

Most Excellent Companion
Clifford Charles Hartmier



Grand First Principal 2017 – 2018
Grand Chapter of Manitoba

Most Excellent Companion Cliff Hartmier was born and raised in Winnipeg and grew up in a Masonic family. Cliff's father was a Scottish Rite Shrine Mason, his mother with the DOTN and his Masonic Family journey started with Winnipeg Chapter Order of DeMolay.

Cliff's youth saw him participate in community activities like the Scouting program and Military Sea Cadets. While in cadets, he was inspired to learn to play the saxophone because his brother in law at the time wanted to learn. Well, he learned to play the saxophone while the brother in law didn't. While in cadets, he participated in the music program and also learned to play the snare drum.

After three years with cadets, he had heard about the Order of DeMolay and shifted his direction to the group.

After being away from the cadets for only a year, he was inspired to try the Naval Reserves as a musician which lasted 3 ½ years. After 1 ½ years, Cliff was inspired to try the full time military as a Supply Technician where he ended up serving in various places such as Winnipeg, Kingston, Shilo and finally, Cold Lake. While posted to these areas, he served with the Signals, Artillery and lastly the F-18 unit in Cold Lake. In 2008, Cliff release from the regular component of the military where he and his wife Deanna moved to Winnipeg. While being on a holding list for only 3 months, he transferred to the Air Reserves for the next 4 years. While posted to Shilo, Cliff served with the UN in the Golan Heights Israel in 2002. The next time overseas was to Afghanistan in 2006. In 2011, Cliff served with the NATO forces in Italy for a brief assignment and returning a few months later for further service back to Sicily. In 2012, he transferred to the reserve component that assists the Canadian Cadet program. Going almost full circle, In 2015 Cliff transferred back to his original unit that he joined back in 1980 and is currently serving part time within the unit in his 37th year of time.

Currently, Cliff is working full time with Health Canada at the Canadian Science Centre for Human and Animal Health.

A big part of Cliff's life has been art of Clowning. During his years as a DeMolay member, the group provided a chance to try clowning as the Chapter members would dress like clowns for the annual Shrine Circus parade. During Cliff's year as the presiding officer in DeMolay, he wanted to try some other parades and thus more clowning. This opportunity introduced him to others within the community and thus a lifetime love of the art. In 1995, he met Deanna who was new to the art. Within time and a few more events, Cliff and Deanna started dating in 1996. Eventually, Deanna with her Daughter moved to Shilo with Cliff and were married in April 2000. The wedding had a clown theme to it with the entire wedding party in clown costume. A few of the guests for the wedding were also in clown costume notably John and Ellen James. Memorable times included trips to India and Ireland for clowning events. An Honorable mention is that Deanna is the only Canadian to serve as the President of the World Clown Association while Cliff is the third Canadian to serve as President of the International Shrine Clown Association.

Freemasonry and especially his involvement and participation in the Yorkrite has become an important focus of Cliff's life. He feels that he is very blessed with

such a loving wife who gives unconditional support to all his numerous Masonic activities.

Masonic Resume

SWASM, with Afghan Bar, CPSM UNDOF, UOP Medal (Libya) CD2,

Order of DeMolay

Winnipeg Δ

Initiated and Knighted (Initiated November, 1979)

Served as Chapter Secretary 1981

Elected and Installed as Master Councillor February 1982 to September 1982.

Received Representative DeMolay Award

Ancient Free & Accepted Masons

Charleswood \square # 163 Grand Register of Manitoba

Initiated, Passed and Raised 1985

Cataraqui \square # 92 GLC (Kingston, Ontario) (Affiliated) 1990

Installed as Worshipful Master May to July 1995

Brandon \square # 19 GRM (Brandon, Manitoba) (Affiliated 1996)

Installed as Worshipful Master 1999, 2001

Served as Secretary December 2004 to July 2007

Charleswood Red River \square # 184 (Affiliated April 2012)

Charleswood \square # 163 GRM (Name Change June 2015)

Worshipful Master December 2017 - 2019

Union Historical \square # 108 GRM (Life Member) Affiliated April 2005

International Peace Garden \square (Life Member) Affiliated 2006

Grand \square of Manitoba

Grand Representative to the Grant \square Orient of Brazil August 2001

Grand Junior Deacon June 2002 to June 2003

District Deputy Grand Master District #7, June 2003 to June 2004

Grand Pursuivant June 2009 to June 2010

Wayne Cash Award for 100 blood donations June 2012

Wayne Cash Award addition for 130 blood donation June 2017

Past Masters Association of Manitoba

Joined January 1999

Elected President March 2012

Serving as Secretary January 2016 - April 2018 (Now Closed)

