

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER
ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF
FLORIDA

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIXTH
ANNUAL GRAND CONVOCATION

STEVEN Q. STEELE
Presiding

H. WARREN ALMAND, JR.
Elected

Held at Panama City Beach, Florida
2 May 2003 A. I. 2533



STEVEN Q. STEELE
Most Excellent Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Florida
2002 - 2003

MASONIC RESUME OF STEVEN Q. STEELE, M.E.G.H.P. FOR 2002-2003

Personal History

Born October 1, 1942, Jacksonville, Florida to Luther and Lucy Steele. Traveled extensively until 1956 when father retired from U. S. Navy. Married Judith A. Westerman, they have 2 boys, Steven and James, and 2 grandchildren Steven and Katrina Steele. Employed by Eastern Airlines from March 1967 to February 1991. Currently a partner in several business involved in commercial aircraft parts and aircraft electronics.

Masonic History

Blue Lodge:

February 14, 1974, joined Olceta # 145, Miami Springs, FL.; WM - 1980 & 1989; Treasurer 1984-88, 1999-presently.

Grand Lodge: L.Y.P.M.G.C., Zone 7, 1987, 88, 90; Masonic Youth Activities, Zone 7 & State Chairman, MH - 100, Zone 7, 1996, DDGM 35th District, 1998.

York Rite:

Joined Miami York Right Bodies, March 1980; High Priest - 1985 & 95, Illustrious Master - 1987 & 1997; Eminent Commander - 1988 & 1990; Island # 65, Secretary 1999-present.

Grand York Rite:

DDGHP - 1987; DDGC - 1988; DDGM - 1991; Member of Order of High Priesthood; Council of Anointed Kings; Knights Crusader of the Cross;

Everglades York Rite College # 149, chartered member & Governor 1993-94, Order of Purple Cross 1994; John B. Phelps York Rite College # 31.

Knights of the York Cross of Honor - Miami Priory # 10, 1989, Prior - 1997.

Convent General KYCH, Personal Representative District 3 - 2000 - 2002.

Red Cross of Constantine - Miami Conclave - 1989, Sovereign - 1998.

Scottish Rite: Orient of Florida, Valley of Miami, Master of the Royal Secret - 1974; Degree Master - 24th Degree 1982 - 1991; KCCH 1983; Inspector General Honorary 33rd 1999; Consistory: Master of Kadosh 1991; Council of Kodosh: Commander 1990; Chapter of Rose Croix: Wise Master 1989; Lodge of Perfection: Venerable Master 1989, Stage and Properties Committee 1975 - present.

Affiliations: Space Coast Council Knight Masons - 1986
MI-AM-I Grotto - 1988

Mystic Tie Council AMD - 1999

Masonic Societas Rosicruciana In Civitatibus Foederatis - 1995.

Royal Order of Scotland 1985

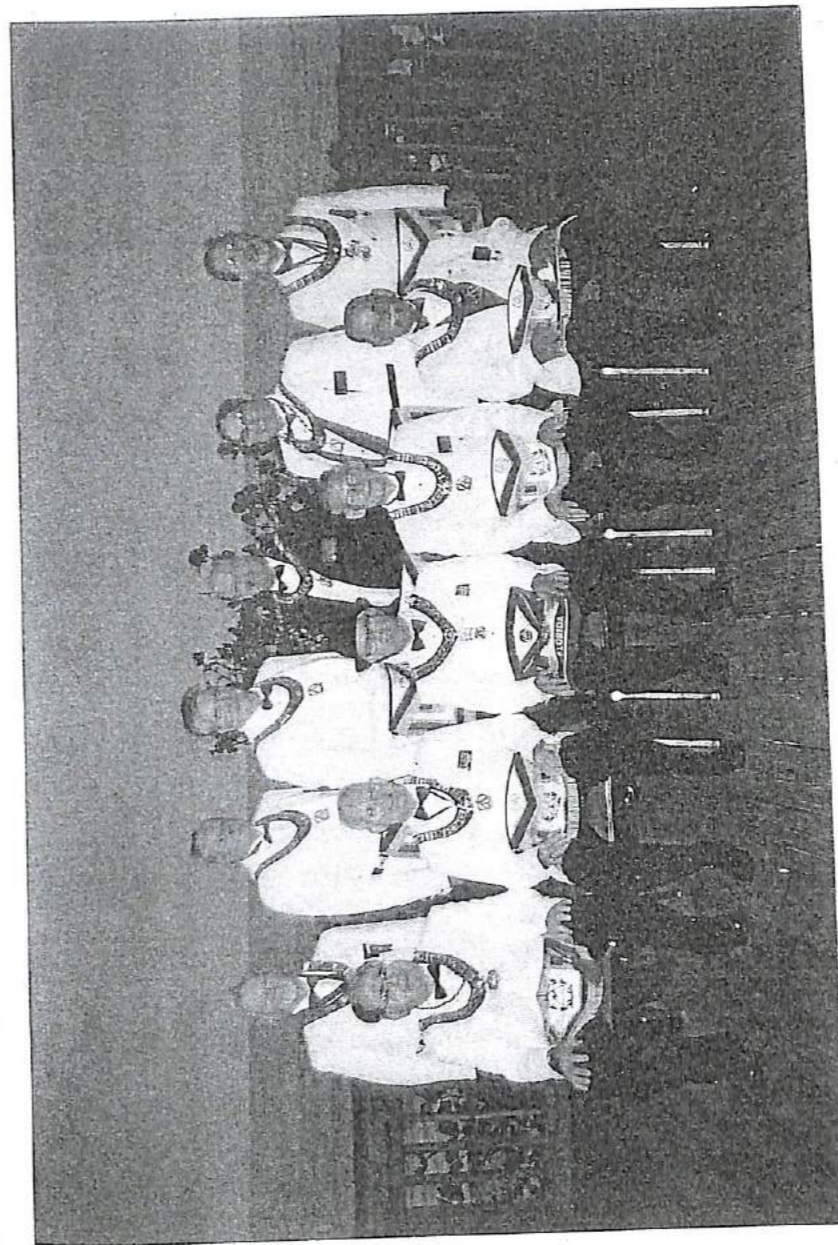
Lakeside Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, 1991

