

THE YORK RITE of FREEMASONRY of ALABAMA



1997



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

RECEPTION

An informal reception was held on Sunday afternoon, February 23, 1997 in the Wall Street Room of the Holiday Inn, Research Park Huntsville, Alabama, as members and guests were registering in the Indoor Pool Area. Hostesses were Mrs. Bobbie Ferguson, wife of Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Emory J. Ferguson, Mrs. Jackie Gossett, Wife of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, James L. Gossett and Mrs. Libby Marshall, Wife of the Right Eminent Grand Commander, George L. Marshall, Jr. 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 23, 1997, in the Grand Ball Room of the Motel. The Message was delivered by the Grand Prelate, Rev. Brady E. McCullough.

The Sir Knights marched in to the singing of "Onward Christian Soldiers." After the message was delivered, the Right Eminent Grand Commander George L. Marshall, Jr. announced that the offering received would 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 Grand Ballroom of the Holiday Inn. After the Invocation, a delicious prime rib 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, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter was introduced and asked to present the General Grand Chapter Medal of Honor to the recipient, Companion Henry Burleson Tyra, Jr., a member of Eureka Chapter No. 5. Companion Tyra 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 for the Southeast Region, Maurice C. Himes, of The General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International, was introduced as the Personal Representative of the General Grand Master, Orville E. Wessler and asked to present the General Grand Council's Cryptic Mason of the Year Award to Companion Wayne Dee Jordan of Eureka Council No. 5. Companion Jordan accepted the award with appreciation. The Adult Youth Leadership Award of the General Grand Council was presented to Mrs. Joan Murphy, Supreme Deputy for the International Order of Rainbow for Girls. This is the first presentation under the new rules adopted by the General Grand Council at its Triennial Assembly in November, 1996. It is believed that this is the first award of its kind ever presented to a non-mason and a woman.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander, George L. Marshall, Jr., then introduced David L. Hargett, Department Commander for the Southeast Department 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 Robert Frank Elkin, a member of Huntsville Commandery No. 7. His name will be added to the list of those Sir Knights in Alabama who have received this high award. Sir Knight Hargett then requested that the Right Eminent Grand Commander, George L. Marshall, Jr., 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.

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 mall while others made a bus tour of Huntsville which included a tour of Helion Lodge #1, the oldest lodge in Alabama, the old area of Huntsville including a hardware store with many items of interest.

The eighth 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 \$1,200.00, which was equally divided between the three Grand York Rite charities.

KNIGHT MASON

Vulcan Council No. 22, Knight Masons of Alabama, held their thirteenth Annual Banquet on Monday evening, February 24, 1997 at the Golden Coral 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 Helion Lodge #1 Masonic Temple.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINTH

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL

of

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS

of

ALABAMA

HELD FEBRUARY 23, 24 AND 25, 1997

**HOLIDAY INN, RESEARCH PARK
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA**

PRESIDING 1996-1997

**James L. Gossett, *Most Illustrious Grand Master*
117 Meadow Pass, N.E., Huntsville Alabama 35811**

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

ELECTED 1997-1998

**J. Woodrow Smith, *Most Illustrious Grand Master*
3667 Cedar Springs Road, Jacksonville, Alabama 36265**

**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINTH ASSEMBLY
OF THE
GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA**

The One Hundred and Fifty-Ninth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama was held in the Ballroom of the Holiday Inn - Research Park, Huntsville, Alabama on February 24, 1997, A. Dept. 2997.

Most Illustrious Grand Master, Companion James L. Gossett, declared the One Hundred Fifty-Ninth Assembly open after ascertaining that all present were Royal and Select Masters and that a constitutional number of Subordinate Councils were represented. The following Grand Council Officers were present and in their stations:

Companion James L. Gossett.....	Grand Master
Companion J. Woodrow Smith.....	Deputy Grand Master
Companion Charles W. McDonand.....	Grand Principal Cond. of the Work
Companion Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	Grand Treasurer
Companion Arthur C. Harding.....	Grand Recorder
George F. Mills.....	Grand Chaplain
Companion Roger A. Simmons.....	Grand Captain of the Guard
Companion Lance C. Anthony.....	Grand Conductor of the Council
Companion Thomas F. Craig.....	Grand Marshal
Companion James W. Battle.....	Grand Steward
Companion Rebert E. Dumas.....	Grand Sentinel

All Illustrious Companions were welcomed to the Annual Assembly followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

INTRODUCTION OF PAST MOST ILLUSTRIOS GRAND MASTERS:

The following Past Grand Masters of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama were introduced and welcomed to this Grand Assembly:

Ray Rutledge.....	1968-1969
McMurray L. Griffith.....	1971-1972
Fred W. Vaughan.....	1978-1979
Emory J. Ferguson.....	1979-1980
William M. Newsome, Jr.....	1980-1981
Charles R. Pate.....	1982-1983
Clarence F. Rhea.....	1984-1985
Joseph D. Brackin.....	1985-1986
William H. Ealy.....	1987-1988
Brent R. Haller.....	1988-1989
Sam L. Garrett, Sr.....	1989-1990
Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.....	1990-1991
Erskine K. Smith.....	1991-1992
Richard Sim Hamilton.....	1992-1993
Maurice C. Himes.....	1993-1994
Jesse W. Locke.....	1994-1995
Antony M. Deming.....	1995-1996

A most cordial welcome was extended to the Illustrious Past Grand Masters of the Grand Council of Alabama and they were given the Grand Honors of Cryptic Masonry.

**Address of the Most Illustrious Grand Master
James L. Gossett
1996 - 1997**

To the Officers, Companions, and Guests of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

I am pleased to welcome you to the 159th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Alabama. It is good to see old friends and meet new friends as we undertake the business of this Grand Council. If there is anything that we can do to make your stay more enjoyable, please make your needs known to us.

STATE OF THE CRAFT

The York Rite Bodies are experiencing many of the same problems confronting other Masonic organizations (Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite and Shrine). Attendance at stated meetings often results in a small attendance making decisions for a large membership, lack of a proportionate number of young members ready to accept responsibilities in the future, and financial problems due to loss in membership. We need to place more emphasis (quality rather than numbers) on whom we accept for membership, make our meetings more interesting, and involve families of our membership and the public at our gatherings when the opportunity presents itself. We have both Slow Classes and One Day Festivals taking place in our State. Through the cooperation that exists among our York Rite Bodies, I feel that the ritual work is being performed in a satisfactory manner. I thank those who have worked so hard to bring us to our current standing.

NECROLOGY

We thank God that our Grand Council line has remained unbroken this year. The Illustrious Grand Chaplain will account for those Companions called before the Great White Throne in his report.

**GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED TO REPRESENT
OTHER GRAND COUNCILS NEAR THE GRAND COUNCIL
OF ALABAMA**

Georgia.....	George F. Mills
Illinois.....	Robert L. Byars, Jr.
Ontario, Canada.....	Wayne D. Jordan
Scotland.....	Phillip J. Sherman
Vermont	Roger A. Simmons

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

Canada (Western)	David H. Wilson
Colorado	Gerald O. Sievers
New York	Steven L. Wing
Scotland.....	James M. Duff

DISPENSATIONS

To receive and ballot on petitions out of statutory time:

Eureka Council No. 5 July 27, 1996
Montgomery Council No. 3 September 14, 1996
Eureka Council No. 5 October 8, 1996
Tuscaloosa Council No. 4 November 7, 1996

To change date of Annual Assembly:

Birmingham-Metro Council No. 43 July 12, 1996

To move Charter to Decatur for the purpose of jointly conducting a North Alabama One Day York Rite Festival:

Eureka Council No. 5 July 27, 1996

REVIEW OF BOOKS

On November 20, 1996, I authorized our Grand Recorder, Companion Arthur C. Harding, to secure the services of Potter, Bryant, and Tate, Certified Public Accountants of Birmingham, Alabama, to review the books of the Grand Council for the year 1996.

OUT OF STATE VISITS

Grand York Rite of South Carolina, Myrtle Beach... March 10-12, 1996
Grand York Rite of North Carolina, Asheville..... March 29-30-1996
Grand Chapter and Grand Council of Georgia, Macon. April 14-16, 1996
Grand York Rite of Florida, Altamonte Springs May 19-22, 1996
Southeastern Regional York Rite Conference,
Charlotte, NC..... June 13-15, 1996
Great Smokies Summer Assembly, Waynesville, NC..... July 14-16, 1996
Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter
and Assembly of the General Grand Council,
International, Asheville, NC..... November 3-6, 1996
Grand Chapter of Virginia, Williamsburg..... November 15-16, 1996

IN STATE VISITS

Redstone Chapter No. 353, Nat'l Sojourners, Huntsville March 1, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite..... March 4, 1996
Cahaba Shrine Temple, 25th Anniversary, Huntsville.... March 6, 1996
Holy Sepulchre Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine,
Huntsville..... March 8, 1996
Alabama Priory No. 31, K.Y.C.H., Decatur..... March 9, 1996
Vulcan Council No. 22, Knight Masons, Decatur..... March 9, 1996
Montgomery York Rite Festival..... March 16, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... March 27, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite..... April 1, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... April 3, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite-Maundy Thursday... April 4, 1996
Redstone Chapter No. 353, Nat'l Sojourners, Huntsville April 5, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite,
Easter Ceremony..... April 7, 1996
Huntsville York Rite Bodies..... April 9, 1996

IN STATE VISITS (Continued)

