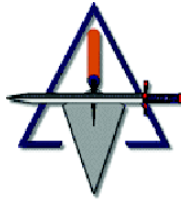


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ROYAL & SELECT MASTERS**

of

FLORIDA



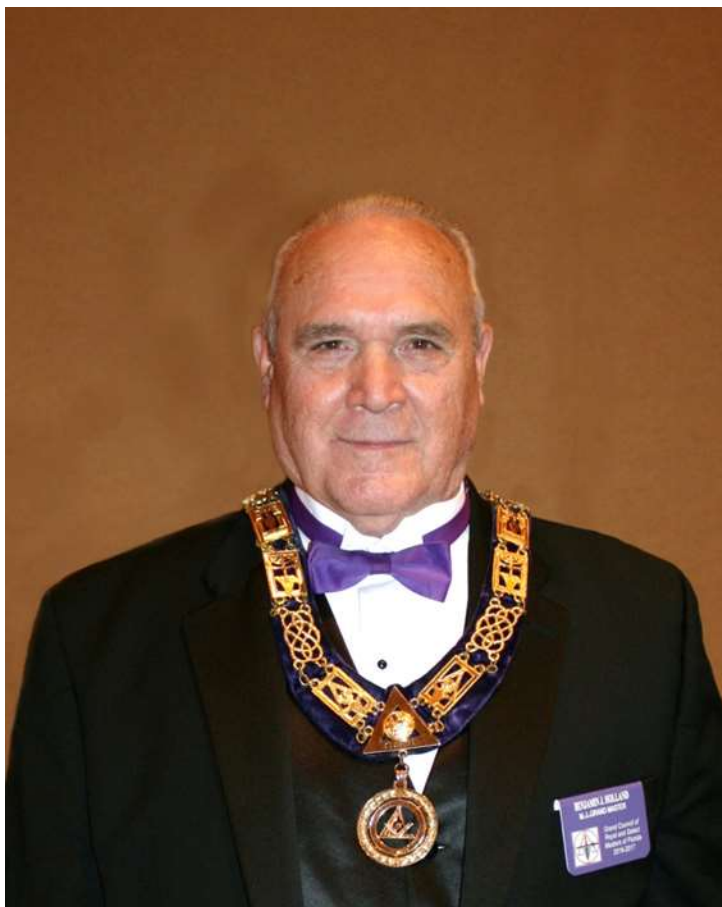
**ONE-HUNDRED THIRTY FOURTH
ANNUAL GRAND ASSEMBLY**

BENJAMIN J. HOLLAND
M. I. GRAND MASTER
PRESIDING

ROBERT C. ST. JOHN
M.I. GRAND MASTER
ELECTED

Held at Lake Mary, Florida
22 May, 2017 A. Dep. 3017

BENJAMIN J. HOLLAND
GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL & SELECT MASTER OF FLORIDA
MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER
2016-2017



MASONIC RESUME

BENJAMIN J HOLLAND
MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER
2016-2017

PERSONAL:

Born: 22 November 1938 in Mulberry, FL
 Parents: Teaford B and Dorothy L Holland
 Married: 8 August 1957 to Carol
 Retired: 2000- an Electrician from Farmland Hydro LP
 Has: 3 Children, 4 Grandchildren and 3 Great Grandchildren

BLUE LODGE:

January 2016 Senior Deacon
 17 September 2015 Demitted from Tuscon Lodge #6 to Corinthian Lodge
 #191 F&AM in Mulberry, FL
 28 June 2009 25 Year pin and Certificate
 31 May 2000 Zone Chairman Committee of the Public Education and
 Citizenship for Louis A King, GM
 January 1990 Worshipful Master
 Pass Master Degree at Grand Lodge
 January 1989 Senior Warden
 January 1988 Junior Warden
 January 1987 Senior Deacon
 January 1986 Junior Deacon
 29 February 1985 Certificate of Proficiency- Blue Card
 28 June 1984 Raised in Tuscon Lodge #6 F&AM in Bartow, FL
 24 May 1984 Pass
 8 March 1984 Initiated

SCOTTISH RITE:

13 April 1991 Master of Royal Secret
 32 Degree
 The Hollis Class in Lakeland, FL

YORK RITE:

May 2015 RI Deputy Grand Master under John L Home Jr, MIGM
 Audit Committee Member
 Budget & Finance Committee Member
 Committee on Work Committee Member
 Time & Place Committee Member
 May 2014 RI Grand Principal Conductor of the Work under
 H Warren Almand Jr, MIGM
 Fraternal Relations Committee Chair
 April 2013 I Grand Captain of the Guard under Dayle L Schrock, MIGM
 Audit Committee Member
 Distinguished Guests Committee Chair
 Perpetual Membership Committee Chair

May 2012	I Grand Conductor of the Council under Larry R Gillespie, MIGM Demitted from Bartow Commandery #15 to Lakeland Commandery #21KT, Lakeland, FL Consolidated Knowles G Oglesby Council #42 with Polk Council #11 R&SM, Lakeland, FL Consolidated Thomas Brown #22 with Lakeland Chapter #29 RAM, Lakeland, FL
May 2011	I Grand Steward under Daniel Fullwood, MIGM
May 2010	I Grand Sentinel under Howard H Gardner, MIGM
2007-2008	District Deputy for District #4 under Leroy E Fackler, REGC
May 2007	Ish Sodi Award from Louis A King, MIGM
2006-2007	District Deputy for District #4 under Louis A King, MIGM
1997	Illustrious Master for Knowles G Oglesby Council #42
29 May 1995	Charter Member of Knowles G Oglesby Council #42 R&SM, Bartow, FL
1991-1992	District Deputy for District #4 under William G Norrie, MIGM
May 1989	Goal Key Award from Vernon H Miller, MIGM
26 May 1987	Knight Crusaders of the Cross
May 1987	Commander, Bartow Commandery #15 KT, Bartow, FL
21 May 1986	Holy Order of the Priesthood, Grand York Rite, Winter Haven, FL
16 March 1986	Exalted, Thomas Brown #22 RAM, Bartow, FL class in Lakeland, FL
1986	High Priest for Thomas Brown #22 RAM, Bartow, FL
23 March 1985	Knighted, Bartow Commandery #15 KT, Lakeland, FL Greeted Polk Council #11 R&SM, Lakeland, FL
21 May 1979	Order of Anointed Kings, Silver Trowel

OTHER APPENDENT ORDERS:

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR:

2015	Member, Mulberry Chapter #57 OES Surrender Charter of Tropical Chapter #38 OES, Bartow, FL
1997-1998	Worthy Patron, Tropical Chapter #38 OES, Bartow, FL
June 1989	Tropical Chapter #38 OES, Bartow, FL

ROYAL ORDER OF SCOTLAND:

19 August 2006	Royal Order of Scotland, Tampa, FL
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KNIGHT MASONS:

2013	Excellent Chief
29 July 2000	Mystic Brotherhood Council#35, Knight Masons

RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE:

2013	Sovereign Master, Miami, FL
27 January 2001	Miami Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine

KNIGHT YORK CROSS OF HONOR:

2007 Prior, Miami, FL
22 May 1999 Miami Priory #10, Knights York Cross of Honor,
Miami, FL

YORK RITE COLLEGE:

13 March 1991 Pentagon York Rite College #62, Tampa, FL

EGYPT OF AONMS:

25 May 1985 Egypt of AONMS, Tampa, FL

GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL & SELECT MASTERS OF FLORIDA OFFICERS 2016-2017

M. I. Grand Master..... **Benjamin J. Holland (11) Carol**
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R. I. Deputy Grand Master..... **Robert C. St. John (8) Sharen**
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R. I. Grand Principal Conductor of Work..... **Glenn E. Chandler (3) Janet**
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R. I. Grand Recorder..... **L. Edward Villiaume III (14)**
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R. I. Grand Treasurer..... **Carl E. Gilmore (34) Gail**
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I. Grand Chaplain..... **Robert L. T. Phillips (4) Fran**
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I. Grand Conductor of the Council..... **Thomas J. Rawsthorne (30) Betty**
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Email: tom167hav@gmail.com

I. Grand Marshall..... **Donald J. Butler Jr (11)**
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Email: flbuthc@msn.com Cell: (863) 421-1976

I. Grand Steward..... **William A. Sorbie (9) Sherry**
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Email: allen.sorbie@gmail.com

I. Grand Sentinel..... **J. Michael Hartman (20) Judy**
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I. Grand Organist..... **David Meade (3) Judy**
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Email: dmeade22@aol.com

COUNCIL DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS
2016 -2017 (*Council's in that District*)

- No. 1 (10, 17, 24& 44)** **Brett A. Gordon (10)**
 5262 SW 155th Ave, Miramar, FL 33027
 Email: gordonphd@hotmail.com Cell: 954/802-8147
- No. 2 (9, 25& 41)** **Todd Meschelle (9) Shella**
 8305 43rd Avenue Dr W, Bradenton, FL 34209 941/737-4978
 Email: tmeschelle2000@yahoo.com Cell: 941/737-1978
- No. 3 (8, 14& 34)** **Richard C. Brooks (34)**
 825 Countrybrook Dr #13, Palm Harbor, FL 34684 727/785-1992
 Email: rbrook001@tampabay.rr.com
- No. 4 (4, 11, 40, 42& 43)**..... **Jack A. Holloway ()**
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 Email: iajack@verizon.com
- No. 5 (1, 5, 20, 28& 37)** **Erik B. Anderson (5) Mary Anne**
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- No. 6 (13, 36& 38)** **James B. Brown (13) Evelyn**
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 Email: waterway@cfl.rr.com
- No. 7 (3, 15& 18)** **Lloyd D. Newman (3)**
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 Email: ldnewman77@yahoo.com
- No. 8 (22, 27, 35& 39)** **Adam M. Bryan (27) Kieran**
 4140 SW Country Rd 341, Bell, FL 32619 352/286-4450
 Email: adamb1124@gmail.com
- No. 9 (26, 30& 31)** **Joseph L. Hall (26) Lauren**
 93 Dune Lake Circle Apt E-304, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459 850/660-6309
 Email: pcbjoe@gmail.com
- No. 10 (7, 29 &33)** **John M. Lewis (29) Sherry**
 511 Wexford Drive, Niceville, FL 32578 850/678-9597
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GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEES 2016-2017

Committee Name	Name	Position
Audit	Glenn E. Chandler	Chair
	Robert C. St. John	Member
	J. Michael Hartman	Member
Budget & Finance	Robert C. St. John	Chair
	Donald T. Harriott	Member
	Benjamin J. Holland	Member
Constitution Review	John L. Horne Jr.	Chair
	Wm. Allen Sorbie	Member
Convention Assistance	Donald J. Butler	Chair
Convention Board	Benjamin J. Holland	Chair
	C. Robert Cooper	Member
	Frederick R. Gerdorn	Member
Convention Souvenir	John F. Wermann	Chair
	A. J. Ahrens III	Member
CMMRF	Dayle L. Schrock	Chair
	Paul W. Friend	Member
	Glenn E. Chandler	Member
Distinguished Guests	Steven Q. Steele	Chair
	Richard S. Agster	Member
	Carl E. Gilmore	Member
Fraternal Relations	John D. Pickford	Chair
Grand Representativess	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	Chair
	Wm Allen Sorbie	Member
	J. Michael Hartman	Member
Grand Master's Advisory	Dayle L. Schrock	Chair
	Richard S. Agster	Member
	Larry R. Gillespie	Member
Homecoming	Larry R. Gillespie	Chair
	Donald J. Butler Jr	Member
Investment Advisory	Wm Lee Popham Sr.	1 year
	Judd W. Powell	2 years
	Charles L. Hollinger	3 years
Jurisprudence	Larry R. Gillespie	Chair
	All MIPGM's	
Legal Advisor	Richard S. Agster	Chair
Lodge Representative	J. Michael Hartman	Chair
Masonic Youth	A. J. Ahrens III	Chair
	John F. Wermann	Member
	Jack C. Maulden	Member

GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEES 2016-2017 (Continued)

Committee Name	Name	Position
Membership Development Training & Education	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	Chair
Mentor's Manual	Wm. Allen Sorbie	Chair
Necrology	Robert L. T. Phillips	Chair
Per Diem	Carl E. Gilmore	Chair
Photography	Richard A. Wolfe	Chair
	Dayle L. Schrock	Member
Perpetual Membership	Glenn E. Chandler	Chair
	James Gregory	Chair
Registration, Returns & Credentials	Luther Thompson	Member
	Todd A. Meschelle	Member
	Steven Q. Steele	Member
Thanks	John D. Pickford	Chair
Time & Place	Robert C. St. John	Chair
	Ronald Newton	Member
	Anthony L. Griffon	Member
Unfinished Business	John L. Horne Jr.	Chair
Committee on Work	Charles L. Hollinger	Chair
	Rusty M. Ludlam	Member
	John I. Gray	Member

ROLL CALL**GRAND LINE OFFICERS 2016-2017***(X Denotes Absent)*

	Benjamin J. Holland	M. I. Grand Master
	Robert C. St. John	R. I. Deputy Grand Master
	Glenn E. Chandler	R. I. Grand Prin Cond of Work
	Carl E. Gilmore	R. I. Grand Treasurer
X	L. Edward Villiaume III	R. Ex. Grand Secretary
	Robert L. T. Phillips	I. Grand Chaplain
	John D. Pickford	I. Grand Captain of the Guard
	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	I. Grand Conductor of the Council
	Donald Butler	I. Grand Marshall
	William A. Sorbie	I. Grand Steward
	J. Michael Hartman	I. Grand Sentinel
	David Meade	I. Grand Organist