Hialeah Court # 30, Order of the Amaranth, 1979; Royal Patron - 1981.

International Order of Rainbow For Girls, Advisory Board 1988-1991, Grand Cross of Colors 1990.

Mahi Shrine 1980

Bethany Shrine, Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, Orlando 2002.



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Steven Q. Steele (11) Judi	M. E. Grand High Priest
Warren Almand Jr (32) Lydia	R. E. Grand King
Ann E. Chandler (12) Janet	R.E. Grand Scribe
Gene B. Young (29) Norma	R.E. Grand Treasurer
Robert Young (27) Jean	R.E. Grand Secretary
John I. Hendricks (11) Jo Ann	Ex. Grand Chaplain
Liam F. Wyllie (29) Ellen	Ex. Gr. Captain of Host
Michael A Padron, Jr.(65) Sally	Ex Gr Principal Sojourner
Barbur R. Allen (22) (Diane)	Ex. Gr Royal Arch Captain
Michael E. Fitch (27) Liz	Ex Gr. Master of Third Veil
Michael E. Dale (18) Linda	Ex Gr. Master of Second Veil
James P. Rudman (13) Mary Ann	Ex Gr. Master of First Veil
Raymond Scibert (6) Pat	Ex. Grand Sentinel
William Bonnett	Ex Grand Organist

**DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS
(Chapter numbers for that District)**

1 (# 11, 20, 24, 65)	Tomas Ratner (65) Barbara
2 (# 18, 35, 50)	Guy E. Waltman (50) Joyce
3 (# 3, 31, 45, 63)	R. James Rocha (31) Maria
4 (#8, 16, 22, 29, 41, 64)	David J. Mason (45) Marilyn
5 (# 4, 5, 7, 15, 33)	Frederick W. Schuetz (4)
6 (# 27, 28, 59, 66)	James D. Ratcliffe (27) Beverly
7 (# 9, 12, 17, 48, 49)	Allen E. Yarborough (49) Elizabeth
8 (#2, 13, 25, 38, 62)	Howard B. Osgood, III (2)
9 (# 1, 32, 39)	Luther Bodiford, III (1) Anne
10 (# 6, 40, 57)	Richard J. Kupfer (40)

MINUTES OF THE OF GRAND CONVOCATION OF 2003

At 8:00 AM on Friday May 2, 2003, the 156th Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida was opened in full form by Steven Q. Steele, M. E. Grand High Priest. The M. I. Grand Master, Richard E. Foreman, and R. E. Grand Commander, Robert E. Burleson, were introduced and welcomed. The M. E. Past Grand High Priests were introduced and given Grand Honors. The Distinguished Guests were then introduced by M. Ex Companion Duane B. Young and given proper honors. The roll call was then taken (list to follow minutes). The Grand Secretary made the motion that all visiting Dignitaries be given Honorary Memberships; it was seconded and passed. The Grand Secretary, Wm. Robert Young, then made a motion that the minutes as printed and distributed in the proceedings be accepted as written; it was seconded and approved. The Grand Secretary then made the motion that the committee reports be accepted as printed and distributed. M. Ex. Companion Virgil Brown commented that the distributed report for the Audit Committee was the report for Grand Council, not the Grand Chapter, but that the report according to the Chairman, Glenn Chandler, is the same and was therefore accepted. The Grand Secretary then commented that in his report, it stated there would soon be Discs of the Constitution available. He announced that there are hard copies and Discs of the updated Constitution available at the Grand Secretary's office now. The motion was seconded and passed. Companion Walter Hammond gave the preliminary report on Per Diem. A motion was made to accept this preliminary report, and it passed.

M. Ex. Grand High Priest, Steven Q. Steele gave his report; it was accepted as read. M. Ex. Companion Duane B. Young, Grand Treasurer, then gave his preliminary report. Stated the report will be printed in the proceedings, and the report was accepted. Companion Young stated that the Companions should note that they are under the budgeted amount and that the Grand High Priest used only 6% of his expense account. Ex. Companion Warren Almand, the Grand King, gave the report on the budget. He stated that his task was to cut the budget, but how do you cut a budget that is already tight and prices are rising on the needed items? The two year assessment of \$1.00 for each member has helped offset the cost of adding helpers in the York Rite Office. After a discussion on the budget, was then accepted.

