



MINNEHAHA LODGE #5

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FEBRUARY 5, 2026

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Worshipful Master Ryan Harrison opened a Stated Meeting in the Entered Apprentice Degree at 7:00 pm and greeted the Brethren in attendance. The first order of business was to approve the minutes from the Stated Meeting Minutes from December 4 and January 15. They were previously emailed out and posted on Grand View in the File Vault prior to the meeting for review. Hearing no additions or corrections, they stood approved as communicated. 

CORRESPONDENCE.



PETITIONS.

-  Petition received and read for the first reading for Alex Greer; an investigation committee will be appointed and then report.
-  A Petition for Affiliation was received from Most Worshipful Brother Gary Griffith, Past Grand Master. Recommenders were Virgil Anderson and Aaron Zahn. The ballot was cast and found favorable. Welcome MWB Gary to Minnehaha Lodge!

CONTINUING BUSINESS

-  The Byers Pantry Boost is a charitable effort by the lodge to support counselors in the Harrisburg School District by providing food and essential items for students who come to school without enough to eat. \$300 in funds were donated to purchase items, supplemented by additional items individually purchased and dropped off by brethren. On top of that, another \$350 in cash was donated by members, which will be used to complete the remaining shopping at Costco. The counselors specifically requested that the delivery be handled covertly, to protect the dignity of the students and maintain harmony with school staff roles, so the Senior Warden will coordinate with the Worshipful Master to execute an early-morning, discreet delivery. Throughout the discussion, the brethren's generosity, concern, and support for hungry children were emphasized as both an expression of Masonic charity and an alignment with the Grand Master's challenge to support schools
-  The recent Entered Apprentice Degree on Jan 15 was a well-supported and meaningful evening, with many brethren stepping up to help and attend. The Worshipful Master expressed heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated, noting that their efforts helped the lodge "continue moving forward" and provided a strong, positive start to our new brother's Masonic journey.
-  Upcoming degree work at Minnehaha Lodge No. 5 includes a Fellowcraft Degree on February 19, with degree practice on February 18 (the Wednesday before), and a Master Mason Degree on February 28, held on a Saturday so it can be done in proper form with a break. Practices are being scheduled for the Wednesday prior to each degree, and all officers involved in the work are strongly encouraged to attend. Full details and any updates are posted on Grand View, which remains the central hub for lodge scheduling and information.

TREASURER'S REPORT. The following Treasurer's Report was presented and received for filing 