Holy Royal Arch

Ancient Frontenac and Cataraqui Δ #1 Grand Δ of Grand Δ of Canada

Admitted, Received and Exalted 1992

Keystone Δ # 5 Grand Δ of Manitoba (Affiliated) 1996

Elected and Installed First Principal 2000

Appointed Grand Representative to the Grand Chapter of Canada May 2001

Appointed Grand Representative to Connecticut 2006 to Present

Prince Rupert Δ #1 (Affiliated) 2012

Grand Δ of Manitoba

Elected and Installed District Superintendent # 2 April 2001 to April 2002

Appointed Grand Director of Ceremonies April 2002 to April 2007

Chairman of Education April 2005 to present

Appointed Webmaster July 2005 to present

Elected and Installed Grand First Principal April 2017 – April 2018

Received the W. D. Lawrence (First PGFP) PGFP's Jewel April 2018

Cork ° April 2003

Initiated Manitoba Cork Lodge # 1 April 2003

Elected Honorary Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Alberta May 2017

Honorary Member of the Grand Chapter of Minnesota June 2017

Honorary Member of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota September 2017

Honorary Member of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia and Yukon September 2017

Order of the High Priesthood

Manitoba Council

Anointed, Consecrated and set apart April 2001

Most Excellent President April 2013 to April 2014

Secretary / Treasurer April 2014 – Present

Honorary Member for the Grand Chapter of Minnesota June 2017

Honorary Member for the Grand Chapter of Iowa August 2017

Honorary Member for the Grand Chapter of Alberta May 2017

Royal & Select Masters “Cryptic”

Brandon Council # 10

Honored, Chosen and Greeted February 1998

Elected and Installed Thrice Illustrious Master 2001

Cyrus Council # 2 (Affiliated September 2012)

Grand Council of Western Canada

Appointed Grand Representative to Grand Council for the State of Israel 2002

Appointed Grand Conductor of the Council May 2005 – May 2006

Elected and Installed Grand Inspector General May 2010 – May 2011

Elected Grand Principal Conductor of the Work May 2018

Order of the Silver Trowel (Grand Council of Western Canada)

Inducted April 2005 April 2005 (Life Member)

ISH – SODI

Honorary Member for the Grand Council of Minnesota June 2017

Honorary Life Member for Minnesota Council June 2017

Iowa

BC & Yukon

Royal Ark Mariners

Elevated in Lake Wahtopanah \square # 13 1999 Moored to Brandon Council # 10

Installed Commander Noah 2001

Lake Winnipeg □ # 4 Moored to Cyrus Council # 2 (Affiliated) 2012

Grand Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners of Western Canada

Appointed Grand Junior Deacon May 2005 – May 2006

Elected and Installed Grand Inspector General May 2010 – May 2011

Elected and Installed Grand Junior Warden “Shem” May 2018

Sovereign Great Priory of Canada of the United Religious and Military Orders of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta and of the Temple:

Proclaimed a Knight in Hugh de Paynes Preceptory # 1 (Kingston, Ontario) 1995

Brandon Preceptory # 74 Affiliated 1996

Presiding Preceptor 2000

Sovereign Great Priory of Canada

Elected and Installed Provincial Grand Prior August 2007 August 2008

King Edward Preceptory # 24 Affiliated 2012

Knight Crusader of the Cross

Grand Commandery of Minnesota

Inducted Life Member June 2017

Red Cross of Constantine

Grand Valley # 36 Brandon, Manitoba

Admitted, Received, Constituted and Installed March 2001

Viceroy 2010

Most Puissant Sovereign 2011

Selkirk # 6 (Affiliated)

Grand Imperial Conclave of Canada

Caritas Jewel Recipient

Asst Webmaster July 2010 - December 2012

Webmaster 2013 to present

Deputy Grand Intendant General MB & NW ON August 2017 - 2019

Knights York Cross Honor

Inducted into Manitoba Priory # 69 April 2003

Elected and Installed Prior April 2013 – 2014

Registrar / Treasurer April 2014 - present

Qualified for 2 quadrants of a KYGCH

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite

Valley of Brandon

Acknowledged and Proclaimed 14^o April 2005

Acknowledged and Proclaimed 18^o October 2005

Acknowledged and Proclaimed 32^o April 2007

Past 1st Lieutenant Commander 2007

York Rite Sovereign College of North America

Order of Knight of York 2000

Governor 2009

OPC Nominee 2017

OPC Recipient August 2018 (Chicago)

Shriners International (Formerly A. A. O. N. M. S.)