Virgil Brown, MEPGHP, gave the report on the committee on Work and the RARA. There was a change on the original RARA report due to more donations being received. There also is a change in the closing date of the donations for RARA from convocation to convocation, from June to June. The report was accepted. R. Ex. Warren Almand, Grand King, gave the report on the Life/Perpetual Membership, and it was accepted.

Ex. Companion William Wyllie gave the report for the Committee on Thanks; it was accepted as read. The Grand Chaplain, John Hendricks, gave the Necrology report, which was accepted as read.

Ex. Companion Virgil Brown, PGHP, gave the Jurisprudence report, which was accepted as read.

Companion Frank Clawson then gave the report of the returns and credentials committee, which was accepted as read.

The Grand Amendments and resolutions were read and voted on. The resolution for an Administration Endowment fund was approved. The amendment for the changing of wording in the open installation ceremony section of Appendix "D" was accepted. The resolution for a formal Ceremony for presentation of service awards (50 & 60 years) was accepted.

Companion Charles Hollinger, MIPGM, gave a short talk on the financial need to raise the funding of our York Rite Bodies. Companion Paul Friend, MIPGM, also commented on the financial needs of our bodies.

R. Ex. Companion Warren Almand, Grand King, gave the report on Time and Place Committee, it was accepted.

The Election of Officers was then held. Ex. Companion Arnold Lamb cast the unanimous ballot for H. Warren Almand, Jr., as Grand High Priest. Companion Lamb also pledged \$1,000 for the Administrative Endowment fund in the name of his father, Past Grand High Priest George A. Lamb. M. Ex. Richard I. Lanier cast the unanimous ballot for Glenn Chandler as Grand King. Companion Robert Brigman, HP, cast the unanimous ballot for William F. Wyllie for Grand Scribe. R. E. Companion Wm. Robert Young cast a unanimous ballot for Duane B. Young, Grand Treasurer. M. Ex. Companion Duane Young, PGHP, cast the unanimous ballot for Wm. Robert Young, Grand Secretary.

The Grand High Priest then requested that Companion Howard Gardner be presented in the east to be presented his commission as the Grand Representative to Alaska.

The Grand Chapter then recessed for lunch, reopening for the Installation of Officers at 1:30PM after which the Grand Chapter closed its annual Convocation for 2003.

Wm. Robert Young, Grand Secretary

ROLL CALL

Steven Q. Steele M. E. Grand High Priest
 H. Warren Almand, Jr. R. E. Grand King
 Glenn E. Chandler R.E. Grand Scribe
 Duane B. Young R.E. Grand Treasurer
 Wm. Robert Young R.E. Grand Secretary
 John I. Hendricks Ex. Grand Chaplain
 William F. Wyllie Ex. Gr. Captain of Host
 Michael A. Padron, Jr. Ex. Gr Principal Sojourner
 Wilbur R. Allen Ex. Gr Royal Arch Captain
 Daniel E. Fitch Ex. Gr. Master of Third Veil
 Daniel E. Dale Ex. Gr. Master of Second Veil
 James P. Rudman Ex. Gr. Master of First Veil
 Harry Seibert Ex. Grand Sentinel
 Calvin Bonnett (absent) Ex. Grand Organist
 Charles R. Denam Ex. Grand Organist (Pro-tem)

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS PRESENT

Richard I. Lanier	1975	Joseph C. Le Suer	1977
Duane B. Young	1978	Wendell D. Harrington	1982
William A. Cogburn	1983	R. Earl Shriver	1989
William L. Buck, Jr.	1993	Harry R. "Bob" Davis	1995
David C. Wilkinson	1999	Virgil P. Brown, Jr.	2000

SILVER DISTINGUISHED MEDAL HOLDER LIVING

Marvin W. Gerhard, George A. Chipouras, Vernon E. Miller (absent)

BRONZE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL HOLDERS LIVING (* Denotes Present)

Joseph J. Johnson	1969*	William E. Eubanks	1993
Frank J. Busbey	1977	Frederick M. Morris	1994*
Ralph A. Jones	1979*	Quinnie Williams, Sr.	1996*
Wallace C. Stich	1982	Charles B. Curry	1998
Wilbur R. Allen	1999*	George A. Chipouras	1987*
Michael A. Padron, Jr.	2000*	Charles E. Palmour	1989
Burt F. Maguire.	2001*	George T. Collier	2002*

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

No. 1	Tomas Ratner	No. 2	Guy E. Waltman
No. 3	R. James Rocha	No. 4	David J. Mason
No. 5	Frederick W. Schuetz*	No. 6	James D. Ratcliffe
No. 7	Allen E. Yarborough	No. 8	Howard B. Osgood, III
No. 9	Luther Bodiford, III	No. 10	Richard J. Kupfer