North Alabama York Rite Festival Planning, Decatur... April 13, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite, KCCH..... April 18, 1996
Anniston York Rite Festival..... April 20, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... April 24, 1996
Redstone Chapter No. 353,
National Sojourners, Huntsville..... May 3, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite..... May 6, 1996
Ten Sephiroth Council No. 255, AMD, Huntsville..... May 10, 1996
Huntsville York Rite Bodies..... May 14, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite..... June 3, 1996
Cahaba Shrine Temple, Masonic Day, Huntsville..... June 8, 1996
Huntsville York Rite Bodies..... June 11, 1996
Jackson/DeKalb Scottish Rite Reunion, Fyffe..... June 22, 1996
Ten Sephiroth Council No. 255, AMD, Huntsville..... June 28, 1996
Huntsville York Rite Bodies, Installation
(Installed Eureka Council No. 5 Officers) June 29, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite..... July 1, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Installation,
Huntsville (Installing Chaplain) July 3, 1996
Huntsville York Rite Bodies..... July 9, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... July 17, 1996
Alabama Priory No. 31, K.Y.C.H., Montgomery..... July 20, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... July 24, 1996
North Alabama One Day York Rite Festival, Decatur..... July 27, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... July 31, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite..... August 5, 1996
Northwest Alabama Proficiency Club,
Solar Lodge No. 914, Huntsville..... August 11, 1996
Huntsville York Rite Bodies..... August 13, 1996
Brundidge Council No. 69, Super Excellent
Master Degree, Anniston..... August 17, 1996
Montgomery York Rite Bodies
(Open Meeting-Dr. Gary Leazer Speaker) August 22, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite..... Sept. 2, 1996
Holy Sepulchre Conclave,
Red Cross of Constantine Picnic, Decatur..... Sept. 9, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... Sept. 11, 1996
Holy Sepulchre Conclave,
Red Cross of Constantine, Huntsville..... Sept. 13, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921,
50 Year Pin Presentation, Huntsville..... Sept. 18, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, KCCH, Scottish Rite..... Sept. 19, 1996
DeKalb-Jackson York Rite, Scottsboro..... Oct. 2, 1996
Lee Commandery No. 45, Inspection, Phenix City..... Oct. 5, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite Reunion..... Oct. 12, 1996
Ten Sephiroth Council No. 255, AMD, Huntsville..... Nov. 8, 1996
Birmingham-Metro York Rite Festival..... Nov. 9, 1996
Huntsville York Rite Bodies..... Nov. 12, 1996
Grand Lodge of F. & A. M. of Alabama,
Montgomery..... Nov. 18-19, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, KCCH, Scottish Rite..... Nov. 21, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... Nov. 27, 1996
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite..... Dec. 2, 1996
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville..... Dec. 4, 1996
Redstone Chapter No. 353,
National Sojourners, Huntsville..... Dec. 6, 1996
Huntsville York Rite Bodies..... Dec. 10, 1996
Holy Sepulchre Conclave,
Red Cross of Constantine, Huntsville..... Dec. 13, 1996

IN STATE VISITS(Continued)

Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville.....	Dec. 14, 1996
Huntsville Commandery No. 7, Christmas Observance.....	Dec. 21, 1996
Helion Lodge No. 1,	
Annual Christmas Dinner, Huntsville.....	Dec. 21, 1996
Decatur York Rite Bodies.....	January 2, 1997
Redstone Chapter No. 353,	
National Sojourners, Huntsville.....	January 3, 1997
Valley of Huntsville, Scottish Rite.....	January 6, 1997
Apollo Lodge No. 921, Huntsville.....	January 8, 1997
Huntsville York Rite Bodies.....	January 14, 1997
Valley of Huntsville, KCCH, Scottish Rite.....	January 16, 1997
Grand York Rite Finance Meeting, Birmingham.....	January 18, 1997

CONCLUSION

I would like to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as Grand Master for the past year. It has been a privilege and an honor to have represented the Grand Council of Alabama.

I want to thank my Grand Officers, Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters, and Committee Members for their support and assistance. I would also like to express my appreciation to the Huntsville York Rite Bodies for their support. A special thanks to Grand Recorder Arthur C. Harding, his wife Charlotte, and Grand Treasurer Fred W. McCluskey for their help and support.

It has been a pleasure to serve with Right Eminent Grand Commander George L. Marshall, Jr. and Most Excellent Grand High Priest Emory J. Ferguson.

Jackie and I have enjoyed our visitations and would like to express our appreciation for the kindness and hospitality extended to us.

I thank my wife, Jackie, for her support. As always, you have been understanding, cooperative, and helpful. I love you.

Fraternally submitted

James L. Gossett
Grand Master

Attest: *Arthur C. Harding*
Grand Recorder

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

Submitted below is my Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1996.

RECEIPTS

Dues	\$17,174.00
Fees	138.00
Interest	2,265.68
Sale of Banquet Tickets	753.34
Sale of Supplies	42.25
Due from Grand Commandery	<u>602.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	\$20,975.27

DISBURSEMENTS

Operating Expenses	\$15,051.09
Net Disbursement from Triennial Reserve	<u>600.00</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>15,651.09</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER DISBURSEMENTS	5,324.18
CASH ON HAND - JANUARY 1, 1996	66,921.22
CASH ON HAND - DECEMBER 31. 1996	<u>\$72,245.40</u>

CASH ON HAND - DECEMBER 31, 1996 CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Petty Cash	\$ 50.00
Checking Account	25,019.92
Certificates of Deposit and Savings Accounts	47,175.48
Total Cash on Hand December 31, 1996	<u>\$72,245.40</u>

It has been a pleasure to have served this Grand Council during this past year and I wish to express my thanks to the general membership for the opportunity to do so. My work has been made easier by Companion Arthur C. Harding, Grand Recorder, and his office Assistant, Charlotte, during this year and at this time I want to extend a "Thank You" for all of the assistance they have provided throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.
Grand Treasurer

Attest: Arthur C. Harding
Grand Recorder

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

Companions: Herewith is my Annual Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1996:

Membership as of January 1, 1996..... 4,070

ADDITIONS:

Greeted	74
Affiliated	8
Reinstated	27
Adjusted	0+109
Total Gross Membership.....	4,179

LOSSES:

Died	109
Demitted	19
Suspended N.P.D	185
Adjusted	1 -314

Total Net Membership as of December 31, 1996..... 3,865

Loss in Membership for 1996.....	-205
Chartered Councils.....	15
Councils Reporting.....	15
Councils Under Dispensation.....	0

APPRECIATION

I wish to express my appreciation and thanks to our Most Illustrious Grand Master, James L. Gossett, the Grand Line Officers, and the Recorders of the Subordinate Councils for their help, support, and assistance.

Fraternally submitted,

Arthur C. Harding
Grand Recorder

Adopted.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF SUBORDINATE COUNCILS

NO.	NAME	1/1/96 MEMBERSHIP	ADJUSTED	GREETED	AFFILIATED	REINSTATED	DIED	DEMITTED	SUSPENDED	12/31/96 MEMBERSHIP	GAIN/LOSS
3	MONTGOMERY	207	0	15	0	1	8	3	3	203	- 4
4	TUSCALOOSA	186	0	6	0	1	13	1	3	176	- 10
5	EUREKA	223	0	3	2	0	0	1	4	223	0
12	MOBILE	408	0	8	3	4	6	0	19	398	- 10
43	BIRMINGHAM METRO	1033	0	8	1	3	27	1	42	975	- 58
56	GADSDEN	203	0	3	1	3	12	3	12	183	- 20
68	DOOTHAN	145	-1	3	1	3	4	1	9	137	- 10
69	BRUNDIDGE	222	0	12	0	4	7	2	8	221	- 1
71	WOODLAWN	467	0	3	0	6	8	3	20	445	- 22
74	FLORENCE	194	0	3	0	1	5	0	19	174	- 20
81	DECATUR	193	0	3	0	0	3	0	8	185	- 8
82	PHENIX CITY	120	0	1	0	0	6	0	2	113	- 7
90	DeKALB-JACKSON	295	0	3	0	0	4	2	17	275	- 20
93	PIEDMONT	81	0	0	0	1	3	0	13	66	- 15
95	MONROEVILLE	93	0	3	0	0	3	2	0	91	- 2
TOTALS		4,070	-1	74	8	27	109	19	185	3,865	-205

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, and Companions of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

We, your Finance Committee, submit the following report for your consideration.

We have examined the Review of the Grand Council Balance Sheets as reported by the C.P.A. and find them in order and recommend your approval.

This Budget was prepared by this committee, we were assisted by the Grand Illustrious Master, Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer.

We recommend the budget be accepted as printed.

Respectfully submitted,
Erskine K. Smith, Chairman
Michael L. Jones
Charles R. Pate

Adopted.

GRAND COUNCIL BUDGET

Acct	ITEM	BUDGET 1996	SPENT 1996	PROPOSED 1997
800	Payroll Taxes	350.00	351.66	385.00
801	Telephone	250.00	190.98	250.00
802	Postage & P.O. Box	225.00	211.50	225.00
803	Contingency Fund	100.00	29.40	100.00
804	Gen. Gr. Council Per Capita Tax	1,500.00	1,424.50	1,350.00
805	Grand Recorder's Salary	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
806	Grand Treasurer's Expense	150.00	150.00	160.00
807	Grand Master's Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,200.00
808	Office Ass't Salary	2,268.00	2,268.00	2,400.00
809	Printing Grand Proceedings	800.00	709.56	800.00
810	Stationery & Printing	400.00	367.60	400.00
811	Review of Books	400.00	375.00	400.00
812	Office Rent	900.00	900.00	900.00
813	Apron & Case for Junior Past M. I. Grand Master	350.00	298.30	350.00
814	Insurance, Bonds, Fire, etc.	225.00	195.60	225.00
815	Triennial Reserve (First Three Gr. Officers & Grand Recorder)	525.00	525.00	525.00

GRAND COUNCIL BUDGET

Acct	ITEM	BUDGET 1996	SPENT 1996	PROPOSED 1997
816	Donation to DeMolay	300.00	300.00	300.00
817	Donation to Order of Rainbow for Girls	300.00	300.00	300.00
818	Southeastern Region York Rite Conf. (Gr. Mast., Deputy Gr. Mast, Gr. Prin. Cond.of Work, & Gr. Rec. \$100 Max for each)	335.00	233.00	335.00
819	Grand Rec.Travel Allow.	1,480.00	1,480.00	1,560.00
820	Office Ass't Travel Allow.	204.00	204.00	204.00
821	Presiding Grand Off. Stat.	50.00	54.63	50.00
823	Dist. Guests (2 Nights)	600.00	692.14	700.00
824	Banquet (Net-Cost less tickets sold)	500.00	236.92	500.00
830	Copy machine and Computer Supplies	0.00	0.00	300.00
	Totals	<u>15,012.00</u>	<u>14,297.79</u>	<u>15,719.00</u>
	Under Budget		<u>\$714.21</u>	

Adopted.

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

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ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Mr. James L. Gossett
Most Illustrious Grand Master
Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama
Birmingham, Alabama

We have reviewed the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities and fund balance - cash basis of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama (a non-profit organization) as of December 31, 1996, and the related statements of revenue and expenses - cash basis and of 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 Council.

