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CHRONOLOGY

Titles of Meetings and Dates of Bodies Composed Exclusively for Masons

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

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

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

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

Knights Templar date from the organization of the Order in 1118 A.D. Their style is, therefore, Anno Ordinis - A.O. - in the year of the Order. Knights Templar Commandries hold "Conclaves."

Order of the High Priesthood dates from the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchizedek, which occurred 1914 B.C. Their style is Anno Benedictionis - A.B. - in the year of the Blessing. Councils of Anointed High Priest hold "Convocations."

Scottish Rite differs from the Ancient Craft Masons in that they use the Jewish chronology, ANNO MUNDI (A.M.) "In the Year of the World".

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

Royal Arch Masons - Add 530 years
Thus: 1996 + 530 = A. Inv. 2526

Royal and Select Masters - Add 1,000 years.
Thus: 1996 + 1,000 = A. Dep. 2996

Knights Templar - Subtract 1,118 years.
Thus: 1996 - 1,118 = A.O. 878

Order of High Priesthood - Add 1,913 years.
Thus: 1996 + 1,913 = A.B. 3909

Scottish Rite - Add 3760 years.
Thus: 1996 and 3760 = A.M. 5756

PRE-CONVENTION ACTIVITIES

Saturday, 18 May 1996

Budget and Finance Committee Meetings for all three Grand York Rite Bodies began at 0900 and continued to completion before lunch.

The Miami Priory #10 KYCH and Miami Conclave Red Cross of Constantine Meetings were held but no information was forwarded for the proceedings.

There was the usual attendance at the KYCH/Red Cross Banquet that evening where the Eminent Prior and other KYCH Officers were installed.

Florida Associate Regents of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America again hosted a Purple Cross Breakfast for members and distinguished guests attending the convention. Right Eminently distinguished Richard J. Carr, Grand Governor of Florida, welcomed those present and kept introduction to a minimum.



Sunday, 19 May 1996



RELIGIOUS/MEMORIAL SERVICES

Religious Services were held on Sunday Morning at 11 AM. There were 47 people present and received a collection of \$60.00 to be equally divided between the three principal charities of the Grand Chapter, Council and Commandery.

The Joint York Rite Divine Service was combined with a Memorial Service held at 7:30 P.M. The offering of \$ 502.00 was equally divided between the three principal charities of the Grand Chapter, Council and Commandery.

The Religious/Memorial Service, jointly planned by the three Grand York Rite Bodies, included traditional ceremonies by Companions and Sir Knights. Lady Roselyn Langdale was Guest Organist and Lady Malinda Feagins was Guest Soloist. The Reverend Sir Knight Ralph A. Jones, Jr. delivered the sermon. A report on the Holy Land Pilgrimage was given by S.K. William R. McKee, K.Y.C.H., Revs. Marvin R. Williams, Mark J. Roberts, Richard S. Westbury, Kenneth A. McCoy and Richard H. Quackenbush.

The Memorial part of the service included the three Chaplains and the Grand Presiding Officers presenting memorials. Taps was sounded, the Benediction by Rev. Richard Hamilton Quackenbush and closed with the traditional Recessional Hymn.

TRADITIONAL YORK RITE BANQUET

Tuesday, May 21, 1996, 7:00 P.M. Orlando North Hilton & Towers Altamonte Springs, Florida

INVOCATION

Rev. Ralph A. Jones, Jr. Ex. Grand Chaplain

Menu

Tossed Garden Salad

Baked Potato

Seasonal Vegetable

Roast Prime Rib Au Jus

Dinner Rolls and Butter

Carrot Cake

Coffee and Tea

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

S. K. Robert E. Burleson M. I. P. G. M

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

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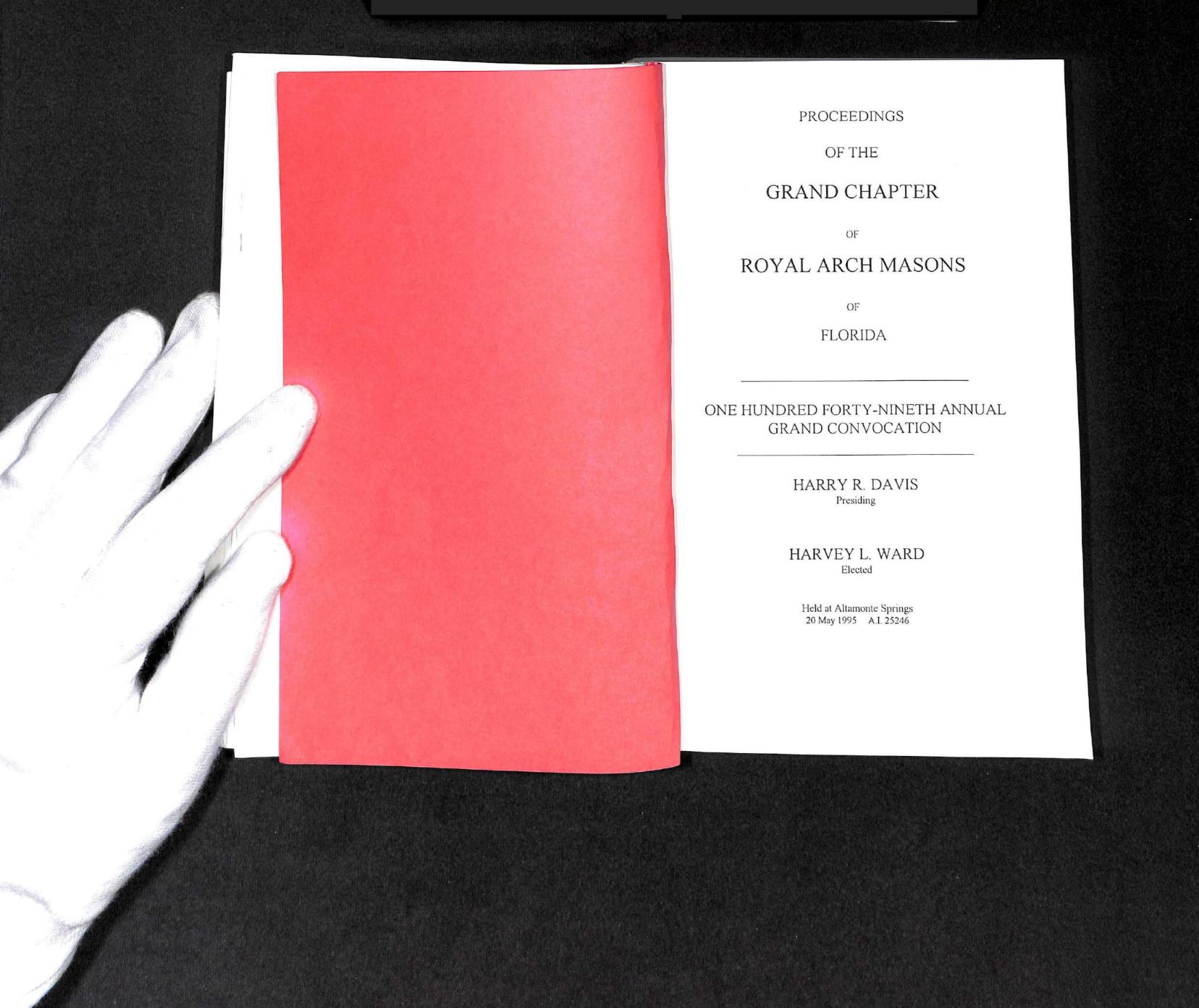
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> Asheville North Carolina November 3-6, 1996



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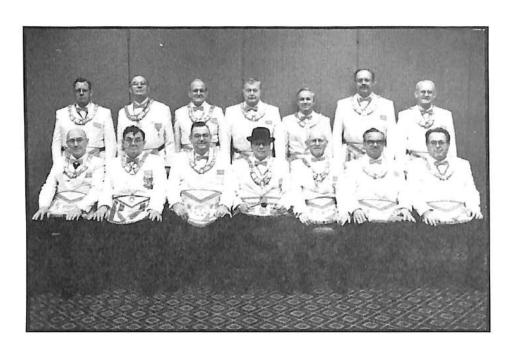


HARRY R'BOB' DAVIS

Bay Lodge F & AM, Worshipful Master in '76, presently Chaplain; Gold Proficiency Card - '79, Grand Lodge Service Award 40yrs ('95), District Chm for Wills and Gifts '85-86, District Instructor 4th Masonic District '87, Zone 1 Chm Masonic Youth '88, D. D. Grand Master '89.

York Rite Bodies - Surf Chapter, High Priest '62, Gulf Council, Illustrious Master '63, Crestview Commandery, Em. Commander '63, Order of High Priesthood '62, Order of Annointed Kings '63, KightCrusader of the Cross '75, D. D. Grand Master '72-73, D. D. Grand Commander '76, D. D. Grand High Priest '86, Gold Key Award '86, Grand Rep. to S. Australia Grand Chapter and Indiana Grand Council, KYCH Prior '96-97, Y. R. Sovereign College of N. Amer., Governor '95-96; Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priest '93, Red Cross of Constantine '96.

Scottish Rite of Free Masonry, Morocco Temple AAONMS, Hadji Temple AAONMS - Ambassador, Shaddai Temple AAONMS, Zollie Wade Young Hi-Twelve, Zollie Wade Young Amaranth Court Royal Patron.



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M. Charles Boice (6) Charlotte	E. Grand Master of the 1st Veil
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	E. Grand Sentinel
H. Warren Almand, Jr. (32) Lydia	904/482-4809
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Charles R. Denman (27) Joan	E. Grand Organist
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Roy R. Wright, Jr. (15) Polly	R.E. Grand Treasurer Emeritus
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Harold W. Kelly (7) (Passed Away March 1996)	E. Grand Organist Emeritus

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINETH ANNUAL GRAND CONVOCATION MAY 20, 1996

Harry R. Davis, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons of Florida, opened the Grand Chapter by proclamation at 8:00am. The Grand Chaplain offered Prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to our Nation's Flag. The Grand High Priest seated the Grand Chapter Officers and declared the One Hundred Forty-Nineth Annual Grand Convocation open for business.

ROLLS WERE CALLED

Harry R. Davis	M.E. Grand High Priest
Harvey L. Ward	R.E. Grand King
Frederick R. Young	R.E. Grand Scribe
Duane B. Young	R.E. Grand Treasurer
Wm. Robert Young	R.E. Grand Secretary
Ralph A. Jones, Jr	Ex. Grand Chaplain
Leslie H. Scott, Jr.	Ex. Grand Captain of Host
David C. Wilkinson	Ex. Grand Principal Sojourner
Virgil O. Brown	Ex. Grand Royal Arch Captain
Wayne E. Parks	Ex. Grand Master of the 3rd Veil
Steven Q. Steele	Ex. Grand Master of the 2nd Veil
M. Charles Boice	Ex. Grand Master of the 1st Veil
H. Warren Almand, Jr.	Ex. Grand Sentinel
Charles R. Denman	Ex. Grand Organist

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS EMERTI

Roy R. Wright, Jr.	R.E. Grand Treasurer Emeritus
Howard P. Bennett	R.E. Grand Secretary Emeritus
Wilbur W. Masters, Jr. (A)	R.E. Grand Chanlain Emeritus.

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS PRESENT

Roy R. Wright, Jr.	1965	James W. MacDonald	1967
Walter H. Winchester	1971	Earl G. Nicholson	1974
Richard I. Lanier	1975	Joseph C. LeSuer	1977
Duane R. Young	1978	Wendell D. Harrington	1982
William A. Cogburn	1983	J. Russell Hammond	1987
Vernon H. Miller	1988	R Earl Shiver	1989
William G. Norrie	1991	Ewell J. Langdale, Jr.	1992
William L. Buck, Jr.	1993	William O. Walker	1994

BRONZE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL HOLDERS LIVING

Joesph J. Johnson	1969**	George A. Chipouras	1987**
Wallace P. Dix			1988**
Orulla 11 c	1970	Roy R. Wright, Jr.	
Orville W. Cassady	1972	Charles E. Palmour	1989**
Harold F. Enter	1976	Lawrence L. Howell	1990**

Frank J. Busbey	1977	Robbie Robinson	1991**
Ralph A. Jones	1979**	William E. Eubanks	1993**
C. Allen Pattison	1980**	Frederick M. Morris	1994**
Wallach C. Stich	1982**	Ralph G. Weed	1995**
Willis M. Lewis	1985	Quinnie R. Williams, Sr.	1996**
Howard P. Bennett	1986**	(** Denotes Present)	

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA

REPORT OF THE RETURNS & CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We find the list of Grand Officers and Representatives of Chartered Chapters furnished by the Grand Secretary at the roll call to be correct. All have made returns, paid per capita tax and are represented.

J.W. MacDonald, Chariman, Frank B. Clawson, Willis B. Porter

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

 Robert G. Stearns 	Rodger L. Craig, Sr.
3. Richard Strack	4. Wilbur R. Allen
5. George Allen	George E. Malone
7. Clarence N. Gruber	8. Jerry R. Morgan
9. Robert M. Best	10. Robert V. Erdman

GRAND CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

AL	Paul W. Friend	ΛK	Steven Q. Steele
ARG	William W. Kingston, Sr	ΑZ	Richard J. Carr
AR	William G. Norrie	BC	Robert E. Burleson
CA	William B. Porter	CAN-On	Richard I. Lanier
CT	Virgil P. Brown, Jr.	DE	Arnold R. Lambe
FIN	Daniel E. Dale	GΑ	William O. Walker
Ш	Walter H. Winchester	ΙΑ	David C. Wilkinson
IRE	Howard P. Bennett	IS	Ralph A. Jones, Jr.
KS	Jacob J. Krawiec	KY	Robert F. Scott, Jr.
ME	Wayne E. Parks	MB	Harry A. Rosenthal, Jr.
MD	James W. MacDonald	MΛ	James W. Dazell
MEX	William A. Cogburn	Ml	Earl R. Allan
MN	Joseph C. LeSuer	MS	Gordon L. Anderson
MO	William L. Buck	MΤ	Duane B. Young
NE	George A. Chipouras	NETH	Leonard E. Whitehead
NV	Richard A. Young	NH	Addison A. Bennett
NJ	Frank Cochrane III	NM	M. Charles Boice
NSW	James B. Vanders	NY	Marvin W. Gerhard
NZ	Quinnie R. Williams, Sr.	NC	Theodore G. Cooper
ND	Charles E. Losey	NS	Robert A. Niles
OH	Vernon H. Miller	OR	R. Earl Shiver

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WY Hugh F.	Moore		•	-
REPRE	SENTATIVES (OF CONSTITUENT CI	HAPTERS	
Florida	No. 1	Deneil R. Smith	IIP	S
		J.D. Moifit N. G. Lundrigan	Proxy Proxy	, y
Gainesville	No. 2	Stanley H. Griffis, J		
		Raymond D. Harris Charles J. Corbin	King Scribe	K
Tampa - Cushing	No. 3	Jerome E. Murray	H13,	
		Joseph D. Coster Andrew T. Patton	Proxy Scribe	Т
St. Johns	No. 4	William Schuck	HP	P
Halifax	No. 5	Harold G. Cooper Elmer Geralds	HP King	L
		Warren J. Dunham	Proxy	Ìr
Mt. Horeb	No. 6	Freddie C. Briggs, J Flenry Seibert	r. HP Proxy	
		Leonard Whitehead	•	Jo
Eurcka	No. 7	Gerald H. Favor George T. Collier	HP King	
		Virgil D. Albright	Scribe	L
Dade City	No. 8	John C. Bates, Jr.	HP	
Putman	Ma D	Kenneth E. Walker	11P	S
	No. 9	Grady B. Law	King	Ja
Jericho	No. 11	Robert D. Riker Blas Pellon	HP King	

Jacksonville	No. 12	Glenn E. Chandler	HP
Ocala	No. 13	James A. Smith Albin W. Dipasca	HP King
Monroe	No 15	LeRoy Franklin Thrift Floyd Stage	HP Scribe
Plant City	No 16	Robert E. Butler John B. Hancock Edwin Martin	HP Proxy Proxy
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Manatce River	No. 18	David Odishaw James K. Redmond Richard C. Campbell	HP King Scribe
Keyslone	No. 20	Mathew Holmes James Rudman Cyril M. Shortle	HP King Scribe
Thomas Brown	No. 22	Michael D. DeChambeau	King
Palm Beach	No. 24	Roy P. Hendrickson Allen Simmons	HP King
Live Oak	No. 25	Troy Thompson	Proxy
Indian River	No. 27	Frank L. Glenn George H. James Daniel Fitch	HP King Scribe
Јорра	No. 28	Kenneth J. Gagnon Robert E. Phelps, Jr. Emmett Ward	HP King Proxy
Lakeland	No. 29	William F. Wyllie Charles R. Lanier, Sr. Neal Perfect	HP King Proxy
St. Petersburg	No. 31	Ralph Vaughan	Proxy
Jackson	No. 32	Arnold Lambe Warren Almand	HP King

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Eustis	No. 33	Franklin J. Klohn	HP
Sarasota	No. 35	C. A. Pattison Stephen H. Clark Malcolm Ryder	Proxy King Proxy
Lake City	No. 38	Hugh F. Moore	Proxy
Bay County	No. 39	Larry M. Layton Richard Foreman Raymond L. Miller	HP Proxy Proxy
Crestview	No. 40	William Hart James E. Brown Fred Turner	Proxy Proxy Proxy
Winter Haven	No. 41	Donald J. Butler, Jr. Charles F. Niles, Jr. Norman L. Hilt	HP King Scribe
Clearwater	No. 45	Ralph Sheppard Jack G. Stabler Michael Bennett	Proxy King Scribe
Duval	No. 48	Cecil L. Wright, Sr. L. K. Howell Gustave O. Rappold	HP Proxy Scribe
Nassau	No. 49	Ed O'Rourke Marshall D. Fullwood	HP Scribe
Poinciana	No. 50	Helmut Ehrhardt Robert Newell	HP Proxy
Surf	No. 57	Robert G. Melvin Willis B. Porter Wm. A. Howard	HP Proxy Proxy
Melbourne	No. 59	Frederick G. Ferris Jon F. Egerton A. G. Hay	HP King Proxy
Eden	No. 63	Luke DeRoberts 11. John Shinn	HP Proxy

GRAND CHAPTER AWARDS FOR 1995-96

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

Quinnie R. Williams, Sr., Nassau # 49

GOLD KEY AWARDS

Jack Towsend	Walter W. Wetherington	Cohen B. DePriest
Joe K. West	Neil E. Perfect	Jack R. Newsome
Willis T. McBride	Daniel Fitch	Bermon E. Pritt, Sr.
Samuel D. Reasor	Charles E. Beecher	Репту R. Кетр
David F. Emory, Sr.	Nicholas C. Mea, Jr.	Lamar Aycook

GOLD KEY AWARD PLAQUE

M.E.P.G.H.P. William A. Cogburn, Florida No. 1

GRAND HIGH PRIEST AWARD

Eden Chapter No. 3

TRIPLE TAU AWARD

Nassau No. 49

KEYSTONE PLAQUE

Lake City No. 38

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT FOR FY ENDING 30 April 1996

On May 4, 1996 the Audit Committee, consisting of Frederick R. Young, R. Ex. Grand Scribe, Chairman (Ex-Officio); Charles R. Denman, Chief Auditor; Columbus Webb; and Wallace C. Stich, met with Duane B. Young, R. Ex. Grand Treasurer, and Wm. Robert Young, R. Ex. Grand Secretary, at the office of the Grand Secretary/Recorder in Cocoa, Florida. Prior to beginning the formal audit of the records, the Chief Auditor presented a draft copy of a charter for this committee. It had previously been presented to, and approved by, the M. Ex. Grand High Priest and the R. Ex. Grand King. The committee agreed on the need for the charter and will submit any comments on the contents to the Chief Auditor prior to the Grand Convocation. A copy of the Charter is attached to this report.

