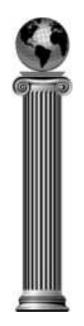
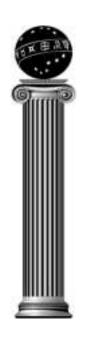
Annual Report

2006-2007







Lodge Conception No. 1679 G.L.S. A.F. & A.M.

> Conception Bay South, Newfoundland Charter Granted August 3rd 1973 Erected October 27th 1973

Brother William L. House Right Worshipful Master

Brother T. David Metcalfe
Secretary

Brother Kevin L. Trask Treasurer

LODGE CONCEPTION NO. 1679 G.L.S. Annual Secretary's Report 2006-2007

To the Right Worshipful Master, Office-bearers, and Brethren it is my duty to present to you the Thirty-Fourth and my Tenth consecutive Annual Report of the activities of the Lodge for the year past from October 1st 2006 to September 30th 2007.

The activities of the year consisted of; the Annual meeting, Installation of the R.W.M. and Office-Bearers by Brother Lester W. Bowering District Grand Master, Christmas Carol Service and social, Children's Christmas Party, Family Brunch, Flipper Dinner, Ladies Night, and Family Day Picnic at the Lodge. During the year we conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on One Brother, Fellow Craft- One Brother, Master Mason Degree - on one Brother.

During this past year we have continued to the use of the e-mail to send our notice paper to those who have e-mail and wish to receive it in that format. At present 35 members out of 55 members are receiving e-mail notices, with considerable savings on the cost of our postage. We are also sending our notice via e-mai to the Sister Lodges, District Grand Lodge, Honourary Members and complimentary notices. We have cut our Post Office mailings from 90 per month to 25.

As of August 31st 2007 the total membership of the Lodge now stands at Sixty-one (61) of which Fifty-one (51) are qualified members with dues paid to August 31st 2007, One new Master Masons who received his degrees this year, One Brother who was initiated and passed to the Fellow Craft Degree, Two (2) Distinguished Service Members, and Eight (8) Honorary Members, two of which are also included in the 51 qualified members. As of August 31st 2006 ALL brethren had paid their current years dues and Five (5)) had paid their dues in advance. Since our last annual report our Roll Book shows a total enrollment of 153 consisting of; 36 Charter Members, 41 Affiliates, 64 Initiates and 12 Honourary Members. Our Charter Member active roll is 14 members, no change from last year, they are noted on the membership roll by an asterisk * next to their names.

The social life of the Lodge was taken care of by the W.J.W. and a sub-committee of the Lodge Committee who held the following events; Christmas Carol Service & Social, Children's Christmas Party, Flipper Dinner, Family Brunch, Ladies Night, Family Picnic. The funds for these events were raised by sweeps and a charge for each meal, with the help of the Brethren and the Ladies.

As stated in my last years report that the Ladies Auxiliary had ceased to operate, I still have to thank them for their assistance during the past year. A group of ladies volunteered their services and came along to our Flipper Dinner and helped serve and cleaned up after the meal while we were at our regular monthly meeting. On other occasions they have helped with such events as the Children's Christmas Party, Christmas Social, Picnic and other times when they were at the Lodge.

The following is a list of monthly activities from October 2006 to September 2007;

October 16th 2006: Annual meeting with the year end reports of the Secretary, Treasurer, the election of the RWM, Office-bearers and committees for the coming year. The official visiting Lodge was St. John's Lodge No. 1 G.L.N.L. who was represented by the Master, Wor. Bro. Ted Davis. Brother William Lee House was elected Right Worshipful Master for the year 2006-2007.

October 25th 2006: The Annual Installation and Bro. Wm. L. House was installed as Right Worshipful Master by Brother Lester W. Bowering, District Grand Master assisted by the Office-Bearers and members of District Grand Lodge. Right Worshipful Bro. Donald Lambert District Grand Master of Avalon District of the Grand Lodge of Newfoundland & Labrador, and a delegation were in attendance, with Bro. Lambert installing the Junior Warden.

November 20th 2006: Worshipful Bro. Alfred Crews P. M. of St. George's Lodge No. 15 G.L.N.L. was the official visiting Lodge. The Depute Master and Brother James Miller represented the Lodge at the November 11th Memorial Service. The E.A. Degree was conferred on Mr. Geoffrey Mark Lane.

