

To the Companions of the Grand Council of Michigan;

Greetings;

Congratulations to our Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master Stephen R. Striggow and his bride Mae who where married this week.

The mild weather continued on the days that I needed to travel this last month. On Saturday, February 6, 2010, I traveled to Saginaw for the Chapter/Council Seven Degree Day. The weather was fine with only a slight dusting of snow when we arrived in Saginaw. There were 14 candidates for the Chapter Degrees. Attendance for this event seemed to be very good. I believe there were around 76 people attending the lunch. There were 16 candidates for the Council Degrees.

On Saturday, February 13, 2010, I attended the 90th. Annual George Washington Birthday Dinner hosted by Caro Chapter No. 96. This event was well attended including the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Donald L. Carman. I would like to thank Caro Chapter for the Honorary Membership that they presented to me.

Please check the schedule for the upcoming events in March.

I would like to ask the Thrice Illustrious Masters and Recorders to e-mail me if they have Degree work taking place at their Council. The Grand Officers and I enjoy traveling to the different Councils and if you have work we will make an extra effort to be in attendance.

If you have a question about an event or if you would like something added to our calendar, please contact me at: [bhimes617@aol.com](mailto:bhimes617@aol.com)

Fraternally yours,

Brian K. Himes, MIGM

Here is a schedule of some of the Councils I plan on attending and other events taking place around the state:

Saturday, March 6th.	Chapter-Council 7 Degree Day	Kalamazoo Masonic Center Kalamazoo
Saturday, March 13th.	East Central Regional Meeting	Holiday Inn Hurstborne Louisville, KY
Saturday, March 20th.	Commandery 3 Order Day	Battle Creek Masonic Center Battle Creek
April 9 & 10th. Friday & Saturday	Grand Officer Retreat	Comfort Inn Mount Pleasant
Saturday, April 24th.	96th. Annual Strawberry Festival	Mason Masonic Center Mason