

THE YORK RITE
of
FREEMASONRY
of
ALABAMA

1994



GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER
GRAND COUNCIL, ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS
GRAND COMMANDERY, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

RECEPTION

An informal reception was held on Sunday afternoon, February 27, 1994 in the Lounge of the Holiday Inn, West, Dothan, Alabama, as members and guests were registering in the Pre-Function Hall outside the Regency Ballroom. Hostesses were Mrs. Dorothy Hamilton, wife of Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, R. Sim Hamilton, Mrs. Glenda Himes, wife of Most Illustrious Grand Master, Maurice C. Himes and Mrs. Sarah Garrett, wife of Right Eminent Grand Commander Sam L. Garrett, Sr. The above hostesses were assisted by many other wives of Alabama Grand York Rite members, and a superb reception with many sweet treats was enjoyed by everyone.

DIVINE SERVICE

The Annual Divine Service of the Grand York Rite was held on Sunday afternoon, February 27, 1994, at the United Methodist Church, 2606 West Main Street, Dothan, Alabama. The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sam L. Garrett, Sr. conducted the service, and Sir Knight Robert D. Moseson, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama, delivered the message.

The Sir Knights marched in to the singing of "Onward Christian Soldiers." After the message was delivered by the Grand Prelate, an offering was received and the Grand Commander announced that it will be donated to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

THE GRAND YORK RITE BANQUET

The Grand York Rite Annual Banquet was held on Sunday evening in the Regency Ballroom of the Holiday Inn. After the Invocation, a delicious chicken cordon-bleu dinner was enjoyed by all.

The three presiding Grand Officers introduced their families, their Distinguished Guests, Grand Line Officers, the Past presiding Grand Officers, and all their Ladies.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sam L. Garrett, Sr., then introduced the Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, Sir Knight James M. Ward. Right Eminent Sam L. Garrett, Sr. announced that the recipient of the Knight Templar Cross of Honor, Billy Allen Clark of Etowah Commandery No. 15, was unable to attend the Banquet and that this medal would be given to Right Eminent Sir Knight Fred W. Vaughan, Past Grand Commander by Right Eminent Sir Knight James M. Ward, Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of the United States for presentation at a later time. Sir Knight Allen's name will be added to the Grand Commandery list of previous recipients of this high award.

Right Excellent Companion W, Carroll Sanford, Southeastern Regional Deputy General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International, was introduced and asked to present the General Grand Chapter Medal of Honor to the recipient, Companion Richard Sim Hamilton of Decatur Chapter No. 38 who accepted the award with appreciation. The Grand Chapter of Alabama adds his name to their list of previous recipients.

The Right Puissant Deputy General Grand Master Cecil C. Cavens of The General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International, was introduced and asked to present the General Grand Council's Cryptic

Mason or the Year Award to Companion Patrick Bertram Bleakley of Brundidge Council No. 69. Companion Bleakley was unable to be with us at this Grand Session and the award was accepted for him by Past Illustrious Grand Master Pate who is also the Recorder of Brundidge Council No. 69 to be presented to Companion at a latter date. The Grand Council of Alabama adds this Companion's name to their list of former recipients. Companion Frank A. Brown, member of Mobile Council No. 12, was presented with the Cryptic Masons Youth Award.

LADIES ENTERTAINMENT

The ladies attended a brunch on Monday morning held in the Lounge area of the Holiday Inn. The Hospitality room was open on Monday and Tuesday where the ladies met to partake of the many sweet treats and other refreshments furnished by the Wives of the Alabama Grand York Rite.

On Monday a number of the ladies went shopping at the Mall.

The fifth annual Craft Shop with donated hand-made items was open throughout the Grand Session. The Craft Shop was again organized with Mrs. Sarah Garrett as Chairman. The total sales this year amounted to \$1,131.15, which was equally divided between the three Grand York Rite charities.

KNIGHT MASONS

Vulcan Council No. 22, Knight Masons of Alabama, held their Tenth Annual Banquet on Monday evening, February 28, 1994 in the Regency Ballroom of the Holiday Inn during the Grand York Rite Session. Following the Banquet, the Council of Anointed High Priests, the Order of the Silver Trowel and the Knight Crusaders of the Cross held their meetings and conferred their degrees and orders.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOURTH
ANNUAL CONCLAVE
OF THE
GRAND COMMANDERY
of
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
of
ALABAMA

HELD FEBRUARY 27, 28 AND MARCH 1, 1994

HOLIDAY INN, WEST
DOTHAN, ALABAMA

PRESIDING 1993-1994

Sam L. Garrett, Sr., *Right Eminent Grand Commander*
1402 Melanie Lane, Phenix City, AL 36867

Arthur C. Harding, *Eminent Grand Recorder*
P. O. Box 320262, Birmingham, AL 35232

ELECTED 1994-1995

Robert L. Byars, Jr., *Right Eminent Grand Commander*
P. O. Box 320184, Birmingham, AL 35232-0184

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOURTH
ANNUAL CONCLAVE OF THE
GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

The One Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama was declared convened by Sir Knight Sam L. Garrett, Sr., Right Eminent Grand Commander on February 28, 1994,

The Invocation was given by Sir Knight Robert D. Moseson, Eminent Grand Prelate, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The following Grand Commandery Officers were present and in their stations:

Sir Knight Sam L. Garrett, Sr.....	Grand Commander
Sir Knight Robert L. Byars, Jr.....	Deputy Grand Commander
Sir Knight George L. Marshall, Jr.....	Grand Generalissimo
Sir Knight Ray Rutledge.....	Grand Captain General
Sir Knight James F. Vaughan.....	Grand Senior Warden
Sir Knight Bobby Ray Terry.....	Grand Junior Warden
Sir Knight Robert D. Moseson.....	Grand Prelate
Sir Knight Fred W. McCluskey.....	Grand Treasurer
Sir Knight Arthur C. Harding.....	Grand Recorder
Sir Knight Joe D. Lee.....	Grand Standard Bearer
Sir Knight Jesse W. Locke.....	Grand Sword Bearer
Sir Knight Wayne D. Jordan.....	Grand Warder
Sir Knight C. Gary Taylor.....	Grand Sentinel

All Sir Knights and Distinguished Guests were welcomed to the Annual Conclave by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sam L. Garrett, Sr.

INTRODUCTION OF PAST RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDERS

The following Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery were introduced and welcomed to this Grand Conclave:

Anthony V. Janett, III.....	1967-1968
Michael L. Jones.....	1973-1974
McMurray L. Griffith.....	1975-1976
William M. Newsome, Jr.....	1976-1977
Fred W. Vaughan.....	1978-1979
Arthur C. Harding.....	1979-1980
Joseph D. Brackin.....	1980-1981
Erskine K. Smith.....	1982-1983
Richard Sim Hamilton.....	1984-1985
Emory J. Ferguson.....	1988-1989
Charles W. McDonald.....	1989-1990
Charles R. Pate.....	1991-1992

ADDRESS OF RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER
SAM L. GARRETT, SR.
1993-1994

To the Grand Officers, Sir Knights and Distinguished Guests of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:

I welcome you to the One Hundred Thirty-Fourth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama. To our visiting dignitaries and all Sir Knights, welcome, and I hope your stay will be one of pleasure. I do hope you will want to return for another visit in the future. To our visiting Grand Commanders, I welcome you. You and your ladies have become a part of our extended family and my wife, Sarah, and I will mark this as a special occasion in our lives as you spend time with us during this Conclave.

STATE OF THE ORDER

As I prepare this report, I am deeply concerned about some conditions that exist in our state. These concerns should be considered by each Alabama member here today. Our attendance at regular meetings, our attendance at one day classes and our membership as a whole can be better and we need to be reminded of our support and how much we are supporting. The small dedicated group in our state needs the support of all Knights Templar in order to make an impact on others. To all Sir Knights who are so faithful, may you continue to be faithful and I challenge all other Sir Knights to follow the example they set before you.

The Holy Land Pilgrimage is being supported by our Grand Commandery and I challenge each of you to become more involved in this worthwhile endeavor.

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation is being supported by many hard working Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery in Alabama. I commend you and encourage others to keep up this great work in our state. Alabama receives far more assistance from the Foundation each year than we contribute to it.

On June 1, 1993, I authorized Jasper Commandery #48 to merge with Cyrene #10 in Birmingham.

In summary, I feel we are good but good can always be better and my challenge to you is to go forth together to be better than ever. Together we will be recognized as an example for others to follow.

NECROLOGY

I am thankful God saw fit to leave our Grand Line intact; however, our ranks have been decimated by the loss of faithful and dedicated Sir Knights this Templar year.

We sympathize with our sister jurisdictions in the losses they have sustained. We will especially miss Sir Knight Felix Gersten, P.M.E.G.H.P. of Georgia. Let us rejoice that these fellow Sir Knights have been saved by the sacrifice of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Our Grand Prelate will give a more detailed report later in the conclave.

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED TO REPRESENT OTHER
GRAND COMMANDERIES
NEAR THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ALABAMA**

NONE

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED TO REPRESENT ALABAMA
NEAR OTHER JURISDICTIONS**

Sir Knight Abelardo T. Camahala..... Philippines
Sir Knight James D. Baggett..... Maine

OUT OF STATE VISITS

Mississippi, Jackson - Grand Commandery..... March 26-27
Georgia, Macon - Grand Chapter and Grand Council..... April 19-20
Tennessee, Nashville - Grand Commandery..... April 23-24
Georgia, Brunswick - Grand Commandery..... May 11-12
Georgia, Atlanta - Southeastern York Rite Conference..... June 25-26
Florida, Orlando - 33rd Coronation..... Nov. 20

VISITATIONS

Augusta Evans Chapter #177, O.E.S., Columbus, Georgia.... February 24
Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama..... February 25
Conducted Masonic Funeral for Crawford Lodge, Crawford, AL
February 27
Attended reception given by my wife, Sarah, in my honor
at Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama..... March 7
Attended Funeral Conducted by Wilson Williams Lodge,
Phenix City, Alabama..... March 8
Attended Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama..... March 11
Attended Phenix City York Rite Meeting, Phenix City, AL..... March 16
Attended MM Degree, Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, AL..... March 18
Wilson Williams Lodge Ladies Night Program, Phenix City, AL..... March 20
EA and FC Degrees Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, AL
Conferred Second Section of FC Degree..... March 23
Attended Red Cross of Constantine, Columbus, Georgia..... March 30
KYCH #31, Birmingham, Alabama..... April 3
Maundy Thursday Service, Scottish Rite, Columbus, GA..... April 8
Easter Sunday Service, Scottish Rite, Columbus, GA..... April 11
Order of Eastern Star, Augusta Evans #177, Columbus, GA..... April 14
Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama..... April 22
Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama..... April 27
Order of Eastern Star, Augusta Evans #177, Columbus, GA..... April 28
Attended Reception for M.I.G.M. of Georgia at
Ft. Benning Lodge, Columbus, Georgia..... May 2
Wilson Williams Lodge, Past Masters Night
Participated in Master Mason Degree..... May 7
York Rite College, Montgomery, Alabama..... May 8
One Day Class, Metro York Rite, Birmingham, Alabama..... May 15
Phenix City York Rite, Phenix City, Alabama..... May 18
FC Degree, Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama..... May 25
Order of Eastern Star, Augusta Evans #177, Columbus, GA..... May 26
Wilson Williams Lodge Regular Meeting..... May 27

VISITATIONS (Continued)

