He faced his circumstances with dignity and courage. And in his tears of pain I knew that he was crying tears of joy for his life as a Mason. We will remember Ray Norris and all of our departed brethren in our Necrology Service during this Annual Communication.

DDGM and DDGL Area Meetings

I conducted five area meetings with our district deputy grand masters and district deputy grand lecturers in Edenton, Clinton, Siler City, Waynesville, and Statesville. The purpose of the meetings was to communicate the theme for 2003 — “The Best Is Yet To Come.” I explained the need to raise the level of the bar of expectations at all levels — from the candidates, to individual Masons, to districts, to Grand Lodge boards and commissions, and to the Grand Lodge officers. Good is the enemy of great. I have written about this in *The North Carolina Mason*, and I have taken this message throughout the state. We are a good Grand Lodge; we have many good Masons, we have many good officers, our charities our good, our education programs are good, are intentions are good. Being good is not enough. I will speak more to this later in this address. Suffice it to say, I suggested to them that we needed more fund raising efforts, we need more community service, we need to encourage (not solicit) good men that we know to consider the possibilities of Masonic membership; we need to encourage younger men to take leadership roles; we need to get unequivocally behind Wilkerson College; we need to stop rumor mongering, back biting, criticizing, nay-saying; what we need to do is get on with the business and practice of being Masons. Many have asked what my position is on recognition of other grand lodges and jurisdictions — I have written my position and I have spoken to it. I believe that any grand lodge that meets our criteria for recognition is worthy of consideration. You will hear recommendations on recognition as you have heard in past communications ever since the practice was initiated. If I have learned anything in the last ten years specifically in our grand jurisdiction and from my travels and participation as your representative in this country and abroad, I have learned to appreciate more than ever the fact that Masons come from all cultures. There are holy writings from many faiths upon which men of diverse religions, faces, economic conditions, and governmental systems take their obligations. They are part of a worldwide and ancient system of Freemasonry. Do good unto all and be reminded that every human being has a call upon your kind offices. Recognize as you would be recognized to promote the best interests of Freemasonry. Finally, our district officers were informed that Grand Lodge exists to serve them and the craft and that they should take advantage of every service available to them. By the same token, I reaffirmed my pledge I would act promptly, honestly, and in a timely-business-like fashion in the business of this Grand Lodge. I trust that you have found the theme and the program to be worthwhile and one that has advanced the cause of North Carolina Freemasonry. I will express my perceptions as I continue to talk later on the state of the craft.

District Meetings

Forty-one district meetings were scheduled this year. As you know, my health condition prevented me from attending all of them in person. I did conduct twenty-six

of them in person. Grand line officers represented me at the remaining fifteen. The majority brethren attending the majority of the fifteen were able to view a DVD especially prepared to disseminate my message. The feedback we have received on the DVD has been very positive and I thank you for that reception. The message was meant to be clear, concise, and straightforward. We must make Masonry come alive. We must demonstrate that our sublime principles of brotherly love, truth, and relief are more than memorized concepts. We must show each other and we must display to the world at large that our sentiments are real. We can do this in a variety of ways. More public involvement, more contact with the clergy, and more public service projects such as Adopt a Park, Adopt a Highway, Habitat for Humanity, blood drives, and cookouts and dinners for youth sports coaches, scout leaders, volunteering at nursing homes and hospitals as Masons, clearly identified as such. We must help our related and appendant bodies. The Order of Eastern Star lost thirteen chapters last year; DeMolay is down to less than two hundred youth members. Rainbows aren't anywhere near the membership when my daughters were active. Jobs Daughters are more recent in North Carolina and trying to grow. The National Sojourners are growing. Why? Because they are doing visible things and the ladies are included in the monthly dinner meetings, and because veterans and patriotic activity still appeal to men, to Masonic men. The Shrine is challenged with the increased cost of maintaining the hospitals for crippled children and burns victims. The York Rite and the Scottish Rite are down significantly in membership in North Carolina. You simply aren't doing enough if you only have a single dues card — there is much education available and there is increased fellowship available beyond the sublime degree of Master Mason. If you can't see your way clear to increase your memberships, then help to spark a revival in your blue lodge by showing up on a regular basis and helping to promote Masonry. The bar must be raised in terms of our involvement, our fund raising, and our commitment. Likewise, the bar must be raised in terms of our Masonic philosophy. The Supreme Architect reminded me recently in an acute way of one of my church's teachings. I was reminded of a session in my kerygma class when these questions which were posed to us — am I my brother's keeper and who is my brother — when the phone rang at my home at 4:45 in the morning hours as I was about to leave for the hospital. The voice said, "Grand Master Lewis, this is Marvin Chambers and my grand chaplain and I would like to offer a prayer for you." My wife and I were touched immeasurably by this act on the part of Prince Hall's grand master. Yes, my brethren, goodness exists. It is only through the merging of our hearts and minds that we can find the pathway to Masonic greatness in all the aspects of our fraternity's life.

Board of Custodians

This year marks a turning point in the history of lectureship in this grand jurisdiction. I think that the results will show this at year's end, under the leadership of Brother Wayne Cox, chairman, and Brother Dalton Mayo, secretary, new enthusiasm has been infused into the program. I have urged small groups of two or three to come together to prepare for certification as either instructor or lecturer. I am hopeful that the lists of certified ritualists will increase. Likewise, I have asked the lodges to consider having a name plaque which will identify the faithful coaches who prepare our candidates. I have asked that the Board consider shirts and/or pins which will identify our lecturers. Finally, I have asked that we monitor Schools of Instruction and their content to assure that the Official Standard of Work is portrayed consistently. The grand lecturer, Brother Ralph Van Shipton, has worked diligently to see that every district has a certified lecturer in its service. Finally, the Board approved my recommendation to approve grand lecturer emeritus status for Brother Kolen Flack, a past grand lecturer, and long time Mason in the western part of the state. To my knowledge, he is the only one to hold this title in the history of this Grand Lodge. We owe this Board a special statement of gratitude. Would the members of the Board of Custodians rise, and brethren please join me in showing our approbation.

Masonic Leadership Development

Under the direction of Brother Dan Weatherington, Wilkerson College has received nationwide and even international acclaim and attention. The second class has graduated. Plans are underway for a graduate program and recruiting is underway for the Class of 2004. Three weekends of a lodge officer's life — one at Oxford, one at MESH, and one at Grand Lodge headquarters in Raleigh, three weekends that could well result in greatness — great programs, great enthusiasm, great involvement, and great satisfaction. Jointly sponsored by the Grand Lodge and the Scottish Rite in North Carolina, scholarships are available. The tuition inclusive is \$500.00. Put this in your budget for 2004, senior wardens. If the budget can't handle it, approach men in your lodge who would help support training for one of their own! Your grand tyler this year is a graduate of the Wilkerson College Program held in 2002. The best testimony to the success of this program is seen in the excitement that has been created by the creation of Wilkerson College Lodge No. 760 which now numbers approximately 50 members; these men are members of other craft lodges who have seen value in the uniqueness of this lodge

I have also suggested that the Committee consider a proposed program entitled "What I Learned On My Journey To The East." Past masters of our lodge could share collective thoughts and make for an entertaining meeting. Their series of informative educational pamphlets have been most helpful, the most recent being the one that focused on the proposed amendments to *The Code* at this session. Dean Dan Weatherington and your Committee members, please stand and receive the approbation of this Grand Lodge.

Development and Charities

We've suffered 9/11 related losses across the board. The North Carolina Masonic Foundation is slowly recovering as market trends revive themselves. MESH and MHCO are operating at significant deficits. Costs are increasing. At MESH in particular, the assets of many of our Home's guests are not at levels which enable them to contribute significantly to their care; many guests are outliving their assets. More recent guests are bringing fewer assets to the table. Contributions from all sources are simply not being realized at levels needed to support the Homes. Average yearly Masonic contributions to MESH are \$6 and to MHCO \$16. The fact is that we need \$25 per Mason per Home. That's \$50 a Mason to help keep us from drawing on our endowments to cover operating costs. Development receipts are minimal and increases from pure developmental sources, particularly in the Vision Campaign at Oxford, have turned flat and are disappointing. We will be lucky at year's end to have \$2.5 million towards the \$7 million that we need to retire the debt. This will be in pledges and deferred giving. Roughly a million is in hard cash. We had planned to retire this debt in five years; we're already closing in on the second year.

Lodge contributions are another source. Fundraising has always been good for these purposes. We need to raise the bar. If you have one fundraiser, consider a second one. Yes, membership is down. But that is not the key issue. Are you giving at a level which helps us meet our expenses? Should we consider becoming "less charitable?" Should we become more cost effective? Should we assess our development program? My answer is yes, we're asking hard questions and we're considering these and several other options. We must meet our obligations, we must pay our bills, and we must be financially responsible.

The Joint Commission on the Recognition of Prince Hall

Brothers James Exum, Lacy Thornburg, James Lofton, and James Martin have continued to explore the parameters of recognition with their counterparts in the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of North Carolina. At least two joint meetings were held this year. I attended one meeting of our task force. Much effort has been expended by these brethren, and you will entertain a resolution which they will present during this

session. This task force was recognized at the grand master's banquet for visiting dignitaries last night. Simple thanks seem inadequate for their service.

Veterans Hospital Visitation

I have visited the VA Hospital in Fayetteville. Through the courtesy of Brother John Lynch, our MSA representative there, I received a fine orientation and guided tour. I also interacted with several Masonic veterans and met with hospital administrative personnel. Thanks to Brothers James Hay and Louis Dean for accompanying us. I plan to coordinate visits to Salisbury, Durham, and Asheville before December.

Physical Disabilities

During the year I was requested to approve waivers of physical disability for a number of petitioners for the degrees of Masonry. In each case the district deputy grand master of the district in which the petition was received made a personal investigation of the petitioner and reported their observations and recommendations to me. Based on the recommendations received, I approved six of the seven petitions for waivers.

Dispensations Granted

At the time this report was prepared, I had granted forty-five dispensations to accomplish the following purposes:

Twenty-four dispensations were granted to permit lodges to alter the dates of stated communications to elect officers, and the majority were due to the December 2002 inclement weather patterns. One dispensation was to elect officers and vote on delinquent members.

Nine dispensations were granted for the purpose of electing masters, wardens, and officers at other than the usual stated annual communications held for that purpose.

Five dispensations were granted for the purpose of enabling lodges to hold stated communications at locations other than their designated meeting lodge meeting places;

Three dispensations were granted for lodges to hold outdoor Master Mason degrees in locations other than their designated meeting places.

One dispensation was to enable a lodge to hold stated and emergent communications while their charter was being refurbished.

One dispensation allowed a lodge to change its stated meeting time to enable a visit to another lodge.

One dispensation enabled a lodge to hold a special communication for the purpose of having a South Carolina lodge to perform the Rose play.

And finally Brethren, the most significant dispensation granted by me as Grand Master was to enable the master of Hiram Lodge No. 40 to open an emergent communication of his lodge in Iraq for the limited purpose of instruction and fellowship only within the additional confines of the dispensation. Brethren, Masons are at work defending freedom and the principles which we as a fraternity hold dear and sacred. We must support Masonic continuity in acts such as this dispensation. We applaud all of our forces and pray for the safety of all of those Americans in harms way wherever they are dispersed.

Brethren, there are forty-five approvals and forty-six citations; my math is not in error. One dispensation responded to two separate purposes.

Honorary Title of Past District Deputy Grand Master

I recommend the honorary title of past district deputy grand master be granted to the following brethren, each of whom is both qualified and eligible under the provisions of Regulation 11-4.2 of *The Code*

Name	Lodge	District
Hal Gray Swindell Jr.	294	3
Gene Worth Todd	689	8
William Curtis Hare	231	15

Ronald Maddox Johnson	210	19
Robert Anthony Smith	143	20
Walter Frank Reid Jr.	136	22
Hal Worth Hodgin	699	24
John Wesley Boner	685	26
Wayne Ray Rummage	637	29
Steven Joseph Guidry	739	31
Augusta Ed Lawing	217	34
Steven Marvin Vincent	757	35
Oscar Wilson Harbin Jr.	482	38
Johnny David Sutphin	561	39
Joseph Herman Williams	529	41

The Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

To say that the Grand Lodge's attention has been focused at our Home for Children in Oxford in terms of time commitment on the part of the Board of Directors, the administration, and your grand master would be an understatement. Oxford is one of the crown jewels of North Carolina Freemasonry. If you've been there, spent time with our children, attended St. John's Day, or been involved in the placement of a child at your home you know what Oxford means. If you know any of the graduates of Oxford, those who for over one hundred and thirty plus years have passed through the street lined with big oaks, those who have taken their places in the adult world, those who have joined our fraternity and who we call "brothers" and those who have gone on to claim membership in the Order of the Eastern Star, you have reinforced what Oxford means. At my university a few weeks ago I delivered a box of school supplies to Heath Stafford, a Dean's List student, one of our kids. For the past few years I have worked with a fellow grand line officer Dan Rice, the first Oxford product to proceed through the grand line. I hope that I live to see his installation. And on your Board sits his brother, our brother, an alumnus, Jim Rice. Solid men, solid citizens, solid Masons.

Yes, Oxford is our heritage. And it is undergoing dramatic change as I speak. The census is not in the hundreds; it's about seventy. The old residences have given way to new dormitory-type homes. The program of care is shifting in concept to adapt to the changing needs of the children who are coming to us. Your Board is struggling with redefining Oxford's mission and capability within its heritage and the realities of today's world; we have had a resignation of the administrator and retirements, and reduction in the workforce; we've had both employee turnover and turnover in our youth population. But one thing we haven't had is a change in Masonic commitment to our Home. We cherish our past and we welcome the challenge of our future at Oxford. To that end, a search committee from your Board of Directors, with consultant help, has searched for and reviewed a pool of qualified applicants, thirty-nine in total, to produce the person who will lead Oxford to further greatness. I am pleased to introduce to you at this time that person Brother Doug McConnell. Brother senior deacon, please escort Brother Doug to this podium. Brother McConnell, congratulations. I now invite you to present yourself and make a few remarks.

Now that we have moved forward in the life of our Home, I ask the senior deacon to present Brother Allen Hughes to this podium for special recognition. Thank you, Allen, for the giving of yourself in times of instability and tension as you led us through an irksome transition. We are pleased that you have decided to continue with us. Your appreciation and expression of brotherly love, brethren.

Masonic and Eastern Star Home

MESH, another year of solid performance and continuing success. Our independent living houses have sold well. We now have folks living in or contracts for

forty of these units. There are spaces for six remaining. We have 260 residents on the campus. We have a staff of two hundred full and part-time employees. Our annual budget is in the vicinity of seven million dollars. I am not going into further detail. Your reports booklet contains a Report of the Board of Directors and an Administrator's Report. Please refer to them. I was pleased to attend the staff Christmas party last December and share with the worthy grand matron in the distribution of bonuses to express our appreciation to a dedicated staff which has not received a salary increase in two years.

Masters, how about a lodge on-site visit to your Homes. I have directed that the MHC children's pictures and your MESH resident photos be sent with biographies be sent to the sponsoring lodges and that they be framed and placed near the tiler's station so that all might be informed. No longer should lodge committees for our Homes state that there is nothing to report when the master calls for such. These are real people and you should be proud to contact them and learn about their lives at your homes.

World Masonic Conference

A few weeks before my installation I represented our Grand Lodge at the Fifth World Conference in Delhi, India. This is the third World Conference exposure for us. At these meetings we encounter Masons from around the globe, of differing religious persuasions, of different races and cultures, and of Masonic jurisdictions that have slight variations in custom but no variation in tenets and principles. The dialogues confront issues that affect the craft at large, we visit charitable homes and institutions in other lands, and we share in the unique fellowship of Freemasonry. Many of these jurisdictions operate under political systems that are limited in the context of freedom, human rights, and expression as we know it. Others come from eastern Europe and other locations that are just emerging from communism and totalitarian regimes. The Grand Lodge of Russia, the Grand Lodge of Romania, the Grand Lodge of Bulgaria are three that have demonstrated an awakening and rejuvenation of suppressed Freemasonry. It is important that we continue to be present at these conferences for the benefits derived; the next session is in 2004 in Chile. I trust that my successor will be enabled to attend.

Southeastern Masonic Conference

In August I represented our Grand Lodge in Little Rock, Arkansas, at the 43rd Annual Southeastern Masonic Conference. Also attending were Grand Secretary T. Walton Clapp, grand secretary; and Brother Ric Carter, assistant to the grand secretary. Sessions included presentations by non-Masons on topics such as "Infusing Technology into Masonry" and "Telling Your Masonic Story to the Media." It was very valuable in terms of current trends. A presentation by the sovereign grand inspector general of Arkansas (AASR) highlighted the need for all Rites and appendant bodies to have unity and strong communication and ties to the Grand Lodge. We also enjoyed a tour of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas offices and the Valley of Little Rock Scottish Rite Temple. While we continue our association with this Conference, consideration is being given to interest in forming a Mid-Atlantic Conference.

Conference of Grand Masters in North America

The Conference of Grand Masters of North America was held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, from February 15–17, 2003. This Grand Lodge was represented by Brother L.R. Thomas Jr., our representative to the Masonic Service Association of North America and our representative to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association; T. Walton Clapp III, grand secretary; and PGM Clifton Everett Jr., grand treasurer; and me. This Conference dedicated significant consideration to the generic issues of recognition in the member grand jurisdictions of North America and the specific topic of recognition of Prince Hall Grand Lodges. Representatives of Prince Hall conducted a program session. Much discussion also took place informally between the delegates on the concept of "one day classes," membership, finance, officer training,

struggling lodges, community outreach, and new member education. Highlights of the conference were the 150th Anniversary Banquet for Freemasonry in Minnesota and a tour of the Minnesota Masonic Home in Bloomington. It's cold in Minneapolis in February.

Visitations

Although I was restricted during the month of May and most of June, I was pleased to accept several speaking engagements, conduct several installation and dedication ceremonies, participate in the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas festivities (North Carolina beat the Sandlappers), attend the Sudan Temple Fall Shrine Ceremonial, attend Valley of Wilmington Scottish Rite Reunions, attend a Mozart Masonic Symphony in Atlanta, and attend the March 2003 Quarterly Communication of the United Grand Lodge in London and a meeting of my English lodge, the Internet Lodge No. 9659 in Manchester, England during the same trip. I also attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario in July.

Another highlight was the invitation from the Grand York Rite Bodies of North Carolina to be the keynote speaker at the 66th Summer Assembly of York Rite Masons in Waynesville in July. In February I spoke at the Zebulon Shrine Club, and in September I spoke at both the Durham Shrine Club and the Amran Shrine Center, the latter just two days ago. I value also the opportunity given me to install Potentate Bobby Webb of Sudan Shrine Temple. You should know that an outgrowth of my Shrine membership and activities, I've been a Shriner for 41 years, I am calling the potentates, chief rabbans, and recorders to a meeting to discuss among other items, Masonic unity and the future of our annual St. John's Day celebrations at Oxford.

Yet a third highlight was to be invited to attend the National Sojourners Convention in Oklahoma City in June. I was on the installation team for President Andy Drenkhahn and James E. Vann, North Carolina Masons who are president and third vice president for the coming year. Fayetteville will host the 2004 National Sojourners Convention.

A fourth highlight was to be the guest of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America and Grand Governor General David Hargett, one of our own, at its session in Indianapolis, August 7–10, 2003. Indianapolis is a great city to visit, a renewed mid-western city planned for tourists, and it is the home of the Valley of Indianapolis (Northern Jurisdiction) Scottish Rite Cathedral; the cathedral is recognized as one of the architectural wonders of the world.

A fifth highlight was to be the invited guest of the three North Carolina Shrine Temples (Amran, Oasis, and Sudan) at the Imperial Session of the Shrine of North America in Minneapolis in July. The North Carolina temples hosted a recognition dinner for me on the Saturday night preceding the session; I am deeply indebted to them for the amenities and hospitality extended to me and my wife. I assure you that from what I saw and experienced there can be no doubt as to the Masonic connection in Shrinedom; I saw much Masonic dignity, decorum, and fellowship. There were forty-nine grand masters in attendance.

Special moments came to me at Hominy Lodge No. 491 in Candler where I participated in a special window dedication on August 23 and later that day when I spoke at the dedication ceremony for the York Rite Building in Charlotte. But the most special moment came on August 11 when I travelled to Homer, New York (south of Syracuse) where I joined my friend and brother Carl Fitje, grand master of Masons in New York, in dedicating Homer Lodge No. 352 Historic Masonic Room. I was master of Homer Lodge No. 352 in 1979. Finally, I attended the Empty Chair Degree at Antietam Battlefield with the grand masters of Virginia, the District of Columbia, and West Virginia a week ago. The Empty Chair Degree honors those of the North and the South and others who have fallen in battles fought in and by this great country.

In October (5-7), I attended the Biennial Session of the Supreme Council of the

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in Washington, DC. It was an honor to be received as grand master of the Grand Lodge, AF & AM of North Carolina and to witness the conferral of the thirty-third degree on those North Carolina designees who were able to be in the nation's capital.

On October 9 I attended the stated meeting of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Wilmington. On October 10, I visited the Veteran's Hospital in Durham with our MSA Representative, Brother Cecil Lee. On October 11 I sat in the East with the master of King Solomon's Lodge No. 138 during the conferral of their annual outdoor degree.

On October 12, I delivered an address to the MHCO Alumni Homecoming in the York Rite Chapel on the Oxford campus. This was a heartwarming experience. On October 13, I met with the master of Wilmington Lodge No. 319 and the DDGM of the 12th Masonic District to discuss matters related to lodge communications and the responsibilities of lodge officers to the brethren of the lodge. October 17–20, was highlighted by the Grand Master's Trip to Washington, DC. What a wonderful experience it was for over 90 Masonic-related men and women to share in the fellowship of visiting the House of the Temple, the home of the International Order of the Eastern Star, the George Washington National Masonic Memorial, dinner theaters, and the Smithsonian. I hope that future grand masters will continue a similar trip for our Masonic family.

A special birthday celebration for Brother H. Lloyd Wilkerson was hosted by his friends at the Mad Boar Restaurant in Wallace. Helga and I enjoyed sharing this special evening with this distinguished Mason on October 25.

I represented our Grand Lodge at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, October 26–29. We have many good friends in this grand jurisdiction.

On October 31–November 1, I attended the thirty-third degree conferral in New Bern. On November 2, I attended the Daughters of The Nile meeting in Charlotte and witnessed the initiation of my wife into this organization. On November 3 I attended Camp LeJeune Chapter No. 329, National Sojourners in Jacksonville. On November 6 I participated in Attendance Night at Orient Lodge No. 395 and was adorned with a lei as were all attendees. From November 7-8 I attended the Annual Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine in Monroe where I was installed sovereign of St. Titus Conclave for 2004 by the intendent general in North Carolina, Brother David Hargett.

On November 10, I attended the state meeting of the Wilmington York Rite Bodies and, on November 11, I attended the meeting of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation Board in Greensboro. This Grand Lodge owes a special thanks to Brother Charles Scott and the Board members for what they do for us.

As grand master, I presided over the MESH and MHCO Boards on November 14–15. These Homes are in good hands for the future.

I dedicated the cottages at MHCO on Saturday, November 15. We had a wonderful turnout and a glorious day for Oxford.

Brother Richard Shields of Waxhaw Lodge No. 562 invited me to bring a degree team from the 12th District to confer the Master Mason's degree on November 19. This was the first visit in memory of a grand master to Waxhaw. It was a fun evening. So was the special celebration I shared at Scotch Ireland Lodge No. 154 on November 21.

On November 24 I hosted a meeting of Shrine leaders from the three North Carolina Shrine temples at the Grand Lodge office. This gathering facilitated future planning for St. John's Day activities. The Shrine is an important part of our Masonic family. On November 25 I attended Steamboat Round Night at Stump Sound Lodge No. 733. All Masons should visit this lodge!

November 29 was a most special night in my life as the 12th District and the southeastern North Carolina Masonic family hosted a recognition dinner in my honor

at the Scottish Rite Temple in Wilmington. My special guests were MW Marvin and Mrs. Chambers of the NC Prince Hall Masonic Grand Lodge. The gifts, the testimonies, and the fellowship will be memories for my lifetime.

I concluded my term by affording my wife Helga and myself the opportunity to attend the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge National of France in Cannes from December 1-10, 2004. The opportunity to attend the stated communication of the Star Spangled Banner Lodge in Antibes was a special treat; this is a lodge twinned with La France Lodge in the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. During our visit Quo Vadis Lodge (Paris) arranged a special tour for us to the Normandy beachhead and the battlefields at Omaha, Utah, Juno, Gold, and Sward beaches. Our visit to the American and Canadian Cemeteries were highly emotional. I wonder how many Masons gave their lives at that important time in the history of the world.

Grand masters have both pleasant and less pleasant duties to perform. On October 16, the charter of Revolution Lodge No. 552 was arrested for cause as enumerated in the Grand Master's Order. We are an organization with laws and historic pattern of governance. This pattern includes not only rights but duties and responsibilities. Freemasonry and its spirit transcends the minute and casts its unifying spell throughout time. Long hail and live Freemasonry.

Gifts And Honors

Atkinson Lodge No. 612, Hominy Lodge No. 491, King Solomon's Lodge No. 138, Lovelady Lodge No. 670, Semper Fidelis Lodge No. 680, and Western Star Lodge No. 91 extended to me the highest recognition in their possession, that of honorary membership. Would the officers and delegates of these lodge please rise. You have touched my heart deeply. These memberships are not taken lightly by me or anyone else who receives them. I hope that I will always be worthy of your recognition.

To Brothers Holshouser and Hardy, the gift of the beautiful clock of quarried granite; to Earl Eason, the gift of your handcrafted Masonic lamp; and to Thomas Holt Lodge No. 492 for a beautiful Masonic commemorative knife; to Widow's Son Lodge No. 519 for the pewter pen and business card case; to Franklinton Lodge No. 123 for the lodge hat; and to the other lodges who presented me with photos and mementos, I am most appreciative.

The chapters of the Order of Eastern Star in the Ninth District honored me with a recognition dinner in May at the Scottish Rite Temple in Wilmington. It was a great evening from beginning to end — top notch meal and top notch entertainment. Goldenrod Chapter No. 142, my home chapter, presented me with a check to cover the expense of providing main floor light chandeliers in the octagon house at our Jones Campus; a plaque is to be installed as well in my honor. I also received honorary memberships from Cape Fear Chapter No. 346 and AREME Chapter No. 372.

In November St. John's No. 1 and the "Mighty" Tenth Masonic District will host a recognition dinner in my honor. Invitations for this Dutch treat event will be mailed to the Lodges. I hope to see many of you in Wilmington on November 29.

Appointments

I appointed Brother Ralph Shipton, PM, PDDGM, PDDGL, to serve as grand lecturer. Brother Ralph is a long time friend and confidant. He has served us well in this capacity. I appointed Brother Michael Brantley to serve as grand historian. Brother Michael is endowed with special gifts in art and history. He is undertaking the production of a biographical book of past grand masters and he is assisting us in the intent to move towards a formal archives for our Grand Lodge. I appointed Brother Jimmy Hicks to serve as judge advocate. He inherited a record of stellar performance from his predecessor, Brother Ronnie Stewart. Brother Jimmie has risen to the task and has advised me well. Special thanks to these brethren for their service. I appointed Brother Cecil Lee as our Masonic Service Representative to the VA Hospital in Durham.

Grand Representatives

I was pleased and honored to accept the recommendations from the respective grand masters of the following jurisdictions and I issued commissions for the following brethren to serve as grand representatives of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina near their grand lodges: Brother Petur Esrason, Grand Lodge of Iceland; Brother William Glover, Grand Lodge of Alberta; Brother T. John Hinkel, Grand Lodge of Nebraska; Brother Ronald Murphy, Grand Lodge of Tennessee; and Brother Edwin M. Newth, Grand Lodge of Delaware.