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 COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE - CASH BASIS
DECEMBER 31, 1996

ASSETS

<u>Current Assets</u>	
Cash on Hand and in Bank	\$ 25,069.92
Certificates of Deposit and Savings Accounts	47,175.48
Inventory - Supplies for Resale	<u>807.97</u>
Total Current Assets	\$ 73,053.37
<u>Property and Equipment</u>	
Office Equipment	3,634.83
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>3,305.77</u>
Net Property and Equipment	<u>329.06</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 73,382.43</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

<u>Fund Balance</u>	
Reserved for Triennial	\$ 450.00
Unreserved	<u>72,932.43</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 73,382.43</u>

GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES - CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

<u>Revenue</u>	
Dues	\$ 17,174.00
Fees	138.00
Sale of Banquet Tickets	753.34
Interest	2,265.68
Sale of Supplies	\$ 42.25
Inventory - January 1, 1996	\$ 827.25
Purchases	0.00
Total	<u>827.25</u>
Inventory - December 31, 1996	<u>807.97</u>
	<u>19.28</u>
Total Revenue	<u>22.97</u>
	<u>20,353.99</u>
Expenses - Cash Basis (Schedule 1)	14,526.09
Depreciation	167.25
Triennial Reserve Expense	<u>1,125.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>15,818.34</u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenses	<u>\$ 4,535.65</u>

GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

Fund Balance - January 1, 1996	\$ 68,846.78
Add: Excess of Revenues over Expenses	<u>4,535.65</u>
Fund Balance - December 31, 1996	<u>\$ 73,382.43</u>

GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 1996

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 Council 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 COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMASCHEDULE OF EXPENSES - CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996Grand Officer Expenses

Apron and Case	\$ 298.30
Stationery - Grand Illustrious Master	54.60
Grand Illustrious Master Expense Allowance	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Grand Officer Expenses	\$ 1,352.90

Grand Recorder's Office Expenses

Salary - Grand Recorder	1,800.00
Salary - Office Secretary	2,268.00
Grand Treasurer's Allowance	150.00
Insurance - Bonds, Fire, Theft and Liability	195.60
Payroll Taxes	351.66
Rent	900.00
Stationery and Printing	367.60
Postage and Post Office Box Rental	211.50
Telephone	190.98
Annual Accounting Services	375.00
Travel Allowance - Grand Recorder	1,480.00
Travel Allowance - Office Secretary	<u>204.00</u>
Total Grand Recorder's Office Expenses	8,494.34

Annual Convention Expenses

Expenses for Distinguished Guests	692.14
Banquet	990.25
Southeastern Regional Meeting	<u>233.00</u>
Total Annual Convention Expenses	1,915.39

Miscellaneous Expenses

Per Capita Tax - General Grand Council	1,424.50
Special Awards - Demolay	300.00
Special Awards - Rainbow	300.00
Printing Annual Proceedings	709.56
Contingencies	<u>29.40</u>
Total Miscellaneous Expenses	2,763.46
Total Expenses	\$ 14,526.09

**GRAND COUNCIL ROLL CALL OF
GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**

ALASKA	Bobby Ray Terry
ARIZONA	Charles L. Ingram
ARKANSAS	Ray Rutledge
CALIFORNIA	Charles W. McDonald
CANADA (EASTERN)	Jesse W. Locke
CANADA (WESTERN)	Brent R. Haller
COLORADO	Connie L. Miller
CONNECTICUT	*Weldon H. Roberts
DELAWARE	**George W. Busby
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	**C. Gary Taylor
ENGLAND and WALES	William T. Loerch
FLORIDA	Joseph D. Brackin
GEORGIA	George F. Mills
GERMANY	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.
GREECE	**Norman L. Flournoy
HAWAII	James T. Wofford
IDAHO	Doyle W. Ealy
ILLINOIS	Robert L. Byars, Jr.
INDIANA	James L. Gossett
IOWA	Anthony M. Deming
KANSAS	J. Woodrow Smith
KENTUCKY	Thomas F. Craig
LOUISIANA	Joe D. Lee
MAINE	**Homer L. Tidwell
MARYLAND	Bobby W. Cheney
MASSACHUSETT	Lance C. Anthony
MICHIGAN	W. Malcolm Killingsworth
MINNESOTA	William H. Ealy
MISSISSIPPI	McMurray L. Griffith
MISSOURI	**Fred L. Graham
MONTANA	Arthur C. Harding
NEBRASKA	Howard E. Hayes
NEVADA	Michael L. Jones
NEW HAMPSHIRE	**Alvin Parker
NEW JERSEY	George L. Marshall, Jr.
NEW MEXICO	Fletcher D. Martin
NEW YORK	Robert D. Moseson
NORTH CAROLINA	Emory J. Ferguson
NORTH DAKOTA	**Homer L. Tidwell
OHIO	***Loyd D. Durden
OKLAHOMA	Charles R. Pate
ONTARIO, CANADA	Wayne D. Jordan
OREGON	(Requested to be replaced) William C. Snyder
PENNSYLVANIA	Richard Sim Hamilton
PHILIPPINES	Calvin C. Snow
RHODE ISLAND	William M. Newsome, Jr.
SCOTLAND	Phillip J. Sherman
SOUTH CAROLINA	Luther E. Lee
SOUTH DAKOTA	James E. Stutts
TENNESSEE	Gene M. Day
TEXAS	Erskine K. Smith
UTAH	Robert T. Crawford
VERMONT	Roger A. Simmons
WASHINGTON	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.
WISCONSIN	Maurice C. Himes
WYOMING	Fred W. Vaughan

*Denotes consecutive years absent.

**REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
FOR GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA**

Grand Council	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative to	Town
Alaska	Bobby Ray Terry	Route 1, Box 10	Bobby H. Hood	Kodiak
Arizona	Charles L. Ingram	Decatur, 35601	Raymond E. McDowell	Chandler,
Arkansas	Ray Rutledge	Salem, 36874	Johnnie D. Savage	West Helena
California	Charles W. McDonald	Route 11, Box 342	Bruce O. Carmitchel	Sepulveda
Canada (Eastern)	Jesse W. Locke	615 Morgan Avenue	Roy Colby Carleton	Saint John
Canada (Western)	Brent R. Haller	Mobile, 36606	David H. Wilson	New Brunswick
Colorado	Connie L. Miller	P. O. Box 2331	Eugene R. Small	Saskatoon,
Connecticut	Weldon H. Roberts	Phoenix City, 36867	Gerald O. Sievers	Saskatchewan
Delaware	George W. Busby	5767 Zeigler Boulevard	Brooks C. Dodson	Wray
District of Columbia	C. Gary Taylor	Mobile, 36608	Herbert H. N. Bachelder	Uncasville
England and Wales	William J. Loerch	P. O. Box 67	Piedmont, 36272	New Castle
Florida	Joseph D. Brackin	P. O. Box 365	Pelham, 35124	Seale, 36875
Georgia	George F. Mills	83 Overlook Drive	208 Pine Forest Drive	Richard Tydeman
Germany (West)	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Wetumpka, 36092	2102 Hardwick Drive	London, England
Greece	Norman L. Flournoy	Dothan, 36303	William A. Howard	Fort Walton Beach
Hawaii	James T. Wofford	P. O. Box 1392	Charles R. Maffett	Columbus
Idaho	Doyle W. Ealy	Decatur, 35602	Dennis D. Duncan	Berlin, West Germany
		1402 Melanie Lane	Phoenix City, 36867	
		408 Lee Road 355	Valley, Al 36854	
		353 Kroy Drive	353 Kroy Drive	
		Montgomery, 36117	Montgomery, 36117	
		822 Giles Drive, N.E.	822 Giles Drive, N.E.	
		Huntsville, 35801	Huntsville, 35801	
			Mauricio Valera	
			Hilo	
			Burrell G. Lirgg	
			Boise	

**REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
FOR GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA (Continued)**

Grand Council	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative To	Town
Illinois	Robert L. Byars, Jr.	2008 9th Place, N.W.	Thomas L. Yingling	Peoria
Indiana	James L. Gossett	117 Meadow Pass, N.E.	Douglas O. Fegenbush	Indianapolis
Iowa	Anthony M. Deming	130 Shoal Creek Road	Edward W. Fuller	Mussatine
Kansas	J. Woodrow Smith	35079 Hayden, 35079	Charles M. Talbott	Pomona
Kentucky	Thomas F. Craig	3667 Cedar Springs Road	Edgar L. Colston	Florence
Louisiana	Joe D. Lee	1000 Lexington Street, S.E.	Warren D. Graef	Lake Charles
Maine	Homer L. Tidwell	35801-2533 Huntsville, 35801	405 Roundabout Drive	Trussville, 35173
Maryland	Bobby W. Cheney	214 Lynwood Drive	Dana P. Nowell	Readfield
Massachusetts	Lance C. Anthony	335 Hope Hull Drive	James D. Boggs	Westminster
Michigan	W. Malcolm Killingsworth	Hope Hull, 36043 P. O. Box 3050	John H. Grant	Quincy
Minnesota	William H. Ealy	Phoenix City, 36868-3050	1801 Fern Drive	Gobels
Mississippi	McMurtry L. Griffith	Dothan, 36301	Ernest L. Welsh	Dothan, 36301
Missouri	Fred L. Graham	2101 Giles Drive, N.E.	Leonard G. Mathison	Brooklyn Park
Montana	Arthur C. Harding	Huntsville, 35811	Willard L. Paulson	Spokane, Washington
Nebraska	Howard E. Hayes	P. O. Box 130215	Thomas T. Warren	Jackson
Nevada	Michael L. Jones	1208 Conger Road	Jack J. Stottlenyre	Kansas City
New Hampshire	Alvin Parker	Aniston, 36201	309 Sun Valley Road	Birmingham, 35215-3333
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			540 Cannell Road	Allen R. Millar
			1711 Cagle Avenue, S.W.	McCook
			Decatur, 35601	Birmingham, 35215
			513 North Center Avenue	Dwight V. Meader
				Rochester
				Piedmont, 36272

**REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
FOR GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA (Continued)**

Grand Council	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative To	Town
New Jersey	George L. Marshall, Jr.	661 Anna Kathryn Drive..... Gurley, 35748	Thurman C. Pace, Jr.	Westfield
New Mexico	Fletcher D. Martin	1544 County Road 10	John R. Mandius	Los Alamos
New York	Robert D. Mosesson	Prattville, 36067	4400 Bridgewater Circle.....	Bliss
North Carolina	Enory J. Ferguson	Phenix City, 36867	Steven L. Wing	
North Dakota	Homer L. Tidwell	1615 Lakeview Drive N.W..... Cullman, 35055	Galard C. Moore	Monroe
Ohio	Loyd D. Durden	214 Impwood Drive..... Anniston, 36201	Kenneth M. Thompson	Devils Lake
Oklahoma	Charles R. Pate	507 South Edgewood Drive..... Dothan, 36301	George F. Ruebler	Pineellas Park, Florida
Ontario, Canada	Wayne D. Jordan	1905 Canterbury Square	Chester M. Cowen	Chickasha
Oregon	William C. Snyder	Anniston, 36207-6957	Harry S. Smith	Belleview,
Pennsylvania	Richard Sim Hamilton	929 Tassosa Drive, S.E..... Huntsville, 35802	John L. Bradfield	Ontario, Canada
Philippines	Calvin C. Snow	1758 Hidden Hills Rd..... Bldg 5,Unit 215	John L. Bradfield	Salem
Rhode Island	William M. Newsome, Jr.	Gatlinburg, TN 37738	Elliott D. Buffard	Cheltenham
Scotland	Phillip J. Sherman	2302 Hamilton Drive, S.W..... Decatur, 35601	Freddie L. Pendergraft	Dunconsville, Texas
South Carolina	Luther E. Lee	1201 Oldwood Road	Arthur Soder, Jr.	Warwick
South Dakota	James E. Stutts	Oxford, 36203	James M. Duff	Edinburgh, Scotland
Tennessee	Gene M. Day	1600 45th Street	Phoenix City, 36867	
Texas	Erskine K. Smith	Decatur, 35603	2218 Galahad Drive, S.W.....	
			421 N. Moyer Drive	Robert H. Jackson, Jr. Rock Hill
			Montgomery, 36109	
			612 East Pasadena Avenue	Andrew W. Potter
			Muscle Shoals , 35660	Pierre
			10 White Rock Road	David H. Vaughn
			Phenix City, 36867	Memphis
			1835 Cheaha Drive	M. C. Bowen
			Oxford, 36203	Carthage

**REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES
FOR GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ALABAMA (Continued)**

Grand Council	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative To	Town
Utah	Robert T. Crawford	911 4th Terrace.....	Vernon R. Borgeson	Clearfield
Vermont	Roger A. Simmons	Pleasant Grove, 35127		
Washington	Fred W. McClusky, Jr.	P. O. Box 268.....	David P. Martin	Brandon
Wisconsin	Maurice C. Himes	Newton, 36352.....	Donald W. Beeman	Spokane
Wyoming	Fred W. Vaughan	2201 3rd Street.....	Birmingham, 35215	
		Route 1, Box 297.....	David D. Mahoney	Sun Prairie
		Slocumb, 36375-9754		
		108 Harwood Drive.....	Harlan N. Tulley	Sheridan
		Gadsden, 35901.....		

