

2013 Dues Cards

The 2013 Dues Cards will be printed and mailed to the Lodge Secretary within the next month. Everyone must be issued a 2013 Dues Card including 50 Year members and Paid Life Members. Remember to bring your current Dues Card with you to the Annual Communication.

Remember the dues cards will be printed in a batch and anyone raised after the print date will also need a dues card and those we will try to get out to each lodge as soon as possible.

Code Copies

The updated Constitution and Code have been mailed to each Lodge Secretary. These copies should be shared by the Master, Secretary and Instructor. If you haven't seen it yet check with your Secretary, additional copies may be ordered from the Grand Lodge Office.

District Meetings

District Meetings

Sep 29	Rocky Mountain District Meeting - Deer Lodge CMR District Meeting - Hobson
Oct 6	Missoula District Meeting - Missoula
Oct 13	Great Falls District Meeting - Great Falls Northern Lights District Meeting - Wolf Point Glacier District Meeting - Kalispell ** Date Change **
Oct 20	Sagebrush District Meeting - Miles City
Oct 27	Livingston District Meeting - Bozeman Beartooth District Meeting - Billings ** Date change**
Nov 3	Headwaters District Meeting - Twin Bridges

Monthly Reports

Reminder to Lodge Secretaries - Per Section 28090, item I, Monthly Reports. Make monthly reports to the Grand Secretary at the end of each month, monthly reports shall be reported on the provided forms or by computer programs approved by the Grand Secretary.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

April—September 2012

April

Helena Lodge - 3 / 8
7446 - Ronald D. Martin Affiliated - 04/02/2012

Missoula Lodge - 13 / 6
1699- Timothy L. Kennedy Reinstated - 04/01/2012
7107 - Grover L. Barr Raised - 04/18/2012
7383- Fletcher K. McIntire Raised - 04/18/2012

Bozeman Lodge - 18 / 5
7041- Douglas B. Campbell Raised - 04/05/2012
7291 - Dustin R. Nead Raised - 04/05/2012
7307 - Charles N. Gordon Raised - 04/05/2012
7308- Sina Rasoul-Zadegan Rejected - 04/05/2012

Valley Lodge - 21 / 5
1913- William J. Langford Affiliated - 04/21/2012

Mount Moriah Lodge - 24 / 8
1042- Jeffery Hartwick Reinstated - 04/17/2012

Yellowstone Lodge - 26 / 10
7329 - Eric B. Rabe Raised At - 04/17/2012

West Gate Lodge - 27 / 4
951- Shirley W. Hancock Affiliated - 04/05/2012

Ashlar Lodge - 29 / 1
675- Benjamin F. Gerry Deceased - 04/12/2012
2319- Charles O. Martratt Deceased - 04/13/2012

Glendive Lodge - 31 / 10
7473- Brashdon R. Miller Raised - 04/17/2012
7474- Steve H. Knoop Raised - 04/17/2012

Victor Lodge - 43 / 6
1705- Leonard R. Kent Deceased - 04/07/2012
7294- John B. Wood Raised - 04/24/2012

North Star Lodge - 46 / 7
1409- Francis R. Irle Deceased - 04/11/2012

Chinook Lodge - 50 / 9
3574- Warren H. Ross, PGM Deceased - 04/12/2012

Hiram Lodge - 52 / 10
1378- Ryan N. Hunter Reinstated - 04/16/2012

Euclid Lodge - 58 / 3
7430- Eric R. Froyd Reinstated - 04/03/2012
7254- Michael A. Schmidt Raised - 04/03/2012
7277- Ryan M. Kohler Raised - 04/03/2012
7445- Travis J. Gruit Affiliated - 04/03/2012
7430- Eric R. Froyd Dimitted - 04/17/2012