<u>December 18th 2006:</u> Bro. Joseph Banoub newly installed R.W.M. of Lodge St. Andrew No 1139 G.L.S. and a delegation of Nine (9), were the official visiting Lodge. A short meeting was held followed by the annual Christmas Carol Service and social. A successful Christmas Sweep was held. Mr. Sebastian Padia passed a ballot tor initiation.

<u>January 15th 2007:</u> Brother Douglas Stone, Depute District Grand Master was in attendance. Bro. Peter Grimes, RWM of Lodge Tasker, accompanied by Three Brethren was the official visiting Lodge. The Master Mason degree was conferred on Brother Morley Marlin Coish. We recorded the passing of Meta Ivimey, wife of Bro. Ralph Ivimey, who was a staunch supporter of the Lodge.

<u>February 19th 2007:</u> The February meeting was cancelled because of a snow storm, it was rescheduled for the following Saturday afternoon February 24th but it too had to be cancelled because of another snow storm. The next scheduled meeting was in March.

<u>March 20th 2007:</u> Bro. Douglas Stone, Depute D.G. Master was in attendance. Brother Ken Mathews, RWM. of Lodge Newfoundland Kilwinning and a delegation of Eight were the official visiting lodge. A paper was presented by Bro. George Moore entitled "Fellow Craft Tracing Board as given in Lodge St. John Kilwinning No 22 G.L.S." Mr. John Scott Fitzgerald passed a ballot to initiation. The Lodge donated \$1,100.00 to the New Freemasons Hall to be built a Masonic Park in Mount Pearl.

April 16th 2007: The official delegation was from Whiteway Lodge No. 8 G.L.N.L. led by Worshipful Brother David Jones and a delegation of Five (5). Brother Kevin Saunders gave a paper entitled "The Symbolism of the Stone". Wor. Bro. David Jones gave a report on the progress of the new Freemasons Hall.

May 6th 2007 Family Brunch: It was held on Sunday from 12:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. with over Forty-Seven (47) served.

May 15th 2007 Bro. James Roberts, RWM of Lodge Westmoorland No. 24 G.L.N.L. and a delegation of Five were official visiting lodge. The meeting was preceded by a Flipper Dinner which was prepared by Bro. Gordon Moulton with the assistance of others and served by the Ladies, who cleanup up after. The dinner was well-attended by members and their friends. Brother Hollis F. (Trey) Metcalfe presented the lodge with \$600.00 to pay for the new set of columns, this to be in memory of his Father Hollis L. Metcalfe, P.M. and his Grandfather Hollis J. Metcalfe, MM.

<u>July 7th 2007:</u> A Family Day Picnic was held at Lodge which was hosted by the R.W.M. Bro. House, his wife Pamela and family. The picnic was scheduled for Bro. Houses residence but was held at the Lodge because of wet weather.

<u>July to August 2005:</u> We again had a delegation from the Lodge at the annual July 1st War Memorial Service. Regular Bingo continued through the summer. During the summer we recorded the passing of Helen Driscoll, wife of our Honourary Member Brother Gordon Driscoll.

<u>September 18th 2006:</u> Wor. Bro. Austin Keeping, Master of Avalon Lodge No. 2 G.L.N.L. and a delegation of Six brethren were the official visiting lodge. The nomination of the Right Worshipful Master, Office-Bearers, and members of the various committees as published in the notice paper, were accepted as amended by the Lodge. The Master Masons Degree was conferred on Bro. Geoffrey Mark Lane.

I congratulate the R.W.M. and the Office-Bearers for the work done during the past year. Personally is would like to thank the following; Brother Don Sparkes for his managing of the bar. All the brethren who have worked on the bingo teams, especially Bros. James Miller, Ralph Ivimey, and Robert Thorburn, who have worked 38, 34,37 nights respectively, Bro. Ivimey also makes ready the hall every week for bingo. To those of the sub committees of the general committee for running the various socials and raising the money without which we would not be able to meet our commitments. As an example of this type of work Bros. Harry French, sold 50 and Wm. Houses 200 Books of tickets on the Christmas Sweep. Brother Trevor Metcalfe for his maintenance of the building, and his part in the stocking of the bar. To those members of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Housing, and those of the Board of Directors of Lodge Conception Co. Inc., the Ladies for their help, and to all who helped in any way to the success of the year.

In closing, I look forward to working with the Right Worshipful Master, Office-Bearers and Brethren in the coming year of 2007-08. I also give notice that as of the end of the year 2008-09 I will be retiring as secretary. As of that date, if I am still around, it will be twelve consecutive years as secretary.

