# THE YORK RITE of FREEMASONRY of ALABAMA

1996

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

## RECEPTION

An informal reception was held on Sunday afternoon, February 25, 1996 in the Clarendon Room of the Holiday Inn, Homewood, Birmingham, Alabama, as members and guests were registering in the Main Hall. Hostesses were Mrs. Bettye Stutts, wife of Most Excellent Grand High Priest, James E. Stutts, Mrs. Marilyn Deming Wife of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Anthony M. Deming and Lorelle Rutledge, Wife of the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Ray Rutledge. 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 25, 1996, in the Arlington Room of the Motel. The Message was delivered by Past Grand Commander, the Rev. Dr. Robert L. Byars, Jr.

The Sir Knights marched in to the singing of "Onward Christian Soldiers." After the message was delivered, the Right Eminent Grand Commander Ray Rutledge announced that the offering received would be donated to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation which has been a special project of Rt. Em. Sir Knight Rutledge during his year as Grand Commander.

## THE GRAND YORK RITE BANQUET

The Grand York Rite Annual Banquet was held on Sunday evening in the Ballroom of the Holiday Inn. After the Invocation, a delicious roast beef 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.

Murray E. Cooke, Grand King of the General Grand Chapter and Personas representative of R. Glenn Capps, 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 Robert B. Dixon, a member of Cyrus Chapter No. 6 who accepted the award with appreciation. The Grand Chapter of Alabama adds his name to their list of previous recipients.

The Right Puissant General Grand Conductor of the Work, Charles F. Van Etten of The General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International, was introduced as the Personal Representative of the General Grand Master, Dalvin L. Hollaway and asked to present the General Grand Council's Cryptic Mason of the Year Award to Companion Howard E. Hayes of Woodlawn Council No. 71. Companion Hayes accepted the award with appreciation. The Adult Youth Leadership Award of the General Grand Council was presented to Fred W. Vaughan.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Ray Rutledge, then introduced Charles R. Neumann, Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, personal representative of Sir Knight Blair C. Mayford, Most Eminent Grand Master, who presented the Knight Templar Cross of Honor to the recipient, Sir Knight Dan Maddox, a member of Cyrene Commandery No. 10. His name

will be added to the list of those Sir Knights in Alabama who have received this high award. Sir Knight Neumann then requested that the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Ray Rutledge present himself before the microphone where he presented him with a plaque from the Grand Encampment naming him a permanent member of the Grand Encampment as a Past Grand Commander.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest introduced the Honorable T. Michael Putnam, a Magistrate Judge for the United States District Court in Birmingham who gave a short welcoming address to the Jefferson County area.

## 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 nearby malls.

The seventh 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 Chairperson. The total sales this year amounted to $1,272.00, which was equally divided between the three Grand York Rite charities.

## KNIGHT MASONS

Vulcan Council No. 22, Knight Masons of Alabama, held their twelfth Annual Banquet on Monday evening, February 26, 1996 at the Fifth Quarter Restaurant. 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 at the Metro York Rite Temple.

# ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIXTH

# ANNUAL CONCLAVE

OF THE

# GRAND COMMANDERY

of

# KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

of

# ALABAMA

HELD FEBRUARY 25, 26 AND 27TH, 1996

HOLIDAY INN-HOMEWOOD
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

## PRESIDING 1995-1996

Ray Rutledge, *Right Eminent Grand Commander*
Route 11, Box 342, Jasper, AL 35501

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

## ELECTED 1996-1997

George L. Marshall, Jr., *Right Eminent Grand Commander*
161 Anna Kathryn Drive, Gurley, AL 35748

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

The One Hundred and Thirty-Sixth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama was declared convened by Sir Knight Ray Rutledge, Right Eminent Grand Commander on February 26, 1996,

The Invocation was given by Sir Knight Erskin K. Smith, 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 Ray Rutledge ..... Grand Commander
Sir Knight George L. Marshall, Jr. ..... Deputy Grand Commander
Sir Knight James F. Vaughan ..... Grand Generalissimo
Sir Knight Bobby Ray Terry ..... Grand Captain General
Sir Knight Joe D. Lee ..... Grand Senior Warden
Sir Knight Jesse W. Locke ..... Grand Junior Warden
Sir Knight Erskine K. Smith ..... Grand Prelate
Sir Knight Fred W. McCluskey ..... Grand Treasurer
Sir Knight Arthur C. Harding ..... Grand Recorder
Sir Knight Wayne D. Jordan ..... Grand Standard Bearer
Sir Knight Robert T. Crawford ..... Grand Sword Bearer
Sir Knight Phillip J. Sherman ..... Grand Warder
Sir Knight Louis W. Meyer, Jr. ..... Grand Sentinel

All Sir Knights and Distinguished Guests were welcomed to the Annual Conclave by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Ray Rutledge.

## INTRODUCTION OF PAST RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDERS

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

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
William H. Ealy ..... 1983-1984
Richard Sim Hamilton ..... 1984-1985
Emory J. Ferguson ..... 1988-1989
Charles W. McDonald ..... 1989-1990
Charles R. Pate ..... 1991-1992
Sam L. Garrett, Sr. ..... 1993-1994
Robert L. Byars, Jr. ..... 1994-1995

# ADDRESS OF RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER RAY RUTLEDGE 1995-1996

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

Welcome to the One Hundred Thirty-Sixth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama. To each of you is extended a most cordial welcome and wish for you a most enjoyable visit.

SPECIAL THANKS - May we give thanks where thanks are due.

First - to Almighty God for allowing me to serve this year as your Grand Commander.
Second - to my wife, Lorelle, for sharing me with you.
Third - to the Sir Knights of Cyrene Commandery for your Loyalty and Support.
Fourth - to each and every Subordinate Commandery in Alabama for your kind attitude toward me.
Fifth - to A. C. Harding, PGC, Grand Recorder for his willingness to assist me in many ways.
Sixth - to Fred McCluskey, Grand Treasurer in "being there" when he was needed.
Seventh - to Luther Lee for the "Shoulder Boards" they will be passed on to my successor.
Eight - to each of you Sir Knights for making this a most Memorable year in my life.

## CONSOLIDATIONS

On November 1, 1995 your Grand Commander, upon request of Cyrene #10 and East Lake #43, consolidated these two commanderies into one commandery to be known as Cyrene Commandery #10.

## REVIEW OF BOOKS

On November 15, 1995, your Grand Commander, authorized our Grand Recorder (S.K. Arthur C. Harding) to secure the services of Bro. 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, 1995.

## DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

To receive and ballot on petitions out of statutory time:

Huntsville Commandery #7 ..... August 8
Tuscaloosa Commandery #13 ..... April 25
DeMolay Commandery #14 ..... May 4

To elect officers out of Statutory Time:
Tuscaloosa Commandery #13 ..... July 18

# VISITATIONS

OUT OF STATE INVITATIONS DECLINED:

Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Virginia.

OUT OF STATE INVITATIONS ACCEPTED AND ATTENDED:

South Carolina ..... March 12 - 14
Tennessee ..... April 21 - 22
Georgia ..... May 9 - 11
Florida ..... May 28 - 30

IN STATE VISITATIONS MADE:

Meeting York Rite, Scottish Rite & Shrine
Kick-off for May Class in Birmingham ..... March 6
Cyrene Commandery #10 ..... March 10
K.Y.C.H., Birmingham ..... March 11
Montgomery Commandery #4, Religious Service ..... March 30
Anniston Commandery #23 ..... April 1
Montgomery Commandery #4 York Rite Class ..... April 8
Cyrene Commandery #10 ..... April 14
Florence Commandery #39 ..... April 25
Anniston Commandery #23 - Patriotic Meeting ..... April 29
DeMolay Commandery #14 ..... May 2
Anniston Commandery #23 - York Rite Class ..... May 5
York Rite, Scottish Rite & Shrine Class, Birmingham ..... May 12-13
Cyrene Commandery #10 ..... June 9
Huntsville Commandery #7 - Install officers ..... June 13
Monroeville Commandery #47 - Install officers ..... June 23
East Lake Commandery #43 ..... July 7
Cyrene Commandery #10 - Install officers ..... July 14
K.Y.C.H., Montgomery ..... July 15
Dothan Commandery #25 ..... July 20
Woodlawn Commandery #31 - Install officers ..... August 8
Cyrene Commandery #10 ..... August 11
Cyrene Commandery #10 ..... September 8
Meeting York Rite, Scottish Rite and Shrine
Fall Class Kick-off at Zamora Shrine Temple ..... September 11
Montgomery Commandery #4 - York Rite Class ..... September 16
Tuscaloosa Commandery #13 ..... September 19
Cyrene Commandery #10 ..... October 13
Lee Commandery #45 - Inspection, Phenix City ..... October 14
Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star-Birmingham ..... October 16-18
Mobile Commandery #2 ..... October 23
York Rite Class - Birmingham ..... October 27-28
Piedmont Commandery #29 ..... November 9
Cyrene Commandery #10 ..... November 10
Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Alabama - Montgomery ..... November 20-21
Red Cross of Constantine - Birmingham ..... December 2
Cyrene Commandery #10 - Christmas Observance ..... December 8
H.R.A.K.T.P. - Tuscaloosa ..... December 9
Central Lodge #70 - 150 year celebration, Montevallo .... December 9
Montevallo Eastern Star #434 - 50 year celebration ..... December 9
Woodlawn Commandery #31 - Christmas Observance ..... December 12
Huntsville Commandery #7 - Christmas Observance ..... December 16
Tuscaloosa Commandery #13 - Christmas Observance ..... December 19
Jackson-DeKalb Commandery #46 ..... January 3
Grand Commandery Finance Meeting, Birmingham ..... January 13

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED TO REPRESENT ALABAMA NEAR OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Connecticut ..... Judd R. Harding
District of Columbia ..... William T. Cox
Georgia ..... Bobby Joe Townsend
Mississippi ..... Dale Howe
Virginia ..... Robert S. Hughes

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

NONE

## STATE OF THE ORDER

It goes without saying that we are not doing those things that we must do in order that our Order will prosper.