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS*(X Denotes Absent)*

	No. 1	Brett Gordan	X	No. 6	James Brown
X	No. 2	Todd Meschelle		No. 7	Lloyd Newman
	No. 3	Richard Brooks		No. 8	Adam Bryan
	No. 4	Danny Myers	X	No. 9	Joseph Hall
X	No. 5	Erik Andersen		No. 10	John Lewis

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS PAST GRAND MASTERS*(X Denotes Absent)*

	1992	Robert E. Burluson	X	2007	George E. Malone
	1996	Paul W. Friend	X	2008	Dencel R. Smith
X	2000	Richard S. Agster		2009	Carl E. Gilmore
	2001	Charles L. Hollinger		2011	M. Daniel Fullwood
X	2002	Richard E. Foreman		2012	Larry R. Gillespie
X	2003	Stephen H. Clark		2013	Dayle L. Schrock
	2005	Donald T. Harriott		2014	H. Warren Almand
X	2006	Louis A. King		2015	John L. Horne Jr

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		Steven Q. Steele	Chair
X	Distinguished Guests	Richard S. Agster	Member
		Carl E. Gilmore	Member
		John D. Pickford	Chair
	Fraternal Relations	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	Chair
	Grand Reps	Wm Allen Sorbie	Member
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	Returns, Credentials & Registration	Luther Thompson	Member
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		Rusty M. Ludlam	Member
		John I. Gray	Member

**REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS
2016-2017 (X Denotes Absent)**

	COUNCIL	NO	NAME	TITLE
	Halifax	1	Stephen Morris	IM
			Paul W. Foege	DM
			Damon S. Sansom	PCW
	Hallmark	3	Lloyd Newman	IM
			Kolen W. Sawyer	DM
			Eric Cole	PCW
	Tyler	4	Robert W. Taylor	IM
			Louis K. Mittong II	DM
			Jeffrey Sklet	PCW
	Orlando	5	Christopher Frazier	IM
			George Woods	DM
			Nelson Bonet	PCW
	Union	7	Daniel R. Parks	IM
			William R. Paulchek Sr.	DM
			Ronald Naumowicz	PCW
	Tampa	8	Ken Scott	IM
			Scott McAlister	DM
			Stephan Korda	PCW
	Bradenton	9	Kenneth McCoy	IM
			Edgar Coles	DM
			Brian Johnsen	PCW
	Adoniram	10	Abraham Metz	IM
			Solomon M. Goldenberg	DM
			Richard Reboredo	PCW
	Polk	11	Dennis White	IM
			Danny Meyers	DM
			William F. Wyllie	PCW
X	Hiram	13	Dustin Celestin	IM
X			Scott Wise	DM
			C. Jerry Walters	PCW
	St Petersburg	14	Anthony L. Griffon	IM
			Charles J. Morris	DM
			Robert Kirkpatrick	PCW
	St. Augustine	15	Robert L. Owens	IM
			Matthew S. Sweeney	DM
			J. B. Hunt	PCW
	Zabud	17	William Owen Jr.	IM
			Mark V. Shone	DM
			David Felty	PCW
	Palatka	18	Kenneth Hinton	IM
			Chris C. Lanham	DM
			William Hicks	PCW

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS 2016-2017
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COUNCIL	NO	NAME	TITLE
Sanford	20	Michael Hindley	IM
		Charles Harper II	DM
		David Hendrick Sr	PCW
Ocala	22	Robert M. Reynolds	IM
		Dana K. Oldenberg	DM
		Randolph Shea	PCW
Lauderdale	24	Joseph R. Fretz	IM
		Stephan Viens	DM
		William Schmidt	PCW
Fort Myers	25	Richard Nelson	IM
		Richard Bayly	DM
		Gene Sims	PCW
Panama City	26	Peter K. Golden	IM
		Tony Powell	DM
		Larry Cruse	PCW
Gainesville	27	Adam M. Bryan	IM
		Harold Ritchie	DM
		Chris Sapp	PCW
Golden Triangle	28	David M. Rosenthal	IM
		Justin B. Marshal	DM
		Eric Kleinbach	PCW
Gulf	29	Donald A. Nystrom	IM
		Benjamin D. Gaillard	DM
		Donald Barbarisi	PCW
Seminole	30	George H. Schumacher	IM
		Gary Howze	DM
		Hector Guillion-Rivera	PCW
Mariana	31	Charles Morgan	IM
		Randall Tyre	DM
		Charles Sipes	PCW
Crestview	33	Robert L. Taylor	IM
		James R. McHenry	DM
		Roderic Mouer	PCW
Clearwater	34	Richard Brooks	IM
		John Wright	DM
		Charles Jordan	PCW

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS 2016-2017*(Continued) (X Denotes Absent)*

COUNCIL	NO	NAME	TITLE
Lake City	35	Troy Hollinger	IM
		Brian R. Poole	DM
		Don Cadrain	PCW
Tyrian	36	Thomas A. Randazzo	IM
		Gary R. Moore	DM
		Thomas Bomaminio	PCW
Melbourne	38	Wade A. Atchison	IM
		Charles L. Hollinger	DM
		George Goddard Jr.	PCW
Lawtey	39	Steven Persinger	IM
		Franklin Doyle	DM
		Howard D. Hall	PCW
Venice	41	A. J. Ahrens III	IM
		Damian Ostermeyer	DM
		John D. Powell	PCW
Highlands	43	Kenneth E. Cook Jr.	IM
		DeVerne Leham	DM
		Ronald Newton	PCW
Conch	44	Richard Bradley	IM
		David Roney	DM
		James Massaro	PCW
Notuma	45	Michael Santana	IM
		Gary Contave	DM
		Claude Kenol	PCW
Ahelstan	46	Donald G. Gay	IM
		Kevin W. Rentz	DM
		D. Rodney Moody	PCW

GRAND COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES 2016-2017*(X Denotes Absent)*

	AL	H Warren Almand		AK	L. Alvin Hill
X	AZ	Charles G Sipes		AR	Dana Fredey
	Austria			Brasil	
	CA	Larry R. Gillespie		CO	
	CT	John F Wermann		Croatia	
	DE	Charles Hollinger		DC	Sheldon R. Arpad
X	Eastern Canada	Robert I. Moore	X	England & Wales	Richard Wolfe
	France	John D. Powell		GA	John M Lewis

GRAND COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES 2016-2017 (Continued)
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	Germany		Greece	
	HI	Daryl A. D'Angina	ID	
	IL		IN	Dayle L. Schrock
	IW		Isreal	
	Italy	A.J. Ahrens III	KS	
	KY	Paul W. Friend	LA	Robert E. Burleson
X	ME	Louis A. King	MD	Richard E. Foreman
	MA	Benjamin J. Holland	MI	Rodger L. Craig Sr.
	MN		MS	Steven Q. Steele
	MO	Frank Clawson	MT	William F. Wylie
	NE		X NV	Joe K. West
X	NH	Ralph Vaughan	NJ	Donald T. Harriott
X	NM	Dean F. Harwood	New S Wales, Australia	
	NY		New Zealand	
X	NC	Richard S. Agster	ND	John L. Home Jr
	OH	E. Randy Spradling	OK	
	Ontario, Canada	Adrian Ray Kinser	OR	Dayle L. Schrock
	Panama	John D. Pickford	X PA	Wayne Parks
X	Philippines	Tony C. Gagarin	Portugal	Thomas J. Rawsthorne
	RI	Henry A. Adams	Romania	
	Scotland		S Australia, Australia	
	SC	William R. Jacobs	SD	Luther Bodiford III
	TN	Glenn E. Chandler	X TX	Charles Perez
	Togo		X UT	Edwin B. Moore, III
	VT		Victoria, Australia	
	VA		X WA	Charles Cury
	WV	Joseph Coster	Western Canada	Rusty M. Ludlam
	WI	Frederick L. Piasecki	WY	Robert C. St. John

**THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER YEAR
END REPORT 2016-2017**

To the General Grand Officers, Illustrious Grand Council, Grand Council Officers, Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters, Distinguished Guests from in and out of the state and all the Companions of the State of Florida.

I welcome each of you to the 137th Annual Grand Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Florida. I hope that you will enjoy your stay here at Lake Mary.

I, Benjamin J. Holland, Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Florida. I wish to thank all of the Companions for electing me to preside over this Grand Council for the 2016 – 2017 Cryptic year. I also would like to thank all the Companions for the support and hospitality shown to me from the councils within this great State of Florida. I also would like to thank the Grand Officers and District Deputy Grand Masters for the great work they did in their commitment to “Unity and Working Together” for the 2016 – 2017 Cryptic Year.

VISITATIONS

As the Most Illustrious Grand Master, I represented the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Florida by representing the Companions at the Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Florida in Jacksonville; two Grand Lodge District Meetings one in Pensacola and the other in Winter Haven; the Southeast York Rite Conference in Jackson, Mississippi and the Board meeting of the CMMRF at Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis, Indiana. Grand York Rite sessions attended included the

Alabama Grand York Rite Session in Birmingham, Alabama; North Carolina Grand York Rite Session in Greensboro, North Carolina and the Georgia Grand York Rite Session in Macon, Georgia. I was pleased to support our youth by attending Florida DeMolay Grand Conclave in Jacksonville, and the Florida Grand Assembly International Order of Rainbow for Girls in Palm Harbor. I also attended four Table Councils, three York Rite Festivals and four Installations; three were York Rite and one Blue Lodge. I attended all ten of the Grand York Rite District Meetings, numerous Councils and other meetings of local and appendant Orders. Home Comings of the MEGHP and REGC were attended.

DISPENSATIONS

DENIED ONE (1), APPROVED SIX (6) AND NEITHER APPROVED OR DENIED TWO (2)

2016-1	07-12-16	GoldenTriangle #28	Start stated meeting at 6:30pm instead of 7:30pm as By-Laws state. After confer&S degree w/Sanford #20 = Halifax #1. DENIED
2016-2	08-11-16	Hiram #13	Special election of Treasurer and install thereafter
2016-3	12-02-16	Sanford #20	Wear Aprons and Jewels at the City Christmas Parade
2016-4	12-05-16	Venice #41	Joint installation at Braidentown Lodge #99
2016-5	12-27-16	Lawtey #39	Hold public installation at Middleburg Lodge #107

DISPENSATIONS (Continued)

2016-6	01-23-17	Lawtey #39	Hold stated meeting at Middleburg Lodge #107, Temporarily, until the By-Laws is changed
2016-7	03-04-17	Tyrian #36	Move Charter from Ft Pierce Lodge to Box Ranch for Spring Festival
2016-8		Venice #41	Joint installation at Sarasota Lodge #147 at 6:30pm. NEITHER APPROVED NOR DENIED
2016-9		Lawtey #39	Move Charter to Middleburg #107 from Lawtey #189. NEITHER APPROVED NOR DENIED. Sent letter, 90days to change by-lawsand send to GM

Copies of the Dispensations are on file in the Grand York Rite Office and with the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

I issued three (3) Executive Orders, two (2) in the draping of the alter in the Councils for Remembrance of our most beloved PGM's

Executive Order #1	Drape alter + 30 days for MI Vernon E. Adams	28 Jun 2016
Executive Order #2	Drape alter + 30 days for MI A.A. Pete Bennett	23 Feb 2017
Executive Order #3	Reinvest the Perpetual Membership Fund with Edward Jones.	12 Mar 2017
Executive Order #4	Move monies from Contingency Fund to reimburse Keith Dean Judges	8 May 2017
Executive Order #5	Companion John R. Miller to pro-tem for the Grand Secretry L. Edward Villiaume III	12 May 2017

Copies of the Executive Orders are on file in Grand York Rite Office and with the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee.

BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

I received twelve (12) requests to amend by-laws: One (1) denied and eleven (11) approved.

2016-2	06-08-16	Sanford #20	Meet 2 nd Tuesday on even months at 7:30pm.
2016-1	06-14-16	St Augustine #15	The effective date. Chapter meetings in Councils by-laws. Meet 3 rd Tuesday, even months. DENIED
2016-11	06-20-16	Palatka #18	Constitution & Regulations of Grand Council of R & S Masters of Florida
2016-3	07-25-16	Hallmark #03	Meet on 2 nd Thursday each month at 7:30pm

BYLAWS AMENDMENTS (Continued)

2016-4	08-20-16	St Augustine #15	Meet 3 rd Tuesday, even months
2016-7	11-20-16	St Augustine #15	Dues- Council per capita + \$10
2016-5	12-02-16	Braidentown #9	Change election and installation of Officers being held on or after last stated assembly in Dec. & by 27 Dec
2016-6	12-02-16	Braidentown #9	Meet 2 nd Wednesday on even months at 7:30pm
2016-8	12-22-16	Polk #11	Change fees to bylaws in agreement to Constitution & Regulations of Grand Council of R & S Masters of Florida
2016-9	01-17-17	Hiram #13	Dues
2016-10	03-14-17	Lawtey #39	Constitution & Regulations of Grand Council of R & S Masters of Florida
2016-12	03-30-17	Golden Triangle #28	Change meeting to Wednesday on even months at 7:00pm

Copies of the By-Laws Amendments are on file in the York Rite Office and the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee.

NECROLOGY

Our line of Grand Council Officers this Cryptic year was not broken by death; however we are saddened by the lost of two of our Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters this year.

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS VERNON E. ADAMS, PAST GRAND MASTER,
who served this Grand Council in 1999 – 2000

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS A. A. “PETE” BENNETT, PAST GRAND
MASTER, who served this Grand Council in 1995 – 1996

Also we lost many Companions this year whom are mourned by us that were left behind, we extend our deepest sympathy and prayers to their families.

VOUCHERS/WARRANTS

We mourn the loss of many Companions this year and we extend our deepest sympathy and prayers to their families.