The need for the charter was established when the Federal IRS Form 990 to file last year's income tax return (due September 15, 1995) was discovered during February 1996 in a little used drawer in the R. Ex. Grand Secretary's office. At this point in time we are still negotiating with the IRS, but it appears that this may cost each Grand body \$1,850.00 in penalties for late filing. The Charter details this type of responsibility so that proper questions may be asked during any transition of appointments.

The Charter also establishes that this Audit Committee is responsible to review all numerical records of the R. Ex. Grand Secretary's office including both financial accounts and membership records which have a direct bearing on financial activity, i.e. per capita tax. For the year just ending it was not possible to expand the Audit Committee into that portion of the work as the records are not presently available. Early in the year the R. Ex. Grand Secretary discovered that there was wide disagreement between the records in his office and the records at each subordinate unit, and in many cases his records were incomplete and substantially out of date. The Grand bodies approved additional funding to obtain, update, consolidate, and computerize this information. That effort has resulted in the review and updating of 40,000 individual records. There are approximately 29,000 records remaining to be processed. The work is proceeding well, but is not complete enough to audit at this time.

The R. Ex Grand Secretary's books were reviewed, as well as the hand written spread sheets maintained by the office bookkeeper. All mistakes in the spread sheets had been found and corrected by the R. Ex. Grand Secretary in a "self-audit" prior to this meeting. The R. Ex. Grand Secretary has established a computerized record system which will be used from this date forward, and retroactive to January 1, 1996 for payroll records.

Fortunately, the R. Ex. Grand Treasurer had all of his records on computer generated sheets and they were used for the bulk of the Audit effort. All financial records were found to be in order. A summary report follows:

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS

Income

Per Capita Tax & Fees	\$ 30,708.00
Sundry	372.50
Reimbursements	940.50
Convention Committee	2,171.12
Interest Income	8,302.00
Total Income	\$ 42,494.12

Disbursements

Grand Secretary's Salary	\$ 1,846.80
Grand Secretary Assistant	1,846.80
Office Assistant	1,992.59
Payroll Tax	458.95
Payroll Tax Employee Allowance	458.95
Grand High Priest	2,000.00
Grand King	500,00
Grand Treasurer Expense	1,200.00
Accountant & Audit Committee	300.00
Grand Secretary Expense	00.00
Grand Secretary Assistant Allowance	200 00

	
Chairman Charity Committee	250.00
Committee on Work	37.29
Delegate's Per Diem	7,811.89
Distinguished Guests	1,752.87
S. E. Conference	200.00
Triennial Fund	843.10
Library Committee	500.00
Area Meetings	540.70
February Meeting	57.76
Masonic Youth	300.00
Masonic Home	1,000.00
Grand Secretary's Office	
Miscellaneous	600.00
Postage	700.00
Rent	1,100.00
Telephone	400.00
Electric	200.00
Computer Expense	100.00
Maintenance	300.00
Miscellaneous	
Printing	455.17
Summer Assembly	100.00
Proceedings	1,272.00
Corporate Fee	61.25
Per Capita Tax	3,950.10
Unemployment Compensation	103.83
Reimbursables	1,038.99
Awards	216.43
Insurance	522.34
Jewel, Apron & Case	273.45
Contingencies	1,000.00
Out of Budget for 150th Anniversary	5,192.01
Depreciation	113.14
Total Disbursements	\$ 42,396.41
Gain	\$ 97.71
	
BALANCE SHEET	
Assets General Fund	\$ 28,655.50
Savings Account	502.80
Certificates of Deposit	190,000.00
Charity Fund	6,603.13
Convention Fund	2,200.56
Triennial Fund	2,494.43
Grand High Priest's Jewel	4,000.00
Qualid Lingu Friest & Jewel	4,000.00

Depreciable Assets

Depreciable	e Assets		
_	Office Equipment	7,998.69	
	Paraphernalia	11,061.25	
	Total		19,059.94
	Accrued Depreciation	(18,607.39)	452.55
Total Assets			\$ 234,908.97
Liabilities	& Net Worth		
Net Worth	ı.		234,908.97
Total Liab	ilities & Net Worth		\$ 234 908 97

Frederick R. Young, Charles R. Denman, CA, Columbus Webb, Wallace C. Stich

BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

The Benevolence Committee is happy to report that no requests were received by the Committee for assistance due to misfortunes suffered by our Companions or dependents of Companions. Therefore, it is assumed all is well.

William A. Cogburn, Jr. J. Russell Hammond, Ewell J. Langsdale, Jr.

BLUE LODGE REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

We wish to thank those Blue Lodge Representatives who through their enthusiam and dedication to the York Rite have continued to bring new members in to our fold. Your committeemen firmly believe that the Blue Lodge Representative Porgram has yielded positive results in the past and will continue to yield positive results when properly embraced and utilized. Results and use of the Blue Lodge Representatives vary significantly across the state. Those areas of the state, that have enthusiastically pursed the program have shown success in recruitment of new members. We must continue to encourage active and zealous cooperation between the Blue Lodge Representatives, York Rite District Deputies, High Priests and the Worshipful Masters of the particular lodges.

Your committee proposes the following recommendations for your consideration:

- 1. An education program to ensure that our representatives can effectively sell our York Rite principles and history. Strong, self-motivated and educated representatives being our best asset.
- 2. A program be developed to recognize those individuals who recruit and obtain new members on a continuing basis.
- 3. Encourage local York Rite Bodies to become involved in the Blue Lodge degrees. Enabling our representatives to be on the scene early with encouragement and the story of the York Rite.

Steven O. Steele, Daniel E. Dale, William R. Taylor

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Budget and Finance committee met on February 10, 1996 in Brevard Lodge 113. The following members were present:

Randal E. Shiver, Earl R. Allan, George A. Chipouras, Harvey L. Ward, Duane B. Young, Wm. Robert Young.

Projected revenue and funding were reviewed followed by an item by item look at the proposed budget. A copy of the preliminary budget was distributed to all committee members, auditors, and the incoming Grand High Priest.

The committee held it's final meeting on May 18, 1996 at the Orlando North Hilton and Towers. At that time another item by item review of the budget was made resulting in the following recommended changes in the 1996-97 budget:

- Account 10300 Y. R. Publications. This account was increased from \$1,000.00 to \$3,500.00 to fund the printing and mailing of five issues of the York Rite Light.
- Account 10425 Corporate Fee. This account was decreased from \$200,00 to \$65,00 the present cost.
- Account 10465 Awards. This account was increased from \$125.00 to \$1,000.00 to provide funding for additional awards at the One Hundred Fiftieth Annual Convocation.
- Account 10999 Out of Budget Account for 150 year Celebration. This
 account will receive one time funding.
- 5. Account 10050 Delegates Per Diem. This account was reduced from \$10,000.00 to \$9,000.00.
- Account 10051 Distinguished Guest. This account was reduced from \$4,000.00 to \$2,000.00.

Randal E. Shiver, Earl R. Allan, George A. Chipouras

CHARTERS, DISPENSATION AND BY LAWS COMMITTEE

No matters have been referred to this committee for consideration. Virgil P. Brown, Daniel E. Dale, Edwin B. Moore III

CONSTITUTION, INDEX & UPDATE COMMITTEE

No matters have been referred to this committee for consideration. Earl G. Nicholson and W.Robert Young

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Advertising Income	\$8,367.75
Registration (335 @ \$5.00)	1,675.00
Banquet (322 @ \$23,00)	7,406.00
Ladies Luncheon (127 @ \$7.00)	889.00
Mens Luncheon (160 @ \$12.00)	1,920.00
Bazaar	1,173.00
Hospitality	132.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$21,562.75

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Souvenir Program	\$3,176.00
Friut Baskets	173.75
Roses	7.95
Hospitality	77.08
Banquet, Ladies & Mens Luncheons	9,239.49
Paid for meals that should have been paid by genera	I fund +80.00
Postage	511.60
Miscellaneous	559.93
Phone	97.25
Ladies Lunch (B. Bennett)	113.96
Refunds	557.00
York Rite Charities (Bazaar & Hosp, Rm. Proceeds	s) 1,305.00
	\$15,899.01

Balance in Checking	\$5,660.74
Less Balance carried from "95	505.00

(5.00 from uncashed person wanted earned over to 96 patron page)

NET for 1996 Convention	\$5,160.74
Balance remaining in checking	\$500.00

Once again our convention was held at the Orlando Hilton North in Altamonte Springs. It is necessary for us as York Rite Masons to comment on the fact that the last three years this hotel has served us in an outstanding fashion. Not only was the hotel staff as a whole excellent but many of the employees went beyond what their usual job descriptions call for, to see that everything was not only what we asked for but also what we wanted and needed. Without this kind of support from the hotel staff, our convention would not nearly have been as successful.

It is also necessary for this committee and the Grand Body as a whole to recognize the efforts of several of our people who made this convention special. Our Hosipality Suite was a cut above its usual phenomenal success. Linda Dale and other ladies did an excellent job and somehow managed to raise nearly \$150.00 for our York Rite Charties. We also need to recognize Ruth Carroll and Sonja Piaseeki who handled our charity Bazaar. They worked intently all year long to make the bazaar turn out the way it did. For this we thank them.

The Ladies Lunch came as a surprise to us this year. While there was not a drop in ladies attendance, there was a drop in those attending the luncheon. None of us is aware of why this happened and we will be discussing this problem in an attempt to remedy the situation for next year.

Just as the Ladies Luncheon came as a surprise, the Men's Luncheon was also a surprise. This year we had 162 mem attending. Eyeryone enjoyed an excellent meal and good fellowship.

Our Grand Banquet attendance was about the same this year as last. After three years of attendance, the kitchen crew really knew our dinner requirements. Each person was able to receive their meal prepared exactly how they wanted it. They even allowed us to reserve some vegetable plates for those poor souls who could not eat red meat. This is one of the benefits of continually going to the same hotel.

Florida Graphics needs to be recognized for their phenomenal work on our souvenir programs. The three years we have gone to them for our programs we have gotten much more than we paid for. They have slways given us, at no additional charge, those extras which have made the program something special. For this they have earned our gratitude and appreciation.

Although Florida Graphies has turned out an excellent program for us, there is one negative point that we have to make. It is the feeling of the committee that our program should have considerably more ad's in it than it presently does. We are not getting all of the Masonic family and those outside the Masonic family to participate. In may cases we have been fold that someone (or somebody) would have placed an ad if they had been asked. It is absolutely necessary for our Grand Officers and District Deputies to get the word out early. Not to just our own Lodges and York Rite Bodies, but to those businesses that we all deal with.

Last year at the convention we had a problem with getting everyone into their rooms. This year that problem was resolved and there was no problem in getting the Companions and Sir Knights into their rooms. There was however another major problem in this area. The problem was with pre-registration. It is a convention axiom that you can expect from 5 to 6 precent of the people attending to ignore preregistering. Our committee always brings supplies for about 10 percent. This year those who chose to ignore pre-registering were approx. 21 precent. Because of this both the convention committee and the Grand Secretary's office ran out of those materials which we intended to include in everyone's packets. This includes nametags, directories, and all of the committee reports. It is unequivocally necessary for all of the Companions and Sir Knights to pre-register, especially if you wish to receive those item which are necessary to conduct the business of this Grand Body. Beyond this those individuals who lignore pre-registration slow down the registration process at the convention. If you had pre-registered all you would have to do is pick up your packet. Those who do not, still have to fill out paper work, and this year it caused a line at the convention desk.

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA

Special thanks from this committee to those Companions and Sir Knights who took the time to help us at the convention desk. Not only did they make things go smoother, but they gave those people who spend all day at the desk a chance to get a break. Thanks again.

Very special thanks goes to those who helped in seeing that this convetion was a success. Sir Knight Clay Ochlert, for taking care of all the set-up and arrangements for the meeting rooms in the hotel. And a very special thanks to Mrs. Shirley Anderson, who every year she attends, seems to take care of just about everything for us. Without her help this convention committee would not function nearly as well as it does. She is simply invaluable.

It was again a pleasure to serve the craft in putting this convention together. We are looking forward to next year and hoping to make it even better.

Gordon L. Anderson, Clay Ochlert, Alan J. Graulich

DISTINGUISHED GUEST COMMITTEE

We are happy to report that the following guests were received with appropriate honors and personally greeted by the Grand Body Leaders of Florida.

Arthur C. Harding	Grand See/Ree of Alabama
Richard Carr	Grand Governor YRSC of FL
Howard P. Bennett	Past Governor General YRSC
Samuel Lee	Grand Seribe of Georgia
Dale Young	Rep of G.H.P. of Colorado
Frances Roberson	Deputy Grand High Priest MA
Stephen Piner	Past Grand High Priest CN
Robert Schafer	Grand High Priest of NC
Emory J. Ferguson	Grand High Priest of AL
William J. Bird	Grand High Priest of GA
Walter P. Davis	Grand High Priest of SC.

Sixteen Past Grand High Priests of Florida were Present. General Grand Chapter Personnel from Florida:

William L. Buck

William L. Buck	Ambassador to Florida
Joseph C. LeSuer	DeMolay Committee
Vernon H. Miller	Chmn Board of General Purposes
Ralph O. Sheppard	Deputy G.G.H.P. at Large
Duane B. Young	General Grand Treasurer
Walter H. Winchester	Past General Grand High Priest
Guy Jeanerette	Ass't General Grand Chaplain
Benny Allen	Chm'n DeMolay Committee

W. Carroll Sanford, Deputy General Grand High Priest of S.E. Region and Captain of the Host of the General Grand Chapter.

Grand Lodge of F & A M of Florida:

Clarence N. Gruber Grand Historian Pat Pattison **Grand Tyler Emeritus** Junior Grand Steward George Chipouras Richard I. Lanier Junior Grand Deacon William F. Wylie Senior Grand Deacon James A Wilson Past Grand Master of FL Past Grand Master of FL George Hayes

Deputy Grand Master of Masons in FL Michael A. Padron, Jr. Grand Master of Masons in Florida John C. Thomas

We are pleased to have the opportunity to present these distinguished Grand Chapter Guests.

Duane Young, Earl R. Allan, Joe C. LeSuer, John B. Fletcher, Jr.

FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Foreign Relations is pleased to note that there have been no concerns expressed to members of this committee during this Capitular year about our Foreign Relations.

Discussions with General Grand Chapter Officers who have visited in Greece this past year have noted that there are still three different bodies, each calling them-selves the Supreme Grand Chapter of Greece. Your Committee feels it is inappropriate to recognize any of the three until there is more peace and harmony in that area.

Your committee thanks you for the privilege of serving this Grand Chapter during this Capitular year now ending.

Walter H. Winchester and Robert E. Burleson

GRAND HIGH PRIEST'S REPORT

To The Most Excellent Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Florida, Grand Chapter Officers, District Deputy Grand High Priests, Past Grand High Priests, members of the Grand Chapter, Distingushed Guests, my Friends and Companions.

It is with mixed emotions that I greet you and bid you all welcome to the 149th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida. This morning marks the beginning of the end of one of the most memorable years of my life, and although it saddens me to think of its ending. I am buoyed by the memories I have accrued over the past twelve months.

And so, I extend to each of you a warm and hearty welcome. The Convention Committee has labored long and diligently to make your stay a memorable one. It is hoped that this Grand Convocation will be a very rewarding experience, not only to those of you who are attending your first Grand Convocation, but also to those of you to whom these sessions have become "old Hat." By your participation, however may you derive some knowledge or information that will benefit yourself, your Chapter, District, and (thus) the Capitluar Rite in general.

There are many distinguished guests who have honored us with their presence here today, not only from Florida, but from other Grand Jurisdictions as well. We thank each of you for seeing fit to visit with us. It is my desire that you find us a pleasant group to "drop in on." Therefore, my Grand Chapter Companions of Florida, let the famous Florida hospitality shine for all guests. Make them feel glad they came.

And now, my Companions, it is time to give an accounting of my stewardship. I have always heard that time goes by more swiftly as one grows older; but nothing prepared me for the supersonic speed with which this year has passed. When I stood before you twelve months ago in this very hotel, and gave you my "Pillar of Fire" to guide you (it was hoped) to success in your Chapter, District (and ultimately) in the State: it was with the hope that "this was the year" that we were going to witness a change for the better. This has been the hope of every Grand High Priest here to for, but it didn't happen this year, either. For the "bottom line" was a whopping loss of 703 members. Deaths 278, Suspensions 327, Demitted 93, and Adjustments 5. There were bright spots though, for we Exalted 251 new Royal Arch Masons, Affiliated 41, and Reinstated 40. Somewhere, somebody did something right. And this leads me to believe that in certain places....select places....that "Pillar of Fire" did burn ... brilliantly.