T. David	Metcalfe, P. M. Se	cretary.

Fraternally Submitted,

Treasurer's Report 2006-2007

To the Right Worshipful Master, Office-Bearers, and Brethren, of Lodge Conception No. 1679 of The Grand Lodge Of Scotland, A.F. & A.M. It is my duty to present our 34th annual report on the financial status of the Lodge for the year ending August 31st 2007.

First I would like to present a chart to show our membership for the past two years. This gives a picture of the membership as it was and how it is at the present.

TYPE MEMBER	2006-2007	2005-2006
Qualified Members	51	46
Entered Apprentices	0	0
Fellows Craft	1	1
Master Masons (New)	1	3
Affiliates	0	2
Distinguished Service	2	2
Honorary Members	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>
TOTAL	63(61)*	62 (60)*

In 2006-07 two members hold both Honorary and Affiliate Memberships. They are noted on the membership roll by this symbol §. The complete membership is shown at the end of this report.

General Account

There is a large inventory of Mark Degree items in stock that will sell each year and this is translated into some cash as the year progressed. All this combined with the fact that we now have a membership which is prompt in payment of their dues indicates that we have a reliable General Account. We need to monitor our expenses each March as we have done in the past to see if any increase in dues is necessary. I have misplaced a Cheque for Dues and Brother Metcalfe will approach the Brother to have it replaced. You will also notice a decrease in postage this year due to the emailing of Monthly Notice Papers. We have on hand 425 pre-stamped envelopes which should be enough postage to cover us until October 2008.

Entertainment Account

This account continues to be our safety net with the support of our Christmas Sweep. This fund helps tremendously with the Ladies Night, Family Brunch, Christmas Carol Service and Family Picnic. We also have seen increases in our number of dinners. We all know that these events are of great benefit to the social life of our Lodge. This year we have also made another investment and put \$3500.00 into a money master account.

Benevolent Account

This account continues to grow while the investment in the money master has seen \$102.66 collected in interest. Collection is down, but we have missed one monthly meeting this year due to weather and we have donated a collection to the Free Masons Hall.

At the end of the Entertainment and Benevolent Accounts you will see a box which represents the investments in a Money Master Account for each of these accounts.

As this year draws to a close I look back at my year as Treasurer and realize that there is much more to this than I had thought. Mostly, time seems to escape me and I must set aside some time to fulfill my duties. However with family, work and soccer, there seems little time to spare. Hopefully with having put all of my accounts in excel and having my report updated with each entry I will become more efficient and provide reports on a more timely base.

