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Form

990-EZ

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ Sponsoring organizations and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No. 1545-1150

2008

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 09-01-2008, and ending 08-31-2009

B Check if applicable:
☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Termination
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization
MASTER WARDENS & MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MASONS IN MASS
St. George Lodge
Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
186 Leach Ave
City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
Brockton, MA 02301

D Employer identification number
23-7170412
E Telephone number
(508) 588-6436
F Group Exemption Number

▶ **Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

G Accounting method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶

H Check ☒ if the organization is **not** required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

J Organization type (check only one)—☒ 501(c)(10) (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

K Check ☒ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization **and** its gross receipts are normally **not** more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 41,731

Part I

Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

(See the instructions for Part I.)

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	2,948
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	0
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	6,634
	4	Investment income	4	32,149
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	0
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule)	5c	0
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
	a	Gross revenue (not including \$ 0 of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	0
	b	Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	0
Expenses	c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	0
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	0
	b	Less cost of goods sold	7b	0
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0
	8	Other revenue (describe ▶)	8	0
	9	Total revenue (add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8) ▶	9	41,731
	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	14,545
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	15,753
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	1,500
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	0
Net Assets	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	0
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	2,855
	16	Other expenses (describe ▶)	16	0
	17	Total expenses (add lines 10 through 16) ▶	17	34,653
	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	7,078
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	948,142
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	0
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18 through 20) ▶	21	955,220

Part II Balance Sheets—If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See the instructions for Part II.)

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	948,142	22	955,220
23 Land and buildings	0	23	0
24 Other assets (describe ▶)	0	24	0
25 Total assets	948,142	25	955,220
26 Total liabilities (describe ▶)	0	26	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21) .	948,142	27	955,220

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions for Part III)		Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)	
What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Freemasonry is the world's oldest and largest fraternity. It is comprised of adult men (18+) of good character from every country, religion, race, age, income, education, and opinion, who believe in a Supreme Being. Its body of knowledge and system of ethics is based on the belief that each man has a responsibility to improve himself while being devoted to his family, faith, country, and fraternity. Freemasonry (often simplified to "Masonry") enhances and strengthens the character of the individual man by providing opportunities for fellowship, charity, education, and leadership based on the three ancient Masonic tenets: Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. Massachusetts Freemasonry is a crowning legacy of this venerable heritage as we strive to "make good men better."			
Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title.			
28 Meals for the homeless, Mainspring House Brockton, MA, Red Cross Blood Donations, Catlin Raymond Bone Marrow Donations (Grants \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		28a	0
29 (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		29a	
30 (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		30a	
31 Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)		32	0

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated. (See the instructions for Part IV.)				
(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
James C Holmes 306 Sandpiper Dr Rockland, MA 02370	Secretary 30 00	1,000	0	0
Demertios J Sarantopoulos 186 Leach Ave Brockton, MA 02301	Treasurer 5 00	500	0	0

Part V

Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part VI.)

Yes

No

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Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity

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No

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Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes

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No

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If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but **not** reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T

a

Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?

35a

No

b

If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year?

35b

36

Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N

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No

37a

Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions

37a

0

b

Did the organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?

37b

No

38a

Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?

38a

No

b

If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved

38b

39

501(c)(7) organizations. Enter

a

Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9

39a

b

Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities

39b

40a

Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911, section 4912, section 4955

b

Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.

40b

c

Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958

0

d

Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization

0

e

All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?

40e

No

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List the states with which a copy of this return is filed

MA

42a

The books are in care of

Demertios J Sarantopoulos

Telephone no

(508) 588-6436

186 Leach Ave

Located at

Brockton, MA

ZIP + 4

02301

b

At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?

42b

Yes

No

If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country

See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for **Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.**

c

At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ?

42c

No

If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country

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Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of **Form 1041**—Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year

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Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes", Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.

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Yes

No

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Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes", Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.

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No

Part VI

Section 501(c)(3) organizations only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46-49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

46	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	Yes	No
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
48	Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "yes," complete Schedule E		
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		
49b	If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization?		
50	Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees, and key employees) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there are none, enter "None."		

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000				

51	Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there are none, enter "None."	
(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Total number of other independent contractors receiving over \$100,000		

Please Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.				
	Signature of officer		2010-04-07 Date		
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature		Date	Check if self-employed	Preparer's PTIN (See Gen. Inst. X)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4				EIN
					Phone no.
May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions.					
Yes No					