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TREASURER'S REPORT

Saturday, January 31, 2026

	Date	Beginning Balance	Deposits & Transfer	Checks & Transfer	O/S Checks	Dedicated Funds	Funds Available
CHECKING ACCOUNTS							
LODGE CHECKING BEG BALANCE	1/1/2026	14710.56					14710.56
xxx7563							
DEPOSIT OF DUES	1/2/2026		2863.83				2863.83
DEPOSIT OF DUES & GW&O	1/12/2026		1647.50				1647.50
DEPOSIT OF DUES	1/27/2026		600.00				600.00
TRANSFER TO GW&O				(100.00)			(100.00)
CHECK # 2645 AARON Z JAN SEC FEES	1/2/2026			(250.00)			(250.00)
15353 POS PRE-AUTH LETTERSTREAM.COM	1/12/2026			(307.40)			(307.40)
LODGE CHECKING END BALANCE	1/31/2026	14710.56	5111.33	(657.40)	0.00	0.00	19164.49
OUTSTANDING & DEDICATED							
CHECK #2614 LLOY FAMILY	2/24/2025				(100.00)		(100.00)
CHECK # 2646 GRAND LODGE PER CAP	1/27/2026				(8610.00)		(8610.00)
TOTAL O/S & DEDICATED	1/31/2026						(8710.00)
AVAILABLE FUND IN LODGE CHECKING	1/31/2026				(8960.00)	0.00	10454.49
FOOD FUND BEG BAL							
	1/1/2026	2034.13					2034.13
269242 DOORDASH CHIPOTLEM	1/21/2026			(30.49)			(30.49)
269432 DOORDASH PANERABRE	1/21/2026			(98.83)			(98.83)
FOOD FUND END BAL	1/31/2026	2034.13	0.00	(129.32)	0.00	0.00	1904.81
GOOD WORKS AND OUTREACH							
xxx1154	1/1/2026	855.39					855.39
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL ACCT	1/13/2026		100.00				100.00
FOR BYERS FOOD PANTRY	1/13/2026				0.00	(100.00)	(100.00)
GWO&O ENDING BALANCE	1/31/2026	855.39	100.00	0.00	0.00	(100.00)	855.39
TOTAL CHECKING ACCOUNTS - O/S	1/31/2026						13,214.69
	Date	Beginning Balance	Deposits & Transfer	Checks & Transfer	O/S Checks	Dedicated Funds	Funds Available
ELMER C. ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP							
SDGLIF SCHOLARSHIP FUND	1/1/2026	17335.49					17335.49
INCOME + MARKET VALUE CHANGE	12/31/2025		374.82				374.82
SDGLIF SCHOLARSHIP FUND ENDING BALANCE	1/31/2026	17335.49	374.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	17710.31
1ST NATIONAL BANK CD	1/1/2026	10777.47					10777.47
1ST NAT BANK CD ENDING BALANCE	1/31/2026	10777.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10777.47
TOTAL ECA FUNDS	1/31/2026	28112.96	374.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	28487.78
INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS							
FIRST INTERSTATE MONEY MARKET	1/1/2026	9202.83					9202.83
INTEREST	12/31/2025		3.33				3.33
FIRST INTERSTATE MM ENDING BALANCE	1/31/2026	9202.83	3.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	9206.16
SD GRAND LODGE INVESTMENT FUND	1/1/2026	14807.62					14807.62
INCOME + MARKET VALUE CHANGE			320.15				320.15
SDGLIF ENDING BALANCE	1/31/2026	14807.62	320.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	15127.77
TTL INVESTMENT ACCOUNT ENDING BALANCE	1/31/2026	24010.45	323.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	24333.93
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	1/31/2026						\$ 66,036.40
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	12/31/2025						\$ 69,623.49
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	11/30/2025						\$ 63,213.34
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	10/31/2025						\$ 58,448.81
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	9/30/2025						\$ 59,976.64
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	8/31/2025						\$ 59,708.33



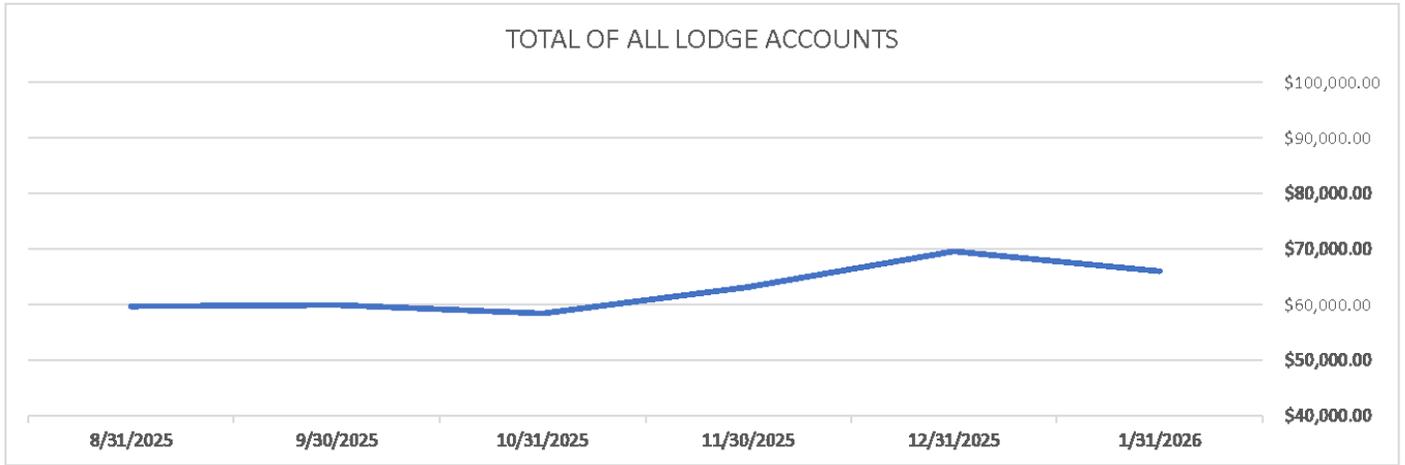
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REPORTED INTEREST EARNED ON MINNEHAHA #5 ACCOUNTS						
JULY 1ST, 2025 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30TH, 2025						
	ECA SCHOLARSHIP SAVINGS	ECA SCHOLARSHIP SDGLIF*	ECA SCHOLARSHIP FNB CD	LODGE SAVINGS ACCOUNT	1ST INTERSTATE MONEY MARKET	LODGE SDGLIF*
JULY 2025	\$0.06			\$0.02	\$3.12	
AUGUST 2025	\$0.06			\$0.02	\$2.92	
SEPTEMBER 2025	\$0.05	\$490.98		\$0.02	\$3.12	\$545.14
OCTOBER 2025	\$0.05			\$0.02	\$3.22	
NOVEMBER 2025	\$0.05			\$0.02	\$2.82	
DECEMBER 2025		\$374.82			\$3.33	\$320.15
JANUARY 2026						
FEBRUARY 2026						
MARCH 2026						
APRIL 2026						
MAY 2026						
JUNE 2026						
TOTALS	\$0.27	\$865.80	\$0.00	\$0.10	\$18.53	\$865.29