In spite of those statistics, I give thanks to our Heavenly Father for the good health with which he blessed me, for friends and family that supported me, and for the opportunity to serve this Grand Chapter that you, my companions, bestowed upon me. This past year coming as it did to what might be considered the beginning of the twilight of my life, gave a new zest to that life. The wonderful people I have met, the warm friendships that have been formed all across, up and down, the great pride for Florida that I have become more and more aware of since moving to this Sunshine State 41 years ago, far outweighs my disappointments in statistics. Over and above these things is the restored confidence in the survival of Freemasonry which you, the Companions of this Grand Jurisdiction, have instilled in me. For I have felt the warmth of your FRIENDSHIP, I have observed your INVOLVEMENT I have witnessed your attention to good Ritual, and I have basked in the glow of your ENTHUSIASM. Yes, I feel assured that Masonry will survive as long as mem, such as yourselves, continue to embrace this great Fraternity.

Whatever success I have enjoyed in this year must be shared by those who serve with me. The Past Grand High Priests, the present Grand Officers, the Grand Chapter Committee members, the District Deputy Grand High Priests and the Officers of the Constituent Chapters, have all played an import role in the government of this Grand Chapter and I cannot praise them enough for their faithfulness and helpfulness.

Thanks is such an inadequate word when it comes to expressing the gratitude I feel toward all of them. They were there ready, willing and able to assist anyone seeking their help and they have been my strength and support on every occasion that I needed them. The Past Grand High Priests have been very free and candid with their advice, giving me the benefit and talents whenever and whatever I asked of them. The members of the Grand Chapter Committees have conscientiously performed the duties assigned to them and some are even now, as I speak, performing their tasks. To the District Deputy Grand High Priests, I offer my undying gratitude. For they, as has often been said, are the work-horses of this Grand Chapter. Many of them have offered me their friendship as men, and have received mine in return. Finally, to the Officers of the Constituent Chapters who have shown me every courtesy. For their devotion to duty and for their enthusiasm, I shall be forever grateful.

NECROLOGY

The Grand High Priest of Heaven and Earth saw fit to spare our Grand Line this year; but his Messenger did lead "from this imperfect to that All-Perfect, Glorious and Celestial Lodge above" 277 Companions. Also, let us remember Mildred Allen, wife of our District Deputy Grand High Priest, R.E. Comp. George Allen, who graced District No. 5 with her presence for many years.

While we are saddened by the loss of those through death we will not despair as we know that we can leave them in the hands of Him who doeth all things well, and we as Masons also know that life is just a short phase of our immortality and we will sing with the poet...

Nay, but as when one layeth
His worn out robes away
and, taking new ones, sayeth
"These will I wear today!"
So putteth by the spirit
Lightly, its grabs of flesh.
And passeth to inherit
a residence afresh.

I ask that the Grand Chaplain offer a prayer at this time.

APPOINTMENTS

Conforming to the provisions of the Constitution Rules and Regulations of this Grand Chapter, upon my election as Grand High Priest, I elevated each appointed Grand Chapter Line Officer to the next higher station, with the additional appointments to serve with me:

Grand Sentinel - H. Warren Almand, Jr.
Grand Musician - Charles R. Denman

I next announced the appointment of the required Convention Committees. These committees will be published in the Grand York Rite Proceedings of the 149th Grand Convocation.

GRAND CHAPTER GOALS 1995 - 96

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

- Program Theme is "FIRE" the objective is to bring Capitular Masonry "Back to the Basics".
- Enhance the Image of the York Rite in general and Royal Arch (Capitular)
 Masonry in Particular by improving our visibility.
- 3. Religious Affirmation Observance seeking all 40 constituent chapters participating.
- Royal Arch Research Assistance assist the General Grand High Priest in his goal of doubling the R.A.R.A. Endowment. Striving for a minimum of \$1.00 per person.
- 5. Support our Blue Lodge Representative System Representatives should always be visible first and then ready to speak on every or any occasion.
- 6. Membership Development Program the life and breath of all Masonry, but particulary our Capitular Rite.
- Up-dating the number of Red Books alloted to each Chapter. Each principal dais officer receives a Red Book at installation and passes it along to his successor.
- Peer Management appointment of Chapter Educational Officer(s).
- 9. Strive for excellence in our Degree Work.
- 10. Perpetual Life Membership taking our cue after the Grand Lodge.
- 11. Museum Collectibles and Items of Memorabilia preserving our past Masonic nostalgia.

VOUCHERS SIGNED

During this year, I signed vouchers numbered 1 to 117, inclusive, amounting to \$38,060.57.

ROYAL ARCH RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Surprising as it may seem, I met Royal Arch Masons this year who were either unaware of the significance of R.A.R.A. or they were unwilling to contribute to it. This, the first and only philanthropy of the Grand Chapter, is playing a most important role in the research into and the treatment of auditory perception disorders. For this reason your 1995 - 96 Grand High Priest provided and distributed 1,000 lapel pins among the Grand Chapter Officers and the Constitutent Chapters with the help

of the D. D. G. H. P.'s for the sole purpose and the suggested donation of \$2.00 for each pin would add to the individual Chapter donation toward R.A.R.A. Did you contribute by securing a pin? Are you still in the dark? And does your Chapter have a program focusing upon this subject?

DISPENSATIONS APPROVED

- Jun 23/95 Live Oak Chapter to hold a special election on Aug. 1, 1995 to elect a High Priest starting at 7:30 P.M.
- Jul 10 Gainesville Chapter to hold Ancient Craft Table Chapter Convocation on Aug. 15, 1995 at the University Center Hotel starting at 7:00 P.M.
- Aug 25 Putman Chapter to hold election of Officers on 2nd Wednesday of November starting at 7:30 P.M.
- Mar 11/96 Gainesville Chapter to hold Ancient Craft Table Chapter Convocation on Mar. 19, 1996 at the Gainesville Shrine Club starting at 7:00 P.M.
- Apr 01 Monroe Chapter to move Charter to Orlando Hilton, N. Altamonte Springs on May 20, 1996 for the purpose of opening Chapter to receive Grand Chapter Officers of R.A. M. Of Florida at the 149th Annual Grand Convocation starting at 8:00 AM.
- Apr 25 Halifax Chapter for the period from 4/25/96 to 5/20/96 for the purpose of obtaining a new Chapter home since they were ousted from their Regular Convocation meeting place of 75 years.

DISPENSATION DENIED

- Jun 7/95 Live Oak Chapter to hold special election to elect a High Priest. Art. XVIII "Vacancies How Filled" portion reading, "which authority must be applied for by the King and Scribe." King printed his name and Scribe's name was absent from request.
- Sep 20 Dade City Chapter to hold special election to elect a High Priest.

 Art. XVIII "Vacancies How Filled", portion reading, "which authority must be applied for by the King and Scribe." Neither King or Scribe's name appeared on request. Used form. Sent Secretary proper form.
- Apr 2/96 Eden Chapter to confer the Chapter Degrees upon a Brother Master Mason who was blind. Informed Secretary that being blind did not disqualify a Master Mason if he met all the qualifications Eden Chapter required to be exalted.

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BY-LAW AMENDMENTS APPROVED

Jun 21/96	Change Regular Convocation of Eden Chapter from 4th Tuesday of each month starting at 7:30 pm., except July and Aug., to the 4th Wed. starting at 7:30 pm., except July and August.
Nov 1	Change the time of the Regular Convocation of Poinciana Chapter, which meets at 7:30 pm. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, to 6:45 P.M. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.
Nov l	Change location of Keystone Chapter from Dorie Temple, 700 N.E. 8th Street, Fort Lauderdale to Seminole Lodge, S.E. 15th Street, Fort Lauderdale.
Nov 5	Change Bay County Chapter Regular Convocation from the 1st Thur, night of each month, starting at 7:00 pm., to the 2nd Monday night of each month, starting at 7:00 pm.
Nov II	Change Putman Chapter Regular Convocation from 2nd Wed. of the month of January, April, July, and August starting at 7:30 pm.
Nov 28	Change annual dues to Tampa - Cushing Chapter effective for the Capitular year beginning December 28, 1996.
Dec 29	Change Eden Chapter Regular Convocation from the 4th Wed. of each month, except July and August, starting at 7:30 pm., to the 4th Tuesday of each month, except July and August, starting at 7:30pm.
Jan 16/96	Change Tampa - Cushing Chapter Regular Convocation from the 1st Fri. of each month, except July and Aug., starting at 7:30 pm, to the 4th Fri. of each mo., except July and Aug, starting at 7:30pm.
Feb 13	Regular Convocation of Melbourne Chapter will meet on the 2nd Thur, of the odd numbered months (Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept., and Nov.) at 7:30pm. Even numbered months (Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct., and Dec.) and time of 8:30pm. were deleted.
Apr 01	Palm Beach Chapter to hold Regular Convocations during the months of Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept., and Nov. on the 3rd Monday, starting at 7:30 P.M.
Apr 01	St. Johns Chapter to reduce its fees from \$30,00 to \$25,00 on all new petitions for the Chapter Degrees.
Apr 09	Crestview Chapter to hold Regular Convocations during the months of Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept. and Nov. on the 3rd Tuesday starting at 7:00 P.M.

- Apr 09 Winter Haven Chapter to hold Regular Convocations on the 1st and 3rd Thurs, each month starting at 7:30pm., except the months of July and Aug.. The Chapter will be dark when the 1st Thursday of January is the First day of the month.
- Apr 15 St. Johns Chapter to hold Regular Convocations during the months of Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept. and Nov. on the 1st Tuesday starting at 7:30pm.
- May 07 Granted By-Law Amendment request by St. Petersburg Chapter to raise its fees from \$35.00 to \$45.00 on all petitions for the Chapter Degrees.
- May 07 Granted By-Law Amendment requested by St. Petersburg Chapter to raise annual dues from \$7.00 to \$12.00 to wit: December 28th of each year.

BY-LAW AMENDMENTS DENIED

- Jul 10/95 Keystone Chapter Requested Secretary to re-submit for clarification and use, language in Reg 24.05, Art. 11 Convocations (pg, 1st Paragraph).
- Sep 21 Reseinded approval of By-Law Amendment that I had previously approved to Mount Horeb Chapter on July 17, 1995. Referred Secretary to Reg. 24.05, Art. X (pg 51). Petitions and re-submit request, but use same language and place a fixed amount for the Capitular Degrees.
- Nov

 Tampa Cushing Chapter to change annual dues to three times.

 Called Secretary each time and directed him to use language
 appearing in Reg. 24.05, Art. XI Dues (pg 51), how By-Laws now
 read to what Amendment request would be. Denied request again
 because Council seal was used instead of Capitular Seal.
- Dec 4 Eden Chapter to change Convocation night. Called Secretary and informed him request was in order but original signatures were not used on each request.
- Mar 2/96 Crestview Chapter request concerning Convocations, Petitions, and Dues. Called Secretary by phone and requested he re-submit his request by stating how By-Law now reads on said subjects to what By-Laws are to read in said Amended Articles as shown in Appendix A (Reg 24.05), Art 1 Name; Art. II Convocations (pg 48); Art X Petitions, and Art XI Dues (pg 51) in Grand Chapter Constitution and Regulations.

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- Mar 12 Palm Beach Chapter pertaining to change of Convocation. Corresponded by letter to secretary requesting he re-submit his request by first stating how By-Laws now read before change to what By-Laws will read in change. Referred him to use same language as outlined in Appendix A (Reg. 24.05), Art X1 Dues (pg 51) of the Grand Chapter Constitution and Regulations.
- Mar 28 Crestview Chapter concerning Convocations. Called secretary and referred him to (pg 48) Reg. 24.05, Art II Convocations. State what their By-Laws now read to what they will be Amended to read.
- Apr 01 Winter Haven Chapter concerning Convocations. Called secretary and referred him to (pg 48) Reg. 24.05, Art II Convocations. State what their By-Laws now read to what they will be Amended to read.
- Apr 01 St. Johns Chapter on Convocation. Sent note to secretary explaining his request was in order, but to specify the name of the odd months.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED

Roger L. Craig, Sr. Idaho
Clarence N. Gruber Minnesota
Robert C. Wilson, Jr. South Carolina
George E. Malone Rhode Island
H. Warren Almand, Jr. France
Richard E. Foreman Greece

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS RECEIVED

Duval Chapter No. 48 - Surf Chapter No. 57 Gulf Council No. 29 - St. Elmo Commandery No. 42 Grand Chapter, R.A.M. of the State of Alabama Grand Council, R. & S.M. of the State of Alabama Grand Commandery, K.T. of the state of Alabama Grand Chapter, R.A.M. of the state of North Carolina Grand Council, R. & S.M. of the state of North Carolina Grand Commandery, K.T. of the state of North Carolina

ACTIVITIES AND VISITATIONS

May		Elected and installed M.E. Grand High Priest
June	05	Stated Communication of Bay Lodge
	10	Area Meeting of Districts 7 & 8 at Lake City Lod

- Jun 14 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Club. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
- 15 17 Southeastern York Rite Conference at Chattanooga, TN. Presented a paper entitled "BACK TO THE BASIC".

- Jun 19 Stated Communication of Bay Lodge
 - 20 Called Communication Dixie Lodge, E.A. Degree
 - 23 Panama City Valley Scottish Rite meeting. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 28 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Club. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest
 - 28 Past Master Unit Meeting Shaddai Shrine Temple.
- July 03 Stated Communication, Bay Lodge
 - D6 Bay County Chapter Regular Convocation
 - 12 Offical visit, Putnam Chapter. Received Capitular Grand Honors.
 - 14 Panama City Valley Scottish Rite meeting. Introduced as GHP
 - 15 Summer Festival Capitular Degrees conferred Gainesville Chapter. Served as Principal Sojourner.
 - 17 Stated Communication, Bay Lodge. Official visit of D.D.G.M. Received 40 year Grand Lodge Service Award.
 - 19 District No. 6 School of Instruction, Parker Lodge
- July 20 Conclave of St. Johns Commandery
- July 24 Official visit Duval Chapter. Received Honorary Membership. Received Capitular Grand Honors.
 - 26 Past Masters Unit Meeting, Shaddai Shrine Temple.
 - 29 Senior Citzens Dinner at Dixie Lodge. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest. Closed meeting by giving prayer.
 - 31 Florida State DeMolay Conclave. Presented a check of \$100.00 to Master Counselor from Grand Chapter.
- Aug 04 Official Visit, Crestview Chapter. Received Capitular Grand Honors.
 - 07 Stated Communication, Bay Lodge
 - Masters and Wardens Dist 6 Meeting. St. Andrew Lodge. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 12 Area Meeting of Dists. 1 and 6, Harbor City Lodge, Melbourne
 - 14 Official Visit, Mt. Horeb Chapter, Received Capitular Grand Honors.
 - 15 Ancient Craft Table Chapter Convocation, Gainesville Chapter, Received with Capitular Grand Honors
 - 16 District No. 6 School of Instruction, Parker Lodge.
 - 19 Panama City Priory No. 72, K.Y.C.H. Pensacola
 - 21 Stated Communication of Bay Lodge.
 - 23 Past Masters Unit Meeting, Shaddai Shrine Temple.
 - 25 Panama City Valley Scottish Rite meeting. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 28 Called Communication at Ira Lindsey, Sr. Lodge, F.C. Degree.
 - 31 Panama City York Rite Bodies covered dish Family Night.
- Sept 04 Stated Communication, Bay Lodge
 - 06 District No. 6 School of Instruction, St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 07 Bay County Chapter, Regular Convocation.
 - O8 Grand Master of Masons, John R. Thomas, Official visit Dist. No. 6, Scottish Rite Temple. Received and introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.

- Sept 09 Area meeting of Dist No. 4 & 5, Winter Haven Lodge. Surprise 50th Birthday Party and Homecoming for S.K. Paul E. Hockett R.E.G.C.
 - 11 Official Visit, Jackson Chapter. Received Capitular Grand Honors.
 - 13 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Club. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 13 Masters and Wardens Dist. No. 6 meeting. St. Andrew Lodge. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 16 Area Meeting of Dists. No. 2 & 3, North Side Lodge, St. Petersburg.
 - 17 York Rite Day at the Masonic HomePresented a check for the Endowment Fund from the Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Florida.
 - 18 Stated Communication of Bay Lodge
 - 20 District No. 6 School of Instruction, Parker Lodge
 - 22 Panama City Valley Scottish Rite Meeting. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest..
 - 27 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting.
 - Area Meetings of Dists No. 9 & 10, Shaddai Shrine Temple, Joint Homecoming for M.E. Grand High Priest, Harry R. Davis and M.I. Grand Master, A.A. "Pete" Bennett.
- Oct 02 Official visit, Surf Chapter. Received Honorary Memberships in Ft. Walton Beach York Rite Bodies and Capitular Grand honors.
- Oct 09 Called Communication at Parker Lodge., M.M. Degree.
- Oct. 11 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Club. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 11 Masters and Wardens Dist No. 6 meeting, St. Andrew Lodge. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 18 District No. 6 School of Instructions. Parker Lodge. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 20 Hundredth Capitular Birthday for Halifax Chapter, Daytona Beach.
- 21 22 October Festival, Winter Haven.
 - 23 Conclave of Chipola Commandery . Official Visit of S.K. Gordon L. Anderson, Grand Warder of the Grand Commandery.
 - 25 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Club.
 - 25 Past Masters Unit Meeting, Shaddai Shrine Temple.
- 27-28 E. H. "Bud" Fowler, Fall York Rite Festival, Panama City York Rite Bodies.
- Nov. 01 District No. 6 School of Instruction, St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 03 Widows Fund Meeting, 6th Masonie District, St. Joe Lodge
 - 04 Red Cross of Constantine Candidate, Y. R. Temple, Panama City.
 - 06 Stated Communications, Bay Lodge
 - 08 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting
 - 98 Past Masters Unit Meeting, Shaddai Shrine Temple.
 - 13 Bay County Chapter Regular Concovation, and Panama City Council Regular Assembly.
 - 14 Called Communications at Calloway Lodge, M.M. Degree.
 - 15 District No. 6 School of Instruction, Parker Lodge
 - 16 Election of Officers at Conclave of St. Johns Commandery . Elected as Captain General.