Manhattan Lodge - 59 / 5
7462- Ross E. Johnson Jr. Affiliated - 04/25/2012

Golden Eagle Lodge - 66 / 1

7397- Wyatt A. Lehman Raised - 04/13/2012

Unity Lodge - 71 / 9

6667- Randall E. Holmes Failure to Advance - 4/13/2012

6947- Christopher J. Holmes Failure to Advance - 4/13/2012

Lower Yellowstone Lodge - 90 / 7

2351- Gary N. Mavity Deceased - 04/13/2012

Eureka Lodge - 93 / 2

7246- Grant E. Hark Failure to Advance - 04/28/2012

Western Star Lodge - 104 / 9

3854- Leon H. Shelton Deceased - 04/22/2012

Meridian Lodge - 105 / 3

2967- C. Orin Olson Deceased - 04/30/2012

Powder River Lodge - 135 / 10

7389- Tanvir Hafiz Failure to Advance - 04/26/2012

May

Montana Lodge - 2 / 4

4687- Melvin G. Weary Deceased - 05/19/2012

Gallatin Lodge - 6 / 5

7012- Brian Tudor Failure to Advance - 05/12/2012

Dillon Lodge - 16 / 4

60- Carl M. Davis Deceased - 05/03/2012

7322- Edwin E. Jones Raised - 05/25/2012

7324- Danny L. Allen Raised - 05/25/2012

7374- Justin L. Rule Raised - 05/25/2012

Mystic Tie-Riverside Lodge - 17 / 4

20- Charles S. Dale Deceased - 05/23/2012

Bozeman Lodge - 18 / 5

6722- Mark W. Edgerley Affiliated - 05/03/2012

7218- Taylor C. Griffin Raised - 05/24/2012

Butte Lodge - 22 / 8

1379- Dennis E. Huntington Affiliated - 05/15/2012

6810- William R. Scott Affiliated - 05/15/2012

Yellowstone Lodge - 26 / 10

7330- David S. Freedman Raised - 05/12/2012

7332- David D. Fisher Raised - 05/12/2012

West Gate Lodge - 27 / 4

447- S. Jack Fenton Affiliated - 05/03/2012
 1425- Leslie F. Jackson Affiliated - 05/03/2012
 1526- Kerry S. Johnson Affiliated - 05/03/2012

Ashlar Lodge - 29 / 1

7428- James W. Rubich Raised - 05/22/2012
 7448- James E. Buker Raised - 05/22/2012
 7450- Nicholas A. Degel IV Raised - 05/22/2012

Friendship Lodge - 37 / 9

7456- Randy J. Poser Failure to Advance - 05/10/2012

Kalispell Lodge - 42 / 2

7467- Thorolf Storli Reinstated - 05/03/2012

Victor Lodge - 43 / 6

7220- Donald P. Goodnight Failure to Advance - 05/11/2012
 7281- Philip M. Meis Raised - 05/12/2012

Golden Eagle Lodge - 66 / 1

6182- Carlyle R. Colosimo Deceased - 05/15/2012

Cut Bank Lodge - 82 / 3

7469- Russell E. Hughes Reinstated - 05/01/2012

Libby Lodge - 85 / 2

7212- Jason E. Hanson SR Failure to Advance - 05/16/2012

Lower Yellowstone Lodge - 90 / 7

7464- James J. Beagle Reinstated - 05/12/2012

Lavina/Temple Lodge - 101 / 1

7468- Douglas R. Harris Reinstated - 05/09/2012
 344- Osborn S. Ellis Deceased - 05/31/2012

Western Star Lodge - 104 / 9

5201- Clifford J. Amdahl Deceased - 05/27/2012

Scobey Lodge - 109 / 7

6077- Vernon O. Christensen Deceased - 05/04/2012

Mountain Lodge - 110 / 6

7409- Patrick C. Low Failure to Advance - 05/04/2012

Delta Lodge - 128 / 3

4105- Jon D. Stalcup Affiliated - 05/09/2012
 4750- Christopher J. White Affiliated - 05/09/2012

Huntley Project Lodge - 144 / 1

7327- Aaron A. Larson Raised - 05/09/2012
 7361- Marc C. Shaules Raised - 05/09/2012

Rimrock Lodge - 149 / 1

7160- Shawn Bradley Failure to Advance - 05/12/2012

Sentinel Lodge - 155 / 6

6984- Gavin D. McCourt Raised - 05/08/2012
 7377- Daniel V. Venturella Raised - 05/08/2012
 7423- Brandon T. Fulbrook Raised - 05/08/2012
 7424- Bryan J. Runyan Raised - 05/08/2012

June

Helena Lodge - 3 / 8

7169- Christopher J. Holt Raised - 06/11/2012
 7321- Zachary S. Heppner Raised - 06/18/2012

Morning Star Lodge - 5 / 8

7483- Steven M. Gross Raised - 06/06/2012
 7484- Shalako E. Emly Raised - 06/06/2012

Missoula Lodge - 13 / 6

3770- Horst H. Schwarz Deceased - 06/04/2012
 7166- Timothy L. Wilson Raised - 06/19/2012