* Excused - in Hospital

GRAND CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES ~ PRESENT

AL	Paul W. Friend	AK	Howard Gardner	ARG	Joe Ken West
AR	Luther Bodiford, III	Austria	Richard S. Agster	BC	Robert E. Burleson
C/Ont	Richard I. Lanier	CT	Richard E. Foreman	DE	Arnold R. Lambe
DC	Wilbur Allen	FIN	Daniel E. Dale	FR	H. Warren Almand Jr.
GER	Dencel R. Smith	Greece	George A. Chipouras	ID	Rodger L. Craig, Sr.
IL	William Wyllie	India	Frank Sender	IN	Burt Maguire
IA	David C. Wilkinson	Ireland	Glenn Chandler	Israel	Ralph A. Jones, Jr.
KS	Jacob J. Krawiec	MB	Harry A. Rosenthal	Mex	William A. Cogburn
MI	Earl R. Allan	MS	Gordon L. Anderson	MO	William L. Buck, Jr.
Monaco	Walter Hassler	MT	Duane B. Young	NE	Frederick Piasecki
NB	Jerry Morgan	NH	A. A. Pete Bennett	NJ	John W. Carroll
NSW	James B. Vanders	NY	Marvin W. Gerhard	NZ	Quinnie William, Sr.
NC	Virgil P. Brown	NS	Robert A. Niles	OR	R. Earl Shiver
Panama	Valentino Clay	PA	Frank Buell	PI	Vernon E. Adams
Port	Michael Padron	AUS	Wm. Ronald Taylor	RI	George E. Malone
SCOT	William A. Howard	SA	Harry R. "Bob" Davis	SD	Robert Stearns
Switz	Steven Q. Steele	TX	Wendell Harrington	Venz	Raul A. Reyes
VT	Wm. Robert Young	WI	Joseph J. Johnson	WY	Hugh F. Moore
Romania	Karl Muller				

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS

# 1 Florida	Dean Harwood	HP	Dencel Smith	Proxy
# 2 Gainesville	Wayne Thigpen	Scribe		
# 3 Tampa-Cushing	Donald Hawley	HP	Howard Gardner	Proxy
			Richard Agster	Proxy
# 4 St. Johns	William Schuck	HP		
# 5 Halifax	John Eidman	HP	Edwin Price	Scribe
# 6 Mt. Horeb	William Jacobs	King	Edward Bush	Proxy

# 7 Eureka	Robert Burleson	Proxy	Phillip Moffess	Proxy
# 8 Dade City			Phillip Moffess	Proxy
# 9 Putnam	William L. Buck, Jr.	Proxy		
# 11 Jericho	George Chipouras	Proxy	Steven Q. Steele	Proxy
# 12 Jacksonville	Elmer Coffinan	HP	John Hendricks	Proxy
# 13 Ocala	Anthony Marotta	HP	Glynn Hickox	King
# 15 Monroe	Robert M. Morris	HP	William Walker	Scribe
# 16 Plant City	Darrel O. Atkin	HP	James P. Rudman	Proxy
# 17 St. Augustine	Robert Hendren, III	Proxy	Benjamin Ayres	Scribe
# 18 Manatee River	Charles M. Levan	Proxy	Robert M. Morris	Proxy
# 20 Keystone	Jack Large	Proxy	Robert M. Morris	Proxy
# 22 Thomas Brown	Benjamin Holland	HP	Thomas Steele	King
# 24 Palm Beach	Robert Stears	Proxy	Larry Gillespie	Proxy
# 25 Live Oak			Reuben Owens	King
# 27 Indian River	Rodger Fowler	HP	Melvin Harvey	Proxy
# 28 Joppa	Francis Dancy	Proxy	Richard Walls	King
# 29 Lakeland	Robert Brigman	HP	Frank Buell	Proxy
# 31 St. Petersburg	Julius Moore	HP	Jack Large	Proxy
# 32 Jackson	Oscar Cullifer	Proxy	Jack Large	Proxy
# 33 Eustis	Warren Shippee	Proxy	Jack Hacker	Proxy
# 35 Sarasota	Gerald Goacher	HP		
# 38 Lake City	Charles Beecher	HP	George Malone	Proxy
# 39 Bay County	A. A. "Pete" Bennett	Proxy	Frank Glenn	Proxy
# 40 Crestview	Richard Kupfer	HP	Albert Hadigian	Proxy
# 41 Winter Haven	Russell Whelpley	HP	William Wyllie	King
			John Paugh	Proxy
			Ralph Vaughan	Proxy
			Ralph Vaughan	Scribe
			C. F. Tatom	Proxy
			Oliver Wadell, III	King
			Eric West	King
			Stephen Yarbrough	Proxy
			Roy Rhodes	Proxy

# 45 Clearwater	Charles Cicero	HP	Bruce Davis	King
# 48 Duval				
# 49 Nassau	Carl Amos	Proxy	A. E. Yarborough	Proxy
			Danny Fullwood	Proxy
# 50 Poinciana	Karl Muller	Proxy	Karl Muller	King
# 57 Surf	Donnie Pettis	HP	Karl Muller	Proxy
# 59 Melbourne	Charles Hollinger	Proxy	Charles Lillie	Proxy
			Dayle Schrock	King
			William Hendrickson	Proxy
# 62 James Yeager	Robert Atwell	HP		
# 63 Eden	Carl Gilmore	Proxy		
# 64 Highlands	Robert Goldsmith	HP	Harold Whitten	Proxy
			Frederick Kresge	Proxy
# 65 Island	Michael Padron	Proxy	Richard Heber	Proxy
			Manuel Gonzales	Proxy
# 66 Challenger	Charles Hayes	HP		

RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We find that the Grand Officers and Representatives of Chartered Chapters furnished by the Grand Recorder at the roll call to be correct, with all Chapters having made and paid their per capita. We further find there to be 86 votes present on the floor. This constitutes a simple majority as 44 votes and a 2/3's majority as 56 votes. We further find that all Chartered Chapters except Dade City # 8, Live Oak # 25 and Duval # 48 are represented.

Frank Clawson Frank Glenn Reuben Owens

GRAND CHAPTER AWARDS FOR 2002 - 2003

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER - BRONZE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

Harry R. "Bob" Davis, MEPGHP, Bay County Chapter No. 39

GOLD KEY AWARDS

Name	Chap # - Dist #	Name	Chap # - Dist #
Robert Seaman	65 1	Grover Dale Kinsley	45 3
Frederick B. Kresge	64 4	Tony G. Gagarin	48 7
Elmer Coffman	12 7	Charles F. Irle	12 7
Jerry R. Morgan	38 8	Richard Gilman	6 10
Edward D. Paschall	1 9		

REPORT OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST 2002-2003

GRAND HIGH PRIEST AWARD
Palm Beach Chapter No. 24, District No. 1

TRIPLE TAU AWARD
Island Chapter No. 65, District No. 1

KEYSTONE PLAQUE
St. Augustine Chapter No. 17, District No. 7

TOP LINE SIGNER AWARDS
10 or More Petitions
Karl Muller, Poinciana No. 50, Dist. No. 2

5 to 9 Petitions

District No. 1	Island	No. 65	Michael A. Padron, Jr.
District No. 2	Poinciana	No. 50	Guy E. Waltman
	Poinciana	No. 50	Karl Muller
District No. 9	Bay County	No. 39	Charles E. Barton
District No. 10	Mount Horeb	No. 6	James E. Martin

3 to 4 Petitions

District No. 1	Palm Beach	No. 24	Robert G. Stearns
	Island	No. 65	Harry Williams
District No. 2	Poinciana	No. 50	Robert Gilliland
District No. 3	Tampa Cushing	No. 3	Donald Hawley
District No. 4	Lakeland	No. 29	Robert Brigman
District No. 7	Putnam	No. 9	William L. Buck, Jr.
			Robert A. Niles
District No. 10	Mount Horeb	No. 6	Harry Seibert

There were 57 Top Line Signers of 1 to 2 Petitions in addition to these listed above. There was a grand total of 156 Top Line Signers.

GRAND COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committees had no report or a report was not necessary (due to no action):

Charter, Dispen.& By-Laws	Const. Index & Update	Convention Committee
Distribution	Foreign Relations	Grand Representative
Propositions & Grievances	Thanks	Unfinished Business
		York Rite Publications

GREETINGS

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter, Grand Chapter Officers, District Deputy Grand High Priests, Royal Arch Masons of Florida, distinguished guests and visitors – welcome to the 156th Grand Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida being held on this 2nd day of May 2003 in Panama City Beach, Florida. We are sincerely honored and pleased to have you in attendance. I hope that you will find this event meaningful and enjoyable. To our guests from other Grand jurisdictions, we thank you for the honor of your presence and hope your accommodations are satisfactory and our welcome warm and genuine.

PROGRAM

During this capitular year we have stressed the need for improvement in the financial basis of all of Freemasonry and the need for all Chapters to confer the degrees of the Chapter frequently and with proficiency. We have continued to promote the Royal Arch Research Assistance program and encouraged all Chapters to contribute at least one dollar per member to this charity.

NECROLOGY

The Supreme Grand High Priest has blessed the Grand Line Officers with good health this year and we praise Him for His beneficence. We lament the loss of Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest Henry C. Bengel; his council will be missed. We also regret the loss of those companions who passed to the Grand Chapter on High during the last twelve months and pray for God's comfort to those who are left behind and loved them.

VISITATIONS AND MASONIC ACTIVITIES

During the past year I have visited all of the Chapters in the State with the exception of four Chapters. Those visits not made were not through any fault of the Chapter's but, my inability to work them into my travel and work schedule. The ability of the Grand High Priest to visit all of the Chapters in the State is difficult due to many Chapters not meeting but six times a year.