Let me hasten to acknowledge that only God controls the deaths in our organization may we be grateful for this.

But that we may prosper - each and everyone of us can do some positive things, i.e., we can encourage re-instatements; discourage suspensions; assist in degree work; attend our regular meetings and fast classes; promote relations with the Scottish Rite and Shrine.

It is with great pride and pleasure for me to point out to each of you that Alabama, as a state, is now 100% "Life Sponsors" of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Of course this would have not been possible without the cooperation and financial support of the Subordinate Commanderies. At the beginning of my term as Grand Commander only 25% of the Commanderies were 100%. It was my pleasure to encourage the rest of you in this endeavor. "Thank You."

On June 23, 1995, at the request of Blair C. Mayford, Most Eminent Grand Master, it was my most pleasant duty to represent The Grand Encampment in making a special presentation to Michelle D. Ardell, Ph.D.

Dr. Ardell is a Post Doctoral Fellow in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of South Alabama, Mobile.

This $20,000.00 grant will permit Dr. Ardell to continue her research on the study of genes that may be involved in the congenital hereditary blinding disorder, Bardet-Biedl Syndrome.

## NECROLOGY

May each of us be most grateful that God saw fit to permit our Grand Line to remain intact; however, we have lost many of our faithful and dedicated Sir Knights this Templar Year.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Rutledge
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, 1995.

RECEIPTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Dues | $44,263.00 | |
| Fees | 1,440.00 | |
| Interest | 1,914.79 | |
| Sale of Supplies | 369.10 | |
| Sale of Banquet Tickets | 696.00 | |
| Donation | 20.00 | |
| Due to Grand Council | 602.00 | |
| Total Receipts | | $49,304.89 |

DISBURSEMENTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Operating Expenses | $37,349.79 | |
| Total Disbursements | | 37,349.79 |
| EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS | | 11,955.19 |
| CASH ON HAND - JANUARY 1, 1995 | | 66,439.21 |
| CASH ON HAND - DECEMBER 31. 1995 | | $78,394.31 |

CASH ON HAND - DECEMBER 31, 1995 CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

| | |
|---|---|
| Petty Cash | $ 50.00 |
| Checking Account | 42,744.45 |
| Certificates of Deposit and Savings Accounts | 35,599.86 |
| Total Cash on Hand December 31, 1995 | $78,394.31 |

Respectfully submitted,

Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.
Grand Treasurer

I wish to express my appreciation to Sir Knight Arthur C. Harding, Grand Recorder and his office assistant, Charlotte, for their cooperation and assistance throughout the year in helping me to do my work efficiently. I wish to thank the members for the opportunity to have served you this past year as your 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, 1995 is as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Membership as of January 1, 1995 | | 4,716 |
| ADDITIONS | | |
| Knighted | 137 | |
| Affiliated | 379 | |
| Reinstated | 55 | |
| Adjusted | 1 | + 572 |
| Total Gross Membership | | 5,288 |
| LOSSES; | | |
| Died | 125 | |
| Demitted | 376 | |
| Adjusted | 0 | |
| Suspended N.P.D | 189 | - 690 |
| Total Net Membership as of December 31, 1995 | | 4,598 |
| Loss in Membership for 1995 | | -118 |
| Chartered Commanderies | | 15 |
| Commanderies Reporting | | 15 |
| Commanderies Under Dispensation | | 0 |

# APPRECIATION

I would like to express appreciation and thanks to our Right Eminent Grand Commander, Ray Rutledge, 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 | 1/1/95 MEMBERSHIP | ADJUSTED | KNIGHTED | AFFILIATED | REINSTATED | DIED | DEMITTED | SUSPENDED | 12/31/95 MEMBERSHIP | GAIN/LOSS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | MOBILE | 436 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 19 | 412 | - 24 |
| 4 | MONTGOMERY | 252 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 3 | 15 | 230 | - 22 |
| 7 | HUNTSVILLE | 261 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 258 | - 3 |
| 10 | CYRENE | 902 | 0 | 34 | 363 | 15 | 29 | 1 | 39 | 1245 | +343 |
| 13 | TUSCALOOSA | 187 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 191 | + 4 |
| 14 | DECATUR | 182 | 0 | 16 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 195 | + 13 |
| 15 | ETOWAH | 272 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 23 | 254 | - 18 |
| 23 | ANNISTON | 239 | 0 | 9 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 248 | + 9 |
| 25 | DOTHAN | 136 | +1 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 146 | + 10 |
| 29 | PIEDMONT | 86 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 84 | - 2 |
| 31 | WOODLAWN | 615 | 0 | 9 | 6 | 6 | 22 | 2 | 31 | 581 | - 34 |
| 39 | FLORENCE | 219 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 214 | - 5 |
| 43 | EAST LAKE | 353 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 16 | 3 | 360 | 14 | 0 | -353 |
| 45 | LEE | 152 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 145 | - 7 |
| 46 | DeKALB-JACKSON | 333 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 24 | 299 | - 34 |
| 47 | MONROEVILLE | 91 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 96 | + 5 |
| | TOTALS | 4,716 | +1 | 137 | 379 | 55 | 125 | 376 | 189 | 4,598 | -118 |

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Sir 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 1996 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, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder.

Respectfully submitted,

McMurray L. Griffith P.G.C., Chairman
Michael L. Jones, P.G.C
Charles R. Pate, P.G.C.

## GRAND COMMANDERY BUDGET

| ACC'T # | ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION | BUDGET 1995 | SPENT 1995 | BUDGET 1996 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 800 | Payroll Taxes | 700.00 | 647.54 | 700.00 |
| 801 | Telephone | 500.00 | 390.44 | 500.00 |
| 802 | Postage & P.O. Box | 375.00 | 328.39 | 400.00 |
| 803 | Contingency Fund | 200.00 | 68.36 | 200.00 |
| 804 | Grand Encap. Per Cap. Tax | 15,000.00 | 15,562.80 | 16,000.00 |
| 804A | Grand Encamp. K.T.E.F. Dues | 2,400.00 | 2,499.00 | 500.00 |
| 805 | Grand Recorder's Salary | 3,240.00 | 3,240.00 | 3,240.00 |
| 806 | Grand Treasurer's Expense | 270.00 | 270.00 | 270.00 |
| 807 | Grand Commander's Expense | 1,000.00 | 0.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 808 | Office Ass't Salary | 4,248.00 | 4,248.00 | 4,248.00 |
| 809 | Printing Grand Proceedings | 1,500.00 | 1,371.60 | 1,500.00 |
| 810 | Stationery ,Printing, etc. | 500.00 | 339.76 | 500.00 |
| 811 | Review of Books | 400.00 | 375.00 | 400.00 |
| 812 | Office Rent | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 |
| 813 | Jewel for Junior Past Grand Commander | 700.00 | 678.00 | 0.00 |
| 814 | Insurance - Bonds, Fire, etc. | 450.00 | 391.20 | 400.00 |

| ACC'T # | ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION | BUDGET 1995 | SPENT 1995 | BUDGET 1996 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 815 | Triennial Reserve (First Four Grand Officers & Grand Recorder) | 675.00 | 675.00 | 675.00 |
| 816 | Donation to DeMolay | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| 816A | Donation-Order of Knighthood | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 |
| 817 | Donation to Order of Rainbow for Girls | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| 300 | Purchases for Resale | 300.00 | 0.00 | 300.00 |
| 818 | Southeastern Regional York Rite Conference (Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo & Grand Recorder $100.00 Max. for each) | 335.00 | 33.00 | 335.00 |
| 819 | Grand Recorder's Travel Allowance | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| 820 | Office Ass't Travel Allow. | 360.00 | 360.00 | 360.00 |
| 821 | Presiding Grand Officer Stationery | 50.00 | 48.63 | 50.00 |
| 823 | Distinguished Guests | 500.00 | 564.67 | 600.00 |
| 824 | Banquet (Net-Cost less tickets sold) | 400.00 | 262.44 | 500.00 |
| | Totals | $39,078.00 | $37,328.79 | $37,653.00 |

*ADOPTED*

POTTER, BRYANT & TATE, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

RAYMOND E. POTTER, C.P.A.
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WILLIAM M. TATE, C.P.A.
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ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Mr. Ray Rutledge
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, 1995, 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.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND BALANCE - CASH BASIS
DECEMBER 31, 1995