I approved and signed vouchers numbering 2016-1 through 2016-22, totaling \$39,011.38.

2016-1	1 ST QTR draw for Office Account		\$ 4,152.50
2016-2	Gen Gr Council Int'l		\$ 7,280.00
2016-3	\$100.00 for District Meetings		\$ 1,000.00
2016-4	Benjamin Holland- Stipend 1 st QTR		\$ 1,500.00
2016-5	SE Conference-Benjamin Holland	\$ 100.00	
	SE Conference- Robert St. John	\$ 100.00	\$ 200.00
2016-6	Summer Assembly- GYR of NC		\$ 100.00
2016-7	Youth Coins		\$ 1,000.00

VOUCHERS/WARRANTS (Continued)

2016-8	2 nd QTR draw for Office Account	\$4,152.00	
	1 st QTR Treasurer	\$ 450.00	
	1 st QTR Recorder	\$1,000.00	\$ 5,602.50
2016-9	Auto Insurance		\$ 278.00
2016-10	Robert St. John- Stipend 1 st QTR		\$ 500.00
2016-11	3 rd QTR for Office Account	\$4,152.00	
	2 nd QTR Treasurer	\$ 450.00	
	2 nd QTR Recorder	\$1,000.00	\$ 5,602.50
2016-12	Benjamin Holland- Stipend 2 nd QTR		\$ 1,000.00
2016-13	Florida Corporate Tax	\$ 61.25	
	4 th QTR draw for Office Account	\$4,152.50	
	3 rd QTR Treasurer	\$ 450.00	
	3 rd QTR Recorder	\$1,000.00	\$ 5,663.50
2016-14	Brown & Brown Insurance		\$ 956.00
2016-15	Robert St. John- Stipend 2 nd QTR		\$ 500.00
2016-16	Benjamin Holland- Allowance		\$ 1,000.00
2016-17			
2016-18	Lapel pins	\$ 490.00	
	Shipping	\$ 12.50	\$ 502.50
2016-19	Lapel pins	\$ 373.00	
	Shipping	\$ 10.50	\$ 383.50
2016-20	4 th QTR Treasurer	\$ 450.00	
	4 th QTR Recorder	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,450.00
2016-21	Carl Gilmore- Keith Dean Ritual Award		\$ 40.13
2016-22	Per Executive Order #4-Keith Dean Judges		\$ 300.00
	TOTAL		\$39,011.38

Copies of all vouchers are on file with the Grand Treasurer and Jurisprudence Committee.

APPOINTMENTS**GRAND COUNCIL APPOINTED OFFICERS 2016- 2017**

III Gr Chaplain	Robert L. T Phillips	(4)
III Gr Captain of the Guard	John D. Pickford	(36)
III Gr Conductor of the Council	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	(30)
III Gr Marshal	Donald J. Butler Jr	(11)
III Gr Steward	William A. Sorbie	(9)
III Gr Sentinel	J. Michael Hartman	(20)
III Gr Organist	David R. Meade	(3)

**GRAND COUNCIL DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS
2016-2017**

District No. 1	10, 17, 24, 44	Brett A. Gordon (10)
District No. 2	9, 25, 41, 45	Todd A. Meschelle (9)
District No. 3	8, 14, 34	Richard C. Brooks (34)
District No. 4	4, 11, 43	Jack A. Holloway *
District No. 5	1, 5, 20, 28, 37	Erik B. Andersen (5)
District No. 6	13, 36, 38	James B. Brown (13)
District No. 7	3, 15, 18	Lloyd D. Newman (3)
District No. 8	22, 27, 35, 39	Adam M. Bryan (27)
District No. 9	26, 30, 31	Joseph L. Hall (26)
District No. 10	7, 29, 33	John M. Lewis (29)

*NOTE: I appointed Jack A. Holloway, DDGM of District #4 after Danny C. Myers made one visitat one oftheCouncilsinthe District and then moved out of state.

GRAND COUNCIL AWARDS FOR 2016-2017

CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR

2016	Robert Stearns
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CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR MEDAL HOLDERS (*Living*)

1976	Hugh F. Moore	1981	Theodore S. Jansen
1983	E. L. "Lank" Green	1987	Albin W. DiPasca
1989	Leslie H. Scott, Jr.	1991	Joseph H. Sanford
1992	Olen G. Giles	1993	Fred M. Morris
1995	George P. Kalv	1996	Charles E. Green, Sr
1997	Edward S. Thompson	1999	Joe Ken West
2000	Donald Nassiff	2001	Darrell O. Atkin
2003	Steven Q Steele	2004	Jesse Johnson
2005	Ralph E. Vaughan	2006	Vernon Clark
2007	Albert Hadigan	2008	David Aponte
2009	C. Robert Cooper	2010	Leslie H. Whitman
2011	Robert St. John	2012	Lloyd Wilkerson
2013	J Michael Hartman	2014	Richard E. Foreman
2015	John F Wermann		

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL YOUTH AWARD

2016	Hillary Cowart Jr.
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GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL YOUTH AWARD HOLDERS (*Living*)

1986	Walter Hammond	1987	Frank Clawson
1988	Harry A Rosenthal Jr	1993	Quinnie Williams Sr
1994	Alan J Gaulich	1995	Vernon Adams
1997	Allen T Simmons	1998	Zeb E Blanton Jr
1999	Burt Maguire	2000	William Marti
2001	Jerry Maguire	2002	Jim Cheek
2003	Luther Bodiford III	2005	Richard S Agster
2006	Richard E Lynn	2007	Charles Levan
2008	Robert R Gagnon	2009	Hugh W Prine Jr
2011	Michael A Padron Jr	2012	Roger White
2013	Jack Maulden	2014	A. Raymond Kinser
2015	A J LaRose		

GIBLIMITE RECIPIENTS

Orlando Council No. 5	625
Tyler Council No. 4	400
Palatka Council No. 18	380
Gulf Council No. 29	310
Lauderdale Council No. 24	295
Seminole Council No. 30	292
Athelstan Council No. 46	275
Gainesville Council No. 27	255
Lake City Council No. 35	250
Union Council No. 7	235
Crestview Council No. 33	215
Polk Council No. 11	215
Bradentown Council No. 9	210
Golden Triangle Council No. 28	210
Hallmark Council No. 3	191
Sanford Council No. 20	190
Adoniram Council No. 10	185
Marianna Council No. 31	180
Clearwater Council No. 34	175
Venice Council No. 41	175

ISH SODI AWARDS

Donald J. Butler Jr.	Polk Council #11	Lakeland
Adam D. Bryan	Gainesville Council #27	Gainesville
Fred Gerdom	Polk Council #11	Lakeland
Lloyd D. Newman	Hallmark Council #3	Jacksonville
Robert L. T. Phillips	Tyler Council #4	Plant City
John Winfree Jr.	Panama City #26	Panama City

WALTER I. STEVENSON GRAND MASTER'S AWARD

Companion Dayle L. Schrock	Melbourne Council #38
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DARRELL ATKIN AWARD

Hallmark Council #3, Jacksonville
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KEITH W. DEAN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Athelstan #46, Fernandina Beach
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STATE OF THE CRAFT

The Craft is improving in opening and closing over the state. The festivals that I attended were performed very well. The District Deputy Grand Masters did a great job in presenting my theme of UNITY and WORKING TOGETHER. The Illustrious Masters that used the Instructors Manual as their Masonic education at their meetings showed improvement. However, over all we still need to work to improve in opening and closing without the use of a ritual and the Illustrious Masters need to pick a Companion so only one Ritual is open to prompt the companions when they need help. In addition, Companions we need to LOVE ONE ANOTHER memorize our work and always use LONG FORM when opening a Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. I recommend that we continue to have Festive Table Councils and other fundraisers in each District to support CMMRF.
2. I recommend that we write a Select Masters Degree Proficiency so that the Grand Master will have a choice between Royal Master and Select Master for the Keith Dean Award of Excellence
3. I recommend that the Grand Master and Chairman of the CMMRF go to Indiana University to attend the General Grand Council CMMRF Board Meeting when possible.
4. I recommend that the Companions that are grading for the Keith Dean Award of Excellence be reimbursed for their cost.

GRAND COUNCIL GOALS 2016 – 2017

1. Leave the Grand Council in good financial condition.
2. Have a minimum of ten percent increase in membership.
3. Increase proficiency in degree work and eliminate books and note cards.
4. Conduct at least one Festive Table Council in each district with a goal of one in each Council.
5. Have a fund raising event for the CMMRF program.
6. Participation of 100 percent of the Councils and the collection of at least \$2.00 for each member for contribution to the CMMRF program.
7. Have each constituent Council to submit score sheets for the Giblemit Award.
8. Have a ritual team from a Council or District to compete for The Keith W. Dean Ritual Competition Award.
9. To have the IM's of each Constituent Council to present and use some portion of the "Instructors Manual" at every stated meeting.
10. Continue and improve the lodge Representative program.

11. Update the Mentors Manual.
12. Establish a better working relationship between all Masonic organizations within the Grand Jurisdiction of Florida.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONCLUSION

I would like to thank again all the Council Members who elected me as the Grand Master this Cryptic year. The Companions I met throughout this great State and other States is an experience I will never forget. A special thanks is given to M:I:Howard H. Gardner who asked me to serve as the Grand Sentinel, and all companions who helped Him to select me. Thank you to M:I: Larry R. Gillespie, Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee and M:I:Dayle L. Schrock, Chairman of CMMRF who asked me to travel with him to Indiana to learn more about CMMRF. In addition, all Past Grand Masters who have advanced before me through the Progressive Grand Line and all the Past Grand Masters who gave me advice when I needed it. To the families of our Past Grand Masters who have passed on to Grand Council above. I also want to thank the Companions who sold Youth Coins to help raise money for our Youth.

Most of all, I thank the Lady I Married 60 years ago this coming August the eighth, Carol, who gave her love, support and traveled with me everywhere I went. I LOVE YOU with all my heart.

Faternally,

Benjamin J. Holland, MIGM

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER JUNE 2016 THROUGH MAY 2017

TO: The Grand Council of Royal and Select
Masters of Florida

For the Fraternal year of 2016-17 the following report is submitted:

Budget; The Expenses of the Fiscal Year were less than anticipated by some 23%, leaving a surplus of almost \$12,000. Further the operation of the Grand Office also was accomplished for less than budgeted, returning some \$1,800 to the Grand Council.

This was the second year for Carl Gilmore as Grand Treasurer and thus, it was determined that several new procedures would be of benefit. These include:

- A. The conversion of the Life and Perpetual Membership program in a modern database program called "Access". This allows more automatic information searches and reports.
- B. The above allowed the Life/Perpetual payouts to be accomplished early in January and thus, of more immediate use by the Local Bodies in paying per capita tax.

C. In the coming year the chart of past per capita rates will be published with the payout report to the Local Body. This will make filling out the per capita tax report handier for the Secretary/Recorder.

The Investment Committee has been both active and informed monthly of the two Investment Account's activity and market impacts. There has been both group and individual communication regarding the investments. The Investment Committee will have its own report for the Craft, but I can say that the Committee has been attentive to achieving the goals of the two investment vehicles. The Administrative Fund gained over \$25,000 in value and the Life/Perpetual Fund over \$17,000 in spite of making the annual payout of over \$12,000.

I'm pleased to announce that the Perpetual Fund has in 2016 gained 8 new members for a total of 543 members and, at the end of 2016, the fund is valued at 34% more than the total member investment. (This percent gained is NOT a one year gain, rather represents the good stewardship of many years.) I thank the Craft for this opportunity to serve as Grand Treasurer. Copies of the Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Statements to date and Perpetual Membership Investment and Payout for this year are attached herewith.

Fraternally Submitted,
Carl Gilmore, REPGC & MIPGM
Grand Treasurer

GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL & SELECT MASTERS GRAND COUNCIL BALANCE SHEET 2016-2017

Account	31 May 2017 Balance
ASSETS	
CASH & BANK ACCOUNTS	
GRAND COUNCIL	\$ 36,030.66
GRAND COUNCIL MM XX8781	\$ 14,105.51
LIFE /PERPETUAL CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 4,623.85
TOTAL CASH & BANK ACCOUNTS	\$ 54,760.02
OTHER ASSETS	
ADMINISTRATIVE FUND INVESTMENT ACCT	\$223,212.14
LIFE/PERPETUAL FUND INVESTMENT ACCT	\$329,440.69
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$552,652.83
TOTAL ASSETS	\$607,412.85

**GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL & SELECT MASTERS
GRAND COUNCIL BALANCE SHEET 2016-2017 (Continued)**

LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
LIABILITIES	
OTHER LIABILITIES	
20025- YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS	\$ 300.00
40040- TRIENNIAL FUND	\$ 2,405.46
40050- CARRYOVER FUNDS	\$ 12,266.62
40051- COLLECTED ADVANCED PER CAPITA	\$ 42,847.00
40059- EQUIP REPLACEMENT FUND	\$ 628.19
40060- CHARITY FUND	\$ 300.00
40082- YOUTH COINS	\$ 1,000.00
INV ADMIN ACCT 31 MAY 2017	\$197,929.50
INV ADMIN- UNREALIZED GAIN/LOSS	\$ 0.00
INV LIFE/PERPETUAL ACCT OF 31 MAY 2015	\$318,301.04
INV LIFE/PERPETUAL- UNREALIZED GAIN/LOSS	\$ 0.00
LIFE PERPETUAL FUND	\$ 4,623.85
TOTAL OTHER LIABILITIES	\$580,601.66
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$580,601.66
EQUITY	\$ 26,811.19
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$607,412.85