Other visitations:

April 28-30, 2002	Grand York Rite Convention of Florida – Melbourne Beach, FL
May 4, 2002	Space Coast Council – Knight Masons – Cocoa, FL
May 5-6, 2002	Grand Chapter of Georgia – Macon, Georgia
May 7, 2002	Supreme White Shrine of Jerusalem – Evansville, Indiana
May 9-11, 2002	Grand Chapter of Mississippi – Meridian, MS
May 18, 2002	District 9 Meeting
May 22, 2002	Grand Court – Order of the Amaranth - Orlando, FL
June 2-5, 2002	Grand Lodge of Florida – Orlando, Florida
June 8, 2002	Georgia Priory KYCH – Waycross, Georgia
June 14-17, 2002	Grand Assembly– Order of the Rainbow for Girls – Clearwater, FL
June 22, 2002	District 5/6 Meeting
June 27-29, 2002	Southeastern York Rite Conference – Columbia, SC
July 14-16, 2002	Summer Assembly – Maggie Valley, NC
July 20, 2002	Alabama Priory – Birmingham, Alabama

July 21-22, 2002 Supreme Assembly – Rainbow for Girls – Orlando, Florida
 July 27, 2002 James A. Durham – Grand Master's Homecoming – Pensacola, FL
 August 10, 2002 District 3/4 Meeting
 August 22-24, 2002 Convent General KYCH – Columbus, Ohio
 September 14, 2002 Grand York Rite Office – Audit
 September 28, 2002 District 2 Meeting
 October 5, 2002 District 1 Meeting – Grand High Priest's Homecoming
 October 13-16, 2002 General Grand Chapter Triennial – Atlantic City, New Jersey
 October 26, 2002 Florida 60 KYCH – Tampa, Florida
 October 29, 2002 Cherokee Rose Priory KYCH – Atlanta, Georgia
 November 2, 2002 District 7/8 Meeting
 November 14-16, 2002 Grand Chapter of Virginia – Williamsburg, Virginia
 November 30, 2002 Space Coast Council – Knight Masons – Cocoa, FL
 December 14, 2002 District 10 Meeting
 December 15, 2002 Religious Affirmation – Ft. Walton Beach, FL
 December 27, 2002 St. John's Chapter Installation – Deland, FL
 January 2, 2003 Jacksonville Chapter Installation – Jacksonville, FL
 January 4, 2003 Ocala Chapter Installation – Belleview, FL
 January 5, 2003 Reception of General Grand High Priest – Atlanta, Georgia
 January 8, 2003 Island Chapter Installation – Marathon, FL
 January 9, 2003 James D. Yeager Chapter Installation – Lawley, FL
 January 10, 2003 Eustis Chapter Installation – Eustis, FL
 January 14, 2003 Lakeland Chapter Installation – Lakeland, FL
 January 15, 2003 Highlands Chapter Installation – Lake Placid, FL
 January 25, 2003 Miami KYCH/ Red Cross Meeting – Bartow, FL
 Ocala York Rite Bodies Ball – Ocala, FL
 Cherokee Rose Priory KYCH – Atlanta, Georgia
 Jericho Chapter Installation – Miami, FL
 Panama City Priory KYCH – Panama City, FL
 Florida Priory KYCH – Orlando, FL
 Grand Chapter of Alabama – Mobile, Alabama
 Alabama Priory KYCH – Birmingham, Alabama
 Grand Chapter of South Carolina – Columbia, SC
 Gainesville Chapter's Table Chapter – Gainesville,
 Grand Chapter of North Carolina – Raleigh, NC
 Lucayan Chapter 8188 – Freeport, Grand Bahama Island
 Grand Commander's Homecoming – Altamonte Springs, FL
 Grand York Rite Convention of Florida – Panama City Beach, FL

DISPENSATIONS DENIED

June 12, 2002 Halifax Chapter No. 5 – To hold a called meeting for adopting By Laws changes.
 February 13, 2003 Challenger Chapter No. 66 – To change Stated meeting from February 14, 2002 to February 13, 2003.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

July 18, 2002 Gainesville Chapter No 2 - To hold a Table Chapter at the Plantation Oaks Country Club on August 20, 2002.
 August 2, 2002 Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 - To hold a Table Chapter at the Jacksonville York Rite Temple on August 8, 2002.
 December 2, 2002 Sarasota Chapter No. 35 – To hold an open Installation with Manatee River Chapter No. 18, Venice Council No. 41, Bradentown Council No. 9 and Trinity Commandery No. 16 on January 2, 2003.
 December 21, 2002 Highlands Chapter No. 64 – To move Charter from Sebring Lodge #249 to Placid Lodge #282.
 December 21, 2002 Sarasota Chapter No. 35 – To hold an open Installation with Manatee River Chapter No. 18, Venice Council No. 41, Bradentown Council No. 9 and Trinity Commandery No. 16 on January 4, 2003.
 December 29, 2002 Dade City Chapter No. 8 – To hold an election and Installation of officers and ballot on petitions on January 8, 2003.
 January 18, 2003 Jericho Chapter No. 11 – To hold an election for Scribe due to the withdrawal of the Companion elected.
 February 22, 2003 Indian River Chapter No. 27 – To hold an election and installation of Officers on March 12, 2003, due to the High Priest elect's withdrawal because of ill health.
 March 5, 2003 Gainesville Chapter No. 2 – To hold a Table Chapter at the Plantation Oaks Country Club on March 18, 2003.
 April 9, 2003 Melbourne Chapter No. 59 – To confer the Most Excellent Master Degree on April 10, 2003.
 April 11, 2003 St. Augustine Chapter No. 17 – To hold an election to elect a Scribe for the Chapter, this action due to the passing of the installed Scribe.