Woodlawn Lodge 50 Pin Ceremony for Thomas W. Mann, B'ham, AL	June 1
Assisted with Doughnut Sale, R.A.R.A. Fund Raiser	June 5
MM Degree, Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama	June 8
Attended Commanding General's Breakfast, Ft. Benning, Georgia	
Received OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER AWARD for services rendered to the Infantry Center Chapel, Fort Benning, Georgia	June 9
Wilson Williams Lodge Regular Meeting	June 10
Montgomery York Rite Bodies - Installed Officers	June 12
York Rite Bodies, Phenix City, Alabama	June 15
Wilson Williams Lodge, EA Degree	June 17
Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus, Columbus, Georgia	June 18
Attended Funeral And Assisted in Masonic Rites for M.E.P.G.H.P. Felix Gersten, Columbus, Georgia	June 22
MM Degree, Wilson Williams Lodge	July 13
O.E.S. Augusta Evans #177, Columbus, Georgia	July 14
EA Degree, Wilson Williams Lodge #351	July 15
Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus, Columbus, Georgia	July 16
York Rite Bodies, Phenix City, Alabama	July 20
KYCH, Phenix City, Alabama	July 31
EA Degree, Wilson Williams Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama	August 7
Wilson Williams Lodge Regular Meeting	August 10
Dothan Meeting - Grand York Rite Session arrangements with other Grand Officers	August 14
York Rite Bodies, Phenix City - Participated in work	August 17
York Rite Bodies, Montgomery, Alabama - Degree Work	August 19
Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus, Columbus, Georgia	August 20
One Day Class, Anniston, Alabama	August 21
Wilson Williams Lodge, Regular Meeting, Phenix City	August 27
Red Cross of Constantine, Columbus, Georgia	August 31
Wilson Williams Lodge - Regular Meeting	September 9
Wilson Williams Lodge - Attended Funeral	September 15
Wilson Williams Lodge - Attended Funeral	September 19
York Rite Bodies, Phenix City, Alabama	September 20
Wilson Williams Lodge - Conducted Funeral	September 22
Wilson Williams Lodge - Regular Meeting	September 22
Wilson Williams Lodge-FC Degree-Conferred Second Section	September 30
Wilson Williams Lodge-MM Degree	October 7
Ft. Benning Chapter, RAM-Conferred MEM Degree, Columbus	October 14
Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus, Columbus, Georgia	October 15
Grand York Rite Office-Budget Meeting Birmingham, Alabama	October 16
York Rite Bodies, Phenix City, Alabama	October 19
Wilson Williams Lodge-MM Degree	October 20
Lee Commandery Inspection by Grand Officers	October 23
Wilson Williams Lodge-FC Degree-Conferred Second Section	October 26
Chattahoochee Research Lodge #2 Guest Speaker, Phenix City, AL	October 29
Fund Raiser-Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus, Columbus, GA	October 30
York Rite College, Columbus, Georgia	November 4
KCCH, Scottish Rite, Macon, Georgia	November 6
Wilson Williams Lodge-FC Degree	November 9
Grand Lodge of Alabama, Montgomery, Alabama	November 15-16
Wilson Williams Lodge-EA Degree	November 18
Wilson Williams Lodge-MM Degree	November 22
Wilson Williams Lodge-Attended Funeral	December 6
Augusta Evans Chapter #177, Columbus, Georgia	December 8
St. Aldemar Commandery #3 Inspection, Columbus, GA	February 10, 1994.

REVIEW OF BOOKS

On November 15, 1993, I authorized Grand Recorder, Companion Arthur C. Harding, to secure the services of Brother Raymond E. Potter, C.P.A. and his firm to conduct a review of the books of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama for the year ending December 31, 1993.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

To receive and ballot on petitions our of statutory time:

DeKalb Jackson Commandery #46.....May 8
 Lee Commandery #45.....August 21
 Huntsville Commandery #7.....January 11, 1994
 Huntsville Commandery #7.....February 8, 1994
 Mobile Commandery #2.....February 19, 1994

To move charter to Dothan, Alabama for purpose of opening in long form to receive Grand Officers at Annual Conclave on February 28, 1994:

Lee Commandery #45.....January 18, 1994

OTHER DISPENSATIONS GRANTED OUT OF TIME

Permission to elect Captain General as the originally elected
 Captain General failed to appear for installation

Huntsville Commandery #7.....September 14

CONCLUSION

Sir Knights, this high honor you have given me to serve you as your Grand Commander will always be remembered. I thank you.

To our out-of-state guests, my wife, Sarah, and I thank you for the respect and hospitality shown to us.

Thanks to Most Excellent Grand High Priest Bobby Terry for your words of wisdom. They came when needed.

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Maurice Himes and his lady Glenda, Thanks for all your hard work in securing this meeting place. Things don't just happen. It takes time and planning and I thank you for your assistance.

To our Brother Arthur C. Harding, P.G.C. and his lady Charlotte, thank you for your hard work, words of wisdom and your faithful service during the year.

To our Grand Line Officers, thank you for your support.

To the Sir Knights of the State of Alabama, I thank you and please work hard on getting new members.

To Lee Commandery, thank you for helping when needed.

To my wife, Sarah, thank you for all your hard work, for driving the many miles over the Southeast and making sure my suitcase was packed properly with all the things I needed. I thank you, dear.

To Robert Byars, I pledge you my support in whatever I can assist you with during the coming year.

Sir Knights, all that has occurred this year would not have been possible without the help of Almighty God. He has been there for each one of us and let us always remember to thank Him.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam L. Garrett, Sr.
Right Eminent Grand Commander

Attest: Arthur C. Harding
Grand Recorder

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

Submitted below is my Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1993.

RECEIPTS;

Dues	\$39,799.00
Fees	480.00
Interest	1,969.75
Sale of Supplies	214.00
Sale of Banquet Tickets	<u>824.00</u>
Total Receipts	\$43,286.75

DISBURSEMENTS;

Operating Expenses	\$44,147.43
Purchase of Supplies for Resale	<u>250.00</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>44,397.43</u>

EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS (\$1,110.68)

CASH ON HAND - JANUARY 1, 1993 78,124.68

CASH ON HAND - DECEMBER 31, 1993 \$77,014.00

CASH ON HAND - DECEMBER 31, 1993 CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Petty Cash	\$ 50.00
Checking Account	41,677.03
Certificates of Deposit and Savings Accounts	<u>35,286.97</u>
Total Cash on Hand December 31, 1993	<u>\$77,014.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.
Grand Treasurer

Adopted.

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

Sir Knights, my Annual Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1993 is as follows:

Membership as of January 1, 1993 5,331

ADDITIONS;

Knighted	55
Affiliated	76
Reinstated	46
Adjusted	3
	+ 180

Total Gross Membership 5,511

LOSSES;

Died	135
Demitted	89
Suspended N.P.D	322
Adjusted	0
	556

Total Net Membership as of December 31, 1993 4,965

Loss in Membership for 1993	-322
Chartered Commanderies	17
Commanderies Reporting	17
Commanderies Under Dispensation	0

APPRECIATION

I would like to express appreciation and thanks to our Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sam L. Garrett, Sr., the Grand Line Officers, and the Recorders of the Constituent Commanderies for their understanding, support, help and assistance rendered during the past year.

Fraternally submitted

Arthur C. Harding
Grand Recorder

Adopted.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES

NO.	NAME	1/1/93 MEMBERSHIP	KNIGHTED	AFFILIATED	REINSTATED	ADJUSTED	DIED	DEMITTED	SUSPENDED	12/31/93 MEMBERSHIP	GAIN/LOSS
2	MOBILE	489	3	2	4	0	20	0	27	451	-38
4	MONTGOMERY	263	8	1	4	1	9	5	13	250	-13
7	HUNTSVILLE	299	0	0	1	0	6	2	9	283	-16
10	CYRENE	915	4	70	1	0	31	1	51	907	- 8
13	TUSCALOOSA	203	0	0	4	0	5	4	2	196	- 7
14	DECATUR	210	10	0	0	0	3	0	35	182	-28
15	ETOWAH	293	0	0	3	0	8	0	17	271	-22
21	SYLACAUGA	63	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	62	- 1
23	ANNISTON	258	7	1	1	0	9	2	8	248	-10
25	DOTHAN	156	0	0	1	0	5	0	5	147	- 9
29	PIEDMONT	97	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	91	- 6
31	WOODLAWN	727	1	1	11	0	12	0	70	658	-69
39	FLORENCE	261	0	0	2	0	4	0	3	256	- 5
43	EAST LAKE	401	7	1	9	0	6	2	32	378	-23
45	LEE	166	2	0	3	0	3	0	8	160	- 6
46	DeKALB-JACKSON	390	11	0	0	0	10	6	37	348	-42
47	MONROEVILLE	76	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	77	+ 1
48	JASPER	64	2	2	0	2	1	67	0	0	-64
TOTALS		5,331	55	76	43	3	134	90	322	4,965	-366

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Six Knights of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:

We your committee on Finance, wish to submit the following report as well as a proposed budget for the year 1994 for your review and consideration.

We have examined the Review as completed by Potter, Bryant and Tate, C.P.A. of the Grand Commandery and recommend that it be accepted.

The annual budget was prepared by the combined efforts of this committee as well as the R. E. Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Jones, P.G.C., Chairman
Robert L. Byars, Jr.
James F. Vaughan
Erskine K. Smith, P.G.C.

GRAND COMMANDERY BUDGET

ACC'T #	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 1993	SPENT 1993	BUDGET 1994
81	Janitorial Supplies	50.00	0.00	0.00
82	Payroll Taxes	750.00	776.80	750.00
83	Telephone	500.00	472.38	500.00
84	Postage & P.O. Box	400.00	274.01	350.00
85	Contingency Fund	200.00	58.21	100.00
86	Grand Commander's Expense	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,000.00
87	Grand Recorder's Salary	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,240.00
88	Grand Treasurer's Expense	300.00	300.00	300.00
89	Grand Encap. Per Cap. Tax	19,000.00	17,602.20	17,000.00
89-A	Grand Encamp. K.T.E.F. Dues	3,800.00	3,256.00	3,200.00
91	Office Ass't Salary	4,248.00	4,248.00	4,248.00
92	Printing Grand Proceedings	1,600.00	1,285.20	1,500.00
93	Stationery ,Printing, etc.	800.00	307.17	500.00
95	Audit	1,000.00	1,015.00	400.00
96	Office Rent	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
98	Jewel for Junior Past Grand Commander	0.00	0.00	0.00

ACC'T #	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 1993	SPENT 1993	BUDGET 1994
99	Insurance - Bonds, Fire, etc.	450.00	403.60	450.00
102	Triennial Reserve (First Four Grand Officers & Grand Recorder)	667.00	667.00	600.00
102-A	Triennial Reserve for Past Grand Commanders (Prorated \$400.00 Maximum each Officer)	933.00	933.00	0.00
102-B	Southern Breakfast (\$100.00 per year for three years)	100.00	100.00	0.00
103	Donation to DeMolay	400.00	400.00	350.00
103-A	Donation-Order of Knighthood	100.00	100.00	75.00
103-B	Donation to Order of Rainbow for Girls	400.00	400.00	350.00
104	Purchases for Resale	300.00	250.00	300.00
105	Southeastern Regional York Rite Conference (Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo & Grand Recorder \$100.00 Max. for each)	300.00	100.00	335.00
106	Grand Recorder's Travel Allowance	2,730.00	2,730.00	2,500.00
106-A	Office Ass't Travel Allow.	360.00	360.00	360.00
107	K.T. Magazine Committee Expense Editor, Alabama Supplement	25.00	0.00	0.00
107-A	K.T.E.F. Vol. Campaign Expense	75.00	0.00	0.00
114	Presiding Grand Officer Stationery	50.00	48.63	50.00
116	Repairs - Service Contracts	200.00	152.00	0.00
117	Ladies' Luncheon (Convention)	300.00	239.56	0.00
118	Distinguished Guests	750.00	971.75	300.00
119	Banquet (Net-Cost less tickets sold)	300.00	376.92	300.00
121	Per Diem and Mileage (Grand Officer, Past Grands, & Standing Committees only)	1,800.00	901.80	1,500.00
	Totals	<u>\$49,388.00</u>	<u>\$45,329.23</u>	<u>\$42,358.00</u>

ADOPTED

POTTER, BRYANT & TATE, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTSRAYMOND E. POTTER, C.P.A.
J. ROYCE BRYANT, JR., C.P.A.
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Mr. Sam L. Garrett, Sr.
Right Eminent Grand Commander
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama
Birmingham, Alabama

We have reviewed the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities and fund balance - cash basis of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama (a non-profit organization) as of December 31, 1993, and the related statements of revenue and expenses - cash basis and changes in fund balance - cash basis for the year then ended, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the Commandery.

A review consists principally of inquiries of personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the cash basis of accounting, as described in Note A.

Our review was made for the purpose of expressing limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the cash basis of accounting, as described in Note A. The information in the accompanying Schedule 1 is presented only for supplementary analysis purposes. Such information has been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements. This information is presented on the cash basis of accounting, and we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made thereto.