I was pleased and honored to nominate the following Brethren from the Grand Lodge of North Carolina to serve as grand representatives of the respective grand lodges listed below near the Grand Lodge of North Carolina: Brother James L. Apple, Grand Lodge of Israel; Brother Edwin L. Becton Jr., Grand Lodge of Delaware; Brother Richard E. Carter, Grand Lodge of India; Brother Ray M. Comer, Grand Lodge of Spain; Brother Alvin L. Hardy, Grand Lodge of Columbia; Brother Frank G. Hickman, Grand Lodge of Bolivia; Brother Denver C. Jones Jr., Grand Lodge of Nicaragua; Brother Lewis R. Ledford, Grand Lodge of The Czech Republic; Brother John F. Lynch, Grand Lodge of South Dakota; Brother John S. Miller Jr., Grand Lodge of Michigan; Brother Ronald S. Page, Grand Lodge of Illinois; Brother Robert W. Powell II, Grand Lodge of Texas; Brother Forrest R. Pugh, Grand Lodge of Portugal; Brother W. Berry Rigdon, Nacional de Columbia; Brother Robert A. Schafer, Grand Lodge of New Hampshire; Brother Robert J. Snipes, Grand Lodge of Minnesota; Brother Jerry R. Tillett, Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario; Brother David E. Webb, Grand Lodge of Mexico; and Brother James A. Wolfe, Grand Lodge of Brazil in the State of Goias.

Grand Lodge Office

We have a Grand Lodge office that serves us well. Cornelia Doherty, Frankie Harles, Paula Strother, and Brother James Medlin “get the job done.” Reports, communications, forms, facilitation, questions, problems, and special requests all come to Cornelia and Frankie. By the way, the two are sisters! They are simpatico! With smiles on their faces and confidence in their demeanor, they meet, greet, seek, and do all the things that are necessary to serve the lodges and the Masons of this state. Paula Strother likewise manages our accounting tasks and serves the Development Office and the North Carolina Masonic Foundation. These ladies are worth more than we pay them! Brother James Medlin continues to manage and advance the development and fund raising efforts of Grand Lodge. He helps to take the message of financial need and charity directly to our lodges.

Ric Carter, assistant to the grand secretary, and T. Walton Clapp III, grand secretary, are two special Masons. When one progresses through the grand line, he has the opportunity to see men at work and in Masonic action. I have benefitted greatly from both of these brothers. The humor, the give and take of conversational pulling, tugging, and even coercion, the fellowship of special moments, the encouragement and support they have extended to me have been most enabling. My own stature and that of the office of grand master has solidified and grown through my association with them. In my working with them I have experienced much of the joy, pain, frustration, exhalation, pride, misgivings, and worry that their work brings to them. I recognize their courage and their honest effort to act on the square and be on the level. Ric, I praise you for bringing yet another national award to *The North Carolina Mason*.

These are the employees of Grand Lodge. Six people serving 50,000 Masons and over three hundred lodges. Rise in place, North Carolina Masons, and show your appreciation to those who serve you and who daily walk the tightrope of praise and criticism.

State Of The Craft

I believe with all my heart that North Carolina Freemasonry is poised to move from good to great. This Grand Lodge is attracting younger men to its ranks and

officerships in its local lodges. The bar is being raised in all areas of lodge life — ritualistic, fellowship, charity, and service. I am most pleased with the activities that I read in the lodge newsletters that I receive. I have issued the challenge in the area of charity; we simply must dig deeper and fundraise harder to enable greater support of our charities. MESH and MHCO contributions need to average \$25.00 a year per Mason to each Home to help defray operating expenses. That's a dollar a week.

We need not make our lodge buildings mausoleums; we need to see that they are humming with Masonic activity to the extent that we can. We need more breakfasts and more dinners to meet more objectives, not the least of which is fellowship. We need to do more things as Masons.

We need to speak about Masonry and its potential to men who might otherwise remain at a perpetual distance. Our male friends and acquaintances who we know to be good men should be encouraged to become better men.

We need to consider the amendments and resolutions that come before us today and tomorrow and to act in the best interests of Masonic greatness. The best is yet to come. Please join with me in helping to make this happen in your life, the life of your lodge, and the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Joseph Montfort Medals

Earlier this year I presented the highest award of this Grand Lodge, the Joseph Montfort Medal, to Past Deputy Grand Master William L. Mills III. His acute legal mind, his advice, and his dedication to the best interests of our charities and our Grand Lodge have been unselfish and laudable. He will join the current holders of the Montfort Medal and the two other brethren who will be equally honored during this Grand Lodge session.

Recommendations

1. I recommend that an appropriate dress code be established for the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.
2. I recommend the implementation in total of the proposed creation of The North Carolina Masonic Charities, Inc.
3. I recommend continued financial support for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, the Masonic Service Association, the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, the Order of DeMolay, the Order of Rainbow for Girls, and Jobs Daughters.
4. I recommend continued assessment of the Development Program and Office of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.
5. I recommend the formation of a Grand Lodge Personnel Committee.

Acknowledgments And Special Appreciation

I thank the Supreme Architect of the Universe for forgiving me of my sins and for keeping me in the palm of His hand all the years of my life, especially in this year of my grand mastership.

I thank my father, the late Brother Charles A. Lewis, and my late grandfather, Brother Charles Francis Lewis, for bringing Masonry into the Lewis family. I know that they have been looking down on me from on high. I thank my late mother, Marie Agnes Lewis, for instilling in me a sense of decency and a love for reading and learning. I thank my brothers, Tom and Burt, and my sister, Ann, for all the love and support they have given to me, and especially for attending my installation in office and for the presentation of the gift of a wonderful clock.

I thank my father-in-law, the late Brother Frank Gunnel and his wife, Charlotte, for introducing me to the late Brother Bill Deegan; Brother Bill was instrumental in enabling me to join Mecca Temple No. 1 of the Shrine and I crossed the "hot sands" on the M/V Peter Stuyvesant cruising the Hudson River to West Point. My mother-in-law, a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, lives in an assisted living facility in Wilmington.

I thank St. John's Lodge No. 1 and the lodges and Masons of the "Mighty" Tenth Masonic District for the support they have given to me for twenty-three years. I especially thank Brother Robert Snipes, 2003 Master of St. John's Lodge No. 1 and Brother Mervin Hogg, secretary of St. John's Lodge No. 1, and Brother Evangelos Fragos, DDGM, Tenth Masonic District, for their support and cooperation.

I thank the Grand Tyler Robert Wilson Powell III, for his friendship and for travelling with me throughout this grand jurisdiction this year. You were willing to do many small things to ease my burdens and create comfort You were my student; you have become my friend and a member of my family. In the same regard I thank PGM William G. Mathis for his travels with me; but more importantly I thank him for his counsel and his sincere friendship. Brother Augustus Everett, you also lightened my burdens this year.

I thank the past grand masters who were willing to counsel, aid, and assist me in my progression through the grand line. Past Grand Master William Henry Simpson, I hope that I have lived up to your expectations and to the trust you reposed in me when you appointed me to this grand line.

To my grand line officers, you have my solid commitment and heartfelt gratitude for the time we have spent together. The annual Grand Lodge Officers retreat at Brother Cliff's river place will always rank significantly in the bonding which has occurred between us. Brothers Leonard Safrit, Graham Pervier, and Eugene Jernigan, you are family. Even better is yet to come!

To my daughters, Kristin and Heidi, your impatient Dad loves you with all his heart. My forty-one years of Masonry took me from you and your needs at crucial times. Forgive me for my shortcomings and know that I am proud of you and the kind of women you have become. Live your lives to the fullest and follow your dreams knowing that your Mom and I are always with you even until the end of time.

Helga Maria Gunkel Lewis, I thank you for what you have helped me to make out of my life and for being a partner in my Masonic sojourn. You gave up a lot for me. You accepted me for what I was not. You never wavered in your love and devotion. I have told you many times that you were the best thing that ever happened to me. You are a partner and friend in the truest sense of the words. Nothing can ever separate you from our God or from me.

Finally, Brethren, I thank you for electing me as grand master. I end as I began at my election — what you see is five feet four inches, nothing less, nothing more. I have lived up to my pledge to you — I have been forthright, positive, and I have acted in the best interests of North Carolina Freemasonry as God has given me the light to see those interests.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles A. Lewis Jr., Grand Master

Report of the Board of General Purposes on the Distribution of the Report of the Grand Master

The following report of the Board of General Purposes on the distribution of the report of Past Grand Master Jerry R. Tillett and the interim report of Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. was presented by Grand Secretary T. Walton Clapp III, entered on the record and adopted by the delegates to Annual Communication.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of General Purposes, in compliance with the provisions of *The Code*, has reviewed and carefully considered the report of the Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Jerry R. Tillett, and the Interim Report of Grand Master Charles A. Lewis, Jr. in all of its details and submits this report:

The Board recommends:

1. That the parts of the report that relate to orders and other legal matters, be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.
2. That the portions relative to matters of finance, be referred to the Committee on Finance.
3. That the portions concerning the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, respectively, be referred to the respective boards of those institutions.
4. We recommend the adoption of the Honorary Title of Past District Deputy Grand Master to those brethren contained in the Grand Master's reports.
5. That all other matters assigned without further specific reference to the committee or commissions which should properly consider them.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of General Purposes

Report of the Committee on Appeals

The following report of the Committee on Appeals was read by Past Grand Master Clifton W. Everett Jr. and, upon motion duly seconded, adopted by sections and then adopted as a whole.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

We have reviewed the record on all cases which have been completed since the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in 2002 and now pending before the Committee wherein the accused has been expelled under the provision of Regulation 98-13 of *The Code of 1995*, as amended; and in those which the accused appealed the decision of the Judge Advocate or a Trial Commission. We particularly directed our attention to strict compliance with the regulations. In each of these cases we recommend, except where noted otherwise, that their decisions be affirmed by the Grand Lodge.

a. Docket 708: In the matter of charges preferred against JAG, an Entered Apprentice of Cherryville Lodge No. 505 for un-Masonic conduct in which a duly constituted Trial Commission on October 25, 2002 expelled the accused.

*The Committee recommended that the decision of the Trial Commission be upheld.
The delegates upheld the decision of the Trial Commission.*

b. Docket 709: In the matter of charges preferred against CDS, a Master Mason and member of Oconee Lodge No. 427 for conviction of a felony in which the Judge Advocate issued a decision on October 25, 2002 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Judge Advocate be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Judge Advocate.

c. Docket 710: In the matter of charges preferred against OTS, a Master Mason and member of Cleveland Lodge No. 202 for conviction of a felony in which the Judge Advocate issued a decision on October 25, 2002 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Judge Advocate be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Judge Advocate.

d. Docket 711: In the matter of charges preferred against MSB, a Master Mason and member of Relief Lodge No. 431 for conviction of a felony in which the Judge Advocate issued a decision on August 19, 2003 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Judge Advocate be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Judge Advocate.

e. Docket 712: In the matter of charges preferred against JRF, a Master Mason and a member of Revolution Lodge No. 552 for un-Masonic conduct in which a duly constituted Trial Commission on May 2, 2003 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Trial Commission be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Trial Commission.

f. Docket 713: In the matter of charges preferred against JBF, a Master Mason and a member of Revolution Lodge No. 552 for un-Masonic conduct in which a duly constituted Trial Commission on May 2, 2003 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Trial Commission be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Trial Commission.

g. Docket 714: In the matter of charges preferred against DLN, a Master Mason and a member of Revolution Lodge No. 552 for un-Masonic conduct in which a duly constituted Trial Commission on May 2, 2003 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Trial Commission be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Trial Commission.

h. Docket 715: In the matter of charges preferred against GRS, a Master Mason and a member of Revolution Lodge No. 552 for un-Masonic conduct in which a duly constituted Trial Commission on May 2, 2003 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Trial Commission be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Trial Commission.

i. Docket 716: In the matter of charges preferred against LRS, an Entered Apprentice of Mt. Hermon No. 118 for conviction of a felony in which the Judge Advocate issued a decision on August 19, 2003 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Judge Advocate be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Judge Advocate.

j. Docket 717: In the matter of charges preferred against LWS, a Master Mason and member of Cliffside Lodge No. 460 for conviction of a felony in which the Judge Advocate issued a decision on August 19, 2003 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Judge Advocate be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Judge Advocate.

k. Docket 718: In the matter of charges preferred against DEE, a Master Mason and member of Forest City Lodge No. 381 for conviction of a felony in which the Judge Advocate issued a decision on August 19, 2003 expelling the accused.

The Committee recommended that the decision of the Judge Advocate be upheld.

The delegates upheld the decision of the Judge Advocate.

The Committee on Appeals also considered the following petitions for restoration:

a. Docket 387: In the matter of FLA, a former Master Mason and member of Gastonia Lodge No. 369 who was expelled for un-Masonic conduct on October 20, 1980. After careful review of the petitioner's petition, the Committee on Appeals recommends that it be approved.

The delegates approved the restoration.

b. Docket 656: In the matter of WRT, a former Master Mason and member of Richard Caswell Lodge No. 705 who was expelled for un-Masonic conduct on October 6, 1997. After careful review of the Petitioner's petition, the Committee on Appeals recommends that it be approved.

The delegates approved the restoration.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas D. Haigwood

Carl James Weisel

Stanley L. Allen

Herbert T. Mullen Jr.

R. Glenn Capps

Presentation on the Masonic Student Assistance Program

W. Don Baugher, executive director of the National Masonic Foundation for Children, delivered a lengthy discourse on the Foundation and the Masonic Model Student Assistance Program.

Called From Labor to Refreshment

Grand Chaplain James B. Sullivan offered a prayer, and Grand Master Lewis called the Craft from labor to refreshment until 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, September 27, 2003, in the Adam's Mark Grand Pavilion.

Second Day Annual Communication

Called From Refreshment to Labor

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, September 27, 2003, in the Grand Pavilion of the Adam's Mark Hotel, Winston-Salem, North Carolina by Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr. Prayer was offered by James B. Sullivan, grand chaplain.

Report of the Committee on Finance

Committee on Finance Chairman Robert E. Gresham presented budget for 2004 which was placed before the delegates and voted on in sections. It was then presented and adopted as a whole.

The budget may be found in the Report of the Grand Secretary in this *Proceedings*.

Report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence

The following report of the Committee of Masonic Jurisprudence was presented by Past Grand Master Richard G. Moore. The Committee made recommendations on each topic and the topic was either adopted or rejected individually. The report was then adopted as a whole.

The recommendation of the Committee and the action of the delegates to Grand Lodge is noted after each issue.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence respectfully submits the following report. For convenient reference, we use the same subjects, titles and subdivisions of the Report of the Grand Master, as used by him or the Docket Number used in any report, or other documents submitted for our consideration and action in all of our references to those matters and subjects.

Orders of Grand Master Jerry R. Tillett

Order No. 1

It has been brought to my attention by the Grand Secretary's office that Waxhaw Lodge No. 562 elected LRF to receive the degrees at the stated communication held on January 1, 2002 and then conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on him at the same stated communication (January 1, 2002), which was in violation of Regulation 71-22 of *The Code*.

Since the candidate was not responsible for this violation of the law of our Grand Lodge, I hereby order:

1. That Waxhaw Lodge No. 562 heal Entered Apprentice LRF at the first stated communication following receipt of this Order, as provided in Regulation 87-6. It shall be sufficient only to re-obligate this candidate in the first degree, in a lodge opened on that degree, and after the candidate has been thus healed, he may then be advanced when prepared as required in Regulation 72-2.

2. This Order shall be read in the lodge at the first stated communication following its receipt, and it shall be made a part of the minutes of that meeting.

3. The lodge secretary shall report to the grand secretary within five days after the healing of this candidate that this Order has been complied with and the date thereof.

Given under my hand and seal at Manteo, North Carolina, this the 29th day of January, 2002.

The Committee recommended that the Order be approved.

The delegates approved the Order.

Order No. 2

WHEREAS, certain problems have come to my attention relating to the operation of the Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc. and the relationship of that corporation with Revolution Lodge No. 552 AF & AM and the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

WHEREAS, I have carefully reviewed and deliberated upon various documents, including but not limited to, public records, previous orders of Grand Master Charles E. Cathey and Grand Master William G. Mathis, and a report filed by the Judge Advocate of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina detailing his inquiry into the operation of the Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc., as well as, the response made by its President to the previous orders by Grand Master Cathey and Mathis, respectively.

WHEREAS, it is apparent that the Board Members of the Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc. refuse to voluntarily make necessary changes in the operation of the Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc.

WHEREAS, Grand Master Charles Cathey and William G. Mathis have previously issued separate orders with a purpose of ameliorating certain situations deemed potentially injurious to the Grand Lodge or its connected entities, and requiring individuals, the Boards and Officers, Directors of Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc. to do, or refrain from doing certain things, each of which orders is incorporated herein by reference.

WHEREAS, certain persons, in either individual or representative capacity have failed or refused to fully comply with the letter or spirit of such orders and have in fact, counseled, encouraged, aided and abetted or caused other to violate and or fail to comply with the intent of these aforementioned orders.

WHEREAS, it is hereby deemed to be in the best interest of Masonry in North Carolina to make the foregoing order.

Order

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, that Brother WOY is immediately removed from the Board of the Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc. It is further ordered that each Board member, jointly and individually, immediately adopt by-laws and submit them to the grand secretary for Grand Lodge approval not more than sixty (60) days from the service of this order that will accomplish the following:

The Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc. shall make a full report of its holdings and financial matters to the membership of Revolution Masonic Lodge No. 552, annually. This report shall include all information contained in the Department of Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form 990.

The Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc. shall accept Board members who have been nominated, elected, or appointed by the membership or officers of Revolution Masonic Lodge No. 552. These members will serve for a five-year term and may succeed themselves provided they are re-nominated, elected, or appointed by the membership or officers of Revolution Masonic Lodge No. 552.

The Board members of the Revolution Masonic Temple, Inc., if necessary, shall work with the Grand Lodge Service Committee and shall comply with all the Committee's request and requirements.

Given under my hand and seal this the 11th day of April, 2002.

The Committee recommended that the Order be approved.

The delegates approved the Order.

Order No. 3

This Order was made to Brothers DLN and JRF.

It is with great sadness and disdain that I feel compelled to make this communication. The temerity of your actions and inexorable defiance has left me with no alternative. This action is also consistent with a motion and unanimous decision of the Board of General Purposes.

Over several years a situation creating disharmony, confusion, mistrust, involving breach of obligations and duties of Masons and overall contrary to the best interest of Freemasonry has continued to exist involving the Temple Corporation and Revolution Lodge No. 552. You have been part of that situation. The subordinate lodge and or individual members have requested assistance from the Grand Lodge. Various attempts and orders by three grand masters and or other Grand Lodge officers have been made as an effort to ameliorate this problem. These orders of the grand masters have not been fully or fairly complied with. Much time, effort, and resources have been expended and consumed in attempting to deal with these problems. When first attempts or orders do not complete resolution of a problem, additional and stricter measures are thereby necessary. You have conspired, aided, abetted, and/or assisted others in open defiance of the orders of the judge advocate and/or grand master and/or acted in violation of Masonic law. The attempts of rehabilitation and cure have been rejected and repudiated. Requests for information have been refused. These requests and/or orders were directed to individual Masons. They were valid on their face.

In addition to information not being provided upon request or as appropriate, there have been possible commingling of reporting and failure to adequately maintain separateness in record keeping and report making.

It was learned furthermore that non-Masons could be a part of this Temple Corporation and that lodge usage could be controlled by a committee constituting only a subpart of the Temple Board. Thus a group of non-Masons or even those antithetical to Masonic principle could control the lodge property and building. This violated the laws, landmarks, and various principles of Masonry.

Specifically, an order directed that you and others as individual Masons take certain actions to ameliorate or cure the above problems. These orders were openly defied. Further, more egregiously, you caused, participated in, or were involved in the issuance by a profane civil attorney of a written notice that contended the Grand Lodge and grand master had no authority over you as a Mason in these matters. This not only failed to comply with these orders but repudiated the oath and obligation of a Mason and an officer as well as the laws and landmarks of Masonry to which you have been previously obligated. This was contumacy.

Thereafter you were given several opportunities and even specifically requested to change your position, to renounce the contumacy, or otherwise clarify and explain your actions. You have refused defiantly.

Moreover in this interim period you have participated, acquiesced in, or caused a further change to the by-laws of this corporation not only failing to comply with previous orders but, in effect, removing all reference and affiliation with Masonry and Masonic principles. This was an apparent further act of defiance.

In addition, you have allowed, acquiesced, or conspired in threats and conspiracies to return property originally of Masons and of your Masonic lodge to third parties which would constitute a breach of fiduciary obligation.

These acts or omissions and the findings relating thereto are in the alternative each not withstanding the other and each independent of the other. Each in and of itself constitutes a sufficient basis for the actions herein taken and any other appropriate action. Your actions are treasonous to Masonic principle.

Now, therefore, in accord with the inherent and specific authority and duty of this office and/or the landmarks of Masonry, you are hereby effective 12:00 noon Friday, August 8, 2002, removed from your current position, of and any and all other office or position in the Grand Lodge and any subordinate lodge or any appendant or related affiliated organization, and are prohibited permanently thereafter from holding any position or office in either the Grand Lodge, a subordinate lodge, or any appendant or affiliated body. This removal and prohibition is permanent unless rescinded by the grand master or as by law provided.

I further ORDERED that you be bound over to the judge advocate, for such further action as is appropriate. This is indeed a sad day for Masonry.

Given under my hand and seal this the 9th day of August, 2002 AD 6002 AL.

The Committee recommended that the Order be approved.

The delegates approved the Order.

Order No. 4

It has been brought to my attention by the grand secretary's office that Raleigh Lodge No. 500 elected ESH to receive the degrees at the stated communication held on September 17, 2002 and then conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on him at the same stated communication (September 17, 2002), which was in violation of Regulation 71-22 of *The Code*.

Since the candidate was not responsible for this violation of the law of our Grand Lodge, I hereby order:

1. That Raleigh Lodge No. 500 heal Entered Apprentice ESH at the first stated communication following receipt of this Order, as provided in Regulation 87-6. It shall be sufficient only to re-obligate this candidate in the first degree, in a lodge opened on that degree, and after the candidate has been thus healed, he may then be advanced when prepared as required in Regulation 72-2.

2. This Order shall be read in the lodge at the first stated communication following its receipt, and it shall be made a part of the minutes of that meeting.

3. The lodge secretary shall report to the grand secretary within five days after the healing of this candidate that this Order has been complied with and the date thereof.

Given under my hand and seal at Manteo, North Carolina, this the 23rd day of September, 2002.

The Committee recommended that the Order be approved.

The delegates approved the Order.

Order No. 5

It has been brought to my attention by the Grand Secretary that Belhaven Lodge No. 509, AF & AM rejected petitioner TRS for the degrees without first complying with 68-3.13 of *The Code*. The master pro-tem was prepared to spread a second ballot without comment when discussion ensued in the lodge on whether the ballot was final. The master pro-tem declared the ballot without having conducted a second ballot.

In such cases the grand master may authorize a rebalot at a stated communication. Under Regulation 68-8, the master made an improper announcement. Therefore, the grand master, by positive and unquestionable evidence, determines the

ballot was clearly and grossly illegal and is empowered to order another ballot in cases of this kind. I hereby ORDER Belhaven Lodge No. 509 to reballoon on the above mentioned petition for the degrees at the stated communication to be held on November 26, 2002.

The dispensation authorizing the reballoon shall contain a proviso that all members of the lodge shall be given not less than ten days notice by first-class mail under sealed cover of the reballoon and the time and place therefor.

This Order shall be read to the lodge at the stated communication to be held on November 26, 2002, entered on the minutes of that communication and a proper notation made on the margin of the minutes for the stated communication on October 22, 2002, referring to this Order and the date it was recorded in the minutes.

Given under my hand and seal at Manteo, North Carolina, this 6th November, 2002 AD; 6002 AL.

The Committee recommended that the Order be approved.

The delegates approved the Order.

Order No. 6

I have received a request from Brother WM and the secretary of Doric Lodge No. 568 to resolve the issue of a mistakenly issued demit. I have caused an investigation to be conducted. Information has been received from several members, past grand masters, the district deputy grand master, and several lodge officers.

The information received indicated that Brother WM, who is 83 years old, submitted an application for affiliation to Doric Lodge No. 568. He was informed by the secretary of 568 that a request for a demit needed to be filed with Berne Lodge No. 724. Berne Lodge, on receiving the signed request for a demit, issued the demit by order of the Master. When his application for affiliation with Doric Lodge was denied, Brother WM was left a non-affiliated Mason.

An in-state transfer of membership does not require a member to request a demit. The said transfer and necessary demit and notifications are always executed by the grand secretary's office. This long-standing procedure is detailed in Regulation 75-15 of *The Code*. Following this procedure would have prevented this situation. Brother WM requested assistance on the procedure and he received erroneous information.

Our *Code* offers no definition of incompetency, but utilizes several terms, including insane, incompetent, and mentally disqualified, without apparent distinction. However there are legal definitions that the established state of mind may include periodic lucidity. The highest standard may be that of incompetence. By analogy, the definition of insanity by Code interpretation would include issues of whether the subject suffered from some disease, mental condition of age or infirmity of mind such that he could not comprehend the consequence of his actions, or even if so, could not determine the rightfulness of the same. I have sufficient evidence that Brother WM was incompetent at the time the demit was issued.

Brother WM would have no reason to understand the detailed procedure for moving his membership. His request was based upon information furnished to him by an authoritative voice — the secretaries of the lodges involved. His lack of first hand knowledge and his advancing years make his request for demit an incompetently informed decision. WM admits this to be the case in his letter to me. Since there was no other determination of the mental state at the time the demit was issued, all action should be rescinded.

An additional provision of general law provides that a mutual mistake of fact by parties to an action warrants rescinding of such action. The secretary of Berne Lodge knew that Brother WM planned to transfer his membership to Doric Lodge, but did not know that he had not been accepted in that lodge. The secretary of Doric Lodge advised

that a request for a demit should be submitted to Berne Lodge. Brother WM did not understand that a demit without being accepted in another lodge would leave him a nonaffiliated Mason.

While this lack of understanding of procedure by authorities is disappointing, such lapses will be with us as long as we are served and administered by imperfect humans. It should be mentioned also that the secretaries of both lodges in question are new to their jobs and just learning these procedures themselves. But, as long as we are served by imperfect men, we must be ever ready to palliate the discomforts and right the wrongs created by those mistakes.

Deputy Grand Master/Grand Master Elect Charles A. Lewis Jr. and I have conferred on this decision and he concurs with its contents.

It is therefore my ORDER that:

Due to erroneous information supplied by lodge officers and advancing age Brother WM's request for demit was incompetently made and is therefore null and void. Brother WM is hereby restored to membership in Berne Lodge No. 724 with no break in service.

Dated in Manteo, North Carolina this the seventh day of November, 2002 AD, 6002 AL.

The Committee recommended that the Order be approved.

The delegates approved the Order.

Order No. 7

The following ORDER was sent to Brother LMC, of James A. Johnson Lodge No. 413.

I have received several communications from James A. Johnson Lodge No. 413, wherein they have requested that I remove you from office as master of the lodge.

From the minutes of the lodge, you have not attended a stated communication since July 9, 2002. Your attendance prior to that time was sporadic at best. Regulation 59-2.13 says that you shall make necessary arrangements for the faithful performance of your office when you are absent. It is my understanding that no arrangements were made during your absence. The lodge has been very patient in waiting until November to ask that you resign from your office.

Your communication responding to their request for resignation was indignant because you felt the lodge was not "operative," therefor did not need to be governed. This is a total disregard for the position of master of the lodge, and neglect of your obligations as master of the lodge. Again, this is a clear indication that you have already surrendered the position, but not relinquished the authority.

Now therefor, it is my ORDER that you are hereby removed as master of James A. Johnson Lodge No. 413 as provided in Regulation 13-2.10 and 58-1 of *The Code*. This action is immediate.

Given under my hand and seal in the town of Manteo, this fifteenth day of November, AD 2002, AL 6002.

The Committee recommended that the Order be approved.

The delegates approved the Order.

Official Opinion

This letter is written in response to the offer of an automobile as a prize for a hole in one contest on a designated hole in the above referenced tournament fund raiser. The proposed tournament will be a continuation of an annual event held for at least 13 years; that the entrance fees should remain at \$55 including a meal and which have remained relatively the same over the past several years; that an automobile dealership would provide the prize guaranteed by the purchase of insurance; that there would be

no additional cost above regular entrance fees to any participant regardless of whether he or she may participate in any specific hole including the designated hole; and that all proceeds would be contributed to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, or the North Carolina Masonic Foundation either of which would be recognized by the department of Revenue as a non-profit organization.

I will now give you my analysis and opinion. Authorization hereinafter provided is for this event only and is deemed to be a one time opinion and authorization. In this interpretation, I have considered in addition to the above referenced facts, the provisions of Chapter 9-32 of *The Code*, together with provisions and amendments thereto; the advice and counsel of various past grand masters, and a specific informal opinion, interpretation by the North Carolina Attorney General's Office concerning state law, and the statutory construction principles of *Ejusdem Generis*.

