

2011-2012 Grand Master's Award of Excellence Application

Lodge Name: _____ Lodge Number: _____ Area: _____

Address: _____ District: _____

City: _____ May 31, 2011 Membership _____

TO DETERMINE THE INFORMATION THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED PLEASE READ THE REQUIREMENTS CAREFULLY

Primary Requirement Planks

Plank 1 – Lodge Membership

Qualified Points _____

Maximum two points

Lodge membership
May 31, 2011 _____

Additions

Raised _____
Affiliated by dimit _____
Reinstated _____
Total Additions _____

Loses

Suspended _____
Expelled _____
Dimitted _____
Died _____
Total Loses _____

Lodge membership
June 1, 2012 _____

Members gained due to consolidation, merger, or plural members do not count for this plank.

Plank 2 – Lodge Raisings of over 5%

Qualified Points _____

Maximum two points

Lodge membership
May 31, 2011 _____
Times 0.05 = _____
Candidates Raised _____

Degree Candidates raised between June 1, 2011 and May 31, 2012

Plank 3 – Unfinished Work

Qualified Points _____

Either one or two points

Attach MORI Work in Progress list marked: **Plank 3**, with print date no later than June 1, 2012:

The report must be specific with name of unfinished candidates and date elected.

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Plank 4 – Unfinished Work Committee

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Attach list of committeemen and a copy of their report. marked: **Plank 4**

Plank 5 – Invitation to Petition (ITP)

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

List all Invitation to Petition Candidates in attachment marked: **Plank 5**, to include

Name of Candidate Balloted date Initiated (E.A.) date

The report will include the number passing the ballot, the number of petitions received, and the number initiated through this program

Plank 6 – Membership Retention

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Attach list of committeemen summary of contact with members marked: **Plank 6**, to include

Initials of Member Contacted Date of Contact Results of Contact

While maintaining the confidentiality of the Brother a summary of these lodge reports will be submitted.

Plank 7 – Host IL CHIP Event

Qualified Points _____

Maximum two points

List IL CHIP Events in attachment marked: **Plank 7**, to include

Sponsored Event Date _____
Names of Members Working Total Workers at Event: _____

A report showing the date, names of the Lodge members who participated and the total volunteers who worked must be included

Plank 8 – Academic Bowl

Qualified Points _____

Maximum two points

List Academic Bowl sponsorships in attachment marked: **Plank 8**, to include

Sponsored High School _____ (if one school – one point)
Competing at Sectional Tournament: Date: 18 February 2012 Location _____
Names of Members at Tournament

Second Sponsored High School _____ (if two schools – two points)
Competing at Sectional Tournament: Date: 18 February 2012 Location _____
Names of Members at Tournament

For credit, the Lodge members attending the Sectional tournament must be present for a minimum of 4 rounds of competition.

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Plank 9 – Dinner Meetings

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

List Dinner Meeting Events in attachment marked: **Plank 9**, to include
Dinner Category – must list all four categories to receive credit

A; B; C; D Date _____

Members in Attendance _____ Prospective Candidates or Guests _____

Topic Presented:

Report to include the date, members in attendance, number of prospective candidates, the total attendance (ladies, etc.) and an outline of the program or topics presented

Plank 10 – Open Installation of the Lodge

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

WM _____ SW _____ JW _____

TR _____ SC _____ CH _____

SD _____ JD _____ SS _____

JS _____ MR _____ TY _____

DDGM Signature: _____

If an officer is unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances the lodge may apply to the District Deputy Grand Master for relief. If he determines that the absence was justifiable, the lodge will then be considered to have met this requirement. The DDGM will sign the score sheet

Plank 11 – Illinois Masonic Charities Fund

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Amount Contributed \$ _____ Source of Funds:

Lodge contributes an amount equal to \$2.00 per member to the Illinois Masonic Charities Fund. This cannot be an assessment, but it may be from lodge funds, donations, or a fundraiser.