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CREDENTIALS AND REGISTRATION**

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers and Companions of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

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

There are present and registered with this Committee 11 Grand Officers and 17 Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama.

There are 15 Subordinate Councils which comprise the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama, and of these 15 Councils are registered with this Committee for this 159th Annual Assembly. All Councils of this jurisdiction are represented at this Grand Assembly.

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

TOTAL OFFICERS OR PROXIES PRESENT.....	42
TOTAL PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOS MASTERS PRESENT.....	17
TOTAL QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN THIS ASSEMBLY.....	133

We wish to thank the Grand Recorder and the Illustrious Grand Master for their support and assistance in making our work easier at this Grand Council. We have enjoyed the privilege of serving the Grand Council on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard E. Hayes, Chairman
Lincoln H. Townsend

Adopted.

**GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS
OF ALABAMA**

Illustrious Masters, Deputy Illustrious Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work or their proxies present:

3. Montgomery	James T. Wofford	Thrice Illustrious Master
	Robert L. Schick	Deputy Illustrious Master
	Dennis E. Thompson	Prin. Cond. of the Work
4. Tuscaloosa	*Henry G. Terry	Thrice Illustrious Master
	*M. Wayne Anders	Deputy Illustrious Master
	*James Tesney	Prin. Cond. of the Work
5. Eureka	Charles S. Rice	Thrice Illustrious Master
	*Ray C. Dunn	Deputy Illustrious Master
	Boyd L. Neblett	Prin. Cond. of the Work
12. Mobile	*William C. Havens	Thrice Illustrious Master
	*Ernest G. Inmon	Deputy Illustrious Master
	*Charles W. McDonald	Prin. Cond. of the Work
43 Birmingham Metro	Arlis O. Stanford	Thrice Illustrious Master
	*Joe D. Lee	Deputy Illustrious Master
	James A. Tyus	Prin. Cond. of the Work
56 Gadsden	*Robert A. Moore	Thrice Illustrious Master
	*Horace Hampton, Jr.	Deputy Illustrious Master
	*James F. Vaughan	Prin. Cond. of the Work

Illustrious Masters, Deputy Illustrious Masters, Principal Conductors of the Work or their proxies present: (Continued)

68. Dothan	Ronald L. Thomas *Roger A. Simmons *Franklin L. Moon	Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master Prin. Cond. of the Work
69. Brundidge	*Charles R. Pate Bobby Joe Ledford *Erskine K. Smith	Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master Prin. Cond. of the Work
71. Woodlawn	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. Ronale Scarborough Billy Rikard	Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master Prin. Cond. of the Work
74. Florence	*Billy H. Brackin Billy H. Brackin *Lamon C. Griffin	Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master Prin. Cond. of the Work
81. Decatur	Clifford D. Williams *John R. Appleton, Jr.	Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master
82. Phenix City	Robert E. Dumas M. Thomas Oliver Richard M. Wright *Robert D. Moseson	Prin. Cond. of the Work Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master Prin. Cond. of the Work
90. DeKalb-Jackson	*Floyd Hambrick, Jr. Not Represented Not Represented	Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master Prin. Cond. of the Work
93. Piedmont	*Teddy R. Grogan, Jr. *Teddy R. Grogan, Jr. *Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.	Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master Prin. Cond. of the Work
95. Monroeville	*Vories Fowler *MacArthur Davis *Charles L. Turk	Thrice Illustrious Master Deputy Illustrious Master Prin. Cond. of the Work

*Denotes Proxy.

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS PRESENT

3. Montgomery: Bobby W. Cheney, Luther E. Lee, Fletcher D. Martin, Eldon C. Davis.
4. Tuscaloosa: Henry G. Terry, James Tesney.
5. Eureka: Henry B. Tyra, Theo J. Combel, Jr., Wayne D. Jordan, George L. Marshall, Jr., James L. Gossett, Emory J. Ferguson, Edward D. Hardin, Thomas F. Craig, William H. Ealy, Doyle W. Ealy, Lincoln Townsend, Abe Benefield, Walter J. Krueger, Sr., Bernie Belcher, Robert F. Elkin, William F. Dendy, Shirley P. Hale.
12. Mobile: William C. Havens, Charles W. McDonald, Ernest G. Inmon, Frank Allen Brown, William J. Sirmon, Brent R. Haller.
43. Birmingham-Metro: Joe D. Lee, Robert T. Crawford, Ray Rutledge, J. C. Brady, McMurray L. Griffith, Louis W. Meyer, Jr., Joe R. Bush, James W. Battle.
56. Gadsden: Robert A. Moore, James F. Vaughan, Fred W. Vaughan Clarence F. Rhea, Horace Hampton, Paul L. Allen.
68. Dothan: W. Malcolm Killingsworth, Maurice C. Himes, Franklin L. Moon, Joseph D. Brackin, Roger A. Simmons, William D. Barr, L. C. Minks, Sterling Hughes.
69. Brundidge: Charles R. Pate, Calvin C. Snow, J. Woodrow Smith, Erskine K. Smith, Bobby Joe Ledford.
71. Woodlawn: Arthur C. Harding, Billy Rikard, Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Howard E. Hayes, Anthony M. Deming, Robert L. Byars, Jr., William C. Bice.
74. Florence: Lamon C. Griffin, Billy H. Brackin, Robert B. Dixon, James E. Stutts, Edgar B. Burgess, Jr., Ronald D. Moore, Oliver L. Moore, Jr.
81. Decatur: Richard S. Hamilton, George F. Mills, Michael L. Jones, Bobby R. Terry, Phillip J. Sherman, Bobby C. Park, John R. Appleton, Jr., Joe W. William, Charles H. McGill.

PAST THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS PRESENT (Continued)

82. Phenix City: William M. Newsome, Jr., Lance C. Anthony, Connie Miller, Charles L. Ingram, William C. Snyder, Jesse W. Locke, Robert W. Moseson, Sam L. Garrett.
90 Floyd Hambrick, Jr.
93. Piedmont: Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.
95. Monroeville: MacArthur Davis.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUALISTIC WORK

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Officers, and Companions of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

We, your Committee on Ritualistic Work report that there have been no requests for clarification or presentation of the work during the past year; however, on visiting various slow classes and several one-day festivals, we are pleased to report that the work that is being done is being presented in the most proficient and gracious manner. We are pleased to report that more councils are beginning to take part in conferring the degrees and are doing so most impressively and that if they should need any assistance all they need to do is contact a member of the Committee on Ritualistic Work and let it be known. Most Illustrious Grand Master, we thank you for letting us serve on this committee and we hope that we have done so in a manner that is pleasing and acceptable to you and to this Grand Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby R. Terry
Charles W. McDonald
W. Malcolm Killingsworth

Adopted.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS**

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

We, your committee on the Grand Master's Address, beg to submit the following report:

First, we commend the Grand Master for the thorough and complete report of his actions this past year.

We recommend the approval of that portion concerning "State of The Craft" and concur in the statement that more emphasis should be placed on whom we accept into membership, that our meetings should be more interesting and that family and the general public be involved when possible.

We recommend that portion of the address concerning Necrology be referred to the Illustrious Grand Chaplain.

We recommend the approval of that portion of the address referring to "Grand Representatives Nominated to Represent other Grand Councils Near the Grand Council of Alabama" and "Grand Representatives Appointed to Represent Alabama Near other Grand Councils".

We recommend that portion of the address concerning "Review of the Books of the Grand Council" be referred to the Finance Committee.

We recommend all other portions of the address not herein referred to be approved.

We commend the Grand Master on his extensive "Out of State and In State" Visitations and his sincere concern for the Craft.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph D. Brackin, Chairman
Ray Rutledge
Richard S. Hamilton

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON YOUTH

The Most Illustrious Grand Master and Companions of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

My report on DeMolay cannot be too long. This past year DeMolay struggled through. They had Annual Conclave where new State Officers were elected. District II had its annual camp-out. Other activities were limited due basically to the number of DeMolays and Advisors.

I want to thank the Most Illustrious Grand Master for appointing me to this committee, but I have to apologize for not fulfilling my duties. I had my activities severely curtailed as I was assisting my brother in Saraland with my Dad to keep him out of a Nursing Home. After that there was a time to repair my family physically and mentally and to top it off I fell and the best that could be determined was that I had only cracked some ribs as well as cut my back, so I will say it has been a difficult year.

DeMolay in Alabama is not dead, it may be in the ropes but you and other Masonic Bodies can bring it back to life. If memory serves me right there are or were Chapters in Florence, Mobile, Tuscaloosa and Huntsville. Now I can't say about Birmingham and Montgomery.

Companions we worry about membership in the Masonic Fraternity - well the answer lies in the young men and young ladies of today. I mention young ladies as they for some reason attract young men. So we can be cultivating our future members. I can put it as and Executive Officer told me "It's the Advisors fault your membership is down" so it's the fault of the Masonic Fraternity that membership is down.

Companion Jim McGee of Florence is the State Executive Officer and he needs your assistance. If you do not have a DeMolay Chapter near you then start one - it can start as a Club affiliated with an active Chapter and grow until it has enough members to become a Chapter.

So if you want to insure future members back your DeMolay of today. I've heard the argument that not all DeMolays become Masons and I agree with that; however, some will.

Some years ago I served on this Committee and at the time I made a recommendation to the Grand York Rite that this Committee be on a 3 year basis so that they could get acquainted with DeMolay and get to know the State Executive Officer and what he plans for DeMolay during the year. You have your future membership out there.

