VOLUME 34

Number 10



A PUBLICATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF KENTUCKY, ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Message from the Grand High Priest

Happy 4th to All

Out with the old and in with the new, well that is the saying. I know from my travels, that we will have many who have completed their term as High Priest this year, while others will repeat their term and have another year of service as High Priest. I pose this question to you. Did you accomplish what you set out to do this year? This is something that as I approach the end of my term of office, I have started to reflect on the happenings of my

year. Well for those of you who get another term, I offer my congratulations, you have been given a wonderful opportunity, use this time to continue to grow your Chapter and yourself. For those who have finished your term, I thank you, but this does not mean you get to stay home and

self. For those who have finished your term, I thank you, but this does not mean you get to stay home and relax. The experience that you have gained during your term is a valuable thing. You should continue to attend and to assist those behind you in line, your service to them and to your Chapter has not ended. Your Chapter and our Grand Bodies need experienced leaders participating in our work.

We are planning a great Dinner that will take place here in just a week or so now. This year's RARA Dinner should be a fantastic event as it usually is. Tom Bustle and Tom Brown have worked extremely hard this year planning our annual event. When you show up at the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church, be sure to thank them and all the Companions of WR Selby Chapter No 4 who work so hard so we can raise this money for RARA. Now, be sure to bring some extra cash or your checkbook, we have lots of great auction items for you to purchase. If you want a homemade pie, be sure to order it ahead of time.

RARA supports some particularly important research. All the money that we will raise for Central auditory processing disorder (CAPD) goes to help them with that important research. This noble cause is helping so many kids. Remember that a Companion's true greatness is not what he has, but the good he would do in this world with what he gives. This year we have attempted to continue our RARA Ticket campaign but sadly I must say that it has not been successful as I would have liked it to be. Our Donations are down considerably from last year. I believe from the number of Train Pins that I have left. We have not sold that many. I know it is not easy, the cost of everything is going up. I just ask if you can please support RARA. I look forward to seeing you in Danville.

Greg Raque

MEGHP

From the Grand Secretary's Desk

Greetings, Companions and Sir Knights

I hope this continues to find everyone safe and well. Your Grand Office is starting to prepare for another Grand get-together at our Annual Sessions in Lexington in September. You'll find lots of reference material in the following pages. Be sure to get you rooms reserved; you can book online by going to our website, yorkriteky.org and clicking on the flyer at the top of the page. It will take you to the hotel website where you can reserve at the group rate. If you call in, use the code YRK. We hope to see many of you there this year. Room prices for the next two years are going to rise very little as we have a three year contract with the hotel. I believe the price this year is the same as last. If not, it's within a couple of dollars.

You can also find the meal ticket order form a few pages back. YOU voted a couple of years ago to supplement the representatives lunches in all three bodies and your Grand Officers this year approved a \$10 per plate supplement. Lunches for attendees and their ladies are set this year at \$15, and that's not a bad price to have a sit down lunch, with drink and dessert, and you don't even have to carry the empty plates to the garbage can. Sunday night and Tuesday night banquets are up at bit, unfortunately, to \$50, but you're saving more than the increase on the lunches. We'd love to see as many of you as possible at both, and the Sunday night Memorial Service is always a memorable experience.

Some of the times and rooms on the event schedule are tentative, so be aware that changes may be made.

Secretaries and Recorders, if you haven't made all of your membership data corrections in KYRIS and MMS, please get that done. The numbers that we will use for planning and recapitulation are already run, but if you're having problems, we'll work with you. We have a new Recapitulation Report for Chapter and Council, and you have a link to run those in KYRIS. We also have a report for Commandery and will probably email that out in the next couple of days. We'll also be sending a hard copy by mail along with some other information. Keep an eye on your email and your mailbox, and if your aren't receiving information from me, call/text/email so I can make sure that you're getting

IN THIS MONTH'S EDITION

Grand High Priest
From the Grand Secretary's Desk2
Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter 4
Grand Chaplain of the Grand Council 5
Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery 6
Grand Sessions Information7-9
RARA Dinner Announcement
Unity Festival11
The More You Know
Grand Officers Reception
The York Rite at Work15
Chapter/Council Triennial

everything. As with any new things, there will likely be issues so don't hesitate to call me if you have problems. Likewise with inputting your officers. I can't fix what I don't know about.

Committee members, start working on your reports if you want them published in the Advance Proceedings. The alternative is to give the report during session, so think on that. I will be contacting some of you to make sure that you have the data you need to make those reports.

