



Grand Lodge AF&AM of Montana  
425 N Park Ave  
Helena, MT 59601

## THE LEVEL

April 2009

NO. 447

### Advance Proceedings for 143rd Session

A copy of the Advance Proceedings for the 143rd Annual Communication with proposed legislation will be mailed to the Secretary of every Lodge the week of 27 April. Please watch the mail for this copy and make it available during your Lodge meetings.

### Lodge Banners and Aprons for Session

There will be a limited number of paper aprons available at Session. Please bring the appropriate Apron to your place or station in the lodge.

Remember within the jurisdiction of Montana Masons always wear their aprons outside of clothing, not under the coat or jacket.

Please remember to bring your Lodge Banner to be displayed during Session.

### Proxy Cards

Proxy Cards have been mailed to the Secretary of every Lodge for the WM, SW and JW. Also included was a copy of the Rules of Order for the Annual Communication.

Please check with your lodge Secretary if your lodge will need to have a proxy for the WM, SW, or JW.

Proxy Cards will be required if someone other than the WM or the SW or JW are going to vote.

Please remember to bring your Proxy Card with you to Session and present it to the Credentials Committee.

Replacement Proxy Cards will not be available at Session.

### Late 2008 Annual Returns

Annual Returns are due prior to 15 March 2009. In accordance with Section 25070 Annual Returns are due on or before the 15th day of March. Any lodge failing to timely file shall pay a fine of \$3.00 per day for each day elapsed after the deadline date and any lodge willfully failing to timely file shall not be allowed to sit or participate in Grand Lodge until it has complied. As of April 21st the following Lodge have not yet submitted their Annual Return: Galata No. 106, Ekalaka No. 120, Jordan No. 148 and Rimrock No. 149.



The Hi-line in '09

Glasgow June 25, 27 & 27

**SESSION LOCATION**

Session events will be at the Glasgow High School, 1 Scottie Pride Drive  
and  
the Cottonwood Inn, 45 1st Ave NE  
RV Parking is available adjacent to the Cottonwood Inn: \$28.00 to \$30.00

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

Please make your reservations from one of the Hotels listed below, prior to 1 June 2009.

**Cottonwood Inn**

45 1st Ave NE  
(406) 228-8213  
Room Rate: \$77.00 t- \$85.00+tax

**La Casa Motel**

238 1st Ave N  
(406) 228-9311  
Room Rate: 38.52 1-bed, 50.29 2-beds

**Star Lodge Motel**

1023 US Highway 2 W  
(406) 228-2494  
Room Rate: 32.10 1-bed, 49.94 2-beds

**Campbell Lodge**

534 3rd Ave S  
(406) 228-9328  
Room Rate: 50.00 1-bed, 55.00 2-beds

**TENTATIVE AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009**

5:30 pm Vespers at Cottonwood Inn (Attire- Formal or Business)

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2009**

9:00 am Public Opening - Glasgow High School (Attire- Formal or Business)  
10:00 am FORMAL OPENING OF GRAND LODGE  
Election of Grand Officers-  
Committee Reports  
12 Noon Men's Luncheon -Glasgow High School  
Ladies Luncheon & Tour Fort Peck Dam and Interpretive Center (Attire-Casual)  
1:15 pm Grand Lodge Refreshment to Labor  
4:30 pm Grand Lodge call from Labor to Refreshment  
6:00 pm No Host Fellowship - Cottonwood Inn  
7:00 pm Master Masons Banquet - Cottonwood Inn (Attire - Western casual or Hawaiian)  
Guest Speaker: Tom Jackson, Past Grand Secretary-Pennsylvania  
Hall of Fame Awards, Distinguished Service Awards, Secretary of the Year Award

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2009**

7:00 am Breakfast - Cottonwood Inn  
8:30 am Call to Labor, Call to order - Glasgow High School (Attire- Formal or Business)  
Guest Speaker: Tom Jackson, Past Grand Secretary-Pennsylvania  
LEGISLATION  
11:55am Grand Lodge call from Labor to Refreshment  
12 Noon Men's Luncheon - Glasgow High School  
12 Noon PGM Lunch - Glasgow High School  
1:15 pm Grand Lodge Refreshment to Labor  
4 pm Formal Closing of 143rd Annual Communication  
5:00 p.m. PUBLIC INSTALLATION Glasgow High School (Attire- Formal or Business)  
Reception for new Grand Master and Grand Officers

Public Installation will follow immediately following the closing of Grand Lodge.  
All Masons, Ladies, families and friends are invited. Reception at Glasgow High School





**GRAND LODGE AF & AM of MONTANA**  
**Robert A. Coleman, Most Worshipful Grand Master**



**PRE-REGISTRATION**  
**143rd Annual Communication**  
**June 25, 26, & 27, 2009**                      **Glasgow, Montana**

