



Grand York Rite of Idaho Newsletter



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To better serve the Idaho York Rite Bodies, this newsletter will be used for local activities and newsworthy items to share. If you have items to share, please send them to the Grand Recorder, grndyri1@gmail.com.



March Happenings

When	What	Where
14 Mar	Order of the Red Cross Light meal at 6:30	Boise Lodge
25 Mar	Most Excellent Master Degree	Cyrus Chapter
25 Mar 7:30pm	Mark Master & Past Master Degrees	Jerome Lodge

SHORT AND LONG RANGE PLANNING

We will start with explaining why you need to develop a Long Range Plan.

This is how we operate now: We have no plan, we wait for things to happen and we wonder why we are not growing. The key there was “We have no plan.” You have an 80% chance of accomplishing your goals if you have them written down along with a timeline.

Here are the eight steps for a Long Range Plan:

- 1 Identify Goals
- 2 Create Strategies
- 3 Develop a timeline
- 4 Adjust for changes

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- 5 Communicate with your Long Range Planning Committee
 - 6 Revise your plan
 - 7 Implement your strategy
 - 8 Assess the results

In the coming months, we will take each step and expand it.

A MOMENT IN THE HISTORY OF IDAHO YORK RITE

The following is an excerpt from the Grand Chapter Proceedings of 1921 held at
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho:

REPORT OF THE GRAND LECTURER

*To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Idaho-
Companions:*

Once again, by the grace of the great I Am, we are permitted to meet to renew the fraternal ties formed by years of attendance at our beloved Grand Chapter, a privilege that we look forward to with much interest and pleasure.

I am sure you will all be highly gratified to learn from the report of our efficient Grand Secretary, Perry C. Marshall, that our numbers have very materially increased during the past year. I assure you that it affords an old-timer like myself, a great deal of satisfaction to see that the younger men are availing themselves of their privileges as Master Masons to seek further light in Ancient Craft Masonry by becoming members of the Royal Arch.

In the month of February, in company with the Grand High Priest, L. W. Ensign, we visited Payette Chapter No. 8 and Weiser Chapter No. 11. Schools of instruction were held in both of these places.

During the month of April schools of instruction were held in the following Chapters: Boise Chapter No. 3, Pocatello Chapter No. 6, Idaho Falls No. 10, Twin Falls No. 15, King Solomon No. 16, Caldwell No. 19, Buhl No. 21, Blackfoot No. 23 and Rupert No. 22.

During the latter part of April I visited Mountain Home Chapter U.D. and was accompanied by our Grand Secretary, Companion Marshall. I found all of the officers of this Chapter very enthusiastic and anxious to become proficient in every detail.

The best of results were obtained in the schools of instruction in all the above mentioned Chapters. To my great regret I was unable to visit all the Chapters in our jurisdiction this year. I would have been more than pleased to do so, had the time at my disposal

permitted.

I have received an unusual number of communications from Chapters at various points in the State, and in that way have been able to give all necessary information to Chapters not visited.

Generally speaking, I found the officers and Companions well please with the new Ritual. Occasionally a Companion is found who says that he misses the old work, but a large majority approves our present Ritual.

All Chapters visited gave me a most cordial welcome and extended to me every possible courtesy during my stay among them, and collectively I thank them.

In most Chapters visited I found that the minor officers were not receiving the attention they deserve – I refer to the Masters of the Veils. I would urge all High Priests to impress upon those filling such offices the importance of learning the work, as well as being present at the Chapter Convocations. Not to do so is to lose sight of the first lesson taught them when inducted into a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. He who does not fill a minor part well is not worthy of further advancement and should be relegated to a seat on the side lines and a Companion who recognizes his obligation appointed to fill the station thus made vacant.

My official relations with our Most Excellent Grand High Priest, L. W. Ensign, and our Right Excellent Grand Secretary, Perry C. Marshall, and in fact with all the officers of the Grand Chapter, have been most cordial at all times. Their counsels and assistance have been a great help to me during the past year, for all of which they have my sincere thanks.

With the hope that our present Convocation may be blest with beneficent and far-reaching results, I am

Fraternally yours,

HENRY LEIMBERGER

Grand Lecturer.

RECOMMENDATION OF GRAND LECTURER

Companion Leimberger then offered the following resolution, which on motion of Companion Gauger, was referred to the Committees on Finance, Doings of Grand Officers and Jurisprudence.

Resolved, That the Grand Lecturer, as Custodian of the authorized work, be authorized to engage assistant Grand Lecturers who are qualified to dispense true Masonic Light according to the authorized work of this Grand Chapter; that by the aid of these assistants instruction may be provided, under the direction of the Grand Lecturer, for all Chapters, and that the compensation for such assistants be the same as that paid the Grand Lecturer of our Grand Chapter.

ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!!

GRAND YORK RITE SESSIONS 18 TO 20 April 2024

Registration is online at idyorkrite.org.

Deadline to register for rooms and meals is 1 April.

Be there or be square.

It is a privilege to attend.

