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Prince Hall Grand Lodge Held their 75th Diamond Anniversary in Yakima Washington



Willey May Ceray

Jimmy Simmons

Mardine Purnell

Released by Ben Chandler,
Publicity Chairman

YAKIMA. Mayor Betty Edmundson was honored guest and welcomed to the City 'the Delegates to the most worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge F.A.M. State of Washington and Jurisdiction's 75th Diamond Anniversary Communication; The Prince Hall Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star State of Washington's 65th Annual Communication; and the Heroines of Jericho State of Washington 10th Annual Communication, with headquarters at the Thunderbird Motor Inn, as well as filling two other Motor Inns in the immediate vicinity, will begin arrival July 8th, remaining through July 13, 1978.

This Grand Lodge was chartered in 1903 to operate in the State of Washington. The Host Lodge, Guiding Star Lodge No. 6, F. & A.M. was chartered in 1904 in North Yakima is one of the oldest Lodges of this Jurisdiction. The Hostess Chapter is Naomi Chapter No. 5, Order of Eastern

Star of Yakima.

The Head of this Prince Hall Grand Lodge is the Most Worshipful Grand Master Jimmy Simmons of Bremerton, Washington.

The Head of the Prince Hall Grand Chapter is Worthy Grand Matron Mardine Purnell of Seattle, Washington.

Today this Grand Lodge has 32 Lodges in the Jurisdiction. Seattle, Tacoma, Bremerton, Everett, Vancouver, Washington, Yakima, Vancouver, B.C., Spokane, Walla Walla, Washington; Alaska, as well as Military Lodges based in Japan, Germany, Guam, Philippines and Taiwan. These delegates will attend these Communications and will be arriving in the City of Yakima from the above named places and all other jurisdictions in all the states of the United States.

The attending delegates and their families were

expected to spend \$100,000 during their 5 day stay in Yakima.

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