POTTER, BRYANT & TATE, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants*Potter, Bryant & Tate, P.C.*Birmingham, Alabama
January 31, 1994

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE - CASH BASIS
DECEMBER 31, 1993

ASSETS

<u>Current Assets</u>		
Cash on Hand and in Bank		\$ 41,727.03
Certificates of Deposit and Savings Account		35,286.97
Inventory - Supplies for Resale		<u>807.50</u>
Total Current Assets		\$ 77,821.50
<u>Property and Equipment</u>		
Office Equipment		7,143.85
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		<u>5,494.78</u>
Net Property and Equipment		<u>1,649.07</u>
Total Assets		\$ <u>79,470.57</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
Reserve for Triennial		\$ 3,400.00
		<u>76,070.57</u>
<u>Fund Balance</u>		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance		\$ <u>79,470.57</u>

<u>Revenue</u>			
Dues			\$ 39,799.00
Fees			480.00
Sale of Banquet Tickets			824.00
Interest			1,969.75
Sale of Supplies		\$ 214.00	
Inventory - January 1, 1993	\$ 669.72		
Purchases	<u>250.00</u>		
Total	919.72		
Inventory - December 31, 1993	<u>807.50</u>	<u>112.22</u>	<u>101.78</u>
Total Revenue			43,174.53
Expenses - Cash Basis (Schedule 1)		44,147.43	
Depreciation		334.50	
Triennial Reserve Expense		<u>1,700.00</u>	
Total Expenses			<u>46,181.93</u>
Excess of Expenses over Revenues			\$ <u>3,007.40</u>

Fund Balance - January 1, 1993	\$ 79,077.97
Deduct: Excess of Expenses over Revenues	<u>3,007.40</u>
Fund Balance - December 31, 1993	\$ <u>76,070.57</u>

See accompanying notes and accountants' report.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1993

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

A. Basis of Accounting

The organization's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the cash basis of accounting. Under this method certain revenue and the related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned, and certain expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements do not purport to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

B. Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost determined by the first-in, first-out method, or market.

C. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost and depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Depreciation was computed on the straight line method for financial reporting purposes.

NOTE 2 - TAX STATUS:

The Commandery is exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c), and from state income taxes under Alabama Code Section 40-18-32. An informational tax return is filed each year on IRS Form 990.

SCHEDULE 1GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMASCHEDULE OF EXPENSES - CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1993

<u>Grand Officer Expenses</u>		
Allowance for Grand Officer	\$ 1,200.00	
Stationery for Grand Officer	<u>48.63</u>	
Total Grand Officer Expenses		\$ 1,248.63
<u>Grand Recorder's Office Expenses</u>		
Salary - Grand Recorder	3,600.00	
Salary - Office Secretary	4,248.00	
Allowance - Grand Treasurer	300.00	
Insurance - Bonds, Fire, Theft and Liability	403.60	
Payroll Taxes	776.80	
Rent	1,800.00	
Stationery and Printing	307.17	
Repairs - Furniture and Service Contracts	152.00	
Postage and Post Office Box Rental	274.01	
Telephone	472.38	
Annual Audit and Accounting Services	1,015.00	
Travel Allowance - Grand Recorder	2,730.00	
Travel Allowance - Office Secretary	<u>360.00</u>	
Total Grand Recorder's Office Expenses		16,438.96
<u>Annual Convention Expenses</u>		
Expenses for Distinguished Guests	971.75	
Per Diem and Mileage - Annual Convocation	841.80	
Banquet - Annual Conclave	1,200.92	
Southeastern Regional Meeting	100.00	
Ladies Luncheon - Annual Conclave	<u>239.56</u>	
Total Annual Convention Expenses		3,354.03
<u>Miscellaneous Expenses</u>		
Per Capita Tax - Grand Encampment	17,602.20	
Eye Foundation Dues - Grand Encampment	3,256.00	
Special Award - Demolay	400.00	
Special Award - Rainbow	400.00	
Order of Knighthood Award	100.00	
Printing Annual Proceedings	1,289.40	
Contingencies	<u>58.21</u>	
Total Miscellaneous Expenses		<u>23,105.81</u>
Total Expenses		\$ <u>44,147.43</u>

See accountants' report.

GRAND COMMANDERY ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

ARIZONA ***James A. Kile
 ARKANSAS ***James H. Lee
 CALIFORNIA ***Billy A. Clark
 COLORADO George F. Mills
 CONNECTICUT *Bobby C. Park
 DELAWARE Gerald E. Wilson
 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Richard Sim Hamilton
 FLORIDA **Thomas W. Mann
 GEORGIA Claude C. McGraw
 IDAHO Loyd D. Durden
 ILLINOIS Arthur C. Harding
 INDIANA James E. Stutts
 IOWA Jesse W. Locke
 KANSAS J. Woodrow Smith
 KENTUCKY Michael L. Jones
 LOUISIANA ***Patrick B. Bleakley
 MAINE William M. Newsome, Jr.
 MARYLAND Joseph D. Brackin
 MASSACHUSETTS & RHODE ISLAND Fred W. Vaughan
 MICHIGAN James F. Vaughan
 MINNESOTA **W. Sterling Roberts
 MISSISSIPPI Emory J. Ferguson
 MISSOURI ***Floyd L. Hambrick, Jr.
 MONTANA Charles R. Pate
 NEBRASKA *Fred L. Graham
 NEVADA Johnny A. Baker
 NEW HAMPSHIRE ***Robert E. Shipp
 NEW JERSEY George L. Marshall, Jr.
 NEW MEXICO
 NEW YORK Anthony M. Deming
 NORTH CAROLINA James R. Bromley
 NORTH DAKOTA Sam L. Garrett, Sr.
 OHIO Phillip J. Sherman
 OKLAHOMA Erskine K. Smith
 OREGON MacArthur Davis
 PENNSYLVANIA Bobby Ray Terry
 PHILIPPINES **Clifford J. Turner
 SOUTH CAROLINA Anthony V. Jannett III
 SOUTH DAKOTA *Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.
 TENNESSEE *****Ernest L. Bishop, Sr.
 TEXAS McMurray L. Griffith
 UTAH Robert T. Crawford
 VERMONT ****Thomas F. Craig
 VIRGINIA Charles W. McDonald
 WASHINGTON W. Malcolm Killingsworth
 WEST VIRGINIA **Oliver L. Moore, Jr.
 WISCONSIN Wayne D. Jordan
 WYOMING Robert L. Byars, Jr.

**Denotes number of consecutive years absent.*

**REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
FOR GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA**

Grand Commandery	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative to	Town
Arizona	James A. Kile	200 - 18th Avenue, N.W. Birmingham, 35215	Kenneth W. Smith	Glendale
Arkansas	James H. Lee	Route 6, Box 67 Florence, 35630	James Fernald, Jr.	E. Dorado
California	Billy A. Clark	205 Elsmore Boulevard Gadsden, 35901	Grover T. Halbrooks	Riverside
Colorado	George F. Mills	P. O. Box 1393 Decatur, 35602	Edwin D. Chase	Grand Junction
Connecticut	Bobby C. Park	1577 Oscar Patterson Road New Market, 35761	Joseph J. Howard	Old Lyme
Delaware	Gerald E. Wilson	1306 Terrehaute Avenue Decatur, 35601	S.W. Harold C. Hill	
District of Columbia	Richard Sim Hamilton	2302 Hamilton Drive Decatur, 35601	William T. Cox	Springfield, Virginia
Florida	Thomas W. Mann	354 Sun Valley Circle Birmingham, 35215	Francis I. Dancy	Fort Pierce
Georgia	Claude C. McGraw	1173 Dogwood Lane Birmingham, 35215	Hugh L. Smith	Albany
Idaho	Loyd D. Durden	507 South Edgewood Drive Dothan, 36301	Eldred J. Thomas	Lewiston
Illinois	Arthur C. Harding	309 Sun Valley Road Birmingham 35215	William D. Jarrett	Jacksonville
Indiana	James E. Stutts	612 East Pasadena Avenue Muscle Shoals, 35660	Emil L. Steffey	Shelbyville
Iowa	Jesse W. Locke	P. O. Box 2331 Phenix City, 36867-2331	Ronald W. Guthrie	Mason City
Kansas	J. Woodrow Smith	3667 Cedar Springs Road Jacksonville, 36265-9704	Edward B. Sherwood	Newton
Kentucky	Michael I. Jones	1711 Cagle Avenue, S. W. Decatur, 35601	Clifford T. Stigger	Louisville
Louisiana	Patrick B. Bleakley	P. O. Box 328 Jacksonville, 36265	Huston F. Boothe, Sr.	Hammond
Maine	William M. Newsome, Jr.	1600 - 45th Street Phenix City, 36867	John D. Baggett	Bucksport

REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
FOR GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

Grand Commandery	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative to	Town
MAINE	Dothan, 36303	2102 Hardwick Drive	Calvin W. Parker	Glen Burnie
MASSACHUSETTS	Fred W. Vaughan	108 Harwood Crive	Harley F. McCartney	Templeton
SEATTLE	James F. Vaughan	190 Azalea Drive	Donald M. Krueger	Sturgis
MICHIGAN	W. Sterling Roberts	4949 Montevallo Road	Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	Sough Saint Paul
MINNESOTA	Emory J. Ferguson	1615 Lakeview Drive, N.W.	R. Marshall Shields	Meridian
MISSISSIPPI	Floyd L. Hambrick, Jr.	P. O. Box 423	William F. Strode	Louisiana, Missouri
MISSOURI	Charles R. Pate	Scottsboro, 35768	C. Thomas Bersuch	Lewistown
MISSOURI	Fred L. Graham	Anniston, 36202	Robert C. Franklin	Papillion
MISSOURI	Johnny A. Baker	Anniston, 36201	Winfield S. Rash	Las Vegas
MISSOURI	Robert E. Shipp	P. O. Box 1526	Richard A. Gilbert, Sr.	Newmarket
MISSOURI	George L. Marshall, Jr.	218 Tracy Circle	Thurman C. Pace, Jr.	Westfield
MISSOURI	Anthony M. Deming	Daphne, 36526	Darrel D. Hornsby	Santa Fe
MISSOURI	James R. Bromley	161 Anna Kathryn Drive	Lawson I. Brown	Elmira Heights
MISSOURI	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Gurley, 35748	James H. Horne	Fayetteville
MISSOURI	Phillip J. Sherman	130 Shoal Creek Road	Paul Fergeson	Grafton
MISSOURI	Erskine K. Smith	Hayden, 35079	R. Dale Long	Cambridge
MISSOURI		2127 Norwood Boulevard	Joe F. Warriner	Oklahoma City
MISSOURI		Florence, 35630		
MISSOURI		1402 Melanie Lane		
MISSOURI		Phenix City, 36867		
MISSOURI		2218 Galahad Drive S.W.		
MISSOURI		Decatun, 35603		
MISSOURI		1835 Cheaha Drive		
MISSOURI		Oxford, 36203		

REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
FOR GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA (Continued)

Grand Commandery	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative to	Town
Oregon	MacArthur Davis	Route 4, Box 306 Brewton, 36426	Glendon K. Jefferies	Ashland
Pennsylvania	Bobby Ray Terry	Route 1, Box 10	Arthur R. Gebert	Morristown
Philippine Islands	Clifford J. Turner	Decatur, 35601	Abelardo T. Camahala	Imus Carite, Philippines
South Carolina	Anthony V. Jannett, III	Route 5, Box 187 Gadsden, 35903	James E. Waldrop	Easley
South Dakota	Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.	4712 Seminole Circle Birmingham, 35243	Allen J. Eide	Watertown
Tennessee	Ernest L. Bishop, Sr.	83 Crimson Tide Drive Piedmont, 36272	Charles L. Brooks	Memphis
Texas	McMurray L. Griffith	3110 East 18th Avenue Sheffield, 35660	Michael H. Shively	Spring
Utah	Robert T. Crawford	P. O. Box 130215 Birmingham, 35213	Raymond F. White	Ogden
Vermont	Thomas F. Craig	911 - 4th Terrace Pleasant Grove, 35127	Robert Boyce	Windsor
Virginia	Charles W. McDonald	1000 Lexington Street, S.E. Huntsville, 35801	W. Elliott Button	Winchester
Washington	W. Malcolm Killingsworth	615 Morgan Avenue Mobile, 36606	Robert J. Cole	Goldendale
West Virginia	Oliver L. Moore, Jr.	1801 Fern Drive Dothan, 36301	Robert L. Caldwell	Lewisburg
Wisconsin	Wayne D. Jordan	Route 1, Box 238 Killen, 35645	Herbert L. Matter	Milwaukee
Wyoming	Robert L. Byars, Jr.	929 Tascosa Drive, S.E. Huntsville, 35802 P. O. Box 320184 Birmingham, 35232	Sam Allen	Cody

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND REGISTRATION

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:

We your Committee on Credentials and Registration, submit the following report:

There are present and registered with this Committee 13 Grand Officers and 12 Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Alabama.