Fraternally and Respectfully submitted,

Walter J. Krueger, Sr.
Chairman

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master and Companions of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

The committee on Cryptic Jurisprudence submit the following report for your consideration.

We find portions of the Grand Masters Address pertaining to dispensations the committee recommends approval. The By-Laws sent to us by the Mobile Bodies were reviewed and certain corrections and recommendations were made and the By-Laws returned to the Mobile Bodies. We recommend the adoption of our report.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Byars, Jr., Chairman
Fred W. Vaughan
McMurray L. Griffith

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CRYPTIC MASONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION

To the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

A plaque was presented to Mobile Council #12 which represented the sixth presentation of a plaque to them. In order for an individual, business or organization to qualify for the plaque they must have made cumulative contributions to the Foundation amounting to \$1,000.00. The plaque was accepted for Mobile Council #12 by its Recorder, Charles W. McDonald, who stated that it would be hung in a prominent place for everyone to see.

Now is the time for you to come to the microphone and present your checks to us for your contribution. Several checks were received and will be reported in an addendum to this report.

Most Illustrious Grand Master, I move the adoption of this report.

ADDENDUM

During the Annual Grand York Rite Convention, February 23 - 25, 1997 the following contributions were received

Vulcan Council #22, Knight Masons	\$100.00
Eureka Council #5	225.00
Monroeville York Rite Bodies	100.00
Florence Council #74	100.00
Phenix Council #82	113.00
Dothan York Rite Bodies	200.00
Alabama College, S.R.I.C.F.	100.00
Donations from the floor	10.00
	<u>\$948.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse W. Locke, PMIGM
Chairman

Adopted.

REPORT ON NECROLOGY

To the Most Illustrious Grand Master and Companions of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama:

God has looked well upon our Grand Council Officers this year. Our line has stayed intact, not to be broken. We thank God for this. Yet we have had a cloud over our membership since we last met. God has seen fit to call home 109 members during this past year.

Let us stand for one minute of silent prayer. Also let us remember the family of our Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, Clifford J. Turner as well as one of our members, Dalton Aldridge, who is in the hospital undergoing by-pass surgery.

Gracious Heavenly Father, we thank you for sparing our lives that we can come here and celebrate this reunion. We thank you for these families who have lost these members. We pray your blessings upon them, hold them and guide them, until you can receive them. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

I move that this report be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

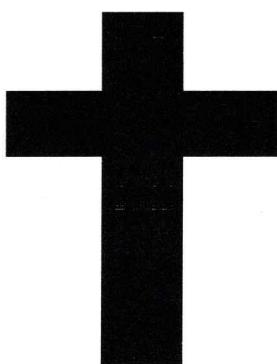
George F. Mills
Grand Chaplain

Adopted.

IN MEMORIAM

CLIFFORD JAMES TURNER
GRAND ILLUSTRIOS MASTER
1976 - 1977

BORN AUGUST 15, 1911 DIED FEBRUARY 10, 1997
DENTON, TEXAS MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA



**INSCRIBED TO THE MEMORY
OF
OUR HONORED DEAD
AND IN MEMORY
OF THE
DECEASED COMPANIONS
IN
OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS**

MINUTES OF LAST ASSEMBLY

Companion Arthur C. Harding moved that the minutes as published in the Proceedings of 1996 be accepted as the minutes, and that they be approved as printed.

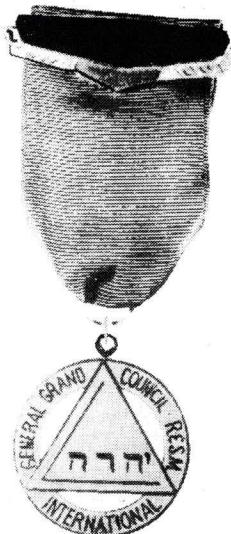
Motion seconded and carried.

GRAND COUNCIL OF R. & S. M. ASSEMBLY - 1998

It was moved that the next Annual Assembly of the Alabama Grand Council be held in Birmingham on February 22, 23, and 24, 1998.

Motion seconded and carried.

General Grand Council Cryptic Mason of the Year Award



PRESENTATION OF THE GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Most Illustrious Grand Master, James L. Gossett, selected Companion Wayne Dee Jordan, Eureka Council No. 5, to receive the General Grand Council Award of the Year. The presentation was made during the Grand York Rite Banquet on Sunday Night by Companion Maurice C. Himes, Right Puissant Deputy General Grand Master for the Southeast Region of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International and Personal representative of the General Grand Master Orville E. Wessler.

RECIPIENTS IN ALABAMA OF THE GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR AWARD

*Charles A. Guthrie.....	1975
*William Hollis Arnold.....	1976
*Roy L. Wood.....	1977
*Joseph E. Simpson, Sr.....	1978
*Guin O'Neal McKinney.....	1979
*James M. Christopher, Sr.....	1980
Jesse W. Locke.....	1981
Weldon H. Roberts.....	1982
*James C. Nuss.....	1983
*Joseph P. Jones.....	1984
Wayne Richmond Hammond.....	1985
*Earl Pervine Woodall.....	1986
Calvin Coolidge Snow.....	1987
Doyle Wallace Ealy.....	1988
Johnny Andrew Baker.....	1989
*George Baldwin Boyd, Jr.....	1990

RECIPIENTS IN ALABAMA OF THE GENERAL GRAND

**RECIPIENTS IN ALABAMA OF THE GENERAL GRAND
COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR AWARD**
(Continued)

James Woodrow Smith.....	1991
Fred LeBurn Graham.....	1992
Michael Leonid Jones.....	1993
Patrick Bertram Bleakley.....	1994
Charles Lewis Ingram.....	1995
Howard Enoch Hayes.....	1996
Wayne Dee Jordan.....	1997

*Denotes deceased.

**ELECTION OF GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS
FOR 1997 - 1998**

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

Companion William C. Havens of Montgomery Council #3 was elected by secret ballot to the station of Grand Steward. Companion Havens accepted election to the office.

This Grand Council was concluded with prayer to reconvene Tuesday morning at eleven A.M., for open installation of the Grand Officers.

**INSTALLATION OF GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS
FOR 1997 - 1998**

At the conclusion of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and the Grand Commandery annual business sessions on Tuesday, February 25, 1997, at an open meeting, the Grand Council Officers were duly installed by Companion Fred W. Vaughan, Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, with Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Erskine K. Smith as Grand Chaplain and Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Charles R. Pate as Grand Marshall.

The new Grand Master, Companion J. Woodrow Smith was invested with the jewel and apron of his office by his wife, Muriel.

Companion Maurice C. Himes, Puissant Deputy General Grand Master for the Southeast Region of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International, presented Companion James L. Gossett with a Past Most Illustrious Grand Master's Certificate and lapel pin from the General Grand Council at the Banquet on Sunday night.

All business of this Annual Assembly being concluded, Companion J. Woodrow Smith, declared the 159th Session of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama duly closed after the chaplain had pronounced the benediction.

*Attest: Arthur C. Harding,
Grand Recorder*



JAMES WOODROW SMITH
Most Illustrious Grand Master
1997 - 1998

**JAMES WOODROW SMITH
MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER
1997 - 1998**

James Woodrow Smith was born November 13, 1916 in Alabama.

He was raised as a Master Mason in East Point Lodge #288 in September, 1947 and transferred to Alexandria Lodge #208 where he served as Worshipful Master in 1967-1968. He was exalted to the degree of Royal Arch in Mt. Horab Chapter No. 155 in Atlanta, Georgia on May 31, 1948 transferring to Anniston Chapter #105 and served as High Priest in 1971-1972 and anointed to the Order of Anointed High Priest in February, 1972. He was greeted as a Select Master in Euclid Council R & S. M. No. 33 located in Atlanta, Georgia later transferring to Brundidge Council #69 located in Anniston, Alabama, serving as Illustrious Master in 1968-1969 and received into the Order of the Silver Trowel in February, 1969. He was knighted a Knight Templar in Anniston Commandery No. 23 in November, 1965 serving as Eminent Commander in 1971-1972 and knighted a Knight Crusader of the Cross in 1980. He was constituted a Knight York Cross of Honor in July 1972.

He became a member of Vulcan Council #22, Knight Masons in January, 1978 and was inducted into the Red Cross of Constantine in July, 1978 serving as Puissant Sovereign in 1985. He received the Royal Order of Scotland in August 1984 and became a member of the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests in December 1994. He received his 32° in the Scottish Rite in November 1969 and became a Noble of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine in April 1969. He became a member of Fulton Chapter No. 181, Order of the Eastern Star, located in East Point, Georgia in October 1948 transferring to Col. Williamson Chapter No. 500 in Alexandria, Alabama where he served as Worthy Patron several times. He became a member of the Order of Amaranth in 1970 and served as Royal Patron several times. He also served as Grand Royal Patron in 1981 - 1982.



GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS FOR 1997 - 1998

Seated left to right: Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Roger A. Simmons, J. Woodrow Smith, (*Most Illustrious Grand Master*), Charles W. McDonald, Arthur C. Harding
Standing left to right: William C. Havens, James W. Battle, Erskine K. Smith, Lance C. Anthony

GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS 1997 - 1998

J. Woodrow Smith, K.Y.C.H.....*Most Illustrious Grand Master*
 3667 Cedar Springs Road, Jacksonville, 36265-6121.....205-435-9491
 Charles W. McDonald, K.Y.C.H.....*Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master*
 615 Morgan Avenue, Mobile, 36606.....334-471-6012
 Roger A. Simmons, K.Y.C.H....*Ill. Grand Principal Conductor of the Work*
 P. O. Box 268, Newton,334-299-3705
 Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., K.Y.C.H.....*Illustrious Grand Treasurer*
 2201 3rd Street, N.E., Birmingham, 35215.....205-854-9187
 James A. Kile, K.Y.C.H.....*Illustrious Grand Treasurer, Emeritus*
 200 18th Avenue, N.W., Birmingham, 35215
 Arthur C. Harding, K.Y.C.H.....*Illustrious Grand Recorder*
 P. O. Box 320262, Birmingham, 35232.....205-595-7040
 Thomas W. Mann, K.Y.C.H.....*Illustrious Grand Recorder, Emeritus*
 354 Sun Valley Circle, Birmingham, 35215
 Erskine K. Smith, K.Y.C.H.....*Illustrious Grand Chaplain*
 1835 Cheaha Drive, Oxford, 36203.....205-831-2247
 Lance C. Anthony.....*Illustrious Grand Captain of the Guard*
 P. O. Box 3050, Phenix City, 36868-3050.....334-298-1933
 James W. Battle.....*Illustrious Grand Conductor of the Council*
 1029 Sherbrooke Drive, Birmingham, 35209.....205-942-3762
 William D. McNeal.....*Illustrious Grand Marshal*
 708 5th Avenue, Jacksonville, 36265
 William C. Havens, K.Y.C.H.....*Illustrious Grand Steward*
 5708 North Deerwood Drive, Mobile, 36618
 Homer L. Tidwell.....*Illustrious Grand Sentinel*
 5570 Alabama Hwy 202, Anniston, 36201

STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

FOR 1997 - 1998

Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama

CREDENTIALS AND REGISTRATION:

James E. Bell, K.Y.C.H., Chairman...57 Pelham Heights, Anniston 36201

JURISPRUDENCE:

Clarence F. Rhea, K.Y.C.H., Chairman 2104 Scenic Drive, Gadsden, 35901
 Fred W. Vaughan, K.Y.C.H.....108 Harwood Drive, Gadsden 35901
 Erskine K. Smith, K.Y.C.H.....1835 Cheaha Drive, Oxford, 36203

FINANCE:

Michael L. Jones, K.Y.C.H. Chairman 1711 Cagle Avenue, Decatur, 35601
 Charles R. Pate, K.Y.C.H.....1905 Canterbury Square, Anniston, 36207
 Erskine K. Smith, K.Y.C.H.....1835 Cheaha Drive, Oxford, 36203

RITUALISTIC WORK:

Bobby R. Terry, K.Y.C.H., Chairman....Route 1, Box 10, Decatur, 35601
 Charles W. McDonald, K.Y.C.H.....615 Morgan Avenue, Mobile, 36606
 W. Malcolm Killingsworth, K.Y.C.H.....1801 Fern Drive, Dothan, 36301

SPECIAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

Walter J. Krueger, Sr., Chairman

16 Marsheutz Ave., S.E., Huntsville, 35801

GRAND MASTERS ADDRESS:

James L. Gossett, K.Y.C.H., *Chairman*.....
102 Hardwick Drive, Dothan, 36303
Anthony M. Deming.....130 Shoal Creek, Hayden, 35079

CRYPTIC MASON'S MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION:

Jesse W. Locke, K.Y.C.H., *Chairman*
P. O. Box 2331, Phenix City, 36868-2331

NECROLOGY:

Erskine K. Smith, K.Y.C.H., *Chairman*
P. O. Box 2331, Phenix City, 36868-2331

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Anthony M. Deming, *Chairman*.....130 Shoal Creek, Hayden, 35079

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER,
ORDER OF THE SILVER TROWEL**

The Forty-Third Annual Meeting of the Thrice Illustrious Master, Order of the Silver Trowel, was held at Helion Lodge #1 Masonic Temple, Huntsville, Alabama on February 24, 1997, with the following officers in their stations.

Lance C. Anthony.....Thrice Illustrious Master
James L. Gossett.....Thrice Illustrious Senior Warden
Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.....Thrice Illustrious Junior Warden
Joseph D. Brackin.....Thrice Illustrious Recorder
Billy A. Rickard.....Thrice Illustrious Steward
Roger A. Simmons.....Thrice Illustrious Sentinel

The Council was opened in short form by Thrice Illustrious Master, Lance C. Anthony. The regular order of business was deferred until after the candidates were elected and initiated into the Order. The following were received: M. Wayne Anders, Marion Thomas Oliver, James L. Peters, Arlice O. Stanford, Ronald Lee Thomas, Clifford D. Williams, Joe D. Williams and James T. Wooford.

Officers conferring the degree were as follows:

Joseph D. BrackinThrice Illustrious Master
Bobby Ray TerryThrice Illustrious Senior Warden
Arthur C. HardingThrice Illustrious Junior Warden
Emory J. FergusonThrice Illustrious Steward

The distinguished Guests were introduced and made Honorary Life Members. The minutes were adopted as printed in the proceedings. A motion was made to contribute \$50.00 to Cryptic Masons Medical Research and adopted. The following officers were elected and then installed:

James L. GossettThrice Illustrious Master
Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.Thrice Illustrious Senior Warden
Billy A. RickardThrice Illustrious Junior Warden
Joseph D. BrackinThrice Illustrious Recorder
Roger A. SimmonsThrice Illustrious Steward
L. C. Minks.Thrice Illustrious Sentinel

The Meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
James L. Gossett
Thrice Illustrious Master

Attest: Joseph D. Brackin
Thrice Illustrious Recorder

REGISTER OF SUBORDINATE COUNCILS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ALABAMA
JUNE , 1996 - 1997

NO.	NAME	LOCATION	THRICIE ILLUSTRIOS MASTER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	ASSEMBLY DATE
3.	Montgomery	Montgomery	James T. Wofford 353 Kroy Drive Montgomery, 36117	William J. Loerch 208 Pine Forest Drive Wetumpka, 36092	1st Thursday
4.	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	Ray E. Dotson 4109 Ashburton Lane Northport, 35476	Henry G. Terry 2530 39th Street Tuscaloosa, 35405-2842	3rd Tuesday
5.	Eureka	Huntsville	Charles S. Rice 118 Calhoun Street Huntsville, 35801	Wayne D. Jordan 929 Tascosa Dr. Huntsville, 35802	2nd Tuesday
12.	Mobile	Mobile	William A. Atwood, Jr. P. O. Box 906 Saraland, 36571	Charles W. McDonald 615 Morgan Avenue Mobile, 36606	2nd Monday
43.	Bham Metro	Birmingham	Arlie O. Stanford 809 3rd Street Pleasant Grove, 35127	McMurray L. Griffith P. O. Box 130215 Birmingham, 35213	3rd Saturday
56.	Gadsden	Gadsden	George Schnitzlein 104 Birmingham Place Gadsden, AL 35901	Francis Earnest Greene 5425 Gilmer Lane Rainbow City, 35906	1st Thursday
68.	Dothan	Dothan	Ronald Lee Thomas Route 4, Box 524 Abbeville, 36310	Joseph D. Brackin 2102 Hardwick Drive Dothan, 36303	3rd Thursday

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JUNE, 1996 - 1997

NO.	NAME	LOCATION	THRICIE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	ASSEMBLY DATE
69.	Brundidge	Anniston	William D. McNeal 708 5th Avenue Jacksonville, 36265	Charles R. Pace 1905 Canterbury Square Anniston, 36207	3rd Saturday
71.	Woodlawn	Woodlawn	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. 2201 3rd St., N.E. Birmingham, 35215	Robert L. Byars, Jr. P. O. Box 320184 Birmingham, 35232	2nd Tuesday
74.	Florence	Florence	Roy W. Taylor P. O. Box 1026 Russellville, 35653	James E. Stutts P. O. Box 566 Florence, 35631	2nd Tuesday
81.	Decatur	Decatur	Clifford D. Williams 2017 Main St., E. Hartselle, 35640	Bobby R. Terry Route 1, Box 10 Decatur, 35601	1st Thursday
82.	Phenix City	Phenix City	Marion T. Oliver P. O. Box 582 Columbus, GA, 31902	Jesse W. Locke 4907 Summerville Road Phenix City, 36867	3rd Tuesday
90.	DeKalb-Jackson	Scottsboro	Jimmy Ray Moore Route 2, Box B-32A Pisgah, 35765	Floyd L. Hambrick, Jr. 1190 County Road 120 Section, 35771	1st Wednesday
93.	Piedmont	Piedmont	Gene Kirk 130 Taylor Street Piedmont, 36272	Jerry R. Kirk P. O. Box 447 Piedmont, 36272	2nd Thursday

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JUNE, 1995 - 1996

NO.	NAME	LOCATION	THRICIE ILLUSTRIOS MASTER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	ASSEMBLY DATE
95.	Monroeville	Monroeville	James L. Peters 15275 Hwy 21 South Uriah, 36480	MacArthur Davis 4291 Grissett Bridge Rd. Brewton, 36426	4th Friday

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS, 1996 -1999

Orville E. Wessler General Grand Master
1742 North Sabin, Witchita, Kansas, 37212

Charles F. Van Etten Deputy General Grand Master
9836 Van Etten Rd., Gowanda, New York 14070

Perry Anderson General Grand Prin. Cond. of the Work
216 N. Van Buren, Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Royce E. Curlis General Grand Treasurer
1200 Wright Avenue. #107 Alma, Michigan 48801

Ronald E. Fullerlove General Grand Recorder
P. O. Box 310, Sherrard, Illinios 61281

**DISTRICT DEPUTY GENERAL GRAND MASTER
SOUTHEAST REGION**

Maurice C. Himes, Route 1, Box 297, Slocomb, Alabama 36375

PAST GENERAL GRAND MASTERS

John Harris Watts (1978-1981) P. O. Box 107
Grand Junction, Iowa 50107
Bernard F. Mandelbaum (1984-1987) 3321-A East Tuxedo Boulevard
Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74006-2230
James A. Kirkbride (1987-1990) P. O. Box 332
Red Feather Lakes, Colorado 80545-0332
Evan L. Fleming (1990-1993) 1520 South Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180
Dalvin L. Holaway (1993-1996) P. O. Box 767
Canyonville, Oregon 97417

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**40th GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL
TRIENNIAL ASSEMBLY
WITICHITA, KANSAS****OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 3, 1999**

GRAND RECORDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

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Alabama.....	Arthur C. Harding	P. O. Box 320262 Birmingham, 35232
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Arizona.....	Gilbert J. Eno	2340 E. University #23 Tempe, 85281-4733
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Colorado.....	Gilbert W. Carlton	Masonic Temple 1614 Welton St., Ste #503 Denver, 80202-4222
Connecticut.....	Charles B. Fowler, Jr.	35 Elaine Mary Drive Windsor, 06095-1714
Delaware.....	Donald D. Thomas	208 Sypherd Drive Neward, 19711-3627
Dist. Of Columbia.	Scott M. Applebee	301 O'Hara Place Olney, MD 20832-1451
England and Wales.	T J. Lewis	Mark Masons' Hall 86 St. James's Street London, England SW1A 1PL
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Georgia.....	James Erwin Moseley ...	811 Mulberry Street Macon, 31298-5099
Germany.....	Robert C. Simpson	Hauptstrasse 1 C D-66978 Clausen, Germany
Hawaii.....	Rev. John Connell	Masonic Temple 1227 Makiki Street Honolulu, 96814
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Indiana.....	Thomas D. Barton	P. O. Box 221 Knightstown, 46148
Iowa.....	John Harris Watts	P. O. Box 107 Grand Junction, 50107
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North Carolina....	Randy Flack	Masonic Temple 80 Broadway Asheville, 28801
North Dakota.....	Orlando V. Ellingson	2724 Valley View Avenue Bismarck, 58501-3180
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Oregon.....	Lawrence E. Six	709 S.W. 15th Street Portland, 97205
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Scotland.....	Grahame J. Smith	23 St. John Street Gramd Scribe Ezra Edinburgh, Scotland EH8 8DG
South Carolina....	Johnnie T. Morris	1518 Hampton Street Columbia, 29201
South Dakota.....	Richard C. Geib	609 Wayside Drive Rapid City, 57702