Mail this Form to  
**143rd Grand Communication**  
**PO Box 1158**  
**Helena, MT 59624-1158**

**Registration must be POSTMARKED prior to June 1, 2009**

*PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT (Name Badge Will Be Completed From This Information)*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Full Given Name)

TITLE (Office, Station, i.e., WM,PM): \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

LODGE: \_\_\_\_\_ LODGE #: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Accompanied by (Ladies name): \_\_\_\_\_

*Please complete the top section and mail it in even if you do not plan to purchase any meals.*

**Registration requested prior 1 June 2009**  
**Ticket availability not guaranteed after June 1st**

**Friday June 26, 2009**

Breakfast Buffet (Everyone Welcome)	No. _____ @ \$8.00 = \$ _____
Men's Luncheon (assorted sandwiches)	No. _____ @ \$8.00 = \$ _____
Ladies Luncheon & Tour Ft. Peck Dam and Interpretive Center	No. _____ @ \$15.00 = \$ _____
Delegates/Master Masons Banquet	No. _____ @ \$20.00 = \$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Prime Rib <input type="checkbox"/> Halibut	

**Saturday June 27, 2009**

Buffet Breakfast (Everyone Welcome)	No. _____ @ \$8.00 = \$ _____
Men's Luncheon (Hot Turkey sandwich)	No. _____ @ \$8.00 = \$ _____
Reception for New Grand Master & Grand Lodge Officers	No. _____ @ \$8.00 = \$ _____

**TOTAL ACTIVITY AMOUNT: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Payment for Activities:**

Check Enclosed# \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: 143rd Annual Communication

Credit Card (Master Card or Visa Only): \_\_\_\_\_ Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration and Credentials will be at the Cottonwood Inn on Thursday Noon to 5 p.m.,  
 and at the Glasgow High School starting at 7 a.m. on Friday**

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# CELESTIAL LODGE

Duane Lund	Helena No. 3	4/14/2009
Jack C. Price	Deer No. 14	3/14/2009
William J. Collins	Mystic Tie Riverside No. 17	2/16/2009
Clifford Hirsh	Mt Moriah No. 24	3/6/2009
Theodore Henningsen	Mt Moriah No. 24	3/6/2009
Thomas G. Calvert	Cascade No. 34	3/6/2009
Carl W. Mehmke	Cascade No. 34	3/15/2009
Robert R. Yaeger	Friendship No. 37	3/27/2009
Gerald Charlton	Friendship No. 37	7/23/2008
Dan C. Detmers	Ionic No. 38	3/9/2009
Gary R. Wiley	Ionic No. 38	3/13/2009
Frank A. Rosiejka	Kalsipell No. 42	3/18/2009
Gordon L. Pischel	North Star No. 46	3/21/2009
Sparky J. Imeson	Ottawa No. 51	3/17/2009
Raymond J. Felton	Doric No. 53	3/27/2009
Edward E. Matre	Doric No. 53	7/31/2008
John E. Charlton	Unity No. 71	7/23/2008
Stephen Wigranowsky	Unity No. 71	5/25/2008
Erling K. Karlsgodt	Mission Valley No. 78	3/22/2009
William S. Gaugler	Judith No.86	3/2/2009
Douglas M. Dubois	Judith No. 86	3/10/2009
Morris S. Nelson	Plentywood No. 91	2/17/2009
Gerald F. Budke	Plentywood No. 91	3/16/2009
Evan I. Owens	Cap. Scott No. 98	2/5/2009
Bruce H. Gilmore	Mountain No. 110	3/20/2009
Sidney M. Kuhl	Billings No. 113	2/19/2008



# CELESTIAL LODGE



Robert F. Thompson	Billings No. 113	11/13/2008
Thomas S. Wilkins	Billings No. 113	11/22/2008
Robert L. Lane	Billings No. 113	2/7/2008
Hilliard W. McDonald	Huntley Project No. 144	2/5/2009
Dale E. Fuller	Huntley Project No. 144	2/17/2009
Leslie R. Kutzler	Rimrock No. 149	3/21/2009
Walter "Kelly" Weissbach	Lincoln No. 157	3/10/2009

Invitation from the  
**Helena Valley Scottish Rite Bodies**



Helena and Surrounding Area Master Masons are invited to attend

**a free dinner and program about membership in The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry**

**Thursday, May 14, 2009 at 6:00 pm at the CST**

Learn more about increasing your Masonic knowledge through membership in the Scottish Rite

Dinner will be chicken cacciatore,  
salad, veggies, rolls and desert.

After dinner there will be a presentation of the history, degrees, opportunities and Masonic education available to Scottish Rite members.