There are 17 Constituent Commanderies which comprise the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama, and of these 15 Commanderies are registered with this Committee for this 134th Annual Conclave. The 2 Commanderies not represented are Sylacauga #21 and DeKalb-Jackson #46.

We have examined the credentials of Commandery Officers or their Proxies, and the following is our conclusion:

TOTAL OFFICERS OR PROXIES PRESENT.....	45
TOTAL PAST COMMANDERS.....	68
TOTAL QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN THIS CONCLAVE.....	113

We wish to thank the Grand Recorder and the Right Eminent Grand Commander for their support and assistance in making our work easier at this Grand Commandery. We have enjoyed the privilege of serving the Grand Commandery on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Snyder, Chairman
James R. Bromley

Adopted.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

*Commanders, Generalissimos, Captain Generals, and/or proxies
present from Constituent Commanderies:*

2. Mobile	Philip L. Stenzel	Commander
	Hugh T. Shaw	Generalissimo
	Ernest G. Inmon	Captain General
4. Montgomery	Bobby W. Cheney	Commander
	James T. Woofford	Generalissimo
	*William J. Loerch	Captain General
7. Huntsville	Lincoln H. Townsend	Commander
	Robert F. Culley	Generalissimo
10. Cyrene	*McMurray L. Griffith	Commander
	*Ray Rutledge	Generalissimo
	*Joe D. Lee	Captain General
13. Tuscaloosa	*Henry G. Terry	Commander
	*Joe M. Lancaster	Generalissimo
	*Joe M. Lancaster	Captain General
14. DeMolay	Gerald E. Wilson	Commander
	John R. Appleton, Jr.	Generalissimo
	*Gerald E. Wilson	Captain General

15.	Etowah	Horace Hampton *James F. Vaughan *James F. Vaughan	Commander Generalissimo Captain General
21.	Sylacauga	Not Represented	
23.	Anniston	Ralph W. Grantham *Calvin C. Snow *J. Woodrow Smith	Commander Generalissimo Captain General
25.	Dothan	*Franklin L. Moon *Roger A. Simmons Franklin L. Moon	Commander Generalissimo Captain General
29.	Piedmont	*Weldon H. Roberts *Jerry R. Kirk *Weldon H. Roberts	Commander Generalissimo Captain General
31.	Woodlawn	*William J. Bice *Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. *William J. Bice	Commander Generalissimo Captain General
39.	Florence	*Robert B. Dixon *Billy H. Brackin Ronald D. Moore	Commander Generalissimo Captain General
43.	East Lake	*Joe R. Bush *Joe Lee *Claude C. McGraw	Commander Generalissimo Captain General
45.	Lee	Connie L. Miller R. Harris Henderson, Jr. *Charles L. Ingram	Commander Generalissimo Captain General
46.	DeKalb-Jackson	Not Represented	
47.	Monroeville	*MacArthur Davis *MacArthur Davis *MacArthur Davis	Commander Generalissimo Captain General

*Denotes Proxy.

PAST EMINENT COMMANDERS PRESENT

2. Mobile: Charles W. McDonald, Frank A. Brown, Johnny A. Baker, William J. Sirmon, Brent R. Haller.
4. Montgomery: Luther E. Lee, Norman L. Flournoy, Fletcher D. Martin.
7. Huntsville: Wayne Dee Jordan, James L. Gossett, George L. Marshall, Jr., Emory J. Ferguson, Henry B. Tyra.
10. Cyrene: Joe D. Lee, Ray Rutledge. McMurray L. Griffith, Anthony V. Jannett, III.
13. Tuscaloosa: Henry B. Terry, Joe M. Lancaster.
14. DeMolay: Bobby Ray Terry, Richard S. Hamilton, George F. Mills, Michael L. Jones, Lewis D. Tapscott, Phillip J. Sherman.
15. Etowah: James F. Vaughan, Fred W. Vaughan, Robert A. Moore.
21. Sylacauga: None
23. Anniston: Charles R. Pate, Homer L. Tidwell, J. Woodrow Smith, Erskine K. Smith, Calvin C. Snow.
25. Dothan: L. C. Minks, W. Malcolm Killingsworth, Joseph D. Brackin, Roger A. Simmons, Maurice C. Himes.
29. Piedmont: Weldon H. Roberts.
31. Woodlawn: Arthur C. Harding, Amos G. Welborn, Billy Rikard, Tom L. Cooley, Jr., Chris Poe, William J. Bice, Woodrow Mack Hewitt, Robert L. Byars, Jr., Howard E. Hayes, George W. Busby, Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Anthony M. Deming.
39. Florence: James L. Bromley, James E. Stutts, Billy H. Brackin.
43. East Lake: Cecil D. Rayburn, Joe R. Bush, S. Grady Fullerton, Kenneth E. Bush, Claude C. McGraw.

45. Lee: Sam L. Garrett, Sr., William C. Snyder, William M. Newsome, Jesse W. Locke, Gene M. Day, Norman Hutchinson, Charles L. Ingram, Sr., C. Gary Taylor, Lance C. Anthony, Robert W. Moseson.
46. DeKalb-Jackson: None.
47. Monroeville: MacArthur Davis.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUALISTIC WORK

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

We your committee on Ritualistic Work regret that there has been no request or question this entire year for clarification or exemplification of the work or tatics. As in the past several years, fewer Sir Knights are involved in conferring the degrees and orders of Templar Masonry. I am aware that this report sounds like a broken record and this very fact is most alarming. We have hid behind the excuse of lack of uniforms as our problem. We have also used the excuse that everyone was too busy to attend rehearsal and conferrals. Sir Knights, our problem is not uniforms or time, our problem is apathy and the inability of too many to learn the work. We have lost our enthusiasm for Templar Masonry.

We therefore recommend that at least one school of instruction be held during the coming year with attendance mandatory for Grand Commandery Officers and the Dais Officers of each Commandery in Alabama.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph D. Brackin, PGC, Chairman
James H. Lee, PGC

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER'S ADDRESS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

Your Committee to whom was referred this address of the Grand Commander, submit the following report:

We recommend that the portion of the Address referring to Necrology be referred to the Grand Prelate.

We recommend the portion of the Address referring to dispensations granted be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We recommend that the portion of the Address under the heading "Grand Representatives Appointed and Recommended", be approved.

We recommend that the portion of the Address referring to audit be referred to the Committee on Finance.

We recommend that all other portions of the Address not herein referred to, be approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles W. McDonald, P.G.C., Chairman
Michael L. Jones, P.G.C.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DeMOLAY

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

During the last year DeMolay as well as all of our fraternal organizations suffered losses in membership in each one of our chapters. Last year at this time the Alabama State DeMolay Association was made up of nine chapters. At this time we are sure of losing one and maybe two of those chapters.

The reason for the loss of these two chapters is not because the young men who belong to them failed to work. The reason lies squarely with the Master Masons who belong to their Advisory Councils. They failed to perform their duties as they should have and as a result are in the process of being closed.

Sir Knights, March 18th of this year marks the beginning of the 75th Anniversary of the Order of DeMolay. DeMolay has been present in the State of Alabama since 1922. At one time we had as many as 20 chapters in the state. If we had one thing, we could have that number again. That one thing is committed Masonic support.

Without an increase in the support of the Masons in this state DeMolay is dying a slow and agonizing death. And there will be nothing that we who work with it everyday will be able to do.

Don't misunderstand, without the monetary support the State Association receives from this Grand Body it could not provide some of the things, like our trophies at conclave, that it does. But we need more than money, we need advisors.

I would ask each one of you who hears this report to search your heart and see if you can find some of your time to give to DeMolay during the next year.

DeMolay has a message for the young men in 1994 just as important as it did in 1919, but without the support of your time it will not be heard. Please don't let DeMolay cease to exist in this state because we failed as Masons in general and Knights Templars in particular, to perform the duty to the young men of Alabama that is our responsibility.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Reid Morgan, III
Chairman

Adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

To the Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

I wish that I could report to you that the Order of the Rainbow for Girls in Alabama is thriving, but unfortunately, I cannot. In fact, the Order has not been doing well for a number of years.

When my eldest daughter, Yvette, was Grand Worthy Advisor of the Alabama Grand Assembly in 1980 (the same year that I was Grand Master of the Grand Council) there were 27 Rainbow Assemblies in Alabama. As I address you today there are only 6 active assemblies in Alabama. I wish that I could tell you what the problem is but if I were to

give you reasons it would be pure speculation on my part. I don't think that anyone can positively identify the problem. If so, we would certainly do something about it. Contrary to many reports that I have heard, the problem is not with adult leadership. Most Rainbow Assemblies have more than an adequate number serving on their Advisory Boards. Even the assemblies that have given up their charters had adequate adults on their advisory boards at the time they folded.

Sir Knights the Rainbow Girls in Alabama need your support and advise now more than ever. Rainbow is still a worthwhile organization for young womanhood. What a pity it would be if we were to wake up one morning and find that there was no Rainbow in Alabama.

If you have a daughter, granddaughter, niece or know of a girl that would be right for Rainbow please encourage them to join a Rainbow Assembly. I assure you that you will both receive a blessing for doing so.

Respectfully submitted,

Emory J. Ferguson, PGC, Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

We, your Committee on Templar Jurisprudence, submit the following report for your consideration and approval:

We find that portion of the Grand Commander's Address pertaining to Dispensations to receive and ballot on petitions out of statutory time to be in order.

We have studied the Constitutional Amendment to change Section 9 (3) (a) and Section 9(3) (b) to increase the per capita tax to \$10.00 and recommend that this be approved.

We have studied the Resolution to delete Article II, Section 10 of the Constitution and find it to be in order.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred W. Vaughan, PGC, Chairman

Erskine K. Smith, PGC

Charles R. Pate, PGC

Adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Received in the Grand Recorder's Office October 16, 1993.

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama.

The following resolution is submitted for your consideration:

WHEREAS the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama is required to pay per capita tax to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States each year in the amount of three dollars and thirty cents (\$3.30) for each Knight Templar on our rolls and

WHEREAS the per capita tax in Alabama has not been increased since 1986 and

WHEREAS the membership in Alabama has decreased by over 1,300 Knights Templar resulting in a decrease in per capita tax income of approximately \$10,500 per year since 1986 and

WHEREAS interest income has decreased approximately 60% during this same period while budgeted expenses have remained approximately the same.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Section 9 (3) (a) and (3) (b) of the Constitution be replaced as follows:

Section 9 (3) (a) For each Knight Templar borne upon the rolls at the date of the annual return, Ten Dollars (\$10.00) which shall include the Grand Encampment Per Capita Tax.

(3) (b) Any future increase in the Per Capita Tax levied by the Grand Encampment of the United States will automatically be added to the amount levied in (3) (a) above effective with the first annual return submitted by the subordinate Commandery to the Grand Recorder after the adoption of such increase by the Grand Encampment of the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Jones, PGC
Robert L. Byars, Jr., Deputy Grand Commander
James F. Vaughan, Grand Senior Warden
Erskine K. Smith, PGC

Received.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Received in the Grand Recorder's Office October 16, 1993.

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama.

The following resolution is submitted for the consideration of the members of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama

WHEREAS the membership in Alabama has decreased by over 1,300 Knights Templar since 1986 resulting in a decrease in per capita tax income of approximately \$10,500 per year and

WHEREAS interest income has decreased approximately 60% during this same period while budgeted expenses have remained approximately the same.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Article II, Section 10 of the Constitution be amended by deleting the following paragraph:

All members of the Standing Committees shall be allowed mileage for attending the Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery at the rate of ten cents per mile round trip from their home to the city in which the Annual Conclave is held and the same per diem as allowed by the Finance Committee to the elected Grand Commandery Officers.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Jones, PGC
Robert L. Byars, Jr., Deputy Grand Commander
James F. Vaughan, Grand Senior Warden
Erskine K. Smith, PGC

Received.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

That the Grand York Rite of Alabama extend certain amenities and pay certain expenses for those Grand York Rite Officers of the Southeastern Region while attending the Grand York Rite Annual Assembly of Alabama in accordance with those amenities and expenses paid for the Officers of the Grand York Rite of Alabama while visiting the Grand York Rite Annual Assembly of that Grand Jurisdiction.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse W. Locke
Michael L. Jones
Robert L. Byars, Jr.
W. Malcolm Killingsworth

Adopted.