- Nov 17 Fall Shrine Ceremonial, Shaddai Temple. Introduced as Grand High Priest.
 - 20 Stated Communication for Bay Lodge
 - 21 Called Communication at Acme Lodge, M.M. Degree.
 - 22 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Club Meeting
 - 22 Past Mosters unit meeting, Shaddai Shrine Temple.
 - 27 Conclave of Chipola Commandery, Official Visit of S.K. Paul E. Hockett, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery.
 - 28 Called Communication at Harry Jackson, M.M. Degree
 - 29 Courtesy Last Rites for an out-of-state Brother at the Pythagoras Lodge
 - 30 Panama City York Rite Bodies covered dish Family Night.
- Dec 02 Open Books 6th Masonic District. Scottish Rite Temple, Valley of Panama City.
 - 02 Christmas Parade Downtown Panama City.
 - 04 Stated Communications, Bay Lodge.
 - 06 District No. 6 School of Instruction. St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 11 Election of Officers for Bay County Chapter and Panama City Council for '96.
 - 13 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Club Meeting.
 - 13 Master and Wardens Dist No. 6 Meeting St. Andrew Lodge
 - 16 Joseph C. Lesuer York Rite College. Panama City Y. R. Temple.
 - Regular Communications Bay Lodge. Dinner Honoring Wor. T. Lee Peterson's 90th birthday.
- Dec 20 District No. 6 School Instruction. Parker Lodge.
 - 21 Conclave of St. Johns Cammandery.
 - 27 Bay Lodge Installation of 1996 Officers. Served as Installing Chaplain.
- Jan 02 Masonie Last Rites for Wor. Jack Foster, Pythagoras Lodge.
 - 02 Installed Officers for Live Oak Chapter
 - 03 District No. 6 School of Instruction. St. Andrews Lodge.
 - 05 Masonie Widows Fund Meeting. Parker Lodge .
 - O8 Installed Officers for Bay County Chapter. Served as Installing Chaplain for Panama City Council.
 - 10 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting.
 - 10 Masters and Wardesn Dist. NO. 6 Meeting, St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 11 Installed Officers, Putman Chapter.
 - 12 Practice in F.C. Degree for G. Rodman Porter Day.
 - 13 G. Rodman Porter Day in Apalachiola Lodge. Served as S.D. in F.C. Degree
 - 5 Regular Communications of Bay Lodge. Served as Chaplian
 - 16 Called Communications Acme Lodge in the E. A. Degree.
 - 17 District No. 6 School of Instruction at Parker Lodge.
 - 19 Gainesville Shrine Club. Installation of Officers.
 - Conclave of St Johns Commandery. S.K. Carl Gilmore, Grand Gen. Official Visit.

- 23 Spoke at Cub Scout Meeting No. 137, Clarksville.
- 24 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting
- 24 Past Masters Meeting Shaddai Shrine Temple.
- 25 Installed Officers, Nassau Chapter.
- Feb 03 All Masonic Day, Concord Lodge, Crestview. Introduced as M.E. Grand High Priest.
 - 05 Regular Communications Bay Lodge. Served as Chaplian.
 - 06 District No. 6 School Instruction, St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 08 St. Andrew Kiwanis Club Flag Presentation by St. Andrew Lodge .
 - 09 Met with Convention Committee at Orlando North Hilton Towers.
 - 10 Budget & Finance Meeting Dais Officers at Brevard Lodge, Cocoa.
 - 11 Third Annual Homecoming Parade at Masonie Home
 - 12 Bay County Chapter and Panama City Council. Regular Convocation and Assembly Meetings.
 - 14 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Club Meeting.
 - 17 Annual Panama City KYCH Priory No. 72 Meeting Installed as Prior.
 - 19 Regular Communication of Bay Lodge, Official Visit of D.D.G.M. Served as Chaplian.
 - 21 District No. 6 School of Instruction. Parker Lodge .
 - 23 Panama City Valley Scottish Rite. Introduced as Grand High Priest.
 - 24 Spoke on Capitular Masonry at Americanism at Acme Lodge
 - 25 27 Grand York Rite Convention of Alabama. Received Honorary memberships and Grand Capitular Honors
 - 28 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting.
 - 28 Past Masters Unit Meeting. Shaddai Shrine Temple.
- Mar 02 Chittlin Degree Orion Lodge. Served as Sea Captain in M.M. Degree.
- Mar 04 Ira Lindsey, Sr. Lodge . Served as Chaplian.
 - 06 District No. 6 School of Instruction. St. Andrew Lodge .
 - 11 Bay County Chapter and Panama City Council, Regular Convocation and Assembly Meetings
- Mar. 13 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting.
 - 13 District No. 6 Masters and Wardens Meeting at St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 18 Regular Communications, Bay Lodge , served as Chaplian.
 - 20 District No. 6 School of Instruction, Parker Lodge
 - 22 Panama City Valley Scottish Rite. Introduced as Grand High Priest
 - 25 Conclave of St. Johns Commandery .
 - 27 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting.
 - 29-30 Grand York Rite Convention of North Carolina. Received Honorary Membership and Capitular Grand Honors.
- Apr 01 Regular Communications of Bay Lodge.
 - 03 District No. 6 School of Instruction, St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 05 District No. 6 Masonie Widows Meeting, St. Andrew Lodge.
 - Of All Masonic Day, E.A. Degree, Harry Jackson Lodge 6:30 A.M. F.C. Degree, St. Andrew Lodge, 11:00 A.M.; M.M. Degree at Acme Lodge, 2:00 P.M.
 - 97 St. Johns Commandery Easter Service at St. Andrew Baptist Church.

- Apr 08 Official Visit of G.H.P. to Bay County Chapter. Received Grand Capitular Honors.
 - 10 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting.
 - 0 District No. 6 Masters and Wardens Meeting. St. Andrew Lodge
 - 11 Regular Convocation Putman Chapter. Recv'd Grand Capitular Honors.
 - 15 Regular Communication of Bay County Lodge.
 - 17 District No. 6 School of Instruction, Parker Lodge.
 - 22 Conclave of St. Johns Commandery.
 - 24 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting.
 - 24 Past Masters Unit Meeting, Shaddai Shrine Temple.
 - 26 Panama City Valley Scottish Rite. Introduced as Grand High Priest.
 - 27 Opening of Blue Lodge Books, Scottish Rite Temple.
 - 27 Annual Joseph P. LeSuer York Rite College No. 80.
- May 01 District No. 6 School of Instruction, St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 06 Regular Communication of Ira Lindsey, Sr. Lodge.
 - 08 Zollie Wade Young High Twelve Meeting.
 - 08 District No. 6 Masters and Wardens Meeting, St. Andrew Lodge.
 - 09 Commandery Honor Guard, Forest Lawn Chapel, Panama City.
 - 11 District No. 9 Commandery School of Instruction at Florida.
 - 13 Bay County Chapter and Panama City Council. Regular Convocation and Assembly Meetings.
 - 15 District No. 6 School of Instruction, Parker Lodge.
 - 20-23 Grand York Rite Convention of Florida.
 - 20 One Hundred, Forty-Ninth Annual Grand Chapter Convocation Royal Arch Masons of Florida.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In summing up his year, each Grand High Priest finds things that he feels can be improved or remedied. In addition to echoing many recommendations put forth by previous Grand High Priests, I have four recommendations to add:

1. Religious Affirmation Observance - even though each Grand High Priest Issues a Proclamation, places this event among his list of goals and objectives for his year, this is not his idea, but rather it's a standing event by the Grand Chapter of R.A.M. 'S of Florida.

And Yet, the Regiligious Affirmation Day Report is like a carbon copy report from the year before and the year before that. Companions, the visibility we can obtain by observing this with your family members, especially now that we are being attacked by so called religious denominations, is unmeasurable.

It is my recommendation that we not only continue to observe this event, but we charge the Grand Chaplain to promote and report to the Grand Chapter.

2. Membership Development - the very life and breath of our Capitular Rite. The way our system now seems, it's almost as if it's every man for himself. I believe we have met the enemy, as to why we seem stagnated in growth, and the enemy is us.

Since leaders are not born, it is my recommendation that a program be written and enforced, not only upon Constituent Chapter Officers, but the Grand Chapter Officers as well; being involved in a continuing "on the job" training program so that each Officer starting outside the door to the Presiding Officer may glean complete Capitular knowledge and experience as he progresses on his Appointed and Elected journey to the East.

- 3. Emergency Commmunications by Masonic Amateur Radio Operators this is an area that hasn't received much publicity, if any. Over the past couple of years, hurricanes alone have pounded our state from all directions leaving behind its devasting trademark. While telephone lines may be down, a network of Masonic Emercency Operators placed throughout the State could possible bring relief or pass along the word of the welfare of our companions in a storm area.
- Each Grand Body of the Grand York Rite supports each others total program to their fullest intent.

I am one of many who looks to the future with hope and optimism for Masonry in general, and Capitular Masonry in Particular. Our needs are many, and not the least of these is close "Masonic relations" in our meeting place, but also good "public relations" outside our meeting place. Remember: "A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.

APPRECIATION

No person can assume a mantle of leadership of any kind and make the effort, however valiant, to succeed alone. He needs the aid and support of many people. I have had this aid and support for the years of my progress through the Grand Line, and I would be remiss if I didn't express my appreciation to these people.

The members of Bay County Chapter R.A.M. have added a special meaning of support. Their pride in one of their own for the great honor bestowed upon him has made the time and effort that yours truly has invested more than worthwhile. I hope that they know that I'm just as proud of them!

To every companion of this Grand Jurisdiction that had touched my life this year, please be assured that Harry R. Davis is now, and will be for the rest of his time on this earth, your loving, earing friend and companion. Don't ever lose touch!

Our Grand Secretary! How forunate this Grand Chapter is to have such an able and hard-working person taking care of the myriad of details that came his way. Right, Excellent Sir, you've earned my respect, my love, and earnest appreciation. May your tenure continue for many years and may every Royal Arch Mason in this state

Excellent Sir, you've earned my respect, my love, and earnest appreciation. May your tenure continue for many years and may every Royal Arch Mason in this state come to know how much you have accomplished to their advantage. You have made things so much easier for me this year.

Unbeknownst to a special group of men here today, I would like to pay special homage to each of them. Each have played a major role in my Capitular career, and without them I wouldn't be standing before you as a Grand High Priest today. I call them my living Capitular lineage. They are as follows:

M.E. Comp. Roy R. Wright, Jr., P.G. H.P., 1965-66 who begat

M.E. Comp. Woodrow W. Cash, P.G.H.P., 1972-73 who begat

M.E. Comp. Henry C. Bengal, P.G.H.P., 1980-81 who begat last, but not least,

M.E. Comp. Vernon H. Miller, P.G.H.P., 1988-89 who placed me in the Grand Chapter Line.

I salute each of you, M.E. Sirs, and reguest a group picture be taken of us.

I can't say enough, or how much, I have grown to respect this next Companion of whom I shared so many road miles with, while traveling not only around this state, but also the Southeastern visits and the out-of-state Grand York Rite Convention we have traveled together these past three years. M.I. Comp. "Pete" Bennett, M.I.G.M., I hope this friendship that has been established between us will last to our last dying breath.

Finally, let me express my appreciation to my wife and family, not only for their love and support, but also for their understanding and forbearance. How many times was I absent when they felt I should have been there? How many important events in their lives did I miss in order to attend things Masonie? Many of you know the answer to such queries, for you too have given of yourself for the fraternity. Never did my family reprove me! They knew how deep my love for family went.

Mary, my beautiful and loving wife of thirty-two years, has supported me in every venture I have undertaken during those years and has been my most staunch supporter in my Masonic service... at all levels. I have tried to let her know through all these years together, just how much I love and appreciate her, and now I would like to publicly express that love and appreciation. Without her, I would never have put as much into this fraternity for which I care so much.

CONCLUSION

There, you have it! This is the record of the stewardship with which you entrusted me just one year ago when you elected and installed me as Grand High Priest which all happened on my wedding aniversary. Have I been a good High Priest? I don't know! I do know that I gave it my best effort and now I must leave it to others who will decide whether my best was good enough. Hopefully, you will judge me with compassion.

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To my successor, R.E. Comp. Harvey L. Ward, I bequeath the love, the understanding, and support of the greatest Royal Arch Masons in the world, the Grand Jurisdiction of Florida. I hope for him the most successful year ever. From his D.D.G.H.P.'S appointment, his Grand Chapter Committee appointments, to the Program he has planned, may this Grand Chapter enjoy a resurgence under his leadership…a sentiment, I am sure, that is shared by every Past Grand I figh Priest of the Grand Chapter. This could be the year for which we all sought.

In conclusion, I would like to again express my appreciation to you, all of you, my dearly loved Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida, for affording Harry R. Davis the opportunity to serve you as your Grand High Priest. Together we shared the highs and lows...the success and failures. All in all, it hasn't been all that bad, for in some spots we did manage to light a "Pillar of Fire" for others to emulate. I ask that each of you, before you leave here Wednesday, try to bid me farewell. Thanks for sharing this special time with us, and may the Grand High Priest of Heaven and Earth bless each of you and lend his aid to all your undertakings. Thank you!

Harry R. Davis, Grand High Priest

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

Your Committee presents this supplementary report of the condition of your Program on Grand Representatives. The original report was submitted before results of the spring questionnaire were available. This Questionnaire was sent to 166 companions who are serving as Grand Representatives for one or more of distant Grand Bodies, and tried to ascertain the degree of activity each Grand Representative had experienced since our last convention.

40% of the questionnaires were returned. Evaluations of these are as shown:

-	Total	Returns	Good	Fair	Poor-none
Grand Chapter	78	29 - 37%	3	11	15
Grand Council	40	24 - 60%	8	4	12
Grand Commandery	48	13 - 27%	5	5	3
TOTAL	166	66 - 40%	15	20	30

The other 60% are of unknown quality, but the presumption is that the majority would fit into the "Poor/None" category. The activity that most of our attendees at these annual sessions see has been an annual roll eall. The Roll eall does not in anyway indicate any activity on the part of the satisfaction. The appointment by a Grand York Body in distant states or lands has significance only if that person is actively engaged in promoting inter-jurisdictional harmony largely by contact with his counterpart.

Our Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons will celebrate its sesquicentennial this coming year. Your committee hopes that it might spark increased Grand Representative activity, which can be reported in greater detail at our next annual convocation.

Our Grand Representatives can do better, by communicating at least quarterly by letter, e-mail, fax, telephone, pictures, visits. Florida remains a bellwether state in freemasonry. Masonry in our whole country looks to Florida for revitalization of the system of Grand Representatives. You are the key.

Walter H. Winchester, A.A. "Pete Bennett, Richard J. Carr

GRAND SECRETARY - RECORDER'S REPORT

In Dec 1993, prior to being elected I was asked by the Grand Sec/Rec to work with him and learn the business in order for him to retire. The Grand Presiding officers at that time also asked me to learn the operation by assisting the Grand Sec/Rec and to study the overall operation in order to be ready to take it over.

I have worked in the office under the Grand Sec/Rec direction and was shown parts of the operation. At the Grand Convention in 1994, I was asked by a member of the Jurisprudence Committee if I were a candidate for the office and I informed him I was not, as Our Gr Sec/Rec stated he was not retiring that year. The following year I spent most of my time assisting in the preparation of Annual Reports, Annual Proceeding, and trouble shooting problems that individual Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies had. At the Grand Convention of 1995, I was elected to the office.

STUDY

Our previous Gr See/Ree had done a good job taking records from boxes and developing a card system used during that time period. A card was made for each body (3) as well as one for eye certificates; monthly forms; original data; etc. Four or five cards per person. At the present time there are over 69,000 cards in the files. Plus over 2,000 Annual reports each containing 12 monthly reports in our files.

The maintenance of these records plus normal office duties, annual proceedings, annual reports, bookkeeping, 25 and 50 yr presentations, supplies, ete require 3 ½ people. When there are not enough people the records become disorganized; proceedings are delayed; annual reports are incorrect; support to our Chapters/Councils/Commanderies is delayed or loss. In addition, our correct income becomes questionable. This has happened.

I have spent considerable time prior to being elected Gr Sec/Rec trying to assist our various Sec/Rec in resolving problems they have because our office does not have correct records nor does. Grand Encampment, to properly assist them.

Example: One York Rite body See/Ree lost over 80 % of his records due to roof leak during a major storm. Putting his many lists of members together showed he had approx 200 members, our Gr York Rite Office showed 285, Grand Encampment list showed approx 235. What is the correct figure?? What is the correct Per Cap Tax for their Bodies?? Yes after many hours we helped them bring their records up to date. By the way, Grand Encampment records had approx 170 mistakes. Since then, we have had approx 10 to 12 York Rite Bodies with similar problems.

There is no inventory control system to keep track of what is sold, when we need to reorder, etc. nor is there an Employee record system as required by Federal Law.

The three people in the office could not keep up with the incoming work load much less the back log. Read the Audit report for other problems and their review.

ADDITIONAL WORK LOAD

This office has been asked to increase its work effort by adding and maintaining addresses for all active members. In February of 1995, it was estimated that to provide up to date addresses that could be maintained would take a person approx 1 year with a dedicated computer and access to the records. This operation was not funded, but had a due date of May 1996.

BUDGET CONSTRAINTS

Due to declining membership and increased cost of doing business I have been requested to reduce manpower.

TIME STUDY

Several short and modified time studies were performed to establish value in going to a computerized system to reduce some of the problems identified above.

PLAN

It was decided that in order to reduce the work load and thereby reduce the manpower it would be necessary to computerize the records and bookkeeping systems as well as computerizing other functions of the office.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. The records MUST be brought up to date.
- 2. Putting records in the computer
- 3. Adding addresses to records
- 4. Reducing number of records by consolidation
- 5. Put bookkeeping into a computerized accounting system
- 6. Establishing a Tracking system for important Due Dates
- 7. Establishing an Inventory system
- 8. Establishing an Employee Record system
- 9. Using a Word Processor and form letters.
- 10. Hiring experienced people to minimize job training time

PROGRESS

EMPLOYMENT

In 1994 and prior to my election our office secretary was asked if she would be willing to learn the computer and assist in the up coming project after June 1, 1995. She agreed and study books and training programs were obtained to assist her in this effort as well as assurance that I would help train her. One of our workers who was trained by the Navy stated she would be glad to instruct her. My personal computer was brought to the office to help this effort.

During the Summer I used the Brevard County School Summer Program for using High School students. The High School Student I hired was very sharp on the computer and a very good worker.

In the middle of July I hired a woman with many years experience in bookkeeping and who had used the computer to computerized the Masonic "White Shrine of Jerusalem Order" records of some 80,000 members.

Later I Hired a woman with 7 yrs experience as a Computer Operator (US Navy 2nd Class Petty Officer) who also had 4 years with the FBI and 3 years with the Banking Industry.

EFFORT TO DATE

The office 286 computer was repaired and updated to a 386 in addition to connecting the three computers together in order to work on programs in each others computers.