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Plank 12 – Widows Communications

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

List Widows Communications in attachment marked: **Plank 12**, to include Communications Date / Type of communication or Event

. The report must list and describe the activities, number of widows contacted or attendance at events.

Plank 13 – DDGM's Official Visit

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

WM _____ SW _____ JW _____

TR _____ SC _____ CH _____

SD _____ JD _____ SS _____

JS _____ MR _____ TY _____

DDGM Signature: _____

If an officer is unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances the lodge may apply to the District Deputy Grand Master for relief. If he determines that the absence was justifiable, the lodge will then be considered to have met this requirement. The DDGM will then sign the score sheet.

Plank 14 – Grand Lodge Attendance

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

List Officers in Attendance or Proxy's Name (if proxy, DDGM signature required)

WM _____ SW _____ JW _____

DDGM Signature: _____

If an Officer is unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances and a proxy attends, the lodge may apply to the District Deputy Grand Master for relief. If he determines that the absence was justifiable, the lodge will then be considered to have met this requirement. The DDGM will then sign the score sheet.

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Plank 15 – Lodge Officers Schools of Inst

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Date _____

Names and Titles of Attendees: _____ WM;

_____; _____; _____

_____.

The report must include the date of the Board of Grand Examiners' Lodge Officers Schools and the officers in attendance.

Plank 16 – Attend Grand Lecturer's School

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Date _____

Name of Attendees: _____; _____;

_____; _____.

The report must include the date of the school and the names of the attendees

Plank 17 – Leadership Workshop

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Names and Titles of Attendees

The report must list the officers' name and title.

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Plank 18 – Officers Proficiency

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

WM _____

SW _____

JW _____

TR _____

SE _____

CH _____

SD _____

JD _____

SS _____

JS _____

Signed by GL, CL or CLI: _____

Grand Lecturer, Certified Lecturer or Certified Lodge Instructor before June 1, 2012. The examiner(s) will sign the score sheet.

Plank 19 – Lodge Officers' Competition

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

The Lodge participates in the 2011 – 2012 Lodge Officers Competition and achieves a minimum score of 800 points or higher. Mark copy of score sheet **Plank 19**.

A copy of the official, signed score sheet must be attached.

1. Total Primary Requirements Planks Completed: _____

2. Total Primary Plank Qualifying Points Earned: _____

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Secondary Requirement Planks

Plank 20 – Academic Bowl

Qualified Points _____
Either one, two or maximum of three points

- A Date of Dinner _____
Members Attending _____ Students Attending _____
Other Guests _____ (earns one point; or)
- B High School Team Co-Sponsored _____
List Co-Sponsoring Lodge(s) _____
List Members at Sectional Tournament (earns one point)
- C List Two Members at State Tournament, 3 March 2012
(earns either first or second point)
- D List Additional Two Members at State Tournament (earns potential second, or third point)

For credit, the Lodge members attending either the Sectional or State Tournament must be present for a minimum of 4 rounds of competition.

Plank 21 – IMOS Matching Grant for Brother and / or Widow

Qualified Points _____
Maximum two points

Initials of Brother / Widow Assistance

The report must include the actual service or benefit rendered, while maintaining the confidentiality of the brother / widow assisted.

Plank 22 – Coins for Children

Qualified Points _____
Maximum two points

- A Date of Dinner _____ Recipient _____
Members Attending _____ Other Guests Attending _____ (if dinner, earns one point)
- B Amount of check to Grand Lodge for Coins for Children Contribution \$ _____
(earns first or second point)

The report must give a brief outline of the need, the name of the recipient, date of lodge function, and number attending.

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Plank 23 – Community Builders Award

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Date of Dinner _____ Recipient _____

Members Attending _____ Other Guests Attending _____

Report the date, name of recipient, and number of members and guests attending.

Plank 24 – Eureka Challenge

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Date 1st Round Conducted _____ Stated _____ or Special _____

Date Materials Mailed _____

Materials returned for scoring must be postmarked no later than March 31st.