Livingston Lodge - 32 / 5

7489- Patrick T. Hogg Raised - 06/05/2012
 7490- Jared M. Martin Raised - 06/05/2012

Ottawa Lodge - 51 / 8

7211- Mark E. Taylor Raised - 06/06/2012

Doric Lodge - 53 / 5

2103- Arthur E. Lofgren Deceased - 06/08/2012

Euclid Lodge - 58 / 3

4005- Ronald J. Smith Deceased - 06/08/2012

Carbon Lodge - 65 / 1

3776- Richard D. Schwindt Affiliated - 06/07/2012
 7346- Ronny Aasterud Affiliated - 06/07/2012

Saints John Lodge - 92 / 1

4785- Robert L. Wiley Deceased - 06/01/2012
 4294- Charles E. Sweeney Deceased - 06/08/2012

Powder River Lodge - 135 / 10

177- Richard A. Dinstel Deceased - 06/16/2012

Rimrock Lodge - 149 / 1

7297- Andrew W. Johnson Raised - 06/27/2012

Trinity Lodge - 152 / 2

7313- Carmon R. McCulley Raised - 06/07/2012

Sentinel Lodge - 155 / 6

4322- Joe M. Taylor Deceased - 06/24/2012
 7338- Donald P. Gross Deceased - 06/28/2012

July

Montana Lodge - 2 / 4
7481- Larry D. Meyers Affiliated - 07/11/2012

Helena Lodge - 3 / 8
5700- William R. Bovee Deceased - 07/04/2012
7141- James D. St Clair Raised - 07/09/2012

Cascade Lodge - 34 / 3
975- Harland Hansen Deceased - 07/05/2012
3496- Donald A. Roberts II Deceased - 07/14/2012

Ionic Lodge - 38 / 6
3666- Francis L. Sargent Deceased - 07/22/2012

Mission Valley Lodge - 78 / 6
527- James R. Forker Deceased - 07/08/2012

Powder River Lodge - 135 / 10
766- Kris C. Goulette Reinstated - 07/24/2012

Rimrock Lodge - 149 / 1
7286- Thomas J. Allard Raised - 07/14/2012

Bigfork Lodge - 150 / 2
1478- James W. Jensen Deceased - 07/25/2012

August

Helena Lodge - 3 / 8
2215- Thomas W. Maddox Deceased - 08/22/2012

Valley Lodge - 21 / 5
4263- Donald A. Summerfelt Deceased - 08/15/2012

Cascade Lodge - 34 / 3
1617- Ludvik H. Jun Deceased - 08/23/2012

Boulder-Basin Lodge - 41 / 4
2215- Thomas W. Maddox Deceased - 08/22/2012

North Star Lodge - 46 / 7
7492- Duane E. Lloyd Reinstated - 08/21/2012

Euclid Lodge - 58 / 3
7164- Scott A. DeBrae Failure to Advance - 08/06/2012
72- Robert E. Davis Reinstated - 08/18/2012

Corinthian Lodge - 72 / 1
3844- Wallace R. Shay Deceased - 08/12/2012
5404- George M. Bangert Deceased - 08/17/2012

Judith Lodge - 86 / 9
1165- John R. Hertel Deceased - 08/11/2012

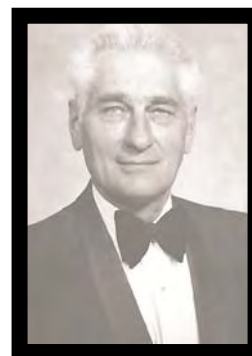
Columbia Falls Lodge - 89 / 2
87- Gregory Dawson Deceased - 08/04/2012

Treasure Lodge - 95 / 9
3913- Charles Simpson Deceased - 08/13/2012

Mountain Lodge - 110 / 6
800- Maynard Graybill Deceased - 08/30/2012

September

Cascade Lodge - 34 / 3
2863- John V. Nicholar Deceased - 09/04/2012

**Ludvick H. Jun****Grand Master 1982-1983****July 15, 1919—August 23, 2012**

Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs laid down upon Life's Trestleboard has answered the last summons of the Grand Master of Heaven and entered into that Celestial Lodge above over which the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides. Though our beloved and respected Brother has passed through the portals of eternity, his memory remains to inspire us to live respected and die regretted.

Brother Jun was a member of Cascade Lodge No. 34, he was installed as Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Montana in Great Falls at the close of the 116th Annual Communication held there June 25-26, 1982.