**GRAND COUNCIL BUDGET
1 JUNE 2016 THROUGH - 31 MAY 2017**

CATEGORY	06/01/2016 ACTUAL	BUDGET	05/31/2017 DIFFERENCE
EXPENSES	\$ 39,387.27	\$ 51,325.00	\$ 11,937.73
20010- ALLOWANCES	\$ 11,025.50	\$ 11,100.00	\$ 74.50
20011- GRAND MASTER	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 0.00
20012- DEP GR MASTER	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.00
20014- JEWEL, APRON & CASE	\$ 725.50	\$ 600.00	\$ 74.50
20015- GRAND TREASURER	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 0.00
20016- GRAND RECORDER	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 0.00
20020 · CHARITIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20022 · YOUTH CHARITIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20023 · MASONIC HOME	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20024- GR MASTERS CHARITY DONATION	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20025- YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00

GRAND COUNCIL BUDGET
1 JUNE 2016 – 31 MAY 2017 (Continued)

CATEGORY	06/01/2016 ACTUAL	BUDGET	05/31/2016 DIFFERENC E
20030 · MEETINGS	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,233.00	\$ 233.00
20031 · TRIENNIAL	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 0.00
20032 · DISTRICT MEETINGS	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 100.00
20033 · SUMMER ASSEMBLY	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00
20034 · MIGM SE CONF	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00
20035 · RIDGM SE CONF	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00
20036 · RPCW SE CONF	\$ 0.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20037 · GRAND REC SE CONF	\$ 0.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 33.00
20040 · GRAND CONVOCATION	\$ 595.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 7,904.00
20050- OFFICE EXPENSES	\$ 6,610.00	\$ 6,610.00	\$ 0.00
20051- OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
20052 · POSTAGE	\$ 0.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
20053 · RENT	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
20054 · TELEPHONE	\$ 0.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
20055 · UTILITIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20056 · COMPUTER EXP	\$ 0.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
20057 · COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	\$ 0.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
20058 · STORAGE	\$ 0.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 460.00
20058A · FUTURE MOVING EXPENSE	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20059- EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
20060- PRINTING	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00
20061- GEN PRINTING EXP	\$ 0.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
20062- PROCEEDINGS	\$ 0.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
20063- RITUALS	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20065- COPIER MAINTENANCE	\$ 0.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20066 · PRINTING EXPENSES	\$ 0.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20067- YORK RITE DISCS	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20070 · SALARIES, STIPENDS, PAYROLL TAXES	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 0.00
20073 · OFFICE MANAGER	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 0.00
20074 · OFFICE TEMPORARY HELP	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.00

GRAND COUNCIL BUDGET
1 JUNE 2016 – 31 MAY 2017 (Continued)

CATEGORY	06/01/2016 ACTUAL	BUDGET	05/31/2017 DIFFERENCE
20080 · TAXES	\$ 7,341.25	\$ 8,892.00	\$ 1,550.75
20081 · FLORIDA CORPORATION TAX	\$ 61.25	\$ 62.00	\$ 0.75
20082 · GENERAL GR PER CAPITA TAX	\$ 7,280.00	\$ 8,830.00	\$ 1,550.00
20090 · SUNDRY	\$ 1,814.88	\$ 2,665.00	\$ 850.12
20091 · EDUCATION & TRAINING	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20092 · AWARDS	\$ 580.88	\$ 505.00	\$ - 75.88
20095 · INSURANCE	\$ 1,234.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -266.00
20096 · CONTINGENCIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00
20097 · GR OFFICERS JEWELS & APRONS	\$ 0.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
20099 · WEB HOSTING	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
20102 · BANK SERVICE CHARGES	\$ 0.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
20110 · RESERVES	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
NET DIFFERENCE	\$-39,387.27	\$-51,325.00	\$ 11,937.73

**PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP
LIFE PERPETUAL PAYOUT FOR 2016-2017**

COU #	LIFE		PERPETUAL		TOTAL	
	INV AMT	PAYOUT	INV AMT	PAYOUT	INV AMT	PAYOUT
1	\$ 267.00	\$ 13.35	\$ 1,040.00	\$ 52.00	\$ 1,307.00	\$ 65.35
3	\$ 3,682.50	\$ 184.13	\$ 8,415.60	\$ 420.78	\$ 12,098.10	\$ 604.91
4	\$ 569.03	\$ 28.45	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 2,069.03	\$ 103.45
5	\$ 3,843.30	\$ 192.17	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 6,643.30	\$ 332.17
7	\$ 3,705.46	\$ 185.27	\$ 5,300.00	\$ 265.00	\$ 9,005.46	\$ 450.27
8	\$ 5,280.10	\$ 266.03	\$ 8,605.00	\$ 430.25	\$ 13,885.10	\$ 696.28
9	\$ 834.60	\$ 41.73	\$ 2,080.00	\$ 104.00	\$ 2,914.60	\$ 145.73
10	\$	\$	\$105,542.00	\$5,277.10	\$105,542.00	\$ 5,277.10
11	\$ 7,120.55	\$ 356.03	\$ 2,480.00	\$ 124.00	\$ 9,600.55	\$ 480.03
13	\$ 485.50	\$ 28.58	\$ 1,311.83	\$ 65.59	\$ 1,797.33	\$ 94.17
14	\$ 3,236.10	\$ 161.81	\$ 3,766.60	\$ 188.33	\$ 7,002.70	\$ 350.14
15	\$ 280.20	\$ 14.01	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 2,680.20	\$ 134.01
17	\$ 1,493.10	\$ 74.66	\$ 2,538.80	\$ 126.94	\$ 4,031.90	\$ 201.60
18	\$ 839.90	\$ 42.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 1,339.90	\$ 67.00
20	\$	\$	\$ 3,580.00	\$ 179.00	\$ 3,580.00	\$ 179.00
22	\$	\$	\$ 3,660.00	\$ 183.00	\$ 3,660.00	\$ 183.00
24	\$ 1,054.30	\$ 52.72	\$ 11,560.00	\$ 578.00	\$ 12,614.30	\$ 630.72
25	\$ 2,296.10	\$ 114.81	\$ 680.00	\$ 34.00	\$ 2,976.10	\$ 148.81
26	\$	\$	\$ 700.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 35.00
27	\$	\$	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 105.00
28	\$ 286.40	\$ 14.32	\$ 3,079.60	\$ 153.98	\$ 3,366.00	\$ 168.30
29	\$	\$	\$ 360.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 18.00
30	\$ 1,593.60	\$ 79.68	\$ 3,540.00	\$ 177.00	\$ 5,133.60	\$ 256.68
31	\$ 60.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 1,391.00	\$ 69.55	\$ 1,451.00	\$ 72.55
33	\$ 449.10	\$ 22.46	\$ 2,080.00	\$ 104.00	\$ 2,529.10	\$ 126.46
34	\$ 2,069.28	\$ 103.46	\$ 4,240.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 6,309.28	\$ 315.46
35	\$ 353.50	\$ 17.68	\$ 320.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 673.50	\$ 33.68
36	\$ 312.00	\$ 15.60	\$ 7,227.20	\$ 361.36	\$ 7,539.20	\$ 376.96
38	\$ 1,171.80	\$ 58.59	\$ 3,717.60	\$ 185.88	\$ 4,889.40	\$ 244.47
39	\$ 231.50	\$ 11.58	\$ 850.00	\$ 42.50	\$ 1,081.50	\$ 54.08
41	\$ 1,070.50	\$ 53.53	\$ 5,338.00	\$ 266.90	\$ 6,408.50	\$ 320.43
43	\$ 110.00	\$ 5.50	\$	\$	\$ 110.00	\$ 5.50
44	\$	\$	\$ 580.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 580.00	\$ 29.00
TOTAL	\$42,695.42	\$2,141.15	\$203,283.23	\$10,164.16	\$245,978.65	\$ 12,305.31
FUND AMT 31 DEC 2016 BEFORE PAYOUT				\$330,807.49	34% GROWTH	

GRAND COUNCIL OF R&SM FOR THE STATE OF FL GRAND RECORDERS REPORT 2016-2017

This year continues to be a busy year at the Grand Office. The requests for certificates and special requests are coming in at a constant rate. Book sales out of the Grand Office has increased greatly making it necessary to reorder ritual books three times during the year. The sales, reprinting, and mailing of ritual books is being handled out of the Grand Office account instead of each individual body making the bookkeeping of monies easier to handle.

During the year I have obtained an Access membership database from the Grand York Rite of Georgia. The database has been modified for Florida use and data conversion from our present database to the new Access database is now in process. When this is database conversion is completed and the system put on line the monthly reports will no longer be necessary because each Secretary will be able to enter all information directly into the database. Hopefully this conversion and beta testing will be done shortly and the system should be up and running by this time next year.

Monthly reports are still an ongoing issue. While we appreciate those that do send in their reports, there are still a few constituent bodies that do not consistently send their reports in. These reports help the Grand Office to keep all membership records up to date and in line with the General Grand Bodies. It is imperative that these reports be submitted on time, and in the format provided.

We continue to make strides with our web site – www.flgyr.org – as we move into another great year. The addition of fillable forms, as well as the communication, has been an asset. The web site will be continually updated and old information removed. All requests for information to be placed on the web site will continue to be made through the Grand Office for approval. It was decided by the Grand Presiding Officers that the only information on the web site will be directly related to the York Rite only. The web site will continue to provide links to other bodies but no information on these other organizations will be put on the web site.

The following census information for the year as taken from the annual reports is as follows:

Total Active Councils		35	
Total Active Membership		3550	
Gain in Membership		Loss In Membership	
Greeted	89	Demitted	37
Affiliated	6	Suspended	222
Reinstated	14	Deceased	107
Adjustments	3	Expelled	2
Total Gain		Total Loss	381
Gain/Loss		-269	
Active as of 12/31/16		3281	

GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS 2016-2017

GRAND MASTER'S ADVISORY 2016-2017

Thank you, Most Illustrious Grand Master Benjamin J. Holland, for allowing us to serve you and the craft in the capacity of the Grand Masters Advisory Committee.

We appreciate all the calls and questions. It was a pleasure working with you this Cryptic Year.

Your knowledge of Cryptic Masonry made our job much easier as you knew where to find information in the Constitution.

Dayle L. Schrock, MIPGM, 2013

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT 2016-2017

The Pro-Temps and members of the Audit Committee met at the offices of the Florida Grand York Rite Secretary-Recorder, located at the Tampa York Rite Bodies building, 4210 W. Oklahoma Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33616 on Saturday, 19 March 2017, for the purpose of reviewing the Grand Council Treasurer/Recorder's books and records for the fiscal year 1 June 2015 to 31 May 2016.

Due to illness, the Grand Secretary/Recorder was unable to attend, but the Grand Treasurer was very helpful in assisting the Audit Committee members in attendance in locating and spot-checking financial documents.

The Books and Records were examined, and found to be in good order. A sampling of Warrants were checked for proper signature authority, tied to checks, and then traced to the cash disbursements listed in the bank statements. Receipts were tied into the appropriate bank statements. Bank statements were reconciled for two random, non-consecutive months, within the fiscal year. All Deposits-in-transit and outstanding checks were accounted for during the sample months.

The Income and Gains earned in the Administrative Investment Account are reflected in the Balance Sheet, but not in the Income Statement. The Balance Sheet includes the increases in Equity and Income from both the Administrative Investment Account and the Life/Perpetual Investment Account. While this accurately reflects the Income Earned from the increases in value of both Investment Accounts during the year, it should be noted that the earnings in the Life/Perpetual Investment Account are Restricted for the exclusive use of the Life/Perpetual annual payments to the appropriate Commandery(s).

The Audit Committee applauds the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder on a job well done.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the other committeemen to thank the Most Illustrious Benjamin Holland, MIGM, for allowing us to serve the Grand Council this past year.

Courteously and Fraternaly,

R.I. Wm. Lee Popham Sr., Chairman - Pro-Temps
R.I. Robert C. St. John, Jr. – Pro-Temps
PIM John E. Drewett – Pro-Temps

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE 2016-2017

The Budget and Finance Committee and pro-tem members met at the Tampa York Rite facility on March 19, 2017 to review and approve the budget which will be presented at the 2017 Grand Assembly for final adoption.

Based on information provided by the Grand Treasurer, there were some adjustments made to income, expenses, and several accounting areas.

Specifically, the income was adjusted to reflect the current per-capita rate paid by approximately 2700 of our 3300 members. It was suggested that we remove most of the convention entries from the budget as these are documented within the Grand York Rite Convention Fund accounts; the exception being any surplus share of the convention fund which is distributed to the Grand Council after the convention and expenses specifically related to the Grand Council such as the “comps” for distinguished visitors and widows of our Past Grand Illustrious Masters.

Fraternaly,

Robert St. John, DGM, Chairman
Carl Gilmore, MIPGM, Grand Treasurer, Pro-tem member
John Drewett, Pro-tem member

COMMITTEE ON WORK REPORT FY 2016 – 2017 PRELIMINARY

The Grand Council of Florida was again positioned toward strength for its Cryptic year through well informed proficiency experts representing it. Additionally, the year was productive in that the Royal Master and Select Master degrees were conferred in several districts through slow classes held on meeting nights or two day, weekend festivals, whose particulars were communicated by the respective Councils to the Grand Recorder (see new greetings reported by the Grand Recorder). A ritual discrepancy to be investigated brought to light by Companion Robby Robinson was reported here at the end of the Cryptic year concerning the flag ceremony in the reprinted 6th revision forward violating flag etiquette. This matter shall be forwarded to be addressed and resolved under the 2017 -2018 committee.

Competition for the Keith W. Dean ritual award for portrayal of the Royal Master degree was coordinated with approval of Most Illustrious Grand Master Holland and teams were assigned to evaluate the Councils competing. The complete list of Councils participating and the highest scored recipient receiving the award will be listed in the final report of this committee.