I have determined that there are two requirements necessary to constitute a game of chance or gambling: first the presence of a specific consideration and second that the element of luck or chance predominate the activity. According to civilian authorities and the opinion of the attorney general, the afore referenced activity requested would not constitute gambling or a game of chance in that the price for entrance would remain the same regardless if one participated in this particular hole or not. In addition while luck will greatly enhance the likelihood of success or be even necessary for the hole in one, the elements of skill, experience, and ability are involved and predominate in the game of golf as has been previously decided by the attorney general. Moreover, no amount of skill or luck would enable certain persons, such as handicapped persons or others of weaker or lesser ability to make the hole in one since they simply could not hit the ball in that vicinity or distance. Furthermore, I am not unmindful that our Grand Lodge by delegates in convention have decided to amend the provisions of our Masonic *Code* to allow for a lottery or raffle under certain conditions regarding the limitations on prize amounts and payment of proceeds to charity. Such lottery or raffle is entirely and completely a game of chance and caprice.

Based upon all of the above information and findings it is my interpretation and opinion that the request and proposed activity providing the offer of an automobile as a prize for a hole in one contest on a designated hole in the Fourteenth Annual MESH Golf Tournament does not violate provisions of Masonic law and is permitted under the following circumstances and conditions that: at least 90% of the net proceeds as defined by our *Code* will be paid to the charities of either the Masonic and Eastern Star Home or the North Carolina Foundation and the prize would not exceed \$50,000 in value consistent with the analogous provisions of our *Code* regarding raffles.

Based upon these understandings and findings I have no objection to the use of this marketing incentive offering this free automobile prize.

The Committee recommended that the Opinion be approved.

The delegates approved the Opinion.

Proposed Amendments to *The Code*

The following changes to *The Code* are to be considered this year. Each was submitted prior to noon on the last day of our last Annual Communication. Each amendment group appears with a short summary of its intentions, the recommendation of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, and the results of the vote of delegates to this Annual Communication. Additions to *The Code* are indicated by underline, and deletions are indicated by strike through.

Amendment Group 1

The amendments under this Group would provide for the Grand Lodge to share its territorial jurisdiction by compact.

SEC. 2-2 SOVEREIGNTY OF THE GRAND LODGE.

The sovereignty of the Grand Lodge touching upon all Masonic matters within, but not outside of, its territorial boundary is full and complete and any of its subordinate lodges has the right to receive the petition of any profane for the degrees or the application of any nonaffiliated Mason for affiliation who possess the physical, mental, moral, and residential qualifications that may be required by the Constitution, Regulations, and Laws of the Grand Lodge. No other grand lodge shall have or exercise any rights within the territorial jurisdiction unless by compact (mutual consent) approved by of this Grand Lodge.

Submitted by: Snow Lodge No. 363, University Lodge No. 408, H. Lloyd Wilkerson, PM; William L. Mills III, PDGM; Walter F. McCall, PGM 1986; Ray Norris, PGM 1992; Richard G. Moore, PGM 1993; William B. Brunk, PGM 1994; William H. Simpson, PGM 1996; Gerry T. Smith, PGM 1997; Thomas W. Gregory, PGM 1998; Charles M. Ingram, PGM 1999; Charles E. Cathey, PGM 2000; William G. Mathis, PGM 2001.

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates rejected the amendment.

Amendment Group 2

All of the amendments in this group deal with District Deputy Grand Masters.

Amendment Group 2A

These amendments would reduce the term of service required to earn the title Past District Deputy Grand Master from three years to one.

REG. 11-4 DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

District Deputy Grand Masters are not officers of the Grand Lodge and need not be installed. They are the personal representatives of the Grand Master in their respective districts.

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2. The honorary title of Past District Deputy Grand Master may be granted by the Grand Lodge by a majority affirmative vote upon proposal by the Grand Master, to a District Deputy Grand Master who ~~shall have heretofore or hereafter completed three appointments served one full year as a District Deputy Grand Master. This title cannot be voted on a District Deputy Grand Master still serving an appointment.~~ [3-1.5; 26].

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 2B

These amendments eliminate all term limits on District Deputy Grand Masters.

REG. 26-6 TERM LIMIT.

~~A brother who has heretofore served, or shall serve, three consecutive years as District Deputy Grand Master, shall not succeed himself unless the Grand Master shall find that it is in the best interest of Masonry for said brother to continue with his duties.~~

Submitted by: Burnsville Lodge No. 717.

The Committee recommended that the amendment be rejected.

The delegates rejected the amendment.

Amendment Group 3

This amendment would allow the delegates at each Annual Communication to set the per capita tax. If this amendment is adopted, following the adoption of the Budget at

each Annual Communication the Finance Committee would propose a per capita tax payable in February as a part of the budget adopted at the Annual Communication the preceding September.

The following substitute amendment was submitted by the Committee on Finance.

REG. 20-1 ESTABLISHED.

Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. The sum of ~~twelve~~ fourteen dollars and for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first. A lodge shall be exempt from the payment of the annual assessment to the Grand Lodge for any member who has received either the Fifty-Year or Sixty-Year Service Award. [5-1.1; 20-1; 81-1; 81-7].

(Subsections 2 - 4 are unchanged.)

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates rejected the amendment.

Following the rejection of the substitute amendment, the original amendment was considered.

REG. 20-1 ESTABLISHED.

Each lodge, including lodges under dispensation, shall pay annually to the Grand Secretary, for the use of the Grand Lodge, the sums hereinafter specified.

1. *The amount established by the Grand Lodge as the per capita tax for the current year at the annual communication held the preceding calendar year* ~~The sum of twelve dollars and~~ for each member of the lodge at low twelve on December thirty-first. A lodge shall be exempt from the payment of the annual assessment to the Grand Lodge for any member who has received either the Fifty-Year or Sixty-Year Service Award. [5-1.1; 20-1; 81-1; 81-7].

(Subsections 2 - 4 are unchanged.)

Submitted by: The Committee on Finance.

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates rejected the amendment.

Amendment Group 4

This amendment would eliminate Subsection 3 of Regulation 34-5. That provision of The Code being made unnecessary by recent changes in the Grand Lodge year.

Delete Regulation 34-5.3.

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

Submitted by: the Committee on Finance.

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 5

These amendments would allow lodges to meet quarterly rather than monthly. At present by going dark in the summer and on holidays a lodge can hold as few as six stated communications per year.

REG. 43-2 POWERS AND DUTIES.

Some, but not all, of the *powers and duties* of a lodge are as follows. [2-4; 4-2].

...

4. A lodge shall hold at least one stated communication each ~~month~~ calendar quarter except as provided in Regulation 45-2.

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

REG. 45-2 STATED COMMUNICATION.

A lodge shall hold at least one stated communication each calendar month, however, it may provide in its by-laws for the omission of any or all stated communications during either or all of the months of June, July and August and those falling on legal holidays quarter.

(The subsections of Reg. 45-2 remain unchanged.)

Submitted by: H. Lloyd Wilkerson, Master of Wilkerson College Lodge No. 760.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence offered the following substitute amendment.

REG. 43-2 POWERS AND DUTIES.

Some, but not all, of the *powers and duties* of a lodge are as follows. [2-4; 4-2].

...

4. A lodge shall hold at least one stated communication each month except as provided in Regulation 45-2 or by dispensation of the Grand Master.

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

REG. 45-2 STATED COMMUNICATION.

A lodge shall hold at least one stated communication each calendar month, however, it may provide in its by-laws for the omission of any or all stated communications during either or all of the months of June, July and August and those falling on legal holidays or may omit a stated communication by dispensation of the Grand Master.

(The subsections of Reg. 45-2 remain unchanged.)

The Committee recommended that the substitute amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the substitute amendment. The substitute having passed, no action was taken on the original motion.

Amendment Group 6

These amendments would change the ballot to require two or more Black cubes to reject a brother applying for affiliation.

REG. 68-3 PROCEDURE.

After the reports of the Grand Secretary and the Committee of Investigation have been received the ballot shall be taken as follows.

...

15. In any secret ballot white balls are affirmative votes and black cubes are negative votes. A unanimously favorable ballot of white balls shall be required to elect a petitioner or an applicant, or to adopt any proposition submitted to the secret ballot. [42-9; 65-1; 75-11.2; 75-11.3; 75-11.4; 75-11.5].

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

REG. 75-7 BALLOT AND RECOMMENDERS.

The application of a Mason for affiliation shall be recommended and signed by at least two members of the lodge to which the same is presented. ~~It shall require a secret ballot. Rejection shall require two or more black cubes to be cast, and it shall require a unanimously favorable secret ballot to elect to membership.~~ [74-2; Chapter 68].

Submitted by: Junaluskee 145.

The Committee recommended that the amendment be rejected.

The delegates rejected the amendment.

Amendment Group 7

All of the amendments in this group deal with Chapter 73 of The Code, Advancement and Default.

Amendment Group 7A

The amendments under this group would change the period for advancement from six months to two years. The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence broke the amendments down for voting in the following fashion.

Amendment Group 7A-1

The first section of the proposed amendments to Regulations 73-1, 73-1, and 73-9. These amendments would extend the time an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft has to present himself for advancement without a vote of the lodge from six months to two years.

REG. 73-1 ONE BALLOT SUFFICIENT.

The ballot taken on a petitioner for the degrees shall be for him to become a Master Mason and a member of the lodge receiving his petition if elected except in the case of a subsequent objection or default. [65-5; 71-5; 71-6; 71-7].

REG. 73-2 ADVANCEMENT WITHIN ~~SIX MONTHS~~ TWO YEARS.

If an Entered Apprentice or a Fellow Craft seeks advancement within ~~six months~~ two years after his initiation or passing, as the case may be, no formal application is necessary. He may present himself for advancement to the Master or at any communication of the lodge. If he is adjudged proficient, he should be advanced at a time convenient to the Master and himself.

~~REG. 73-3 UNFINISHED WORK DROPPED.~~

~~Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts who have not advanced shall be carried on the books of the lodge and reported to the Grand Secretary on two consecutive annual returns, after which they may be dropped from the annual returns.~~

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates rejected the amendment.

Amendment Group 7A-2

The second section would change the vote on whether an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft who presents himself for advancement after the allowed time from a unanimous secret ballot to a simple majority vote.

REG. 73-6 DEFAULT.

If an Entered Apprentice or a Fellow Craft fails to present himself prepared for advancement within six months after initiation or passing, he must apply in writing to the lodge for advancement.

...

~~2. Obsolete It shall not be acted upon within one lunar month at a subsequent stated communication. An application for advancement shall not be sent to the Grand Secretary, nor shall it require recommendation or a Committee of Investigation.~~

3. A ~~unanimous affirmative secret ballot~~ majority vote shall be required on the application to be elected for advancement.

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 7B

The amendments under this group would make objections to courtesy work conform to changes made at the 2001 Annual Communication in the way objections to advancement may be made.

REG. 73-10 OBJECTION TO COURTESY WORK.

No lodge as a courtesy for another lodge should confer a degree on a candidate who would not be admitted to membership in the lodge which is doing the work, nor on a candidate which it has reason to believe is unworthy to be advanced or raised. Any objection shall be in the manner provided in Reg. 73-4.

~~1. Any member of the lodge doing the work may object to the advancement of any such candidate without stating his reasons therefor.~~

~~2. No further action shall be taken except to notify the lodge making the request that such candidate cannot be advanced because of objection.~~

~~A. No ballot shall be taken in the lodge requested to do the work.~~

~~B. The lodge making the request should be advised promptly that it may act as it deems proper. [50 5.6; 71 7; 71 10.3; 43 11; Chapters 71; 74].~~

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 7C

The amendments under this group would remove the heading for Reg. 73-3, which was repealed at the 2001 Annual Communication and renumber Reg. 73-4 through Reg. 73-10 as Reg. 73-3 through Reg. 73-9.

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Submitted by: the Grand Secretary

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 8

All of the amendments in this group deal with Chapter 77 of The Code, Dues.

Amendment Group 8A

The amendments under this group would eliminate the provision for minimum lodge dues as being unnecessary.

REG. 77-1 MINIMUM DUES.

Each lodge shall fix in its by-laws and shall collect such annual dues from its membership as may be necessary to enable it to maintain itself and discharge all of its duties and obligations, ~~provided, that no lodge shall fix such annual dues at less than twelve dollars. [5 2.2]~~

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 8B

The amendments under this group would eliminate the provision concerning advance payment of dues and the issuance of certificates of good standing as being unnecessary.

REG. 77-2 CHANGES.

A lodge may increase or reduce its dues, but only by an amendment to its by-laws.

...

~~5. When issuing a certificate of good standing under Regulation 75 15 or a certificate under Regulation 75 16 and if necessary to comply with the requirement~~

~~therein that dues be paid not less than four months in advance of the date of such certificate, a lodge shall not accept an amount less than the dues for a whole year, unless the difference in such dues is properly cancelled. [87-7; Official Form 9].~~

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 8C

The amendments under this group would simplify the provisions for notice of delinquency and exclusion for non-payment of dues.

REG. 77-5 CANCELLATION OF DUES.

A lodge shall have the right to cancel the dues of an excluded brother and restore him to membership, subject to the provisions of Regulation 78-1, and grant him a demit. The dues of a brother who has been ~~excluded for nonpayment, or who has been~~ suspended or expelled, can be cancelled only by a unanimous vote of the lodge. The Master may require a written ballot. [77-20.3; 78-2.1].

(Subsections are unchanged.)

REG. 77-19 OFFICIAL NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY.

~~Between the first and the fifteenth of September~~ During the third quarter of each year the Secretary shall forward to each member of the lodge who then owes any amount for dues an Official Notice of Delinquency by first-class mail in a sealed envelope with return address thereon.

...

3. Payment in full of the entire amount due by the member on or before the first stated communication in ~~November~~ October will satisfy and make void the said notice.

4. If no response is made to the Official Notice of Delinquency, the member shall not for that failure or omission be subject to charges for un-Masonic conduct; ~~but the lodge may act as provided in Regulation 77-20. [77-21].~~

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

~~REG. 77-20 ACTION BY THE LODGE, EXCLUSION.~~

~~At the first stated communication in November each year~~ During the fourth quarter of, the Secretary shall report to the lodge the name of each delinquent member who at that time owes any amount for dues together with his certificate to the effect that the provisions of Regulation 77-19 have been fully complied with in respect to each member reported by him.

1. The report and certificate shall be entered on the minutes of the lodge.

2. At the same communication, the lodge shall take action on each delinquent member whose name has been reported by the Secretary.

3. For good cause, of which the lodge shall be the judge, it may cancel all or any part of the dues of any such member as provided for in Regulation 77-5.

4. The lodge may exclude him for nonpayment of dues, subject, however, to the provisions of Regulations 77-15 and 77-14.2. [59-12.10; 77-5.2; 77-5.3].

5. After due notice as required in Regulation 77-19 and ~~at the first stated communication in November~~ during the fourth quarter of each year, each subordinate lodge shall take definite action on those of its members who at that time owe ~~the dues for the preceding year plus the dues for the current year, that is those who at that time owe as much as two years dues,~~ by either canceling ~~all or any part of~~ the dues of any such member as provided for in Regulation ~~Subdivision 77-20.3 of this regulation~~ or by

excluding him for nonpayment of dues, subject, however, to the provisions of Regulations 77-15 and 77-14.2.

~~6. The lodge may grant him an extension of time to a definite stated communication in which to pay the dues, subject, however, to the provisions of Subdivisions 5 and 6 of this regulation, which time may be extended for such period or periods as the lodge by a majority vote of the members present may determine, but in no event shall an extension be given beyond the last stated communication in August in the year next following the date of the Official Notice of Delinquency. The Secretary shall advise the member within five days by first class mail of each extension granted under this regulation. If the lodge fails to take action on the date of the extension no further action can be taken and the lodge must proceed again under Regulation 77-10.~~

~~7. At the expiration of any period of extension granted hereunder the lodge may act as set forth in Subdivisions 77-20.3, and 77-20.6 of this regulation, subject to the limitation of such extensions set forth in said Subdivision 77-20.6, and also subject to the provisions of Subdivisions 77-20.5 and 77-20.8 hereunder.~~

~~8. A lodge shall not grant a further extension of time in which to make payment to a member who, at the first stated communication in November, owes the dues for the preceding year plus the dues for the current year.~~

95. The Secretary shall mail a notice to each member excluded for nonpayment of dues within ten days of such exclusion.

~~106. A lodge may exclude a member for nonpayment of dues only at a stated communication in fourth calendar quarter by a majority vote of the members present and as hereinbefore set forth. [45-3.4].~~

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 8D

The amendments under this group would correct a mathematical and typographical error in the provision for endowed memberships.

REG. 77-25 ENDED MEMBERSHIPS.

Endowed Memberships may be purchased from the Grand Lodge on the following terms and conditions.

...

5. The endowed membership fee may be paid in five (5) equal annual installments.

A. The annual installment shall be ~~4.52~~ 75 times the annual lodge dues at the time of application.

...

14. An endowed member may affiliate with another subordinate lodge as provided in Chapter 75 of *The Code*. If the affiliation is within this grand jurisdiction, the entire endowed membership fee he originally paid shall be transferred to the account of the lodge to which he affiliates. If the affiliation is outside this grand jurisdiction, the entire endowed membership fee shall remain with the lodge of which he was an endowed member.

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

Submitted by: the Grand Secretary

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 9

These amendments would eliminate the prohibition against wearing Masonic clothing in and participating in non-masonic parades.

REG. 86-2 SPECIFIC MASONIC OFFENSES.

The following are specific Masonic offenses and, in certain instances, the penalty is specified. These shall not be construed as excluding any other Masonic offenses or un-Masonic conduct or penalties not specifically described or enumerated in this chapter or in other chapters of *The Code*.

...

~~42. To wear Masonic clothing when appearing in a public procession, or in any private or public assembly, except under the auspices of a lodge in its legitimate work.~~

~~43. For a lodge, as such to take part in a procession, except to perform a ceremony recognized as Masonic by the Grand Lodge. 43 3.13; 43 3.15; Chapters 82; 84].~~

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

Submitted by: P. P. Turner Lodge No. 746

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 10

These proposals are intended to expand the rental and usage of Masonic buildings for outside, non-Masonic groups for civic or social functions, with fewer restrictions, subject to individual lodge discretion or temple board rules.

REG. 43_3 LIMITATIONS.

Some, but not all, of the limitations of powers and authority of a subordinate lodge are as follows. [4-2; 4-6].

...

3. A lodge shall not, by any pretext, or for any purpose, or by any subterfuge introduce intoxicating liquors or beverages, or permit their use as a beverage on any of its premises ~~during, or as a part of any Masonic function, nor shall it rent any of its premises to any one who thereon sells intoxicating liquors with the exception of a pharmacist.~~ [43-7; 86-2.30; 86-2.31].

4. No lodge shall authorize, sponsor, sanction, hold, conduct or permit to be held in the name of Masonry any Masonic related meeting or gathering, ~~for business, social or any other purpose~~ where alcoholic beverages are permitted, served or consumed as a part of such meetings or gatherings.

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

Submitted by: Hiram Lodge No. 40

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates rejected the amendment.

Amendment Group 11

These proposals are intended to expand the rental and usage of Masonic buildings for outside, non-Masonic groups for civic or social functions, with fewer restrictions, subject to individual lodge discretion, or temple board rules.

REG. 43_3 LIMITATIONS.

Some, but not all, of the limitations of powers and authority of a subordinate lodge are as follows. [4-2; 4-6].

...

16. No lodge shall permit the use of any part of its buildings, facilities, or grounds for ~~lotteries, games of chance, gambling, bazaars, dances, card parties,~~ or for any purpose that would discredit Masonry.

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

REG. 86-2 SPECIFIC MASONIC OFFENSES.

The following are specific Masonic offenses and, in certain instances, the penalty is specified. These shall not be construed as excluding any other Masonic offenses or un-Masonic conduct or penalties not specifically described or enumerated in this chapter or in other chapters of *The Code*.

...

35. To use or allow the use of lodge room for lotteries, raffles, games of chance, ~~card parties, dances,~~ gambling, or other purposes which would discredit Masonry.

(Other subsections are unchanged.)

Submitted by: Hiram Lodge No. 40

The Committee recommended that the amendment be adopted.

The delegates adopted the amendment.

Amendment Group 12

The amendments under this group would allow a lodge to open and conduct its business on either the Master Mason, Fellow Craft, or Entered Apprentice Degree.

REG. 45-8 QUORUM

Seven Master Masons, members of the lodge, one of whom shall be authorized to open the lodge and preside, shall constitute a quorum to open the lodge on any degree and for the transaction of any business that may lawfully come before a ~~Master-Mason's~~ lodge. The Tyler, if a member of the lodge, may be one of the seven. [38-2; 39-11; 74-1; 87-3].

REG. 45-9 DEGREE ON WHICH LODGE OPENED.

~~All business shall be transacted in a Master Mason's Lodge, except proficiency examinations and degree work in the first and second degrees, or the discipline of Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts as provided in Chapter 100. The business of the lodge may be conducted in a lodge opened on the First, Second, or Third Degree at the discretion of the Master of the lodge or the Acting Master in the absence of the Master.~~

~~1. A subordinate lodge shall be opened and closed on the degree of Master Mason in Due Form and on the first and second degrees in Form, except when the Grand Master opens and presides, then they shall be opened and closed in Ample Form. Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts may attend business meetings of the lodge provided the lodge is not opened on a degree higher than that which they have attained and provided that the Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts are not in default. [Reference Reg. 73-6]~~

~~A. An Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft shall not have a vote on any matter or petition brought before the lodge although he may have a voice on matters proper to be discussed in open lodge.~~

~~B. An Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft may fill the place of a vacant appointed officer from time to time but shall not be appointed or installed to any office.~~

~~2. Stated communications opened on the first or second degree shall be opened for the dispatch of business and closed until the next stated communication unless sooner convened.~~

~~3. A subordinate lodge shall be opened and closed on the degree of Master Mason in Due Form and on the first and second degrees in Form, except when the Grand Master opens and presides, then the lodge shall be opened and closed in Ample Form.~~

49. The representatives of the three lesser lights shall be lighted at all times when a lodge is open on the Degree of Entered Apprentice. It shall be optional whether they be lighted at any other time when the lodge is open. Their places shall be in a triangular position near the altar.

REG. 45-18 MASTER MASON'S LODGE CLOSED.

Every Master Mason's Lodge shall be closed until the next stated communication unless sooner convened. Lodges of Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft Masons shall be closed without date except as specified in 45-9.2.

REG. 51-1 MODES OF AVOUCHMENT.

Only a Brother Master Mason in good standing can vouch for another brother. No brother shall vouch for another unless, in addition to the knowledge that the visitor is a Mason, the brother is also satisfied that the visitor is at the time in good standing. [87-5].

...

(Subparagraphs 1 and 2 and the subparagraph thereunder remain unchanged.)

REG. 51-2 LAWFUL MASONIC INFORMATION.

A brother Master Mason can vouch for a visitor only when he knows that visitor to be a Mason, or on lawful Masonic information, or after strict examination by a committee that in the judgment of the Master is competent to make the examination. [51-1.1].

...

(Subparagraphs 1, 2, and 3 remain unchanged.)

REG. 63-4 EVERY MEMBER PRESENT MUST VOTE.

Every member present must vote, unless excused by the Master, because of personal interest in the question or because he was not present when the question was first voted on. Blank pieces of paper are neither ballots nor votes and cannot be counted as such, nor can they have any effect upon the result. No member shall be excused in secret balloting. Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts are not members of a lodge. Members present and excused from voting on any question shall not be counted as present on that vote or ballot. [19-7; 19-8; 54-3.1; 59-2.28; 63-15; 68-3.16; 74-2; 45-23.17; 100-4].

REG. 74 2 STATUS.

~~Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts are Masons of their respective degrees but shall not be permitted to participate in nor to receive Masonic burial, nor shall they be subject to dues. They are not members of the lodge and therefore do not enjoy the benefits of membership of the lodge except that they may receive Masonic funeral rites pursuant to chapter 82. They are not subject to dues. [62-4; 65-4; 75-7; 76-2.1; 82-2, 91-4].~~

REG. 82 2 WHO MAY RECEIVE MASONIC RITES.

~~Only a Master Mason who at the time of his death was a member in good standing in a regular lodge and under no charges, shall be buried with Masonic rites. A Master Mason in good standing, an Entered Apprentice or a Fellow Craft not in default, at the time of his death and under no charges shall be buried with Masonic rites. [59-2.43; 74-2; 82-4; 87-5]~~

...

(Subparagraphs 1 through 6 remain unchanged.)

Submitted by: Western Star Lodge No. 81 and Scott Anderson, 12th DDGL

The Committee recommended that the amendment be rejected.

The delegates rejected the amendment.

Report of the Committee on Credentials

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was read, received, and entered on the record. Norm Miller, long-time chairman of the Committee on Credentials, also publicly announced his retirement from the office. He received lavish applause for his years of dedicated service.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Credentials herewith submits its final report for the 2003 Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge:

Representatives from 337 lodges present	984
Grand Lodge officers present (elective and appointive)	18
Past Grand Masters present (Excluding Grand Treasurer Clifton W. Everett Jr.)	17
Member of Boards, Commissions, and Committees present (not otherwise listed)	37
District Deputy Grand Masters present	33
District Deputy Grand Lecturers present	20
Total present	1109

Election of Grand Lodge Officers

The grand master announced that the time had arrived, 11:00 A.M. for the election of officers of the Grand Lodge. He appointed as tellers the district deputy grand masters. The election results were as follows:

- Grand Master Leonard Y. Safrit Jr.
Franklin 109
- Deputy Grand Master Graham W. Pervier
Forsyth 707
- Senior Grand Warden Gene T. Jernigan
Mingo 206
- Junior Grand Warden W. Berry Rigdon
Sonoma 472
- Grand Treasurer Clifton W. Everett Jr.
Crown Point 708
- Grand Secretary T. Walton Clapp III
Mystic Tie 237

Report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations

The following report was presented by the Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations met on September 26, 2003. The committee received the petition of Lexington Lodge No. 473 to change its name.

Memorial Lodge No. 696 has approved to be merged into Lexington Lodge No. 473, of Lexington effective January 1, 2004 upon the approval of MW Charles A. Lewis Jr.,

Grand Master. In a merger, the requirement of *The Code* is for merged lodges to take the name and number of the oldest lodge. The consolidated lodge, Lexington Lodge No. 473, is petitioning the Grand Lodge to change it name to Lexington Memorial Lodge No. 473.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Charters and Dispensations

The Committee recommended approving the name change. The delegates to Annual Communication approved the change.

Proposed Recognition of Grand Orient of Brazil and Gran Logia de Sinaloa

Brother T. Walton Clapp III, grand secretary, moved that the Grand Lodge approve the recognition of Grand Orient of Brazil and Gran Logia de Sinaloa as recommended in the Report of Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.

There being no discussion, the motion was duly seconded, and approved by the delegates.

Address of Captain Samuel E. Lee II

The following address was delivered by Captain Samuel E. Lee II, master of Hiram Lodge No. 40. With a special dispensation of the grand master, Lee opened his lodge in the deserts of Iraq during his deployment there.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Past Grand Masters, Distinguished Guests, and Brethren:

First of all I would like to say that I am honored to be afforded the opportunity to speak to you today. Approximately nine months ago, I received a call that I was being involuntarily transferred from my position as an Officer Candidate School instructor at the North Carolina Military Academy to a position with the 30th Corps Support Group out of Durham, North Carolina for deployment overseas in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. If this were not stressful enough I was given a one day notice to report for duty and leave my wife of six months and my busy job preparing the Governor's Recommended Budget. I was being transferred to a unit where I knew no one and into a position that I had not been in for over eight years. Needless to say, I was a nervous wreck. When I reported to the unit I soon made friends whom afterward I found to be brothers. These brothers became my lifeline and a strong force in combating the anxiety that arose from leaving my life as I knew it and moving forward into the unknown.

There were approximately 15 men that I was able to call brother and lean on throughout our deployment. One of these men is here today. I would like to recognize him, with the grand master's permission, Brother Gene Jordan. Some of the others were Brothers Jernigan, Harmon, Baker, Robinson, and Godwin. All of these were North Carolina Masons. Some of the other brothers that I depended on were Brothers Hart, Pitt, Jackson, Curry, and Mitchell. I will expound on these brothers shortly.