REPORT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR SUPPLEMENT EDITOR

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

Once again, I must report that I have received news from only a few areas of the state. The Mobile York Rite Bodies have continued sending me their newsletter, from which I have been able to extract several articles each time. The Florence Bodies have also sent me at least some of their newsletters, and I have also been able to report some of their news. Gadsden sent me one interesting article, which I hope I did justice to in the Supplement. Aside from these Commanderies, the only other items I have received have been the letters from Past Grand Commander Pate written as chairman for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Committee. Sir Knight Pate is the first KTEF Chairman to take advantage of the Supplement since I became editor, and I think he should be commended for it. I know there were comments in my Commandery indicating that the letters were having the impact Sir Knight Pate wanted them to have, and I hope that got translated into actions on behalf of the KTEF.

This past year I have taken two initiatives in the Supplement. In the first, I solicited questions regarding Templary or York Rite Masonry and offered to answer or find the answer to them. The lack of questions indicates that either there are no questions or no one thinks I can answer them-probably the latter. The second initiative will be in the issue you receive when you get home or shortly thereafter. Assuming I do not violate any Grand Encampment policies, I have offered to run fifty-word resumes of any Sir Knight who is out of work. I know in the Huntsville area, the slow-down in aerospace has caused a great deal of concern, and I suspect that other parts of the state are being similarly affected. I hope no one of our members is affected by this condition, but if someone is, I would like to try to help in some way by letting our members know so that if they have or know of a position that an unemployed Sir Knight might fill, they can bring it to his attention.

In closing, I would like to repeat my plea- the one I have made each year since assuming this post. I need news from our

Commanderies. As I write this, the deadline for the April issue is only a few weeks off, and I have absolutely nothing for it. If you have some news, send it. If you don't have any, make some and then send it! Finally, I would like again to thank each of the Commanderies and/or individuals who have sent news in the past. I wish I could adequately express my gratitude for each item sent. Thank you, Sir Knights.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Craig

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

Your Patriotic Activities Committee begs leave to report that the following Commanderies have reported on their Annual Patriotic Activities:

Huntsville Commandery No. 7
 Etowah Commandery No. 15
 Anniston Commandery No. 23
 Florence Commandery No. 39
 Lee Commandery No. 45

A detailed account of each Patriotic Meeting is attached as part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry B. Tyra, Chairman

HUNTSVILLE YORK RITE BODIES

Huntsville Commandery No. 7 held their Annual Patriotic Meeting at Helion Lodge No. 1 on Tuesday, November 9, 1993. Seventeen members and five guests enjoyed a delicious dinner in the Fellowship Hall prior to the meeting. Following the dinner, Eminent Commander Lincoln H. Townsend presented an interesting dissertation on the actions of "Task Force Smith", who conducted the first engagement of American troops and North Korean Forces in the Korean Conflict. Sir Knight Townsend discussed the problems of a peace-time army, prior to the outbreak of hostilities in Korea.

Sir Knight Townsend then presented the fifty-minute Grand Encampment videotape, "Unseen Journey", featuring the late brothers Jerry Marsengill and John Robinson. The tape describing events of the Peasants Revolt in England in the fourteenth century, passages of Tolstoy War and Peace and excerpts from the Halliwell Manuscript was enjoyed by all.

The evening ended with the inspiring and beautiful "Toast to the Flag", given by Sir Knight Hank Tyra, KYCH.

GADSDEN YORK RITE BODIES

On November 3, 1993, Etowah Commandery No. 15 participated in Gadsden's Patriot's Day activities in lieu of a separate Patriotic program at the Temple.

Sir Knight James F. "Rick" Vaughan was inducted into the Patriot's Hall of Honor and designated "Patriot of the Year". The event took place at Gadsden's Center for Cultural Arts.

The keynote address was given by General Dennis Reimer, Commander of "Forces Command". Sir Knight Vaughan was honored for his Army service in Viet Nam and his continuing service as Etowah County Veterans Affairs Officer. Sir Knight Vaughan has presided over each of the Gadsden York Rite Bodies and is currently serving as Worshipful Master of Dwight Masonic Lodge No. 550.

ANNISTON YORK RITE BODIES

Anniston Commandery No. 23 held its Annual Patriotic Meeting on November 6, 1993. Prior to the program, members and guests enjoyed a delightful covered-dish dinner in the Fellowship Hall.

The keynote speaker for the evening was Doctor Robert Smith, a noted Professor of Criminology. The Color Guards, resplendent in their Knights Templar uniforms, presented the colors. During the presentation of the colors, the oration from the Knights Templar degree was given by Sir Knight George Boys and he then led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

FLORENCE YORK RITE BODIES

Florence Commandery No. 39 held their Annual Patriotic Meeting on November 30, 1993 at the Florence Masonic Temple. The meeting was preceded by a delicious dinner for members, wives and guests who attended.

Although the program originally scheduled could not be conducted as planned, the program committee arranged for the Sir Knights present to explain what patriotism meant to them. This "spur of the moment" program was well received by the members and guests as the Sir Knights shared their ideas and feelings about patriotism.

PHENIX CITY YORK RITE BODIES

Lee Commandery No. 45 held its Patriotic Meeting on January 15, 1994. Twenty members and fifteen guests enjoyed a wonderful dinner prior to the program.

The principal speaker for the evening was a distinguished U. S. Army Officer from Fort Benning, Georgia, who spoke on today's military establishment and the effect that "downsizing" is having on combat-ready forces, as well as reserve forces.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

I want to thank the Grand Commander for allowing me to serve on this Committee. This is a great work and I am proud to be a Knight Templar.

I personally feel that the majority of our Sir Knights in this Grand Commandery would support this Knights Templar Eye Foundation if they only knew more about it. Recently in Anniston we had a Sir Knight who was blind and spent many days and nights in surgery and treatment, and his sight was restored. This Sir Knight did not have to be encouraged to support this charity even though he and his insurance company paid a large amount of money for his treatment. When asked "if the time and money spent in restoring his sight was justified", his response was "Every cent". He recently died and he has been missed in our charity drives.

Sir Knights, we are in the middle of our Voluntary Campaign for this year. I want to urge each Sir Knight to support this Knights Templar Eye Foundation by making a donation of at least \$10.00. I would like to encourage all Sir Knights who have not paid the \$30.00 required to be a Life Sponsor to do so as soon as possible. Our Sister State, Georgia, is 100% in doing this and I think we can be 100% too. We here in Alabama are using other commanderies money to support our eye surgery and we need to send some funds in. This charity is not just to be supported by those attending meetings, but should be supported by all Sir Knights. I appreciate what we are doing but I feel that a lot more can be done.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles R. Pate, PGC, Chairman

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights
of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:*

We your Educational Foundation Committee submit the following report:

During the year ending December 31, 1993, your Committee processed six (6) student loans of \$1,500.00 each (Five Male and One Female) totaling \$9,000.00. There are 26 loans outstanding totaling \$49,029.98. There are a few of these loans which are delinquent and one or two of these may require legal action to collect.

Under the Grand Encampment rules and regulations it is required that a budget be submitted within a short time after our conclave for approval by the National Chairman. This budget is for the following year and in compliance with this we are submitting the following

budget for your approval!

Attorney or Collection Fees	100.00
Audit	500.00
Expense for Secretary & Office Help	1,500.00
Postage	58.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Total Budget for 1995	<u>2,258.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Howard E. Hayes, *i* Charman
 James A. Kile
 Robert T. Crawford
 W. Mack Hewitt
 Fred W. McCluskey, Jr

Attest: Arthur C. Harding, Secretary-Treasurer

Adopted.

ALABAMA GRAND YORK RITE HOLDING COMPANY

To the Grand Officers and Members of the Grand York Rite Bodies of Alabama:

On Saturday, April 3, 1993 at the East Lake Masonic Temple in Birmingham the Alabama Grand York Rite Holding Company met for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. Emory J. Ferguson was re-elected President, Fred W. McCluskey was re-elected Treasurer and Arthur C. Harding was re-elected Secretary.

The lease of the present offices of the Grand Bodies will terminate in ten months making it imperative for the Holding Company to start a search for possible new quarters to occupy due to the area where the offices are now located. Even though there will be some expense to move the offices and rent at a new location will probably be more expensive still the safety of those who work and have reason to visit the Grand Bodies must be considered.

Respectfully submitted,

Emory J. Ferguson, President
 Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Treasurer
 Arthur C. Harding, Secretary
 Charles R. Pate, Vice-President
 Ray Rutledge, Vice-President

Adopted.

REPORT OF BY-LAWS REVIEW COMMITTEE

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:

We, the members of your Committee on By-Laws Review, beg leave to report the following:

This committee has had no requests for review of the by-laws of any of the Commanderies of the State of Alabama this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Rutledge, Chairman
Bobby Ray Terry
Robert L. Byars, Jr.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION 26TH VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:

The 26th Voluntary Campaign is not going as well in Alabama as it should. As of February 11, 1994 we ranked 28th in money contributed, per-capita we ranked 42nd. This means that we have only given \$3,079.00 or \$.60 per member. Sir Knights, I am here today to request that our GRAND COMMANDER ask each Commandery to have at least one project in the coming year and "ear mark" the profits to the Eye Foundation. We have one of the greatest charities in the country and it can also be used as a tool to enlist new members. If we direct the same energy to raise money for this great foundation as we do at our annual meeting, there is no end to the money we could give to the Eye Foundation.

I would like to thank Right Eminent Grand Commander Sam Garrett for allowing me to serve with him this past year.

James F. Vaughan
Chairman

REPORT ON NECROLOGY

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:

Another year has passed, and as we reflect at this annual conclave, we are reminded of the 134 Sir Knights that were called home to their final eternal resting place this past year.

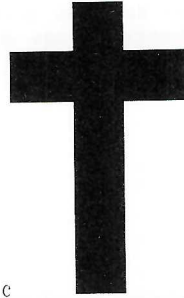
Each one of these Sir Knights are equally a great loss, but as we contemplate this mortal loss amidst our friends and families; we are lightened by spiritual joy, knowing within our hearts that these

loved ones have transcended from an earthly place, which has much pain and suffering, into a better place where there is only peace and joy.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert D. Moseson
Grand Prelate

Adopted.



**Inscribed To The Memory
Of
Our Honored Dead
And In Memory
Of The
Deceased Sir Knights
In
Other Grand Jurisdictions**

MINUTES OF LAST CONCLAVE

Sir Knight Arthur C. Harding moved that the minutes as published in the Proceedings of 1993 be accepted as the minutes, and that they be approved as printed.

Motion seconded and carried.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CONCLAVE - 1995

It was moved that the next Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama conclave be held in the greater Birmingham, Alabama area on February 26, 27 and 28, 1995

Motion seconded and carried.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

of the United



States of America

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR

"The Knights Templar Cross of Honor shall be awarded only for exceptional and meritorious service to the Order of Knights Templar, far beyond the call of duty, and beyond the service usually expected of an Officer or Member. In deciding upon the award, precedents shall be entirely ignored and each case shall be decided upon its own merits. No posthumous awards may be made." (*Grand Encampment regulation.*)

PRESENTATION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR AWARD

The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sam L. Garrett, Sr., selected Sir Knight Billy Allen Clark of Etowah Commandery No. 15 to receive the Grand Encampment Knights Templar Cross of Honor Award. The presentation was announced the Grand York Rite Banquet on Sunday

Night by Sir Knight James M. Ward, personal representative of Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States; William H. Thornley, Jr. and Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment. Since Sir Knight Clark was unable to attend the Annual Conclave, the presentation will be made at a later date.