Keith W. Dean Award evaluation criteria was put through its paces during the 2016 – 2017 Cryptic year for its second round of participants since competition commenced in 2015. During the portrayal evaluations, it came to the attention of the committee that the criteria is not being applied consistently and will need some revision or an addendum added to further qualify the method of the evaluation scoring. This will be taken under consideration by the next Committee on Work and adjustments made in the 2017 -2018 Cryptic administrative year.

Exceptional individual contributors were added to the slate of state wide select Companions considered expert Masters of the Work in proficiency. Seven proficiency cards were earned this year and were presented to those qualifying Companions present at the convention in Lake Mary or will be presented in their respective bodies at a later date. Those who qualified for circumambulation proficiency, attaining the “Silver” card this Cryptic year were Charles Jordan of Clearwater Council No. 34, John M. Lewis of Gulf Council No. 29 and Stephen Piner of Crestview Council No. 33. Those qualifying for the “Blue” card for opening & closing a Council of Select Masters were Dennis Barbarisi of Gulf Council No. 29, Robert L. Taylor of Crestview Council No. 33 and Kenneth K. Eichorn of Crestview Council No. 33. John I. Gray of Crestview Council No. 33 qualified for the “White” card w/one Purple stripe for proficiency in the Esoteric work and lecture of the Royal Master’s degree. Congratulations Companions!

It is the recommendation of this committee that the use of a prompter during work be continued rather than the use of open books, ensuring that the work is demonstrated in the same manner within the York Rite as it is as demanded within all Masonic Lodges of the Grand Lodge of Florida.

The committee would like to thank Grand Master Holland for his confidence in us to execute and further enhance the work of this Grand Council within his program year, under his guidance in the education and growth of Cryptic Masonry within Florida. It was our privilege to serve on his behalf.

Respectfully Submitted,

Committee on Work
Charles L. Hollinger, Chairman
Rusty Ludlam
John I. Gray

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CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT 2016-2017

The Constitution Review Committee has placed the following adopted resolutions in the Constitution of the Grand Council of Florida.

2016 Adopted resolution_Resolution to amend “Chapter Thirty – Council returns and reports to the Grand Council” to increase per capita from Eight (\$8.00) Dollars to Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars.

The updated constitution has been approved and has been sent to yhe Grand York Rite of Florida office to be placedon the website forCompanions toview.

With the understanding that the maintenance of the Grand Council Constitution is of vast importance we, the members of theConstitution Committee, would like to thank Most Illustrious Benjamin J. Holland for the opportunity to serve on this committee.

Fraternally and Zealously,

MI John L Home, Jr, MIPGM of the Grand Council of R&S Masters of FL
Ill. Wm. Allen Sorbie, Ill. Grand Steward of the Grand Council of R&S Masters of FL

CONVENTION BOARD 2016-2017 NO REPORT SUBMITTED

CRYPTIC MASON MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC 2016-2017

Most Illustrious Grand Master Benjamin Holland, thank you for allowing me to chair this most worthy committee, Cryptic Masons Medical Research Foundation (CMMRF). We were blessed to have Most Illustrious Past Grand Master Paul Friend continually sharing his expertise over his many years of service, making Florida #1 in the Nation again for the 7th time in the last 8 year. Thank you Companions for your donations totaling \$30,226.07

I would like to share a little about their research:

The Indiana Center for Vascular Biology and Medicine (ICVBM) is led by Keith March, MD, PhD, a physician, scientist and cardiologist. The ICVBM is committed to being a leader in basic as well as applied research in understanding vascular wellness and disease, and the development of leading-edge medical therapies to improve the care of patients with vascular problems. Because blood vessels are very important in maintaining the health of and repairing almost all

tissues, nearly all diseases turn out to have a vascular component involved in their origin or in tissue repair. Centering our key research on the biology of cells that form blood vessels leads to knowledge that can readily translate from one disease to many others.

I move this report be accepted and printed in the proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

M.I. Dayle Schrock
Chairman

M.I. Paul Friend
Co-Chairman

R.I. Glenn Chandler
Co-Chairman

It is now my pleasure to present our well desired Companions & Councils with their Gold Pins with Diamonds, Plaques and Extender Bars.

Gold pins with a diamond representing each \$1,000.00 in donations were earned by:

John D. Pickford	Florida	11 Diamonds
Alfred Mueller Jr.	Florida	10 Diamonds
Carl E. Gilmore	Florida	10 Diamonds
Glenn E. Chandler	Florida	6 Diamonds
William Schmidt	Florida	5 Diamonds
Paul Friend	Florida	4 Diamonds
Lloyd D. Newman	Florida	4 Diamonds
Rodger S. Fowler	Florida	3 Diamonds

Plaques were awarded to the following individuals:

Julius G. Nagy
Benjamin J. Holland
Thomas S. Olsen

Extender bars for subsequent donations of \$1,000.00 were awarded to:

Hallmark Council No. 3	7 bars
Union Council No. 7	
Tampa Council No. 8	
Lauderdale No. 24	5 bars
Panama City No. 26	
Marianna No. 31	
Crestview No. 33	
Polk No. 11	2 bars
Hiram Council No. 13	
Zabud Council No. 17	
Clearwater Council No. 34	
Tyrian Council No. 36	

One Hundred Percent Certificates were awarded to:

\$2.00 - \$2.99 per member	Venice Council No. 41
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MEMORIAL DONATIONS: 69

HONORARIUM DONATIONS: 7

CMMRF INCOME		GRANTS TO INDIANA UNIV SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$164,171.41	2016	\$ 191,500.00
CMMRF GOLD COINS	\$ 4,300.19	TOTAL-TO- DATE	\$4,495,464.86
WILLS- BEQUEATHS	\$		
MISC INCOME	\$ 215.28		
TOTAL	\$168,686.88		
CMMRF EXPENSES	\$ 76,734.17		

DISTINGUISHED GUEST COMMITTEE 2016-2017

We, the committee, are pleased to report that the guests of the Grand Council were greeted with appropriate honors and personally welcomed by the Presiding Officers of the Grand York Rite of Florida. The Most Illustrious Grand Master's co-workers, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, c.Robert Cooper & the Right Eminent Grand Commander Frederick R. Gerdorn, were welcomed and invited to a seat in the East. The following Distinguished guests were in attendance at this Grand Session and introduced:

Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters of Florida

1996	Paul W. Friend	
2001	Charles L. Hollinger	
2002	Richard E. Foreman	Grand Treasurer Emeritus
2005	Donald T. Harriott	
2009	Carl E. Gilmore	
2011	M. Daniel Fullwood	
2012	Larry Gillespie	
2013	Dayle L. Schrock	
2014	H Warren Almand Jr	

Most Illustrious Grand Masters of Other Jurisdictions

C. Sterling Hughes	MIGM of Alabama
Benjamin W. Polston II	MIGM of Georgia
Thomas E. Blackwood	MIGM of South Carolina
S. Wayne Elder	MIGM of Tennessee

General Grand Council Cryptic Masons, International

Right Puissant Kenneth E. Dyer	Regional Deputy Grand Master of the Southeast Region General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International
Right Puissant Charles L. Hollinger	General Grand Treasurer, General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International
Most Illustrious Larry R. Gillespie	Ambassador Florida, General Grand Council Cryptic Masons International

Past Grand Council Officers of Other Jurisdictions

Alvin Hill	MIPGM of Alaska
Sheldon Arpad	MIPGM of Washington D C
Thomas H. Nesbit	RI Deputy Grand Master of Alabama
William J.Thomas	MIPGM of New York
Gary G. Wyne	MIPGM of Indiana, Exec Sec of CMMRF, RE Grand Sentinel, Convent General, Knights of the York Cross of Honour, Past Most Wise Master, Indianapolis Chapter of Rose Croix, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite

Officers of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida

M.: W.: Dale I Goehrig	PGM 2009, SGIG of Scottish Rite
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FRATERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE 2016-2017

The Most Illustrious Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Florida remains in Fraternal Relations with the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the United States and the Grand Lodges of other Grand jurisdictions.as well as General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International and its subsidiary Grand Councils worldwide.

This committee has received no request for recognition from other jurisdictions. It has been an honor to serve the Most Illustrious Grand Master as this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

John D. Pickford, Chairman

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM 2016-2017

The Grand Representative Committee reviewed the roster of representatives to Florida and from Florida to other jurisdictions. No changes were made. I would like to thank the Most Illustrious Grand Master for the appointment to this committee.

Thomas J. Rawsthorne, Chairman
William A. Sorbie
Michael J. Hartman

GRAND COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES 2016-2017

AL	H Warren Almand Jr	AK	L. Alvin Hill
Australia, New S Wales		Australia, S Australia	
Australia, Victoria		AZ	Charles G. Sipes
AR	Dana Fredey	Austria	
Brasil		CA	Larry R. Gillespie
Canada, Eastern	Robert I. Moore	Canada, Ontario	Adrian Ray Kinser
Canada, Western	Rusty M. Ludlam	CO	
CT	John F Wermann	Croatia	
DE	Charles Hollinger	DC	Sheldon R. Arpad
England & Wales	Richard Wolfe	France	John D. Powell
GA	John M Lewis	Germany	
Greece		HI	Darryl A. D'Angina
ID		IL	
IN	Dayle L. Schrock	IA	
Isreal		Italy	A.J. Ahrens III
KS		KY	Paul W. Friend
LA	Robert E. Bureson	ME	Louis A. King
MD	Richard E. Foreman	MA	Benjamin J. Holland
MI	Rodger L. Craig Sr.	MN	
MS	Steven Q. Steele	MO	
MT	William F. Wyllie	NE	
NV	Joe K. West	NH	Ralph Vaughan
NJ	Donald T. Harriott	NM	Dean F. Harwood
NY		New Zealand	
NC	Richard S. Agster	ND	John L. Home Jr
OH	E Randy Spradling	OK	
OR	Dayle L. Schrock	Panama	John D. Pickford
PA	Wayne Parks	Philippines	Tony C. Gagarin
Portugal	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	RI	Henry A. Adams
Romania		Scotland	
SC	William R. Jacobs	SD	Luther Bodiford III
TN	Glenn E. Chandler	TX	Charles Perez
Togo		Utah	Edwin B. Moore, III
VT		VA	
WA	Charles Curry	WV	
WI	Frederick L. Piasecki	WY	Robert C. St. John

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2016-2017**

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DC	SEC	Carroll J. Collins	2715 Williamsburg Street Alexandria, VA 22314
	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
HI	SEC	Gerhart W. Walch	
	THEIR		
ID	SEC	Norman C. Lane	
	THEIR		

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OTHER JURISDICTIONS 2016-2017 (Continued)**

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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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**GRAND SECRETARIES AND GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF
OTHER JURISDICTIONS 2016-2017 (Continued)**

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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		

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	THEIR	Ronald Rasmussen	51388 Redstone Dr Lavalle, WI 53941
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	THEIR	John Schmidt Jr	PO Box 583 Thermopolis, WY 82443

**GRAND SECRETARIES AND GRAND
REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER COUNTRIES
2016-2017**

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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		

**GRAND SECRETARIES AND GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF
OTHER COUNTRIES 2016-2017 (Continued)**

ISREAL	SEC	Sasson Naim	
	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
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	THEIR		
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	SEC	L. R. Baker	
	THEIR		

**HOMECOMING COMMITTEE
REPORT FOR CRYPTIC YEAR 2016-2017**

Most Illustrious Ben Holland's Homecoming was held on Saturday, March 11, at 6:00 PM at Tuscan Masonic Lodge No. 6. A meal of pulled pork and chicken catered by Sonny's BBQ was enjoyed.

Most Illustrious Ben Holland welcomed all guests. It was nice to have the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Robert Cooper, and the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Fred Gerdon, present. There were 29 in attendance.

An evening of food and fellowship was enjoyed. We were proud to honor our Most Illustrious Grand Master, Benjamin J. Holland.

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry R. Gillespie, MIPGM
Donald Butler, Jr.

GRAND COUNCIL, CRYPTIC MASONS OF FLORIDA INVESTMENT COMMITTEE REPORT 2016-2017

The investments under the oversight of the Investment Committee are maintained by our investment advisers at Edward Jones & Co., and presently total \$539,802 as of 31 March 2017, up from \$500,603 a year ago. These dollars are broken up into two major portfolios:

Administrative Account - The first portfolio is the Administrative Account, also sometimes referred to as the General Fund. As of 31 March 2017, the total value was \$217,081 – vs. \$190,281 a year earlier, for an increase of \$26,800. This account has a target investment mix of 60% equities and 40% bonds and other fixed instruments.

At 31 December 2016, the total value of this account was \$207,932, vs. \$187,308 at 31 December 2015, for an increase of \$20,624, or an 11.0% investment return. It is significant to note that our governing documents allow 75% of this annual increase to be included in the Budget for the following year, which could currently increase our available funds for charitable and necessary operating expenditures by \$15,468.

The original primary goal of the Administrative Account was to put the Grand Council in a position to be able to place less reliance upon Per Capita increases in the future, as this Fund grew.

During this past year, a total of \$Zero was paid out of this Fund account, although \$17,329 was available from the preceding investment year. Instead of using these funds as originally intended, the funds have been allowed to accumulate, while significant Per Capita increases have been recommended and approved in recent years.

Life and Perpetual Account – The second portfolio is the Life and Perpetual Account, often referred to as the Sacred Fund. As of 31 March 2017, the total value was \$322,721 – vs. \$310,322 a year earlier, for an increase of \$12,398, or 4.0%, even after the payout of the 5.0% annual perpetual payments to constituent Councils. This account has a target investment mix of 50% equities and 50% bonds and other fixed instruments.