After arriving in the Middle East I found that something was missing. I had recently been elected as master of my lodge, and now I was facing a potential year-long deployment on the other side of the world. Contrary to what some people may believe, especially my junior warden, I did not deploy into a combat zone to get out of the rigors

of my year as master. So feeling guilty and a little empty, I decided that I wanted to open a lodge in our base camp for the purpose of promoting brotherly love and friendship. I emailed the North Carolina Grand Lodge and corresponded with the Grand Secretary Walt Clapp about the possibility of creating a military lodge for the purpose of fellowship and instruction among the many worthy brother Masons in our base camp. Unfortunately we were not able to fulfill this request due to time, the uncertainty of exactly how to proceed, and the uncertainty of how long we would be in our location. Instead, we were blessed with a dispensation from the grand master allowing me to open an emergent communication of my lodge, Hiram Lodge No. 40, for the purpose of instruction and fellowship. I convened some of the before mentioned brethren and opened my lodge in a tent far away from the place anticipated by our chartering brethren in 1799. We discussed what masonry meant to us and what persuaded us to seek admission into the lodge. On our second meeting I presented a program on the apron and the Mason as a citizen. These meetings provided an outlet for us to escape the rigors of work and for a brief moment forget where we were and enjoy a peace of home in this distant land.

It would seem that everything was great and that Masonry made everything better while we were deployed. To some degree that was the case. The flip side is that we alienated some other brothers and friends because they were not Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and therefore I could not allow them to attend our lodge meetings because the dispensation I was granted required me to open and conduct a proper lodge agreeable to the Masonic *Code* of North Carolina. This was disturbing because as soldiers we worked closely together and under extreme pressure. These men were as worthy as any man I know to be called brother and treated as such. They did not cause a disturbance in our meetings except to express their dissatisfaction that they were not allowed to join in the most sacred of brotherly activities. Any one of these brothers would have come running to our aid if they say us giving the "Sign of Distress" and we would have done the same for them. In war you are forced to overcome many fears and preconceived notions about other people that are different from you because your life may ultimately someday rest in their hands. What a wonderful notion for society as a whole! Peace on earth, good will toward men!

Masonry is that noble institution that brings together good men from different backgrounds and makes them better friends, parents, and citizens. A good Mason is not measured by how much money he may have, the fancy titles he may hold, his race, or religion, but by the way he meets, acts, and parts. We meet on the level, act by the plumb, and part on the square. This is why I elected to not continue our lodge meetings after our second meeting out of respect for our fellow soldiers, our fellow friends, and our fellow brothers. What good was my trowel without the cement of brotherly love and affection? The cement which unites us into one sacred band, or society of friends and brothers, among whom no contention should ever exist, but that noble contention or rather emulation, of who can best work and best agree. Therefore I chose to work with my brothers and not against them. Thank you Hart, Pitt, Jackson, Curry, and Mitchell for your support and for being my friends and brothers.

I would like to leave you by reading a portion of a letter from George Washington to Massachusetts Masons Grand Lodge, December 27, 1792:

Flattering as it may be to the human mind, & truly honorable as it is to receive from our fellow citizens testimonies of approbation [approval] for exertions to promote the public welfare; it is not less pleasing to know that the milder virtues of the heart are highly respected by a society whose liberal principles must be founded in the immediate laws of truth and justice. To enlarge the sphere of social happiness is worthy the benevolent design of the Masonic institution; and it is most fervently to be wished, that the conduct of every member of the fraternity, as well as those publications which discover

the principles which actuate them may tend to convince mankind that the grand object of Masonry is to promote the happiness of the human race.

I thank the Great Architect of the Universe for granting me safe passage back to my family and friends and allowing me to speak to you today. May the blessing of Heaven rest upon all regular Masons! May brotherly love prevail, and every moral and social virtue cement us.

Introduction of the Report of the Commission on Fraternal Relations

Former Governor James G. Martin, member of the Commission on Fraternal Relations, introduced the Report of his Commission with the following remarks.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, officers of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, Past grand masters, distinguished Masonic guests, and My Brethren:

Once again, the Ad Hoc Commission on Fraternal Relations is pleased to present our Report on the proposed mutual recognition of and with the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of North Carolina. This will faithfully discharge the responsibility given to us by then Grand Master William G. Mathis two and one-half years ago. We respectfully believe that this matter now has been fully considered and debated by your respective lodges within the jurisdiction of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, and that the time has come to proceed with a vote, to determine the will of this Grand Lodge as to the disposition of this proposal for mutual recognition.

The Commission on Fraternal Relations consists of four Master Masons: Brothers James S. Lofton of Raleigh, Judge Lacy H. Thornburg of Webster, former NC Chief Justice James G. Exum Jr. of Greensboro, who serves as our chairman, and myself, currently of Mooresville. I appear today on behalf of this Commission, and Brothers Exum and Lofton are here as well to assist in answering your questions.

Two years ago, I appeared before the Annual Communication in Charlotte to explain our purpose and our process. I assured you then that we would not rush you into a decision without time for full and careful consideration. I advised you then that we had concluded that some manner of mutual recognition between and among these two North Carolina grand lodges was in order. I was both pleased and honored to have received a most attentive Masonic hearing.

A year ago, our chairman, Brother Jim Exum, appeared before the next Annual Communication in Raleigh. He presented to you a Draft Resolution of Mutual Recognition, so that you would have before you an exact text for examination and understanding. It was not moved for adoption at that time, lest any Brother feel that adequate time for study had been foreshortened, and so as to avoid misunderstanding of its meaning and purpose. We wanted no surprise or sense of anyone being "railroaded" into abrupt action. We wanted Brothers to have due notice and opportunity for deliberation. This has led to an amendment which will be explained in a moment.

Our consistent belief has been that this matter is of such importance that every Mason should have time to understand what is proposed, and what the consequences would be . . . and what is not being proposed. In a moment I will review that with you again. It is extremely important that no one mistakenly oppose this Resolution on the basis of some alternative idea, which is not a part of the Resolution.

In the intervening year, we have met twice with the Commission on Fraternal Relations appointed by the Prince Hall Grand Lodge. This counterpart body was chaired by Honorable Henry Frye of Greensboro, former chief justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, who served our state as successor to Brother Exum. As

expected, we found these men to possess all attributes of humility and charity, gentleness of spirit, and honesty of expression, which we earnestly hoped they found in us. Thanks to Brother Lofton's kind hospitality, the two Commissions combined to host at the Lofton's home two informal social gatherings of members of the two grand lodges, in honor of members of the North Carolina General Assembly from the two respective grand lodges.

We can say to you that in all respects, these men are indeed worthy of your respect as we would aspire to be.

They came initially with great caution, to assure themselves that our purpose was not to intrude upon or usurp their grand jurisdiction. They did not want any change whereby their absolute and sole sovereignty over their own members would be in any way abridged. They did not want to consider any merger or dual membership, and were relieved to understand that neither did we. They gave no indication of interest in comparative ritual practices and the like, apparently well content with the integrity and beauty of their own order and tradition. You would have admired the Masonic bearing of these men.

As you see, their cautious concerns were not unlike those of the vast majority of our Brothers. They even joined with several members of our Commission in persuading the rest of us to drop a controversial provision in our earlier Draft Resolution. That was clause three, which would extend privileges of uninvited visitation and fraternal assembly, which we had granted to other grand lodges upon recognition. Although such a clause had been adopted by grand lodges in some other states, visitation was not as vital to them as recognition itself. They were most respectful and diplomatic in bringing it up, apparently not wanting to offend us.

In sort, the Commission from the Prince Hall Grand Lodge had been charged only with establishing mutually respectful recognition, and had no grander designs of any kind.

From this experience, and the deliberation that went into it, we come before you today with our final proposal which is printed [here]. We are here to appeal to you, and your sense of what is right, to adopt this Resolution that is now before you. It would enact mutual recognition between this grand lodge and the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina as a duly constituted Masonic grand lodge. Harmoniously, it would do so at such time as they adopt the same resolution extending fraternal recognition to this Grand Lodge in the same manner and on the same terms. This is expected at their Annual Communication next weekend.

The only other provision simply reaffirms, lest there be any doubt, that each grand lodge will remain autonomous within its own jurisdiction; each with its own grand master and grand lodge officers; and its own constitution, by-laws, ritual, rules and regulations; with each retaining absolute and supreme sovereignty over its own subordinate lodges and membership.

There can be no honest misunderstanding about this, and no surprises.

Let me now review five important and unassailable findings of fact:

1. To date, no less than 34 of 51 U.S. grand lodges we recognize have mutual recognition with Prince Hall Masons in their territory.
2. Prince Hall grand lodges have charters deriving from the very same United Grand Lodge of England, just as do we. Other fraternal societies do not, and thus do not qualify.
3. Every evidence that we have demonstrates that Prince Hall standards of conduct are exceptionally high, both in their Masonic activities and beyond. They initiate men only, and are devoutly monotheistic.
4. There is no prohibition in Masonic jurisprudence based upon any racial distinctions whatsoever.

5. Myth and legend to the contrary, there is nothing inherently “clandestine” about Prince Hall Freemasonry. As I explained two years ago and reemphasize today, all we mean Masonically by “clandestine” is that any jurisdiction that has not been granted recognition is for that reason alone differentiated as clandestine. Once so recognized, a grand lodge cannot be deemed clandestine. There is no racial connotation to it, nor can there be, inasmuch as two-thirds of all Prince Hall Grand Lodges in America have already been so recognized.

That’s what I said two years ago. The same five facts I repeat with equal confidence today.

You have now deliberated. We have listened. We have improved the language and removed the more controversial visitation clause. Now the time has come to make this historic decision for North Carolina Masonry. It is our earnest belief that this step will advance the future of our Grand Lodge. Let me tell you why.

America has become a great land of equality and opportunity; a bastion for religious and philosophical tolerance; all reflecting great principles of colonial Freemasonry. Surely, you must know that few young men today hold to views on racial separation that prevailed just a few decades back. As I said two years ago, there is still a human propensity for “birds of a feather to flock together,” but there is little acceptance any more of rules or organizations that would compel discrimination based on race. That is why we must take the right stance if we hope to appeal to young men today, who are steeped in modern ideas of tolerance, and uncomfortable with racial restrictions.

Not merger. Not dual membership. No open visitation. Recognition. Respectful recognition.

Masons in other jurisdictions will surely note our actions. Now, it is up to you to decide. In doing so, let us together appeal to every Brother, of whatever predisposition, humbly to seek the guidance of Almighty God, and to do the right thing.

**Resolution of Mutual Recognition
of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge
of Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina
and Its Jurisdictions, Inc.
by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge
of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina**

The Commission on Fraternal Relations then presented its Resolution calling for the recognition of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

WHEREAS, The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina (hereinafter “The Grand Lodge”) desires to insure a continuing harmonious relationship between it and the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina and its Jurisdictions, Inc. (hereinafter “The Prince Hall Grand Lodge”); to provide for the successful coexistence of both Grand Lodges and to promote Masonry in general among all peoples; AND

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge, for all the reasons set out in Brother James G. Martin’s statement to The Grand Lodge dated September 29, 2001, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, believes that it is altogether right and proper and in the best interests of Masonry everywhere and particularly in North Carolina that these two Grand Lodges exercising Masonic jurisdiction in this state mutually recognize each other while each retains its own autonomy and jurisdiction hereafter as heretofore; AND

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge is satisfied that The Prince Hall Grand Lodge meets all Masonic requirements for recognition; AND

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge desires to remain autonomous within its jurisdiction and to operate hereafter as heretofore with its own Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers, Constitution, By-Laws, Ritual, Rules and Regulations, and to retain its absolute and supreme sovereignty over its own Subordinate Lodges and Membership; AND

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge is advised that The Prince Hall Grand Lodge entertains the same desires and possesses the same satisfaction with regard to recognition by it of The Grand Lodge and desires that both Grand Lodges mutually recognize each other as duly constituted Masonic Grand Lodges; AND

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge is advised that The Prince Hall Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication in 2003 will likely consider a resolution extending fraternal recognition to The Grand Lodge in the same manner and on the same terms as the present resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF ANCIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF NORTH CAROLINA THAT:

1. It hereby extends fraternal recognition to The Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina and Its Jurisdictions, Inc., as a duly constituted Masonic Grand Lodge;

2. It will remain autonomous within its jurisdiction and will operate hereafter as heretofore with its own Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers, Constitution, ByLaws, Ritual, Rules and Regulations and will retain its absolute and supreme sovereignty over its own Subordinate Lodges and Membership;

3. This resolution shall become effective at such time as The Prince Hall Grand Lodge adopts a resolution extending fraternal recognition to The Grand Lodge in the same manner and on the same terms as the present resolution.

The delegates to annual Communication rejected the Resolution on a written ballot, 456 favored, 495 opposed.

Report of the Board of General Purposes

The following report of the Board of General Purposes was read and adopted, including the election for the members of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Inc. and the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc. An interim report was issued at Annual Communication. The final report is used here in interest of completeness of the historical record.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

The Board of General Purposes has held regular meetings pursuant to the provisions of *The Code*, such meetings having been held on December 7, 2002; March 21, 2003; June 27, 2003; and September 25, 2003. The December meeting was held at the Scottish Rite Temple, Wilmington, North Carolina. The March and June meetings were held in the Grand Lodge Executive Office Building, Raleigh, North Carolina, and the September meeting was held in the Adam's Mark Hotel, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

At each meeting of the Board, reports were made by the grand master, the grand treasurer, the grand secretary, the chairman of the Finance Committee, the president

of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., and by other members of the Board of General Purposes relative to the various activities of the Grand Lodge.

At the meeting on September 25, 2003, action was taken relative to the distribution of the Report of the Grand Master, the several sections of the same being referred to the appropriate Board, Committee or Commission.

Election of Members of The Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc.

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 27-4, the Board nominated the following members of the Boards of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of North Carolina, Inc., with terms expiring as shown:

2006 – Charles A. Lewis Jr., St. John's 1

2006 – Edwin L. Becton Jr., King Solomon 704

2006 – Bryant. D. Webster, Nichols-West Asheville 650

W. Berry Rigdon, Junior Grand Warden-elect as an observer

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nominations.

Election of Members of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 27-4, the Board nominated the following members of the Boards of Directors of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford, Inc., with terms expiring as shown:

2006 – A. Gene Cobb, Royal White Hart 2

2006 – Ronald D. Graves, King Solomon 138

2006 – Joseph K. Transou, Hiram 40

W. Berry Rigdon, Junior Grand Warden-elect as an observer

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nominations.

Board of General Purposes

The grand master-elect nominated Gerry T. Smith, PGM (Crissie Wright 741) and Charles V. Rouse Jr. (Hiram 40) as members of the Board of General purposes for terms of three years expiring in 2006.

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nominations.

Representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association

The grand master-elect nominated William H. Simpson, PGM (Stokesdale 428) as representative to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

Representative to the Masonic Service Association

The grand master-elect nominated L. R. Thomas Jr., PGM (Berne 724) as representative to the Masonic Service Association.

Election of Member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc.

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 35-1.1, the grand master-elect nominated William H. Simpson, PGM (Stokesdale 428) as a member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc. for an unexpired term of two years, expiring 2005 and James G. Martin (Phalanx 31) for a five-year term expiring 2008.

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nominations.

Election of Trustees of the Drewry Memorial Grand Secretary's Fund

Pursuant to the provisions of the Trust, the grand master-elect nominated Robert J. Dowen (James B. Green 735) and Cameron E. Shearon (Hiram 40) as trustees of the Drewry Memorial Grand Secretary's Fund.

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nominations.

Board of Custodians

The grand master-elect appointed O. Lee Jones (Franklin 109) and J. Henry Brantley (Campbell 374) as members of the Board of Custodians for terms three years expiring in 2006, and Bunn T. Phillips Jr., PGM for an unexpired term, expiring in 2004.

Committee on Appeals

The grand master-elect nominated Jerry R. Tillet, PGM as a member of the Committee on Appeals for a term of five years, expiring in 2008.

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nominations.

Committee on Subordinate Lodge Special Activities

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 32-1, the Board nominated the following members of the Committee on Subordinate Lodge Special Activities, with terms expiring as shown:

2006 – J. Luigi Ammons (Millbrook 97)

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nomination.

Election of Members of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 34-1, the grand master-elect nominated the following members of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence for terms expiring as shown:

- 2006 – William B. Ball (Ocean 405)
- 2006 – Edward A. Gaskins Jr. (Wilmington 319)
- 2006 – Dewey R. Preslar Jr. (Andrew Jackson 576)
- 2006 – Ottis R. Jefferson Jr. (Franklin 109)

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nominations.

Election of Members of the Committee on Finance

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 34-3, the grand master-elect nominated the following members of the Committee on Finance for terms expiring as shown:

- 2006 – Joel Henry Davis (Franklin 109)
- 2006 – George E. Lanvermeir Jr. (LaFayette 83)
- 2006 – Samuel E. Lee II (Hiram 40)
- 2005 – Douglas L. Caudle (Statesville 27)

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nominations.

Judge Advocate

The grand master-elect appointed Jimmy B. Hicks (St. John’s 3) for a two-year term ending in 2005.

The delegates to Annual Communication confirmed the nomination.

Officers Appointed by the Grand Master-elect

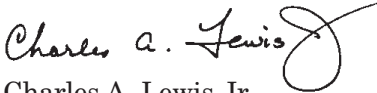
- David R. Cash (Campbell 374) Senior Grand Deacon
- Dan C. Rice (Bula 409). Junior Grand Deacon
- William L. Dill (St. John’s 3). Grand Marshall
- Lewis R. Ledford (Statesville 27). Grand Steward
- Robert E. Gresham Jr. (Albemarle 703) Grand Steward
- Orville Lee Jones (Franklin 109) Grand Tyler
- A. Gene Cobb Jr. (Royal White Hart 2) Grand Chaplain
- Michael W. Brantley (Raleigh 500) Grand Historian
- Robert D. Street (Rockingham 495) Grand Lecturer
- James G. Exum Jr. (Guilford 656) Grand Orator

The Board of Publication of The North Carolina Mason

On nomination, duly seconded, Thomas A. Pope, Stedman 730 was elected by the Board of General Purposes as a member of the Board of Publication for a term of five years, expiring in 2008.

Grand Lodge Closed in Ample Form

There being no further business to come before the Grand Lodge, the Annual Communication was closed in ample form.



Charles A. Lewis Jr.
Grand Master

Attest:

I certify that the forgoing Proceedings are a correct record of the official transactions of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina, at the communication held on September 26–27, 2003, and that they were prepared by me from the detailed minutes of that communication, and were published under my supervision.



T. Walton Clapp III
Grand Secretary

Emergent Communications

of the

Grand Lodge

Held During the Term

of

Grand Master Charles A. Lewis Jr.

Emergent Communication

December 7, 2002

An Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina was held in the Scottish Rite Temple, Wilmington, North Carolina on Saturday, December 7, 2002, with the following officers present:

- H. Lloyd Wilkerson, Master (760) as Grand Master
- W. Bradley Powell (1) as Senior Grand Warden
- Theodore Wright (428) as Junior Grand Warden
- Ronald D. Graves (138) as Grand Treasurer
- Mervin E. Hogg (1) as Grand Secretary
- Billy June Graves (138) as Senior Grand Deacon
- George Elton Lee (612) as Junior Grand Deacon
- Rhoades E. Dutton (1) as Grand Steward
- Glenn W. Miller (1) as Grand Steward
- W. Robert Snipes (1) as Grand Chaplain
- Augusta E. Lawing (DDGM-34) as Grand Tyler

The Grand Lodge was opened in due form by H. Lloyd Wilkerson, acting grand master, who announced that this emergent communication was called for the purpose of the installing the Grand Lodge officers who had been elected and appointed for the ensuing year.

The Grand Lodge installation was held at the Scottish Rite Temple in Wilmington, North Carolina. Brother E. J. Highsmith gave the invocation. Dennis Combs, led the pledge to the United States flag. Brother Howard Kahn presented the “Toast to the Flag.”

The Grand Lodge officers were conducted by Carroll A. Spencer, bagpiper, to the lodge room. Installing Officer William H. Simpson, PGM; Installing Grand Marshal William G. Mathis, PGM; Assistant Marshal Evangelos J. Fragos, Tenth District deputy grand master; and Installing Chaplain E. J. Highsmith installed the following Grand Lodge Officers:

- Charles A. Lewis Jr. Grand Master
- Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. Deputy Grand Warden
- Graham W. Pervier Senior Grand Warden
- Gene T. Jernigan Junior Grand Warden
- Clifton W. Everett Jr., PGM Grand Treasurer
- T. Walton Clapp III Grand Secretary
- W. Berry Rigdon Senior Grand Deacon
- David R. Cash Junior Grand Deacon
- Dan C. Rice Grand Marshal
- William L. Dill Grand Steward
- Lewis R. Ledford Grand Steward
- James Sullivan Grand Chaplain
- Robert W. Powell Grand Tyler

The following officers were introduced but not required to be installed:

- Michael W. Brantley Grand Historian
- Ralph V. Shipton Grand Lecturer
- Wilbur Lee Johnston Grand Orator
- Jimmy B. Hicks Jr. Judge Advocate

Clifton W. Everett, PGM, presented the past grand master’s jewel to retiring Grand Master Jerry R. Tillett.

The Sudan Shrine Temple of New Bern presented the grand master with his fez.

The grand master recognized many of his family members present.

Brother Dossie Bunn presented a gavel he handcrafted for the grand master to use during his year.

Brother Charles E. Scott, president of the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, presented a check in the amount of \$500,000 from the Foundation to the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford. This donation is part of the Vision Campaign for the new cottages at the Home.

A reception followed at the First United Methodist Church, Morehead City, North Carolina.

The purpose for which this emergent communication was called having been accomplished, the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.

Mervin E. Hogg
Acting Grand Secretary

Emergent Communication

November 15, 2003

An emergent communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons of North Carolina was held in the lodge hall of Youngsville Lodge No. 377, Youngsville, North Carolina on Saturday, November 15, 2003, with the following as Grand Lodge officers:

- George E. Summers III (122) DDGM-13 as Grand Master
- Danny E. Keeton (412) as Senior Grand Warden
- Thomas W. Winston (149) as Junior Grand Warden
- Donald B. King (377) as Grand Treasurer
- William B. Bartholomew (412). as Grand Secretary
- Steven A. Haskins M (499). as Senior Grand Deacon
- James W. Payne Jr. (123). as Junior Grand Deacon
- Dallas T. Glover (377). as Grand Steward
- Richard D. Matthews (229) as Grand Steward
- J. William Hudson (735 DDGL 13 as Grand Chaplain
- William H. Riggan III (413). as Grand Tyler

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form by George E. Summers, acting grand master, who announced that this emergent communication was called for the purpose of the dedicating the new cottages at the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford.

The dedication and symbolic cornerstone laying was held in the gymnasium of the Masonic Home for Children due to inclement weather. The Reverend Patricia Stone gave the invocation. The JROTC from Webb High School presented the colors. Chris Barker played the national anthem. Brother Allen Hughes, interim administrator, gave the welcoming address. He introduced the new administrator, Brother Doug McConnell. Representative Jimmy Crawford spoke on behalf of the community in response. Mrs. Anne Myers represented the Oxford City Council. Brother Dan Rice represented the Alumni Association.

The Grand Lodge officers who participated in the dedication of the cottages were:

- Charles A. Lewis Jr. Grand Master
- Leonard Y. Safrit Jr. Deputy Grand Warden
- Graham W. Pervier. Senior Grand Warden
- Gene T. Jernigan. Junior Grand Warden
- T. Walton Clapp III Grand Secretary
- W. Berry Rigdon. Senior Grand Deacon

Dan C. Rice Grand Marshal

William L. Dill Grand Steward

Lewis R. Ledford Grand Steward

Following the dedication service, the following cottages were named:

- Master Mason’s Cottage was presented by the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc. in honor of the Masons of North Carolina.
- Alumni Cottage was presented by the Alumni Association of the Masonic Home for Children at Oxford in honor and memory of its alumni.
- Jeannie Eller Cottage was presented by Tommy Eller in honor of his wife.

The purpose for this emergent communication having been accomplished, the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.

Charles A. Lewis Jr.,
Grand Master

T. Walton Clapp III
Grand Secretary

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Grand Officers (Elective) Of North Carolina From Organization In 1787 to Present

	Grand Master	Deputy Grand Master	Senior Grand Warden	Junior Grand Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Secretary
1787	Samuel Johnson	Richard Caswell	Richard Ellis	Michael Payne	Abner Neale	James Glasgow
1788	Richard Caswell	Michael Payne	James Glasgow	Silas White Arnett	Stephen Cabarrus	William J. Dawson
1789	Samuel Johnson	James Glasgow	Silas White Arnett	Lunsford Long	Stephen Cabarrus	William J. Dawson
1790	Samuel Johnson	James Glasgow	Stephen Cabarrus	Isaac Guion	Frederick Hargett	Matthias Handy
1791	Samuel Johnson	James Glasgow	Stephen Cabarrus	Lunsford Long	Frederick Hargett	Matthias Handy
1792	Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Macon	John Macon	Frederick Hargett	James Ellis
1793	Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Macon	John Louis Taylor	Frederick Hargett	Richard W. Freear
1794	Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	John Ingles	Walter Alvis	Richard W. Freear
1795	Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Henry Hill	John Macon	Robert Williams
1796	Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Richard W. Freear	Robert Williams
1797	Wm. Richardson Davie	James Glasgow	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Richard W. Freear	Robert Williams
1798	Wm. Richardson Davie	John Haywood	Montfort Stokes	David Caldwell	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1799	William Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	Waightstill Avery	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1800	William Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Winslow	Henry Potter	Robert Williams
1801	William Polk	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1802	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	Nathaniel Alexander	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1803	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1804	John Louis Taylor	Montfort Stokes	John Hall	Robert Cochran	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1805	John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Robert Cochran	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1806	John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Robert Cochran	William Duffy	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1807	John Hall	Montfort Stokes	Benjamin Smith	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Robert Williams
1808	Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Geo. Lee Davidson	Andrew Caldwell	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1809	Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Montfort Stokes	Calvin Jones	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1810	Benjamin Smith	Robert Williams	Calvin Jones	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Thomas L. Williams
1811	Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	Geo. Lee Davidson	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1812	Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1813	Robert Williams	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1814	John Louis Taylor	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1815	John Louis Taylor	Jeremiah Slade	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1816	John Louis Taylor	Kenn Plummer	Calvin Jones	William Miller	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1817	Calvin Jones	John Winslow	James Iredell	Simmons J. Baker	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1818	Calvin Jones	John Winslow	Louis Dicken Wilson	Leonard Henderson	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1819	Calvin Jones	James Iredell	Louis Dicken Wilson	John C. Ehringhaus	William Boylan	Alexander Lucas
1820	John Adams Cameron	Frederick Nash	Louis Dicken Wilson	Joseph H. Bryan	William Boylan	Benzalee Gillett
1821	John Adams Cameron	James Iredell	Jas. Strudwick Smith	Richard D. Spaight	William Boylan	Benj. A. Barham
1822	James Strudwick Smith	James Iredell	Thomas Clancy	Bazaleel Gillett	William Boylan	Benj. A. Barham
1823	Robert Strange	Francis Lister Hawks	Thomas A. Pasteur	Bazaleel Gillett	William Boylan	Alex. J. Lawrence
1824	Robert Strange	Francis Lister Hawks	George E. Spruill	Bazaleel Gillett	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence
1825	Hutchins Gordon Burton	Francis Lister Hawks	George E. Spruill	Louis Dicken Wilson	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence
1826	Hutchins Gordon Burton	Francis Lister Hawks	George E. Spruill	Louis Dicken Wilson	Benjamin A. Barham	Alex. J. Lawrence
1827	Louis Dicken Wilson	John E. Lewis	James Grant	Jesse Speight	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1828	Louis Dicken Wilson	John Owen	James Grant	Samuel F. Patterson	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1829	Louis Dicken Wilson	John Owen	James Grant	Samuel F. Patterson	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman
1830	Richard Dobbs Spaight	Samuel F. Patterson	George Blair	John Hill Wheeler	Benjamin A. Barham	John C. Stedman