RECIPIENTS IN ALABAMA KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR

*Alexander Murray Weems.....	1960
*Charles Curtis McCoy.....	1967
Horace Richard Batchelor.....	1968
+William G. Caffey, Jr.....	1969
*John F. Welch, Sr.....	1970
*James Merlin Christopher, Sr.....	1971
*Earl Pervine Woodall.....	1972
*John Sebastian Gamundi.....	1973
*Arlie Eldon Blackburn.....	1974
*James Allen Bradford.....	1975
*Norman Curtis Wilkinson.....	1976
*Johnnie H. Ray, Sr.....	1977
*Charles Carl Graham.....	1978
*Lawrence Kline.....	1979
*John Doyal Prince, Jr.....	1980
Loyd D. Durden.....	1981
Charles William McDonald.....	1982
Charles Robert Pate.....	1983
*Richard A. Chapman.....	1984
Bobby Clyde Park.....	1985
Robert Lee Byars, Jr.....	1986
*James Paul Gray.....	1987
Ernest Latroy Bishop, Sr.....	1988
Thomas Franklin Craig.....	1989
MacArthur Davis.....	1990
James F. Vaughan.....	1991
Homer Lee Tidwell.....	1992
Walter J. Krueger.....	1993
Billy Allen Clark.....	1994

*Denotes deceased.

+Denotes suspended

ELECTION OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS FOR 1994 - 1995

There being no further business to come before this Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, the Grand Commandery proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year. All the officers, except the Eminent Grand Warder were elected by acclamation. Each officer was advanced one station with the exception of the Eminent Grand Treasurer and the Eminent Grand Recorder, who shall remain in their stations

Sir Knight Robert T. Crawford of Cyrene Commandery #10 was elected by secret ballot to the station of Grand Warder. Sir Knight Crawford accepted election to the office.

This Grand Commandery was concluded with prayer to reconvene at eleven A.M., March 1st for open installation of the Grand Officers.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS
FOR 1994 - 1995

At the conclusion of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and the Grand Commandery annual business sessions on Tuesday, March 1, 1994, at an open meeting, the Grand Commandery Officers were duly installed by Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of the United States, Sir Knight James M. Ward with Past Grand Commander McMurray L. Griffith as Installing Prelate and Sir Knight Anthony M. Deming as Installing Marshal.

The new Grand Commander, Sir Knight Robert L. Byars, Jr. was invested with the jewel of his office by his wife, Joyce. After the investiture, he made several remarks concerning the great honor which had been bestowed upon him.

Right Eminent Sam L. Garrett, Jr., Junior Past Grand Commander, was then escorted to the East and Grand Commander Byars presented Sir Knight Garrett with his Past Grand Commander's jewel. A presentation of a Past Grand Commander's plaque from the Grand Encampment, stating that he is a permanent member of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America had been previously presented to Right Eminent Sir Knight Garrett.

*Attest: Arthur C. Harding,
Grand Recorder*

ADJOURNMENT

All business of this Annual Conclave being concluded, Right Eminent Sir Knight Byars declared the 134th Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama adjourned after the Prelate had pronounced the benediction.

*Attest: Arthur C. Harding
Grand Recorder*



ROBERT L. BYARS, JR.
Right Eminent Grand Commander
1994 - 1995

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Right Eminent Grand Commander
1994 - 1995
PERSONAL HISTORY

Rev. Sir Knight Dr. Robert L. Byars, Jr. was born December 5, 1934 in Pickins County, Alabama, the son of Robert L. And Bessie C. Byars. The family, consisting of 3 children moved to Birmingham where they grew up. In 1963 he married Joyce Gorman and their marriage resulted in one daughter, Michelle, born in 1964.

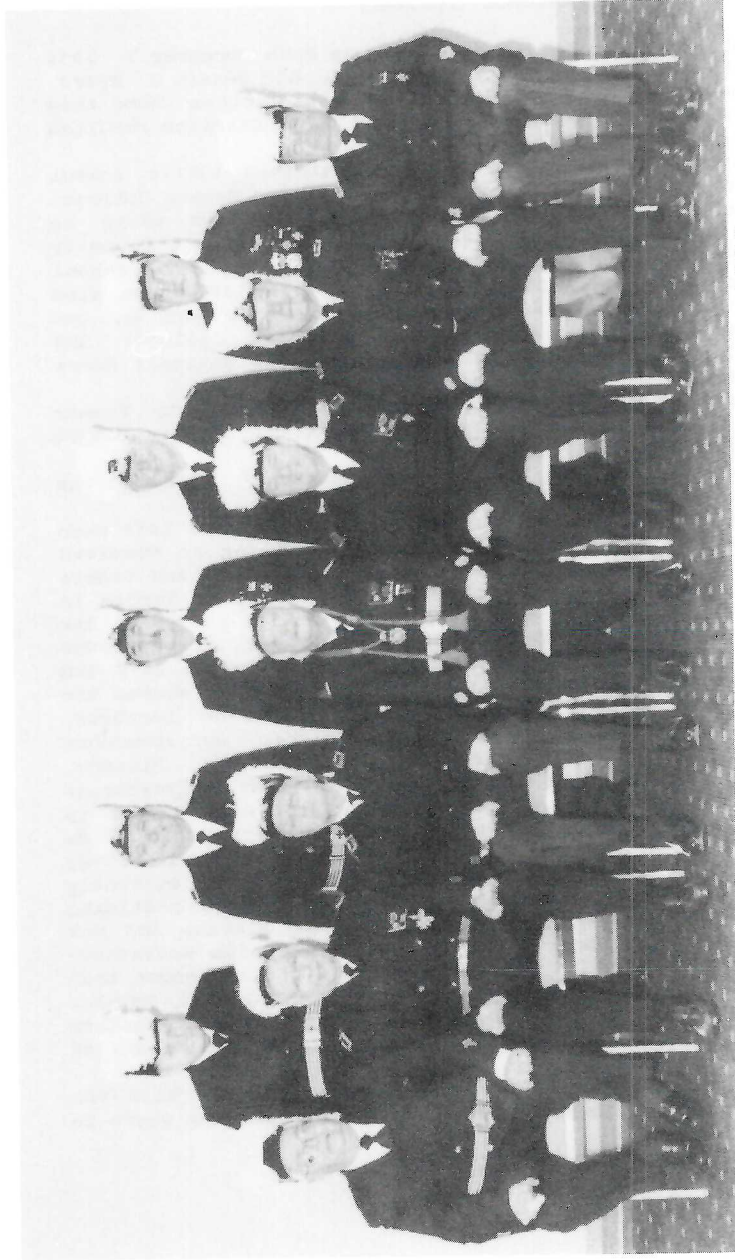
Sir Knight Byars was educated in the Birmingham Public School System, both Elementary and High School. He attended Howard College, Jefferson State Junior College, Newton Bible College where he received a B.A. Degree in Religious Education, and Newton Divinity Seminary where he received a Master's Degree in Theology. The school bestowed on him an Honorary Doctor of Theology in 1981. He also attended Birmingham Law School. Sir Knight Byars was on two occasions recognized by Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. He also is a member of Phi Theta Phi National Honor Society of Colleges and Universities.

He was licensed as a minister of the Gospel in 1951 by Thomas Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama and ordained to the Gospel Ministry in 1953 in the same church.

Sir Knight Byars entered the U. S. Navy on March 22, 1952 and was Honorably Discharged on August 22, 1956.

Sir Knight Byars began his Masonic career in November of 1956 when he was raised to the "sublime" degree of Master Mason in Woodlawn Fraternal Lodge #525. He received the York Rite Degrees and Orders in Woodlawn York Rite in November 1962 and joined Zamora Temple in 1962. He received the 32 Degrees of the Scottish Rite in 1974. Sir Knight Byars served as Worshipful Master of Woodlawn Fraternal Lodge #525 in 1971-1972, was elected Secretary of that Lodge in 1972 and has served in that office until the present time. He has served the Grand Lodge as Assistant District Lecturer, District Lecturer, Chairman of the Pennies Program, Finance Committee, Jurisprudence Committee, By-Laws Committee and as a member of Finance, Jurisprudence, and Credentials. He was High Priest, Illustrious Master and Eminent Commander of the Woodlawn York Rite Bodies in 1978, and received the Knight York Cross of Honor in 1981. He received the Order of Anointed High Priest, Order of the Silver Trowel and served as presiding officer of both and is currently Secretary-Recorder-Treasurer of both. He was the first presiding officer of the Knight Crusaders of the Cross of Alabama and now serves as Recorder of that body. Sir Knight Byars is the Secretary-Recorder of Woodlawn York Rite and has held that office longer than any person ever has. He was the recipient of the Knight Templar Cross of Honor in 1983. He is a past patron of the Order of Eastern Star, Past Excellent Chief of Vulcan Council #22, Knight Masons of the U.S.A.

In addition to his Masonic duties, Sir Knight Byars is also the current Senior Pastor of Thomas Baptist Church in Birmingham where he has served since 1991.



GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS FOR 1994 -1995

Seated left to right: Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Joe D. Lee, Ray Rutledge, Robert L. Byars, Jr. (Right Eminent Grand
Commander), George W. Marshall, Jr., James F. Vaughan, Jesse W. Locke
Standing left to right: William J. Bice, Robert T. Crawford, Wayne D. Jordan, Bobby R. Terry, Arthur C. Harding

GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS 1994 - 1995

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FOR 1994 -1995

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KNIGHT CRUSADERS OF THE CROSS OF ALABAMA

The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Knight Crusaders of the Cross of Alabama was held on Monday, February 28, 1994, at the Dothan Lodge Hall in Dothan, Alabama with Knight Anthony M. Deming presiding. The degree team was composed of the following:

Anthony M. Deming.....*Knight Crusader of the East*
 Maurice M. Chastain.....*Knight Crusader of the West*
 Arthur C. Harding.....*Knight Crusader of the South*
 Emory J. Ferguson.....*Knight Crusader of the North*
 Bobby Ray Terry.....*Knight Crusader of the Holy Cross*

The Order was conferred on the following candidates: C. Horace Hampton, Joe M. Lancaster, Philip F. Stenzel, Bobby W. Cheney, Ralph W. Grantham, Joe D. Lee, Connie L. Miller, William R. Selby, Sr. of Kentucky, R. K. Scent of Kentucky, James B. Wall of Kentucky, Gerald E. Wilson, Harold C. Rankins, Billy A. Rikard, Lincoln H. Townsend, Henry Stonecypher of Georgia and George Poole of Georgia.

A motion was made and seconded to allow the Presiding officers of the Anointed High Priesthood, Order of the Silver Trowel and Knight Crusaders of the Cross to choose the meeting place for each meeting. Motion carried.

The minutes were adopted as printed in the Proceedings, and the proceeds of the Class were directed to be paid to the Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. The following officers were elected and installed by Knight Anthony M. Deming.

Joseph D. Brackin.....*Knight Crusader of the East*
 Maurice D. Himes.....*Knight Crusader of the West*
 Maurice M. Chastain.....*Knight Crusader of the South*
 Jesse W. Locke.....*Knight Crusader of the North*
 Robert L. Byars, Jr.....*Knight Crusader Treasurer-Recorder*
 Lance C. Anthony.....*Knight Crusader of the Holy Cross*
 James E. Stutts.....*Knight Crusader of the Temple*
 James F. Vaughan.....*Knight Crusader Sentinel*

The Meeting was closed with prayer.