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **ASSETS** | | |
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash on Hand and in Bank | $ 42,794.45 | |
| Certificates of Deposit and Savings Account | 35,599.86 | |
| Inventory - Supplies for Resale | 591.68 | |
| Total Current Assets | | $ 78,985.99 |
| Property and Equipment | | |
| Office Equipment | 7,143.85 | |
| Less: Accumulated Depreciation | 6,163.80 | |
| Net Property and Equipment | | 980.05 |
| Total Assets | | $ 79,966.04 |
| **LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE** | | |
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Due to Constituent Chapter | | $ 602.00 |
| Fund Balance | | |
| Reserved for Triennial | $ 1,809.00 | |
| Reserved for Triennial - Past Grand Commanders | 266.00 | |
| Reserved for Southern Breakfast | 200.00 | |
| Unreserved | 77,089.04 | |
| Total Fund Balance | | 79,364.04 |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Balance | | $ 79,966.04 |

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES - CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Revenue | | | |
| Dues | | | $ 44,263.00 |
| Fees | | | 1,440.00 |
| Sale of Banquet Tickets | | | 1,176.00 |
| Interest | | | 1,914.79 |
| Divine Service | | | 20.00 |
| Sale of Supplies | | $ 369.10 | |
| Inventory - January 1, 1995 | $ 882.15 | | |
| Inventory - December 31, 1995 | 591.68 | 290.47 | 78.63 |
| Total Revenue | | | 48,892.42 |
| Expenses - Cash Basis (Schedule 1) | | 37,829.79 | |
| Depreciation | | 334.51 | |
| Triennial Reserve Expense | | 675.00 | |
| Total Expenses | | | 38,839.30 |
| Excess of Revenues over Expenses | | | $ 10,053.12 |

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

| | |
|---|---|
| Fund Balance - January 1, 1995 | $ 68,635.92 |
| Add: Excess of Revenues over Expenses | 10,053.12 |
| Transfer to Triennial Reserve | 675.00 |
| Fund Balance - December 31, 1995 | $ 79,364.04 |

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1995

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 1

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES - CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Grand Officer Expenses | | |
| Southeastern Regional Meeting | $ 33.00 | |
| Stationery for Grand Officer | 48.63 | |
| Total Grand Officer Expenses | | $ 81.63 |
| Grand Recorder's Office Expenses | | |
| Salary - Grand Recorder | 3,240.00 | |
| Salary - Office Secretary | 4,248.00 | |
| Allowance - Grand Treasurer | 270.00 | |
| Insurance - Bonds, Fire, Theft and Liability | 391.20 | |
| Payroll Taxes | 647.54 | |
| Rent | 1,800.00 | |
| Stationery and Printing | 339.76 | |
| Postage and Post Office Box Rental | 328.39 | |
| Telephone | 390.44 | |
| Annual Accounting Services | 375.00 | |
| Travel Allowance - Grand Recorder | 2,500.00 | |
| Travel Allowance - Office Secretary | 360.00 | |
| Total Grand Recorder's Office Expenses | | 14,890.33 |
| Annual Convention Expenses | | |
| Expenses for Distinguished Guests | 564.67 | |
| Banquet - Annual Conclave | 1,438.40 | |
| Total Annual Convention Expenses | | 2,003.07 |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | | |
| Grand Encampment Dues | 15,562.80 | |
| Eye Foundation Dues | 2,499.00 | |
| Special Award - Demolay | 300.00 | |
| Special Award - Rainbow | 300.00 | |
| Order of Knighthood Award | 75.00 | |
| Printing Annual Proceedings | 1,371.60 | |
| Contingencies | 68.36 | |
| Past Junior Commander's Jewel | 678.00 | |
| Total Miscellaneous Expenses | | 20,854.76 |
| Total Expenses | | $ 37,829.79 |

# GRAND COMMANDERY ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

ARIZONA ..... Howard E. Hayes
ARKANSAS ..... Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.
CALIFORNIA ..... William J. Bice
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 ..... Billy A. Rikard
MAINE ..... William M. Newsome, Jr.
MARYLAND ..... Joseph D. Brackin
MASSACHUSETTS & RHODE ISLAND ..... Fred W. Vaughan
MICHIGAN ..... James F. Vaughan
MINNESOTA ..... **Johnson E. Harris, Jr.
MISSISSIPPI ..... Emory J. Ferguson
MISSOURI ..... *Amos Glenn Welborn
MONTANA ..... Charles R. Pate
NEBRASKA ..... *Fred L. Graham
NEVADA ..... Johnny A. Baker
NEW HAMPSHIRE ..... Lance C. Anthony
NEW JERSEY ..... George L. Marshall, Jr.
NEW MEXICO ..... Maurice C. Himes
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 COMMANANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

| Grand Commandery | Representative From | Address and Town | Representative to | Town |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Arizona | Howard E. Hayes | 540 Camellia Road<br>Birmingham, 35215 | Kenneth W. Smith | Glendale |
| Arkansas | Fred W.McCluskey, Jr. | 2201 3rd Street, N.E.<br>Birmingham, 35215 | James Fernald, Jr. | E. Dorado |
| California | Louis W. Meyer, Jr. | 5701 Avenue P, Ensley<br>Birmingham, 35228 | Grover T. Halbrooks | Riverside |
| Colorado | George F. Mills | P. O. Box 1393<br>Decatur, 35602 | Edwin D. Chase | Grand Junction |
| Connecticut | Bobby C. Park | 1577 Oscar Patterson Road<br>New Market, 35761 | Judd R. Harding | Stamford |
| Delaware | Gerald E. Wilson | 1306 Terrehaute Avenue, S.W.<br>Decatur, 35601 | Harold C. Hill | |
| District of Columbia | Richard Sim Hamilton | 2302 Hamilton Drive, S. W.<br>Decatur, 35601 | William T. Cox | Springfield, Virginia |
| Florida | Joe D. Lee | 405 Roundabout Drive<br>Trussville, 35173 | Francis L. Dancy | Fort Pierce |
| Georgia | Claude C. McGraw | 1173 Dogwood Lane<br>Birmingham, 35215 | Bobby Joe Townsend | Mableton |
| Idaho | Loyd D. Durden | 507 South Edgewood Drive<br>Dothan, 36301 | Eldred J. Thomas | Lewiston |
| Illinois | Arthur C. Harding | 309 Sun Valley Road<br>Birmingham 35215 | William D. Jarrett | Jacksonville |
| Indiana | James E. Stutts | 612 East Pasadena Avenue<br>Muscle Shoals, 35660 | Emil L. Steffey | Shelbyville |
| Iowa | Jesse W. Locke | P. O. Box 2331<br>Phenix City, 36867-2331 | Ronald W. Guthrie | Mason City |
| Kansas | J. Woodrow Smith | 3667 Cedar Springs Road<br>Jacksonville, 36265 | Edward B. Sherwood | Newton |
| Kentucky | Michael L. Jones | 1711 Cagle Avenue, S. W.<br>Decatur, 35601 | Clifford T. Stigger | Louisville |
| Louisiana | Billy A. Rikard | 2236 2nd Place, N.E.<br>Birmingham, 35215 | Huston F. Boothe, Sr. | Hammond |
| Maine | William M. Newsome, Jr. | 1600 - 45th Street<br>Phenix City, 36867 | John D. Baggett | Bucksport |

# REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

## FOR GRAND COMMANANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

| Grand Commandery | Representative From | Address and Town | Representative to | Town |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Maryland | Joseph D. Brackin | 2102 Hardwick Drive<br>Dothan, 36303 | Calvin W. Parker | Glen Burnie |
| Massachusetts & Rhode Island | Fred W. Vaughan | 108 Harwood Drive<br>Gadsden, 35901 | James A. Willis, Jr. | Warwick, RI |
| Michigan | James F. Vaughan | 190 Azalea Drive<br>Gadsden, 35901 | Donald M. Krueger | Sturgis |
| Minnesota | Johnson E. Harris, Jr. | 417 Argonne Drive<br>Birmingham, 35215 | Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr. | Sough Saint Paul |
| Mississippi | Emory J. Ferguson | 1615 Lakeview Drive, N.W.<br>Cullman, 35055 | Dale Howe | Meridian |
| Missouri | Amos Glenn Welborn | P. O. Box 181<br>Pinson, 35126 | William F. Strode | Louisiana, Missouri |
| Montana | Charles R. Pate | 1905 Canterbury Square<br>Anniston, 36207 | C. Thomas Bersuch | Lewistown |
| Nebraska | Fred L. Graham | 1208 Conger Road<br>Anniston, 36201 | Robert C. Franklin | Papillion |
| Nevada | Johnny A. Baker | P. O. Box 11037<br>Chickasaw, 36611 | Winfield S. Rash | Las Vegas |
| New Hampshire | Lance C. Anthony | P. O. Box 3050<br>Phenix City, 36868-3050 | Richard A. Gilbert, Sr. | Newmarket |
| New Jersey | George L. Marshall, Jr. | 161 Anna Kathryn Drive<br>Gurley, 35748 | Thurman C. Pace, Jr. | Westfield |
| New Mexico | Maurice C. Himes | Route 1, Box 297<br>Slocomb, 36375-9754 | Darrel D. Hornsby | Santa Fe |
| New York | Anthony M. Deming | 130 Shoal Creek Road<br>Hayden, 35079 | Ronald W. Dunn | Elmira |
| North Carolina | James R. Bromley | 7337 Pinewood Drive<br>Theodore, 36582 | James H. Horne | Fayetteville |
| North Dakota | Sam L. Garrett, Sr. | 1402 Melanie Lane<br>Phenix City, 36867 | Paul Torgeson | Grafton |
| Ohio | Phillip J. Sherman | 2218 Galahad Drive S.W.<br>Decatur, 35603 | R. Dale Long | Cambridge |
| Oklahoma | Erskine K. Smith | 1835 Cheaha Drive<br>Oxford, 36203 | Joe F. Warriner | Oklahoma City |

# REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

## FOR GRAND COMMANANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA (Continued)

| Grand Commandery | Representative From | Address and Town | Representative to | Town |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Oregon | MacArthur Davis | 4291 Grissett Bridge Road<br>Brewton, 36426 | Glendon K. Jefferies | Ashland |
| Pennsylvania | Bobby Ray Terry | Route 1, Box 10<br>Decatur, 35601 | Arthur R. Gebert | Norristown |
| Philippines | Doyley W. Ealy | 822 Giles Drive, N. E.<br>Huntsville, 35801 | Abelardo T. Camahala | Imus Carite,<br>Philippines |
| South Carolina | Anthony V. Jannett, III | 4712 Seminole Circle<br>Birmingham, 35243 | James E. Waldrop | Easley |
| South Dakota | Teddy R. Grogan, Jr. | 83 Crimson Tide Drive<br>Piedmont, 36272 | Allen J. Eide | Watertown |
| Tennessee | Henry B. Tyra, Jr. | 906 Chatterson Road, S. E.<br>Huntsville, 35802 | Charles L. Brooks | Memphis |
| Texas | McMurray L. Griffith | P. O. Box 130215<br>Birmingham, 35213 | Michael H. Shively | Spring |
| Utah | Robert T. Crawford | 911 - 4th Terrace<br>Pleasant Grove, 35127 | Raymond F. White | Ogden |
| Vermont | Thomas F. Craig | 1000 Lexington Street, S.E.<br>Huntsville, 35801 | Robert Boyce | Windsor |
| Virginia | Charles W. McDonald | 615 Morgan Avenue<br>Mobile, 36606 | Robert S. Hughes | Richmond |
| Washington | W. Malcolm Killingsworth | 1801 Fern Drive<br>Dothan, 36301 | Robert J. Cole | Goldendale |
| West Virginia | James L. Gossett | 117 Meadow Pass, N. E.<br>Huntsville, 35811 | Robert L. Caldwell | Lewisburg |
| Wisconsin | Wayne D. Jordan | 929 Tascosa Drive, S.E.<br>Huntsville, 35802 | Herbert L. Matter | Milwaukee |
| Wyoming | Robert L. Byars, Jr. | P.O. Box 320184<br>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 14 Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Alabama.

There are 15 Constituent Commanderies which comprise the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama, and of these 15 Commanderies are registered with this Committee for this 136th Annual Conclave.

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

TOTAL OFFICERS OR PROXIES PRESENT ..... 43
TOTAL PAST COMMANDERS ..... 83
TOTAL QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN THIS CONCLAVE ..... 126

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,

Owen E. Gore, Chairman
James W. Battle
T. C. Marriott, III
Dan Maddox

*Adopted.*

# GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

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

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2. | Mobile | Ernest G. Inmon | Commander |
| | | *William C. Havens | Generalissimo |
| | | *Johnny A. Baker | Captain General |
| 4. | Montgomery | J. Terry Wofford | Commander |
| | | Robert L. Schick | Generalissimo |
| | | *Bobby W. Cheney | Captain General |
| 7. | Huntsville | *Theo J. Combel, Jr. | Commander |
| | | Theo J. Combel, Jr. | Generalissimo |
| | | *Wayne D. Jordan | Captain General |
| 10. | Cyrene | *J. C. Brady | Commander |
| | | James Macon | Generalissimo |
| | | James A. Tyus | Captain General |
| 13. | Tuscaloosa | *Henry G. Terry | Commander |
| | | *Ray E. Dotson | Generalissimo |
| | | Ray E. Dotson | Captain General |
| 14. | DeMolay | *Dalton C. Aldridge | Commander |

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| 14. | | *Dalton C. Aldridge | Generalissimo |
| | | Brady E. McCullough | Captain General |
| 15. | Etowah | *Robert A. Moore | Commander |
| | | *Robert A. Moore | Generalissimo |
| | | *Fred W. Vaughan | Captain General |
| 23. | Anniston | Calvin C. Snow | Commander |
| | | Edwin B. Thomas | Generalissimo |
| | | Bobby Joe Ledford | Captain General |
| 25. | Dothan | Franklin L. Moon | Commander |
| | | *Joseph D. Brackin | Generalissimo |
| | | *Roger Simmons | Captain General |
| 29. | Piedmont | *Teddy R. Grogan, Jr. | Commander |
| | | *Weldon H. Roberts | Generalissimo |
| | | *Teddy R. Grogan, Jr. | Captain General |
| 31. | Woodlawn | *Robert L. Byars, Jr. | Commander |
| | | T. L. Cooley, Jr. | Generalissimo |
| | | *Robert L. Byars, Jr. | Captain General |
| 39. | Florence | *Robert B. Dixon | Commander |
| | | Robert B. Dixon | Generalissimo |
| | | Billy H. Brackin | Captain General |
| 45. | Lee | M. Thomas Oliver | Commander |
| | | *M. Thomas Oliver | Generalissimo |
| | | *William M. Newsome, Jr. | Captain General |
| 46. | DeKalb-Jackson | *Floyd Hambrick, Jr. | Commander |
| 47. | Monroeville | *MacArthur Davis | Commander |
| | | *Charles L. Turk | Generalissimo |
| | | *MacArthur Davis | Captain General |

**Denotes Proxy.*

PAST EMINENT COMMANDERS PRESENT

2. Mobile: William C. Havens, Hugh T. Shaw, Charles W. McDonald Johnny A. Baker, Frank A. Brown, Philip F. Stenzel, William J. Sirmon.
4. Montgomery: Bobby W. Cheney, Luther E. Lee, Billy Graham, Fletcher D. Martin.
7. Huntsville: Henry B. Tyra, Wayne Dee Jordan, George L. Marshall, Jr., James L. Gossett, Emory J. Ferguson, Edward D. Hardin, Thomas Craig, William H. Ealy, Doyle W. Ealy, William F. Dendy.
10. Cyrene: James W. Battle, T. C. Marriott, III, Joe D. Lee, Robert T. Crawford, John D. Biddy, Dan Maddox, S. Grady Fullerton, Ray Rutledge, Joe R. Bush, J. C. Brady, McMurray L. Griffith, Louis W. Meyer, Jr., Kenneth E. Bush, James L. Little, Sr.
13. Tuscaloosa: Henry B. Terry.
14. DeMolay: Richard S. Hamilton, George F. Mills, Michael L. Jones, Bobby R. Terry, Phillip Sherman.
15. Etowah: Steve Lee, Robert A. Moore, James F. Vaughan, Fred W. Vaughan, Clarence F. Rhea, Horace Hampton, John S. Arther.
23. Anniston: J. Woodrow Smith, Erskin K. Smith, Charles R. Pate,.
25. Dothan: W. Malcolm Killingsworth, M. C. Himes, Joseph D. Brackin, Roger A. Simmons, William D. Barr, L. C. Minks.
29. Piedmont: Weldon H. Roberts, Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.
31. Woodlawn: Arthur C. Harding, Billy Rikard, Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Anthony M. Deming, Robert L. Byars, Jr., Howard E. Hayes, T. L. Cooley, Jr., William J. Bice.
39. Florence: Ned Cox, Kenard B. Pilkington, Lamon C. Griffin, Billy H. Brackin, James E. Stutts, James R. Bromley.

45. Lee: William M. Newsome, Jr., Sam L. Garrett, Sr., Connie Miller, J. W. Locke, Gene M. Day, Lance C. Anthony, Robert D. Moseson,.Charles L. Ingram, Norman Hutchinson.
46. DeKalb-Jackson: Floyd Hambrick, Jr.
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 tactics.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam L. Garrett, PGC, Chairman
Bobby C. Park, PGC, Co-Chairman

*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 that 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 the Grand Commander be applauded for his perseverance in seeing that all Commanderies in the State of Alabama have attained 100% membership in the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This took a great deal of time and effort on his part and he needs to be recognized for this.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Charles W. McDonald, P.G.C., Chairman
Richard Sim Hamilton, P.G.C.

*Adopted.*

# 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 the resolution to shorten the Grand Line of elective officers of the Grand Commandery to be in proper form for the consideration of the Sir Knights here assembled. This calls for a change in the Constitution.

We find the resolution submitted for a change in the By-Laws concerning the fee for the conferral of the Orders is in order and we submit it to the Sir Knights here assembled for their consideration.