Officers, you need to be working on your reports as well, and next-in-lines, I need your appointments and whatnot as early as I can get them. If you have questions about what you need to do, call.

Fraternally, Randall Partin, Grand Secretary/Recorder

You can reach the Grand Secretary/ Recorder at

Grand York Rite of Kentucky

Randall Partin, Grand Secretary/Recorder PO Box 481 Williamsburg, KY 40769 grandrecorderky@yahoo.com (606) 703-0000 (office) (606) 524-9523 (my cell)





re you a Past Commander in need of a Past Commander's Jewel? Would you like to present your outgoing Commander with a special memento of his year as Commander?

If so, the specially designed jewel on display to the left is a great option.

These special Jewels where reproductions of an Historic Kentucky Jewel. They are available for \$50 and all the proceeds go to the KTEF. You can accomplish two significant acts with one purchase—supporting the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and providing a deserving officer with a lasting recognition of his service to his commandery.

Contact Greg Raque if interested.

Grand Chaplain's Message Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky



I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them. Isaiah 42:16

There are many scripture

passages used in our RA degree. The first to be recited is the above verse from the prophet Isaiah by the Principal Sojourner in the opening and closing. It is also the first scripture used in the Work.

Biblical scholars have identified at least 3 different Isaiahs who wrote the book as we know it today. Isaiah 42:16 is in the portion of the book known as 2nd Isaiah. Hence, it was not written by the original Isaiah of Jerusalem who lived some 200 years before. Second Isaiah is thought to date from the time just before and just after the Babylonian Captivity. Scholars do not know who was 2nd Isaiah; he is anonymous.

In Isaiah 42:16, the Lord God is speaking through the voice of the prophet. Recall that the children of Israel were in exile in Babylon for 70 years. No one alive had ever been to their homeland in Judah. They would be the "blind." The "way they know not" is the route back home. God will even turn the forces of nature in favor of the Israelites by making "darkness light."

It is a prophesy of a new exodus. Unlike the first exodus, this one will be without travail.

As used in our RA degree, it is the Principal Sojourner who will lead his companions to Jerusalem but in its original context it is the Great I Am.

Companions, it is easy to forget that God directs us on the pathway of life if we put our trust in Him and ask for His guidance. Let us each day pray for His protection and care. May this old hymn give us strength and courage as we journey on:

I'm just a poor wayfaring stranger Traveling through this world of woe But there's no sickness, toil or danger In that bright land to which I go.

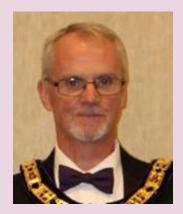
I know dark clouds will gather o'er me I know my way lies rough and steep But beauteous fields lie out before me Where God's redeemed their vigils keep

I'm going there to see my mother
She said she'd meet me when I come
I'm just a-going over Jordan
I'm just a-going over home.

Roger Hurt Grand Chaplin Grand Chapter of Kentucky Royal Arch Masons



Message from the Grand Chaplain of the Grand Council of Kentucky, R&SM



Unity

Nehemiah 4:6 6 So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work.

I am on the State-Wide York Rite WhatsApp and some

days it is very quiet. Some days someone will ask a question about where degree work or the Orders are going to be conferred. All across the state replies start coming in, companions and Sir Knights reaching out to help. Sometimes it may seem bothersome but, in all reality, it is a strong show of unity. None of us as an individual or individual York Rite Body are as strong as we are united. Nehemiah says, "for the people had a mind to work." When we are stretching out our hands to help, we all benefit from it.

We need to have our elected and appointed officers in our prayers for their safety in the many miles they travel to assist and support this great fraternity of ours.

In very recent days we have had to say good bye to companions and Sir Knights who have been leaders in our York Rite bodies on state and local level. To their families I offer my heartfelt sympathy. To the local bodies these outstanding gentlemen belonged, there is a void.

Dear Lord, the Great Architect of the Universe, I humbly pray and ask that you would bless this great fraternity of ours. I ask you for those who travel to shield them in your arms of protection and love. Those who have lost love ones in recent days I beseech you to comfort them in their sorrow. There are those in our fraternity and family to those that are very ill and if it be your will we ask for healing. For all we pray that your peace be with them. Amen

John 14:27 27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Carl A. Jones, PMIGM Grand Chaplin Royal and Select Masters of Kentucky

MEMORANDUM FOR: Excellent High Priests, Secretaries and all Companions

FROM: George A. Turner, Grand Captain of the Host

Many know that I have been working for more than two years on researching and compiling a history of all the Mark Master Lodges and Royal Arch Chapters in Kentucky. If you have not had a chance to read the current version of the document, you can download the PDF by going to the Grand Chapter's page on our website at www.yorkriteky.org.