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1831 Richard Dobbs Spaight	Samuel F. Patterson	Rufus Haywood	Daniel Coleman	Dirk Lindeman	Charles D. Lehman
1832 Simmons Jones Baker	William Davidson	Gray Little	John G. Marshall	Dirk Lindeman	Thomas J. Lemay
1833 Samuel F. Patterson	David W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	Edmund B. Freeman	Dirk Lindeman	John J. Christopher
1834 Samuel F. Patterson	David W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	John G. Marshall	Dirk Lindeman	John J. Christopher
1835 Lewis H. Marsteller	David W. Stone	Daniel Coleman	Edmund B. Freeman	Green W. Ligon	John J. Christopher
1836 Lewis H. Marsteller	David W. Stone	Henry Blount	James Maclin	Green W. Ligon	William T. Bain
1837 David W. Stone	Thomas L. B. Gregory	William W. Cherry	William B. Dunn	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1838 David W. Stone	Kenneth Raynor	William G. McRae	Duncan G. McRae	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1839 David W. Stone	William B. Dunn	John G. Marshall	Daniel S. Crenshaw	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1840 Simmons Jones Baker	William S. Baker	Daniel S. Crenshaw	Kader Biggs	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1841 Daniel S. Crenshaw	Thomas Loring	Thomas E. Pender	Davis Young	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1842 John Hill Wheeler	Jonathan H. Jacobs	Thomas E. Pender	Davis Young	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1843 John Hill Wheeler	David Lowery Swain	Phineas W. Fanning	William P. Taylor	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William A. Harrison
1844 Phineas W. Fanning	David W. Stone	Thomas S. Clark	Arthur S. Mooring	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1845 Phineas W. Fanning	Thomas Loring	Wiley W. Johnson	Talcott Burr	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1846 Phineas W. Fanning	William Gott	John H. Drake	Peter Adams	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1847 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	Talcott Burr	William H. Mead	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1848 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	John H. Drake	Job Hiatt	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1849 William F. Collins	Clement H. Jordan	William G. Hill	Job Hiatt	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1850 Alonzo T. Jenkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	John A. Kowland	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1851 Alonzo T. Jenkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	James E. Allen	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1852 Alonzo T. Jenkins	Cyrus P. Mendenhall	Luke Blackmer	William P. Taylor	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1853 Clement H. Jordan	William P. Taylor	Peter Adams	James H. Moore	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1854 Clement H. Jordan	William P. Taylor	William K. Blake	Joseph Green	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1855 Pleasant A. Holt	William P. Taylor	William K. Blake	Joseph Green	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1856 Pleasant A. Holt	Alfred Martin	James T. Alexander	Joseph M. Cox	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1857 Alfred Martin	Lewis S. Williams	James T. Alexander	Joseph M. Cox	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1858 Alfred Martin	Lewis S. Williams	Henry C. Lucas	Daniel Coleman	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1859 Lewis S. Williams	Eli W. Ward	Henry C. Lucas	Eli F. Watson	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1860 Lewis S. Williams	Eli W. Ward	James E. Allen	Charles C. Clark	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1861 William G. Hill	Eli Wason	Daniel Coleman	Rufus K. Speed	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1862 Eli F. Watson	Edwin Godwin Reade	Daniel Coleman	Rufus K. Speed	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1863 Eli F. Watson	Edwin Godwin Reade	John McCormick	Rufus K. Speed	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1864 John McCormick	Eugene Grissom	Robert W. Best	Robert W. Best	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1865 Edwin Godwin Reade	John M. Happoldt	Robert W. Best	David H. Stephenson	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1866 Edwin Godwin Reade	Robert W. Best	William Lander	John Nichols	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1867 Robert W. Best	James G. Ramsey	Robert B. Vance	John Nichols	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	William T. Bain
1868 Robert B. Vance	Ellis Malone	Joseph B. Batchelor	Thomas M. Gardner	Cel. W. D. Hutchings	Donald W. Bain
1869 Robert B. Vance	Ellis Malone	John Nichols	Samuel H. Rountree	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1870 Charles C. Clark	Joseph B. Batchelor	John Nichols	Samuel H. Rountree	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1871 Charles C. Clark	Joseph B. Batchelor	John Nichols	Clinton A. Gilley	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1872 John Nichols	Thomas M. Gardner	Clinton A. Gilley	Robert W. Hardie	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1873 John Nichols	Thomas M. Gardner	Clinton A. Gilley	Robert W. Hardie	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain
1874 George W. Blount	Clinton A. Gilley	Horace H. Munson	Horace H. Munson	William E. Anderson	Donald W. Bain

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1964 G. Dudley Humphrey	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	Arnold J. Koonce Sr.	Alfred A. Kafer Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1965 Sam A. Hennis Jr.	Arnold J. Koonce Sr.	Alfred A. Kafer Jr.	Robert N. Bass Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1966 Alfred A. Kafer Jr.	Alfred A. Kafer Jr.	Robert N. Bass Jr.	William A. Hooks	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1968 Robert N. Bass Jr.	William A. Hooks	Maurice E. Walsh	William W. Mims Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1969 William A. Hooks	Maurice E. Walsh	William W. Mims Jr.	Berl M. Kahn	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1970 Maurice E. Walsh	William W. Mims Jr.	Berl M. Kahn	Nathaniel C. Dean	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1971 William W. Mims Jr.	Berl M. Kahn	Nathaniel C. Dean	William L. Mills Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1972 Berl M. Kahn	Nathaniel C. Dean	William L. Mills Jr.	S. Frank Noble Jr.	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1973 Nathaniel C. Dean	William L. Mills Jr.	S. Frank Noble Jr.	Hiram J. Casebolt	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1974 William L. Mills Jr.	S. Frank Noble Jr.	Hiram J. Casebolt	Leslie H. Garner	James W. Brewer	Charles A. Harris
1975 S. Frank Noble Jr.	Hiram J. Casebolt	Leslie H. Garner	J. Earl Watson	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1976 Leslie H. Garner	J. Earl Watson	Jacob C. Goodman	William B. Bellois	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1977 J. Earl Watson	Jacob C. Goodman	William B. Bellois	E. Stansil Aldridge	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1978 Jacob C. Goodman	William B. Bellois	E. Stansil Aldridge	Nelson B. Banks	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1979 William B. Bellois	E. Stansil Aldridge	Nelson B. Banks	A. C. Honeycutt	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1980 E. Stansil Aldridge	Nelson B. Banks	A. C. Honeycutt	Cecil J. Liverman	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1981 Nelson B. Banks	A. C. Honeycutt	Cecil J. Liverman	I. Boyd Hopkins	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1982 A. C. Honeycutt	Cecil J. Liverman	I. Boyd Hopkins	Norburn C. Hyatt	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1983 Cecil J. Liverman	I. Boyd Hopkins	Norburn C. Hyatt	Walter F. McCall	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1984 I. Boyd Hopkins	Norburn C. Hyatt	Walter F. McCall	Eddie P. Stiles	James W. Brewer	Robert P. Dudley
1985 Norburn C. Hyatt	Walter F. McCall	Eddie P. Stiles	L. R. Thomas Jr.	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1986 Walter F. McCall	Eddie P. Stiles	L. R. Thomas Jr.	B. T. Phillips Jr.	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1987 Eddie P. Stiles	L. R. Thomas Jr.	B. T. Phillips Jr.	Lester P. Martin Jr.	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1988 L. R. Thomas Jr.	B. T. Phillips Jr.	Lester P. Martin Jr.	Willett R. Tillett	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1989 Jerry G. Tart	Lester P. Martin Jr.	Willett R. Tillett	Ray Norris	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1990 Bunn T. Phillips Jr.	Lester P. Martin Jr.	Willett R. Tillett	Richard G. Moore	Sam A. Hennis Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1991 Lester P. Martin Jr.	Richard G. Moore	William B. Brunk	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1992 Ray Norris	Richard G. Moore	William B. Brunk	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1993 Richard G. Moore	William B. Brunk	William H. Simpson	William H. Simpson	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1994 William B. Brunk	William H. Simpson	William H. Simpson	Gerry T. Smith	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1995 Clifton W. Everett Jr.	William H. Simpson	Thomas W. Gregory	Thomas W. Gregory	Jerry G. Tart	Robert P. Dudley
1996 William H. Simpson	Gerry T. Smith	Thomas W. Gregory	Charles M. Ingram	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	Robert P. Dudley
1997 Gerry T. Smith	Thomas W. Gregory	Charles M. Ingram	Charles E. Cathey	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	T. Walton Clapp III
1998 Thomas W. Gregory	Charles M. Ingram	Charles E. Cathey	William L. Mills III	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	T. Walton Clapp III
1999 Charles M. Ingram	William L. Mills III	William L. Mills III	Jerry R. Tillett	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	T. Walton Clapp III
2000 Charles E. Cathey	Jerry R. Tillett	Charles A. Lewis Jr.	Leonard Y. Saffrit Jr.	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	T. Walton Clapp III
2001 William G. Mathis	Charles A. Lewis Jr.	Leonard Y. Saffrit Jr.	Graham W. Pervier	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	T. Walton Clapp III
2002 Jerry R. Tillett	Leonard Y. Saffrit Jr.	Graham W. Pervier	Gene T. Jernigan	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	T. Walton Clapp III
2003 Charles A. Lewis Jr.	Graham W. Pervier	Gene T. Jernigan			

Grand Lodges And Grand Representatives

Grand Lodge	Their Grand Representative Near Our Grand Lodge	Our Grand Representative Near Their Grand Lodges
United States Of America		
Alabama (F&AM)	J. William Hudson	Richard Herbert Mallows
Alaska (F&AM)	Bunn T. Phillips Jr.	Howard R. McElrath
Arizona (F&AM)	Leslie H. Garner	Conrad H. Baldwin, PGM
Arkansas (F&AM)	James E. Warren	Thomas J. Dooley
California (F&AM)	William R. Brunk	Herbert Hargrave Jr.
Colorado (AF&AM)	James S. Porter	Lawrence A. Long Jr.
Connecticut (AF&AM)	William K. Price	Stephen D. Piner
Delaware (AF&AM)	Edwin L. Becton Jr.	Edwin M. Newth
Dist. of Columbia F&AM)	William L. Kilpatrick	Jules S. Tepper
Florida (F&AM)	Michael N. Clark	Floyd Horton
Georgia (F&AM)	Robert E. Marshburn	E. Ray Knittel
Hawaii (AF&AM)	Charles E. Cathey	
Idaho (AF&AM)	Louis O. Dean Jr.	Philip Drew
Illinois (AF&AM)	Ronald Page	James J. Evans
Indiana (F&AM)	Lester P. Martin Jr.	Richard W. Nierzba
Iowa (AF&AM)	IOWA does NOT exchange Grand Reps.	
Kansas (AF&AM)	E. John Elmore	Jerry W. Cole
Kentucky (F&AM)	Leonard Y. Safrin	Thomas E. Dicken
Louisiana (F&AM)	Norburn C. Hyatt	Lindsey Born Diboll
Maine (AF&AM)	James G. Martin	Kenneth C. Mitchell
Maryland (AF&AM)	Walter F. McCall	C. David Haacke
Massachusetts (AF&AM)	Clifton W. Everett Jr.	James Taylor Watson Jr.
Michigan (F&AM)	John S. Miller Jr.	Russel C. Wells
Minnesota	Robert J. Snipes	David S. Bouschor
Mississippi (F&AM)	Hugh T. Hardee Jr.	Gene A. Mills
Missouri (AF&AM)	Ray M. Comer	Eldon D. Turnbull
Montana (AF&AM)	S. Frank Noble Jr.	James D. McColly
Nebraska (AF&AM)	Ray H. Early Jr.	T. John Hinkel

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Grand Lodge	Their Grand Representative Near Our Grand Lodge	Our Grand Representative Near Their Grand Lodges
Nevada (F&AM)	.....W. Dennis Combs	.....Charlie D. Mowrey
New Hampshire (F&AM)	.....Robert A. Schafer	.....Arnold B. Christiansen Jr.
New Jersey (F&AM)	.....Gene T. Jernigan	.....Francis R. Mitchell
New Mexico (AF&AM)	.....NEW MEXICO does NOT exchange Grand Reps.	
New York (F&AM)	.....Sam A. Hennis, PGM	.....Jacob Beardsley
North Dakota (AF&AM)	.....Ray Norris	.....Jess Stabenow
Ohio (F&AM)	.....Johnny R. West	.....Robert B. Will Jr.
Oklahoma (AF&AM)	.....Donald Street	.....William J. Cloud
Oregon(AF&AM)	.....David R. Grissom	.....Kent Scott McArthur
Pennsylvania (F&AM)	.....PENNSYLVANIA does NOT exchange Grand Reps	
Rhode Island (F&AM)	.....Dallas Holoman	
South Carolina (A.F.M.)	.....William H. Simpson	.....Robert V. Pinkson
South Dakota (AF&AM)	.....J. Warren Jeffries	.....Allen Kettering
Tennessee (F&AM)	.....Edward J. Harper II	.....Russell J. Grant, Jr.
Texas (AF&AM)	.....Robert N. Powell, II	.....Plez Avery Transon
Utah (F&AM)	.....James H. Coile	.....John R. Lay
Vermont (F&AM)	.....Thomas G. Foster	.....Gerald Morong
Virginia (AF&AM)	.....W. Berry Rigdon	.....John P. Stokes
Washington (F&AM)	.....Claude E. Childress	.....Marks L. Edwing
West Virginia (AF&AM)	.....Tommy L. Jones	.....Billy F. Gardner
Wisconsin (F&AM)	.....William G. Mathis	.....Rick E. Gustafson
Wyoming (AF&AM)	.....WYOMING does NOT exchange Grand Reps.	
Canada, Dominion of		
Alberta (AF&AM)	.....Robert R. Harrison	.....William J. Glover
British Columbia (AF&AM)	.....G. Dick Pierce	.....Bryan Alexander Boorse
Canada, In the Prince of Ontario (AF&AM)	.....Jerry R. Tillett	.....Douglas F. Clark
Manitoba (AF&AM)David A. Thomas Sr.Robert W. James
New Brunswick (F&AM)Thomas J. MannRalph E. Hatfield

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Grand Lodge	Their Grand Representative Near Our Grand Lodge	Our Grand Representative Near Their Grand Lodges
Newfoundland & Labrador		Thomas M. Lambert
Nova Scotia (AF&AM)		George F. Holmes
Prince Edward Island (AF&AM)	Earle R. Purser	William Lavers
Quebec (AF&AM)	James M. Galloway Jr.	Harold Allen
Saskatchewan (AF&AM)	George Kalamaras	Stanley A. Reavie
British Isles (United Kingdom)		
England (United Grand Lodge of)	T. Walton Clapp III.	Gerald J. K. Coles
Ireland (AF&AM)	W. Phillip Keller	Mervyn W. Morrison
Scotland (AF&AM)	Galard C. Moore Jr.	M. R. Allan Mackay
Australia		
New South Wales (AF&AM)	Kenneth L. Smith	K. M. Bellingham
New Zealand (AF&AM)	Hugh K. Terrell Jr.	Ross Hepburn
Queensland Wales (AF&AM)	Edwin L. Beeton	Keith Brewer Gall
South Australia (AF&AM)	Joseph K. Transou	D. B. Walton
Tasmania (AF&AM)	Richard G. Moore	David Rex Holmyard
Victoria (AF&AM)	Paul L. Whitfield	Justice Williams
Western Australia (AF&AM)	T. Bruce Boyette	S. D. Bishop
Central America		
Costa Rica (F&AM)	Douglas L. Caudle	Luis Castro Barquero
Cuba, Grand Logia DE		
Guatemala	Eddie H. Moody Jr.	S. Guillermo Ricci Fernandez
Nicaragua	Denver C. Jones Jr.	Federico Lopez
Panama (AF&AM) Panama City, Republic of Panama	Carl McCracken Jr.	Allen Husney
*Cuscutlan Grand Logia de la Republica El Salvador	George A. Nash	Frank Wagner Goens
Mexico		
Baja California, Gran Logia de Estado de (AF&AM)	John H. Stanley	

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Grand Lodge	Their Grand Representative Near Our Grand Lodge	Our Grand Representative Near Their Grand Lodges
Benito Juarez, Grand Logia del Estado de Coahuila		.....Auturo Escobedo Pina
Chiapas, Grand Logia Del Estado de	.....J. Dewey Misenheimer	.....Abelardo R. Velasco
El Potosi (San Luis Potosi)	.....Floyd M. Burton	
Nuevo Leon, Gran Logia Del Estado de	.....Silas D. Fuller	.....F. B. Vriarte
"Occidental Mexicana", Gran Logia (AF&AM)	.....D. D. Phillips Jr.	.....Luis Mendez
"La Oriental Peninsular", Gran Logia (AF&AM)	.....Don Floyd	.....Heliodore Rodriguez Aguilard
Tamaulipas (F&AM)	.....Roger L. Euliss	.....Dr. Salvador Cerda Jr.
Veracruz, Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana (F& ofAM)	.....Walter Klein	.....Angel N. Rosas
Valle de Mexico (F&AM)	.....Robert L. Parker	.....Enrique P. Loya
York Grand Lodge of Mexico (F&AM)	.....David E. Webb	.....William R. Shiele
West Indies		
Puerto Rico, Sov. Grand Lodge of (F&AM)	.....M. Gene Lewellyn	.....Luis F. Rios-Vazquez
Republica Dominicana, Gran Logia D La Rep. Dom	.....James H. Horne	.....Miguel A. Camarena Lopez
South America		
Argentina (F&AM)	.....Kolen Flack	.....Juan Jose F. Palacios
Bolivia	.....Frank Hickman	.....Cyril H. Rees
Brazil		
Amazonas and Acre	.....Fred S. Daniels	.....Dr. Pedro Telmo Barba
Bahia, Grande Loja Unida Do	.....Norman C. Miller Jr.	.....Joir Da Silva Martins Brasileiro
Ceara, Grande Loja Do (AF&AM)	.....Alton L. Strickland	.....Menesclau De Araujo Costa
Goiias, Grand Lodges of the State of (F&AM)	.....James A. Wolfe	.....Garibaldi Rizzo de Cartro Jr.
Minas Gerais, Symbolic Grand Lodge of (F&AM)	.....A. Gene Cobb Jr.	.....Dr. Hernano Lott Jr.
Para, Grande Loja Do Para (F&AM)	.....James S. Lofton	.....Raimundo Leite Pereira
Parahyba, Grande Loja Do	.....Robin S. McCombs	.....Mario Carneiro Da Costa
Piaui, Grande Loja Do (AF&AM)	.....Dewey C. Crutchfield	.....Jose Ribeiro de Carvalho
Guanaba, Grande Loja Do Estado DaElwyn D. BowmanSergio Alexandre Cunha Camargo

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Rio Grande Do SulGerald W. Ringler
Sao Paulo, Grande Loja Do Estado Do Sao PauloJose Roberto Kfoury
Chile		
(AF&AM)	.....Thomas L. Hartman	.....Floreal Toledo Vjarjn
Brasilia (AF&AM)	.....Bobby L. Womble	.....
Colombia (State Grand Lodges)		
Nacional de Colombia	.....W. Berry Rigdon	.....Frank Welpley
Bogota, Gran Logia de Colombia at	.....Gerry T. Smith	.....Dr. Elian Pinzon Neira
Cali, Gran Logia Occidental de Colombia at	.....	.....Arturo Gomez Hernandez
Cartagena, Ser. Gran Logia Nacional de Colombia at	.....Kenneth H. Sitton	.....Manuel Ferfle Romero
Ecuador, Gran Logia (AF&AM)	.....J. Carroll Simmons	.....Ing. Boanerges Pin M.
Paraguay, Symbolic Grand Lodge of	.....John Herschleb	.....
Peru, Symbolic Grand Lodge of AF&AM	.....Willie P. Goodwin	.....Guillermo Valdiviezo Calderon
Venezuela, Gran Logia de la Republic of	.....A. C. Honeycutt	.....
Europe		
Austria (Vienna) (AF&AM)	.....Charles E. Scott Jr.	.....
Belgium, Grande Loge de	.....Marshall Dilling	.....Daniel Bauwens
Czechlovakia	.....Lewis R. Ledford	.....
Denmark, National Grand Lodge of	.....L. R. Thomas Jr.	.....
Finland (F&AM)	.....Terry K. Jones	.....Seppo Penttinen
France (Grande Loge Nationale Francaise	.....William D. Maness	.....Nat Granstein
Germany, United Grand Lodge of (AF&AM)	.....H. Lloyd Wilkerson	.....John A. Williams
Greece (AF&AM)	.....Thomas W. Gregory	.....Demetrios Papakyriakou
Hungary	.....Ronnie Stewart	.....Robert Schiller
Luxembourg (Grande Loge de Luxembourg)Jerry L. StaplefordAlbert Nils
Iceland, National Grand Lodge of (AF&AM)Lester P. Martin Jr.Peter Esrason

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Grand Lodge	Their Grand Representative Near Our Grand Lodge	Our Grand Representative Near Their Grand Lodges
Italy, Grand Orient of	.....Charles M. Ingram	.....Vincenzo Ciruzzi
Netherlands, The Grand East of the (F&AM)	.....William L. Mills III.	.....A.Th. ten Houten
Norway	.....Charles E. Holcomb	.....Ivar Skar
Portugal (Grande Loja Legal de Portugal)	.....Forrest R. Pugh	.....Olivio L. Dias
Spain (AF&AM)	.....Paul D. Baegan	.....Eric O'Hara
Sweden	.....Graham W. Pervier	.....Olaf Kallin
Switzerland, Grand Lodge Alpina of	.....W. David Ford	.....Walter Kyburz
Yugoslavia	.....James O. Hartman	.....
Asia		
China (F&AM)	.....Henson P. Barnes	.....Peter K. C. Tsai
India (AF&AM)	.....	.....Dr. B. Biswakumar
Iran (F&AM)	.....Michael H. Rachael	.....Mohammad Hassan Turan
Israel (AF&AM)	.....	.....
Japan (F&AM)	.....Ralph P. Presley	.....
Philippines (F&AM)	.....William R. Leggett	.....Rdyardo V. Bunda
Turkey (F&AM)	.....Forrest F. Ball	.....
Africa		
Southern Africa (AF&AM)Edward D. HartsellP. J. Van Der Merwe
Morocco, Grand Loge diPierre Mouselli

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Of
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Accepted Masons
Of
North Carolina

Subordinate Lodges

Grand Lodge of AF&AM of North Carolina

Listing Key

<i>Lodge (District)</i>
<i>Town</i>
<i>Lodge Location</i>
<i>Meeting Night</i>
<i>M-Master</i>
<i>S-Secretary</i>

St. John's 1 (12)
Wilmington
4712 Oriole Drive
2 Tuesday
M-Robert Junius Snipes Jr.
S-Mervin Eugene Hogg

Royal White Hart 2 (8)
Halifax
Not available
1 Tuesday
M-Edwin Allen Howland
S-Wilbur Allen Garner

St. John's 3 (7)
New Bern
516 Hancock Street
2 & 4 Wednesday, October-May
2 Wednesday, June-September
M-Dale Douglas Davis
S-Ellwin Coy Wetherington

St. John's 4 (10)
Kinston
1810 N. Heritage Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Donald Gary Green
S-Sterling Ward Gillikin Jr.

Charity 5 (5)
Windsor
King Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Murray Elmo Phelps
S-Ronnie Michael Bryant

Unanimity 7 (1)
Edenton
215 E. Water Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-James David Carr
S-Carlton Franklin Jackson

Phoenix 8 (17)
Fayetteville
221 Mason Street
2 Tuesday
M-William Dennis Ivey Jr.
S-William Dennis Ivey

Johnston-Caswell 10 (8)
Warrenton
611 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Robert Hunter Carroll
S-George Alvin Fleming

Caswell Brotherhood 11 (22)
Yanceyville
Firetower Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-George Walter Williamson
S-Michael Kevin Cobb

St. John's 13 (11)
Kenansville
Lodge Street
1 Thursday
M-Edward Lee Cloninger
S-Snodie Bond Wilson

American George 17 (5)
Murfreesboro
College Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Kevin Thomas Mathias
S-Edward Wayne Futrell

Eagle 19 (19)
Hillsborough
142 West King Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Willie Robert Patten Jr.
S-Jeffrey Allen Borcik

Statesville 27 (30)
Statesville
302 E. Front Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Bobby Joe Stewart
S-Joseph Patrick Link

Phalanx 31 (32)
Charlotte
4740 Randolph Road
1 Tuesday
M-Christopher Wayne Cox
S-Paul Wilson Poley

Stokes 32 (28)
Concord
51 Brumley Avenue
1 Monday
M-James Adrial Brickley
S-Henry Reid Tucker

Davie 39 (5)
Ahoskie
Corner North & Mitchell
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Wilbert Wayne Blowe
S-Orrin Chester Harrell

Hiram 40 (15)
Raleigh
1520 Caswell Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Samuel Eugene Lee II
S-Charles Vernon Rouse Jr.

Liberty 45 (33)
Wilkesboro
School Street
1 Thursday
M-Steuart Key Wright
S-Steven Todd Brown

Hall 53 (1)
Shawboro
Indiantown Road
1 Wednesday
M-Clayton Dale Riggs
S-Wayne Roger Lambertson

Concord 58 (9)
Tarboro
1601 Barlow Road
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Charles Edward Bartley
S-Ervin Ray Register

Perseverance 59 (3)
Plymouth
703 NC Hwy 32 S
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Raymond Douglas Bennett II
S-Harrison Waylon Phelps

Kilwinning 64 (29)
 Wadesboro
 S. Greene Street
 2 & 4 Thursday
 2 Thursday, Nov.-Dec.
 M-Chesley McAulay Greene
 S-Wayne Kelley Sexton

Widow's Son 75 (1)
 Camden
 106 N. Hwy 343
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Raymond Lee Wine Jr.
 S-Lynn Howard Berry

Greensboro 76 (23)
 Greensboro
 426 W. Market Street
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Joey Booten Bolen
 S-Carl Ray Hall

Zion 81 (7)
 Trenton
 Lakeview Drive
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Tony Randell Hawkins
 S-Anthony Ray Berg

LaFayette 83 (4)
 Jacksonville
 305 Chaney Avenue
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Robert Lee White
 S-Robert Preston Savacool

Fellowship 84 (16)
 Smithfield
 907 S. Bright Leaf Blvd.
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Larry Wilmond Barnes
 S-Harvey Speight Evans Jr.

Morning Star 85 (9)
 Nashville
 220 Barnes Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-George Thomas Poland
 S-Ralph Milton Howell Jr.

Skwarkee 90 (5)
 Williamston
 610 N. Smithwick Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-William Frederick Griffin
 S-Frederick Earl Oglesby

Western Star 91 (38)
 Rutherfordton
 329 S. Main Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-John Thomas Rutland
 S-William Lewis Hamrick

Joseph Warren 92 (16)
 Stantonsburg
 108 S. Main Street
 1 Thursday
 M-Lemuel Allan Harper
 S-Lewis Arthur Laumann

Jerusalem 95 (6)
 Hookerton
 201 N. Main Street
 2 Tuesday
 M-Shea Fields McLawhorn
 S-Charlie Leonard Hall

Millbrook 97 (14)
 Raleigh
 2400 New Hope Road
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Raymond Bernard Coulter Jr.
 S-Nelson Lee Henthorne

Hiram 98 (11)
 Clinton
 213 Fisher Drive
 1 Tuesday
 M-Harold Gene Twisdale
 S-Dalton Wayne Mayo

Fulton 99 (28)
 Salisbury
 401 N. Fulton Street
 2 & 4 Monday
 M-Kevin Lee Trexler
 S-Eric Bruce Mason

Columbus 102 (20)
 Pittsboro
 121 East Street
 1 Tuesday
 M-Richard Kent Torbert
 S-James Franklin Norwood

Orr 104 (3)
 Washington
 116 E. Third Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-David Morris Sparrow
 S-Charles Brown McFadden

Perquimans 106 (1)
 Hertford
 Church Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Christopher Edward Garrett
 S-Cecil Edward Winslow

Franklin 109 (4)
 Beaufort
 204 Turner Street
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Jeffery Styron
 S-Orville Lee Jones

Wayne 112 (10)
 Goldsboro
 2301 Norwood Avenue
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Ralph Edward Sutton
 S-Willis Kenneth Whichard Jr.