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Texas.....	Eldon L. Brooks	P. O. Box 296 Waco 76703
Utah.....	Owen C. Orton	4220 South 4900 West West Valley City, 84120-4823
Vermont.....	Donald C. Brown	RR #3, Box 6742-B Barre, 05641-8611
Washington.....	Albert W. Shaw	5403 156th Avenue, N.E. Redmond, 98052-5137
Wisconsin.....	Milton F. Gregory	Grand York Rite Grand Masonic Center 36275 Sunset Drive Dousman, 53118
Wyoming.....	Kenneth S. Watts	506 West Park Avenue Riverton 82501

GENERAL GRAND

COUNCIL..... Ronald E. Fullerlove ..P. O. Box 310
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**REVISED AND CORRECTED LIST OF GRAND OFFICERS ELECTED BY THE GRAND COUNCIL OF ALABAMA
FROM ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1838 TO THE PRESENT TIME WITH THE YEAR OF THEIR ELECTION.**

Year	Grand Master	Deputy Grand Master	Grand P.:C.: Work	Grand Treasurer	Grand Recorder
1838	*Gerard W. Creagh	*Amand P. Pfister	*John C. Hicks	*Major Cook	*J. C. Van Dyke
1839	*Gerard W. Creagh	*Amand P. Pfister	*John C. Hicks	*Major Cook	*Carter R. Harrison
1840 a	*Nathaniel W. Fletcher	*Nimrod E. Benson	*James Penn	*Major Cook	*Carter R. Harrison
1841 b	*James Penn	*Nimrod E. Benson	*William Hendrix	*Amand P. Pfister	*Carter R. Harrison
1843	*James Penn	*Gerard W. Creagh	*William C. Penick	*Amand P. Pfister	*Carter R. Harrison
1844	*James Penn	*Baylor B. Baker	*William C. Penick	*Lewis E. Parsons	*Carter R. Harrison
1845	*William C. Penick	*William C. Penick	*James M. Brundidge	*Doris S. Ball	*Nimrod E. Benson
1846	*William C. Penick	*William C. Penick	*James M. Brundidge	*Doris S. Ball	*Nimrod E. Benson
1847	*William C. Penick	*William C. Penick	*Thomas C. Hartwell	*J. McCaleb Wiley	*Nimrod E. Benson
1848	*Rufus Greene	*Rufus Greene	*Thomas C. Hartwell	*James M. Brundidge	*Nimrod E. Benson
1849 c	*Rufus Greene	*Rufus Greene	*Thomas C. Hartwell	*William A. Farrell	*Thomas Welsh
1850	*Rufus Greene	*Thomas C. Hartwell	*J. McCaleb Wiley	*William A. Farrell	*Thomas Welsh
1851	*Thomas C. Hartwell	*William A. Farrell	*J. McCaleb Wiley	*Rufus C. Torrey	*Thomas Welsh
1852	*William A. Farrell	*William P. Chilton	*J. McCaleb Wiley	*Sterling A. M. Wood	*Thomas Welsh
1853	*William P. Chilton	*J. McCaleb Wiley	*Henry S. Shelton	*J. M. Moore	*Thomas Welsh
1854	*J. McCaleb Wiley	*J. McCaleb Wiley	*Henry S. Shelton	*John R. Clarke	*Thomas Welsh
1855	*Henry S. Shelton	*Henry S. Shelton	*John R. Clarke	*Sterling A. M. Wood	*Thomas Welsh
1856	*Henry S. Shelton	*Henry S. Shelton	*John R. Clarke	*Stephen Ives	*Thomas Welsh
1857	*Henry S. Shelton	*Henry S. Shelton	*John R. Clarke	*James R. Harrison	*Thomas Welsh
1858	*Henry S. Shelton	*Henry S. Shelton	*James B. Harrison	*James R. Wilkins	*Thomas Welsh
1859	*Rufus C. Torrey	*Rufus C. Torrey	*Lewis B. Thornton	*W. P. Brashears	*Thomas Welsh
1860	*James B. Harrison	d	d	d	d
1861	d	d	d	d	d
1862	d	d	d	d	d
1863	d	d	d	d	d
1864	*James B. Harrison	*William Kerr	*William E. Beard	*Hugh Parks Watson	*Daniel Sayre
1865	*James B. Harrison	*Eugene V. Levert	*George D. Norris	*Edmund M. Hastings	*Daniel Sayre
1866	*Eugene V. Levert	*George D. Norris	*Joseph H. Johnson	*Edmund M. Hastings	*Daniel Sayre
1867	*Eugene V. Levert	*George D. Norris	*Joseph H. Johnson	*Edmund M. Hastings	*Daniel Sayre
1868	*Joseph H. Johnson	*James M. Dedman	*Gilbert T. Deason	*Edmund M. Hastings	*Daniel Sayre
1869	*Robert D. Webb	*Sam Thompson	*Martin G. Slaughter	*Edmund M. Hastings	*Daniel Sayre
1870	*Robert D. Webb	*Sam Thompson	*Martin G. Slaughter	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayer
1871	*Robert D. Webb	*Sam Thompson	*Martin G. Slaughter	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayer
1872	*Robert D. Webb	*James M. Dedman	*Martin G. Slaughter	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayer

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1873	*Robert D. Webb	*James M. Dedman	*Palmer J. Pillans	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1874	*Palmer J. Pillans	*James Milton	*Benjamin F. Pope	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1875	*Palmer J. Pillans	*James Milton	*Benjamin F. Pope	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1876	*James Milton	*James Milton	*William D. Wadsworth	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1877	*James Milton	*James Milton	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1878	*James Milton	*James Milton	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1879	*William D. Wadsworth	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*William W. McCollum	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1880	*William D. Wadsworth	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*William W. McCollum	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1881	*William D. Wadsworth	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*William W. McCollum	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1882	*William W. McCollum	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*Benjamin F. Pope	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1883	*William W. McCollum	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*Benjamin F. Pope	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1884	*William W. McCollum	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*Benjamin F. Pope	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1885	*William W. McCollum	*Lucky W. Jenkins	*Benjamin F. Pope	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1886	e				
1887	*Benjamin F. Pope	*James T. Beck	*James T. Beck	*William H. Dingley	*Daniel Sayre
1888	*Benjamin F. Pope	*John A. McKinnon	*John A. McKinnon	*William H. Dingley	*Edmund M. Hastings
1889	*James T. Beck	*George F. Moore	*John A. McKinnon	*William H. Dingley	*Edmund M. Hastings
1890	*James T. Beck	*George F. Moore	*John A. McKinnon	*William H. Dingley	*Edmund M. Hastings
1891	*George F. Moore	*John A. McKinnon	*John G. Smith	*William H. Dingley	*Edmund M. Hastings
1892	*George F. Moore	*John A. McKinnon	*John G. Smith	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1893	*George F. Moore	*John A. McKinnon	*John G. Smith	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1894	*John A. McKinnon	*John G. Smith	*Edward S. Gatchell	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1895	*John G. Smith	*Oscar J. Cohen	*Solomon D. Bloch	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1896	*John G. Smith	*Edward S. Gatchell	*Solomon D. Bloch	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1897	*Solomon D. Bloch	*Robert S. Teague	*Robert S. Teague	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1898	*Solomon D. Bloch	*Robert S. Teague	*Robert S. Teague	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1899	*George A. Beauchamp	*James Esdale	*James Esdale	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1900	*George A. Beauchamp	*Robert S. Teague	*James Esdale	*William H. Dingley	*H. Clay Armstrong
1901	*Robert S. Teague	*James Esdale	*Jacob D. Bloch	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beauchamp
1902	*Robert S. Teague	*James Esdale	*Jacob D. Bloch	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beauchamp
1903	*Jacob D. Bloch	*Ben M. Jacobs	*John B. Lyons	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beauchamp
1904	*Jacob D. Bloch	*Ben M. Jacobs	*John B. Lyons	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beauchamp
1905	*Ben M. Jacobs	*John B. Lyons	*William Walter Ransom	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beauchamp
1906	*John B. Lyons	*William Walter Ransom	*Walter Smith	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beauchamp
1907	*William Walter Ransom	*Walter Smith	*Lawrence H. Lee	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beauchamp

**1908 *Walter Smith *Lawrence H. Lee *Robert L. Douglas *William H. Dingley *George A. Beaufort
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1909	*Lawrence H. Lee	*Robert L. Douglas	*John F. Jenkins	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beaufort
1910	*Robert L. Douglas	*John F. Jenkins	*Joseph Dixon Matlock	*William H. Dingley	*George A. Beaufort
1911	*John F. Jenkins	*Joseph Dixon Matlock	*James C. Benson	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1912	*Joseph Dixon Matlock	*James C. Benson	*Woolsey Finnell	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1913	*James C. Benson	*Woolsey Finnell	*John Phillip Melvin	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1914	*Woolsey Finnell	*John Phillip Melvin	*Jacob Bley	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1915	*John Phillip Melvin	*Jacob Bley	*John B. Bethaea	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1916	*Jacob Bley	*John B. Bethaea	*Robert C. Williams	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1917	*John B. Bethaea	*Robert C. Williams	*Louis J. Wright	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1918	*Robert C. Williams	*Louis J. Wright	*John H. McCormick	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1919	*Louis J. Wright	*John H. McCormick	*Hartsford Lee Terry	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1920	*John H. McCormick	*Hartsford Lee Ison	*William S. Kilby	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1921	*Hartsford Lee Ison	*William S. Kilby	*Harry C. Creilly	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1922	*William S. Kilby	*Harry C. Creiley	*Henry F. Reese	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1923	*Harry C. Creiley	*Henry F. Reese	*William S. Gamble	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1924	*Henry F. Reese	*William S. Gamble	*Norman Gunn	*Robert McLester Strong	*George A. Beaufort
1925	*William S. Gamble	*Norman Gunn	*Robert McLester Strong	*Robert E. Howard	*George A. Beaufort
1926	*Norman Gunn	*Robert McLester Strong	*Robert E. Howard	*William W. Waldo	*George A. Beaufort
1927	*Robert McLester Strong	*Robert E. Howard	*William W. Waldo	*Llewellyn R. Hillyer	*George A. Beaufort
1928	*Robert E. Howard	*William W. Waldo	*Llewellyn R. Hillyer	*Henry C. McGee	*George A. Beaufort
1929	*Llewellyn R. Hillyer	*Henry C. McGee	*Leroy M. Strickland	*Leroy M. Strickland	*George A. Beaufort
1930	*Henry C. McGee	*Bryce H. Campbell	*Hoyt McClendon	*Hoyt McClendon	*George A. Beaufort
1931	*Bryce H. Campbell	*Hoyt McClendon	*John P. Knott	*John P. Knott	*George A. Beaufort
1932	*Hoyt McClendon	*John P. Knott	*John Lee Cash	*John Lee Cash	*George A. Beaufort
1933	*John P. Knott	*Robert M. Carswell	*Robert B. Keith	*Robert B. Keith	*George A. Beaufort
1934	*Robert M. Carswell	*Robert B. Keith	*Wylie A. Gibbons	*Wylie A. Gibbons	*George A. Beaufort
1935	*Robert B. Keith	*Clarence E. Michaels	*T. Gaines St. John	*T. Gaines St. John	*George A. Beaufort
1936	*Clarence E. Michaels	*T. Gaines St. John	*William D. Hawkins	*William D. Hawkins	*George A. Beaufort
1937	*T. Gaines St. John	*William D. Hawkins	*J. McMurray Griffith	*J. McMurray Griffith	*George A. Beaufort
1938	*J. McMurray Griffith	*A. Parker Mize	*John Wilson Terry	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1939	*A. Parker Mize	*Robert S. Wildsmith	*John Wilson Terry	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1940	*Robert S. Wildsmith	*David W. W. Fuller	*John Wilson Terry	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1941	*David W. W. Fuller	*Elmer Lee Moss	*John Wilson Terry	*John Wilson Terry	*George A. Beaufort
1942	*Elmer Lee Moss				