Currently there are 45 Royal Arch Chapters in Kentucky and I am asking for your assistance in documenting those remaining chapters. Here is what we need:

- Picture of the front side of the building that your chapter meets in and one additional picture of the inside of the lodge where meetings are held.
- Any interesting facts about your chapter that you would like documented. Example: If you have a Past Grand High Priest's jewel or apron, etc. displayed (please send a picture).

Email the pictures and information to me at gaturner.mail@gmail.com Please specify the name and number of the chapter in the email.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (606) 568-0738 or email me.

Fraternally Thine,

George A. Turner Grand Capt. of the Host

Sir Knight Archie R Smallwood, PGC

Grand Prelate Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Kentucky July 2023



Sir Knights, it is that time of year when we celebrate our Independence Day of July 4th and revere our starting of a nation by recalling the Constitution, we all live by. Thus, you see the following is in reference to that same document.

THE SUPREME CON-**STUTUTION**

The law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. John 1:17

America has a great document that is valued and respected. It was written more that two hundred years ago by a number of men who labored long and debated even longer over its many provisions. The framers of the Constitution knew they were writing the basic document granting its citizens freedom. It described their rights, their privileges, and their limitations.

Just as America has grown and prospered withing the framework of our Constitution, so Christianity has flourished and spread according to the laws set forth in Scripture.

As the Constitution is the highest law of the land, so the Bible is the highest law of God, in which He makes His enduring promises and reveals His plan of redemption for the human race.

Have you adopted the Bible as your Constitution for life?

Funeral Arrangements for Pat Young

Companions, we have been asked to pass along the sad news of the passing of Brother, Companion and Sir Knight Patrick Young. Pat was a mainstay in Western Kentucky and his loss will be felt deeply.

Companion /Sir Knight Pat will be at Miller and Orr funeral home located at 120 Memorial Drive in Paducah. This is at the junction of 62 and I 24 and an easy access for the major roads into Paducah.

Visitation is 5-8 pm Thursday the 13th with Masonic rites at 700 pm. His funeral will be at 1100 am Friday the 14th. Please keep Pat and his family in your prayers. He is and will always be missed.

Requiescat in pace



See Sir Knight Mike Yount for more information or to obtain a ticket.

Compact Polished

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KENTUCKY 2024 Easter Pilgrimage

Henry Golden Boy Raffle

Ticket \$10

Help us support our pilgrimage to Wash, DC by donating to support our trip

Ticket \$10

Make Plans to Attend

The Grand York Rite Bodies of Kentucky

Annual Sessions

September 18—20, 2023

Embassy Suites Lexington

1801 Newtown Pike Lexington, KY



Grand **Commandery**

Monday **September 18, 2023 September 19, 2023**



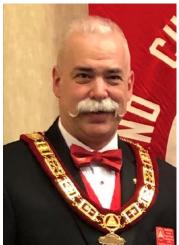
Grand Council

Tuesday



Grand Chapter

Wednesday **September 20, 2023**



Greg Raque **Grand High Priest**



R. Eric Creech **Grand Master**



Bobby E. Crittenden **Grand Commander**



Grand York Rite of Kentucky

2023 ANNUAL SESSIONS MEAL ORDER FORM

Title: _			Name:				
Lady (if she is accompanying you):							
Address	:		City			State	Zip
Phone:		Email:					
Out of s	tate Jurisdiction						
Please include an email address and/or phone number so that we can contact you if necessary and so that we can let you know that your ticket order has been received.							
Please Mark Inights you will be staying at hotel Sunday Monday Tuesday							

After September 10, lunch prices will increase to \$20.00 and Banquets to \$60.

	# of Tickets	Price per Ticket	Total
Sunday September 17, 2023 Memorial Service Banquet		\$50.00	\$
Monday September 18, 2023 Templar Men's Lunch		\$15.00	\$
Monday September 18, 2023 Templar Lady's Luncheon		\$15.00	\$
Tuesday September 19, 2023 Council Men's Lunch		\$15.00	\$
Tuesday September 19, 2023 Council Lady's Luncheon		\$15.00	\$
Tuesday September 19, 2023 York Rite Banquet		\$50.00	\$
Wednesday September 20, 20. Chapter Men's Lunch	23	\$15.00	\$
Wednesday September 20, 20 Chapter Lady's Luncheon	23	\$15.00	\$
Total of all tickets			\$

Tickets will be available for pick-up at the Grand Secretary's Office throughout sessions.