Person 113 (19)
 Roxboro
 Leasburg Road
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 2 Tuesday December
 M-Robert Lewis Dixon
 S-Ronald Edmund Hicks

St. Alban's 114 (18)
 Lumberton
 600 N. Elm Street
 1 Tuesday
 M-Tommy Dwayne Woodman
 S-Tonnie Lewis Prevatte

Holly Springs 115 (15)
 Holly Springs
 224 Raleigh Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-Todd Hampton Dyches
 S-Kenneth Lewis Webster

Mount Lebanon 117 (16)
 Wilson
 2501 W. Nash Street
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Thurman Allen Bass
 S-Hughes Dillard

Mount Hermon 118 (39)
 Asheville
 80 Broadway
 1 Thursday
 M-Michael Allen Gelman
 S-Kenneth Boyce Lance

Oxford 122 (13)
 Oxford
 105 W. College Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Robert Lee Stewart
 S-Donald Lawrence Sizemore

Franklinton 123 (13)
 Franklinton
 Not available
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-James Wesley Payne Jr.
 S-James Albert Caudle

Mill Creek 125 (11)
 Newton Grove
 Raleigh Street
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Ronald Scott Peele
 S-Earl Anthony Daughtry

Gatesville 126 (1)

Gatesville
125 Main Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-William Gilbert Cherry
S-Luther Haywood Eure

Blackmer 127 (24)

Mount Gilead
109 S. School Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Billy Graham Hamilton
S-James Stimpson McRae

Hanks 128 (24)

Franklinville
157 W. Main Street
2 Monday
M-William Gene Baird Jr.
S-John William Mackley

Dan River 129 (22)

Madison
110 Decatur Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-William Mattson Rhodes Jr.
S-Stanley Lee Allen

Radiance 132 (6)

Snow Hill
Not available
1 & 3 Wednesday
M-Bennie James Heath
S-James Preston Wooten

Mocksville 134 (27)

Mocksville
134 Ridgeview Street
1 Tuesday
M-Phillip Ray Cartner
S-John Rickie Phelps

Leaksville 136 (22)

Eden
419 Thompson Street
2 & 4 Monday
2 Monday in December
M-Leo Craig Reavis Jr.
S-Walter Frank Reid Jr.

Lincoln 137 (35)

Lincolnton
100 W. Sycamore Street
1 Monday
M-John David Flowers
S-Allen James Tate

King Solomon 138 (12)

Burgaw
Walker Street
3 Monday
M-Michael Lloyd Collier
S-Ronald Dane Graves

Mount Vernon 143 (20)

Bonlee
185 Bonlee-Bennett Road
3 Tuesday
M-Robert Anthony Smith
S-Alex Glenn Dunn Jr.

Junaluskee 145 (41)

Franklin
26 Church Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Lon Arthur Peden
S-Harvey Ronald Krape

Cherokee 146 (41)

Murphy
100 Hiawassee Street
1 Monday
M-William David Sumpter III
S-Harry Howard Burgess

Palmyra 147 (20)

Dunn
700 Maple Avenue
1 Tuesday
M-Donovan Earl Eason
S-Clarence Ezekiel McLamb Jr.

Adoniram 149 (13)

Cornwall
College Street
1 Tuesday
M-Thomas William Winston
S-Ben Jones Neal

Pee Dee 150 (29)

Norwood
116 West Whitley Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Michael Moore Sandy
S-Wesley Austin Faulkner Jr.

Sanford 151 (20)

Sanford
202 Charlotte Street
2 Tuesday
M-Larry Dale Foster
S-Lee Roy Goodwin

Scotch Ireland 154 (28)

Cleveland
104 S. Depot Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-William Leslie Steele
S-Jeffrey Lynn Stiller

White Stone 155 (14)

Wakefield
Not available
2 Wednesday & 4 Saturday
M-Jerry Eason
S-Joe Davis Medlin Jr.

Knap of Reeds 158 (19)

Bahama
158 Bahama Road
1 & 3 Wednesday
M-Robert Arnold Haun Jr.
S-Leslie Clyde Rhew

Yadkin 162 (25)

Yadkinville
Not available
1 & 3 Monday
M-Jason Lee Casstevens
S-Roy Donald Casstevens

Archer 165 (14)

Zebulon
NC Hwy 96 S.
1 Saturday & 3 Monday
M-James Edward Doan
S-Larry Gene Corbett

Winston 167 (26)

Winston-Salem
34 Miller Street
2 Monday
M-Charles Henry White
S-Charles Daniel Sheets Jr.

Winston 170 (39)

Weaverville
70 College Street
2 Tuesday
M-Walter Gregory Capps
S-Vann Buren Gibbs Jr.

Buffalo 172 (20)

Sanford
602 W. Main Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Jerome Conway Hall
S-Jonathan Marvin Kelly

Williams 176 (31)

Cornelius
19416 Zion Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Jimmie Jake Dove
S-Robert Gibbon McIntosh

Carthage 181 (21)

Carthage
302 Saunders Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Charles Grier Patterson Jr.
S-Karl Lewis Rathburn

Central Cross 187 (9)

Spring Hope
581 North
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Gary Mack Vester
S-Larry McArthur Walker

Balfour 188 (24)

Asheboro
632 Sunset Avenue
1 & 3 Tuesday
3 Tuesday July & August
M-Phillip Edward Williamson
S-James Ira Chrismon

Fair Bluff 190 (18)

Fair Bluff
Riverside Drive
1 Tuesday
M-Ronnie Melvin Hinson
S-Floyd Iredell Enzor

Granite 191 (16)

Clayton
621 Bolling Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Arthur Carr Atkinson
S-James Kenneth Rary Jr.

Cary 198 (15)

Cary
1142 East Maynard Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-Kevin Charles Hall
S-Carson Alexander Clippard Jr.

Cleveland 202 (35)

Shelby
1436 E. Marion Street
1 Thursday
M-Charles Harvey Ferree
S-Bobby Dean Smith

Long Creek 205 (31)

Huntersville
8500 Mt. Holly-Huntersville
Road
2 Monday
M-Charles Gordon Burgess
S-Chad Robert Irons

Mingo 206 (11)

Dunn
Route 5
1 Monday
M-Tommy Sherwood Hobson
S-George Harold Wilson Jr.

Lebanon 207 (18)

Whiteville
114 Pecan Street
1 Tuesday & 3 Thursday
M-Terry Teddy Miller
S-John Julian Norosky

Mount Olive 208 (10)

Mount Olive
Breazeale Avenue
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-James Grant Kornegay
S-Larry Hugh Graham

Eno 210 (19)

Durham
1416 Watts Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Alton Lyle Wethington
S-Herbert Currie Lyon

Thomasville 214 (27)

Thomasville
720 Salem Street
1 Tuesday
M-Michael Wayne Elbersen
S-Mark Alexander Hedrick

Catawba Valley 217 (34)

Morganton
College Street
2 Thursday
M-James David Rakestraw
S-Earl Thomas Digh Jr.

William G. Hill 218 (14)

Raleigh
1520 Caswell Street
2 Monday
M-John L. Tidball V
S-Miles Cullen Davis Jr.

Olin 226 (30)

Olin
590 Olin Road
2 & 4 Thursday
M-John William Douglas Jr.
S-Franklin Edward Templeton

Henderson 229 (13)

Henderson
401 Brodie Street
3 Tuesday
M-Anthony Grier Williamson
S-Abner Bryant Cobb Jr.

Corinthian 230 (9)

Rocky Mount
1700 Winstead Avenue
2 & 4 Monday
M-Harold Vernon Stafford
S-Thadeous Creech High

William T. Bain 231 (15)

Raleigh
9433 Ten Ten Road
1 Monday
M-Tandy Darane Ogburn
S-Charles Linely Walton

Mystic Tie 237 (34)

Marion
205 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Jesse Glenn Henline
S-John Michael Glenn

Wiccacon 240 (5)

Harrellsville
Not available
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Richard Owen Liverman
S-Emitt Cecil Fuller

Grifton 243 (6)

Grifton
108 Gordon Street
1 Wednesday
M-Nelson Futrell Jr.
S-Billy Ray Jackson

Monroe 244 (29)

Monroe
520 E. Franklin Street
1 Thursday
M-Craig Andrew Hyatt
S-Billy Wilson Canupp Jr.

Catawba 248 (34)

Newton
22 N. College Avenue
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Mack Arthur Bristow
S-Robert Wayne Jarrett

Pythagoras 249 (12)

Southport
201 E. Nash Street
3 Tuesday
M-Paul Dixon Owen Jr.
S-John Alfred Richards

Lee 253 (30)

Taylorsville
108 Second Avenue, SW
2 & 4 Monday
M-Charles William Feimster
S-Charlie Dale Killian

Kenly 257 (16)

Kenly
500 W. Second Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Sanford James Waddell
S-Thomas Roland Jackson Jr.

Fuquay 258 (15)

Fuquay-Varina
338 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-John Quincy Adams III
S-Horace Lee Ausley

Waynesville 259 (40)

Waynesville
508 Marshall Street
1 Friday
M-Stephen Dwayne Allen
S-John Winford Purvis

- Excelsior 261 (32)**
Charlotte
3900 Litchfield Road
1 Monday; 2 Monday September
M-Johnny Lee Moser
S-George Max Smith
- Hibriten 262 (34)**
Lenoir
106 N. Main Street
1 Thursday
M-Thomas Clyde Robbins
S-Wayne Douglas Walker
- Gaston 263 (36)**
Dallas
S. College Street
2 Monday
M-Chuck Lance Webb
S-Bobby Glenn Whisnant
- Farmington 265 (27)**
Farmington
149 Cemetary Road
2 Monday
M-Thomas Allen Poindexter
S-James Cornell Howard
- Dunn's Rock 267 (38)**
Brevard
211 E. Main Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Jeffrey Carl Owen
S-Robert Alonzo Hinshaw
- Tabasco 271 (23)**
Gibsonville
207 E. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Wallace Berry Williams
S-John Richard Smith
- Bingham 272 (22)**
Mebane
307 E. Center Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Sidney Lester Flake Jr.
S-Glenn Bates Everett
- Beaver Dam 276 (29)**
Marshville
Corner Hwy 74 E. and E. Main
Street
2 Tuesday
M-Eric Mark Rummage
S-Charles Strong Boyce Jr.
- Green Level 277 (15)**
Apex
8427 Green Level Church Road
1 Tuesday
M-Dan Yates Goodwin
S-Michael Thomas Prince
- Rehoboth 279 (11)**
Rose Hill
Not available
2 Monday
M-William Edward Wilson Jr.
S-Corbett Latimer Quinn
- Wake Forest 282 (14)**
Wake Forest
220 Wait Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Jerry Rudolph Blake
S-Horace Linwood Macon
- Eureka 283 (28)**
China Grove
604 E. Church Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Fred Lindsay Shipwash
S-Daniel Malcolm Roberts
- Greenville 284 (6)**
Greenville
1104 Charles Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-William Benjamin Hall
S-Douglas Glenn Bostick
- Salem 289 (26)**
Winston-Salem
34 Miller Street
1 Tuesday
M-John Hugh Hoover
S-Clifford Thomas Pranke
- French Broad 292 (39)**
Marshall
Main Street
1 Monday
M-Robert Millard Walsh
S-William Albert Ricker
- Vance 293 (39)**
Weaverville
633 Old Mars Hill Hwy
3 Monday
M-Jerry DeWayne Clevenger
S-David Robert Stewart
- Atlantic 294 (3)**
Swanquarter
Court House Square
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Richard Hooks Credle
S-Hal Gray Swindell
- Stonewall 296 (5)**
Robersonville
20013 NC 903
3 Monday
M-Wiley Burroughs Rogerson Jr.
S-James Russell Carson
- Harmony 299 (30)**
Harmony
144 E. Memorial Hwy
2 Monday
M-John Walter Dobson
S-William Jerry Campbell
- Aurora 300 (7)**
Aurora
W. Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Anthony Bruce Martin
S-Garland Lee Lewis
- Clay 301 (41)**
Hayesville
Sanderson Street
3 Monday
M-Melvin Vaughn Cantrell
S-George Vernon Webber
- Lillington 302 (20)**
Lillington
Not available
2 & 4 Monday
M-Howard Boyd Byrd Jr.
S-Alfred Timothy Goodwin
- Pleasant Hill 304 (10)**
Deep Run
4545 Mark N Smith Road
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Bobby Lynn Tyndall
S-Oscar Dene Tyndall
- Laurinburg 305 (21)**
Laurinburg
12881 Woodrun Drive
1 & 3 Tuesday
1 Tuesday April & December
M-Daniel Lane Bean
S-David Lee Allen
- Raeford 306 (21)**
Raeford
900 East Palmer Avenue
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Allen Wayne Gardner
S-Robert Edward Vaughn II
- New Lebanon 314 (1)**
South Mills
449 Crooked Run Road
2 Tuesday
M-Rayman Anthony Vallas
S-Wiley Frank Wood
- Eureka 317 (1)**
Elizabeth City
Hughes Blvd.
1 & 3 Tuesday
1 Tuesday June-August
M-Martin Ronald Carver
S-Julian Harrell Copeland

Wilmington 319 (12)
 Wilmington
 2910 College Street
 1 Tuesday
 M-Wayne Ralph Ellers
 S-Frank George Hickman

Selma 320 (16)
 Selma
 405 North Pollock Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Roger William Diegele
 S-Gary Anthony Jones

Granite 322 (25)
 Mount Airy
 212 Franklin Street
 3 Tuesday
 M-Joseph Gordon Owens
 S-Stephen Curtis Gross

Mattamuskeet 328 (3)
 Engelhard
 Hwy 264 West
 2 & 4 Wednesday
 M-Joseph Madison Pugh
 S-Hyler Wayne Cox

Bayboro 331 (7)
 Bayboro
 108 Vandemere Road
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Osborn Lee Scott
 S-Michael Lawrence Rice

Fairview 339 (35)
 Kings Mountain
 806 Landing Street
 2 Monday
 M-Timothy Eric Morgan
 S-Bobby Lee Tumbleson

Harmony 340 (10)
 Pikeville
 108 South Railroad Street
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Craig Elliott Edwins
 S-Elliott Rose Futrell

Hickory 343 (34)
 Hickory
 30 16th Avenue, SE
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Walter James Hunley
 S-Clayton Eugene Rawn

Numa F. Reid 344 (23)
 High Point
 443 S. Main Street
 2 Monday
 M-Murray Marrell Skeen
 S-Donnie Roland Pugh

Stanly 348 (29)
 Albemarle
 230 N. Main Street
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Scottie Wayne Cox
 S-James Alan Burris

Durham 352 (19)
 Durham
 1811 Palmer Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 2 Tuesday June, July, Aug., Dec.
 M-Thomas Marcus Browne III
 S-Cecil Ray Lee

Fallston 356 (35)
 Fallston
 102 Kendrick Street
 2 Monday
 M-Michael James Wood
 S-John Wayne Self

Bakersville 357 (37)
 Bakersville
 Hwy 226 N
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Clarence Fleet Hensley
 S-Vincent Paul Bonaminio

East LaPorte 358 (40)
 Cullowhee
 Hwy 107
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Ronald Earl Stephens
 S-John Richard Joachim

Mount Vernon 359 (7)
 Oriental
 602 Ragan Road
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-Robert Eugene Edwards
 S-Willard Thomas Huff

Snow 363 (33)
 Boone
 240 Temple Drive
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Ronald Lloyd Bumgarner
 S-Alvin Leonard Hardy

Gastonia 369 (36)
 Gastonia
 214 South Street
 2 Friday
 M-Blake Ryan Skarpalezos
 S-Richard Jenkins Clanton

Ashler 373 (33)
 Deep Gap
 Hwy 427
 4 Monday
 2 Monday December
 M-Robert William Smith Jr.
 S-Roy Edward Furr

Campbell 374 (30)
 Troutman
 130 E. Church Street
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Joseph Henry Brantley
 S-Samuel Allen Brown Jr.

State Line 375 (35)
 Grover
 115 Mulberry Street
 2 Tuesday
 M-Curtis Eugene Thrift
 S-William Royce Peeler

Youngsville 377 (13)
 Youngsville
 Not available
 3 Thursday
 M-Donald Blalock King
 S-Harold Arthur Strother

Seaboard 378 (5)
 Seaboard
 301 S. Main Street
 1 Monday
 M-James Futtrelle Flythe
 S-Reid Vick Harris II

Coharie 379 (11)
 Salemburg
 4175 Honeycutt Road
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-William Donald Winders
 S-Tommy Worth Tew

Granville 380 (13)
 Wake Forest
 686 Woodland Church Road
 2 Thursday
 M-Elwood Pettis Davis Jr.
 S-Joseph Pettigrew Price

Forest City 381 (38)
 Forest City
 17 Wilkie Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-John Philip Hamrick
 S-Dewey Herman Webb

Jefferson Penn 384 (22)
 Reidsville
 110 N. Main Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-Arthur Norman Vanhook
 S-Wallace Desmond Washburn

Pigeon River 386 (40)
 Canton
 382 Champion Drive
 2 Thursday
 M-Bruce Ronnie Thomason
 S-Gary Dale Teague

Kedron 387 (38)

Hendersonville
229 Fifth Avenue W.
1 & 3 Monday
3 Monday September
M-Sam Stanley Settle
S-Charles Edward Holcomb

Friendship 388 (35)

Boiling Springs
722 McBrayer Homestead Road
4 Monday
2 Monday December
M-Michael Anthony Sewell
S-Thomas Alexander Lattimore Jr.

Copeland 390 (25)

Dobson
156 Bray Ford Road
2 Thursday
December 27
M-Jackson Sie McCormick
S-Harden Columbus Mooney Jr.

Lebanon 391 (17)

Hope Mills
2222 Golfview Drive
1 Thursday
M-David Emmons Bowles
S-Ellis Gerald Halliburton

Orient 395 (12)

Wilmington
1312 Shipyard Blvd.
1 Thursday
M-James Alton Wolfe
S-Grady Harold Singletary

Bald Creek 397 (37)

Swiss
US Hwy 19E
2 Thursday
M-Charles Randall Blankenship
S-William Thomas Lovins

Joppa 401 (34)

Old Fort
Catawba Avenue
2 & 4 Monday
M-Jimmie Richard Harris
S-Joseph Gaden Swann Jr.

Siler City 403 (20)

Siler City
114 S. Third Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-James Dennis Brooks
S-William Harrison Elder

Denton 404 (27)

Denton
Corner S. Main St.
and Peacock Ave.
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Carl Luther Snider III
S-Marion Kirby Matthews Jr.

Ocean 405 (4)

Morehead City
204 S. 18th Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Michael David Pargeter
S-Ray Lee Gray

North Wilkesboro 407 (33)

North Wilkesboro
Temple Street
2 Monday
M-Marvin Lee Whittington
S-Michael Dwayne Royal

University 408 (19)

Chapel Hill
1211 East Franklin Street
3 Monday
M-James Roger Brown
S-Willard Guy Campbell

Bula 409 (22)

Burlington
1307 S. Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
2 Monday December
M-Dwight Wayne Crews
S-Donald Edward Kehler

Bailey 411 (9)

Bailey
6140 Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Donnie Kay Dew
S-Horace Melton Meacombs Jr.

Henry F. Grainger 412 (13)

Oxford
105 W. College Street
3 Tuesday
M-Danny Eugene Keeton
S-William Braxton Bartholomew

James A. Johnson 413 (13)

Louisburg
Jolly Street & Bickett Blvd.
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-William Hubbard Riggan III
S-Burt Harry Pearson III

Maxton 417 (18)

Maxton
123 S. Florence Street
1 Monday
M-Michael Lee Perla
S-William Archie McRae II

Pendleton 418 (5)

Pendleton
Britton Road
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-David Clyde Simmons
S-Dennis Lyle Babb

Harmon 420 (25)

Yadkinville
Ray T. Moore Road
3 Thursday
M-James Ben Rutledge Jr.
S-James Willie Jones Jr.

Sparta 423 (33)

Sparta
125 E. Doughton
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Gleason James
S-Robert Michael Haas

Montgomery 426 (41)

Ranger
180 Wingate Road
1 Tuesday
M-George Fenwick Beaton
S-Arthur West

Oconee 427 (40)

Bryson City
Clifton Avenue
1 & 3 Monday
M-Terry Lee Setzer
S-Roy Otto Stiles Jr.

Stokesdale 428 (23)

Stokesdale
8420 Ellisboro Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Paul Shaun Bradshaw
S-Theodore Oran Wright Jr.

Seaside 429 (4)

Swansboro
72 Old Hammocks Road
2 & 4 Monday
M-James Luis Moreira
S-James Ralph Shingleton

Relief 431 (16)

Benson
S. Lee Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Larry Ivey Parker
S-Timothy Raynor

Piney Creek 432 (33)

Piney Creek
Not available
2 Tuesday
M-David Malcolm Harris
S-David Carroll Carpenter

Vanceboro 433 (7)

Vanceboro
630 Farm Life Avenue
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Joseph Henry Midgette
S-Milton Ray Wiggins

West Bend 434 (26)
 Lewisville
 6305 Shallowford Road
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Leon Mitchell Monroe Jr.
 S-Clarence Olen Huie

Blue Ridge 435 (41)
 Highlands
 Not available
 3 Thursday
 M-Raymond Robert Archer
 S-Randall Forrest Simmons

Biscoe 437 (24)
 Biscoe
 5815 Old Troy Road
 2 & Last Friday
 M-Edwin Ashley Goodwin Jr.
 S-Jimmy Marvin Harris Jr.

Marble Springs 439 (41)
 Marble
 Not available
 1 Saturday
 M-George Ian VanBuskirk
 S-Bobby Ray Welch

Marietta 444 (24)
 Ramseur
 735 Liberty Street
 2 Friday
 M-James Reiso Pickeral Jr.
 S-Calvin Byrd Cox

Biltmore 446 (39)
 Asheville
 St. Paul & Summit Street
 Every Tuesday
 M-Roger Fortune Williams Jr.
 S-James Kelly Britton

Enfield 447 (8)
 Enfield
 137 Railroad Street, SE
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Jonathon Chadwick Lyles
 S-Julius Graham Woody Jr.

Clyde 453 (40)
 Clyde
 69 Main Street
 2 Tuesday
 M-Cecil Garrett Medford
 S-John Robert Terrell

Elkin 454 (25)
 Elkin
 121 Quailtree Lane State Road
 2 Tuesday
 M-Tex Robert Spicer
 S-Edward Roan Snyder III

Dillsboro 459 (40)
 Sylva
 223 Wilkes Crescent Street
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Dennis Edwin Wilkey
 S-Gary Max Todd

Cliffside 460 (38)
 Cliffside
 Main Street
 2 & 4 Monday
 M-Herman Jones Jr.
 S-Ransome Hezekiah Epley Jr.

Matthews 461 (32)
 Matthews
 184 S. Trade Street
 2 Thursday
 M-William Michael Warr
 S-Edward Marvin Noles

South Fork 462 (36)
 Cramerton
 142 Eighth Avenue
 2 Tuesday
 M-William Harrison Crenshaw II
 S-Billy Ralph Eckard

Currituck 463 (1)
 Coinjock
 Not available
 1 Thursday
 M-William Francis Pugh
 S-Jerry Thomas Dowdy

Grassy Knob 471 (30)
 Union Grove
 2772 West Memorial Hwy (NC
 901)
 4 Friday
 M-Randy Wayne Cass
 S-David Ronald Millsaps

Sonoma 472 (40)
 Canton
 62 Birdsong Trail
 1 Thursday
 M-William Daniel Lane, Jr.
 S-Hugh Kirkpatrick Terrell Jr.

Lexington 473 (27)
 Lexington
 200 S. State Street
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Thomas John Jolly Jr.
 S-Marshall Nathaniel Goss Jr.

St. Pauls 474 (18)
 St. Pauls
 314 N. Fifth Street
 1 Tuesday
 M-James Delvin Herring
 S-Harry Eugene Carter

Grimesland 475 (6)
 Grimesland
 7525 Pitt Street (Hwy 33)
 1 Tuesday
 M-Michael Gordon Clark
 S-Garland Mitchell Bullock

Rainbow 479 (7)
 Arapahoe
 8006 NC 306S
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Dennis Dale Kitchen
 S-Henry Thomas Banks

Saluda 482 (38)
 Saluda
 Ozone Drive
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-John William Collins
 S-Harold Bowen Phillips

Traphill 483 (33)
 Traphill
 Austin Benham Road
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Jeffrey Paul Shumate
 S-James Michael May

Southern Pines 484 (21)
 Southern Pines
 40 Oak Hills Road
 1 & 3 Monday
 M-Charles Golden Brewer
 S-Louis Gregory Creveling

Lawndale 486 (35)
 Lawndale
 Piedmont Drive
 2 Thursday
 M-Joe Donald Peeler Jr.
 S-Douglas Anthony Beaver

Rich Square 488 (5)
 Rich Square
 306 E. Jackson Street
 2 Thursday
 M-William Franklin Parker
 S-Arthur Lee Horton

Linville 489 (37)
 Newland
 Not available
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Howard Ray Smith
 S-Tommy Lee Singleton

Hominy 491 (39)
 Candler
 Not available
 2 Tuesday
 M-William Fred Bailey Jr.
 S-David Claude Clontz

Thomas M. Holt 492 (22)

Graham
Johnson Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-David Michael Thompson
S-Harvey Theodore Hogan Jr.

Pilot 493 (25)

Pilot Mountain
689 Key Street
2 Monday
M-Dyrk Dean Garrison
S-Paul Wilson Shelton Jr.

Rockingham 495 (21)

Rockingham
1107 Fayetteville Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-Woodrow Thomas Ingle Jr.
S-Douglas Harvey Smith

Mooreville 496 (30)

Mooreville
Institute Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Mariman Charles Long
S-Paul Edward Cook

Royal Hart 497 (8)

Littleton
US 158 W., McPherson Complex
2 & 4 Monday
M-Donald Allen White
S-John Jeffrey Peedin

Ayden 498 (6)

Ayden
East Third Street
3 Tuesday
M-Kenneth Earl Rose III
S-Delano Reese Wilson

Creedmoor 499 (13)

Creedmoor
Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
2 Monday December
M-Steven Anthony Haskins
S-William Duval Averre

Raleigh 500 (14)

Raleigh
1520 Caswell Street
3 Tuesday
M-Randall Willis Fuquay
S-Gene Brack Jordan

Red Springs 501 (18)

Red Springs
301 Peachtree Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Phillip Harrison Edney
S-Roger Lynn Hamm

Cookville 502 (34)

Vale
7485 Hwy 10
1 Tuesday
M-George Calvin Ross
S-Pinkney Evoyd Hull

Cherryville 505 (36)

Cherryville
S. Mulberry Street
1 Monday
M-Jacob Wayne Black
S-Jerry Reginald Walker

Belhaven 509 (3)

Belhaven
East Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Rhonda Miller Flowers
S-Bryan Keith Davis

Whetstone 515 (36)

Bessemer City
W. Penn Avenue
4 Tuesday
3 Tuesday December
M-Ronald Eugene Moss
S-William Eric Dixon

Farmville 517 (6)

Farmville
103 Grimmsberg Street
2 Thursday
1 Thursday Nov. & Dec.
M-Roy Alton Peaden Jr.
S-William Edward Wooten

Widow's Son 519 (8)

Roanoke Rapids
Roanoke Ave. & 3rd Street
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Michael Wayne Reaves
S-Jerry Lavarro Moseley

Fairfield 520 (3)

Fairfield
7760 Piney Woods Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Odel Williams
S-Lonnie Lyndall Farmer Jr.

Manteo 521 (2)

Manteo
101 Hwy 64/264
2 & 4 Monday
M-Brian Dean Edwards
S-Russell Alan Lay

Rodgers 525 (9)

Middlesex
Not available
3 Monday
M-Daniel Wayne Sullivan
S-Jimmy Hal Brantley

Lucama 527 (16)

Lucama
US 301 South
2 & 4 Thursday
M-John Thomas Bass Jr.
S-Emory Phillips Honeycutt

Fairmont 528 (18)

Fairmont
709 Gertrude Street
3 Monday
M-Earl Wade Miller
S-Mickey Dean Williamson

Andrews 529 (41)

Andrews
56 Locust Road
1 Monday
M-Odis Edwin Adams
S-Michael Douglas Waters

Joppa 530 (31)

Charlotte
426 N. Sharon Amity
1 Friday
M-Clifford LaMere
S-Peter James Underhill

Hamlet 532 (21)

Hamlet
307 Main Street
2 & 4 Thursday
2 Thursday Nov. & Dec.
M-Edward Laurence Mercer
S-William P. Horne Jr.

Camp Call 534 (35)

Shelby
3801 Polkville Road
3 Monday
M-James Edwin McMurry
S-Thomas Elliotte Covington

Hollis 535 (38)

Hollis
450 W.E. Padgett Road
2 Thursday
M-Chad Curtis Huffstickler
S-Jasper Luther Yelton

Corinthian 542 (23)

Greensboro
426 W. Market Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Arvil Dewitte Evans Jr.
S-Hugh Lauchlin McLaurin III

Spencer 543 (28)

Spencer
114 Fourth Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-John Ellis Wagoner
S-John Robert Hatley Jr.

Mount Holly 544 (36)

Mount Holly
302 W. Charlotte Avenue
1 & 3 Monday
M-William Gary McKinney
S-Otha Eugene Perry III

Roman Eagle 550 (21)

Aberdeen
11611 US 15-501
1 & 3 Thursday
M-James Walker Sweitzer
S-William Kim Styers

Glenville 551 (40)

Glenville
4625 Hwy 107
2 Tuesday
M-John Michael Dormer
S-Robert Earle Caless

Revolution 552 (23)

Greensboro
802 16th Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Allen DeLeon Spain
S-Lewis Daniel Tysor

Vesper 554 (37)

Spruce Pine
637 Oak Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Theodore Wright McEntire
S-John Wayne Henline

Elise 555 (21)

Robbins
470 Hwy 705 S
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Alan Dale Sessoms
S-Raymond Lee Vaughn Jr.