Joseph D. Brackin
 Knight Crusader of the East

Attest: Robert L. Byars, Jr.
 Knight Crusader Recorder

REGISTER OF CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF
ALABAMA
JUNE, 1993 - 1994

NO. NAME	LOCATION	COMMANDER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	CONCLAVE DATE
2. Mobile	Mobile	Philip F. Stenzel 111 North Avenue Fairhope, 36532	Charles W. McDonald 615 Morgan Avenue Mobile, 36606	4nd Monday
4. Montgomery	Montgomery	Bobby W. Cheney Rt. 1, Box 100AB Letohatchee, 36047	William J. Ierch 208 Pine Forest Drive Wetumpka, 36092	1st Thursday
7. Huntsville	Huntsville	Lincoln H. Townsend 107 Christopher Drive Madison, 35758	Wayne D. Jordan P. O. Box 371 Huntsville, 35804	2nd Tuesday
10. Cyrene	Birmingham	James W. Battle 1029 Sherbrooke Drive Birmingham, 35209	McMurray L. Griffith P. O. Box 130215 Birmingham, 35213	2nd Friday
13. Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	James Tesney 2216 2nd Avenue Tuscaloosa, 35401-4949	Henry G. Terry 2530 39th Street Tuscaloosa 35405-2842	3rd Tuesday
14. DeMolay	Decatur	Gerald E. Wilson 1306 Ferrehaute, S.W. Decatur, 35601	Richard Sim Hamilton P. O. Box 1312 Decatur, 35602	1st Thursday
15. Etowah	Gadsden	Horace Hampton 358 Riversidw Drive Gadsden, 35903	James F. Vaughan 190 Azalea Drive Gadsden, 35901	1st Thursday

REGISTER OF CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF
ALABAMA (Continued)
JUNE, 1993 - 1994

NO. NAME	LOCATION	COMMANDER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	CONCLAVE DATE
21. Sylacauga	Sylacauga	Artie Epperson 320 South Wetumpka Street Sylacauga, 35150		3rd Monday
23. Anniston	Anniston	R. Wayne Grantham P. O. Box 1024 Anniston, 36202	Charles R. Pate P. O. Box 613 Anniston, 36202	3rd Thursday
25. Dothan	Dothan	Edward C. Parnell P. O. Box 686 Ashford, 36312	Maurice C. Himes P. O. Box 637 Daleville, 36322	3rd Thursday
29. Piedmont	Piedmont	Walter E. Jahn 22510 Al Hwy 9 North Piedmont, 36272	Jerry R. Kirk P. O. Box 447 Piedmont, 36272	2nd Thursday
31. Woodlawn	Birmingham	Billy A. Rikard 2236 2nd Place, N.E. Birmingham, 35215	Robert L. Byars, Jr. P. O. Box 320184 Birmingham, 35232	2nd Tuesday
39. Florence	Florence	Kenard B. Pilkington Route 2, Box 154 Red Bay, 35582	James E. Stutts P. O. Box 566 Florence, 35631	2nd & 4th Tuesday
43. East Lake	Birmingham	Dewey S. Wilson Route 3, Box 289 Haleyville, 35565	Claude C. McGraw 1173 Dogwood Lane Birmingham, 35215	1st & 3rd Friday

REGISTER OF CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF
ALABAMA (Continued)
JUNE, 1993 - 1994

NO. NAME	LOCATION	COMMANDER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	CONCLAVE DATE
45. Lee	Phenix City	Connie L. Miller 801 20th Street Phenix City, 36867	Jesse W. Locke P. O. Box 2331 Phenix City, 36868-2331	3rd Tuesday
46. DeKalb-Jackson	Scottsboro	William C. Peek Route 1, Box 409 Pisgal, 35765	Floyd L. Hambrick, Jr. Rt. 2 Section, 35771	1st Wednesday
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1860	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*William Field	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*Edmund M. Hastings	5	144
1861	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*Sterling A. M. Wood	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*Edmund M. Hastings	5	155
1862	Montgomery	No quorum present	Adjourned to Dec. 5, 1863					
1863	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*Henry P. Lee					
1864	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*James B. Harrison	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*Edmund M. Hastings	5	127
1865	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*William S. Knox	*Edmund M. Hastings	5	141
1866	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*James R. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*William S. Knox	*Edmund M. Hastings	6	113
1867	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*Peleg Brown	*George D. Norris	*George D. Norris	*Edmund M. Hastings	7	207
1868	Montgomery	*Peleg Brown	*Abram J. Walker	*George D. Norris	*Abram J. Walker	*Edmund M. Hastings	7	227
1869	Mobile	*Peleg Brown	*Joseph H. Johnson	*William W. Harder	*Abram J. Walker	*Edmund M. Hastings	8	242
1870	Mobile	*Abram J. Walker	*Joseph H. Johnson	*William W. Harder	*John N. Browder	*Edmund M. Hastings	8	249
1871	No Meeting	*Adjourned in December, 1870, to meet in February, 1872			*Walter L. Bragg	*Daniel Sayre	9	235
1872	Marion	*Joseph H. Johnson	*Walter L. Bragg	*Porter Knig	*Andrew J. Blair	*Daniel Sayre	9	283
1873	Huntsville	*Walter L. Bragg	*George P. I. Reid	*John J. Dement	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Sayre	9	286
1874	Montgomery	*Walter L. Bragg	*John G. Smith	*James B. Luckie	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Sayre	10	264
1875	Selma	*Felix G. Norman	*Benjamin H. Riggs	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Sayre	9	234
1876	Montgomery	*John G. Smith	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*Daniel Sayre	9	236
1877	Mobile	*John G. Smith	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*Daniel Sayre	9	209
1878	Eufala	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*Robert Moulthrop	*Daniel Sayre	9	210
1879	Montgomery	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*Robert Moulthrop	*Daniel Sayre	9	206
1880	Birmingham	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daguel Smith	*Robert Moulthrop	*Francis P. O'Brien	*Daniel Sayre	7	212
1881	Mobile	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*James T. Holtzclaw	*Francis P. O'Brien	*Daniel Sayre	8	215
1882	Mobile	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*James T. Holtzclaw	*John H. Higley	*Daniel Sayre	9	222
1883	Montgomery	*Daniel Smith	*Daniel Smith	*William T. Atkins	*John H. Higley	*Daniel Sayre	10	245
1884	Montgomery	*Daniel Smith	*James T. Holtzclaw	*William T. Atkins	*John H. Higley	*Daniel Sayre	10	321
1885	Montgomery	*James T. Holtzclaw	*John H. Higley	*John D. Wilkins	*Henry C. Davidson	*Daniel Sayre	7	209
1886	Selma	*James T. Holtzclaw	*John H. Higley	*John D. Wilkins	*Henry C. Davidson	*Daniel Sayre	6	195
1887	Montgomery	*Daniel Smith	*John D. Wilkins	*Henry C. Davidson	*William F. Aldrich	*Daniel Sayre	6	202
1888	Mobile	*John D. Wilkins	*Henry C. Davidson	*William A. Alexander	*James B. Luckie	*Edmund R. Hastings	6	220
1889	Birmingham	*Henry C. Davidson	*William A. Alexander	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*Edmund R. Hastings	5	209
1890	Montgomery	*Henry C. Davidson	*William A. Alexander	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*Edmund R. Hastings	8	266
1891	Funtsville	*William A. Alexander	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*George S. Obear	*Edmund R. Hastings	9	308
1892	Mobile	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*William H. Long	*William H. Long	*Edmund R. Hastings	9	342
1893	Selma	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*William H. Long	*Charles Hann	*Edmund R. Hastings	9	357
1894	Gadsden	*Charles Wheelock	*William H. Long	*Fletcher J. Cowart	*Robert L. Douglass	*Edmund R. Hastings	9	368
1895	Birmingham	*Charles Wheelock	*William H. Long	*Fletcher J. Cowart	*Robert L. Douglass	*Edmund R. Hastings	10	376
1896	Mobile	*Fletcher J. Cowart	*Robert L. Douglass	*Henry H. Matthews	*Malton C. Baldrige	*H. Clay Armstrong	10	382
1895	Montgomery	*Robert L. Douglass	*Robert L. Douglass	*Henry H. Matthews	*Phillip Milhous	*H. Clay Armstrong	10	380
1897	Birmingham	*Henry H. Matthews	*Phillip Milhous	*William E. Oakley	*Rus. M. Cunningham	*H. Clay Armstrong	9	380
1898	Selma	*Phillip Milhous	*William E. Oakley	*Rus. M. Cunningham	*Rob't Moulthrop, Jr.	*H. Clay Armstrong	7	288

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1899	Mobile	*William E. Oakley	*Rus. M. Cunningham	*Robert Moulthrop, Jr.	*George F. Wheelock	*H. Clay Armstrong	6	298
1900	New Decatur	*Rus. M. Cunningham	*Robert Moulthrop, Jr.	*George F. Wheelock	*Lewis W. Hubbard	*George A. Beauchamp	6	351
1901	Tuscaloosa	*Rob't Moulthrop, Jr.	*George F. Wheelock	*Lewis W. Hubbard	*Charles R. Westcott	*George A. Beauchamp	9	463
1902	Mobile	*Lewis W. Hubbard	*Charles R. Westcott	*Charles E. Pearce	*Robert S. Teague	*George A. Beauchamp	8	510
1903	Montgomery	*Lewis W. Hubbard	*Charles R. Westcott	*Thomas H. Mattocks	*Walter Smith	*George A. Beauchamp	8	516
1904	Selma	*Charles R. Westcott	*Robert S. Teague	*Thomas H. Mattocks	*Walter Smith	*George A. Beauchamp	9	546
1905	Birmingham	*Robert S. Teague	*Thomas H. Mattocks	*Walter Smith	*Edward S. Gatchell	*George A. Beauchamp	11	621
1906	Gadsden	*Thomas H. Mattocks	*Robert S. Teague	*Walter Smith	*Charles R. Patterson	*George A. Beauchamp	13	743
1907	Mobile	*Walter Smith	*William O. Snyder	*William O. Snyder	*John W. Phillips	*George A. Beauchamp	14	824
1908	Tuscaloosa	*Walter Smith	*Charles R. Patterson	*John W. Phillips	*Louis J. Wright	*George A. Beauchamp	17	1,013
1909	Andalusia	*Charles R. Patterson	*Charles R. Patterson	*John W. Phillips	*Alexander D. Simpson	*George A. Beauchamp	18	1,085
1910	Anniston	*Louis W. Phillips	*Louis J. Wright	*Louis M. Moseley	*Charles P. Martin	*George A. Beauchamp	20	1,210
1911	Montgomery	*Louis J. Wright	*Louis M. Moseley	*Charles P. Martin	*William E. Bingham	*George A. Beauchamp	20	1,305
1912	Selma	*Louis M. Moseley	*Charles P. Martin	*William E. Bingham	*Hartsford L. Ison	*George A. Beauchamp	20	1,475
1913	Dothan	*Charles P. Martin	*William E. Bingham	*Hartsford L. Ison	*William W. Ransom	*George A. Beauchamp	21	1,473
1914	Talladega	*William E. Bingham	*Hartsford L. Ison	*William W. Ransom	*Julian F. Spearman	*George A. Beauchamp	21	1,663
1915	Troy	*Hartsford L. Ison	*William W. Ransom	*Julian F. Spearman	*Duncan C. Carmichael	*George A. Beauchamp	22	1,808
1916	Birmingham	*William W. Ransom	*Julian F. Spearman	*Duncan C. Carmichael	*John V. Falck	*George A. Beauchamp	24	2,032
1917	Tuscaloosa	*Julian F. Spearman	*Duncan C. Carmichael	*John V. Falck	*Walter H. Trimby	*George A. Beauchamp	25	2,367
1918	Birmingham	*Duncan C. Carmichael	*John V. Falck	*Walter H. Trimby	*Lawrence H. Lee	*George A. Beauchamp	26	2,661
1919	Dothan	*John V. Falck	*Walter H. Trimby	*Lawrence H. Lee	*John Philip Melvin	*George A. Beauchamp	27	3,559
1920	Selma	*Walter H. Trimby	*Lawrence H. Lee	*John Philip Melvin	*Woolsey Finnell	*George A. Beauchamp	30	5,183
1921	Selma	*Lawrence H. Lee	*John Philip Melvin	*Woolsey Finnell	*L. E. Gellerstedt	*George A. Beauchamp	33	6,669
1922	Gadsden	*John Philip Melvin	*Woolsey Finnell	*L. E. Gellerstedt	*Joseph D. Matlock	*George A. Beauchamp	36	7,427
1923	Birmingham	*Woolsey Finnell	*L. E. Gellerstedt	*Joseph D. Matlock	*Robert T. Ward	*George A. Beauchamp	38	8,258
1924	Huntsville	*L. E. Gellerstedt	*Joseph D. Matlock	*Robert T. Ward	*Philip S. Meyer	*George A. Beauchamp	40	8,867
1925	Troy	*Joseph D. Matlock	*Robert T. Ward	*Philip S. Meyer	*Orlando S. Finch	*George A. Beauchamp	39	8,772
1926	Tuscaloosa	*Robert T. Ward	*Philip S. Meyer	*Orlando S. Finch	*William C. Davis	*George A. Beauchamp	39	8,683
1927	Albany	*Philip S. Meyer	*Orlando S. Finch	*William C. Davis	*Henry F. Williamson	*George A. Beauchamp	39	8,463
1928	Montgomery	*Orlando S. Finch	*William C. Davis	*Henry F. Williamson	*Franklin L. Milhous	*George A. Beauchamp	38	7,910
1929	Mobile	*William C. Davis	*Henry F. Williamson	*Franklin L. Milhous	*Tully A. Goodwin	*George A. Beauchamp	38	7,305
1930	Dothan	*Henry F. Williamson	*Franklin L. Milhous	*Tully A. Goodwin	*David W. Crosland	*George A. Beauchamp	35	6,378
1931	Huntsville	*Franklin L. Milhous	*Tully A. Goodwin	*David W. Crosland	*John W. Jones	*George A. Beauchamp	35	5,459
1932	Birmingham	*Tully A. Goodwin	*William D. Hawkins	*T. Gaines St. John	*Robert McL. Strong	*Guy T. Smith	34	4,308
1933	Anniston	*John W. Jones	*William D. Hawkins	*T. Gaines St. John	*Robert McL. Strong	*Guy T. Smith	31	3,316
1934	Tuscaloosa	*William D. Hawkins	*T. Gaines St. John	*Robert McL. Strong	*Henry J. Porter, Jr.	*Guy T. Smith	28	2,121
1935	Montgomery	*T. Gaines St. John	*Robert McL. Strong	*Henry J. Porter, Jr.	*James M. Frazer	*Guy T. Smith	28	2,814
1936	Mobile	*Robert McL. Strong	*Henry J. Porter, Jr.	*James M. Frazer	*John Heard Saxon	*Guy T. Smith	26	2,633
1937	Montgomery	*Henry J. Porter, Jr.	*James M. Frazer	*John Heard Saxon	*William W. Waldo	*Guy T. Smith	26	2,633
1938	Montgomery	*James M. Frazer	*John Heard Saxon	*William W. Waldo	*Frank W. Gaines	*Guy T. Smith	25	2,482