We recommend the approval of the items referred to us from the Report of the Grand Commander.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred W. Vaughan, PGC,
Erskine K. Smith, PGC
Clarence F. Rhea, PC

*Adopted.*

## RESOLUTION NO. 1

**RECEIVED IN GRAND RECORDER'S OFFICE DECEMBER 20, 1995.**

## RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

**ARTICLE 1:**

Section 4: (member)

Section 4 of Article 1 of Constitution be amended to read as follows:

(1) The Grand Commander
The Deputy Grand Commander
The Grand Generalissimo
The Grand Captain General

The Grand Senior Warden
The Grand Junior Warden
The Grand Prelate
The Grand Treasurer
The Grand Recorder
The Grand Standard Bearer
The Grand Sword Bearer
The Grand Warder, and
The Grand Sentinel

The first four of these, together with The Grand Treasurer and The Grand Recorder, shall be elected. All others shall be appointed by the Grand Commander, at the time of his installation.

NOTE: Those Sir Knights that now hold an office in the progressive line shall promote, if elected, until they shall have been advanced to the office of Grand Commander.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Rutledge, Grand Commander
Fred W. Vaughan, Past Grand Commander
Erskine K. Smith, Past Grand Commander
Clarence F. Rhea

Recieved.

## RESOLUTION NO. 2

## RECEIVED IN GRAND RECORDER'S OFFICE DECEMBER 20, 1995

# RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE BY-LAWS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

**ARTICLE V:**

Section 1: (fee for initiation)

Section 1 of Article V of By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

No Commandery shall confer the order of Knighthood for a less sum than seventy-five dollars ($75.00) and the fee for the orders cannot be remitted directly or indirectly; which fee must in all cases be received prior to conferral of orders. Thirty dollars ($30.00) shall be used to purchase a "Certificate" of Life Sponsor from Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Rutledge, Grand Commander
Fred W. Vaughan, Past Grand Commander
Erskine K. Smith, Past Grand Commander
Clarence F. Rhea

Received.

# REPORT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR SUPPLEMENT EDITOR

*To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

This year has been a little better than most - there has only been one month I have submitted a supplement without any news from some York Rite connected body. In April I reported on the Masonic Weekend held in Birmingham and the 1995 Grand York Rite Meeting. In May I concluded the report on the 1995 meeting. The June issue had a letter regarding the Knight Templar Eye Foundation furnished by Grand Commander Rutledge (I think this is the first item on the KTEF submitted while I have been State Editor) as well as a report on the Anniston Patriotic Observance. For July several of the York Rite Appendant Orders furnished reports on activities. And in August the Huntsville and Monroeville Bodies furnished results of their Annual Elections, and Decatur reported on their classes and other events. The September issue featured information from Montgomery on their Religious Observance, Birmingham on the North Central Alabama Class, and Mobile on their Research Fellowship at the University of South Alabama presented by Grand Commander Rutledge. Mobile sent me information for the October issue regarding their elections and their York Rite College. Past Grand Commander Fred Vaughan's wife provided information from the Grand Lodge on the 175th Anniversary Celebration, as well as some other information which I ran through the next few months. In December, Huntsville provided details on the Annual Meeting of Ten Sephiroth Council (Allied Masonic Degrees) and Montgomery provided additional information about their Religious Observance. The March, 1996, issue is the only one I did not have any information on Masonic activity to report this year. I want to express my appreciation to all the Sir Knights and Companions who took the trouble to send me information over the last year, and I hope I did justice to their submissions.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Craig

*Adopted.*

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

There has been no correspondence received from other Grand Jurisdictions nor have I been informed of any correspondence by our Grand Representatives; therefore, it is with regret that there is nothing to report.

Fraternally submitted,

Michael E. Addams, K.Y.C.H.
Chairman

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

*To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

There will be a golf tournament held at each of the seven golf courses along the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail throughout the entire state of Alabama. The format will be a four person scramble. There will be a limit of thirty teams equaling one hundred twenty participants at each golf course.

If the tournament is held on a Monday holiday, potential income from the players alone will be approximately forty-two thousand dollars. At each golf course we will sell tee boxes at two hundred fifty dollars per box with eighteen boxes at each golf course. The estimated earnings from the sale of these tee boxes is thirty-one thousand five hundred dollars.

We can also sell ads for programs. The income from the ads could vary from five to ten thousand dollars - depending on the efforts that are put forth from our members. While soliciting the ads, we can also solicit donations for prizes. Out of funds raised from this tournament we will need to have two different flights. We will call these flights A and B. The winners from flight A will receive one hundred dollars per person, while the winners of flight B will receive seventy-five dollars per person. We can also give awards for longest drive, closest to the pin, etc. The solicitation of ads and donations should acquire many prizes such as golf umbrellas, tees, balls, golf accessories, free oil lubes, and possibly, free food from merchants. With a little work from our members, there should be enough prizes to guarantee that every participant will receive an award.

In order for this tournament to run smoothly, we will need a chairperson in the area of each golf course with his own group of people to man and work the golf course. The employees at the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail have already agreed to run the tournament as far as putting names on carts and awarding prizes.

This one day fund raiser has the potential to bring in anywhere from one hundred thousand to two hundred thousand dollars.

I would like to suggest that an endowment or trust fund be set up with the earnings from this fund raiser and the interest be used to complete the lifetime sponsors of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. After completion of the lifetime sponsors, I suggest that this tournament be held as an annual event and that we work to the next level of sponsorship for our members and that we also contribute an equal share of the interest or earnings into the Knights Templar Education Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

James F. Vaughan, 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, 1995, your Committee processed two (2) student loans. One (1) Male in the amount of $1,500.00, and two (1) Female in the amount of $1,500.00 each.

There are twenty-four (24) loans outstanding on our books totaling $36,204.90.

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:

| | |
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| Attorney or Collection Fees | 100.00 |
| Review of Books | 400.00 |
| Expense for Secretary & Office Help | 1,500.00 |
| Postage | 64.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 100.00 |
| Total Budget for 1995 | 2,164.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

Howard E. Hayes, *Chairman*
James A. Kile
Robert T. Crawford
Joe D. Lee
Fred W. McCluskey, Jr

*Attest:* Arthur C. Harding, Secretary-Treasurer

*Adopted.*

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
# KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION
# 28TH VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN

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

Your Committee for the 28th Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. submits the following report:

Through the week ending February 16, 1996 a total of $53,017.00 was received and credited to Alabama. This represents a total of $11.30 for each Knight Templar in Alabama and ranks Alabama #1 in total amount contributed and #2 in amount contributed per member among all

Jurisdictions. The total for the campaign for all jurisdictions is #343,681.96.

The credit for this excellent performance is entirely due to our Grand Commander, Ray Rutledge. It is through his commitment and dedication to make Alabama 100% Life Sponsors that this has been done. I am sure that he has attained his goal of 100% Life Sponsors. Sir Knights, our Grand Commander is to be commended for his dedication. Let us show our appreciation for the fine job he has done not only in this respect but in every way throughout the year.

Arthur C. Harding
Grand Recorder

*Adopted.*

## REPORT ON NECROLOGY

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

We Thank God for the blessings of this past year and, as we reflect on the passing of those Sir Knights to the Asylum above, may we be reminded that life goes on and that God alone is the Life and Light of man.

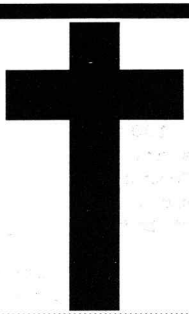
The Commandery Grand Line Officers were spared this year and for this we are very grateful to God, yet, 125 Knight Templars of Alabama went out to meet their maker.

We are saddened at their loss from us and that their wise counsel is taken from us, yet, we rejoice in the fact that we serve The One True and Living God who doeth all things well.

Respectfully submitted,

Erskine K. Smith, P.G.C.
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 1995 be accepted as the minutes, and that they be approved as printed.

*Motion seconded and carried.*

## GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CONCLAVE - 1997

It was moved that the next Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama conclave be held in Huntsville, Alabama area on February 23, 24 and 25, 1997

*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, Ray Rutledge, selected Sir Knight Dan Maddox of Cyrene Commandery No. 10 to receive the Grand Encampment Knights Templar Cross of Honor Award. The presentation

was made at the Grand York Rite Banquet on Sunday Night by Right Eminent Sir Knight Charles R. Neumann, Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and Personal Representative of Most Eminent Sir Knight Blair C. Mayford, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. Sir Knight Maddox's name is added to the list of previous recepients of this prestigous award.

## 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
William Jesse Bice ..... 1995
Dan Maddox ..... 1996

**Denotes deceased.*
*+Denotes suspended*

## ELECTION OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS FOR 1996 - 1997

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 Anthony M. Deming of Woodlawn Commandery #31 was elected by secret ballot to the station of Grand Warder. Sir Knight Deming acepted election to the office.

This Grand Commandery was concluded with prayer to reconvene at eleven A.M., February 27th for open installation of the Grand Officers.

## INSTALLATION OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS FOR 1996 - 1997

At the conclusion of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and the Grand Commandery annual business sessions on Tuesday, February 27, 1996, at an open meeting, the Grand Commandery Officers were duly installed by Past Right Eminent Grand Commander, Fred W. Vaughan with Past Right Eminent Grand Commander Joseph D. Brackin as Installing Prelate and Past Right Eminent Grand Commander, Michael L. Jones as Installing Marshal.

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

Right Eminent Ray Rutledge, Junior Past Grand Commander, was then escorted to the East and Grand Commander Marshall presented Sir Knight Rutledge with his Past Grand Commander's Certificate and Past Grand Commander's Jewel which was pinned on his uniform by his Lady, Lorelle. 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 Rutledge.