MWGM Message to the Craft

August 25, 2012

To: All Montana Freemasons

From: MWGM Thom Chisholm

RE: Recent Masonic Events

The recent events in Montana Masonry are without precedence. An elected and installed officer of the Grand Lodge was removed as the Grand Secretary, along with the termination of a Grand Lodge employee. Sitting constituent lodge Worshipful Masters filed charges against a sitting Grand Master. A trial was held pursuant to the code, and the Grand Master was found unanimously guilty of all charges filed and removed from office. Again, all of the previously mentioned actions are without precedent in Montana. As a result of these actions, I find myself in the position of making my first written address to the craft as the Grand Master, presenting information about these events. I will present the facts as I know them about the events in particular, and leave my recommendations and opinions, not to the events, but to the actions we must make as Masons to progress from this point forward.

The Grand Secretary and office assistant have returned to their duties in the Grand Lodge office. The great deal of rumors about inappropriate actions by the Grand Secretary has not been supported by any evidence or facts. One is left to assume that if there had been condemning evidence of any wrong doing on the part of the Grand Secretary, formal charges or similar action(s) would have been presented in a timely manner. To date, no such evidence has been presented. The reason is simple, none exists.

The position that a Grand Master has the authority to remove an elected officer is not correct. To this end, I have included a copy of the Jurisprudence Committee's review of the former Grand Master's actions with respect to removal of the Grand Secretary. The report was requested from Jurisprudence and is not modified in any way. It is factual to point out that the Jurisprudence Committee's review came after the former Grand Master's action to remove an elected officer. One is left to conclude the fact that the former Grand Master acted without prior consultation of the Jurisprudence Committee in this matter.

I have also included with this correspondence a simple chronology of the events of the trial of the former Grand Master. This singular event was enacted by trigger mechanisms within our Masonic Code and Constitution. Such a trial can only come about by the actions of five current Worshipful Masters filing charges. In fact there were nine, almost twice the required amount.

The timeframe of the trial was conducted according to code requirements. To ensure an accurate, unbiased, and professional record, a professional court stenographer was retained to document the proceedings of the trial. It is true the stenographer was female. It is not true that this person was checking dues cards or witnessed any non-public Masonic information. The trial was conducted expeditiously in accordance with the code, and not without appropriate notices. I have made a formal request to the Jurisprudence Committee to review the procedures of the trial to ensure procedural accuracy. The Jurisprudence Committee's analysis will be published once the stenographer's recordings are completed, presented to Jurisprudence, and sufficient time for review has occurred.

It is at this juncture I will reflect on my recommendations and opinions about the state of Masonry in Montana and our future actions. I find it difficult to comprehend that we have allowed a situation like this to occur. While I understand the importance of loyalty to our fraternal brothers, the rampant and vicious electronic communications must stop immediately. It is, and will be considered, unmasonic conduct to write in such manners. To this end, I have ordered a stop to the mechanical ability to use electronic communication in ROLLS for everyone. I understand there are other methods, but the lesson is in the principle of suspended action.

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I cannot help but reflect on the simple thoughts of communication and relationship building. Our fraternity is based and operates on an oral tradition of transferring information that yields an unquestionable bond between its votaries. Yet, we have not communicated openly or efficiently, nor have we fostered beneficial relationships. I am not reflecting on the specifics of these events, but rather in the generalities leading up to this point. To this end, I believe we all have room to improve. Gentlemen, agree to disagree, accept the insight of another's perspective, strive to promote our gentle craft, not dismantle it with unbridled passions.

I keep considering how profitable it would be for Montana Masonry if we approached increasing our membership with the same amount of zeal we have put forth in the amount of time and energy expended in the previous two months. Talk is cheap and actions speak louder than words. I recommend learning our ritualistic work to conduct degrees and go on with the business of perpetuating our fraternity by making Masons. Do so with quality in mind, not quantity.

Lastly I will put forth two of my favorite words and the lessons I share with my three sons, my students, and my employees. The words are honesty and integrity. To me, honesty is defined as understanding right from wrong. Integrity is putting it into practice when no one is watching. The author Robert Fulghum had it correct in his work, All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten. Say please and thank you, admit when you make a mistake, and treat everyone like you want to be treated.

To be a Mason is the greatest honor, it cannot be jeopardized.