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1939	Birmingham	*John Heard Saxon	*William W. Waldo	*Frank W. Gaines	*Robert T. Sheppard	*Guy T. Smith	23	2,384
1940	Montgomery	*William W. Waldo	*Frank W. Gaines	*Robert T. Sheppard	*Newman S. Cryer	*Guy T. Smith	23	2,295
1941	Montgomery	*Frank W. Gaines	*Robert T. Sheppard	*Newman S. Cryer	*Hoyt McClendon	*Guy T. Smith	23	2,265
1942	Montgomery	*Robert T. Sheppard	*Newman S. Cryer	*Hoyt McClendon	*Pleasant W. Gay	*Guy T. Smith	23	2,310
1943	Montgomery	*Newman S. Cryer	*Hoyt McClendon	*Pleasant W. Gay	*A. Parker Mize	*Guy T. Smith	22	2,526
1944	Montgomery	*Hoyt McClendon	*Pleasant W. Gay	*A. Parker Mize	*Clifford H. Williams	*Guy T. Smith	22	3,152
1945	Birmingham	*Pleasant W. Gay	*A. Parker Mize	*Clifford H. Williams	*Archelus F. Campbell	*Guy T. Smith	25	4,494
1946	Birmingham	*A. Parker Mize	*Archelus F. Campbell	*James B. Patterson	*Julius L. Layman	*Guy T. Smith	25	5,198
1947	Montgomery	*Clifford H. Williams	*Archelus F. Campbell	*James B. Patterson	*Julius L. Layman	*C. H. Stubinger	25	5,785
1948	Gadsden	*Archelus F. Campbell	*James B. Patterson	*Julius L. Layman	*Rob't McL. Strong, PT	*C. H. Stubinger	24	6,133
1949	Montgomery	*James B. Patterson	*Julius L. Layman	*Rob't McL. Strong, PT	*Llewellyn R. Hillier	*C. H. Stubinger	24	6,499
1950	Birmingham	*Julius L. Layman	*Rob't McL. Strong, PT	*Llewellyn R. Hillier	*Edgar M. Gober	*C. H. Stubinger	25	6,651
1951	Mobile	*Llewellyn R. Hillier	*Edgar M. Gober	*Emrys W. John	*William W. Glass	*C. H. Stubinger	25	6,887
1952	Selma	*Edgar M. Gober	*Emrys W. John	*Emrys W. John	*J. Collier Foster	*C. H. Stubinger	26	7,131
1953	Florence	*Emrys W. John	*J. Collier Foster	*George G. Rees	*Lonnie H. Teele	*C. H. Stubinger	27	8,101
1954	Huntsville	*J. Collier Foster	*George G. Rees	*Lonnie H. Teele	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*C. H. Stubinger	28	8,935
1955	Tuscaloosa	*George G. Rees	*Lonnie H. Teele	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*Holden B. Norwood	*C. H. Stubinger	28	9,272
1956	Montgomery	*Lonnie H. Teele	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*Holden B. Norwood	*George W. Sorrell	*C. H. Stubinger	27	9,584
1957	Montgomery	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*Holden B. Norwood	*George W. Sorrell	*Claud Stallworth	*C. C. McCoy, P.T.	27	9,835
1958	Birmingham	*Holden B. Norwood	*George W. Sorrell	*Claud Stallworth	*George H. Crook	*C. H. Stubinger	26	9,975
1959	Montgomery	*George W. Sorrell	*Claud Stallworth	*George H. Crook	*Arthur C. Wilson	*C. H. Stubinger	26	10,073
1960	Decatur							
1960	Birmingham	*Claud Stallworth	*Arthur C. Wilson	*Thomas W. Oliver	*Earl D. Holmes	*T. L. Cochran	26	10,084
1961	Tuscaloosa	*Arthur C. Wilson	*Thomas W. Oliver	*Earl D. Holmes	*A. F. Campbell, P.T.	*Gordon L. Ewatt	26	10,075
1962	Mobile	*Thomas W. Oliver	*Earl D. Holmes	*Julian P. Butler	*John S. Robinson	*Gordon L. Ewatt	26	10,085
1963	Birmingham	*Earl D. Holmes	*Julian P. Butler	*John S. Robinson	*Charles L. Campbell	*Thomas W. Olliver	27	9,974
1963	Birmingham	*Julian P. Butler	*John S. Robinson	*Charles L. Campbell	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Thomas W. Olliver	27	9,818
1965	Birmingham	*John S. Robinson	*Charles L. Campbell	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Anthony V. Janett	*Thomas W. Olliver	27	9,847
1965	Sylacauga	*C. L. Campbell	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Anthony V. Janett	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Thomas W. Olliver	27	9,808
1966	Tuscaloosa	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Anthony V. Janett	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Charles L. Jones	*Thomas W. Olliver	27	9,692
1967	Birmingham	*Anthony V. Janett	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Charles L. Jones	*Clifford J. Turner	*Thomas W. Olliver	26	9,494
1968	Birmingham	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Charles L. Jones	*Clifford J. Turner	*S. F. Jackson, Jr.	*Thomas W. Olliver	26	9,295
1969	Mobile	*Charles L. Jones	*Clifford J. Turner	*S. F. Jackson, Jr.	*Michael L. Jones	*Thomas W. Olliver	26	9,226
1970	Birmingham	*Clifford J. Turner	*S. F. Jackson, Jr.	*Thomas W. Mann	*Charles D. Miller	*Thomas W. Olliver	26	8,971
1971	Gadsden	*S. F. Jackson, Jr.	*Thomas W. Mann	*Michael L. Jones	*Charles D. Miller	*Thomas W. Olliver	26	8,687
1972	Tuscaloosa	*Thomas W. Mann	*Michael L. Jones	*Charles D. Miller	*McMurray L. Griffith	*Thomas W. Mann	26	8,439
1973	Birmingham	*Michael L. Jones	*Charles D. Miller	*McMurray L. Griffith	*Wm. M. Newsome, Jr.	*Thomas W. Mann	25	8,608
1974	Gulf Shores	*Charles D. Miller	*McMurray L. Griffith	*Wm. M. Newsome, Jr.	*Milton L. Fegenbush	*Thomas W. Mann	25	8,465
1975	Birmingham	*McMurray L. Griffith	*William M. Newsome	*Milton L. Fegenbush	*Fred W. Vaughan	*Thomas W. Mann	25	8,516
1976	Birmingham	*Wm. M. Newsome, Jr.	*Milton L. Fegenbush	*Fred W. Vaughan	*Arthur C. Harding	*Thomas W. Mann	25	8,516

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1977	Phenix City	*M. L. Fegenbush	Fred W. Vaughan	Arthur C. Harding	Joseph D. Brackin	Thomas W. Mann	25	8,215
1978	Birmingham	Fred W. Vaughan	Arthur C. Harding	Joseph D. Brackin	Robert E. Shipp	Thomas W. Mann	25	8,092
1979	Birmingham	Arthur C. Harding	Joseph D. Brackin	Robert E. Shipp	Erskine K. Smith	Thomas W. Mann	24	7,834
1980	Birmingham	Joseph D. Brackin	Robert E. Shipp	Erskine K. Smith	William H. Ealy	Thomas W. Mann	24	7,631
1981	Dothan	Robert E. Shipp	Erskine K. Smith	William H. Ealy	Richard Sim Hamilton	Thomas W. Mann	24	7,278
1982	Birmingham	Erskine K. Smith	William H. Ealy	Richard Sim Hamilton	W. Sterling Roberts	Thomas W. Mann	23	7,117
1983	Birmingham	William H. Ealy	Richard S. Hamilton	W. Sterling Roberts	*George E. Tremelling	Thomas W. Mann	22	6,993
1984	Huntsville	Richard S. Hamilton	W. Sterling Roberts	*James L. Allen	James H. Lee	Thomas W. Mann	21	6,861
1985	Birmingham	W. S. Roberts	*G. E. Tremelling	*Emory J. Ferguson	Charles W. McDonald	Thomas W. Mann	20	6,653
1986	Birmingham	*G. E. Tremelling	James H. Lee	Charles W. McDonald	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Thomas W. Mann	19	6,526
1987	Birmingham	James H. Lee	Emory J. Ferguson	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Charles R. Pate	Thomas W. Mann	18	6,369
1988	Sheffield	Emory J. Ferguson	Charles W. McDonald	Charles R. Pate	Bobby C. Park	Thomas W. Mann	18	6,260
1989	Mobile	C. W. McDonald	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Charles R. Pate	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Thomas W. Mann	18	5,945
1990	Birmingham	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Charles R. Pate	Bobby C. Park	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Thomas W. Mann	18	5,733
1991	Birmingham	Charles R. Pate	Bobby C. Park	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Robert L. Byars, Jr.	Arthur C. Harding	18	5,334
1992	Birmingham	Bobby C. Park	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Robert L. Byars, Jr.	*Treddy R. Grogan, Sr.	Arthur C. Harding	17	4,965
1993	Decatur	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Robert L. Byars, Jr.	Geo. L. Marshall, Jr.	Ray Rutledge	Arthur C. Harding	17	
1994	Dothan	Robert L. Byars, Jr.	Geo. L. Marshall, Jr.	Ray Rutledge	James R. Vaughan	Arthur C. Harding	17	

*Denotes deceased

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Grand Commandery Office moved from Montgomery to Birmingham after election of Thomas W. Oliver as Grand Recorder in 1962

At the Annual Conclave, April, 1963, Earl D. Holmes was elected and installed as Grand Commander, but he died before he could serve.

At the Annual Conclave, April, 1973, Thomas W. Mann was elected Grand Recorder, Thomas W. Oliver was elected Grand Recorder Emeritus, and the Annual Conclave date was changed from April each year, to the last Monday in February to correspond with Grand Chapter and Grand Council.

As proof of continual effort of Alabama to promote York Rite unity, the first combined meeting of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery was held in February, 1974.

On November 1, 1974, the Grand York Rite Office moved to 3621 South Fifth Avenue, Birmingham.

In September, 1979, the Grand York Rite Office moved to 5504 1/2 North First Avenue, Birmingham, 35212.

On May 16, 1980, James A. Kile was appointed Grand Treasurer to succeed Hoyt McClendon who resigned.

At the Annual Conclave, February, 1991, Hoyt McClendon was elected Grand Treasurer, Emeritus.

On September 1, 1991, Thomas W. Mann and James A. Kile resigned as Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer. Arthur C. Harding was appointed as Grand Recorder and Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. was appointed as Grand Treasurer.

At the Annual Conclave, February, 1992, Arthur C. Harding was elected Grand Recorder and Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. was elected Grand Treasurer. Thomas W. Mann was elected as Grand Recorder Emeritus and James A. Kile was elected as Grand Treasurer Emeritus.

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