*Attest: Arthur C. Harding,*
*Grand Recorder*

## ADJOURNMENT

All business of this Annual Conclave being concluded, Right Eminent Sir Knight Rutledge declared the 136th Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama adjourned after the Prelate had pronounced the benediction.

*Attest: Arthur C. Harding*
*Grand Recorder*

GEORGE L. MARSHALL, JR.
Right Eminent Grand Commander
1996 - 1997

# GEORGE L. MARSHALL, JR.

## Right Eminent Grand Commander

## 1996 - 1997

## PERSONAL HISTORY

George Leon Marshall, Jr. was born December 1, 1942 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He received his elementary and high school education in the public school systems of Detroit, Michigan and Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He was active in the Boy Scouts achieving the rank of Eagle Scout with Silver Palm and Explorer Silver Award. He was inducted into the Brotherhood of the Order of the Arrow. As an adult he served as Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster and received the Scouter's Training Award.

He graduated with Honors from the University of Tennessee with a B. S. in Physics and is a member of the academic honoraries of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, Sigma Pi Sigma and Kappa Mu Epsilon. He later received a M. S. degree in Computer Science from Southeastern Institute of Technology with additional graduate work at Indiana University, University of Alabama in Huntsville and Southeastern Institute of Technology. He currently serves as part-time instructor at John C. Calhoun State Community College, Huntsville Extension Campus.

He has worked 28 years at the U. S. Army Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal, as a Research Physicist and has received numerous awards including the Commander's Award for Civilian Service. He is a member of the University Baptist Church in Huntsville. His hobbies consist of stamp collecting, gardening, reading, Masonic research, speaking and puttering with the computer.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Stroupe, and has two married daughters: Kim McLeod who lives in Elgin, Illinois and Linda Ganaway who lives in Huntsville, and a son Leon, who is a junior at Huntsville High. He has three grandchildren, Joshua, Beth and Katy.

### MASONIC HISTORY

Initiated, Passed and Raised in Apollo Lodge #921, in Huntsville in 1968-69. He transferred to Solar Lodge #914 in Huntsville and served in all stations serving as Worshipful Master in 1981. He has earned a Grand Lodge of Alabama Ritual Proficiency Certificate.

Received the York Rite degrees and orders in the Huntsville York Rite bodies and has served a presiding officer in all of these bodies. He is a past Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama and is now serving as Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama. He is the Grand Representative of New Jersey to all three Grand York Rite bodies of Alabama. He is an active member of many degree teams.

He received the Scottish Rite degrees in Huntsville AASR bodies and is a Past Wise Master of Huntsville Chapter of Knights Rose Croix. He was invested with the Rank and Decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour. He is also an active member of several degree teams.

He is a member of Alabama Priory, Knights of the York Cross of Honour and has received the Knight Grand Cross with one Quadrant.

He is a Charter Member of Vulcan Council #22, Knight Masons of the U. S. A.

He is a Charter Member and Past Sovereign of Holy Sepulchre Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine.

He is Charter Governor of Monte Sano York Rite College and recipient of Gold Honor Award for service to Masonry.

He is Charter Chief Adept and Ninth Grade, Alabama College of Masonic Rosicrucians.

He is Charter Sovereign Master, Ten Sephiroth Council, Allied Masonic Degrees and is currently serving as Secretary. He has been Honored with the rank of Knight of the Red Branch of Eri.

He is a member of Masonic Order of the Bath, member of Ye Ancient Order of Corks, Fellow of Grand College of Rites of U.S.A., Grand Scribe of Master Chefs of the Temple and Grand Knight K.P., Past President of Alabama Council of the Order of High Priesthood, Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Alabama Council of the Order of the Silver Trowel and Knight Crusader of the Temple of Alabama Order of Knights Crusader of the Cross.

GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS FOR 1996 -1997

*Seated left to right:*
Anthony M. Deming, Jesse W. Locke, James F. Vaughan, George L. Marshall, Jr., *(Right Eminent Grand Commander)*, Bobby R. Terry, Joe D. Lee, Roger A. Simmons

*Standing left to right:*
Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Robert T. Crawford, Rev. Brady E. McCullough, Phillip J. Sherman, Arthur C. Harding

## GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS 1996 - 1997

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## KNIGHT CRUSADERS OF THE CROSS OF ALABAMA

The Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Knight Crusaders of the Cross of Alabama was held on Monday, February 26, 1996, at the Birmingham Metro York Rite Temple in Birmingham, Alabama with Knight Maurice C. Himes presiding. The degree team was composed of the following:

Anthony M. Deming ..... *Knight Crusader of the East*
Joseph D. Brackin ..... *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: Joe Edward Turner, James W. Battle, James Lawson Little, Sr., Charles T. Van Etten, James Terrell Wofford, Marion Thomas Oliver, Franklin LaFayette Moon, and Ernest Glen Inmon.

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.

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

The Meeting was closed with prayer.

Jesse W. Locke
Knight Crusader of the West
Acting Knight Crusader of the East

*Attest:* Joseph D. Brackin
Knight Crusader Recorder

# REGISTER OF CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ALABAMA

## JUNE, 1995 - 1996

| NO. | NAME | LOCATION | COMMANDER & ADDRESS | RECORDER & ADDRESS | CONCLAVE DATE |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2. | Mobile | Mobile | Ernest G. Inmon<br>604 Lee Street<br>Saraland, 36571 | Charles W. McDonald<br>615 Morgan Avenue<br>Mobile, 36606 | 4nd Monday |
| 4. | Montgomery | Montgomery | James T. Wofford<br>353 Kroy Drive<br>Montgomery, 36117 | William J. Loerch<br>208 Pine Forest Drive<br>Wetumpka, 36092 | 1st Thursday |
| 7. | Huntsville | Huntsville | Charles S. Rice<br>118 Calhoun Street, N.E.<br>Huntsville, 35801 | Wayne D. Jordan<br>929 Tascosa Drive<br>Huntsville, 35802 | 2nd Tuesday |
| 10. | Cyrene | Birmingham | John D. Biddy<br>4849 S. Shades Crest Road<br>Bessemer, 35023 | McMurray L. Griffith<br>P. O. Box 130215<br>Birmingham, 35213 | 2nd Friday |
| 13. | Tuscaloosa | Tuscaloosa | Jimmy L. Holt<br>7600 Keenes Mill Road<br>Cottondale, 35453-9803 | Henry G. Terry<br>2530 39th Street<br>Tuscaloosa 35405-2842 | 3rd Tuesday |
| 14. | DeMolay | Decatur | Joe W. Williams<br>Route 6, Box 106A<br>Hartselle, 35640 | Bobby R. Terry<br>Route 1, Box 10<br>Decatur, 35601 | 1st Thursday |
| 15. | Etowah | Gadsden | George R. Schnitzlein<br>104 Buckingham Place<br>Gadsden, 35901 | F. E. (Bill) Greene<br>5425 Gilmer Lane<br>Rainbow City, 35906 | 1st Thursday |

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### JUNE, 1995 - 1996

| NO. | NAME | LOCATION | COMMANDER & ADDRESS | RECORDER & ADDRESS | CONCLAVE DATE |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 23. | Anniston | Anniston | Calvin C. Snow<br>1201 Oldwood Road<br>Oxford, 36203 | Charles R. Pate<br>1905 Canterbury Square<br>Anniston, 36207 | 1st & 3rd Saturday |
| 25. | Dothan | Dothan | Franklin L. Moon<br>611 Northside Drive<br>Ashford, 36312 | Joseph D. Brackin<br>2102 Hardwick Drive<br>Dothan, 36303 | 3rd Thursday |
| 29. | Piedmont | Piedmont | Jerry W. Mobley<br>225 Bear Mountain Road<br>Piedmont, 36272 | Jerry R. Kirk<br>321 Aderholdt Road<br>Piedmont, 36272 | 2nd Thursday |
| 31. | Woodlawn | Birmingham | Tennant M. Smallwood<br>728 Valley Drive<br>Birmingham, 35206 | Robert L. Byars, Jr.<br>P. O. Box 320184<br>Birmingham, 35232 | 2nd Tuesday |
| 39. | Florence | Florence | Ronald D. Moore<br>1235 Glenn Avenue<br>Florence, 35630 | James E. Stutts<br>P. O. Box 566<br>Florence, 35631 | 3rd Tuesday |
| 45. | Lee | Phenix City | Marion T. Oliver<br>609 Lee Road 229<br>Smiths, 36877 | Jesse W. Locke<br>4907 Summerville Road<br>Phenix City, 36867 | 3rd Tuesday |
| 46. | DeKalb-Jackson | Scottsboro | William C. Peek<br>Route 2, Box 41<br>Pisgah, 35765 | Floyd L. Hambrick, Jr.<br>1190 County Road 120<br>Section, 35771 | 1st Wednesday |

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### JUNE, 1995 - 1996

| NO. | NAME | LOCATION | COMMANDER & ADDRESS | RECORDER & ADDRESS | CONCLAVE DATE |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 47. | Monroeville | Monroeville | Rodney R. Taylor<br>Route 1, Box 68`<br>Repton, 36475 | MacArthur Davis<br>4291 Grissett Bridge Rd.<br>Brewton, 36426 | 4th Friday |