BY LAW CHANGES APPROVED

May 21, 2002 Indian River Chapter No. 27 – To change Article XI Dues.
 August 17, 2002 Mount Horeb Chapter No. 6 - To change Article XI Dues.
 August 17, 2002 Ocala Chapter No 13 - To change Article XI Dues.
 September 25, 2002 Bay County Chapter No. 39 – To change the day and months of the Chapter Convocations.

BY LAW CHANGES APPROVED - Continued

- September 28, 2002 Gainesville Chapter No. 2 - To change Article XI Dues.
- September 28, 2002 Manatee River Chapter No. 18 - To change Article XI Dues.
- October 22, 2002 Halifax Chapter No. 5 - To change the Regular Convocations to every month.
- October 22, 2002 Halifax Chapter No. 5 - To change Article XI Dues.
- October 22, 2002 Lakeland Chapter No. 29 - To amend Article XI Fees and Dues and Article XII Membership.
- December 28, 2002 Manatee River Chapter No. 18 - To change the meeting place of Manatee River Chapter to Bradentown Lodge No. 99 at 530 30th Ave. West, Bradenton, Florida.
- December 28, 2002 Sarasota Chapter No. 35 - To change the day and place of the Chapter Convocations to the second Thursday of the month and to the Masonic Temple, 2160 Main Street, Sarasota, Florida.
- January 7, 2003 Poinciana Chapter No. 50 - To change the meeting dates of the Chapter Convocations to the second Tuesday of every month.
- February 4, 2003 Highlands Chapter No. 64 - To change the location of the Chapter Convocations to the Masonic Lodge on Main Street in Lake Placid, Florida.

BY LAW CHANGES DENIED

None

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED

Mississippi	Robert C. Wilson, Jr
South Carolina	Gordon L. Anderson
Ohio	Leroy E. Fackler
Philippines	Tony C. Gargain
Mexico	Keith W. Dean

ACCEPTED GRAND REPRESENTATIVES & COMMISSIONED

Georgia	F. Ray Jackson
Ohio	George W. Geeslin

PRESENTATIONS AND HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

I am pleased to have received Honorary Memberships in the several Grand Chapters visited during my tenure in office. Those I received were from Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. I have received honorary memberships from several of those Chapters visited within the state of Florida and some personal gifts from friends and Companions. My thanks to each of you for these kind and thoughtful acts; these small kindnesses are what make our fraternity the greatest the world has known.

VOUCHERS

As of May 1, 2003 I have signed vouchers 1 through 79 for a total expenditure of \$40,535.09. I am proud to say that we have expended only 81% of the amount which was budgeted to be expended for this Capitular Year.

STATE OF THE CRAFT

My companions, I am pleased to say the state of the Craft among the active and dedicated Companions is as friendly and cordial as it should be. I have been received with warmth and Masonic friendship wherever my journeys have taken me in the state. But I regret to say that the numbers of those dedicated Companions are becoming fewer and fewer. Our numbers dwindle year over year. I can not, in good conscience, paint a rosy picture for you. Now is the time for plain speaking; a time for truth, even though it be a bitter pill to swallow. We profess to work in the vineyards of this fraternity seeking truth. Then why do we rail against it when we hear it, when we know in our minds and hearts what is said is true? We lament our lack of attendance, lack of proficiency, and lack of enthusiasm. Yet we reject the paths to recovery as too difficult, too costly in time and money. We would rather sit in a circle, complain about the present situation, and fondly remember the past.

The situation of Masonry in this country is serious, even dangerous. The Grand Bodies themselves are confronted by conditions so critical that further procrastination in squarely meeting them would almost amount to a betrayal of the Craft. Exactly the same conditions prevail in other branches of Masonry; and all that is said here applies with equal force to them.

Some of the dangerous things confronting us are: Insufficient funds to properly carry on the work; reduction in membership, due mostly to suspensions for non-payment of dues; poor attendance at meetings; lack of interest; loosening of the bonds of fellowship; the use of Masonry as stepping stones to other organizations; and other things of a like nature.

And so begins a presentation to the Companions of the Grand Chapter of Florida in 1931 by Companion Hamilton Baluss, Chairman of the Educational Committee and the Right Excellent District Deputy Grand High Priest of the Ninth Capitular District. Further comments germane to our time were made to the Grand Chapter of Florida in 1918 by Most Excellent Companion Alex B. Steuart, Grand High Priest.

Masonry like all other institutions, during these troublesome days, is passing through a period of trial. In the language of current events, "a period of liquidation," finding out that genuine progress is really something more than a mere multiplication of numbers, slowly learning of the enormity of the mistakes of the recent past, and learning too the wisdom of conserving, in days of plenty, against the day of adversity, which comes as certain as the changing of the tide.

But for every condition and calamity there is some underlying and fundamental cause and a tremendous burden of responsibility rests upon the shoulders of the members of this fraternity and its leader, in helping to find the strength and influence of the fraternity, set about to remedy the situation lest it become much more aggravated and disturbing.