* INTEREST SHOWN FOR SOUTH DAKOTA GRAND LODGE INVESTMENT FUNDS INCLUDES INTEREST AND MARKET VALUE CHANGE OF THE FUND



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NEW BUSINESS

- Masonic Education – James Byers, used his education segment to reflect on lessons from the Winter Communication and to deepen understanding of the Holy Saints John. He described WinCom as a powerful opportunity to learn from other lodges’ challenges, witness acts of Masonic charity (such as the Grand Master jumping into a pool to raise \$750 for Masonic charities), and grow through fellowship. In lodge, he then connected Saint John the Baptist with morality, humility, self-discipline, and preparation, and Saint John the Evangelist with wisdom, light, and intellectual and spiritual growth. Using their feast days (June 24 and December 27) and the symbolism of the point within a circle between the two Saints John, he emphasized that Masons do not worship these saints, but remember their examples as symbolic guides for living a balanced, ethical, and enlightened Masonic life, grounded in the Great Light and personal improvement rather than sectarian doctrine.
- There was an email that went out titled “Opportunities”. This was for the many ways that anyone can step up and contribute to the success of the lodge. To date we have not received any responses. Please review that email and jump in where you can.
- The MBA has a Super Secretary now! Cody Christensen provided a very detailed MBA report this month. A hearty round of applause was given for Super Secretary Cody!
- The Junior Warden, reminded the brethren that just as we make appointments before seeing a doctor or optometrist, we must also RSVP for lodge meals on Grand View. He stressed that RSVPs help determine whether to hold or cancel meals, ensure enough food is prepared for everyone, and prevent the disappointment of brothers arriving expecting to eat when there may not be enough prepared. Speaking earnestly, he asked the lodge to “do it for me” if for no other reason, underscoring that taking a few moments to RSVP is a simple but important way to support the officers, the kitchen team, and one another.

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

- Newest member MWB Gary Griffith is in a long term hospice care facility in Marion, SD. He is able to take visitors. Brother Matt Gage is working through some challenges and could use support from his Brothers

MEAL

- Meal from Fazoli’s . **\$15 cost**. \$105 collected from online payments. \$260 collected from cash at the door. Bill for food was \$329.45
- We had prospects and guests dine with us. These meals were covered, thanks in whole to the George Hahn Food Fund**





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***Trying to figure out how to get more Eriks to join!**

Respectfully Submitted,

AARON ZAHN - SECRETARY