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1943	*David W. W. Fuller	*Elmer Lee Moss	*Walter F. Estes	*John Wilson Terry	*Guy T. Smith
1944	*Elmer Lee Moss	*Walter F. Estes	*Albert J. Savage	*John Wilson Terry	*Guy T. Smith
1945	*Walter F. Estes	*Albert J. Savage	*Julian F. Spearman	*John Wilson Terry	*Guy T. Smith
1946	*Albert J. Savage	*Julian F. Spearman	*Charles D. Murphy	*Frank A. Gillette	*Guy T. Smith
1947 g	*Charles D. Murphy	*John Wilson	*George H. Crook	*Frank A. Gillette	*Willis E. Glazner
1947 h	*John Wilson	*George H. Crook	*Ralph W. Douglas	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1948	*George H. Crook	*Ralph W. Douglas	*Claud Stallworth	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1949	*Ralph W. Douglas	*Claud Stallworth	*Edward D. Michael	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1950	*Ralph W. Douglas	*Edward D. Michael	*Oscar L. Ledbetter	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1951-2	*Claud Stallworth	*Oscar L. Ledbetter	*Oliver B. Hall	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1953	*Edward D. Michael	*Oscar L. Ledbetter	*James M. Jones	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1954	*Oscar L. Ledbetter	*Oliver B. Hall	*Sidney G. Fullerton, Sr.	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1955	*Oliver B. Hall	*James M. Jones	*Charles L. Campbell	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1956	*James M. Jones	*Terry L. Butts	*Emrys W. John	*Frank A. Gillette	*James M. Jones
1957 i	*Charles H. Stabinger	*Charles L. Campbell	S. Grady Fullerton, Jr.	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1957	*Terry Leon Butts	*Emrys W. John	*Edgar McDavitt Gober	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1958	*Charles L. Campbell	S. Grady Fullerton	*Thomas Watson Love	*Frank A. Gillette	*C. H. Stubinger
1959	*Emrys W. John	*Edgar McDavitt Gober			*Thomas Leon Cochran
1960	S. Grady Fullerton				*Gordon L. Evatt
1960 j					*Varna A. Rushton
1960 k					*Gordon L. Evatt
1961	*Edgar M. Gober	*Thomas Watson Love	*Ray Brown Hartwell	*Frank A. Gillette	*Gordon L. Evatt
1962	*Thomas Watson Love	*Ray Brown Hartwell	*James T. McRae, Sr.	*Frank A. Gillette	*Gordon L. Evatt
1963 m	*Ray Brown Hartwell	*James T. McRae, Sr.	*M. L. Fegenbush	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1964	*James T. McRae, Sr.	*M. L. Fegenbush	Arthur H. Dailey	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1965	*M. L. Fegenbush	Arthur H. Dailey	*Luther E. Stephens	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1966	Arthur H. Dailey	*Luther E. Stephens	Ray Rutledge	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1967	*Luther E. Stephens	Ray Rutledge	*D. Shelby Vaughn	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1968	Ray Rutledge	*D. Shelby Vaughn	*Charles D. Miller	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1969	*D. Shelby Vaughn	*Charles D. Miller	McMurray L. Griffith	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1970	*Charles D. Miller	McMurray L. Griffith	*Troy J. Roberts	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1971	McMurray L. Griffith	*Troy J. Roberts	Walter K. Collins	*Hoyt McClendon	*Thomas W. Oliver
1972	*Troy J. Roberts	Walter K. Collins	Loyd D. Durden	*Hoyt McClendon	*Hoyt McClendon
1973 n & o	Walter K. Collins	Loyd D. Durden	*Fred J. Gentry		Thomas W. Mann

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1974 p & q	Loyd D. Durden	*Fred J. Gentry	Ernest L. Bishop, Sr.	*Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1975	*Fred J. Gentry	*Clifford J. Turner	Ernest L. Bishop, Sr.	*Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1976	*Clifford J. Turner	Ernest L. Bishop, Sr.	Fred W. Vaughan	*Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1977	Ernest L. Bishop, Sr.	Fred W. Vaughan	*V. Nash Carmichael	*Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1978	Fred W. Vaughan	Emory J. Ferguson	W. M. Newsome, Jr.	*Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1979 r	Emory J. Ferguson	W. M. Newsome, Jr.	*James M. Denning	*Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1980	W. M. Newsome, Jr.	*James M. Denning	Charles R. Pate	*Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1981 t	*James M. Denning	Charles R. Pate	*Earl S. West	James A. Kile	James A. Kile
1982	Charles R. Pate	*Earl S. West	Clarence F. Rhea	James A. Kile	James A. Kile
1983	*Earl S. West	Clarence F. Rhea	Joseph D. Brackin	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1984	Clarence F. Rhea	Joseph D. Brackin	*Teddy R. Grogan, Sr.	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1985	Joseph D. Brackin	*Teddy R. Grogan, Sr.	William H. Ealy	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1986	*Teddy R. Grogan, Sr.	William H. Ealy	Brent R. Haller	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1987	William H. Ealy	Brent R. Haller	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1988	Brent R. Haller	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1989	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	Erskine K. Smith	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1990	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	Erskine K. Smith	Richard Sim Hamilton	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1991	Erskine K. Smith	Richard Sim Hamilton	Maurice C. Himes	James A. Kile	Thomas W. Mann
1991 u			Maurice C. Himes	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	Arthur C. Harding
1992 v	Richard Sim Hamilton	Jesse W. Locke	Anthony M. Denning	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	Arthur C. Harding
1993	Maurice C. Himes	Jesse W. Locke	James L. Gossett	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	Arthur C. Harding
1994	Jesse W. Locke	Anthony M. Denning	J. Woodrow Smith	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	Arthur C. Harding
1995	Anthony M. Denning	James L. Gossett	Charles W. McDonald	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	Arthur C. Harding
1996	James L. Gossett	J. Woodrow Smith			

*Denotes deceased

- a..... The Grand Council did not meet in the year 1840.
- b..... The Grand Council met in 1842 but neither the printed Proceedings nor original records show that any officers were elected.
- c..... In the year 1849 a new office was created called "Grand Thrice Illustrious" ranking next to Deputy Grand Master, but in 1872 the office was abolished. The following were elected "Grand Thrice Illustrious": In 1840-J. McCallab Wiley; in 1850-J. McCallab Wiley; in 1851-William P. Chilton; in 1852-William A. Taylor; in 1853-Henry S. Shelton; in 1854-Stephen Ives; in 1855-William Ferrell; in 1856-Joshua H. Danforth; In 1857-Lewis B. Thornton; in 1858-Rufus C. Torrey; in 1859-Lewis B. Thornton; in 1860-John A. Loder; in 1864-E. H. Bernhard; in 1865-William Kerr; in 1866-Peige Brown; In 1867-Peige Brown; in 1868-Robert H. Erwin; in 1869-James M. Dedman; in 1870-James M. Dedman; in 1871-James M. Dedman.
- d..... The Grand Council did not meet in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863.
- e..... For want of a Quorum, the Grand Council held no meeting in the year 1886.
- f..... At the Annual Assembly in 1946, Companion John Terry, on account of ill health, was made Grand Treasurer Emeritus, and Companion Frank A. Gillette was elected Grand Treasurer.
- g..... On August 4, 1947, Companion Willis E. Glazner was appointed Acting Grand Recorder following the death of Companion Guy T. Smith.
- h..... At the Annual Assembly in 1947, Companion C. H. Stubinger was elected Grand Recorder
- i..... At the Annual Assembly of the Grand Council R. & S.M. of Alabama held on February 11, 1957, Companion Charles H. Stubinger was elected Most Illustrious Grand Master to serve in that capacity during the election of officers. Most Illustrious Companion James M. Jones was elected Grand Recorder to serve for the same period of time.
- j..... On June 27, 1960, following the sudden death of Companion Charles H. Stubinger, Companion Thomas Leon Cochran was appointed Acting Grand Recorder.
- k..... On September 16, 1960, following the resignation of Companion T. L. Cochran, Companion Gordon L. Euvatt was appointed Grand Recorder.
- l..... On December 1, 1960, Companion Varna A. Rushton was appointed Grand Recorder to succeed Gordon L. Euvatt who resigned.
- m..... Grand York Rite Office was moved from Montgomery to Birmingham after election of Thomas W. Oliver as Grand Recorder
- n..... At the Annual Assembly, February, 1973, Thomas W. Mann was elected Grand Recorder. Thomas W. Oliver was elected Grand Recorder Emeritus.
- o..... Annual Assembly date changed to last Monday in February
- p..... 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.
- q..... On November 1, 1974, the Grand York Rite Office was moved to new location at 3621 South 5th Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama
- r..... On October 1, 1979, the Grand York rite Office was moved to a new location at 5504 1/2 North 1st Avenue Birmingham, Alabama 35212.
- s..... On May 16, 1980, James A. Kile was appointed Grand Treasurer to succeed Hoyd McClendon who resigned.
- t..... At the Annual Assembly, February, 1981, Hoyt McClendon was elected Grand Treasurer Emeritus.
- u..... On September 1, 1991, Companion Thomas W. Mann and Companion James A. Kile resigned and Most Illustrious Companion Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. was appointed as Grand Treasurer and Companion Arthur C. Harding was appointed as Grand Recorder.
- v..... At the Annual Assembly in February, 1992, Companion Thomas W. Mann was elected as Grand Recorder Emeritus and Most Illustrious Past Grand Master (Honorary). Companion James A Kile was elected Grand Treasurer Emeritus. Most Illustrious Companion Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. was elected Grand Treasurer and Companion Arthur C. Harding was elected Grand Recorder.