One person was assigned to reviewing the 4 cards on each person plus the mailing list from subordinate. Secretary/Recorders and Gr Encampment tab runs. Then consolidating the information into individual Data Base records along with the Blue Lodge and other known data. She has as of this date reviewed and consolidated approx 42,000 records into 9650 records.

Another person was assigned to computerizing and completing the 1995 Annual Proceedings, Annual Reports, 96 Directory, updating the Grand Rep list, and books, etc.

The new system for members records and new bookkeeping systems were implemented May 10,1996. It still needs some debugging.

Unfortunately, our office secretary has changed her mind about learning the computer. Her chief job now is to answer the telephone, order and mail out Forms and Rituals, etc and log in the mail. This is by her choice.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE EFFORT

- 1) It will take approx 8 to 10 months to debug the system and clean up the records.
- 2) Every Chapter/Council/Commandery that has a delta will be contacted and will be expected to assist in getting theirs and our records corrected.
- 3) Our goal is to have both systems fully operational and ready for a full Audit by April 30,1997
- 4) Reduction of one person as soon as we have paid out the money from the 10600, 20600, 30600 accounts.

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5) Future reductions will be based on additional work loads placed upon our Office as well as Budget reductions, experience computer personnel, and completion of the present work effort.

SUMMARY

The technical advancement of Computers has provided us the tools to allow increasing our work load while reducing our manpower requirements. However, we must first bring our records up to date. While we are correcting our records we must be able to continue our support to our Presiding Officers and all our York Rite Chapters/Councils/Commanderies and members at the same time. Time and Budget constraints are the major factors in providing this service as well as experience personnel and support from all our members.

My goal is to provide you the Craft with the best and latest support and systems within the confounds of our available resources.

I would like to thank all the subordinate Secretary/Recorders and others who have helped me this year. A special thanks to ME Bob Davis; MI Pete Bennett; and RE Paul Hockett. It has been a pleasure working with you this year.

Many thanks to George Malone for helping to keep the computers working and Duane Young, Virgil Brown, Ralph Sheppard, Bill Dreier, Fred Piasecki, John Carroll, Gordon Anderson, Alan Graulieh, Chuck Denman, Joe Secrest and many others for their help.

Wm. Robert Young

GRAND TREASURERS REPORT

GRAND CHAPTER INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

Outstanding checks 1195, 1199, 1200 - 22 Checkbook Balance 3/31/96 - 26,20	5.71
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Income: Deposit 4,182.58 Interest 7,759.19	
Other + 11.94	L.77
TOTAL 38,21	0.18
Expenses 5/01/95 To 4/30/96 3 7,091.26	
Expenses 5/01/96 To 3/31/96 30.975.53	
Expenses 6,115.73 - 6,11	5.73
Out of Budget Exp 2/01/96 To 4/30/96 5,192.01	
2/01/96 To 3/31/96 1,800.00	
Expenses this Month 3,392.01 - 3,39	2.01
Checkbook Balance 4/30/96 28,70	2.44
Outstanding Cheeks 1201, 1207, 1219, 1220 - 3,29	5.79
Bank Balance 4/30/96 31.99	8.23

GRAND CHAPTER BUDGET 4/30/95 - 4/30/96

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10001	Item	Budgetec		Percent	Balance
10001	Grand Secretary Sal	2,000.00		92.34	153.20
10002	Grand Secretary Asst	2,000.00	1,846.80	92.34	153.20
10004	Office Assistant	2,000.00	1,992.59	99.63	7.41
10005	Payroll Tax	460.00	458.95	99.77	1.05
	A Payroll Tax Emp. Allow.	460.00	458.95	99.77	1.05 0.00
10010	Grand High Priest	2,000.00	2,000.00	100.00	0.00
10011	Grand King	500.00	500.00	100.00	
10015	Grand Treasurer Exp.	1,200.00	1,200.00	00.001	0.00
10020	Accountant & Audit	300.00	300.00	100.00	0.00
10030	Grand Secretary Exp.	600.00	00.000	100.00	0.00
10031	Grand See, Asst Allow	200.00	200,00	100.00	
10040	Chinn, Charity Comm	250.00	250.00	100.00	0.00 62.71
10045	Committee on Work	200.00	37.29	18.65	2,188.11
10050	Delegates Per Diem	10,000.00	7,811.89	78.12	
10051	Distinguished Guest	4,000.00	1,752.87	43.82	2,247.13
10060	S.E. Conference	300.00	200.00	66.67	100.00
10065	Triennial	954.50	843.10	88.33	111.40
10070	Library Committee	500.00	500.00	100.00	0.00
10075	Area Meetings	600.00	540.70	90.12	59.12
10080	February Meeting	300.00	300.00	100.00	0.00
10090	Masonic Youth	300.00	300.00	100.00	0.00
10095	Masonic Home	1,000.00	1,000.00	100.00	0.00
		Grand Sec	retary's Off	ice	
10100	Miscellaneous	600.00	600,00	100.00	0.00
10105	Postage	700.00	700.00	100.00	0.00
10110	Rent	1,100.00	1,100.00	100.00	0.00
10120	Telephone	400.00	400,00	100.00	0.00
10130	Electric	200.00	200.00	100.00	0.00
10140	Computer Expense	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
10150	Equipment Purchase Acet		0.00		0.00
10160	Maintenance	300.00	300.00	100.00	0.00
		Miscellane	ous		
10200	Printing	500.00	455.17	91.03	44.83
10225	Summer Assembly	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
10250	Proceedings	1,500.00	1,272.00	84.80	228.00
10300	Y.R. Publications	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
10350	Education & Training	00.000,1	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
10425	Corporate Fee	200.00	61.25	30.63	138.75
10450	Per Capita Tax	4,000.00		98.75	49.90
10455		50.00	103.83	207.66	-53.83
10455	Unemployment Comp. Reimbursables		1,038.99	148.43	- 338.99
10465		125.00	216.43	173.14	- 91.43
10465	Awards	800.00	522.34	65.29	277.66
10470	Insurance	000.00	9€.شنور	00.27	277.00

10500	Plaques & Markers	500.00	273.45	54.69	226.55
10600	Contingencies	1,000.00	1,000.00	100.00	0.00
	TOTALS	45,299.50	37,091.26	81.88	8,208.24
10999	Out of Budget Acc't for 150th Anniv Feb. I	20,000.00 996 - 1997	5,192.01	25.96	14,807.99

GRAND TREASURERS CONSOLIDATED REPORT

	4/30/95	Interest			4/30/96
Acct.	Balance	+ Income	+ Deposits	- Expenses	* Balance
GF	48,444.65	8,302.00	34,192.12	*62,283.27	28,655.50
SAV	502.80				502,80
INA	170,000.00		20,000.00		190,000.00
CHF	6,448.39	154.74			6,603.13
CVF	2,135,53	65.03			2,200.56
TRF	1,613.82	37.51	843.10		2,494.43
	229,145.19	8,559.28	55,035.22	*62,283,27	230,456.42
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^{*} Includes \$20,000 CD Purchase Plus \$5,192.01 Expended toward Out of Budget Exp for 150th Anniv.

	CHAPTER INTEREST	INCOME D	DETAIL	1995 -	1996
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Gen Fund	127481	044855-070	3013023536	Total
590.18	1,320.00	6,133.00	258.82	8,302.00

CHAPTER INCOME DETAIL 1995 - 1996 Reimb Convention Other

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Per Capita	Reimb	Convention	Other	Total
30,708.00	940.50	2,171.12	372.50	34,192.12

GRAND CHAPTER INVESTMENTS AS OF 4/30/96

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INV#	Int. Rate	Inv Date	Maturity	Term	Amount
127481	6.50%	1/22/92	1/22/97	60M	20,000.00
044855-070	(V)	4/10/92	4/10/97	60M	30,000.00
044855-070	(V)	10/7/92	10/7/97	60M	00.000,00
044855-070	(V)	4/22/93	4'22'03	120M	60,000,00
3013023536	5.25%	1/1 7 /96	1/17/96	12M	20,000.00
			TOTAL		\$190,000.00

GRAND CHAPTER BUDGET 4/30/96 - 4/30/97

	Item	Budgeted	Spent	Percent	Balance
10001	Grand Secretary Sal	2,800.00	0.00	0.00	2,800.00
10001A	GS Payroll Tax	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
10002	Grand Secretary Asst	2,800 00	0.00	0.00	2,800.00
10002A	GSA Payroll Tax	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
10003	Office Assistant	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,800.00
10003A	OA Payroll Tax	200.00	0.00	0.00	200,00
10004	GYR Payroll Tax	600 00	0.00	0.00	600.00

10005	FED Unemployment tax	70.00	0.00	0.00	70.00
10006	FLA Unmeployment Comp	70.00	0.00	0.00	70.00
10010	Grand High Priest	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
10011	Grand King	800.00	0.00	0.00	800.00
10012	District Deputies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10015	Grand Treasurer Exp.	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
10020	Accountant & Audit	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
10030	Grand Secretary Exp.	600.00	0.00	0.00	600.00
10031	Grand Sec. Asst Allow	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
10040	Chmn. Charity Comm	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00
10045	Committee on Work	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
10050	Delegates Per Diem	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00
10051	Distinguished Guest	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
10060	S.E. Conference	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
10065	Triennial	900.00	0.00	0.00	900.00
10070	Library Committee	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
10075	Area Meetings	600.00	0.00	0.00	600.00
10080	February Meeting	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
10090	Masonie Youth	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
10095	Masonic Home	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
	Grand Seer	retary's Of	lice		
10100	Miscellaneous	600.00)		
10105	Postage	700.00)		
10110	Rent	1,100.00)		
10120	Telephone	400.00			
10130	Electric	200.00			
10140	Computer Expense	100.00	1		
10160	Maintenance	300.00	1		
	Miscellane	ous			
10200	Printing	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
10225	Summer Assembly	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
10250	Proceedings	1,500.00		0.00	1,500.00
10300	Y.R. Publications	3,500.00		0.00	3,500.00
10350	Education & Training	1,000.00		0.00	1,000.00
10425	Corporate Fee	65.00		0.00	65.00
10450	Per Capita Tax	4,000.00		0.00	4,000.00
10460	Reimbursables	700.00		0.00	700.00
10465	Awards	1,000.00		0.00	1,000.00
10470	Insurance	800.00		0.00	800.00
10500		300.00		0.00	300.00
	Plaques & Markers	500.00		0.00	500.00
10550	Jewel, Apron, Case	1,000.00		0.00	1,000.00
10600	Contingencies			0.00	48,755.00
	TOTALS	48,755.00	0.00	0.00	40,755,00
10999	Out of Budget Acc't 20.9 for 150th Anniv Feb. 1996 -		5,192.01	25.96	14,807.99

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA

HISTORY COMMITTEE

During the past twelve months I have made some headway in obtaining copies of proceedings which we were missing. I now have microfilm of the proceedings of 1882 and 1884 which I was able to get from the Masonie Library of the Grand Lodge of Iowa. I also have a Xerox copy of the proceedings of 1939.

We now need proceedings of 1872 and 1873 to give us a complete set of Royal Arch Proceedings from 1847 through 1995, either hard copy or microfilm. If any of our Companions have these two volumes and will loan them to me, it will be greatly appreciated.

My thanks and appreciation to our Most Excellent Grand High Priest for the opportunity of serving our Grand Chapter.

J. Roy Crowther

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

After reviewing the Most Excellent Grand High Priest's Report the Jurisprudence Committee commends him for his prompt, concise and professional actions that required his attention. We commend him for his continous open line of communication with members of this committee.

Although there were minor discrepencies in some Dispensations and or By-Law Amendments the intent and decesions were for the benefit of the craft.

Several specific amendments and changes are necessary in the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of this Grand Chapter to clarify and up-date the administrative requirements for the benefit of the Constituent Chapters. These matters are referred to the Ad Floc Committee for Constitution Up-date.

This Committee commends the Most Excellent Grand High Priest for the excellent service and dedication he has rendered to Royal Arch Masonry in Florida. The Grand High Priest represented well this Grand Chapter in foreign jurisdictions where he traveled.

This Committee takes cognizance of errors in-fact and omissions existing in the proceedings of this Grand Chapter. The Proceedings are the official, adopted, historical and lawful record of this Grand Institution. Therefore care must be taken in the preparation, review and printing of this vital record.

The members of the Junsprodence Committee express their gratitude for the privilege of serving this Grand Royal Arch Masonie Chapter.

William O. Walker, William L. Buck, William G. Norrie, Vernon H. Miller, Joseph C. LeSuer

LEGAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Companions by your endeavors, in addressing our annual filling fee matter before your respective State Representatives, the York Rite Bodies have finally succeeded in being granted some much needed relief.

In 1994, under Chapter 617 of the Florida Statues, our annual filing fee, as a non-profit corporation was \$200.00 for each of the York Rite Bodies. The annual fee was \$61.25, plus \$138.75 supplemental fee.

In 1995, the annual filling fee for each body of the York Rite was \$130.00. The annual filling fee was \$61.25, plus \$68.75 supplemental fee.

In 1996, the annual filing fee for each York Rite Body was \$61.25, the supplimental fee was no longer required.

We, the members of the Legal Advisory Committee, wish to thank all of the Companions who made our efforts meet with success.

Earl G. Nicholson and Richard S.Agster

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International library housed at the York Rite Temple (407 N. Belcher Rd.) Clearwater, Florida continues to be available the first and third Wednesday, and fourth Thursday of each month except July and August. In November and December it is open on the second Thursday rather than the fourth. It is also open by special appointment.

The committee once again thanks the Grand Chapter of Florida for Budgeting funds for the library. These funds have allowed the committee to pursue ideas and projects beneficial for the craft.

The committee is designing a book plate and hopes to have it printed within the next few months. After completion of the plates the committee will place a book plate on each of the many thousands (approx. 15-20,000) of books in the library. This will identify each book or publication as being the property of the General Grand Chapter. This project is a major undertaking.

The committee has also purchased several additional book written by noted Masonic authors. It has been said, "A Library that does not grow will surely die." My companions please use this library whenever and as often as possible.

The committee again Thanks the Grand Chapter for allowing us to serve them.

Marvin W Gerhard, Walter H Winchester, Ralph O Sheppard, Duane B. Young

LIFE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Life memberships have increased during the past year, and I am happy to report that interest rates have shown a steady increase. Present participation is as follows:

	Total	12/31/95	Ret. Bear.	**%	Dollars
CHAPTER	Lf. Mem	Tot. Inv.	Invest.	Retn'd	Retn'd
Florida	24	1,790.80	1,790.80	1.3051	115.68
Tampa-Cushing	_	6,895.94	6,895.94	5.0603	448.52
St. Johns	20	828.67	828.67	0.6135	54.38
Halifax	4	300.30	300.30	0.1865	16.53
Нотав	86	3,559.33	3,559.33	2.5994	230.40
Eureka	47	3,035.10	3,035.10	2.2290	197.57
Putnam	30	1,128.60	1,128.60	0.8355	74.06
Jacksonville	54	2,388.60	2,388.60	1.6456	145.86
Plant City	3	205.00	205.00	0.1518	13,45
St. Augustine	3	156.80	156.80	0.1161	10.29
Manatee River	•	425.00	425.00	0.3146	27.89
Keystone	2	156.20	156.20	0.1156	10.25
Thomas Brow	n 4	244.00	244.00	0.1806	16.01
Palm Beach	24	1,143.00	1,143,00	0.8462	75.00
Live Oak	1	46.50	46.50	0.0344	3.05
Indian River	12	434.33	434.33	0.3141	27,84
Joppa	5	312.00	312.00	0.2310	20.47
Lakeland	29	1,893.00	1,893.00	1.4014	124.21
St. Petersburg	64	3,195.20	3,195.20	2.3129	205.01
Jackson	3	218.90	218.90	0.1621	14.37
Eustis	5	286.40	286.40	0.1632	14.47
Sarasota	9	709.20	709.20	0.5250	46.53
Lake City	4	185.40	185.40	0.1373	12.17
Crestview	11	486.00	486.00	0.3078	27.28
Winter Haven	105	5,509.55	5,509.55	4.0789	361.54
Clearwater	15	1,443,50	1,443.50	1.0616	94.10
Duval	10	544.20	544.20	0.4029	35.71
Poinciana	33	1,889.60	1,889.60	1,3933	123.50
Melbourne	20	1,336.50	1.336.50	0.9894	87.70
James Yeager		291.50	291.50	0.2158	19.13
Eden	12	1,204.95	1,204.95	0.8690	77.03
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TOTALS	766	42,244.07	42,244.07	30.7999	2,730.00

^{**} The percent of return is calculated on the number of months that the investment draws interest.

The investment of the funds of the Grand York Rite Life Membership Fund is as follows:

		C. D	Mature			Interest
Issuc	Bank	Acct. No.	Date	Rate	Value	For 1995
6-16-93	Crown Bank	001-3084744	6-16-98	5.55	8,000.00	459.39
3-31-93	Crown Bank	001-3082359	3-31-98	5.55	10,000.00	574.76
3-23-94	Crown Bank	001-3101233	3-24-99	5.35	23,400.00	1,289.74
1-26-95	Crown Bank	001-3111547	1-26-00	7.042	21,741.58	1,473.84
5-06-87	C.G./1st UN.	82-13-600860-2	05-6-97	8.00	2,367.10	196.55
11-8-91	Meritor/1st U.	n 99-19850406	11-8-96	6.8	67,260.59	4,809.00
	C.G/1st Un	3082960024167	(Pass Boo	ok)	4,735.20	60.30
		TOTALS	1	37,444	47	8,863.59

*CD,s that matured in 1995 and value in parentheses not part of those members that would be dropped for Non Payment of Dues, and the added Life Members in the Knight Templar Eye Foundation.

The Committee wishes to thank the Grand Presiding Officers for the priviledge of serving these Grand Bodies.

William G. Norrie, John B. Fletcher, Jr., Richard S. Agster, Duane B. Young

LONG RANGE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The surplus funds of this Grand Chapter are invested at the discretion of the Grand Treasurer. These funds are adequately invested and this committee makes no recommendation as to their disposition.

This committee does point out to the eraft that since 12-31-89 this Grand Chapter has sustained a loss in membership of 1,387 and a correspondent loss in revenue of \$4,223.00.