Make Checks Payable to: Grand Council of Kentucky York Rite

Mail payment and form to:

Randall Partin Grand Secretary/Recorder PO Box 481 Williamsburg, KY 40769

Let us know of any special dietary needs you have so that a suitable option can be provided.

(Do not enclose your voting Credentials with this form.)

Grand York Rite of Kentucky

2023 Tentative Schedule

Sunday- September 17, 2023					
1:00 p.m.	Office	Clark			
1:00 p.m.	General Registration	Clark			
2:00 p.m.	Philalethes Society	Bourbon			
4:00 p.m.	Past Grand Commanders	Cold Stream 4			
6:00 p.m.	Memorial Service Dinner	Cold Stream 1&2			
7:00 p.m.	Memorial Service	Cold Stream 3			
	Monday- September 18, 2023				
7:00 a.m.	Office	Clark			
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Clark			
7:00 a.m.	Dep. Gr. Comm. Staff	Fayette			
9:00 a.m.	Grand Commandery Convenes	Cold Stream 3			
Noon	Commandery Lady's Luncheon	Cold Stream 5			
Noon	Sir Knights Lunch	Cold Steam 1&2			
12:45 p.m.	Golgotha Tabernacle	Fayette			
12:45 p.m.	Centurion Tabernacle	Cold Steam 3			
1:00	HRAKTP	Cold Stream 3			
2:00 p.m.	Incoming Officers Pictures taken	Cold Stream 3			
2:30 p.m.	Installation of Officers	Cold Stream 3			
3:00 p.m.	Knights Preceptor	Cold Steam 3			
4:00 p.m.	Knight Masons	Bourbon			
7:00 p.m.	K.Y.C.H. Ky. Priory #25	Cold Stream 3			
	Tuesday- September 19, 2	2023			
7:00 a.m.	Office	Clark			
7:00 a.m.	Registration	Clark			
7.00					
7:00 a.m.	Deputy Grand Master's Staff	Fayette			
7:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m.	Deputy Grand Master's Staff Ish Sodi	Fayette Cold Stream 3			
		•			
7:30 a.m.	Ish Sodi	Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner)	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner) Wednesday- September 20	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner) Wednesday- September 20 Office	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 a.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner) Wednesday- September 20 Office Registration	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner) Wednesday- September 20 Office Registration Grand King's Staff	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 4 Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner) Wednesday- September 20 Office Registration Grand King's Staff Order of High Priesthood	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner) Wednesday- September 20 Office Registration Grand King's Staff Order of High Priesthood Grand Chapter Convenes	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Noon	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner) Wednesday- September 20 Office Registration Grand King's Staff Order of High Priesthood Grand Chapter Convenes Chapter Lady's Luncheon	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3			
7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:30 p.m. Noon Noon 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m. Noon Noon Noon	Ish Sodi Grand Council Convenes Order of the Secret Vault Council Lady's Luncheon Companions Lunch Silver Trowel Incoming Officers Pictures taken Council Officer Installation GYR Banquet Introductions Grand York Rite Banquet (dinner) Wednesday- September 20 Office Registration Grand King's Staff Order of High Priesthood Grand Chapter Convenes Chapter Lady's Luncheon Men's Fellowship Lunch	Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 4&5 Fayette Cold Stream 3 Cold Stream 5 Cold Stream 1&2			

NOTE: TIMES AND ROOMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



SILENT AUCTION Tom @859-319-7278

JULY 15, 2023 5 pm

The 2023 RARA Dinner is fast approaching, and will again be held at the Lexington Avenue Baptist Church in Danville.

Take one of our famous homemade pies home with you! We have Coconut, Lemon, Chocolate and Butterscotch pies available only by pre-order. They are \$40 each. Contact Thomas Bustle at 859-319-7278 to order.



Masonic

UNITY FESTIVAL



AUGUST 25TH & 26TH

This is an historic opportunity for you to receive more light in masonry. The Grand York Rite Officers and the Orient of Kentucky will be offering a special fee to allow Master Masons who wish to join the opportunity to petition. Join for an one time fee of \$150 for each Rite.