Khartum Shriners

Crossed the burning sands and Fezzed as a Noble October 2002

Potentate's Aide 2011

Executive at Large 2011

Ass't Chief of Staff 2012

Executive at Large 2013

Khartum Past Masters Club

President 2009

Secretary 2010 – August 2011

Khartum Komediants

Petitioned, Elected and Accepted as a Joey December 2005

Elected and Installed President 2010

Elected and Installed Secretary / Treasurer 2011 2012, 2014

International Shrine Clown Association

Joined 2006

Chairman Publicity 2012 - 2013

Elected and Installed 3rd Vice President (Huntsville AL, USA) February 2013

Elected and Installed 2nd Vice President (St Louis MO, USA) February 2014

Elected and Installed 1st Vice President (Wichita KS, USA) February 2015

Elected and Installed President (Sioux City, IA, USA) February 2016

Life Membership February 2017 (Richmond, VA, USA) February 2017

Annual Financial Reviewer 2017, 2018

Polar ° Igloo # 1 Khartum Shriners February 2007

Odererous Order of the Fish ° School # 2008

Khartum Boat Races February 2011

Hill Billy °

-Clan # 172 (Kem Shriners) 2005

-Clan # 85 (Khartum Shriners) (Affiliated) 2010

Loyal Order of Water Buffaloes °

Excavated Quarry # 1 February 2016 (Sioux City IA, USA)

Charter Grand Poo-Baa 2016 - Present

Commerative order of St Thomas of Acon

Saskatchewan Chapel # 67

Admitted and Knighted October 2010

Elected Treasurer and Appointed Secretary 2013 - 2015

Invested as Eminent Prior October 2014 - October 2015

Elected and Installed as Worthy Master 2015 – 2017

Elected Treasurer and Appointed Secretary 2017 - Present

Province of Canada Commerative order of St Thomas of Acon

Appointed Provincial Grand Cellarer 2013 - Present

Grand Council Commerative Order of St Thomas of Acon

Appointed Past Grand Herald 2017

Societas Rosicruciana

LVX IN Occident (Saskatoon) SRIC Admitted 2008

Centrum College (Winnipeg) SRIC (Affiliated) 2013
North Dakota College (Grand Forks) SRiCF (Affiliated) 2017

Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests

Admitted a Knight Templar Priest St John the Almoner Tabernacle # 102 (Saskatoon) (UK) September 2006 Joined

Affiliated Spirit of the Lord Tabernacle No. LXIV (North Dakota) (Grand College of America) (Received September 2012)

Eminent II Pillar September 2017

Railroad °

Fraternal Order of Railroaders Inducted Winnipeg, MB April 2007

Association of the Order of High Rollers

South Dakota Life Member September 2017

Lotus Club

Member in good graces Lodge # 1 for the State of Minnesota June 2017

International Order of Jobs Daughters

Past Associate Bethel Guardian # 6 (Brandon Manitoba) June 2003 – June 2004

Knight Masons

North Dakota Council # 90 Grand Council of Knight Masons of the United States of America

Coroneted a Knight September 2007

Junior Knight September 2017

Excellent Chief (September 2018)

Allied Masonic Degrees

Admitted to St Lawrence the Martyr Keystone Council # 172 GRC 2003

Knight of Constantinople

Anointed Man at Arms

Elected and Installed Sovereign Master 2006 - 2008

Grand Council of Allied Degrees of Canada

Coroneted Knight of the Royal Order of the Red Branch of Eri April 2005

Appointed Grand Tyler August 2007 - August 2008

Raised to Knight Commander of the Royal Order of the Red Branch of Eri June 2011

Coroneted Knight Grand Commander of the Red Branch of Eri August 2011

Elected and Installed District Deputy Grand Master August 2011 to August 2013

Masonic Order of the Bath August 2006

Order of the Secret Monitor or Brotherhood of David and Jonathan of Canada

Inducted Winnipeg Conclave 2003

Prince of the Order Winnipeg Conclave 2005

Commissioned and installed as Supreme Ruler 2016 - 2017

National Sojourners

Fargo – Moorhead # 338 Initiated February 2017