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The Grand Lodge Convention for 2023 is being held in Minneapolis, MN, July $2^{nd} - 5^{th}$, 2023. Iowa has been assigned to the *Best Western Plus the Normandy Inn & Suites Hotel*, 405 S. 8th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55404. Louisiana and Oklahoma have also been assigned to the Best Western Plus the Normandy Inn & Suites. Our hotel is approximately 5 blocks from the Minneapolis Convention Center. The Grand Lodge Headquarter hotel is the *Hilton Minneapolis Hotel*, which is adjacent to the convention center. The Grand Lodge will provide a shuttle service to all Grand Lodge functions.

The Normandy Inn & Suites offers King & Queen rooms with complimentary high speed internet. The hotel has an indoor in-door Garden Atrium with a swimming pool, whirl pool and sauna and a fitness center. Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner is available at The Normandy Kitchen Café & Bar.

The Normandy Inn & Suites is located 3 blocks from the Light Rail Transit (to Airport, Mall of America and University of Minnesota).

Enclosed you will find a form for making your reservation. Please return this form to me as soon as your plans are completed. If other members are planning to attend from your Lodge, please make out a separate form for each room reservation. Either make copies of the attached form or contact me for additional forms.

The room rate is \$124.00 per night plus tax, currently 14.025% (\$141.39 total). The parking rate has been reduced to \$10.00 per day for self-parking. The room & parking rates will apply to those who wish to stay 3 days before or after the convention. The hotel requires a one-day deposit to guarantee the reservation. Checks or major credit cards with the appropriate number and expiration date are acceptable. Please make checks payable to *Best Western Plus the Normandy Inn & Suites*. Credit cards will be processed as they are received. The cut-off date for reservations is **May 17**th; however, as this convention will be very popular, I would appreciate receiving your room reservations as soon as possible. Confirmation will come from me. No direct or telephone reservations with the Hotel will be accepted.

For more information on the hotel, please visit the hotel's website, <u>www.bestwesternnormandy.com</u>. Please visit the Meet Minneapolis' website <u>www.minneapolis.org</u> for more information.

Fraternally,

Jerry T. Long, PSP Grand Lodge Housing Coordinator

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