On Friday August 25, 2023 the York Rite Degrees and Orders will be conferred.

On Saturday August 26, 2023 the Degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite will be conferred.

Contact:

Greg Raque, Grand High Priest Grand Chapter of Kentucky

knight734@gmail.com 502 376-2067

Contact:

Randolph Starks, Registrar Valley of Louisville

randolph.starks@gmail.com 502 584-6185

The More You Know

The following article was presented by Companion George Turner, Grand Captain of the Host of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky. If you have even a passing interest in history, George provides valuable information; it's worth reading.—Editor

Historical Research

Think back to the last time that you heard a presentation made about a historical subject. Did it interest you? What could have made it better? What questions did it answer for you? Did it leave you wanting to know more? If you have ever considered writing a historical paper for your fraternal body, this article may be of some use to you. In this article we will look at the two basic forms of historical evidence and where to find them.

Historians and antiquarians study and write about history to help themselves and others to solve or understand current problems. Their work can also help us solve or understand future problems. In 1948, Brother Winston Churchill said, "Those that fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it."

In historical research, we should not spend a lot of time and energy with questions that do not have an answer. Nor should we struggle to find solutions to a question of no real importance. Only you can determine what questions or problems that you are willing to try to find the answer to.

The two basic forms of historical evidence are called primary and secondary. Primary sources can include the written words or verbal words of a participant or witness to the event that you are investigating. Primary sources can include newspaper accounts, diaries, minutes books and even letters. A primary source can also include official statements or transactions of an established organization such as our proceedings books. Yet another example of a primary source is *The Kentucky Keystone* publication.

The vast majority of history books are written from secondary sources. Secondary sources are books, articles and the like that are produced based from the findings of researchers using primary sources. The writers that produce secondary sources must consider the validity and the reliability of the primary sources that he is using. He must also consider the possible bias of the writer, witness or participant to the event.

There is a third source called tertiary. Tertiary is a source that is derived from secondary sources.

A brief list of fraternal primary sources include: Grand Lodge Proceedings books, Grand Chapter Proceedings books, Grand Council Proceedings books, Grand Commandery Proceedings books, minutes books of a subordinate body, official correspondence, edicts, official publications such as *The Kentucky Keystone* and *Masonic Home Journal*.

Where can a researcher find assistance? The public library system is always a good resource. Recently I contacted the Spencer County public library for assistance while I was researching Mt. Eden Chapter #68. The librarians there were able to locate an old map of the Mt. Eden community that showed the exact location of the lodge and what lots they owned.

Local historical societies and museums can provide a wealth of information and are often overlooked. Sanborn Fire Insurance maps are a valuable tool and are free to view via The Library of Congress at https://www.loc.gov/rr/geogmap/sanborn/.

There are many other resources available to researchers and I certainly did not list them. Each topic that is researched may need a different resource to help piece the puzzle together. One source may lead you to another source. Keep notes on what you have found and where you got the information from because you will need to give credit and cite your sources.

When writing your presentation or article, consider how interesting it may be to the audience. Will your presentation resolve any questions or mysteries? Does it provide meaningful information? How could you make it better for the audience?

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to email me at gaturner.mail@gmail.com.

Fraternally Thine,

George A. Turner Grand Capt. of the Host









Reception for Grand Commander Illustrious Grand Master, and

Grand High Priest,

will be held October 7th, 2023

at

Shelbyville Conference Center 219 7th Street Shelbyville Kentucky.

Meet and greet at 4:00 with dinner at 5:00. Menu and price in next month Keystone publication.

Top left, Mike Yount, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Kentucky

Mid left, Bernie Kaita, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Council of Kentucky

Bottom left, John Johnson, Grand King, Grand Chapter of Kentucky

THE YORK RITE AT WORK



June 24, 2023, top, Knights Masons meeting in Shepherdsville; middle, Knights Templar Priests; bottom, Knights of the York Cross of Honor. Photos Joe Giles







June 26, 2023—Greensburg Chapter No 36. Congratulations to new Companions Matthew McKinney and Mikael Holcomb on being exalted to the august degree of Royal Arch Mason.



June 16, 2023—Well deserved recognition of Companion and Sir Knight Chris Griffith by the York Rite members in Paintsville and Prestonsburg. Photo provided by Chris.











July 20, 2023, Mayfield Left, Steven Henderson, Commander elect of Mayfield Commandery and right, Mike Tinsley, Illustrious Master of Lindsay Chapter and High Priest of Mayfield Council.