At 31 December 2016, the total value of this account was \$322,456, vs. \$300,214 at 31 December 2015, for an increase of \$22,242, or a 7.4% NET investment return, after the required 5% perpetual fund payout.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the other members of the Investment Committee to thank the Most Illustrious Benjamin Holland, MIGM, for allowing us to serve the Grand Council this past year.

Courteously and Fraternaly,

Wm. Lee Popham Sr., Chairman, PDDGM
Charles L. Hollinger, MIPGM
John “Jud” Powell, PIM

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE REPORT 2016 - 2017 **~On the Actions of the Most Illustrious Grand Master~**

To the most Illustrious Grand Council Royal & Select Masters of Florida:

The Grand Council Jurisprudence Committee met on Sunday, May 21, 2017 to review the actions pertaining to the rulings and dispensations acted upon by the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Benjamin J. Holland during his 2016-2017 Cryptic year.

The full Committee closely examined the actions taken by our Grand Master and determined that all of his actions were within purview of his office.

Seven requests for dispensation and twelve requests for bylaw amendments were reviewed; also five Executive Orders were reviewed and it was determined that all were within his authority.

The Committee determined that all actions taken by the Grand Master were acted upon in a timely manner, each properly received and bearing official stamps of the Grand Recorder and Grand Master.

Although the Grand Master's report was not properly received by the Committee thirty days prior to the Jurisprudence meeting, the Committee understood.

The Committee would like to commend the Grand Master for having the stamina to complete his term and having faithfully discharged the office of Most Illustrious Grand Master during his Cryptic year. We thank him for the honor and privilege he has provided us to serve the Grand Council.

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry R. Gillespie, Chairman MIPGM
Paul W. Friend, MIPGM
Carl E. Gilmore, MIPGM
Charles Hollinger, MIPGM

H. Warren Almand, Jr, MIPGM
M. Daniel Fullwood, MIPGM
Donald T. Harriott, MIPGM
John L. Horne, MIPGM

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ~ On Legislation ~

To the Most Illustrious Grand Council Royal & Select Masters of Florida:

The Grand Council Jurisprudence Committee met on Sunday, May 21, 2017 to review the Legislation submitted for revision to portions of the Constitution of said Grand Council.

There was no Legislation presented before this Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry R. Gillespie, Chairman MIPGM
Paul W. Friend, MIPGM
Carl E. Gilmore, MIPGM
Charles Hollinger, MIPGM

H. Warren Almand, Jr, MIPGM
M. Daniel Fullwood, MIPGM
Donald T. Harriott, MIPGM
John L. Horne, MIPGM

REPORT OF THE GRAND COUNCIL LEGAL ADVISOR 2016-2017

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

LODGE REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM 2016-2017

The lodge representative program is moving forward slower than hoped. We have sent emails to the various York Rite Secretaries and Recorders with limited response.

We have a large number of Blue Lodges that do not have a representative listed. I am confident that our members are active in their respective Blue Lodges, but are not getting the proper acknowledgment for this. We believe this opportunity will grow our membership in our York Rite bodies.

J. Michael Hartman, Chairman

MASONIC YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT 2016-2017

We continue to support our Youth Groups in Florida. They are growing in our jurisdiction.

3 Bethels in Jobs Daughters:

Bethel	Lodge	Location
5	Halifax #81	135 Orange Park Ave, Daytona, FL
9	Elmer Smith	5021 75 th Ave, Pinellas Park, FL
13	John Darling #154	4601 N Habana Ave, Tampa, FL

22 Rainbow Assemblies:

Name	Location
Marvelous #101	735 N Hwy 29, Cantonment, FL
West Florida #91	3300 West DeSoto St, Pensacola, FL
Lynn Haven #147	720 Florida Ave, Lynn Haven, FL
Tallahassee #64	2818 Apalachee Pkwy, Tallahassee, FL
Wesconnett #84	5917 Old Timuquana Rd, Jacksonville, FL
Jacksonville #21	2620 Dean Rd, Jacksonville, FL
Ocala #66	1846 SE 36th Ave, Ocala, FL
Largo #86	1145 Highland Ave, Largo, FL
St Augustine #42	105 King St, St Augustine, FL
Brandon #23	203 N Moon Ave, Brandon, FL
Mount Dora #79	535 N Donnally St, Mount Dora, FL
Bradenton #20	520 30th Ave W, Bradenton, FL
Deland #31	2557 N Spring Garden Av, Deland, FL
Orange #134	4925 Clarcona-Ocoee Rd, Orlando, FL
Hope #82	122 Triplet Lake Dr, Casselberry, FL
Venice #38	118 E Venice Ave, Venice, FL
Haines City #146	47 N 6th St, Haines City, FL

22 Rainbow Assemblies (Continued):

Pine Castle #6	1216 Hoffner Ave, Orlando, FL
Space Coast #99	19 N Washington Ave, Titusville, FL
Sebring #148	1809 Home Ave, Sebring, FL
Hollywood #12	101 SE 1st Ave, Dania Beach, FL
S Miami #109	7090 SW 61st Ave Miami, FL

29 DeMolay Chapters:

Dist	Name	Location
1	Escambia-10130	5158 E Spencerfield Rd, Pace, FL
	George Ulee Lord-10046	522 Johnsons Pkwy, Niceville, FL
	J. Edwin Larson-10068	2818 Apalachee Pkwy, Tallahassee, FL
2	First Coast-10088	2914 Loretto Rd, Jacksonville, FL
	Hurlbert-10104	25 E First St, Jacksonville, FL
	John Wayne-10099	215 N Main St, Gainesville, FL
	Marion-10037	1846 SE 36th Ave, Ocala, FL
3	Bahia-10050	3200 Grant St, Orlando, FL
	Dale Chapman-10012	720 N Apache Cir, Deltona, FL
	Greater Titusville-10072	19 N Washington Ave, Titusville, FL
	Lake Sumter-10006	128 N Bay St, Eustis, FL
	John G. Hamilton-10170	135 Orange Ave, Daytona Beach, FL
	South Seminole-10134	122 Triplett Lake Dr, Casselberry, FL
4	Anclote-10167	30 N Ring Ave, Tarpon Springs, FL
	Paul Revere-10071	508 E Kennedy Blvd, Tampa, FL
	St. Petersburg-10060	5021 75th Ave N, Pinellas Park, FL
	Polk County-10169	Tuscan Lodge No. 6, Bartow, FL
	Walter Fishback-10163	10801 Desoto Rd, Riverview, FL
5	C. Allen Pattison-10168	118 E Venice Ave, Venice, FL
	Michael A. Padron, Sr-10089	1809 Home Ave, Sebring, FL
	Manatee County-10004	520 30th Ave W, Bradenton, FL
	Sarasota-10063	2160 Main St, Sarasota, FL
	Placid-10166	102 N Main Ave, Lake Placid, FL
6	Big Water-10164	107 NW 5th Ave, Okeechobee, FL
	John G. Allen Chap-10086	1896 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd #200 W Palm Beach, FL 33409
	Jupiter-Tequesta-10152	600 S Loxahatchee Dr, Jupiter, FL
	Oleeta-West Dade-10082	145 S Royal Poinciana Blvd, Miami Sprgs, FL
	South Miami-10158	7090 SW 61st Ave, S Miami, FL
	Westside-10097	811 Glen Pkwy, Hollywood, FL

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE FINAL REPORT 2016 GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF FLORIDA

During the current year of 2016 the new companions exalted totaled 81. The membership year extends from January 1 to December 31. We are starting off this year with 64 new companions.

Concerns are still apparent in that several secretaries are still not accurately reporting their deaths, suspensions, demits and new members to the Grand Secretary. This makes for difficulty in keeping accurate numbers.

Total Active Councils		35	
Total Active Membership		3550	
Gain in Membership		Loss In Membership	
Greeted	89	Demitted	37
Affiliated	6	Suspended	222
Reinstated	14	Deceased	107
Adjustments	3	Expelled	2
Total Gain		112	Total Loss
Gain/Loss			-269
Active as of 12/31/16		3281	

Fraternally,

Henry A. Adams, PGC
Chairman, Membership Committee

MEMBERSHIP AND EDUCATION 2016-2017

As the Chairman of the Membership Development Training & Education Committee, I submit the following letter as my report for 2016-2017.

Companions,

We have all been told that an educated Mason is a dedicated Mason. This applies whether we are in the Blue Lodge or the York Rite.

As Chairman of the Membership and Development Training & Education, it is my job to see that Companions are aware of some of the educational material available. What follows are some places to look and some ideas to pursue.

As you may remember, MIGM Ben Holland gave out The Instructors Manual to the Illustrious Master of each Council at the District meetings. MIGM Ben

instructed that this manual be a source of instruction that can be used at each meeting. In addition to this, I have collected other sources that will provide valuable information concerning Cryptic Masonry.

The first place to look is the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International, (www.ggccmi.org), web site. Take a few minutes to look around and then look under the Resources tab. There you will find archived copies of past newsletters. These newsletters contain lessons and history of Cryptic Masonry. There are also instructional aids which are available for purchase.

Next, check out the York Rite Sovereign College web site (www.yrscna.org). Through the College, one can enroll in a program called the Companion Adept. This program encompasses education in all 3 York Rite bodies. There are books and articles to read and tests which are essay, multiple choice and fill in the blank. The course is time consuming but the knowledge gained is worth every minute.

In order to help new Companions become proficient, try working with the Companion in the stations on either side of you to help them learn their part for opening, closing and degree work.

Finally, create some friendly competition within your Council and other Councils in your district by competing for awards and proficiency cards. (Attached is a list of the cards and the requirements).

Please remember, with education comes confidence, and with confidence, members will be more willing and enthusiastically talk about York Rite Masonry and this will attract new members.

Fraternally,

Tom Rawsthorne
I Grand Conductor of the Council

Proficiency Cards in the Council:

Chapter 13: 13.02 Committee on Works, Proficiency Cards

Blue Card – Select Master who is proficient in opening & closing a Council of Select Masters

White Card w/ One Purple Stripe – Select Master who is proficient in the esoteric work of the Royal Master Degree and lecture

White Card w/ 2 Purple Stripes – Select Master who is proficient in the esoteric work of the Select Master Degree and lecture

White Card w/3 Purple Stripes- Select Master proficient in the esoteric work of the Super Excellent Master Degree and lecture

Purple Card – Select Master who has qualified for a Blue Card and one White Card and demonstrated proficiency in the apron lecture

Silver Card - Select Master proficient in the circumambulation of the Royal Select Master

Respectfully submitted

Thomas J. Rawsthorne, Chairman

MENTOR'S MANUAL REPORT 2016-2017

MIGM, Distinguished East, Distinguished Guests, Companions all,

The Mentors Manual Committee responsibility was to review and recommend any additions or changes to the existing Mentors Manual.

The committee supported our MIGM's promotion of the use of the Mentors Manual at each of our District Meetings by leveraging that time to follow up with the officers of each of the respective Councils during these meetings. Additionally this was followed up via email requesting any additions or amendments or suggestions, with the hope of broadening the scope of the Manual and at the same time encouraging its use as a great tool for Masonic Education in our meetings.

I personally would like to thank Most Illustrious Benjamin Holland for allowing me the opportunity to serve on this committee. I would also like to give special thanks to Kim Bailey, Grand York Rite Office Manager for her assistance in obtaining the appropriate contact information.

Fraternally and zealously,

Illustrious Companion Allen Sorbie - Chairman

NECROLOGY REPORT 2016-2017

MAY 22, 2017

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

We are reminded each time we see the Royal Master Degree that it is through the gate of death that we find an entrance to the place of wages, refreshment and rest; and that the Supreme Master of the Universe promises to spread before us in the Celestial Lodge above, all the joys and glories of His eternal Sabbath.

It is my duty to report to you that the Supreme Grand Master has looked with favor upon the Grand Council line and allowed that line to remain unbroken this year.

We did however; suffer tremendous loss. Two of our Past Grand Masters; Most Illustrious Addison Alvyn (Pete) Bennett (1995) and Most Illustrious Vernon Earl Adams (1999) were called from their earthly toil to their great reward and we are deeply saddened by the loss of 96 Companions of Constituent Councils, who passed on to the other shore this past year.

Robert L Phillips
Grand Chaplain

PER DIEM 2016-2017

No per diem issued.

Fraternally,

Robert C. St. John, Jr., Deputy Grand Master

PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT 2016 - 2017

We started the year with 539 Perpetual Members and our gain for the year was 4 bringing our 2016-17 yearend total to 543 Perpetual Members on the rolls for the Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of Florida.

I would like to thank Most Illustrious Grand Master Benjamin J. Holland for allowing me to serve as Chairman of the Perpetual Membership Committee. Special appreciations go to Kim Bailey, Grand York Office Manager and M.I. Carl E. Gilmore, Grand Treasurer for their assistance in obtaining the data.

Most fraternally and sincerely,

R.I. Glenn E. Chandler, Chairman

GRAND COUNCIL PERPETUAL MEMBERS					
COUNCIL #	2014	2015	2016	4/17/2017	INCREASE
1	5	5	5	5	0
3	34	34	35	35	0
4	1	4	3	3	0
5	6	8	8	8	0
7	10	18	18	19	1
8	18	18	18	18	0
9	2	3	3	3	0
10	226	226	226	226	0
11	8	8	8	8	0
13	5	5	5	5	0
14	9	10	10	10	0
15	9	10	10	10	0
17	6	8	8	8	0
18	1	1	1	1	0
20	12	14	14	14	0
22	9	9	8	8	0
24	28	34	34	35	1
25	3	3	3	3	0
26	3	3	3	3	0
27	6	8	8	8	0
28	8	10	10	10	0
29	1	1	1	1	0
30	16	16	16	16	0
31	5	5	6	6	0
33	6	8	8	8	0
34	12	12	12	13	1
35	0	1	1	1	0
36	22	24	25	26	1
37	1	1	1	1	0
38	1	12	14	14	0
39	4	4	4	4	0
41	9	10	11	11	0
44	1	2	2	2	0
TOTAL	497	535	539	543	4

PHOTOGRAPHY COMMITTEE REPORT 2016 – 2017

It has been pleasure serving our Sir Knights this year. I would like to give a special thanks to Sir Knights Thomas Randazzo, Jim Green, Corbin Elliott, and Garry Paxinos for their excellent photography. Appreciate all of our Sir Knights who have sent articles and pictures to our Florida Grand York Rite Web Site: FLGYR.org

It's so important to preserve our history and to help us remember the fun times we had during this Yorkie year.