Succinctly & Fraternally,



Thom Chisholm, MWGM

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Chronology of Events in Montana Masonry- Summer 2012

- June 29, 2012 MWGM Thomas Duffy removed (terminated) the duly elected and installed RWGS Reid Gardiner as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge. GM Duffy also terminated a Grand Lodge office employee.
- During the week after this action, Pursuant to the Montana Masonic Code of Statutes section 43010, charges were preferred against GM Duffy by nine (9) sitting constituent lodge Worshipful Masters for abuse of powers by the GM, violation of the Statutes, and unmasonic conduct.
- After which, according to code protocols, the immediate junior PGM formed a Tribunal of five (5) Past Grand Masters pursuant to section 43030 and, after conformance to all sections of Part III, Article I a trial was arranged.
- August 10, 2012 the trial of GM Duffy was conducted, resulting in a unanimous finding of guilty on all charges.
- Pursuant to section 43060, Thomas Duffy was removed from the office of MWGM.
- Thom Chisholm, pursuant to section 350, has filled the vacancy in office and assumed the title and powers of Grand Master.

Note: A record of the tribunal proceedings was secured by professional stenographer. The record will be presented at the next annual communication.

Grand Lodge of Montana Withdrawal of Recognition

At the 146th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge AF&AM of Montana held in Billings, the Grand Lodge voted to withdraw fraternal recognition of the Grande Loge Nationale Française (GLNF) effective June 23, 2012.

During the past several years, the GLNF has suffered from internal turmoil, resulting in lawsuits, unfavorable press accounts and public quarrels. The entire situation reflects badly on the entire regular Masonic Fraternity. As a result, numerous Grand Lodges in Europe, Canada and the United States have either suspended or withdrawn recognition. The Grand Lodge of Montana is joining this group of regular Grand Lodges, hoping that as more Grand Lodges suspend or withdraw recognition, that the GLNF will take the necessary steps to get its house in order and stop the turmoil.

Until fraternal relations are re-established, Master Masons of the Grand Lodge of Montana must consider Masons who are members of the GLNF to be clandestine. No Mason belonging to a lodge which holds a charter from the GLNF may visit any Masonic organization in Montana. Montana Masons sojourning abroad cannot visit any lodge holding a charter from the GLNF, nor can they have Masonic communication with any Mason with allegiance to the GLNF. Any Mason who has dual membership in both the Grand Lodge of Montana and the GLNF must resign from one or the other.

Montana Masons should be aware that, as of now, there are no recognized Grand Lodges in France.

**GRAND LODGE AF & AM OF MONTANA REPORT OF
JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE
GRAND MASTER'S ACTION OF JUNE 29, 2012: GRAND SECRETARY**

The Jurisprudence Committee makes this report following advice to them by the Grand Master of certain actions he took with the Grand Secretary on or about June 29, 2012, under our designated responsibilities under Code Section 5070 A.

Question: May the Grand Master remove an elected grand officer from office.

Constitution and Code of Statutes:

310. GENERAL POWERS. Grand Lodge is the supreme Masonic power and authority in this jurisdiction and is vested with all legislative, executive, and judicial powers¹ limited only by the provisions of its own Constitution and Statutes. It alone has authority to charter or grant dispensations for a Masonic lodge in this jurisdiction.

A quorum of Grand Lodge consists of a majority of its chartered constituent lodges. Section 450. Grand Lodge elects specified officers, including the office of Grand Secretary, for terms from year to year. Section 510.

Analysis:

¹**320. EXECUTIVE POWERS.** The executive powers of Grand Lodge include:

- A. The granting of dispensations and charters to establish and perpetuate lodges in this State and in other territory where no Grand Lodge exists, and the revocation or suspension thereof;
- B. The issuing of special dispensations for all purposes permitted by any of the provisions of the Constitution and Statutes; and
- C. The exercise of all authority necessary to carry its own legislation into complete effect.

330. LEGISLATIVE POWERS. Grand Lodge reserves all legislative powers to itself except those specifically delegated to the lodges in this Code. The Constitution and Statutes which the Grand Lodge has an inalienable right to adopt and put into practice at its own convenience, and to amend or repeal at its own pleasure, are final and binding on all lodges and Masons in its jurisdiction until amended or repealed.

340. JUDICIAL POWERS. The judicial powers of Grand Lodge are:

- A. The decision of all controversies between any of the lodges or between one of them and a member or members of another;
- B. The enforcement of discipline upon Masons and lodges under its jurisdiction; and
- C. The review of all matters of controversy or discipline, which may have arisen in any of the lodges and over which it has not retained original jurisdiction.