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# 60th GRAND ENCAMPMENT TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI August 9 - 13, 1997

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Alabama Coordinator-Easter Sunrise Memorial Service

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| Virgina | John E. Foster | 4101 Nine Mile Road<br>Richmond, 23223-4999 |
| Washington | Robert J. Johnston | 501 E. Mt. View #8<br>Ellensburg, 98926 |
| West Virginia | H. Courtney Jones | 2103 Pearcy Avenue<br>Parkersburg, 26101 |
| Wisconsin | Milton F. Gregory | Grand York Rite<br>Grand Masonic Center<br>36275 Sunset Drive<br>Dousman, 53118 |
| Wyoming | Kenneth S. Watts | 506 West Park Avenue<br>Riverton 82501 |
| GRAND ENCAMPMENT | Charles R. Neumann | 5097 North Elston Ave.<br>Suite 101<br>Chicago, Illinois 60630 |

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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 | | | *Edmund M. Hastings | | |
| 1863 | Montgomery | *Richard F. Knott | *Henry P. Lee | *James B. Harrison | *Peleg Brown | *Edmund M. Hastings | 5 | 127 |
| 1864 | Montgomery | *Richard F. Knott | *James B. Harrison | *Peleg Brown | *William S. Knox | *Edmund M. Hastings | 5 | 141 |
| 1865 | Montgomery | *Richard F. Knott | *James B. Harrison | *Peleg Brown | *William S. Knox | *Edmund M. Hastings | 6 | 113 |
| 1866 | Montgomery | *Richard F. Knott | *James R. Harrison | *Peleg Brown | *George D. Norris | *Edmund M. Hastings | 7 | 207 |
| 1867 | Montgomery | *Richard F. Knott | *Peleg Brown | *George D. Norris | *Abram J. Walker | *Edmund M. Hastings | 7 | 227 |
| 1868 | Montgomery | *Peleg Brown | *Abram J. Walker | *George D. Norris | *Abram J. Walker | *Edmund M. Hastings | 8 | 242 |
| 1869 | Mobile | *Peleg Brown | *Joseph H. Johnson | *William W. Harder | *John N. Broweder | *Daniel Sayre | 9 | 249 |
| 1870 | Mobile | *Abram J. Walker | *Joseph H. Johnson | *William W. Harder | *Walter L. Bragg | *Daniel Sayre | 9 | 235 |
| 1871 | No Meeting | *Adjourned in December, 1870, to meet in February, 1872 | | | | | | |
| 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 | *Daqniel 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 | Tuskegee | *Daniel Smith | *James T. Holtzclaw | *William T. Atkins | *John H. Higley | *Daniel Sayre | 9 | 222 |
| 1883 | Montgomery | *Daniel Smith | *James T. Holtzclaw | *William T. Atkins | *John H. Higley | *Daniel Sayre | 10 | 245 |
| 1884 | Montgomery | *James T. Holtzclaw | *John H. Higley | *John D. Wilkins | *Henry C. Davidson | *Daniel Sayre | 10 | 321 |
| 1885 | Selma | *James T. Holtzclaw | *John H. Higley | *John D. Wilkins | *Henry C. Davidson | *Daniel Sayre | 7 | 209 |
| 1886 | Montgomery | *Daniel Smith | *John D. Wilkins | *Henry C. Davidson | *William F. Aldrich | *Daniel Sayre | 6 | 195 |
| 1887 | Mobile | *John D. Wilkins | *Henry C. Davidson | *William A. Alexander | *James B. Luckie | *Adam R. Baker | 6 | 202 |
| 1888 | Birmingham | *Henry C. Davidson | *William A. Alexander | *John A. McKinnon | *Charles Wheelock | *Edmund R. Hastings | 6 | 220 |
| 1899 | Montgomery | *Henry C. Davidson | *William A. Alexander | *John A. McKinnon | *Charles Wheelock | *Edmund R. Hastings | 5 | 209 |
| 1890 | Huntsville | *William A. Alexander | *John A. McKinnon | *Charles Wheelock | *George S. Obear | *Edmund R. Hastings | 8 | 266 |
| 1891 | Mobile | *John A. McKinnon | *Charles Wheelock | *George S. Obear | *William H. Long | *Edmund R. Hastings | 9 | 308 |
| 1892 | Selma | *John A. McKinnon | *Charles Wheelock | *William H. Long | *Charles Hann | *Edmund R. Hastings | 9 | 342 |
| 1893 | Gadsden | *Charles Wheelock | *William H. Long | *Fletcher J. Cowart | *Robert L. Douglass | *Edmund R. Hastings | 9 | 357 |
| 1894 | Birmingham | *Charles Wheelock | *Fletcher J. Cowart | *Robert L. Douglass | *Milton C. Baldridge | *William B. Phillips | 10 | 368 |
| 1895 | Mobile | *Fletcher J. Cowart | *Robert L. Douglass | *Henry H. Matthews | *Philip Milhous | *H. Clay Armstrong | 10 | 376 |
| 1896 | Montgomery | *Robert L. Douglass | *Henry H. Matthews | *Philip Milhous | *William E. Oakley | *H. Clay Armstrong | 9 | 382 |
| 1897 | Birmingham | *Henry H. Matthews | *Philip Milhous | *William E. Oakley | *Rus. M. Cunningham | *H. Clay Armstrong | 10 | 380 |
| 1898 | Selma | *Philip 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 | *George F. Wheelock | *Lewis W. Hubbard | *Charles R. Westcott | *Charles E. Pearce | *George A. Beauchamp | 8 | 510 |
| 1903 | Montgomery | *Lewis W. Hubbard | *Charles R. Wescott | *Charles E. Pearce | *Robert S. Teague | *George A. Beauchamp | 8 | 516 |
| 1904 | Selma | *Charles R. Wescott | *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 | *Walter Smith | *William O. Snyder | *Charles R. Patterson | *George A. Beauchamp | 13 | 743 |
| 1907 | Mobile | *Walter Smith | *William O. Snyder | *Charles R. Patterson | *John W. Phillips | *George A. Beauchamp | 14 | 824 |
| 1908 | Tuscaloosa | *William O. Snyder | *Charles R. Patterson | *John W. Phillips | *Louis J. Wright | *George A. Beauchamp | 17 | 1,013 |
| 1909 | Andalusia | *Charles R. Patterson | *John W. Phillips | *Louis J. Wright | *Alexander D. Simpson | *George A. Beauchamp | 18 | 1,085 |
| 1910 | Anniston | *John 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 | Mobile | *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 Finell | *L. E. Gellerstedt | *George A. Beauchamp | 33 | 6,669 |
| 1922 | Gadsden | *John Philip Melvin | *Woolsey Finnell | *L. E. Gellerstedt | *Robert H. Wolcott | *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 | *Robert C. Williams | *George A. Beauchamp | 39 | 8,638 |
| 1926 | Tuscaloosa | *Robert T. Ward | *Philip S. Meyer | *Orlando S. Finch | *William C. Davis | *George A. Beauchamp | 39 | 8,772 |
| 1927 | Albany | *Philip S. Meyer | *Orlando S. Finch | *William C. Davis | *Henry F. Williamson | *George A. Beauchamp | 39 | 8,683 |
| 1928 | Montgomery | *Orlando S. Finch | *William C. Davis | *Henry F. Williamson | *Franklin L. Milhous | *George A. Beauchamp | 39 | 8,463 |
| 1929 | Mobile | *William C. Davis | *Henry F. Williamson | *Franklin L. Milhous | *Tully A. Goodwin | *George A. Beauchamp | 38 | 7,810 |
| 1930 | Dothan | *Henry F. Williamson | *Franklin L. Milhous | *Tully A. goodwin | *David W. Crosland | *George A. Beauchamp | 38 | 7,305 |
| 1931 | Huntsville | *Franklin L Milhous | *Tully A Goodwin | *David W. Crosland | *John W. Jones | *George A. Beauchamp | 35 | 6,378 |
| 1932 | Birmingham | *Tully A. Goodwin | *David W. Crosland | *John W. Jones | *William D. Hawkins | *Guy T. Smith | 35 | 5,459 |
| 1933 | Anniston | *John W. Jones | *William D. Hawkins | *T. Gaines St. John | *Robert McL. Strong | *Guy T. Smith | 34 | 4,308 |
| 1934 | Tuscaloosa | *William D. Hawkins | *T. Gaines St. John | *Robert McL. Strong | *Henry J. Porter, Jr. | *Guy T. Smith | 31 | 3,316 |
| 1935 | Montgomery | *T. Gaines St. John | *Robert McL. Strong | *Henry J. Porter, Jr. | *James M. Frazer | *Guy T. Smith | 31 | 3,121 |
| 1936 | Mobile | *Robert McL. Strong | *Henry J. Porter, Jr. | *James M. Frazer | *John Heard Saxon | *Guy T. Smith | 28 | 2,814 |
| 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 | *Clifford H. Williams | *Archelus F. Campbell | *James B. Patterson | *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 | *Newman S. Cryer, PT. | *C. H. Stubinger | 24 | 6,133 |
| 1949 | Montgomery | *James B. Patterson | *Julius L. Layman | *Rob't McL. Strong,PT | *Llewellyn R. Hillyer | *C. H. Stubinger | 24 | 6.499 |
| 1950 | Birmingham | *Julius L. Layman | *Rob't McL. Strong,PT | *Llewellyn R. Hillyer | *Edgar M. Gober | *C. H. Stubinger | 25 | 6,651 |
| 1951 | Mobile | *Llewellyn R. Hillyer | *Edgar M. Gober | *Emrys W. John | *William W. Glass | *C. H. Stubinger | 25 | 6,887 |
| 1952 | Selma | *Edgar M. Gober | *Emrys W. John | *Archelus F. Campbell | *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 | Birmingham | *V. A. Meadows, Sr. | *Holden B. Norwood | *George W. Sorrell | *Claud Stallworth | *C. C. McCoy, P.T. | 27 | 9,835 |
| 1958 | Montgomery | *Holden B. Norwood | *George W. Sorrell | *Claud Stallworth | *George H. Crook | *C. H. Stubinger | 26 | 9,975 |
| 1959 | Decatur | *George W. Sorrell | *Claud Stallworth | *George H. Crook | *Arthur C. Wilson | *C. H. Stubinger | 26 | 10,073 |
| 1960 | | | | | | *T. L. Cochran | | |
| 1960 | Birmingham | *Claud Stallworth | *Arthur C. Wilson | *Thomas W. Oliver | *Earl D. Holmes | *Gordon L. Evatt | 26 | 10,084 |
| 1961 | Tuscaloosa | *Arthur C. Wilson | *Thomas W. Oliver | *Earl D. Holmes | *A. F. Campbell,P.T. | *Gordon L. Evatt | 26 | 10,075 |
| 1962 | Mobile | *Thomas W. Oliver | *Earl D. Holmes | *Julian P. Butler | *John S. Robinson | *Gordon L. Evatt | 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 | | *Thomas W. Oliver | 27 | 9,918 |
| 1964 | Birmingham | *John S. Robinson | *Charles L. Campbell | *Bruce W. Phelps | Anthony V. Janett | *Thomas W. Oliver | 27 | 9,847 |
| 1965 | Sylacauga | *C. L. Campbell | *Bruce W. Phelps | Anthony V. Janett | *Ray B. Hartwell | *Thomas W. Oliver | 27 | 9,808 |
| 1966 | Tuscaloosa | *Bruce W. Phelps | Anthony V. Jannett | *Ray B. Hartwell | *Charles L. Jones | *Thomas W. Oliver | 27 | 9,692 |
| 1967 | Birmingham | Anthony V. Jannett | *Ray B. Hartwell | *Charles L. Jones | Clifford J. Turner | *Thomas W. Oliver | 26 | 9,494 |
| 1968 | Birmingham | *Ray B. Hartwell | *Charles L. Jones | Clifford J. Turner | A. V. Jannett, P.T. | *Thomas W. Oliver | 26 | 9,295 |
| 1969 | Mobile | *Charles L. Jones | Clifford J. Turner | | S. F. Jackson, Jr. | *Thomas W. Oliver | 26 | 9,226 |
| 1970 | Birmingham | Clifford J. Turner | S. F. Jackson, Jr. | Thomas W. Mann | Michael L. Jones | *Thomas W. Oliver | 26 | 9,116 |
| 1971 | Gadsden | S. F. Jackson, Jr. | Thomas W. Mann | Michael L. Jones | *Charles D. Miller | *Thomas W. Oliver | 26 | 8,971 |
| 1972 | Tuscaloosa | Thomas W. Mann | Michael L. Jones | *Charles D. Miller | McMurray L. Griffith | *Thomas W. Oliver | 26 | 8,687 |
| 1973 | Birmingham | Michael L. Jones | *Charles D. Miller | McMurray L. Griffith | Wm. M. Newsome, Jr. | Thomas W. Mann | 26 | 8,439 |
| 1974 | Gulf Shores | *Charles D. Miller | McMurray L. Griffith | Wm. M. Newsome, Jr. | *Milton L. Fegenbush | Thomas W. Mann | 25 | 8,608 |
| 1975 | Birmingham | McMurray L. Griffith | William M. Newsome | *Milton L. Fegenbush | *Oscar L. Ledbetter | Thomas W. Mann | 25 | 8,465 |
| 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 | *George E. Tremelling | *James L. Allen | Thomas W. Mann | 22 | 6,861 |
| 1985 | Birmingham | *W. S. Roberts | *G. E. Tremelling | *James L. Allen | James H. Lee | Thomas W. Mann | 21 | 6,614 |
| 1986 | Birmingham | *G. E. Tremelling | James H. Lee | Emory J. Ferguson | Charles W. McDonald | Thomas W. Mann | 20 | 6,653 |
| 1987 | Birmingham | James H. Lee | Emory J. Ferguson | Charles W. McDonald | *Ray R. Morgan, Jr. | Thomas W. Mann | 19 | 6,526 |
| 1988 | Sheffield | Emory J. Ferguson | Charles W. McDonald | *Ray R. Morgan, Jr. | Charles R. Pate | Thomas W. Mann | 18 | 6,369 |
| 1989 | Mobile | C. W. McDonald | *Ray R. Morgan, Jr. | Charles R. Pate | Bobby C. Park | Thomas W. Mann | 18 | 6,260 |
| 1990 | Birmingham | *Ray R. Morgan, Jr. | Charles R. Pate | Bobby C. Park | Sam L. Garrett, Sr. | Thomas W. Mann | 18 | 5,945 |
| 1991 | Birmingham | Charles R. Pate | Bobby C. Park | Sam L. Garrett, Sr. | Robert L. Byars, Jr. | Thomas W. Mann | 18 | 5,733 |
| 1991 | | | | | | Arthur C. Harding | | |
| 1992 | Birmingham | Bobby C. Park | Sam L. Garrett, Sr. | Robert L. Byars, Jr. | *Teddy R. Grogan, Sr. | Arthur C. Harding | 18 | 5,334 |
| 1993 | Decatur | Sam L. Garrett, Sr. | Robert L. Byars, Jr. | Geo. L Marshall, Jr. | Ray Rutledge | Arthur C. Harding | 17 | 4,965 |
| 1994 | Dothan | Robert L. Byars, Jr. | Geo. L. Marshall, Jr. | Ray Rutledge | James R. Vaughan | Arthur C. Harding | 17 | 4,716 |
| 1995 | Birmingham | Ray Rutledge | Geo. L. Marshall, Jr. | James R. Vaughan | Bobby Ray Terry | Arthur C. Harding | 16 | 4,598 |
| 1996 | Birmingham | Geo. L. Marshall, Jr. | James R. Vaughan | Bobby Ray Terry | Joe D. Lee | Arthur C. Harding | 15 | |