All Sir Knights are welcome to send pictures & articles so we can maintain our history.

I move this report be accepted and printed in the Proceedings.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dayle L. Schrock, MIPGM, Chairman Photography Committee
Thomas Randazzo, Committeeman
James Green, Committeeman

RETURNS & CREDENTIALS & REGISTRATION 2016 - 2017

The "final" report of the Returns & Credentials committee is as follows:

- 1) All Councils have paid their "per capita",
- 2) All Councils are represented by either "presence" or "proxy" of a duly elected dais officer,

MIGM, this concludes the "Final & Credentials committee, I move the report be accepted and a copy filed with the Grand Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

James C. Gregory

CONVENTION SOUVENIR PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT 2016-2017

The committee thanks Our Most Excellent Grand High Priest Charles R. Cooper, Our Most Illustrious Grand Master Benjamin J. Holland, and Our Right Eminent Grand Commander Frederick R. Gerdorn for the Honor to serve Our Fellow Companions and Sir Knights on this committee. The program would not be where it is today without the work of companions Jack Maulden and John Lewis. They helped gather the majority of ads and their work is extremely appreciated. The committee thanks S.K. David Aponte, REPGC for the wonderful cover artwork.

We were able to work together and grow the section for Masonic Youth and have continued to receive ads from non-Masonic groups. The back and inside covers continue to be sold. The Gold Supporters program has continued to improve.

2016 – 2017 Sales information

Full Page Ads	33
Half Page Ads	14
Quarter Page Ads	6
Blue Lodge Ads	7
Gold Supporters	136

The above ads generated a GROSS total of \$9,825 dollars for the Grand York Rite Bodies. The final cost of printing was \$3,803.85 dollars. The realized NET profit is: \$6,021.15 dollars.

The committee recognizes the following that added to the success of the program:

1. The commitment of the Heads of the Grand Lines to Masonic Youth and other items added for the first time (or revamped) in this year's program, resulting in 14.5 pages dedicated to the Masonic Youth. It is hoped that these shall spark growth in the future of our Fraternity.
2. The wholehearted assistance of several Companions and Sir Knights throughout the state
3. The willingness of Companions and Sir Knights throughout the state to mention the program to Blue Lodges, York Rite, Scottish Rite and non-Masonic organizations
4. Received more ads from non-York rite bodies, Grottoes, SOOB, OES and others

It has been an Honor and a Privilege to serve the Craft on this Committee and we thank you for the opportunity.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee on "Convention Souvenir Program"
Fraternally and Zealously submitted,

Companions:

Jack Maulden	John Wermann MEPGHP	AJ Ahrens
John Lewis	David Aponte REPGC	

THANKS 2016-2017

The committee on thanks wishes to thank the members of the 4th District York Rite Bodies and Polk Council No. 11 Royal and Select Masters for the many courtesies extended to MIGM Holland this year and to this Grand Conclave, its members, ladies and guests.

To the management and staff of the Orlando Marriott Lake Mary we thank you for your hospitality and services to our Grand Council and this Grand Convocation.

To the Grand Recorder, his office staff and the many volunteers for the tireless and many times thankless work they have done.

To the District Deputies and to those that have worked endlessly behind the scenes, throughout Florida thank you.

Many thanks to the Companions and their ladies for their attendance this year to this Convocation and to the many District meetings and functions. You all were instrumental in making this past year a success.

To the Distinguished Guests from other jurisdictions, past and present Grand Lodge officers we thank you for taking the time to be with us and giving your support.

And to the First Lady of the Grand Council of Florida Mrs. Carol Holland we thank you for your endless support of your husband during his Masonic career and to this Grand Council in particular.

Sincerely and fraternally submitted,

John D Pickford

TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE 2016-2017

To: Constituent Councils of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Florida

Subject: Time and Place for the 2018 Grand Assembly

Date: March 1, 2017

The Time and Place committee has selected the Orlando Marriott at Lake Mary as the host hotel for the 2018 Grand Convention.

The Convention will run from Sunday May 20, 2018 through Wednesday May 23, 2018. The Grand Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Florida will occur on Wednesday May 23, 2018. The Grand Banquet will be on Sunday May 20, 2018.

Further details and registration materials will be provided at a later date.

Fraternally,

Robert C. St. John, Jr., Deputy Grand Master
Committee Chairman

Committee Members: Ronald Newton and Anthony Griffon

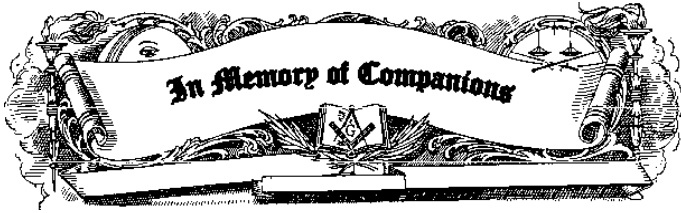
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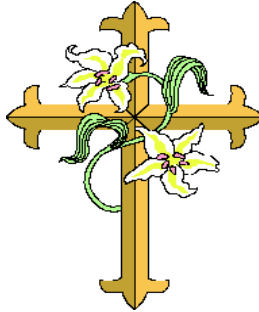
MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER- DECEASED

1858	Thomas Hayward	1934	Charles H. Stewart
1859	Daniel P. Holland	1935	John B. Phelps

1860	Thomas Hayward	1936	Bert L. Blair
1867	William Morrill	1937	Frederick Schultz
1875	William Morrill	1938	Lester G. Gilbert
1876	Alanson Caulkins	1939	William Sessions
1878	George S. Hallmark	1940	Bradford C. Webb
1904	Charles L. Smith	1941	Dorsey H. Rutter
1905	Charles L. Smith	1942	Joel Albert Fite
1906	Louis C. Massey	1943	John D. Grove
1908	John H. Norton	1944	Ralph G. Reynolds
1909	Olin S. Wright	1945	Sumner R. Hall
1910	William H. Jewell	1946	Frederick A. Riegel
1911	William C. Address	1947	Spenser L. Houston
1912	James Camell	1948	James D. Yeager
1913	Thomas Warlow	1949	Jesse Earl Ramsdell
1914	Henry K. DuBois	1950	David M. Winans
1915	Thomas Calmes	1954	Roy W. Larson
1916	F. I. Archibald	1955	Walter I. Stevenson
1917	John Lloyd Hall	1956	Winston H. Ward
1918	Dabney B. Palmer	1957	Edward M. Savage
1919	S. L. Chapman	1958	Harry J. Guy
1920	Charles H. Katchum	1959	U. V. Durden
1921	Chester Derocker	1960	Walter T. Poole
1922	Eric L. Witt	1961	Paul R. Davis
1923	Theodore T. Todd	1962	Robert Thompson
1924	John Pasco	1963	Stephen Dimond
1925	Frank H. Thompson	1964	Andrew Jorgenson
1926	Cary B. Fish	1965	Robert L. Pulley
1927	Riley J. McMaster	1966	Lee A. Bowles
1928	Edwin E. Macy	1967	Edwin D. Brogdon
1929	Ralph J. Kishpaugh	1969	Harley V. Wheeler
1930	George J. Tolson	1970	Alfred R. Peebles
1931	John H. Rauch	1971	Robert O Bell
1932	Henry O. Snow	1972	Wilbur W. Masters
1933	Jackson L. Head	1974	Daniel McClellan
1975	Hugh R. Dixon	1990	George McCool
1977	Earl R. Allen Sr	1993	Wendell D. Harrington
1978	Arthur J. Payne	1995	A.A. 'Pete' Bennett
1982	Francis L. Dancy	1997	Daniel E. Dale
1983	Joseph H. Johnson	2004	Rueben L. Owens
1984	Kenneth Johnson	2010	Howard H. Gardner
1986	George R. Swartz		
1987	Deem E. Ramey		
1988	Robert F. Scott		



**In Memory of the Companions of
Our Grand Jurisdiction Who have
passed on to that Eternal Life**



During the Year 2016 - 2017

PAST GRAND MASTERS:

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS ADDISON ALVYN 'PETE' BENNETT,
who served this Grand Council in 1995 – 1996
18 February 1932 – 23 February 2017

**We Fraternaly Dedicate this Page
TRIBUTES**

ADDISON (PETE) BENNETT

Addison (Pete) Bennett, 85, of Panama City, FL, died Thursday, February 23, 2017.

Funeral Services will be held 3pm, Saturday, February 25, 2017 at Kent Forest Lawn Funeral Home. Family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

Funeral Home: Kent-Forest Lawn
2403 Harrison Avenue
Panama City, FL 32405
(850) 763-4694

ROBERT C. ST. JOHN

**GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL & SELECT MASTER
OF FLORIDA
MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER
2017-2018**



**MASONIC RESUME
ROBERT C. ST. JOHN**

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER 2017-2018

1993 Raised a Master Mason in August 1993 by his father-in-law, Leroy Mewes, in Kettle Falls, Washington

Plural member: Brandon Lodge No. 114
 Turkey Creek Lodge No. 248
2013 WM of Turkey Creek

Appendant Bodies:

Tampa York Rite Bodies

2013- PRESENT	Treasurer of the Tampa York Rite Bodies from 2013 to the present
2012	Eminent Commander, Tampa-Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8
2011	Illustrious Master, Tampa Council No. 8
2008	Excellent High Priest, Tampa-Cushing Chapter No. 3
2006	Eminent Commander, Tampa-Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8

Scottish Rite: Valley of Tampa

Shriners: Egypt

Maxwell Clan West Central Florida: Egypt Highlander Pipe and Drum Band
 Past President

Brandon Shriners Club
 Past President

Royal Order of Scotland:
 Past President

OES: Annie H. Schneider Chapter #327

Pentagon York Rite College

Tall Cedars of Lebanon: Suncoast Forest No.165

National Sojourners: Tampa Bay Chapter #252

Heroes of '76: Osceola Camp

KYCH: Miami Priory No.10
 Past President of Brandon Shrine Club, Highlanders Pipes and Drums,
 Maxwell Clan West Central Florida, Royal Order of Scotland, Tampa Bay
 Chapter No. 252, National Sojourners

He is a Past President of Brandon Shrine Club, Highlanders Pipes and Drums,

Maxwell Clan West Central Florida, Royal Order of Scotland, Tampa Bay Chapter No. 252, National Sojourners, and Past Commander of Osceola Camp, Heroes of '76. He is currently the Grand Tall Cedar of Suncoast Forest No. 165, Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

He has been married to Sharen for 48 years. They have three children and seven grandchildren. He has lived in the Tampa area since 1985. He is a retired Lt. Col., USAF and a retired American Airlines pilot. He is especially proud of his Scottish heritage and is a Past President and currently the Treasurer of the Clan Campbell Society, North America.



GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS 2014-2017

Lawrence O. Weaver	Most Puissant General Grand Master
Ronald W. Guthrie	Right Puissant Deputy Grand Master
Sidney J. "Sid" Leluan III	Right Puissant Principal Conductor of the Work
Charles L. Hollinger	General Grand Treasurer
David A. Grindle	General Grand Recorder

GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL & SELECT MASTERS OF FLORIDA OFFICERS 2017-2018

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GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEES 2017-2018

Committee Name	Name	Position
Audit	John D. Pickford	Chair
	Robert C. St. John	Member
	Glenn E. Chandler	Member

Budget & Finance	Glenn E. Chandler	Chair
	John D. Pickford	Member
	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	Member
Committee on Work	Charles L. Hollinger	Chair
	Rusty M. Ludlam	Member
	John I. Gray	Member
Constitution Review	John D. Pickford	Chair
	Wm. Allan Sorbie	Member
	Gene A. Lance	Member
Convention Board	Robert C. St. John	Chair
	Ronald C. Newton	Member
	Anthony L. Griffon	Member
Convention Hotel Coordinator	Grand Recorder	Chairman
	Robert C. St. John	Member
Convention Program	John M. Lewis	Chair
	A. J. Ahrens III	Member
	Jack C. Maulden	Member
CMMRF	Dayle L. Schrock	Chair
	Paul W. Friend	Member
	Glenn E. Chandler	Member
Distinguished Guests	Steven Q. Steele	Chair
	Sheldon R. Arpad	Member
Fraternal Relations	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	Chair
Grand Reps	Donald T. Harriott	Chair
Grand Master's Advisory	Dayle L. Schrock	Chair
	Larry R. Gillespie	Member
	M. Daniel Fullwood	Member
Homecoming	Gene A. Lance	Chair
	Member of District 3	Members
Investment Advisory	Judd W. Powell	1 year
	Charles L. Hollinger	2 years
	Richard E. Foreman	3 years
Jurisprudence	Richard E. Foreman	Chair
	All MIPGM's	Members
	Grand Recorder	Member

GRAND COUNCIL COMMITTEES 2017-2018 (Continued)

Committee Name	Name	Position
Legal Advisor	Alan S. Rosenthal	Chair
Lodge Rep	Benjamin J. Holland	Chair
	All DDGM's	Members