**We need you to RSVP no later than May 11, 2009.** Please call the Scottish Rite office at 442-4480.

**MEMBERSHIP CHANGES****March / April 2009**

The following is based upon 40 of the 99 Lodges having submitted the required report

**RAISED**

Brian O. Witt	Bozeman No. 18	3/13/2009
Tyler J. Brewington	Benton No. 25	3/16/2009
Andrew M. Blades	Livingston No. 32	3/17/2009
Gary D. Fisher	Cascade No. 34	3/24/2009
Allan L. Hauer	Cascade No. 34	3/24/2009
Mark G. Meznarich	Kalispell No. 42	3/16/2009
Jeremy D. Reese	Kalispell No. 42	3/19/2009
Timothy D. Hert	Corinthian No. 72	3/16/2009
John D. Just	Billings No. 113	8/13/2008
Glenn A. Jacobsen	Billings No. 113	8/13/2008
Christopher N. Watters	Billings No. 113	8/13/2008
Brandon S. Ewen	Huntley Project No. 144	3/25/2009
Shane R. Lile	Huntley Project No. 144	3/25/2009
Robert L. Lile	Huntley Project No. 144	3/25/2009
Marc M. Larson	Huntley Project No. 144	3/25/2009
David D. Larson	Huntley Project No. 144	3/25/2009

**AFFILIATIONS**

William C. Austin	Euclid No. 58 4/7/2009	Retain: Mcleod o. 424, Mississippi
Dale E. Moritz	From: Billings No. 113	To: Ashlar No. 29 11/1/2008
Greg C. Luck	From: Billings No. 113	To: Ashlar No 29 11/1/2008
Wallace G. Stadtfeld	To: Billings No. 113 6/20/2008	
Harry J. VanOrnum	To: Billings NO. 113 2/25/2008	
Giles L. Smith	To: Powder River No. 135 3/10/09	Retain: Ionic No. 38

## Reinstated

David F. Rowland, Jr.	From: 12/31/1979 to 2/ /2009	Cascade No. 34
James R. Delaney	From: 12/31/2007 to 3/12/2009	Ionic No. 38
David "Tony" Pierce, Jr	From: 12/31/2008 to 3/10/2009	Euclid No. 58
Jacob J. Wuest	From 12/31/2008 to 4/4/2009	Unity No. 71

### Suspended NPD

**12/31/2008**

Jerry Johnson	Deer No. 14
James R. Bryant	Valley No. 21
Kyle A. Alexander	Ionic No. 38
Roger W. Shuman	Ionic No. 38
Eric S. Stenberg	Doric No. 53
Wade K. Smith	Billings No. 113
William A. Peden	Billings No. 113
Jason R. Ascheman	Billings No. 113
James H. Eichel	Billings No. 113
George Sant	Billings No. 113

### Suspended IAW 39070 D.

**12/31/2009**

Tony J. Gilpin	Gallatin No. 6
Rocky L. Hayes	Gallatin No. 6
Nye W. Howey	Gallatin No. 6
Charles W. Juhnke	Gallatin No. 6
William W. Mackin	Gallatin No. 6
Earl R. McCulloch	Gallatin No. 6
Dennis P. McWaters	Gallatin No. 6
Herbert Metier	Gallatin No. 6
Joseph E. Rundlett	Gallatin No. 6
William T. Wagner	Gallatin No. 6
James H. Williams	Gallatin No. 6
Anthony E. Ackerman	Livingston No. 32/ Hiram No. 52
Shane M. Jenne	Ionic No. 38
Rube E. Wrightsman	Ponemah No. 63
Stuart G. Crismore	Libby No. 85
William S. Crismore, Jr.	Libby No. 85
Gary L. Wheeler	Libby No. 85
Donald J. Cox	Libby No.85
David Thompson	Libby No. 85
Jeffrey B. Hoyer	Libby No. 85
Morris W. Gummer	Havre No. 55

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## **The “Hi-Line” in ‘09 143rd Annual Communication**

The 143 Annual Communication will be held on June 25, 26 and 27, 2009 in the hospitality town of eastern Montana, Glasgow. The Glasgow session is going to be a stupendous event!

The main session hotel is the Cottonwood Inn. Their facilities are wonderful and the staff gracious and accommodating. The Cottonwood Inn also has several RV spots adjacent to the hotel. Ninety percent of the hotel will be dedicated to the Masons of Montana. At this time the Vesper service is planned to be conducted outdoors on the terrace. The hotel is two floors it does not have an elevator however is handicapped accessible. This is a non-smoking hotel.

The actual session will be held at the Glasgow High School (go Scotties!) which is a mile or so from the hotel. The lunches will be served at the High School cafeteria and will require that tickets are presold. The High School is one floor and is handicapped accessible. The Glasgow High School and grounds are designated as a No Smoking area.