June 21, 2023—King Solomon Chapter No 5. Congratulations to newly exalted Companion Chris Calhoun who was also elected as Master of the first veil tonight.



June 13, 2023—Western Star Chapter No 20. Congratulations to Brothers Zachary Smith, Scott Troxle and Gerald Bunch on receiving the Mark Master degree.



June 15, 2023—Washington Council #1. Congratulations to newly Greeted members, Companions Chris Ensslin, Daniel Partin, Reed Templeton and Richard Barela from Washington #1 and Justin Shepherd, a member of Red River UD Chapter. 17 members of Washington Council were in attendance along with 11 visitors and Distinguished Council Grand line officers.



June 10, 2023—Indianapolis, IN. Far Left, Most Illustrious Grand Master R. Eric Creech representing the Grand Council of Kentucky, Royal and Select Masters at OKI.



June 23, 2023—Williamsburg. Congratulations to new Sir Knight Howard Fuston, center left and Sir Knight Howard Charleboix, center right, of Somerset.

Special Event!

Free Food!

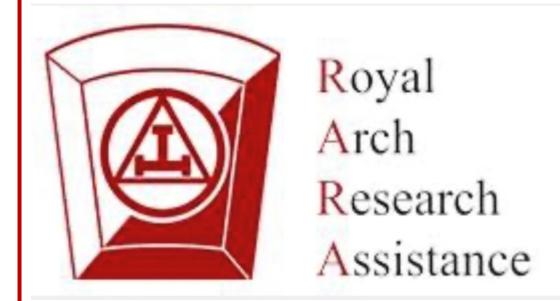
Lexington York Rite Bodies are sponsoring a free fish fry Monday Evening, September 18, 2023, 4:30—7:00 PM at the lodge hall for those Companions/Sir Knights who are not involved in other activities that evening.

Any donations received will be split between the York Rite Charities.





The train pin pictured above is available for \$25 from Grand Chapter Officers. Proceeds benefit the Royal Arch Research Assistance program.









Companions,

On behalf of M.E.C. Steven Tiner, General Grand High Priest and M.P.C. Monty Glover, General Grand Master, we cordially invite you to the 72nd Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International and the 48th Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International. Our host city, Branson, Missouri, is a wonderful destination for you and your family. There are so many delightful things to do while attending your Triennial. Branson is the entertainment center of the South. You and your whole family can see plays, visit museums, and participate in fun recreational activities. Nestled in the Ozark Mountains, the majesty of God's nature will inspire you.

Triennial activities and entertainment will start on Saturday, August 12 and conclude on Tuesday, August 15, 2023. The beautiful <u>Chateau on the Lake</u> resort, located at 415 N State Hwy 265, Branson, MO 65616, Phone: (888) 333-5253, is an amazing host hotel and beautiful location. What a great time we are going to have!



Hotel Room registration is now open at http://bookings.ihotelier.com/bookings.jsp?groupID=3582228&hotelID=11529

Triennial registration is now open at https://triennial.org.

Your Triennial Committee has planned many activities and entertainment just for you and your family in this youth-friendly destination. A special treat for all of us will be an exhibit and lecture on Moses' Tabernacle given by Dr. Terry Hartman. His scale model of Moses' Tabernacle is fascinating and of deep significance to all Masons.







TRIENNIAL REGISTRATION FORM

Triennial Sessions will be held in Branson, Missouri from Saturday, August 12, through Tuesday, August 15, 2023. Registration received prior to June 12, 2023: \$225.00. Registration received after June 12, 2023: \$300.00. Registration fees are for members only *(no fee for our Ladies)*. Hotel reservations must be made by July 12, 2023 to receive discounted rate of \$165.00 + tax. Lady's cell phone number additionally needed for off-site activity notifications.

(Type or Print Clearly - Black Ink Only)

Total Number Attending in Family Party:	
Name:	
Lady (if attending):	Lady's Cell Phone:
Address:	City:
State/Country: Zip: Em	ail:
My Membership(s): Capitular Chapter Men	nber Non-Member Guest
Cryptic Council Memb	er I Received a Dist. Guest Invitation
My Voting Status:	in the General Grand Chapter
I am a voting delegate	in the General Grand Council
I am not a voting deleg	ate in either body
Current Chapter Title (Comp, EC, MEC, etc.):	
Chapter Name:	No. Jurisdiction:
General Grand Chapter Office:	
Grand Chapter Office:	Jurisdiction:
Current Council Title (Comp, IC, MIC, RPC, MF	C, etc.):
Council Name:	No. Jurisdiction:
General Grand Council Office:	
Grand Council Office:	Jurisdiction:
Other Notable Grand Offices:	
Mode of Travel: Air Auto	Other:
Airline:	Flight:
Arrival Date: Time: Dep	parture Date: Time:

2023 TRIENNIAL MEAL RESERVATION FORM

Meal reservations may be made online by going to https://triennial.org or by completing this form and sending it with payment No Later Than June 12, 2023.