Masonic Youth	Wm. Allan Sorbie	Chair
	All DDGM's	Members
Membership Dev Training & Education	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	Chair
	All DDGM's	Members
Mentor's Manual/Instructors Manual	Wm. Allan Sorbie	Chair
	All DDGM's	Members
Necrology	Grand Recorder	Chair
	Thomas J. Rawsthorne	Member
	J. Michael Hartman	Member
Per Diem	Grand Treasurer	Chair
	Grand Recorder	Member
	Robert C. St. John	Member
Perpetual Membership	Gene A. Lance	Chair
	All DDGM's	Members
Photography	Richard A. Wolfe	Chair
	Corbin P. Elliott	Member
Returns, Credentials & Registration	James C. Gregory	Chair
	Ronald A. Naumowicz	Member
Time & Place	Glenn E. Chandler	Chair
	Harry V. Eisenberg	Member
	James T. Mason	Member
Unfinished Business	Benjamin J. Holland	Chair
	C. Robert Cooper	Member
	Frederick R. Gerdomb	Member
Thanks	James L. Record	Chair

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS 2017-2018

COUNCIL	NO	NAME	TITLE
Halifax	1	Stephen Morris	IM
		Paul W. Foege	DM
		Damon S. Sansom	PCW
Hallmark	3	Kolen W. Sawyer	IM
		Eric Cole	DM
		David Gregory	PCW
Tyler	4	Louis K. Mittong II	IM
		Jeffrey Sklet	DM
		Ken Tutor	PCW

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS 2017-2018 (Continued)

COUNCIL	NO	NAME	TITLE
Orlando	5	William J Miller	IM
		Nelson Bonet	DM

		Ervin Janssen	PCW
Union	7	William R. Paulchek Sr.	IM
		Ronald A. Naumowicz	DM
		Charles S. Cather	PCW
Tampa	8	Brian Manne	IM
		Richard Legar	DM
		Jim Blum	PCW
Bradenton	9	Edgar Richard Coles	IM
		Brian Johnsen	DM
		Todd Meschelle	PCW
Adoniram	10	Solomon M. Goldenberg	IM
		Richard Reboredo	DM
		Carlos Correa	PCW
Polk	11	John R Miller	IM
		Dr. John Ellis	DM
		William F. Wyllie	PCW
Hiram	13	C. Jerry Walters	IM
		Gregory Davis	DM
		James Cheek	PCW
St Petersburg	14	L. Edward Villiaume III	IM
		Robert Kirkpatrick	DM
		Michael Sever	PCW
St. Augustine	15	Robert L. Owens	IM
		Matthew S. Sweeney	DM
		J. B. Hunt	PCW
Zabud	17	Shawn Lopez	IM
		David Felty	DM
		Clifford Kraft	PCW
Palatka	18	Robert J Pringle Jr	IM
		Christopher C. Lanham	DM
		William Hicks	PCW
Sanford	20	Samuel C Loper III	IM
		Michael Hindley	DM
		Edgar Ortiz	PCW

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS 2017-2018
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COUNCIL	NO	NAME	TITLE
Ocala	22	Wayne Baker	IM
		Anthony Marotta	DM
		Dana K. Oldenberg	PCW
Lauderdale	24	Stephan Viens	IM
		Max Borenstein	DM
		Richard Sewable	PCW
Fort Myers	25	Richard Bayly	IM
		Derek Vaneske	DM
		Gene Sims	PCW
Panama City	26	Peter K. Golden	IM
		Tony Powell	DM
		Larry Cruse	PCW
Gainesville	27	Harold Ritchie	IM
		Christopher Sapp	DM
		Thomas Metcalfe Jr.	PCW
Golden Triangle	28	Justin B. Marshal	IM
		Eric Kleinbach	DM
		John Haas	PCW
Gulf	29	Dennis Barbarissi	IM
		Benjamin D. Gaillard	DM
		Robert Senft	PCW
Seminole	30	Gary Howze	IM
		Hector Guilliont	DM
		Neils Hesse	PCW
Marianna	31	Randall Tyre	IM
		Charles Sipes	DM
		Frank Griffin	PCW
Crestview	33	James McHenry	IM
		Roderic Mouer	DM
		Chester Willis	PCW
Clearwater	34	John Wright	IM
		Charles Jordan	DM
		Kenneth Carolan	PCW
Lake City	35	Donald Zolonz	IM
		Donald Cadrain	DM
		Robert Ryan	PCW
Tyrian	36	Gary R. Moore	IM
		Thomas Bomaminio	DM
		Juan Juarez	PCW
Melbourne	38	George Goddard Jr.	IM
		Charles L. Hollinger	DM
		Thomas Moore	PCW

COUNCIL	NO	NAME	TITLE
Lawtey	39	Steven Persinger	IM
		Ronald George	DM
		Howard D. Hall	PCW
Venice	41	Andrew Gluchov	IM
		Arthur J. Ahrens III	DM
		John D. Powell	PCW
Highlands	43	Jonathan Remick	IM
		DeVerne Leham	DM
		Howard Craddock	PCW
Conch	44	Richard Bradley	IM
		David Roney	DM
		James Massaro	PCW
Notuma	45	Michael Santana	IM
		Phil Willman	DM
		Gary Contave	PCW
Athelstan	46	Kevin W. Rentz	IM
		D. Rodney Moody	DM
		David Johnson	PCW

PROPOSED BUDGET 2017-2018

	APPROVE 2016-2017	PROPOSE 2017-2018
INCOME		
40000 · ANNUAL PER CAPITA (\$15.00/MEMBER)	\$ 34,250.00	\$ 40,500.00
40010 · GREETINGS	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
40011 · OTHER INTEREST	\$ 50.00	\$ 0.00
40012 · OTHER RECEIPTS	\$ 6,825.00	\$ 6,825.00
40020 · ANNUAL GR ASSEMBLY	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 51,325.00	\$ 50,525.00
20010 · ALLOWANCES		
20011 · GRAND MASTER	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 4,000.00
20012 · DEP GR MASTER	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
20013 · GRAND RECORDER	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
20014 · JEWEL, APRON & CASE	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
20015 · GRAND TREAS	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00
SUBTOTAL 20010 · ALLOWANCES	\$ 11,100.00	\$ 12,100.00

PROPOSED BUDGET 2017-2018 (Continued)

	APPROVE	PROPOSE
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	2016-2017	2017-2018
20020 · CHARITIES		
20022 · YOUTH CHARITIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20023 · MASONIC HOME	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20025 · YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
SUBTOTAL 20020 · CHARITIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20030 · MEETINGS		
20031 · TRIENNIAL	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
20032 · DISTRICT MEETINGS	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
20033 · SUMMER ASSEMBLY	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20034 · MIGM SE CONF	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20035 · RIDGM SE CONF	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20036 · RPCW SE CONF	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20037 · RI REC SE CONF	\$ 33.00	\$ 33.00
SUBTOTAL 20030 · MEETINGS	\$ 2,233.00	\$ 2,233.00
20040 · GRAND ASSEMBLY	\$ 8,500.00	
20044 · DISTINGUISHED GUESTS		\$ 2,000.00
20050 · OFFICE EXPENSES		
20051 · OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
20052 · POSTAGE	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
20053 · RENT	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
20054 · TELEPHONE	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
20055 · UTILITIES	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20056 · COMPUTER SERVICES	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
20057 · COMPUTER MAINT.	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
20058 · CONTROLLED STORAGE RENTAL	\$ 460.00	\$ 460.00
20059 · EQUIPMENT REPLACE	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
SUBTOTAL 20050 · OFFICE EXP	\$ 6,610.00	\$ 6,610.00
20060 · PRINTING		
20061 · GEN PRINTING EXPENSES	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
20062 · PROCEEDINGS	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
20063 · RITUALS	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20065 · COPIER MAINTENANCE	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20066 · PRINTING SUPPLIES	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20067 · YORK RITE DISC	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
SUBTOTAL 20060 · PRINTING	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00

PROPOSED BUDGET 2017-2018 (Continued)

	APPROVE	PROPOSE
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	2016-2017	2017-2018
20070 · CONTRACT LABOR		
20071 · GRAND TREASURER	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20072 · GRAND RECORDER	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20073 · OFFICE FACILITATOR	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
20074 · OFFICE TEMP HELP	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
SUBTOTAL 20070 · CONTRACT LABOR	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
20080 · TAXES		
20081 · FLORIDA CORP TAX	\$ 62.00	\$ 62.00
20082 · GEN GRAND PER CAPITA (\$2.50/MEMBER)	\$ 8,830.00	\$ 8,830.00
TOTAL 20080 · TAXES	\$ 8,892.00	\$ 8,892.00
20090 · SUNDRY		
20091 · ED & TRAINING	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
20092 · AWARDS	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
20095 · INSURANCE	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
20096 · CONTINGENCIES	\$ 265.00	\$ 2,000.00
20097 · OFFICERS, JEWELS & APRONS	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,000.00
20099 · WEB HOSTING	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
20100 · KEITH DEAN COMPETITION	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00
SUBTOTAL 20090 · SUNDRY	\$ 2,665.00	\$ 5,600.00
20100 · MISCELLANEOUS		
20102 · BANK SERVICE CHARGES	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
20110 · RESERVES	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,265.00
SUBTOTAL 20100 · MISC	\$ 25.00	\$ 5,290.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 51,325.00	\$ 50,525.00

DEFUNCT COUNCIL LISTING

COUNCIL	#	MERGED
MONROE (Key West)	2	1927
MONTICELLO	6	1934
FT. PIERCE (Ft. Pierce)	19	
SOUTHERN CROSS (Tampa)	21	Consolidated with Tampa No. 8 in 1934.
TAL-MAR-QUIN	23	Consolidated with Seminole No. 30 in 1965.
AARON (Miami Shores)	32	Consolidated with Adoniram No. 10 in 1965.
SOLOMON (Leesburg)	12	1990
DADE CITY	40	Consolidated with Tyler Council No. 4 in 2009
KNOWLES G. OGLESBY	42	Consolidated with Lakeland York Rite Bodies in 2012

STATISTICS OF FLORIDA COUNCILS 2016															
Council Number	COUNCIL NAME	Jan 1, 2016 MEMBERSHIP	GR	RE	AF	AD	SU	DI	DE	SU	AD	Dec 31, 2016 MEMBERSHIP	LOSSES / GAINS	EMERITUS	50 YEAR
1	Halifax	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Hallmark	289	4	4	0	0	297	21	6	22	0	248	-41	5	12
4	Tyler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Orlando	222	3	0	1	0	226	5	3	26	0	192	-30	9	14
7	Union	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Tampa-Ivanhoe	223	1	1	0	0	225	1	2	49	0	173	-50	3	14
9	Bradentown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Adoniram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Polk	108	2	1	2	0	113	3	3	0	0	107	-1	3	15
13	Hiram	115	2	0	0	0	117	2	3	14	0	98	-17	0	16
14	St Petersburg	96	0	2	0	0	98	3	1	0	0	93	-3	0	2
15	St Augustine	58	1	0	0	0	59	2	2	0	0	55	-3	0	2
17	Zabud	90	2	0	0	0	92	1	2	3	0	86	-4	1	0
18	Palatka	63	0	0	0	0	63	3	1	4	1	54	-9	0	3
20	Sanford	73	4	0	0	0	77	1	0	4	0	72	-1	1	6
22	Ocala	54	3	0	0	0	57	2	2	2	0	51	-3	2	2
24	Lauderdale	106	5	0	0	0	111	0	0	12	0	99	-7	0	3
25	Ft. Myers	138	0	1	0	0	139	3	0	5	0	131	-7	0	0
26	Panama City	98	3	0	1	0	102	5	0	5	1	91	-7	0	13
27	Gainesville	114	8	3	0	0	125	6	0	4	0	115	1	4	9
28	Golden Triangle	40	9	1	1	0	51	1	0	3	0	47	7	0	3
29	Gulf	87	4	0	0	0	91	4	0	2	0	85	-2	2	5
30	Seminole	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31	Marianna	46	9	0	0	0	55	1	0	8	0	46	0	4	3
33	Crestview	85	4	0	0	0	89	2	0	4	0	83	-2	0	10
34	Clearwater	108	4	0	2	0	114	3	0	0	0	111	3	2	5
35	Lake City	48	3	1	0	0	52	1	0	0	1	50	2	1	3

Council Number	COUNCIL NAME	Jan 1, 2016	GREENE	REINSTATE	REFITTED	ADJUSTMENTS	SUBTOTAL	DIED	DEMITTED	SUSPENDED	ADJUSTMENTS	Dec 31, 2016	LOSS / GAIN	MEMBERS	50 YEAR
36	Tyrian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
38	Melbourne	86	3	0	0	3	92	1	0	15	3	73	-13	1	0
39	Lawtey	65	1	4	0	0	70	2	0	11	4	53	-12	1	0
41	Venice	79	0	0	0	0	79	4	3	4	0	68	-11	0	4
43	Heartland	27	4	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	31	4	1	0
44	Conch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
45	Noturna	26	0	0	0	0	26	1	4	6	0	15	-11	0	0
46	Athelstan	41	2	1	0	0	44	1	0	0	0	43	2	0	0
	TOTAL	2585	81	19	7	3	2695	79	32	203	11	2370	-215	40	144

SUMMARY						
1 JAN 2016 MEMBERSHIP				2585		
Greeted	81			Died	79	
Reinstated	19			Demitted	32	
Affiliated	7			Suspended	203	
Adjustments	3			Expelled	2	
				Adjustments	9	
Gain		110		Loss		-325
Net Gain/Loss						-215
31 Dec 2016 MEMBERSHIP				2370		

The above statistics compiled from Annual Returns from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016