Plank 25 – Lodge Blood Drive

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Date Blood Drive Held _____ Pints Collected _____

The report will show the number of pints collected and the date held

Plank 26 – Masonic Community Days

Qualified Points _____

Maximum two points

A. Attach copies of the Participation Certificates.

or

B. Dates of Events: _____; _____; _____. (must list three events)

Description of Events:

DDGM Signature: _____

(if B, requires DDGM signature)

A lodge participates in the Masonic Community Days program, by conducting a minimum of three (3) public events.

Plank 27 – Masonic Youth Groups

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Masonic Youth Group _____

Name of Masonic Advisor and Role _____

The report must identify the youth group, the members serving as advisors, and their roles.

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Plank 28 – Non-Masonic Youth Group

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Non-Masonic Youth Group _____

Funds Donated \$ _____

Name of Masonic Leader and Role _____

The report must identify the youth group, the financial involvement, members serving as a leader and their roles.

Plank 29 – Religious Services

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

St John the Baptist / Evangelist

Date: June 24th / December 27th Observed Date _____

Church _____ Members in attendance including WM _____

The report must give the date of the event and program, or the service attended (the church), and number attending.

Plank 30 – Father & Son, and/or Daughter Dinner

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Date of Event _____ Program _____

Members in Attendance _____ Guests (Sons or Daughters) _____

The report must give the date, attendance, and program

Plank 31 – Educational Programs

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

List Educational Programs in attachment marked: **Plank 31** to include:

Date of the Meetings, Topic Presented, and Members Attending.

Minimum of four (4) programs to receive credit for this plank.

The report must show the dates of the meetings; topics presented, and number attending

Plank 32 – Scholarship Program

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

List Scholarships in attachment marked: **Plank 32**, to include:

Date of Event, Scholarship Amount and Recipient(s) and Attendance.

The report must show the names of scholarship recipients, the date of the lodge function, and number attending

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Plank 33 – Press Release

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Attach copies of the thee (3) articles marked: **Plank 33**

Submit "tear copies" of at least three (3) different articles about lodge activities in the community that have been published in the local newspapers.

Plank 34 – Secretary's Workshop

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Date of Workshop _____ Location _____

Attendees Names 1.
 2.

The report must show the attendees names, and the date and location of the workshop attended

Plank 35 – Other Lodge Visitation

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

1. Date _____ Lodge Visited _____

Officers Attending: WM & _____, _____, _____, _____,

2. Date _____ Lodge Visited _____

Officers Attending: WM & _____, _____, _____, _____,

3. Date _____ Lodge Visited _____

Officers Attending: WM & _____, _____, _____, _____,

The report on the visits must show the dates, the lodges visited, and identify the officers and members who made the visits.

Plank 36 – Degree Conferral at Other Lodge

Qualified Points _____

Maximum one point

Date: _____ Lodge at which conferred: _____

Degree Conferred: _____

The report must show the date, degree conferred and lodges involved

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Plank 37 – Instructors

Qualified Points _____
Maximum one point

Name of new instructor _____

Date of exam _____ Date of Commission _____

A voting member of the lodge receives a new commission as a Grand Lecturer, Certified Lecturer, Certified Ritualist, or Certified Lodge Instructor

3. Total Secondary Requirement Planks Completed: _____

4. Total Secondary Requirements Qualifying Points Earned: _____

5. Total Primary Requirements Plank Qualifying Points Earned: _____
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6. Total Primary and Secondary Qualifying Points Earned: _____
Total of lines 4 and 5

Lodge Name and No.: _____

Date: _____

Signed:

Worshipful Master

Certified: _____

Secretary

The time frame is from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, unless otherwise specified in the plank. All applications must be signed by the Worshipful Master and certified by the Lodge Secretary. The applications will be sent to and received by the Area Deputy Grand Master no later than July 15, 2012.