Example:	Membership 12-31-89 Membership 12-31-94	10,165 8,778	
	Loss of Membership	1,387	,
	Revenue from per capita 1990	33,598.00	
	Revenue from per capita 1994	29,375.00	
	Loss of Revenue	4,223.0	0

One means of off-setting this declinig trend is to put an extra effort in selling "Life Memberships". Suspensions for non-payment of dues represents the main reason for the decline in membership. Perhaps a Perpetual Life Membership similar to that offered by the Grand Lodge of Florida should be considered.

Roy R. Wright, Vernon H. Miller, J. Russell Hammond

MASONIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Masonic Relations is pleased to note that there have been no concerns expressed to members of this committee during this Capitular year about our Masonic relations.

Masons in Florida are talking with each other in peace and harmony more than in years past, and it is a pleasure to recognize this. We do note that there is a general decline in the membership, for which we have no proven cause, but to account for this there is a lot of speculation both within and without concerning this speculative science.

Your Committee Thanks you for the privilege of serving this Grand Chapter during this Capitular year now ending.

Walter H. Winchester and James A Wilson

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Background:

Our Grand High Priest, Bob Davis, in his wisdom, saw fit to separate the Membership Development Committee for the Blue Lodge Representative Committee because of the necessity of developing the Constituent Chapter Officers as they progress through the Chapter Line. Obtaining new members is one thing, retaining their interest is another. Often the officers reach the East without the minimum competencies necessary to lead the Chapter. New members after having witnessed the inspiring work of the Capitular Degrees, are then disappointed to see that some Chapters are poorly managed.

Our membership is in a state of equilibrium. Gains are being offset by losses due to NPDs, deaths and demits. Attendance is a small percentage of the total membership. It is often difficult to get officers for the line. Reunion class sizes are declining.

It should be obvious that leadership is the key. It is essential that we have an organized, intentional program of developing Chapter Officers. If one has not been prepared to assume the Office of High Priest it is too late to start after being elected. Companions vary in their backgrounds. Some have not been so much as exposed to the principles of leadership. They are sincere and motivated but they lack leadership and management skills.

Purpose of the Membership Development Committee:

(Quoted from the "Program Theme and Objectives - 1995-6" Most Excellent Harry R. Davis, Grand High Priest)

"MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM" - This program has so many opportunities to broaden and expand Capitular Masonry and provides a Grand Chapter Committee and excellent opportunity for a vigorous training program to be initiated. Adding a new Companion's name to a Chapter membership roster through conferral of Degree work, etc., is certainly a concern but it is only one of the steps to membership

development. My idea for a successful Membership Development Program would be, first, to train the present membership starting with the Chapter Officers with goals in mind; secondly, train the Exalted Companions and reward the Chapter with an Achievement Award for their excellency and, lastly, concentrate on meaningful family gatherings, presenting awards and making recognitions.

This is one of the more important Capitular Programs. If not the MOST IMPORTANT, (emphasis added), of all the Grand Chapter Programs and had much influence toward my theme - "FRIENDSHIP, INVOLVEMENT, RITUAL AND ENTHUSIASM."

Specifically, this committee was charged to "...come up with a manual or guidelines on a "Training Exercise" or whatever it takes to have a successful Chapter Membership Development Program. The point was to make a beginning that would, hopefully, be continued and refined into successive years.

ACTIONS OF THE MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

- 1. M. Charles Boice, Grand Master of the First Veil was appointed Chairman. Also appointed were: Robert E. Burleson, David C. Wilkinson and Paul W. Friend.
- 2. The Chairman immediately wrote the other members asking for recommendations, suggestions, ideas and procedures.
- 3. The Chairman assembled a collection of various leadership, motivation, planning, communication, resources, and other topics from various sources and gave a copy of this "Draft" manual to each of the committee members and the GHP-Elect at the Grand Convocation in May 1995. The Chairman also consulted with MEPGHP Walter Winchester who provided valuable information from his paper, "Training Program for Junior Grand Line Officers", principles of which were incorporated in a later "checklist" of basic skills to be developed by the Chapter Officers as they progress through the Constituent Chapter Line.
- 4. A presentation was made at the Lake City Area Meeting by the Chairman and at the other Area Meetings by the GHP or Committee member.
- 5. The Committee presented to the MEGHP a letter which, if approved was to have been mailed to each High Priest. This was a list of "competencies" at each Station in the Chapter Line, with specific minimums. For instance, under "Finance" "To have served on the Chapter Finance Committee or to have received training from the Chairman or the Treasurer."
- 6. The Committee wrote the training committees of the Council and Commandery requesting collaboration in view of their efforts along this line. (It is noted that the Grand Chapter is the only Grand York Rite Body which does not have an approved Leadership Development Program.)

7. Lastly, the Committee submitted to the MEGHP a paper entitled, "Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Florida, Program Theme & Objectives, 1995-6 Harry R. Davis, M.E. Grand High Priest, Constituent Chapter Officer Guide." Basically, this was an attempt to stimulate the Constituent Chapter Officers, especially the High Priest, to read and understand the Grand High Priest's Program for 1995-6 and to drive home the notion that the elected High Priest has the duty to lead the Chapter. They cannot, "pass the buck". There are questions to be completed and a score obtained. All of the material was taken from, "Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida 1995-6", M.E. Companion Davis's program for 1995-6, which every High Priest received. Of Course, this would be revised each year as needed.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. These efforts were only a beginning. Certainly there is much work to be done. There has been no evaluation of the results, if any, of these efforts. Some Objectives measure as to results needs to be developed.
- 2. This must be a collaborative effort within the Grand Chapter and with the Council and Commandery. It takes many different viewpoints to arrive at a consensus of the problem; the options; the best methods; and how to evaluate? Some measures might be increased attendance; less NPDs; less resignations; more petitions; more Chapter educational activity; more interesting meetings and general satisfaction of the members.
- 3. There must be a time commitment by the committee and regular consultation. Members of the committee must have a genuine interest and expertise in education, training, management and leadership.
- 4. At this point, (March 1996) there has not been approved any standardized Membership Development Program as originally conceived.
- 5. The Committee recommends that the Membership Development Committee be continued as a separate committee and enlarged.
- 6. The Committee recommends that money be budgeted for training resources such as films, tapes, manuals, computer programs, etc., and that seminars or training sessions be held, possibly conducted by outside "experts", in all Capitular Areas of the State. This may require a fee from the participants to cover expenses.
- 7. Educational programs such as the Grand Lodge of Florida uses; R.A.M. Exams, (similar to the M.M. Exams I,II,III,); Chapter Officers Correspondence Courses; and some kind of Chapter recognition such as a plaque or certificate.

The Committee wishes to thank Most Excellent Companion Harry R. Davis for the privilege of serving in this capacity and for his continuing emphasis on the Membership Development Program.

M. Charles Boice, Robert E. Burleson, David C. Wilkinson, Paul W. Friend

MILEAGE AND PER DEIM COMMITTEE

Your Budget and Finance Committee recommends per diem for this convention to be at the rate of \$55 per day and the mileage at the rate of 24 cents per mile one way.

Delegates and other entitled to per diem shall be paid for one day for each Grand Body represented.

The committeemen for the February Budget and Finance Committee meeting be paid according to the formula established and published in the 1987 Grand Chapter Proceedings on page 23.

Randal E. Shvier, Earl K. Allan, George A. Chipouras

MUSEUM AND MEMORABILIA COMMITTEE

The Committee is pleased to report that at each of the several area meetings the museum and memorabilia was discussed. We are also pleased to report several articles have appeared in Masonic publications during the past year. We are in hopes these articles will appear again next year keeping the museum in front of the craft.

Although response to the request for items was at first slow we are beginning to obtain articles.

To date we have received commentrative glassware, jewelry, pictures, past presiding officers aprons, Grand Lodge and Grand York Rite souvenirs, as well as shrine memorabilia. All of these items have been numbered and recorded in a book for quick reference.

We also received in donations two (2) six foot glass showcases. This will enable the committee to display the items in a somewhat professional manner.

The committee wishes to Thank the Grand York Rite Bodies of Freemasonry of Florida for the privilege of serving masonry in general and the museum in particular. We hope and pray the museum will continue to grow. With the help of all companions, and Sir Knights throughout the state we can preserve Masonic memorabilia instead of winding up in garage sales, antique shops, or pawn shops.

Marvin W. Gerhard, Walter H. Winchester, Ralph O. Sheppard, G. Gordon Goodman, Robert E. Burleson

NECROLOGY

Once again the members of the Grand Chapter line have not heard the call from the Supreme Grand High Priest; calling them to that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Many who have toiled long in the vineyard of life, have heard and answered this call,

For this we offer our heart felt sympathy to their families as well as to their subordinate chapters.

And that a list of departed distinguished Companions from our Sister Grand Jurisdictions as well as the report of the Memorial Service conducted on Sunday May 19th be a part of this report.

Their labors are over, they have no more pain or sorrow; they are at rest "AND I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them".

ARKANSAS:

Donald M. Grimsley, Sr., ME Grand High Priest 1979

3-17-25 to 1-6-95

DIST OF COLUMBIA:
Alex R, Green, ME Grand High Priest 1986

4-23-35 to 6-17-95

GEORGIA:
Ernest T. Gaines, ME Grand High Priest 1994

4-14-35 to 11-23-95

ITALY:

Eraldo Ghinoi, ME Grand High Priest 5-87 to 5-89 7-21-21 to 8-20-95

NEW HAMPSHIRE:

Lester W. Holt, ME Grand High Priest 1961	8-3-06 to 12-18-95
Melvin E. Downing, ME Grand High Priest 1964	2-02-08 to 3-5-95
Carroll M. Fogg, ME Grand High Priest 1973	5-16-23 to 12-15-95

NEW JERSEY: Harold D. Elliott, M.E. Grand High Priest 1981 3-30-95

OREGON:

Robert D. Medill, ME. Grand High Priest 1961 5-22-20 to 12-30-95

QUEBEC: Raymond P. Godber, Grand First Principal 1992 2-14-95

RHODE ISLAND:

Alfred C Bateman, Sr. ME Grand High Priest 1968	7-16-02 to 5-31-95
Lewis B. Kessell, ME Grand High Priest 1985	7-27-25 to 11-7-95

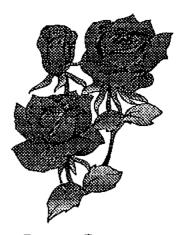
TEXAS:

William B. Anderson, ME Grand High Priest 1	1979	12-8-21 to 5-6-95
Clifford W. Aleshire, ME Grand High Priest 19		6-19-18 to 1-3-95

Rev. Ralph A. Jones, Jr.

In Memory of Companions of this and other Grand Jurisdictions

Who have passed on to that Eternal Reward in 1995 - 96



This Page we Iraternally Dedicate



PATRIOTIC, CIVIC & RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The constituent Royal Arch Masonic Chapters and the members thereof are active supporters of patriotic, civic and religious activities throughout this Grand Jurisdiction. The collective and individual participation is often cloaked under the banners of the Grand Lodge, Scottish Rite, Shrine, Knight Templar, National Sojourners, and any of the numerous Allied Masonic Bodies or Orders to which Royal Arch Masons also affiliate. Such active participation demonstrates the effect of unity within the Masonic community.

In addition, many of the Royal Arch Masons are active participants in their Church organizations, civic organizations and military veterans' fraternities which share and practice similar objectives.

During this Capitular year, Royal Arch Masons, together with all others, contributed charitable and brotherly assistance in the several areas of this Grand Jurisdiction which were stricken by hurricanes, flash flooding, etc.

Reference is also made to the report of the Patriotic, Civic and Regilious Activities Committee, Grand Commandery, KT, for this Chivalric year.

A review of activities around this Grand Jurisdiction reveal only a few activities outside the Chapter rooms are conducted solely under the Royal Arch Masonic banner.

Vernon H. Miller, William G. Norrie, Paul E. Hockett, Ralph E. Jones

PHOTOGRAPHY AND AUDIO COMMITTEE

Photographs and video recording were made as required or requested and as appropriate for all Convention activities. All usual pictures were made available to members and wives from our committee. We thank the appointing authority for this opportunity to serve.

E. L. 'Lank' Green, F. Tom Thurmond

PRINTING COMMITTEE

C/C	Item	Budgeted	Spent	Precent	Balance
10200	Printing	500.00	455.17	91.03	44.83
10250	Proceedings	1,500.00	1,272.00	84.80	228.00
10300	Publications	1,000.00	0.00	0.0	1,000.00
10350	Ed/Training	1,000.00	0.00	0.0	1,000.00
10460	Reimbursables	700.00	1.038.99	148.43	- 338.99
		4,700.00	2.766.16		1,933.84

Harry R. Davis, A. A. Bennett, Paul E. Hockett, Wm.Robert Young

PROPOSITIONS & GRIEVANCES

We, the committee on Propositions and Grievances, are happy to report that nothing has come before this committee for its consideration. Peace, Harmony, and Unity continue to prevail in this Grand Jurisdiction.

James W. Oder

RELIGIOUS AFFIRMATION DAY REPORT

In conformance with the Proclamation issued on may 31, 1995 by Most Excellent Grand High Priest Harry R. Davis, the following Chapters participated in Religious Affirmation Services.

Chap No.	Name	Members	Guest	Total
2	Gainesville	8	13	21
3	Tampa-Cushing	13	11	24
2 3 4 5	St. Johns	19	16	35
5	Halifax	5	3	8
6	Mt. Horeb	13	12	25
7	Eureka	11	11	22
8	Dade City	9	6	15
9	Putman	13	8	21
12	Jacksonville	14	0	14
15	Monroe	14	10	24
17	St. Augustine	9	5	14
18	Manatee River	17	18	35
25	Live Oak	11	7	18
29	Lakeland	6	10	16
31	St. Petersburg	15	O	15
39	Bay County	2	8	10
41	Winter Haven	11	9	20
48	Duval	8	0	8
62	James Yeager	20	4	24
63	Eden	22	18	40
	Totals	240	169	409

It is regrettable that so many Chapters made no effort to conform to the Grand High Priest's Proclamation. Three Chapters reported NO Religious Affirmation Services were held, while 17 Chapters failed to hold a service, or to report in any way at all. During January 1996 Reminders were sent to DDGHP's informing them of Chapters in their district which had not yet reported. Their cooperation produced several new reports, however the overall picture remains dismal.

Twenty (20) Chapters made reports - 50%, while three (3) Chapters reported that NO services were held, and seventeen (17) Chapters -43% neglected to file any report at

all. It is recommended that our Religious Affirmation Services be continued, and that our Grand Chaplin become involved in this program, possibly by furnishing a format that could be followed by Chapters wishing to hold a Service in their Lodge or Chapter Room.

Frederick R. Young

RITUALISTIC MATERIAL COMMITTEE

The members of the Ritualistic Material Committee are pleased to report that we have furnished Ritualistic Material to all Secretary's requesting the same.

Should there arise a need in the future from a Chapter please let it be known and your need will be furnished.

Woodrow Cash., Wayne E Parks

ROYAL ARCH RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

This is the report of activities and progress of the Royal Arch Research Assistance Program for the Capitular Year 1995 - 1996. The Companions of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Florida continue their support of the philanthropy of the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International. This is the aineteenth year that the Companions of this grand jurisdiction have continued their fine support of this great charity. The effort continues in a very satisfactory manner and we are pleased with the efforts made by the many Companions of Florida.

During the past Capitular Year thirty eight of our chapters, four honorary bodies, the Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida and the Ladies Boutique have participated in this program and supported it with contributions totaling \$10,541.58, of which \$9,659.86 were made as general contributions and \$881.72 as memorial contributions. This resulted in a contribution of \$1.27 per member. This is the highest ratio per member we have ever achieved and the Companions are to be proud of the work that they have done. Much of the credit for this fine effort during this reporting period can be attributed to the Royal Arch Research Assistance Button (Pin) Program that was instituted by our Grand High Priest, M.E. Companion Harry R. Davis. Results of M. E. Companion Harry R. Davis's program indicate that \$1,565.89 of the total funds collected as general contributions came from the sale of the R.A.R.A Buttons. Through this program, each chapter was made responsible for the sale of the R.A.R.A Buttons and in this manner became involved in our charity. This effort proved that which has been continually stated "If each chapter contributes a fair share, we can improve our total effort".

However, other grand jurisdictions are making a strong challenge with their contributions and we are now sixth in general contributions and sixth in memorial contributions in comparsion with other grand jurisdictions that are part of the General Grand Chapter R.A.M. International.

Our Most Excellent Grand Fligh Priest, Most Excellent Harry R. Davis has made the Royal Arch Research Assistance a special item of concern during his year as Grand High Priest, requiring special attention by the District Deputy Grand High Priests and Grand Chapter Line Officers. We commend Most Excellent Companion Harry R. Davis for his efforts on behalf of our charity and thank him for the support that he has given us during this reporting period. We also congratulate the many Companions who have participated in this program and have made sure that the Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Florida maintained a high profile in this great humanitarian program. We extend a special thanks to many ladies who have worked so hard at the "Ladies Boutique" and who have continued with their wonderful support of our charity. Through the united support of all participants the Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Florida has received the help necessary to maintain a high position in national ratings.

Listed below are the results attained by each chapter and organization of this grand jurisdiction.

Royal Arch Research Assistance Contributions for the Period 1995-1996

CHAPTER	GENERAL	MEMORIAL	TOTAL
Florida No. 1	150.00		150.00
Gainesville No. 2	803.05		803.05
Tampa Cushing No. 3	567.00		567.00
St. Johns No. 4	240.00		240.00
Halifax No. 5	124.00		124.00
Mt. Horeb No. 6	571.00	150.00	721.00
Eureka No. 7	30.00	200.00	230.00
Dade City No. 8	31.00		31.00
Putnam No. 9	128.00		128.00
Jericho No. 11	408.00	196.72	604.72
Jacksonville No. 12	381.00		381.00
Ocala No. 13	10.00		10.00
Monroe No. 15	259.33	30.00	289.33
Plant City No. 16	25.00		25.00
St. Augustine No. 17	137.00		137.00
Manatee River No. 18	138.00		138.00
Keystone No. 20	340.00		340.00
Thomas Brown No. 22	26.00		26.00
Palm Beach No. 24	194.00		194.00
Live Oak No. 25	85.50		85.50
Indian River No. 27	88.00		88.00
Joppa No. 28	31.65	75.00	106.65
Lakeland No. 29	136.00		136.00
St. Petersburg No. 31	284.00	10.00	294.00
Jackson No. 32	181.00	30.00	211.00
Eustis No. 33	54.33		54.33
Sarasota No. 35	233.00	90.00	313.00

Lake City No. 38	14.00		14.00
Bay County No. 39	320.00		320.00
Crestview No. 40	52.00		52.00
Winter Haven No. 41	362.00		362.00
Clearwater No. 45	620.00		620.00
Duval No. 48	65.00	100.00	165.00
Nassau No. 49	95.00		95.00
Poinciana No. 50	60.00		60.00
Surf No. 57	100.00		100.00
Melbourne No. 59	140.00		140.00
Cabal No. 61			
James D. Yeager No.62			
Eden No. 63	79.00		79.00
York Rite Ladies Boutique	800.00		800.00
Grand Chapter R.A.M.	207.00		207,00
J. P. LeSucr Y.R. College No. 80	500.00		500.00
Order of High Priesthood	300.00		300.00
JB Phelps York Rite Coll No. 31	200,00		200.00
Miami Conclave R. C. C.	100.00		100.00
TOTALS	\$9,659.86	\$881.72	\$10,541.58

We have several chapters and organizations that did an outstanding job with our charitable program and we hope that more chapters/organizations increase their effort. Twenty of our constituent chapters, listed below, qualified for a 100% Participation Certificate by contributing sufficient funds that equaled at least \$1.00 contribution per member.