Content Content	2006-2007 \$2,713.37 \$382.50	2005-2006 \$3,424.37
Dues \$3,725.00 \$3,510.00 District Grand Lodge Initiation \$280.00 \$280.00 Benevolent Affl/Mark \$0.00 \$210.00 Honorariums Sales \$20.00 \$291.00 Installation	\$2,713.37	-
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	\$0.00	\$200.00
Mark Fee \$90.00 Regalia	\$200.00	\$254.74
	\$258.00	\$797.54
Transfer from Entert Acc \$200.00 Pat Tasker	\$0.00	\$46.00
Missing Due Check -\$75.00 Post/Copy	\$445.29	\$719.91
Supplies	\$0.00	-
Other	\$23.00	
Bank Chg	\$291.67	\$90.54
Bank Balance	-\$57.70	\$106.14
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Total Income For Period \$4,150.00 \$4,381.00 Total Expenditure (B)	\$4,256.13	\$6,321.74
Opening Balance \$106.14 \$1,940.74	60.01	
Total Income Balance (A) \$4,256.14 \$6,321.74 Closing Balance (A-B) Entertainment Account	\$0.01	
Income 2006-2007 2005-2006 Expenditure	2006-2007	2005-2006
Ladies Nite \$600.00 \$285.00 Ladies Night	\$1,068.00	\$1,026.10
Draws \$1,302.00 \$1,542.00 Christmas	\$258.71	\$364.10
Sales/Donat \$2,020.85 \$170.00 Picnic	\$200.00	\$1,150.92
Dinners \$2,817.00 Honorariums	\$200.00	\$150.00
Ladies auxiliary \$3,000.00 Draws	\$167.58	\$137.94
Bingo Acct Re Workers \$450.00 Supplies	\$0.00	\$878.74
Other draws and Dinners \$155.00 Charity	\$175.00	\$325.00
Money Master Investment Dinners	\$1,902.78	\$88.59
Monmaster Interest Other	\$554.80	,
Bank Chg	\$92.42	\$89.86
O/S Cheque	-\$25.00	-\$100.00
Money Master Transfer	\$3,500.00	
Money Master Interest		
	-	-
Bank Balance	\$3,697.37	\$5,151.91
Total Income For Period \$6,739.85 \$5,602.00 Total Expenditure (B)	\$11,791.66	\$9,263.16
Opening Balance \$5,051.81 \$3,661.06		
Total Income Balance (A) \$11,791.66 \$9,263.06 Closing Balance (A-B)	\$0.00	
Entertainment Investment		
Open Interest Closing		
<u>3500.00</u> <u>75.77</u> <u>3575.7</u>	7	
Benevolent Account		
<u>Income</u> 2006-2007 2005-2006 <u>Expenditure</u>	2006-2007	2005-2006
Interest \$0.47 \$0.89 Benevolence	\$165.09	
Memorials \$50.00 \$150.00 Memorial	\$82.44	\$82.44
Collection \$227.82 \$343.05 Gifts	\$152.18	\$138.42
Annual Assessment \$382.50 \$682.50 Other	\$0.00	
Investment \$2,575.79 Bank Chg	\$7.25	\$4.25
Transfer to Investment \$700.00 Mon Master Investment	-	\$3,339.38
Interest on Investment \$63.59 Transfer to Money Master	0014.70	\$700.00
Bank Balance	\$814.58	\$560.28
Total Income For Period \$660.79 \$4,515.82 Total Expenditure (B)	\$1,221.54	\$4,824.77
Opening Balance \$560.28 \$308.95		
Total Income Balance (A) \$1,221.07 \$4,824.77 Closing Balance (A-B)	-\$0.47	
Benevolent Investment		
Open Interest Closing		
$3339.38 \qquad 102.66 \qquad 3442.0$	4	

Summary of Bank Account Balances As of August 31st 2007

Account	2006-007	2005-2006
General Account	\$ (57.70)	\$ 106.14
Entertainment Account Cash & Investment	\$7,273.14	5,051.81
Benevolent Account Cash & Investment	\$4,256.62	3,899.66
Total Balances	\$11,472.06	\$9,057.61

Respectfully Submitted:

Auditor.

Kevin L. Trask, M.M., Treasurer

Certification of the 33rd Annual Financial Report

I hereby Certify that I have examined the Books, Bank Statements, and other information of Lodge Conception No.1679 G.L.S., A.F. & A.M. and have found them to be in order. I have to report that the foregoing statements have been properly drawn up to exhibit a true and correct view of the funds of the Lodge to August 31st 2007

Audited and found correct on 2007

MEMBERSHIP ROLL AS OF AUGUST 31ST 2007

Qualified Members:(51)

Wm Baker Gerald Carr Charles Cook* **Peter Davies** Thomas Davis* **Aubrey Dawe** Wm Duncan **Robert Dunham Harry French*** Woodrow French* Gerald Greenslade* Wilfred Haines Clayton Handrigan§ Alex Holden* Wm House **Ralph Ivimey David Jarvis Thomas Jensen** John Johnston **Edwin Kennedy Edward Lannon Gerry Ledrew Curtis LeGrow Edward Light** Cluny Macpherson* **Geoff Manuel (26)**

Wm. Matheson **Bruce Metcalfe*** Hollis F. Metcalfe **Trevor Metcalfe*** James Miller **Paul Miller** George Moore **Gordon Moulton** Cecil Murdoch **David Piercey** James Rowsell **Kevin Saunders* Douglas Saunders Mark Staveley Ernest Shute Edward Skinner Albert Smith§ Calvin Smith Richard Smith Donald Sparkes*** Robert Thorburn* **Kevin Trask** James Tucker Kenneth Wave Reginald Woodford **(25)**

Distinguished Service Members (2)

David Metcalfe* Harold Ryan*

Entered Apprentice (0)

Fellows Craft (1) Mark Lane

New Master Masons (1) Morley Coish

Honorary Members (8)

Fred Noel Gordon Driscoll
Eli Rogers Robert D. C. Taylor
Herman Starkes Albert Smith §
W. Rex Cotter Clayton Handrigan §

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Total Membership 61

* Denotes Charter Member § Denotes Honourary & Qualified Member