(Type or Print Clearly - Black Ink Only)

Name: La	dy's Name:
Cost of meals are per person. Reservations are requiremay not be able to accommodate you. Use additional for	
Note: If you are entitled to a complimentary meal as defindicate the number of meals required and write "Comp	
Early Registration Fee (members only, before June 12):	Qty:x \$ 225.00 Total: \$
Late Registration Fee (members only after June 12):	Qty: x \$ 300.00 Total: \$
Airport Shuttle (Round Trip):	Qty: x \$ 100.00 Total: \$
Showboat Standard Menu (Adult):	Qty: x \$ 70.00 Total: \$
Showboat Standard Menu (Child 4-11):	Qty: x \$ 45.00 Total: \$
Showboat Captain's Club Menu (Adult):	Qty: x \$ 110.00 Total: \$
Showboat Captain's Club Menu (Child 4-11):	Qty: x \$ 70.00 Total: \$
Silver Dollar City (Adult - no breakfast):	Qty: x \$ 60.00 Total: \$
Silver Dollar City (Child 4-11 - no breakfast):	Qty: x \$ 55.00 Total: \$
Silver Dollar City w/Breakfast (Adult):	Qty: x \$ 75.00 Total: \$
Silver Dollar City w/Breakfast (Child 4-11):	Qty: x \$ 60.00 Total: \$
Dolly Parton's Stampede (Adult):	Qty: x \$ 75.00 Total: \$
Dolly Parton's Stampede (Child 3-9):	Qty: x \$ 35.00 Total: \$
Monday Breakfast (Men's and Ladies'):	Qty: x \$ 35.00 Total: \$
Ladies Top of the Rock Tour / Museum / Luncheon:	Qty: x \$ 60.00 Total: \$
Monday Men's Luncheon:	Qty: x \$ 40.00 Total: \$
Monday Banquet and Entertainment:	Qty: x \$ 75.00 Total: \$
Tuesday Breakfast (Men's and Ladies'):	Qty: x \$ 35.00 Total: \$
Tuesday Men's Luncheon:	Qty: x \$ 40.00 Total: \$
Tuesday Ladies' Luncheon and Entertainment:	Qty: x \$ 65.00 Total: \$
Tuesday Banquet and Entertainment:	Qty:x \$ 60.00 Total: \$
	Grand Total: \$
Identify or dietary restrictions:	

Please make your check payable to "Triennial 2023" and return with this form No Later Than June 12, 2023, to: Kevin B. Sample, 12255 Old Hwy 63 N, Hallsville, MO 65255. Please address any questions to kevin.sample63@gmail.com or call 573-819-3392 (email preferred).

Schedule of Events		General Grand Council
(Subject to change)		Officers
Saturday, August 12	5:00 pm	. CMMRF Board Meeting
8:00 am Breakfast on your own	6:00 pm	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
10:00 am Trinity Chapel, St. Thomas	6:30 pm	. Aloha Banquet and Enter-
of Acon		tainment
12:00 pm Lunch on your own		
1:00 pm – 7:00 pm Registration	•	, August 15
2:00 pm RARA Board Meeting	7:00 am – 8:45 am	· ·
7:00 pm – 10:30 pmBranson Belle Show Boat	7:00 am	. Men's and Ladies' Break-
Dinner Cruise (off-site)	0.00	fast
	9:00 am	•
Sunday, August 13	12,00 nm	Session Opens
7:00 am – 12:00 pm Registration	12:00 pm	
8:00 am – 11:30 am Silver Dollar City Breakfast	12:00 pm	Ladies' Luncheon and En- tertainment
and Theme Park (off-site)	1:00 pm	
8:00 am – 12:00 pm Tabernacle Man Exhibit	1.00 μπ	Session Resumes
10:00 am – 11:00 am Tabernacle Man Lecture	1:00 nm	Installation of 2023-2026
11:30 am Lunch on your own	4.00 pm	General Grand Chapter
12:30 pm Triennial Opening Cere-		Officers
monies	6:00 pm	
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm Memorial Service	6:30 pm	
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Registration		ment
4:00 pm – 8:00 pm Tabernacle Man Exhibit		
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm Tabernacle Man Lecture	Wednesda	ny, August 16
4:30 pm – 7:30 pm Dolly Parton's Stampede	7:00 am	. Breakfast on your own
Dinner and Show (off-site)	8:00 am	. New General Grand Chap-
		ter Officer Meeting
Monday, August 14	10:00 am	. New General Grand Coun-
7:00 am – 4:00 pm Registration		cil Officer Meeting
7:00 am Men's and Ladies' Break-		
fast		
8:00 am General Grand Council		
Session Opens		
9:00 am – 2:00 pm Ladies' Top of the Rock		
Canyon Cave Trail Tour /		
Museum / Luncheon		
12:00 pm Men's Luncheon		
1:00 pm General Grand Council		
Session Resumes		
1:00 pm CMMRF Member Meeting		
4:00 pm Installation of 2023-2026		