**Denotes deceased*

First Annual Conclave was held in Montgomery, Alabama on Friday, November 30, 1860

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, 1981, 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.

## CHRONOLOGY

Titles of Meetings and Dates of Bodies Composed Exclusively of Masons.

The ordinary Calendar, or vulgar era, is not generally used by Freemasons in dating their official documents. The have one peculiar to themselves, differing according to their various Rites.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS in all parts of the World, add 4,000 years to the Christian era, calling it Anno Lucis-Year of Light; abbreviated A.L. (This fact has a symbolic reference, not because they believe Freemasonry is, but that the principles and light of the institution are coeval with the creation. (*See below.*) F&AM Lodges hold "Communications."

ROYAL ARCH MASONS date from the building of the second Temple-530 B.C. Their style is, therefore, Anno Inventionis-A. Inv.- in the year of the discovery. Royal Arch Chapters hold "Convocations."

ROYAL AND SELECT MASONS date from the completion of Solomon's Temple 1000 B.C. Their style is Anno Depositionis-A. Dep.-in the year of Deposit. Royal and Select Councils hold "Assemblies."

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR date from the organization of the Order in 1118 A.D. Their style is, therefore, Anno Ordinia-A.O.-in the year of the Order. Knight Templar Commanderies hold "Conclaves."

ORDER OF THE HIGH PRIESTHOOD dates from the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchezadak, which occurred 1914 B.C. Their style is Anno Benedistionis-A.B.-in the year of the Blessing. Councils of Anointed High Priest hold "Convocations."

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE MASONS use the Jewish Calendar, which adds 3760 to the Christian era, styled Anno Mundi-A.M.-year of the World. Or, they sometimes use the Hebrew year which begins on the seventeenth of September, or feast of Tisri, using the initials A.H.-Anno Hebraico.

TEMPLES, A.A.O.N. MYSTIC SHRINE; Each thirty years from the Hejira, or July 15th, A.D. 602 constitutes a cycle. Nineteen of these years contain 355 days, Eleven, 356.

## RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

**ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS** - Add 4,000 years.
Thus: 1996 + 4,000 = A.L. 5996

**ROYAL ARCH MASONS** - Add 530 years.
Thus: 1996 + 530 = A..Inv. 2526

**ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS** - Add 1,000 years.
Thus: 1996 +1,000 years = A. Dept. 2996

**KNIGHTS TEMPLAR** - Subtract 1,118 years.
Thus: 1996 - 1,118 = A.O. 878

**ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD** - Add 1,913 years.
Thus 1996 + 1,913 = A.B. 3,909

**SCOTTISH RITE MASONS** - Add 3,760 years.
Thus: 1996 + 3,760 = A.M. 5756