Neill S. Stewart 556 (20)

Erwin
Masonic Drive
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Arthur Clarence Morgan Jr.
S-Phillip Boyd Turlington

Ararat 558 (25)

Ararat
Ararat Road
2 Friday
M-Gary Moir Atkins
S-Wayne Mitchell Davis

Swannanoa 561 (39)

Swannanoa
Whitson Avenue
1 Thursday
M-Wayne David Rose
S-David Lee Perkins

Waxhaw 562 (29)

Waxhaw
N.W. Main Street
1 Tuesday
M-Richard Lewis Primm
S-Richard Eugene Shields Jr.

Tabor 563 (18)

Tabor City
600 E. Fifth Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Michael LaRue Norris
S-Herman William Stevens

Richlands 564 (4)

Richlands
126 Huffman Town Road
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Edward Earl Rouse
S-Philip Ray Mercer

Wendell 565 (14)

Wendell
27 N. Main Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Stephen Warren White
S-Jack Sidney Hatley

Doric 568 (7)

New Bern
2100 S. Glenburnie Avenue
2 & 4 Friday
M-Bruce Robert Arnold
S-Mark James Dunham

Snow Creek 571 (30)

Statesville
558 Dobson Farm Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-Delton Jack McLelland
S-Ernest Neal Sloan Jr.

Mount Pleasant 573 (33)

Wilkesboro
206 Champion-Mt. Pleasant
Road
2 Thursday
M-James Heggie Richardson
S-Richard Knox Sloop

Andrew Jackson 576 (28)

Salisbury
401 N. Fulton Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Gary Steven Yost
S-Robert Dennis Sims

Meadow Branch 578 (29)

Wingate
211 S. Stewart Street
3 Tuesday
M-Marcus Smith Carlan
S-Bobby William Ford

Casar 579 (35)

Casar
5801 Casar Road
1 Thursday
M-Brian Gene Houser
S-Kenneth Robert Beam

Ionic 583 (7)

Cove City
N. Main Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Charles Augustus Wethington
S-Benjamin Franklin Grady Jr.

Apex 584 (15)

Apex
408 E. Williams Street
2 Monday
M-John Hoyt McLaughlin II
S-James Laverne Dority

Roseboro 585 (11)

Roseboro
306 NE Railroad Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Gary Wayne Hall
S-Percy Gene Hall

Bethel 589 (6)

Bethel
108 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Harold Todd Bullock
S-James Wilbert Futrell

Lowell 590 (36)

Lowell
122 N. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
3 Tuesday July
M-Gerald Joseph Genovese
S-Paul Walters Jr.

Maiden 592 (34)

Maiden
18 W. Main Street
2 Monday
M-Darin Lee Poovey
S-Bobby Elliotte Sherrill

Stony Point 593 (30)

Stony Point
Ruritan Park Road
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Larry David Gilreath
S-Jerry Lee Durmire

Ashe 594 (33)

West Jefferson
104 S. Third Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Russell Franklin Vannoy
S-Jeffrey Thomas Jones

Wallace 595 (11)

Wallace
407 South Norwood Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Johnnie Jefferson Murray Jr.
S-William LaFayette Hussey Jr.

Waccamaw 596 (12)

Riegelwood
Hwy 87
2 & 4 Monday
M-Leslie Michael Porter
S-Jerry Alton Caines

Cranberry 598 (37)

Elk Park
195 Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Kenneth James Brewer Jr.
S-Steve Walter Gouge

Queen City 602 (9)

Rocky Mount
1700 S. Winstead Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Robert Sidney Flowers
S-James Rice Thompson III

Jeff L. Nelson 605 (38)

Tryon
Freedom Hill Road
1 & 4 Monday
1 Monday December
M-Joseph Bradford Foster
S-Kirtland Flynn Jr.

Riverside 606 (34)

Catawba
102 N. Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Kelly Lee Nash
S-Jacob Ray Abernathy Jr.

Chadbourn 607 (18)

Chadbourn
Strawberry Blvd.
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Kenneth Paul Simmons
S-George Wesley Baysden Jr.

Zebulon 609 (14)

Zebulon
111 E. Horton Street
1 Tuesday
M-Robert Clark Barron
S-Barna Osbone Wilder

Atkinson 612 (12)

Atkinson
Main Street
4 Monday
M-Allan Faison Squires
S-Alfred Gray Arnett

Home 613 (10)

Fremont
Goldsboro Street
2 Monday
M-Floyd Anthony Evans
S-William Darron Flowers

Round Peak 616 (25)

Mt. Airy
1365 Old Lowgap Road
1 Friday
M-Kenneth Michael Fulk
S-Donald Gray Underwood

St. Patrick's 617 (16)

Princeton
Not available
1 & 3 Wednesday
M-Henry Berket Butts
S-Sidney Albert Wellons III

Union 618 (28)

Midland
12105 Highway 601
2 Monday
M-David Eli Matheson
S-Darrell Eugene Cline

John H. Mills 624 (13)

Epsom
Highway 39
2 & 4 Thursday
M-James Felton Jernigan
S-Jerry Lee Stegall

Cannon Memorial 626 (28)

Kannapolis
704 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-John Clifford Pipkin
S-Kenneth Lee Davis

Belmont 627 (36)

Belmont
201 South Main Street
2 Monday
M-John Robert Patterson
S-Larry Eugene Watts

Walnut Cove 629 (25)

Walnut Cove
810 Summit Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Jerry Wayne Tate
S-Spencer Ray Ashby

Francis S. Packard 630 (8)

Norlina
Oine Road
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Bruce Everette Murphy
S-Reynolds Travis Perkinson

Goldsboro 634 (10)

Goldsboro
1002 North Berkeley Boulevard
2 & 4 Monday
M-Michael Allen Grantham
S-Bradley Winston Carmichael

Yadkin Falls 637 (29)

Badin
34 Falls Road
1 & 3 Monday
M-Ernie Melvin McSwain
S-Wayne Ray Rummage

Proctorville 643 (18)

Proctorville
Main & Pine Street
2 Monday
M-Terry Alan Britt
S-Kester Keith Walters

Bladen 646 (17)

Elizabethtown
Cypress Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-David Michael Schroeder
S-Horace Roby Wyatt

Nichols-West Asheville 650 (39)

Asheville
80 Broadway
3 Monday
M-Stephen Scott Clark
S-Jack Roger Barnett

Elberta 654 (21)

West End
Hwy 73
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Jim Atkins
S-Kenneth Edgar Lewis

Guilford 656 (23)

Greensboro
426 W. Market Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-James Russell Kellam
S-Scott Frederick Fancett

Keller Memorial 657 (28)

Rockwell
Not available
2 & 4 Monday
M-Richard Allen Misenheimer
S-Robert Charles Peeler

Beulaville 658 (11)

Beulaville
506 West Bostic Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Jerry Rogers Kennedy
S-Douglas Allen Turner

Black Mountain 663 (39)

Black Mountain
105 Rock Church Street
1 Monday
M-Darrell Lee Slaughter
S-Carl Richard Patton

Garland 664 (11)

Garland
471 S. Ingold Avenue
4 Monday
M-Tony Leon Smith
S-Terry Jefferson Williams

Fort Bragg 667 (17)

Spring Lake
411 Hwy 210 N.
1 Tuesday
M-Charles Norman Cole Jr.
S-Ralph Wilbur Kearns

Holland Memorial 668 (36)

Gastonia
South Street
2 Thursday
M-James Preston Aaron
S-John Wesley Waldrop Jr.

Kernersville 669 (26)

Kernersville
700 S. Main Street
1 Monday
M-Robert Michael Bridges
S-Stewart Carroll Hodges

Lovelady 670 (34)

Valdese
E. Main Street
2 Monday
M-Terry Dale McGee
S-George Washington Vessel

Robbinsville 672 (41)

Robbinsville
Church Street
2 Tuesday
M-Mitchell Lafayette Millsaps
S-Jessie Burlen Aldridge

Spindale 673 (38)

Spindale
101 Davis Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Andrew Douglas Greenway
S-Jack Laxton Conner

Acacia 674 (23)

High Point
443 S. Main Street
1 Thursday
M-Lewis Joe Gallman
S-George Boyd Hughey

Washington 675 (3)

Washington
111 E. Fifth Street
1 & 3 Monday
M-Roger Boyd Williams
S-Frederick McIlhenny Mallison Jr.

Temple 676 (32)

Charlotte
4740 Randolph Road
1 Thursday
M-Haywood Vernon Norwood Jr.
S-Charles Leland Davidson

Warsaw 677 (11)

Warsaw
601 E. College Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-James William Preston III
S-Luther Carthal Jones Jr.

Providence 678 (3)

Columbia
US 64 W
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Ernest Wesley Spencer
S-Albert Ryder

Creasy Proctor 679 (17)

Fayetteville
2860 Village Drive
2 Tuesday
M-Billy Evander Strickland
S-Egbert Faison Williams Jr.

Semper Fidelis 680 (4)

Jacksonville
727 Henderson Drive
2 & 4 Wednesday
M-John Joseph Brown
S-Russell Peter Somdahl

Piedmont 681 (23)

High Point
443 S. Main Street
3 Tuesday
M-Donald Ray Hoosier
S-Woodroe Franklin Haywood

Rolesville 683 (14)

Rolesville
Pulley Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-William Grey Arnold
S-Raymond Lewis Novak

Piedmont-Pioneer 685 (26)

Winston-Salem
34 Miller Street
2 Tuesday
M-Billy Alex Baker
S-Frank Lee Collins

Angier 686 (20)

Angier
Hwy 55 South
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Hoyet Lyles Beckham
S-Donald Alton Bennett

Fellowship 687 (19)

Durham
Watts Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-John Thomas Killough
S-Horace Hulan Lane

Cherry Point 688 (7)

Havelock
110 Oakwood Drive
1 & 3 Thursday
M-James William Delk
S-Deamous Keith Lewis

Scotland Neck 689 (8)

Scotland Neck
Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-William Walter Leggett
S-Gene Worth Todd

Mount Moriah 690 (30)

Statesville
302 E. Front Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Andy Troy Setzer
S-Tony Sherrill Madison

Renfro 691 (25)

Mount Airy
212 Franklin Street
3 Monday
M-Jody Lee King
S-Clayton Elmer King Jr.

East Gate 692 (31)

Charlotte
426 N. Sharon Amity Road
1 Monday
M-Todd Jeffrey McCranie
S-Clyde Elwood Bridges

Charles M. Setzer 693 (32)

Charlotte
4301 Stacy Boulevard
3 Monday
1 & 3 Monday December
M-Russell Clarence Elliott
S-Harold Allen Kessler

Gate City 694 (23)

Greensboro
426 West Market Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Arthur Vance Marshall Jr.
S-Gary Ray Ballance

- Allen-Graham 695 (28)**
Kannapolis
702 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-James Roy Roberts Jr.
S-Randy Colen Crainshaw
- Memorial 696 (27)**
Lexington
468 Central Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Roy Carlton West
S-Douglas Tate Sink
- Butner 697 (13)**
Butner
Not available
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Harry Anthony Conte
S-John Lewis Bryant
- Cape Hatteras 698 (2)**
Buxton
Hwy 12, 1 mile south of
Lighthouse
2 & 4 Monday
M-Charles Holloway Barnett
S-Douglas Edward Dorris Jr.
- Asheboro 699 (24)**
Asheboro
325 Sunset Avenue
1 & 3 Thursday
M-James Ronald Williams
S-Hal Worth Hodgkin
- Garner 701 (15)**
Garner
406 E. Main Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-Ronald Stephen Williams
S-John Franklin Tawney
- St. Andrew 702 (31)**
Charlotte
4630 Tuckaseegee Road
2 Tuesday
M-Tony Dwayne Lowery
S-John Dennis Lowery
- Albemarle 703 (29)**
Albemarle
230 N. First Street
2 & 4 Monday
M-James Lowell Blalock
S-Dewey Robert Corriher
- King Solomon 704 (36)**
Gastonia
214 South Street
2 Tuesday
M-Ronnie Ervin Melton
S-Victor Albert Willis
- Richard Caswell 705 (10)**
Kinston
805 Greenbriar Road
1 & 3 Tuesday
M-Daniel Mercer Forbes Jr.
S-Ray Harmon Early Jr.
- Newport 706 (4)**
Newport
235 Howard Blvd.
2 & 4 Monday
M-James Earl McDougal
S-Wray Alan Thomas
- Forsyth 707 (26)**
Winston-Salem
34 Miller Street
2 Tuesday
M-Thomas Wilson Joseph
S-Claude Truett Chadwick Jr.
- Crown Point 708 (6)**
Greenville
1104 Charles Street
2 & 4 Thursday
2 Thursday December
M-Peter Michael John Romary
S-Roy Sadler Selby
- Conover 709 (34)**
Conover
123 First Avenue
2 & 4 Thursday
M-Harley Lee Fisher
S-Fred Lee Sherrill Jr.
- Advance 710 (27)**
Advance
NC Highway 801S
2 Tuesday
M-Johnny Ray Stike
S-Joseph Russell Suggs Jr.
- Wilson 712 (16)**
Wilson
2501 West Nash Street
4 Tuesday
M-Norman Ernest Pridgen Jr.
S-Donald Roosevelt Tomlinson
- Stanley 713 (36)**
Stanley
Morris Farm Road
3 Monday
M-Stephen Curtis Burr
S-William Theodore Cope
- Liberty 714 (24)**
Liberty
135 North Asheboro Street
1 Thursday
M-Ira Eugene Holmes Jr.
S-Cary Allen McMasters
- Derita 715 (31)**
Charlotte
6300 Rumble Road
1 Friday
M-Clifford John Warnstaff
S-Allen Walton Scott
- Burnsville 717 (37)**
Burnsville
Robertson Street
3 Thursday
M-Shelby Dean Branton
S-Jerry Keith Laws
- Troy 718 (24)**
Troy
Eldorado Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Gene Robert Griffith
S-Daniel Laughlin Morris
- Horse Creek 719 (38)**
Columbus
Court House Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
2 Tuesday December
M-Jeffrey Morris Ruff
S-Orbie Joe Cates
- Cabarrus 720 (28)**
Concord
51 Brumley Avenue
1 Thursday
M-Roger Darrell Long
S-Robert Ray Stallings
- Burlington 721 (22)**
Burlington
1307 S. Main Street
1 & 3 Tuesday
1 Tuesday December
- King 722 (26)**
King
7850 Masonic Drive
3 Thursday
M-William Lawrence Bridges
S-Lynwood Gregory Eubanks
- Winton 723 (5)**
Winton
201 Brickell Street
2 & 4 Tuesday
M-Richard Melton Harrell
S-Harry Bartlett Ward
- Berne 724 (7)**
New Bern
516 Hancock Street
1 & 3 Thursday
M-Grady Ward Stilley
S-Howard Chaffon Cashwell

Grantham 725 (7)
 Township No. 7 New Bern
 1307 Old Cherry Point Road
 1 & 3 Tuesday
 M-Luther Adam Jones
 S-George Eden Herring

Keystone 726 (32)
 Charlotte
 184 S. Trade Street
 2 Wednesday
 M-Anthony Joseph Diramio
 S-Andrew Jackson Branch

Shallotte 727 (12)
 Shallotte
 5072 Main Street
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-Johnny Andrews Brookshire
 S-Douglas Leo Causey

Stedman 730 (17)
 Stedman
 Carol Street
 1 Monday
 M-Jack Ryder Forbes
 S-James Hay

John Huske Anderson 731 (17)
 Fayetteville
 2860 Village Drive
 2 Wednesday
 M-Robert Paul Richling Jr.
 S-Theodore Roosevelt Brinson Jr.

Bush Hill 732 (24)
 Archdale
 300 Goodman Street
 2 Tuesday
 M-Roland Benjamin Lawrimore Jr.
 S-Gerald Wayne Underwood Jr.

Stump Sound 733 (4)
 Sneads Ferry
 Charles Creek Road
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-Shirley Leonard King
 S-Michael Francis McGrath

William Pitt 734 (6)
 Greenville
 1104 Charles Street
 1 & 3 Wednesday
 M-Charles Gerard Gregory
 S-Lloyd Farrell Foley

James B. Green 735 (14)
 Raleigh
 512 Lynn Road
 2 & 4 Tuesday
 M-Allan Baker Bonner III
 S-Ronald Carl Hollamon

New River 736 (4)
 Jacksonville
 Old Hwy 30
 2 & 4 Thursday
 M-Donald Lee Cook
 S-James Henderson Kirtner Jr.

Steele Creek 737 (32)
 Charlotte
 9424 Steele Creek Road
 1 Monday
 M-Ralph Newell Hamilton
 S-Jack Clifford Austin Jr.

West Gate 738 (31)
 Charlotte
 5924 Brookshire Blvd.
 3 Monday
 M-Stephan Chachoff
 S-John Rankin Litaker

Newell 739 (31)
 Newell
 1409 Rocky River Road W
 1 Monday
 2 Monday September
 M-Charles Edwin Michael
 S-Charles Robert Smith Jr.

Charles B. Newcomb 740 (15)
 Raleigh
 5700 Tryon Road
 3 Thursday
 M-Talmadge Edward Poole
 S-Donald Nixon Chesson

Crissie Wright 741 (4)
 Smyrna
 500 Hwy 70 E
 2 & 4 Wednesday
 M-Ray Harrison Lewis Jr.
 S-Ralph Neil Daniels

Mint Hill 742 (32)
 Mint Hill
 10224 Lawyers Road
 1 Thursday
 M-Gary Lee Isenhour
 S-Weldon Richard Needham

J. J. Crowder 743 (14)
 Raleigh
 9920 Falls of Neuse Road
 1 Thursday
 M-Stephen Martin Day Jr.
 S-Charles Williams Howell Jr.

Shelby 744 (35)
 Shelby
 220 E. Warren Street
 1 Monday
 M-James Edward Jenkins
 S-Donald Wayne Loftis

Vandora 745 (15)
 Garner
 Hwy 50
 1 Thursday
 M-W.H. Hamilton
 S-Walling Douglas Gamber

P. P. Turner 746 (23)
 Greensboro
 3408 Londonderry Drive
 1 Thursday
 M-Jeffrey David Martin
 S-Kurt Michael Van Tine

Ocracoke 747 (2)
 Ocracoke
 Not Available
 1 & 3 Thursday
 M-Kirby Dale VanLandingham
 S-Michael Thomas Lawson

Truth 749 (29)
 Monroe
 520 E. Franklin Street
 2 Monday
 M-Rocky Allen Mills
 S-Jerry Lee Honeycutt

Oak Grove 750 (19)
 Durham
 Not Available
 3 Monday
 M-Duane Mitchell Delay
 S-Walter Ray Allen

Old Town 751 (26)
 Winston-Salem
 5112 N. Causeway Drive
 3 Tuesday
 M-Charlie Green Allen Jr.
 S-Scott Thomas Horn

Enterprise 752 (27)
 Arcadia
 Hwy 150 N
 2 Monday
 M-Danny Lloyd Hedrick
 S-Thomas Walcer Allen Jr.

Federal Point 753 (12)
 Carolina Beach
 Fifth & Harper
 4 Tuesday
 2 Tuesday December
 M-Bobby Benton Passmore
 S-Dennis Lee Jackson

Masters 754 (15)
 Raleigh
 1520 Caswell Street
 3 Thursday
 M-Keith Herbert LeGrow
 S-Adrian Paul Hatfield

Clemmons 755 (26)

Clemmons
6210 Stadium Drive
1 Monday
M-George Douglas Buie Jr.
S-Alan R. Burke

Clifford Duel 756 (17)

Fayetteville
2860 Village Drive
3 Monday
1 Monday December
M-Charles Duncan McLaurin
S-Marvin Ford Asbill

Denver 757 (35)

Denver
3333 St. James Church Road
3 Tuesday
1 Tuesday December
M-Max Henry Kennedy
S-James Ray Barnes

Oak Island 758 (12)

Long Beach
2408 E. Oak Island Drive
3 Thursday
M-Thomas Murray Culp
S-Josh Radford Brinkley

James K. Polk 759 (32)

Pineville
204 Dover Street
2 Thursday
M-Edward Warren Boland
S-French Bardin Harvey

Wilkerson College 760 (23)

Greensboro
700 S. Holden Road
1 Saturday
M-Herbert Lloyd Wilkerson
S-Daniel George Bisho

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**North Carolina Lodges
Listed Numerically**

Lodge Name	Lodge Number	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Admitted	Restored	Expelled	Suspended UMC	Excluded NPD	Demitted	Died	Membership 2002	Membership 2003	Increase (Decrease)	Rejected	Exempt Members	Fees	Dues	Affiliation Fees
St. John's	1	2	5	5	3	2	0	0	10	2	20	409	387	-22	0	36	100.00	45.00	0.00
Royal White Hart	2	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	93	93	0	0	14	100.00	40.00	0.00
St. John's	3	5	1	1	4	0	0	0	3	0	8	285	279	-6	0	23	75.00	35.00	30.00
St. John's	4	1	1	1	3	2	0	0	5	1	9	144	135	-9	0	22	100.00	60.00	0.00
Charity	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	66	61	-5	0	9	50.00	30.00	50.00
Unanimity	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	105	98	-7	0	10	75.00	35.00	10.00
Phoenix	8	24	16	9	4	1	0	0	6	3	18	410	397	-13	5	34	100.00	35.00	5.00
Johnston-Caswell	10	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	41	40	-1	0	1	100.00	50.00	0.00
Caswell Brotherhood	11	3	3	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	3	103	102	-1	0	2	75.00	45.00	0.00
St. John's	13	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	4	71	65	-6	0	7	100.00	100.00	0.00
American George	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	74	73	-1	0	16	60.00	50.00	0.00
Eagle	19	3	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	139	142	3	0	12	100.00	75.00	75.00
Statesville	27	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	3	165	162	-3	0	12	100.00	65.00	0.00
Phalanx	31	4	3	3	1	0	0	0	5	1	6	206	198	-8	0	30	100.00	50.00	0.00
Stokes	32	4	5	4	3	1	0	0	6	2	10	241	231	-10	0	19	75.00	50.00	0.00
Davie	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	146	142	-4	0	20	100.00	50.00	0.00
Hiram	40	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	7	306	298	-8	0	43	75.00	60.00	25.00
Liberty	45	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	112	109	-3	0	9	150.00	50.00	0.00
Hall	53	4	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	109	110	1	0	11	100.00	60.00	0.00
Concord	58	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	112	111	-1	0	12	100.00	60.00	0.00
Perseverance	59	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	3	133	126	-7	0	16	50.00	72.00	0.00
Kilwinning	64	6	5	3	0	2	0	0	3	0	3	162	161	-1	0	11	100.00	40.00	0.00
Widow's Son	75	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	74	70	-4	0	14	100.00	60.00	10.00
Greensboro	76	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	8	195	189	-6	0	40	100.00	52.00	0.00
Zion	81	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	102	99	-3	0	6	100.00	50.00	15.00
LaFayette	83	2	2	2	0	2	0	0	8	0	9	243	230	-13	1	22	100.00	63.00	0.00
Fellowship	84	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	3	137	130	-7	0	12	100.00	75.00	20.00
Morning Star	85	2	1	3	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	111	114	3	0	11	50.00	50.00	10.00
Skewarkee	90	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	1	3	113	109	-4	0	11	75.00	60.00	0.00
Western Star	91	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	86	83	-3	0	8	100.00	50.00	100.00

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Joseph Warren	92	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	54	53	-1	0	8	100.00	60.00	25.00
Jerusalem	95	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	40	39	-1	0	2	50.00	50.00	0.00
Millbrook	97	3	3	3	2	0	0	0	6	0	1	186	184	-2	0	10	0.00	50.00	0.00
Hiram	98	7	4	3	2	0	0	0	3	1	4	164	161	-3	0	12	100.00	50.00	0.00
Fulton	99	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	5	0	4	171	164	-7	0	19	125.00	62.00	0.00
Columbus	102	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	77	76	-1	0	7	100.00	50.00	0.00
Orr	104	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	153	155	2	0	10	50.00	65.00	25.00
Perquimans	106	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	6	115	112	-3	1	14	75.00	35.00	15.00
Franklin	109	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	18	266	250	-16	0	42	100.00	50.00	10.00
Wayne	112	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	3	1	4	260	255	-5	0	33	125.00	45.00	0.00
Person	113	4	4	4	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	94	96	2	0	16	100.00	75.00	0.00
St. Alban's	114	5	6	7	1	0	0	0	13	2	8	248	233	-15	0	27	100.00	50.00	0.00
Holly Springs	115	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	35	35	0	0	0	100.00	50.00	0.00
Mount Lebanon	117	9	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	141	141	0	0	14	100.00	62.00	2.50
Mt. Hermon	118	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	5	206	202	-4	0	26	85.00	50.00	5.00
Oxford	122	6	5	5	1	0	0	0	3	1	7	192	187	-5	1	10	150.00	62.00	0.00
Franklinton	123	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	1	89	75	-14	0	7	90.00	50.00	0.00
Mill Creek	125	4	2	2	0	2	0	0	2	1	5	107	103	-4	0	10	100.00	60.00	25.00
Gatesville	126	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	86	87	1	0	12	50.00	40.00	10.00
Blackmer	127	3	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	121	126	5	0	13	100.00	50.00	0.00
Hanks	128	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	61	60	-1	0	3	100.00	50.00	0.00
Dan River	129	1	2	1	0	3	0	0	2	1	3	122	120	-2	0	22	100.00	50.00	0.00
Radiance	132	2	3	4	1	0	0	0	1	4	6	104	98	-6	0	7	100.00	77.00	0.00
Mocksville	134	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	4	1	3	122	116	-6	0	14	100.00	50.00	0.00
Leaksville	136	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	3	175	175	0	1	6	125.00	65.00	10.00
Lincoln	137	2	2	2	1	2	0	0	6	0	4	241	236	-5	0	18	100.00	30.00	0.00
King Solomon	138	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	99	94	-5	0	11	150.00	75.00	0.00
Mt. Vernon	143	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	49	0	0	8	50.00	50.00	0.00
Junaluskee	145	4	2	2	1	7	0	0	10	2	8	235	225	-10	0	33	150.00	65.00	35.00
Cherokee	146	5	2	1	1	0	0	0	3	2	3	123	117	-6	0	8	80.00	50.00	0.00

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Palmyra	147	7	7	7	1	3	0	0	0	1	9	269	270	1	0	23	100.00	50.00	35.00
Admiral	149	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	29	29	0	0	1	100.00	35.00	0.00
Pee Dee	150	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	57	55	-2	0	5	75.00	60.00	0.00
Sanford	151	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	4	141	136	-5	0	20	100.00	50.00	0.00
Scott-Ireland	154	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	91	86	-5	0	7	100.00	50.00	100.00
White Stone	155	2	5	5	2	0	0	0	2	0	3	109	111	2	0	15	75.00	75.00	0.00
Knap of Reeds	158	6	6	5	2	0	0	0	2	1	7	148	145	-3	0	5	100.00	50.00	10.00
Yadkin Lodge	162	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	141	135	-6	0	11	100.00	50.00	0.00
Archer	165	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	31	29	-2	0	2	50.00	40.00	0.00
Winston Lodge	167	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	146	141	-5	0	22	150.00	50.00	0.00
Blackmer	170	2	4	3	1	0	0	0	2	2	1	113	112	-1	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00
Buffalo	172	2	2	2	1	2	0	0	7	1	1	150	146	-4	0	13	50.00	50.00	0.00
Williams	176	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	152	148	-4	0	7	100.00	40.00	0.00
Carthage	181	4	5	5	3	0	0	0	4	0	2	62	64	2	0	2	100.00	40.00	0.00
Central Cross	187	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	64	61	-3	0	8	50.00	50.00	0.00
Balfour	188	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	8	95	88	-7	0	14	75.00	40.00	5.00
Fair Bluff	190	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	33	30	-3	0	2	75.00	50.00	0.00
Granite	191	3	4	6	0	1	0	0	2	1	2	75	77	2	1	8	100.00	80.00	0.00
Cary	198	7	9	9	1	0	0	0	3	1	2	247	251	4	2	37	75.00	65.00	5.00
Cleveland	202	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	28	4	17	294	247	-47	0	18	75.00	50.00	5.00
Long Creek	205	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	6	6	7	283	267	-16	0	16	100.00	60.00	0.00
Mingo	206	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	127	124	-3	0	8	50.00	50.00	50.00
Lebanon	207	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	129	130	1	0	8	100.00	50.00	0.00
Mt. Olive	208	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	5	0	8	150	140	-10	0	13	75.00	50.00	0.00
Eno	210	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	6	1	8	157	146	-11	0	24	100.00	35.00	10.00
Thomasville	214	3	1	1	3	0	0	0	4	2	10	206	194	-12	0	26	150.00	50.00	25.00
Catawba Valley	217	7	4	3	2	1	0	0	2	3	4	265	262	-3	2	19	125.00	55.00	25.00
Wm. G. Hill	218	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	10	217	209	-8	0	42	75.00	50.00	75.00
Olin	226	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	49	45	-4	0	4	100.00	50.00	0.00
Henderson	229	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	5	0	6	137	128	-9	1	15	100.00	60.00	10.00