SUPPORT OUR CHARITIES



ROYAL ARCH RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Send Donations to:

Royal Arch Research Assistance C/O Bill Riggs 1044 Eagle Pass Bardstown, KY 40004-9151

Make Checks Payable to: Royal Arch Research Assistance





Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation

CRYPTIC MASONS MEDICAL RE-SEARCH FOUNDATION

Send Donations to:

Douglas Bunch 1550 Brawner Rd Alvaton, KY 42122

Make Checks Payable to: Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation



KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

Send Donations to:

Greg England 702 Baldwin Drive Maysville, KY 41056 (606) 402-1431 topped.off.mag@gmail.com

Make Checks Payable to: Knights Templar Eye Foundation



Send Donations to:

Larry Carte
P. O. Box 2045
Williamsburg, KY 40769
(606) 425-6989

Make Checks Payable to: Holy Land Pilgrimage Fund



Send Donations to the Grand Recorder

Make Checks Payable to:

Knights Templar Educational Foundation

Published monthly by:

The Grand Chapter of Kentucky, Royal Arch Masons Randall Partin, PGC, Grand Secretary PO Box 481 Williamsburg, KY, 40769

Williamsburg, KY 40769 Phone: 606-703-0000

Email: grandrecorderky@yahoo.com

Editor

Randall Partin 2275 Tackett Creek Rd Williamsburg, KY 40769 (606)524-9523 r_partin@att.net

Presiding Grand Officers

Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons

Gregory Raque Grand High Priest 7405 Oswego Circle Louisville, KY 40214 502-376-2067 knight734@gmail.com

Grand Council, Royal & Select Masters

R. Eric Creech Grand Master 3818 Sigma Dr. Erlanger, KY 41018 859-992-3816 rericcreech@aol.com

Grand Commandery, Knights Templar

Bobby E. Crittendon Grand Commander 307 Dayton Pk. Dayton, KY 41074 859/750-2277 bcrittendon6@gmail.com



Continue the York Rite Journey

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE KENTUCKY KEYSTONE

Submission Deadline

The first day of the month in which publication is desired, i.e. January 1 for the January Edition.

Articles

Send articles in electronic format to the Editor at r_partin@att.net. We reserve the right to determine suitability for publication, to exclude content at the discretion of the Editor, and to perform reasonable edits to any article submitted to better suit the purposes of the Kentucky Keystone.

Photographs

We will publish submitted photographs as deemed appropriate by the Editor. We reserve the right to crop and/or digitally enhance such photographs as we deem necessary. Digital images (JPEG) are preferred. Submitted print photographs may be published, if in the sole opinion of the Editor, the scanned image is of suitable quality. If you would like your print photographs returned, please include a self-addressed envelope containing sufficient postage with submitted photographs. Submitted photos will be credited to the submitter. If taken by someone else, please provide proper credit. Please identify the individuals and event in the photos.

Mailing List

We do not sell, rent or otherwise disclose our mailing list to any third party.

Disclaimer

Published articles and letters do not necessarily reflect the opinions or policies of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, the Kentucky Keystone, or the Editor. Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of what we publish, and that we have rights to the material we use. Please notify the Editor if you have concerns about accuracy or copyright issues.

Past Editions

Can be found in the Kentucky Keystone Archive on the York Rite of Kentucky Webpage - www.yorkriteky.org