Gainesville	Monroe	Lakeland	Winter Haven
Tampa-Cushing	St. Augustine	St. Petersburg	Clearwater
St. Johns	Manatee River	Jackson	Duval
Mt. Horeb	Keystone	Sarasota	Nassau
Jericho	Palm Beach	Bay County	Eden

In addition to the above the following chapters or organizations are entitled to a General Grand High Priest Pin with diamond chip, or an additional chip to an exsting pin.

Tampa Cushing	Mt. Horeb	Clearwater	Ladies Boutique
Gainesville Cresent I	oundation	J. P. LeSuer Y.	R. College No. 80

We again urge all to make full use of the materials available to infrom the membership of the charity, its purpose and the results attained. We do Exalt new Companions each year, and they cannot find out about our charity if we do not provide them with the proper materials. We again remind the Companions that we have Brochures, and the film "The Lonely World" in 16mm or on VHS tape. Those who have made a request for any of the material have received immediate response, however, they are very few. Showing of the film "Lonely World" should be an annual event in each chapter.

It may surprise you, but, there are many Royal Arch Masons with many years tenure in the fraternity, who have never seen the film, or in some cases have never heard of it. It is our responsibility to keep our members informed. Lets get with the program and improve our efforts.

We thank the chapter chairmen who have worked so hard to help achieve these fine results and all others who have assisted in this effort. We also commend Dr. Arnold Lambe and thank him for the help that he has provided in this fine effort, and who has provided the leadership required in the panhandle area of Florida for our charity.

I wish to thank Most Excellent Companion Harry R. Davis for appointing me State Executive Officer for the charity and for having given me this opportunity to serve Capitular Masonry during the past year.

Geogre A. Chipouras

COMMITTEE ON THANKS

The 149th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida expresses it thanks to:

The York Rite Bodies of the Fifth Capitular District for hosting us;

Gordon L Anderson and his committee for a smoothly run registration and a successful Convocation;

The staff and management of the Orlando North Hilton for making our Convocation a most comfortable one:

Our distinguished guests and Official Representatives for traveling so far and so much enriching this Grand Convocation;

The Grand Line Officers of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida for their time and support;

Charles R. Denman for his music, which inspired us and supported us in what we did;

Our Ladies, for their labors of love in our Hospitality Room and in manning the bazaar to support our York Rite Charities, which they undertake with unfailing good humor and zeal, but mostly for their approval and support of us and our activities, without which none of us could do anything in Freemasonry;

Most Excellent Grand High Priest Harry R. "Bob" Davis for dealing with even our most pedestrian local problems with such attentive courtesy and for his most informed leadership of Royal Arch Masons of Florida in 1995-96, and to his fellow Grand Heads, Addison A. "Pete" Bennett, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Royal and Select Masters

of Florida, and Paul E. Hockett, Right Eminent Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Florida, for like service to all Masons of Florida.

H. Warren Almand, Jr., Francis L. Daney, Hugh F. Moore

TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE

We, the members of the Time and Place Committee of this Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons are pleased to report that its One Hundred Fiftieth Annual Grand Convocation will be held in the city of Daytona Beach, Flordia at the Ramada Resort Oceanfront Hotel located at 2700 North Atlantic Avenue. Convention activities of the Grand York Rite Bodies of Freemasonry of Florida will begin at the hotel on Friday, May 16, 1997 and end on Wednesday, May 21. The Grand Convocation will be convened on Tuesday, May 20, 1997.

The Committee expresses its gratitude to the elected Convention Committee for having secured such a gracious hotel on one of the most picturesque sites in the state at affordable rates. The Committee appreciates the opportunity to serve.

Harvey L. Ward, Paul W. Friend, Guy E. Waltman

TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE

We are pleased to report that the 63rd Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons Internation! will be held in Asheville, N.C. from Nov. 3rd thru Nov. 7th, 1996, with Most Excellent Companion R. Glenn Capps, General Grand High Priest, presiding. He will be assisted by Most Excellent Companions Murray Cook, General Grand King and William Schoene, Jr., General Grand Scribe.

During the Triennium of 1997 - 2000 the 200th Anniversary of the founding of the General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International will be celebrated. Plans are being made to appropriately observe this Bi-Centennial in the Grand Chapter RAM of Florida.

Our thanks to our Grand High Priest for allowing us this opportunity to serve this Grand Chapter.

Frederick R. Young, Leslie H. Scott, Jr., David C. Wilkinson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

We, the Committee on Unfinished Business, have examined the Proceedings of the One Hundred Forty-Eighth Annual Grand Convocation and find no unfinished business carried over.

William O. Walker, Richard J. Carr, Keith W. Dean

COMMITTEE ON WORK

Interest in chapter activities by the companion; has through the efforts of the M.E. Grand High Priest; his District Deputies and this Committee has shown an increase.

Periods of instruction were held by this committee as requested by District Deputies and individual chapters. Two periods were sponsored in accordance with Grand Chapter Regulations in most Districts, but unforgently it was necessary to cancel some in 1995 because of weather conditions, but were held in 1996. We trust the coming year will permit them as scheduled.

We have also observed an increase in proper floor work and the use of fewer rituals in opening and closing ceremonies. Apparently the distribution of inserts form the Red Book to be placed in the rituals has cleared some of the misunderstanding among the companions between the two, and we trust that through this method all companions will clearly understand the Red Book.

We realize that some District Deputies may have a problem finding a time and place to have the two periods of instruction as required, we hope that the incoming District Deputies will endeavor to establish alternate dates and notify the chairman of this committee in ample time to arrange for a member to be present as we have had a slight problem because of short notice.

We wish to thank the M.E. Grand High Priest for allowing us the privilege and pleasure of serving this Grand Chapter and to thank all District Deputies for their assistance and cooperation.

J W MacDonald, Duane B Young, Vernon H Miller, Richard I Lanier, Raul Reyes

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

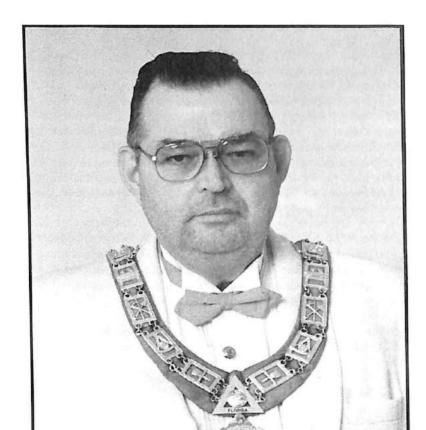
The Grand Chapter's Walter M. Shirra, Jr. Astronaut Trophy for Leadership Correspondence Courses was won in both 1994 and 1995 by George Ulee Lord Chapter, Order of DeMolay, Niceville.

We note with sadness the passing of three senior Demolays who were leaders of the Craft: M. E. Russell W. Wells, a senior Demolay of Paul Revere Chapter, Tampa; M. I. Winston H. Ward, a senior DeMolay of John M. Cheney Chapter, Orlando; and M. W. Clyde A. Gleason, a senior DeMolay of Seminole Chapter, Sanford.

We recommend that the Grand Chapter continue its annual contribution to the Masonic Youth Association of Florida, Inc.

Harry A. Rosenthal, Jr., Quinnie R. Williams, Sr., Vernon E. Adams





HARVEY LAGRANDE WARD MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF FLORIDA 1996 - 1997

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF HARVEY LAGRANDE WARD

MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST ARCH MASONS OF FLORIDA 1996 - 97

Born March 1, 1944 in Gainesville, Florida to John Hazzard Ward and Yvonne Elizabeth (Seekinger) Ward.

Education: Graduated Gainesville High School 1962, Graduated Sante Fe Junior College in 1969, attended University of Florida 1970.

Married to Julia Ann Klein Ward in 1967.

Children: Harvey L. Ward, Jr., Past State Master Councilor Florida DeMolay Assoc. 1985-86, Master Mason, York Rite Mason. Elizabeth Ann Ward, joined Gainesville Rainbow Assembly in 1987.

Employment:

Served Florida Highway Patrol as Radio Operator 1964-68, Gainesville Police Department Communications, Several years as supervisor, 1970-80. Owner Operator of Rental Properties in the Gainesville Area.

Member of Highlands Presbyterian Church, Gainesville, FL., Former Sunday School Superintendent Christ Methodist Church, Gainesville.

Past Chancellor Commander Mount Vernon Lodge No. 20, Knights of Pythias, Gainesville in 1963. Past District Deputy Grand Chancellor Knights of Pythias of Florida 1966. Joined Phoenix Lodge No. 5, Sanford, Fla. 1991.

Noble Grand, Gainesville Lodge NO. 6 Independent Order of Odd Fellows 1990 and 1991.

Member Colfax Rebekah Lodge No. 2, Gainesville.

Former member Board of Directors, Children's Home Society of Florida, Ocala Branch.

Member Board of Directors Gainesville Cresent Foundation.

Masonic History:

Initiated an Entered Apprentice Mason February 2, 1976, Passed to the Degree of Felloweraft May 3, 1976 and Raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason on July 14, 1976 in R.T. Schafer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Gainesville, FL.

Served as Worshipful Master, 1987.

Served as District 12 Youth Chairman 1984-85.

Served as Grand Lodge Zone 3 Chairman of the Masonic Youth Activities Committee 1986, 87 and 1988.

Served as Grand Lodge Zone 3 Chairman of Public Education and Citizenship Comm. 1992.

Florida DeMolay Association:

Member Gainesville Chapter Advisory Council 1981 to 1990.

Zone "I" Director 1982 to 1986.

Awarded DeMolay Cross of Honor, May 15, 1985.

State Chapter Dad August 1985 to August 1986.

Gainesville York Rite Bodies of Freemasonry:

Exalted as Royal Arch Mason February 20, 1982.

Served Gainesville Chapter No. 2 RAM as High Priest 1986.

Received the Order of High Priesthood, 1986.

Received and Greeted a Royal and Select Master, March 5, 1982.

Greeted a Super Excellent Master in Polk Council No. 11 on 3-29-85

Served Gainesville Council No. 27 R&SM as Illustrious Master in 1986.

Received the Order of the Silver Trowel in 1986.

Received the Order of the Temple on March 12, 1982.

Served Pilgrim Commandery No. 7 K.T. as Eminent Commander in 1986.

Received the Knight Crusader of the Cross in 1986.

Served as Director of the Work of the Gainesville Bodies, 1987 - 1995.

Chairman-Director of Work I Day Statewide York Rite Class Honoring Most

Worshipful George Hayes in October 1987. (107 members in class)

Served as Secretary/Recorder since 1-5-88 to present.

Chin '90-91' Grand Commander's Homecoming Comm. For R.E. James Dalzell. Served as Master of Cermonies at Grand High Priest's Homecoming on Nov. 6, 1993 in Palatka, FL., honoring M.E. Companion William L. Buck, Jr. Received the 69th Membership Jewel awarded by the Grand Encampment K.T. of the U.S.A. on 9-24-93.

York Rite Bodies of Florida:

District Deputy Grand Commander of 8th Chivalric District, 1987 for R.E. Grand Commander George A. Chipouras.

Appointed Grand Sentinel of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida by M.E. Vernon 11. Miller, G.H.P. in May 1988, Grand Master of the 1st Veil 1989, Grand Master of the 2nd Veil 1990, Grand Master of the 3rd Veil 1991. Grand Royal Arch Captain May 1 until May 13, 1992. Grand Prinicipal Sojourner May 13, 1992. Grand Captain of the Host May 17, 1993. Elected and Installed Grand Scribe May 10, 1994. Elected and Installed Grand King May 31, 1995. Elected and Installed M.E. Grand High Priest May 20, 1996. In Altamonte Springs.

Wrote the Ritualistic Ceremony of Antient Craft Table Chapter Convocation that was adopted by the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida at its Grand Convocation in May 1993.

Appointed Chm. of the Grand York Rite Membership Committee in May 1993. Appointed Grand Chapter Representive to South Dakota in April 25, 1992.

Genral Grand Chapter R.A. M. International:

Coordinator Southeastern York Rite Coonferneee held in St. Augustine in June 1991, in charge of registration and hospitality. Under direction of M.E. Companion Vernon H. Miller, Southeastern Deputy of M.E.G.G.H.P. R.A.M. International.

York Rite Sovereign College of North America:

Received the Knight of York Degree in Northeast Florida College No. 114, Jacksonville, Fla June 6, 1987.

Installed and served as Marshal in June 1988, Seneschal 1989, Chancellor 1990, Deputy Governor 1991. Elected and Installed Pre-eminent Governor May 16, 1992. Nominated in 1993 to receive the Order of the Purple Cross in 1994 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Received the Order of the Purple Cross and made an Associate Regent of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America on July 30, 1994 in Toronto, Canada.

Knights of the York Cross of Honor: received into Florida Priory No. 60, Feb.27, 1988.

Red Cross of Constantine: inducted into Miami Conclave January 23, 1993.

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry: Joined the Valley of Jacksonville April 1989. Appointed Secretary of the J. Edgar Hoover Class.

Royal Order of Scotland: Received the Heredom of Kilwinning and Knighthood of the Rosy Cross Degrees in Charlotte N.C. in August 1989.

Ancient Arabie Order of the Nobles of the Mystie Shrine: Joined Morocco Temple, May 15, 1982. Joined Gainesville Shrine Club May 1982. Joined Gainesville Normads 1982.

High Twelve International: Joined Interlachen Club No. 607 as a Charter member Nov. 16, 1983. (Name changed to Franklin C. Smith High 12 Club in 1993). Member Board of Directors since 1988. Elected and Served as President in 1992.

Masters and Wardens Association: Joined the 12th Masonic District as a charter member in 1985. Member of Masonic Relief and Charity Committee in 1988.

White Shrine of Jerusalem: Joined Queen Esther in Beltview on Feb. 18, 1995.

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA

Knight Masons: Joined Space Coast Council No. 32 as a Charter member in Melbourne, FL on June 6, 1986. Charter Member Gateway Council, U.D. Jacksonville, FL: Instituted September 3, 1994. Installed Junior Knight at that time. Elected and installed Senior Knight in August 1995.

Became menber of Philalethes Society in 1988.

Became a member of the Florida Lodge of Research in 1992.

Allied Masonie Degrees: Joined Wesley C. Harter Council U.D., A.M.D. as a Charter Member at its Institutional Assembly on Dec. 3, 1993 in Tallahassee. Installed Junoir Warden on Dec. 3, 1993. Elected and installed Senior Warden Dec. 10, 1994. Elected and installed Sovereign Master of Wesley C. Harter Council No. 302 A.M.D. on April 28, 1995, due to the untimely death of Sovereign Master John Mallory.

Tall Cedars of Lebanon: Joined Seminole Forest, U. D. (Now No. 193) Tall Cedars of Lebanon in Deland, FL. September 8, 1995.

Honorary Membership:

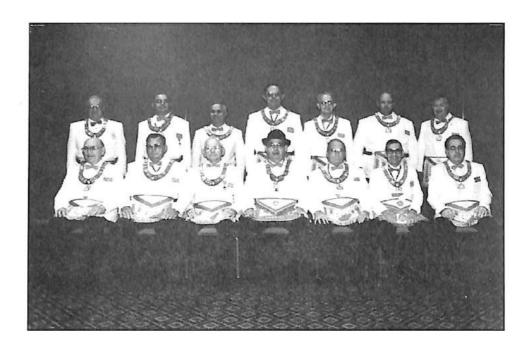
Elected to Honorary Membership in the Lawtey York Rite Bodies in Feb. 1988. Elected to Honorary Membership in the Live Oak York Rite Bodies in 1991. Elected to Honorary Membership in Duval Chapter No. 48 R.A.M. in late 1994, it was presented on Feb. 27, 1995.

ELECTION & INSTALLATION 1996-97 OFFICERS

Routine business was completed at 1:30 pm., Monday, May 20, 1996 and the M.E. Grand High Priest called for election of officers. Grand Chapter Officers were advanced. Wm. Robert Young, Grand Secretary and Duane B. Young, Grand Treasurer were reelected.

Added to the Grand Line were Ex. Companion William L. Buck, Jr. Grand Chaplain: Ex. Companion Luther Bodiford, III Grand Sentinel and Ex. Companion Charles Corbin Grand Organist.