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Corinthian	230	7	8	6	2	2	0	0	6	3	9	304	295	-9	0	17	50.00	50.00	3.00
Wm.T. Bain	231	5	2	1	1	1	0	0	6	1	4	89	81	-8	0	5	75.00	100.00	10.00
Mystic Tie	237	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	5	143	138	-5	1	9	75.00	50.00	10.00
Wicacoan	240	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	21	20	-1	0	2	50.00	25.00	0.00
Griffon	243	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	2	101	98	-3	0	9	75.00	75.00	0.00
Monroe	244	7	8	8	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	260	262	2	0	20	75.00	50.00	10.00
Catawba	248	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	107	103	-4	0	18	100.00	65.00	0.00
Pythagoras	249	9	3	3	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	134	135	1	1	14	150.00	50.00	0.00
Lee	253	2	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	112	112	0	0	5	100.00	60.00	0.00
Kenly	257	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	59	60	1	1	5	75.00	70.00	0.00
Fuquay	258	2	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	5	124	123	-1	0	8	75.00	40.00	0.00
Waynesville	259	2	3	3	1	2	0	0	6	0	4	163	159	-4	0	18	75.00	50.00	25.00
Excelsior	261	1	2	3	0	2	0	0	11	3	11	298	278	-20	0	49	100.00	60.00	0.00
Hibriten	262	3	4	3	1	1	0	0	2	0	8	293	288	-5	0	19	150.00	50.00	12.00
Gaston	263	6	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	162	161	-1	1	9	130.00	50.00	5.00
Farmington	265	11	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	109	9	0	3	100.00	50.00	0.00
Dunn's Rock	267	5	4	4	2	0	0	0	1	2	5	208	206	-2	1	30	130.00	50.00	0.00
Tobasco	271	2	2	3	4	0	0	0	0	1	5	80	81	1	0	8	75.00	20.00	20.00
Bingham	272	2	1	2	0	2	0	0	8	1	3	133	125	-8	0	7	150.00	50.00	6.00
Beaver Dam	276	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	107	107	0	0	6	100.00	75.00	0.00
Green Level	277	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	82	81	-1	0	6	75.00	35.00	0.00
Rehoboth	279	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	34	33	-1	0	3	50.00	50.00	0.00
Wake Forest	282	5	7	7	3	0	0	0	0	3	4	94	97	3	0	11	100.00	50.00	0.00
Eureka	283	7	5	5	2	0	0	0	6	1	5	214	209	-5	1	16	100.00	62.00	0.00
Greenville	284	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	8	2	7	124	109	-15	0	9	50.00	75.00	75.00
Salem	289	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	32	2	11	368	326	-42	0	55	150.00	52.00	12.00
French Broad	292	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	152	151	-1	1	11	75.00	25.00	10.00
Vance	293	7	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	120	122	2	0	18	100.00	10.00	50.00
Atlantic	294	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	41	39	-2	0	6	75.00	50.00	0.00
Stonewall	296	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	54	52	-2	0	8	50.00	40.00	0.00

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Harmony	299	3	3	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	49	51	2	0	3	100.00	50.00	0.00
Aurora	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	34	33	-1	0	6	60.00	60.00	0.00
Clay	301	2	5	5	3	0	0	0	3	0	4	184	185	1	0	32	75.00	50.00	25.00
Lillington	302	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	210	208	-2	0	13	50.00	40.00	0.00
Pleasant Hill	304	1	3	1	3	0	0	0	3	1	2	175	176	1	1	21	75.00	50.00	5.00
Laurinburg	305	3	3	2	0	4	0	0	7	1	1	123	120	-3	0	15	125.00	70.00	0.00
Raeford	306	3	4	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	123	124	1	1	8	100.00	55.00	10.00
New Lebanon	314	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	106	104	-2	0	11	85.00	60.00	20.00
Eureka	317	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	10	252	243	-9	1	35	100.00	55.00	6.00
Wilmington	319	5	8	5	3	1	0	0	4	5	9	313	304	-9	1	24	100.00	60.00	10.00
Selma	320	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	94	93	-1	1	10	100.00	65.00	0.00
Granite	322	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	179	179	0	0	21	100.00	40.00	1.00
Mattamuskeet	328	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	38	36	-2	0	3	75.00	25.00	0.00
Bayboro	331	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	81	82	1	0	11	50.00	40.00	0.00
Fairview	339	9	5	4	0	4	0	0	5	0	2	217	218	1	0	12	100.00	40.00	25.00
Harmony	340	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	90	84	-6	0	6	125.00	75.00	0.00
Hickory	343	9	6	6	1	1	0	0	4	3	10	368	359	-9	0	23	125.00	57.00	0.00
Numa F. Reid	344	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	138	128	-10	0	17	75.00	50.00	0.00
Stanley	348	6	5	5	0	2	0	0	8	0	6	175	168	-7	0	13	100.00	55.00	15.00
Durham	352	4	4	4	1	1	0	0	1	0	11	290	284	-6	0	35	100.00	55.00	7.50
Fallston	356	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	102	99	-3	0	11	70.00	45.00	70.00
Bakersville	357	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	5	0	2	123	119	-4	0	11	150.00	45.00	0.00
East LaPorte	358	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	81	81	0	0	22	75.00	35.00	0.00
Mount Vernon	359	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	60	60	0	0	9	50.00	45.00	0.00
Snow	363	4	3	4	0	0	0	0	6	1	5	214	206	-8	0	27	100.00	50.00	0.00
Gastonia	369	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	10	259	245	-14	0	31	100.00	60.00	0.00
Ashler	373	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	66	64	-2	0	6	100.00	40.00	0.00
Campbell	374	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	78	78	0	0	4	100.00	50.00	0.00
State Line	375	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	53	52	-1	0	3	75.00	50.00	0.00
Youngsville	377	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	32	32	0	0	1	75.00	75.00	0.00

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Seaboard	378	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	31	29	-2	0	6	60.00	35.00	0.00
Coharie	379	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	71	71	0	0	3	100.00	100.00	0.00
Granville	380	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	36	33	-3	0	8	75.00	50.00	0.00
Forest City	381	4	3	2	1	2	1	0	0	1	5	147	145	-2	0	10	75.00	50.00	5.00
Jefferson Penn	384	14	11	11	2	4	0	0	2	2	8	160	165	5	2	18	150.00	50.00	10.00
Pigeon River	386	4	4	4	2	0	0	0	1	1	3	121	122	1	0	19	75.00	50.00	15.00
Kedron	387	6	7	7	8	1	0	0	3	2	1	252	262	10	1	28	100.00	50.00	10.00
Friendship	388	8	5	6	2	0	0	0	11	1	1	147	142	-5	1	6	100.00	50.00	0.00
Copeland	390	5	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	6	116	113	-3	0	1	200.00	40.00	0.00
Lebanon	391	10	9	10	1	3	0	0	11	2	6	223	218	-5	0	9	100.00	75.00	0.00
Orient	395	2	4	3	0	2	0	0	5	2	5	203	196	-7	0	11	100.00	45.00	0.00
Bald Creek	397	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	2	0	3	145	143	-2	0	13	75.00	45.00	45.00
Joppa	401	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	2	110	108	-2	0	4	75.00	50.00	0.00
Siler City	403	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	117	113	-4	0	16	100.00	50.00	0.00
Denton	404	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	63	66	3	0	4	95.00	60.00	0.00
Ocean	405	5	5	5	3	0	0	0	7	2	5	262	266	-6	0	37	100.00	47.00	15.00
North Wilkesboro	407	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	4	117	112	-5	0	10	100.00	50.00	0.00
University	408	4	5	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	116	114	-2	0	15	125.00	60.00	15.00
Bula	409	9	5	5	4	3	0	0	8	5	5	280	274	-6	0	27	75.00	60.00	0.00
Bailey	411	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	3	57	49	-8	0	10	50.00	50.00	50.00
Henry F. Grainger	412	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	38	37	-1	0	1	150.00	60.00	0.00
James A. Johnson	413	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	2	3	87	82	-5	0	8	75.00	50.00	5.00
Maxton	417	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	53	52	-1	0	2	100.00	30.00	0.00
Pendleton	418	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	82	82	0	0	20	60.00	35.00	30.00
Harmon	420	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	0	48	43	-5	0	0	100.00	40.00	100.00
Sparta	423	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	125	125	0	0	11	75.00	30.00	0.00
Montgomery	426	1	2	6	0	1	0	0	4	1	3	105	104	-1	0	11	80.00	35.00	10.00
Oconee	427	3	4	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	77	82	5	0	3	150.00	50.00	25.00
Stokesdale	428	5	6	6	3	0	0	0	1	0	4	135	139	4	0	16	100.00	45.00	5.00
Seaside	429	3	2	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	7	194	193	-1	0	19	100.00	15.00	50.00

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Relief	431	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	105	104	-1	0	8	75.00	60.00	0.00
Piney Creek	432	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	55	55	0	0	1	55.00	15.00	0.00
Vanceboro	433	4	4	4	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	105	106	1	1	4	50.00	60.00	10.00
West Bend	434	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	125	121	-4	0	5	75.00	50.00	5.00
Blue Ridge	435	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	2	54	48	-6	1	1	50.00	20.00	0.00
Biscoe	437	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	6	0	5	127	119	-8	0	9	50.00	50.00	0.00
Marble Springs	439	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	52	0	0	2	75.00	50.00	0.00
Marietta	444	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	77	78	1	0	10	75.00	40.00	0.00
Biltmore	446	8	6	6	3	2	0	0	14	2	4	377	368	-9	0	23	85.00	55.00	15.00
Enfield	447	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	61	55	-6	0	8	50.00	40.00	0.00
Clyde	453	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	4	67	60	-7	0	14	75.00	35.00	10.00
Elkin	454	4	5	6	1	0	0	0	5	1	4	169	166	-3	0	10	75.00	45.00	5.00
Dillsboro	459	1	3	3	4	0	0	0	4	0	3	84	84	0	0	9	250.00	72.00	25.00
Cliffside	460	7	7	7	1	1	1	0	2	0	5	128	129	1	0	11	85.00	45.00	0.00
Matthews	461	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	8	4	1	234	225	-9	0	8	100.00	60.00	0.00
South Fork	462	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	6	1	3	144	137	-7	0	15	100.00	40.00	0.00
Currituck	463	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	89	89	0	0	15	100.00	50.00	0.00
Grassy Knob	471	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	46	43	-3	0	5	100.00	30.00	0.00
Sonoma	472	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	94	94	0	0	9	75.00	40.00	15.00
Lexington	473	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	6	193	187	-6	0	27	100.00	50.00	5.00
St. Pauls	474	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	64	66	2	0	6	100.00	60.00	0.00
Grimesland	475	5	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	80	81	1	0	2	50.00	60.00	50.00
Rainbow	479	5	6	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	82	90	8	0	4	50.00	50.00	50.00
Saluda	482	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	64	64	0	0	5	100.00	45.00	0.00
Traphill	483	2	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	68	71	3	0	4	100.00	40.00	0.00
Southern Pines	484	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	3	7	171	162	-9	0	48	100.00	62.00	5.00
Lawndale	486	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	83	78	-5	0	6	60.00	30.00	0.00
Rich Square	488	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	33	32	-1	0	7	65.00	35.00	0.00
Linville	489	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	72	71	-1	0	12	75.00	35.00	0.00
Hominy	491	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	4	168	162	-6	0	19	100.00	65.00	0.00

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Thomas M. Holt	492	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	4	159	151	-8	1	13	100.00	40.00	10.00
Pilot	493	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	55	55	0	0	7	100.00	60.00	10.00
Rockingham	495	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	5	199	194	-5	0	26	80.00	60.00	0.00
Mooreville	496	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	5	163	159	-4	0	15	150.00	50.00	10.00
Royal Hart	497	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	50	50	0	0	9	50.00	25.00	0.00
Ayden	498	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	51	51	0	0	4	50.00	75.00	50.00
Creedmoor	499	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	58	56	-2	0	8	50.00	25.00	0.00
Raleigh	500	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	4	72	64	-8	0	8	75.00	60.00	10.00
Red Springs	501	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	61	58	-3	0	3	100.00	50.00	10.00
Cookville	502	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	174	177	3	0	4	75.00	40.00	0.00
Cherryville	505	8	6	6	1	2	0	0	0	2	5	207	209	2	0	18	100.00	40.00	0.00
Belhaven	509	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	111	110	-1	0	5	50.00	50.00	50.00
Wheistone	515	17	14	13	0	0	0	0	8	2	2	173	174	1	2	8	100.00	40.00	25.00
Farmville	517	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	73	74	1	0	5	60.00	75.00	10.00
Widow's Son	519	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	4	1	2	145	143	-2	0	14	100.00	50.00	0.00
Fairfield	520	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	34	33	-1	0	3	100.00	50.00	0.00
Manteo	521	2	1	3	4	1	0	0	5	0	7	222	218	-4	1	32	100.00	55.00	25.00
Rodgers	525	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	2	77	69	-8	0	1	100.00	52.00	0.00
Lucama	527	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	67	65	-2	0	6	100.00	62.00	7.50
Fairmont	528	2	3	2	0	1	0	0	2	0	4	105	102	-3	0	7	150.00	60.00	0.00
Andrews	529	2	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	137	138	1	1	9	75.00	75.00	35.00
Joppa	530	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	7	339	329	-10	0	31	100.00	70.00	0.00
Hamlet	532	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	121	120	-1	0	9	100.00	100.00	15.00
Camp Call	534	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	109	109	0	0	7	75.00	35.00	0.00
Hollis	535	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	115	114	-1	0	7	75.00	40.00	0.00
Corinthian	542	3	2	2	1	1	0	0	3	1	4	172	168	-4	0	28	100.00	45.00	15.00
Spencer	543	5	5	4	1	1	0	0	1	0	4	138	139	1	0	21	100.00	52.00	0.00
Mount Holly	544	7	10	6	1	0	0	0	4	1	5	198	195	-3	0	9	100.00	40.00	40.00
Roman Eagle	550	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	9	2	3	116	107	-9	-9	8	100.00	72.00	25.00
Glenville	551	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	45	47	2	0	4	75.00	50.00	40.00

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Revolution	552	0	0	0	0	0	0	458	0	0	0	458	0	-458	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vesper	554	1	3	3	1	8	0	0	0	0	2	164	174	10	0	15	100.00	60.00	25.00
Elise	555	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	3	134	127	-7	0	9	100.00	35.00	0.00
Neill S. Stewart	556	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	123	117	-6	1	15	100.00	45.00	0.00
Ararat	558	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	33	34	1	0	0	60.00	35.00	0.00
Swannanoa	561	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	4	0	2	108	105	-3	0	7	80.00	37.00	20.00
Waxhaw	562	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	4	78	73	-5	0	9	100.00	75.00	0.00
Tabor	563	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	95	93	-2	1	4	100.00	75.00	10.00
Richlands	564	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	5	1	7	109	97	-12	0	5	150.00	50.00	0.00
Wendell	565	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	90	88	-2	0	8	50.00	65.00	50.00
Doric	568	0	1	0	3	1	0	0	9	7	11	326	303	-23	0	51	75.00	40.00	0.00
Snow Creek	571	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	7	0	2	71	63	-8	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00
Mt. Pleasant	573	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	113	111	-2	0	8	100.00	40.00	15.00	
Andrew Jackson	576	7	8	8	1	1	0	0	3	2	8	257	254	-3	0	27	125.00	62.00	0.00
Meadow Branch	578	9	2	2	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	100	98	-2	0	3	75.00	50.00	0.00
Casar	579	2	2	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	2	126	128	2	0	9	60.00	25.00	0.00
Ionic	583	3	2	5	2	1	0	0	2	0	3	125	128	3	1	9	75.00	60.00	0.00
Apex	584	5	4	3	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	61	61	0	0	3	75.00	62.00	10.00
Roseboro	585	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	4	0	2	66	62	-4	0	5	75.00	50.00	15.00
Bethel	589	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	30	26	-4	0	6	50.00	75.00	0.00
Lowell	590	2	2	2	3	2	0	0	16	0	17	238	212	-26	0	10	125.00	47.00	0.00
Marden	592	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	110	107	-3	0	12	100.00	50.00	0.00
Stony Point	593	1	2	5	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	71	75	4	0	4	100.00	60.00	0.00
Ashe	594	7	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	171	168	-3	0	7	75.00	35.00	0.00
Wallace	595	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	4	87	83	-4	0	17	100.00	100.00	100.00
Waccamaw	596	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	4	90	86	-4	0	7	75.00	50.00	0.00
Cranberry	598	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	5	110	108	-2	0	7	75.00	35.00	0.00
Queen City	602	7	4	4	5	0	0	0	0	1	6	96	98	2	0	11	50.00	40.00	5.00
Jeff L. Nelson	605	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	66	63	-3	0	5	75.00	52.00	10.00
Riverside	606	10	10	7	0	3	0	0	7	0	1	166	168	2	0	9	100.00	50.00	0.00

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Chadburn	607	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	70	68	-2	0	5	150.00	50.00	0.00
Zebulon	609	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	54	49	-5	0	6	75.00	75.00	0.00
Atkinson	612	4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	58	61	3	0	7	160.00	60.00	0.00
Home	613	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	48	46	-2	0	3	50.00	50.00	0.00
Round Peak	616	10	11	12	2	0	0	0	1	2	3	205	213	8	1	2	100.00	40.00	40.00
St. Patrick's	617	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	81	74	-7	0	2	100.00	75.00	100.00
Union	618	2	2	3	2	3	0	0	5	1	2	160	160	0	15	100.00	50.00	0.00	
John H. Mills	624	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	36	1	0	6	50.00	50.00	0.00
Cannon Memorial	626	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	4	237	232	-5	0	36	100.00	50.00	25.00
Belmont	627	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	10	4	5	171	153	-18	0	18	125.00	60.00	0.00
Walnut Cove	629	4	3	3	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	95	95	0	0	10	130.00	45.00	20.00
Francis S. Packard	630	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	35	34	-1	0	3	75.00	50.00	0.00
Goldsboro	634	6	5	5	0	1	0	0	0	1	8	193	190	-3	0	14	125.00	50.00	0.00
Yadkin Falls	637	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	47	40	-7	0	4	75.00	75.00	1.00
Proctorville	643	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	74	74	0	0	2	100.00	50.00	0.00
Bladen	646	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	159	154	-5	0	24	100.00	62.00	20.00
Nichols-West Asheville	650	2	3	2	0	6	0	0	10	3	13	190	172	-18	0	7	100.00	35.00	1.00
Elberta	654	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	84	83	-1	1	14	75.00	50.00	10.00
Guilford	656	2	2	4	3	0	0	0	0	3	6	211	209	-2	0	33	100.00	60.00	7.00
Keller Memorial	657	6	2	2	4	2	0	0	0	1	3	341	345	4	0	19	100.00	30.00	0.00
Beulaville	658	4	4	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	86	91	5	0	6	75.00	75.00	0.00
Black Mountain	663	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	5	4	4	164	153	-11	0	9	85.00	50.00	10.00
Garland	664	3	3	2	1	2	0	0	4	0	3	39	37	-2	0	2	100.00	100.00	0.00
Fort Bragg	667	4	5	5	0	0	0	0	7	8	9	353	334	-19	0	22	100.00	50.00	25.00
Holland Memorial	668	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	3	0	6	175	170	-5	0	17	100.00	50.00	0.00
Kernersville	669	1	4	5	2	1	0	0	7	4	2	258	253	-5	0	18	125.00	50.00	5.00
Lovelady	670	2	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	126	128	2	0	7	100.00	50.00	0.00
Robbinsville	672	2	2	3	2	1	0	0	3	0	4	206	205	-1	2	14	50.00	40.00	40.00
Spindale	673	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	3	104	98	-6	0	8	100.00	40.00	40.00
Acacia	674	3	2	2	1	0	0	0	6	5	8	143	127	-16	0	19	75.00	50.00	5.00

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Washington Temple	675	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	8	0	1	106	99	-7	0	14	50.00	65.00	0.00
Warsaw	676	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	5	3	5	242	229	-13	2	40	100.00	60.00	0.00
Providence	677	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	55	50	-5	0	9	75.00	75.00	0.00
Creasy Proctor	678	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	77	73	-4	0	10	75.00	40.00	10.00
Semper Fidelis	679	9	7	7	0	5	1	0	18	5	15	521	494	-27	1	27	100.00	60.00	25.00
Piedmont	680	9	8	10	3	4	0	0	8	5	5	240	239	-1	0	22	100.00	60.00	0.00
Roletsville	681	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	75	74	-1	0	8	75.00	50.00	10.00
Piedmont-Pioneer	683	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	81	78	-3	0	5	75.00	50.00	0.00
Angier	685	1	2	2	4	0	0	0	1	2	12	193	184	-9	0	30	150.00	55.00	5.00
Fellowship	686	3	3	4	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	96	93	-3	0	7	100.00	50.00	0.00
Cherry Point	687	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	5	152	146	-6	0	12	100.00	35.00	17.50
Scotland Neck	688	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	8	191	180	-11	1	14	100.00	50.00	10.00
Mt.Moriah	689	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	49	0	0	10	75.00	25.00	0.00
Renfro	690	2	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	102	103	1	0	9	100.00	100.00	0.00
East Gate	691	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	158	153	-5	0	18	100.00	30.00	0.00
Charles M. Setzer	692	1	0	1	1	9	0	0	25	6	9	399	370	-29	0	8	100.00	50.00	0.00
Gate City	693	5	1	1	3	0	0	0	7	7	14	303	279	-24	0	20	100.00	50.00	5.00
Allen-Graham	694	10	8	7	12	1	0	0	2	1	8	309	318	9	0	17	100.00	40.00	10.00
Memorial	695	6	3	2	2	2	0	0	21	0	6	323	302	-21	0	12	100.00	40.00	10.00
Butner	696	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	4	153	144	-9	0	15	100.00	50.00	5.00
Cape Hatteras	697	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	65	65	0	0	4	100.00	75.00	0.00
Asheboro	698	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	97	94	-3	0	7	75.00	40.00	0.00
Garner	699	10	7	9	0	3	0	0	9	1	3	214	213	-1	0	6	75.00	35.00	0.00
St. Andrew	701	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	3	138	129	-9	0	4	75.00	77.00	0.00
Albemarle	702	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	96	94	-2	0	1	100.00	55.00	0.00
King Solomon	703	3	3	3	3	3	0	0	1	0	3	274	279	5	1	8	100.00	50.00	0.00
Richard Caswell	704	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	168	165	-3	1	5	100.00	60.00	0.00
Newport	705	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	4	6	194	185	-9	0	2	100.00	55.00	0.00
Forsyth	706	3	7	6	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	130	135	5	1	11	100.00	40.00	10.00
	707	5	4	3	1	0	0	0	2	1	4	120	117	-3	0	8	150.00	50.00	5.00

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Crown Point	708	4	3	1	2	0	0	0	3	2	7	201	192	-9	0	9	50.00	50.00	0.00
Conover	709	2	1	1	1	5	0	0	5	0	4	125	122	-3	0	7	100.00	65.00	0.00
Advance	710	2	3	4	1	2	0	0	2	1	2	147	149	2	0	6	150.00	50.00	0.00
Wilson	712	6	3	0	1	0	0	0	8	0	2	166	157	-9	0	4	100.00	50.00	10.00
Stanley	713	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	210	209	-1	0	5	100.00	35.00	0.00
Liberty	714	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	81	77	-4	0	1	75.00	45.00	0.00
Derta	715	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	9	2	5	283	272	-11	0	2	100.00	60.00	9.00
Burnsville	717	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	106	104	-2	0	5	150.00	50.00	0.00
Troy	718	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	2	2	79	72	-7	0	3	85.00	40.00	0.00
Horse Creek	719	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	56	49	-7	0	1	75.00	45.00	0.00
Cabarrus	720	4	4	3	1	1	0	0	1	3	3	185	183	-2	0	3	16.00	75.00	0.00
King	722	4	5	5	2	1	0	0	5	1	4	137	135	-2	0	6	100.00	50.00	0.00
Winton	723	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	24	1	0	1	50.00	25.00	10.00
Berne	724	9	5	5	6	1	0	0	10	3	3	194	190	-4	0	7	75.00	42.00	0.00
Grantham	725	4	3	2	1	2	0	0	6	1	2	166	162	-4	0	9	100.00	75.00	5.00
Keystone	726	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	10	2	2	108	96	-12	0	2	125.00	60.00	0.00
Shalotte	727	9	7	8	5	4	0	0	6	1	12	369	367	-2	0	12	150.00	50.00	15.00
Stedman	730	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	76	74	-2	0	5	120.00	75.00	15.00
-John Huske Anderson	731	1	0	1	0	4	0	0	8	1	5	178	169	-9	0	5	100.00	60.00	5.00
Bush Hill	732	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	91	91	0	0	1	75.00	48.00	0.00
Stump Sound	733	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	3	3	106	104	-2	0	5	75.00	45.00	0.00
William Pitt	734	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	4	89	78	-11	0	2	50.00	50.00	0.00
-James B. Green	735	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	3	3	124	119	-5	0	21	75.00	100.00	25.00
New River	736	3	3	2	0	1	0	0	2	3	5	128	121	-7	0	4	100.00	60.00	0.00
Steele Creek	737	3	2	2	2	2	0	0	6	1	7	304	296	-8	0	15	100.00	75.00	25.00
West Gate	738	5	2	2	1	1	0	0	9	1	9	408	393	-15	1	5	100.00	50.00	0.00
Newell	739	5	5	4	3	1	0	0	8	1	4	182	177	-5	0	5	100.00	50.00	50.00
Charles B. Newcomb	740	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	45	43	-2	0	0	100.00	100.00	0.00
Crisie Wright	741	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	3	190	185	-5	0	4	100.00	40.00	10.00
Mint Hill	742	12	10	8	7	0	0	0	1	7	4	434	437	3	1	11	100.00	57.00	0.00

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J. J. Crowder	743	1	2	2	1	2	0	0	5	2	1	62	59	-3	0	1	75.00	75.00	0.00
Shelby	744	3	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	107	108	1	0	1	75.00	40.00	0.00
Vandora	745	4	2	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	88	92	4	0	3	75.00	60.00	0.00
P. P. Turner	746	4	4	3	1	1	0	0	9	5	0	163	154	-9	0	9	100.00	55.00	6.00
Ocracoke	747	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	38	36	-2	0	0	50.00	35.00	0.00
Truth	749	7	4	4	2	5	0	0	11	0	4	185	181	-4	0	3	75.00	75.00	10.00
Oak Grove	750	4	2	2	0	3	0	0	3	1	4	151	148	-3	0	1	100.00	60.00	60.00
Old Town	751	6	4	5	3	0	0	0	3	4	4	218	215	-3	0	10	75.00	50.00	0.00
Enterprise	752	2	2	2	5	1	0	0	0	2	1	99	104	5	0	2	75.00	60.00	10.00
Federal Point	753	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	6	86	84	-2	0	4	100.00	47.00	0.00
Masters	754	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	50	49	-1	0	2	75.00	60.00	0.00
Clemmons	755	5	4	3	2	0	0	0	2	1	5	95	92	-3	0	6	100.00	60.00	0.00
Clifford Duel	756	4	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	70	72	2	0	3	100.00	50.00	5.00
Denver	757	1	2	1	1	3	0	0	1	0	1	112	115	3	0	2	150.00	50.00	0.00
Oak Island	758	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	6	0	2	101	97	-4	0	6	100.00	45.00	0.00
-James K. Polk	759	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	3	135	131	-4	0	4	100.00	75.00	0.00
Wilkerson College	760	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	61	64	3	0	4	100.00	\$38.00+	100.00
Total		1037	849	806	366	252	3	458	1053	871	1396	52526	50669	-1857	45	4375			

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