Grand Lodge has delegated certain enumerated powers to the Grand Master. First, between annual communications the office of Grand Master only possesses the executive powers, excluding the granting of charters. He must also immediately investigate the violation of Masonic laws. Section 350. Second, specific powers are listed in Section 1050 and specific duties are listed in Section 1060. Section 1050 B states that he may remove any appointed grand officer. The implication is that Grand Lodge, in either its judicial or elective functions, reserves to itself the power to remove elected grand officers.

The Grand Master is a member of the Executive Committee, which, among other activities, examines the performance of Grand Lodge officers. Section 5030 A. 3. In addition, the Grand Master, as a Master Mason of a lodge of the jurisdiction of Montana, may prefer charges against any Mason residing in this jurisdiction. Section 46050. We have not conducted any complete, independent investigation of the facts and concerns that led to this report and have no information that would suggest unmasonic conduct to be the basis for the Grand Master's action. However, we are not aware of any Masonic or criminal charges that are pending at the time of preparation of this report.²

Conclusion:

The Grand Master does not have the authority to remove an elected grand officer. Action purporting to accomplish that would be a nullity as being beyond the powers or duties of the Grand Master.

² In the event any charges are preferred, a brother accused of a Masonic offense is entitled to fair procedure before being penalized. Regarding Masonic trials, see 46010 and following. In particular, before any penalties are assessed, there must be specific charges (46070) given personally to the brother charged (47020). The brother has the right to assistance of counsel (47050) and the presentation of competent evidence against him (48030, 48040), the right of conviction or suspension by at least 2/3 vote of the members (48080) (3/4 vote to expel), and the right to a speedy trial (49050). There is also the right to appeal. (50010 and following).

Report of those who have Not paid their Current Dues – Sec 41060.

First Stated Meeting in September. At the first stated meeting in September the Secretary shall report to the lodge the names of those who have not paid their current dues and shall thereafter give the notice (see below). In case any member has not paid his dues during a period of 12 month, and after notification by the Secretary, he shall be declared by the Master to be suspended.

Notice of Suspension for Non-Payment Sec 41060

Out of State Members – 60 Days: After the first meeting in September the Secretary shall notify Out of State members by November 1st that they will be suspended NPD unless their dues for the current year are paid on or before December 31st.

Resident Members – 30 days: After the first meeting in September the Secretary shall notify resident (in-state) members by December 1st that they will be suspended NPD unless their dues for the current year are paid on or before December 31st.

Notice for payment of Annual Dues Dues Notice

November 1st: the Secretary should send out Dues Notices by November 1st or sooner, remember to give enough time to receive dues back and have the new dues card mailed by to the member prior to December 31st. Dues for the Masonic Year are payable by January 1st, and should be received by the Secretary in advance in order to allow the member to have a new Dues Card prior to the expiration of their current card on December 31st.

Payment of Annual Lodge Dues

Dues become payable on January 1st but the Dues Card expires on December 31st of the immediate preceding year. Therefore enough time needs to be allowed to send out the dues notices, receive payment and send out the Dues Card. A review of the By-Laws of all Lodges show that dues are payable in advance and payable on January 1st.

Dues /Membership Card

December 31st - Dues cards should be mailed so all members in good standing (**dues paid**) receive their Dues Card by December 31st. This includes Paid Life Members and 50 Year members all must be issued a card each year. Dues for the Masonic Year are payable by January 1st, and should be received by the Secretary in advance in order to allow the member to have a new Dues Card prior to the expiration of their current card on December 31st.

Programs in Focus for 2012-2013

The following programs are included in the Grand Master's Plan for the year, if you need assistance please contact your District Officer.

- **Instructor Certified Program**: for Lodge Instructors and other members of the lodge.
- **Ritualist Program**: To create a culture for the Lodges to be self sufficient and proficient in the Montana Standard Work. The focus is to encourage the brothers to develop Pride and Excellence in delivering Ritual work. The Masters of the Lodges can promote this program as a means to strengthen their Lodge.
- **Bikes of Books** - same program as before, forms have been mailed to the Lodge Secretary.
- **Education**: Each lodge is encouraged to work on Masonic Education at every meeting. This will be enhanced by the use of the District Lodge of Instruction, the Lodge Instructor Program, and the Ritualist program.
- **Master Builder 2.0 Award**. The Builder and Master Builder Award program. Forms have been mailed to the Lodge Secretary and are available at the Grand Lodge website.
- **Making Masons** by learning our ritualistic work to conduct degrees and go on with the business of perpetuating our fraternity by making Masons. Do so with quality in mind, not quantity.



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