MEPGHP (1988) Vernon Miller MEPGHP (1989) R. Earl Shiver MEPGHP (1971) Dr. Walter Winchester R.E. Charles Palmour Ex. Charles R. Denman Installing Grand High Priest Installing Grand Marshall Installing Grand Chaplain Installing Team Assistant Installing Organist



THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF FLORIDA GRAND LINE OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR OF 1996 - 1997

Harvey L. Ward (2) Julia	M. Ex. Grand High Priest
2121 NE 55 Blvd, Gainesville (Box 654, Gainesville 3	2602-0654) 352/378-3936
Frederick R. Young (4) Mildred	R. Ex. Grand King
623 Cherry Tree Lane, DeLand 32724	904/736-7410
Leslie H. Scott Jr (12) Betty	R.Ex. Grand Scribe
4409 Shiloh Lane Jacksonville 32210	904/771-5186
Duane B. Young (29) Norma	R. Ex. Grand Treasurer
141 Shadow Lane, Lakeland 33803	941/646-6695
Wm.Robert Young (27) Jean	R. Ex. Grand Secretary
3845 Catalina St Titusville 32796	407/267-4556
Office: 400 C. Julia St., Titusville, FL 407/383-153	0 or 407/383-3462 (FAX)

William L. Buck, Jr. MEPGHP (9) Elizabet 1307 S. 14th Street, Palatka 32177	h Ex. Grand Chaplain 904/352-4981		
David C. Wilkinson (9) Kay	Ex. Grand Captain of the Host 904/328-6432		
Virgil P. Brown Jr (27) Lorraine	Ex. Grand Principal Sojourner 32780 407/269-5969		
Wayne E. Parks (7) Donna	Ex. Grand Royal Arch Captain 407/292-1700		
750 Wren Ave. Miami Springs 33166	Ex. Grand Master of 3rd Veil 305:889-0977		
Myron C, Boice (6) Charlotte			
H Warren Almand Jr (32) Lydia 4980 Flynt Drive Marianna 32446	Ex. Grand Master of 1st Veil 904:482-4809		
Luther Bodiford, III (1) Anne			
Charles J. Corbin (2)			
GRAND CHAPTER O	FFICERS EMERITI		
Roy R. Wright, Jr. (15) Polly Howard P. Bennett (27) Pauline Wilbur W. Masters, Jr. (12) Marjorie R. Ex. Grand Treasurer Emeritus R. Ex. Grand Secretary Emeritus R. Ex. Grand Chaplain Emeritus			
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS			
District 1	No. I		
Leroy E. Fackler (11) 1301 N.W. 112 St.	Jerieho II (Miami)		
Miami, FI 33167-3617	Keystone 20 (Ft. Lauderdale) Palm Beach 24 (W Palm Beh)		
305/759-0617	•		
District	No. 2		
Andrew M. Stanforth (50)	Manatee River 15 (Palmetto)		
3205 46th St. S.W. Lehigh Acres, FI 33971-4635	Sarasota 35 Poinciana 50 (Ft Myers)		
941/369-9425	tourcana 20 (t.t Miyets)		

	District No. 3	
Daniel C. Gillespie (45)	District No. 3	St. Petersburg 31
1506 Meadowdale Drive		Tampa-Cushing 3
Clearwater, Fl 34624-2504		Clearwater 45
813/531-4937		Eden 63 (New Port Richey)
	District No. 4	
Joe K. West (22)		Winter Haven 41
915 McLeod Street		Thomas Brown 22 (Bartow)
Bartow, Fl 33830 813/533-9498		Lakeland 29
813/333-9498	District No. 5	Plant City 16 - Dade City 8
Alan J. Graulich (5)	District No. 3	St. Johns 4 (Deland)
214 Flagler Avenue		Halifax 5 (Ormond Beach)
Edgewater, Fl 32132		Eustis 33 (Tavares)
904/423-4826		Monroe 15 (Sanford)
		Eureka 7 (Orlando)
	District No. 6	
J. C. Merritt (27)		Indian River 27 (Cocoa)
2825 Diamond Road Titusville, Fl 32796		Joppa 28 (Ft Pierce)
407/267-2340		Melbourne 59
407/207-2340	District No. 7	
William E. Eubank (9)	District 140. 7	Jacksonville, St. Augustine
5670 Highway 17 South		Duval 48 (Jacksonville)
Green Cove Springs, Fl 32043		Putnam 9 (Palatka)
904/284-1488		Nassau 49 (Fernindinia Bch)
	District No. 8	
Troy Thompson (25)		Ocala 13 (Bellview)
RT 3 Box 792		James Yeager 62 (Lawtey)
Mayo, Fl 32066 904/294-1184		Lake City 38 - Gainesville 2
304/294-1164	District No. 9	Live Oak 25 (Mayo)
Deneil R Smith (1)	District No. 9	Florida I (Tallahassee)
2913 Joyce Drive		Bay County 39(Panama City)
Tallahassee, Fl 32303		Jackson 32 (Marianna)
904/562-2678		Sauthon 52 (controlled)
ı	District No. 10	
Harry W. Seibert (6)		Crestview 40
7630 Sandy Creek Court		Mt Horeb 6 (Pensacola)
Pensacola, Fl 32506		Surf 57 (Ft Walton Beach)
904/455-0010		
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The name of the Chapter is also the name of the city except where indicated in parenthesis.

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GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEES

(Committee reports are in alphabetical order)
(First Name Listed is Chairman)

AUDITING: Leslie H. Scott, Jr. (12) - Wallace C. Stich (45)

Charles R Denman (27) (Chief Auditor) - Columbus Webb (9)

BENEVOLENCE: Ewell J. Langdale, Jr. (12) - William A. Cogburn (1)

J. Russell Hammond (15)

BLUE LODGE REPRESENTATIVES: Steven O. Steele (11)

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GRAND HIGH PRIEST AWARD: Harvey L. Ward (2)

Frederick R. Young (4) - Leslie H. Scott, Jr. (12)

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM:

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1851	R. A. Shine	1852	Thomas Brown
1853	Samuel Boardman	1854/5	J.Wayels Baker
1856	Thomas Hayward	1857	Gad Humphreys
1858	Thomas Hayward	1859	D. P. Holland
1860	Thomas Y. Henry	1861-4	George F. Baltzell
1865-7	David Jones	1868	James Ellenwood
1869-1	D.C. Dawkins	1872	William Morrill
1873-4	Michael Bowes	1875	Henry W. Long
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1879/8	Robert J. Perry	1881-2	William A McLean
1883	George S. Hallmark	1884-5	William E. Anderson
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1890	J.W. Boyd	1891	T. S. Wilmarth
1892	Irving E. Webster	1893	Silas B. Wright
1894	William M. MacIntosh	1895	John H. Stevens
1896	William H. Jewell	1897	Warren Tyler
1898	Wilbur T. Webster	1899	James Carnell
1900	E. E. Haskell	1901	A. M. Cushman
1902	J.R. Wetherell	1903	T. G. Hutchinson
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1906	Joseph R. Keller	1907	William S. Ware
1908	John H. Weddell	1909	Samuel Pasco
1910	T. Picton Warlow	1911	F. B. Stoneman
1912	Robert McClellan	1913	H. N. Sweeting
1914	John M. Cadwell	1915	Will C. Andress
1916	William R. O'Neal	1917	D. B. Palmer
1918	Charles II. Ketchum	1919	W. V. Carter
1920	Henry O. Snow	1921	John L. Hall
1922	Ralph J. Kishpaugh	1923	Ely P. Hubbell
1924	Earl L. Wirt	1925	T. T. Todd
1926	E. L. Shear	1927	Carey B. Fish
1928	Riley J. McMaster	1929	John Pasco
1930	Stafford Caldwell	1931	Alex B. Steuart
1932	William B. Greer	1933	R. P. Buckmaster
1934	Archie Aitchison	1935	George A. Dame
1936	Cleveland R. Horne	1937	J. Lloyd Head

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1938	John D. D. J.		
1940	John B. Phelps	1939	Jessie C. Clark
1942	Dorsey H. Rutter	1941	Frederic A. Riegel
1944-5	William L. Marshall	1943	J. E. Herring
1947	Storge A. Lambe	1946	Harry R. Thompson
1949	Loren L. Dilger	1948	David M. Winans
1951	Leslie C. Bortle	1950	Carl H. Papier
1954	Orville A. Clark	1952	Richard Houghton
1956	Thomas E. Dickenson	1955	A. C. Blount
1958	Herman J. Wendland	1957	William J. Abram
1960	Charles W. Arnold	1959	J. Robert Moore
1962	L. Earl Curry	1961	
1964	Ray H. Schmidt	1963	James A. Winfield
1967	Henry A. Brosnaham		Martin N. Gerhard
1969	Russell W. Houston	1966	Loftin D. Chiles
1973	Floyd M. Crippen	1968	Harold L. Beals
1990	Edward H. Bayter	1970	William J. Hotheinz
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The Sixty-Third Triennial Convocation will be held in Asheville, North Carolina November 3 - 6, 1996

FLORIDA CHAPTERS (DATE) Is The Charter Date

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Gainesville No. 2 (1879) 2505 N.E. 9th Street (HP) Stanley H. Griffis (King) Raymond D. Ha	(7:30pm) Jr. (SEC) rris (Secribe	Gainesville 904/372-9200 Harvey L. Ward) Charles J Corbin
Tampa-Cushing No. 3 (1882) 4210 W. Oklahoma Ave. (HP) Jerome E. Murray (King) Roger W Myers	2) (4TH Fri) (SEC)	Tampa 813/831-5406 Jose J. Camara Andrew T Patton
St. Johns No. 4 (1884) 2211 N. Spring Garden Ave (HP) William Schuck (King) John A Combs		DeLand 904-734-9827 Frederick R. Young Peter Van Ness
Halifax No. 5 (1896) 270 Kenilworth Ave. (HP) Harold G. Cooper (King) Elmer Geralds Mount Horeb No 6 (1874)	(2nd Thur) (7:30) (SEC) S (Seribe)	Ormond Beach 904 3 Ray Stephey Harry U Criss
(HP) Freddie C. Briggs, Jr. (King) David E Bailey Jr	(SEC) L	904/438-0379 Frexel P. Caldwell
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Jericho No. 11 (1900) 1690 NW. N. River Drive (HP) Robert D. Riker (King) Blas Pellon	(1st Fri) (7:30pm)	Miami 305/325-0889 (SEC) F. William Collard (Scribe) George A Chipouras
Jacksonville No. 12 (1854) 1237 S. McDuff Avenue (HP) Glenn E. Chandler, S (King) Walter M Hammon	(2nd Thur) (7:30pm) Sr. d	Jacksonville 904/389-0792 (SEC) Vernon E. Adams (Scribe) William Ferrell
Ocala No. 13 (1888) 5871 Baseline Road (HP) James A. Smith (King) Albin W DiPasea	(1st Fri) (7:30pm)	Belleview 904/245-6468 (SEC) William J. Freund (Scribe) Durward W Eastman
Monroe No. 15 (1893) 212 N. Park Avenue (HP) Leroy F. Thrift (King) Sol Wallace		Sanford 407/322-2616 (SEC) Roy R. Wright Jr (Scribe) Floyd E Stage
Plant City No. 16 (1893) I Acacia Drive (IIP) Robert E. Butler (King) Floyd E Martin		Plant City 813/752-8061 SEC) John E. Hancock Scribe) Timothy L Surrency
St Augustine No 17 (1903) 105 King Street (HP) Robert P. Shine (King) Robert J Saunders	(3rd Tue) (7:30pm)	St Augustine 904/829-8800 SEC) Burt F. Maguire Scribe) Leonard Prentiss
Manatee River No. 18 (1904) 404 10th Ave., W (HP) David Odishaw (King) James K Redmond	(3rd Thur) (7:00pm)	Palmetto 813/722-1719 EC) William M. Miller cribe) Richard Campbell
700 NE 8th Street (HP) William Green (King) James Rudman	(1st Wed) (7:00pm)	Ft Lauderdale 305/941-3967 EC) Stanley N. Stake cribe) Cyril Michael Shortle
Thomas Brown No. 22 (1871) 320 S. Florida Avenue (HP) Michael D. DeChambeau (King) Robert Herrault	(1st Thur) (7:30pm)	Bartow 813/533-2971 C) Joe K. West ribe) Robert W Porterfield

2878-B Jefferson St. (2nd Mon) Marianna (HP) James D. Butler (7:30pm) 904/482-3729 (King) Charles E Mock (SEC) H. Warren Almand, Jr. Eustis No. 33 (1914)

128 N. Bay Street (HP) Franklin, J. Klohn (7:30pm) (King) James L. Moore Sarasota No. 35 (1915)

2160 Main Street (3rd Fri) (HP) David G. Cladin (7:00pm) (King) Stephen H. Clark

(Scribe) Raymond H. Harris (1st Fri) Eustis 904/357-7698 (SEC) Theodore R. Kaufman (Scribe) Stuart T. Sadler

> Sarasota 813/953-2792 (SEC) Malcolm B. Ryder (Scribe) B. John Ross

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA

Lake City No. 38 (1950) 2685 McFarlane Avenue (2nd Tue) (HP) Warren Minter (7:30pm) (King) Russell D. Lewis (SEC) Hugh F Moore Bay County No. 39 (1945)

(Scribe) Paul Edward Clark 2700 W. 10th Street 12nd Mons (Ring) Alfred D. Thomas (Senbe) Raymond L. Miller

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Crestview No. 40 (1920) 110 Garden Street (3rd Tue of Odd Months) Crestview (HP) William R. Johnson (7:00pm) None (SEC) Robert V. Erdman (King) Eddy C. Whobrey (Scribe) Wilson F. Hart

Winter Haven No 41 (1920) 395 Avenue "A" SE (1st & 3rd Thur) Winter Haven (HP) Donald J. Butler, Jr. 813/294-2005 (7:30pm) (King) Charles F. Niles, Jr (SEC) Arnold R. Kramer (Scribe) Norman L Hilt

Clearwater No. 45 (1922) 407 N Belcher Road (1st Wed) Clearwater (HP) Michael T. Wichman, Sr. (7:30pm) 813/799-1665 (King) Jack G. Stabler (SEC) Ralph O. Sheppard (Scribe) Michael Bennett

Duval No. 48 (1922) 2620 Dean Road (4th Mon) Jacksonville (HP) Cecil L. Wright, Sr. (7:30pm) 904/737-1900 (King) John Wesley Boyd, Jr. (SEC) Hubert E Aenehbacher Jr (Scribe) Gustave O Rappold

Nassau No. 49 (1901) 1101 S. 14th Street (4th Thur) Fernandina Beach (HP) Ed O'Rourke 904/261-3917 (7:30pm) (King) Jesse R. Tiner Jr. (SEC) Quinnie Williams, Sr. (Scribe) Marshall D. Fullwood

Poinciana No. 50 (1923) 3100 Evans Ave. Fort Myers (2nd Tue) (HP) Helmut Ehrhardt 813/334-5074 (6:45pm) (SEC) Wallace Bateman (Scribe) Larry Cole

(King) Victor Forsythe Surf No. 57 (1949) Ft Walton Beach 130 Brook Street (1st Mon) 904/243-8051 (HP) Robert Melvin (7:00pm)

(King) William L Allmon

(SEC) William A. Howard (Scribe) Burton Davis

Melbourne No. 59 (1959) (2nd 1715 Avocado Ave. (HP) Frederick G. (Ted) Ferris (King) Jon F. Egerton	Thur - Odd (7:30pm)	mos) Melbourne 407/254-3456 (SEC) Vern H. Sipe (Scribe) Charles L. Hollinger
James Yeager No. 62 (1976) N. Grove and Orange St. (HP) Mannon Eugene Shaw (King) Herbert Melvin Slate	(4th Thur) (7:30pm)	

Eden No. 63 (1986) 6319 Louisanna Street (HP) Luke DeRoberts (King) Donald M. King	New Port Richey 813/849-4122 (SEC) H. John Shinn
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Inverness	14	Arrested	17.10	Providence	38	Arrested	1939
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Leesburg	34	Surrendered	1991	Dade	47	Surrendered	1930
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ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD MAY 20, 1996 Altamonte Springs, FL

President James W. MacDonald asked the Officers to take their stations at 5:40 PM. The secretary called the roll of Officers to confirm that all were present, and that all stations were properlery filled.

James W. MacDonald President Duane B. Young Vice-President Walter H. Winehester Chaplain Joe C. LeSuer Secretary/Treasurer Vernon H. Miller Master of Ceremonies Earl G. Nicholson Steward R. Earl Shiver Conductor Roy W. Wright, Jr. Herald Richard I. Lanier

Sentinel

The Chaplain gave an opening prayer.

The President called for the Business of the order. The Secretary Offered a motion that the minutes as printed and distributed in the 1995 proceedings be accepted. The motion was adopted.

The Treasurer gave his report:

RECEIPTS: Balance May 1995 \$2,417.02 23 Candidates @ \$30.00 690.00 Interest 60.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$3,167.97

DISBURSEMENTS: Heirloom Bibles \$ 629.35 RARA 300.00 See/Treas. 35.00 Bank Service Charge 10.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 974.35 April 12, 1996 Peoples First Bank Balance \$2,193.62

The Treasurer offered a motion that the report be accepted. It was adopted.

The Secretary offered a motion that the Order replace a High Priesthood Bible that was lost in a tracin Community of the Mark was lost in a tragic fire at the home of M.E. William L. Buck. The motion was The following bills were read:

Heirloom Bibles \$525.52 100.00 RARA 35.00 Sec/Treas Exp. TOTAL \$660.52 A motion prevailed to pay the bills.

The Secretary announced that there were 35 members, 8 Officers and 24 candidates present and that his desk was clear.

The President called for the election of the Officers for the 1996 - 97 capitular year. A motion prevailed that the present Officers remain in their station for the 1996-97 Capitular year.

The business of the Order being concluded the President inquired of the secretary if there were any Candidates in waiting for induction into the Order. The Secretary announced that there were 24 past or present Ex. High Priest present and eligible to receive the Order.

The following list of candidates were Elected, Anointed and Consecrated in the Order of High Priesthood:

Freddie Briggs, Jr.	Mt. Horeb	6	96
Stephen H. Clark	Sarasota	35	95
John C. Bates, Jr.	Dade City	8	96
Michael DeChambeau	Thomas Brown	22	96
Mannon Eugene Shaw	James Yeager	62	96
Harry W. Seibert	Mt. Horeb	6	95
Frederick G. Ferris	Melbourne	59	96
Glenn E. Chandler	Jacksonville	12	96
Helmut Ehrhardt	Poinciana	50	96
Franklin L. Glenn	Indian River	27	96
Cecil L. Wright, Sr.	Duval	48	96
Roy Hendrickson	Palm Beach	24	96
Larry M. Layton	Bay County	39	96
Danny Fullwood	Nassau	49	94
Ed O'Rourke	Nassau	49	96
	Eureka	7	96
Gerald H. Favor	Winter Haven	41	96
Donald J. Butler	Putman	9	96
Kenneth E. Walker	Florida	1	96
Dencel R. Smith		5	96
Harold Grant Cooper	Halifax	2	96
Stan Griffis	Gainesville		
Luke DeRobert	Eden	63	
James Smith	Ocala	13	
Robert Butler	Plant City	16	96

The class chose a spokesman who was very complimentary and appreciative of the work displayed by the Degree Team and Thanked them on behalf of the class. The Order was closed in full form at 7:15pm.

Joe C. Lesuer, Sec/Treas.

James W. MacDonald, President

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