But first we must put our own house in order, and to do so, we must recognize and return to first principles. We must give more consideration to the idea that, as members of Chapters and Lodges owe a duty to Lodge and Chapters, so too has the Lodge and Chapter a duty to the membership.

Too many Masonic Bodies, in days but recently passed, have spent for non-essentials the means which should now have been available to help, aid and assist the worthy distressed, of whom, unfortunately, there are far too many at the present time.

Masonic bodies, more or less everywhere, hypnotized by the prevailing influence of wild extravagance have succeeded in mortgaging, not only the income, but the Spirit of the fraternity, in the providing of imposing edifices far in excess of their needs and frequently unsuited for their purposes.

My Companions, if we do not learn from the past, then we are doomed to repeat its mistakes. However, we can look to history both to avoid the errors and also to learn from its successes.

Again Companion Baluss:

Much time has been spent along many lines seeking the reason for these conditions. Two answers are usually given by the unthinking person or the one who is afraid to speak the truth; hard times - and the multitude of other attractions. Hard times as an excuse will hardly bear the searchlight of truth when we ponder on the money spent for amusements; such as automobiles, movies, radios, baseball, football, golf and the like. Concealed within the second answer lies the hidden truth. Let us examine it more at length.

There is all too much of sorrow, suffering, worry, troubles and heartache in this world for us to blame those who seek such moments of innocent pleasure as may come their way. It is not a theory, but a fact that confronts us. Not so long ago, the problem was to find enough pleasant things to occupy our leisure hours-now the problem is to select out of the innumerable things those which most appeal to us.

Whether we like it or not, we might as well admit that the present unpleasant situation is wholly and entirely our own fault. We have done those things we ought not to have done and have left undone those things which we ought to have done. We have fled from before this serpent-now let us put forth our hand and take it by the tail and it will become a staff by whose aid we may pursue our journey.

It is safe to say that nearly everyone who joins our order is honestly seeking brotherhood, friendship and social intercourse. Except in very rare cases, he is not yet in possession of all the Masonic secrets, even if he has taken all the degrees. He is a stranger to his Brethren and they are equally strangers to him. He attends one or two meetings. There is practically no one present except the officers and they are absorbed in their work. The meeting is opened according to the ritual, and may be good, bad, or indifferent, in proportion to the interest the officers take in their work. The minutes are read and a bill or two passed for payment; then they close and hasten away-although

they may throw a bone to the hungry dog by saying, "My name is Smith; glad to meet you; come again; good-bye." In a more hopeful mood he goes when they are putting on work and finds some pleasure in this until the novelty wears off, but still he does not find that fellowship he is seeking.

Honestly now, (after this is repeated a few times) do you really blame him when he decides later to go to a movie or a dance or take an automobile ride instead of going to Lodge? He has found neither friendship nor a real understanding of what Masonry is. The Brethren are still strangers to him and he is still a stranger to them. The destiny of a Lodge is in the hands of its officers and they seldom, if ever, realize the utter boredom of the new member who sits on the side-lines. The officers seem to think that the membership should come to meeting after meeting and sit with bated breath and watch them go through their parts; when in fact each meeting is as near like each other as a carbon copy is like the original.

Companion Baluss goes on to establish nineteen "rules" for conducting meetings and events to raise the level of social intercourse amongst the members of the craft. In the interest of brevity I will not here delineate these rules. However, I would strongly recommend, to every member of the fraternity, take the time to read and contemplate this Companions entire presentation to the craft.

My Companions, too long have we been tilting at the windmills of the symptoms and not at the root of our illness. If we are sufficiently studied in the history of our fraternity (at least within the United States), we know of the growth of Masonry from the mid 1930's to the 1960's and possibly 1970's. Some will say that hard times cause a rise in the desire of men to unite in fraternities. I suspect, however, that intelligent men took to heart the words of Companion Baluss. If you will, we need to get back to the basics of feeding that need for social intercourse. The tides of time and social change still continue to move inexorably into the future. These we cannot change. However, we can and must change the way in which we conduct our business. The way in which we treat our membership in our interpersonal relations needs to be examined. We all can do more to nurture the deep-rooted desire that resides in all of mankind; more, too, we need to foster brotherly love and affection. That cement which binds us "into one sacred band or society of friends and brothers.

Again, I say to you that the winds of change are upon us. A little less than two years ago events welded and fused this country into a single purpose. We are truly citizens of the world. Our generosity knows no bounds. Every day brings reports of the death and loss of our Daughters, Sons, Brothers and Companions, and each of us shall feel the wrench of sorrow. May we not be found wanting of the strength to sustain us in these times.

Other events within our great nation signal change. We need now to remember more than ever that Masonry was founded as a self-help fraternity. In the past we provided for widows and orphans, and we can be proud of our involvement in the establishment of the public school system and many other institutions we now consider governmental "social programs." If we truly listen to current events and watch the "trickle down" of those assistance programs from the Federal to the State and from the State to the Local Governments, we will find that many of those programs that help truly need individuals are being terminated or seriously curtailed due-to lack of funds. We may soon find ourselves back in the "self-help" business, and we must begin to plan and provide for the financial basis of doing so.

AWAKE, ARISE there is much work to be done and none other than those of us who sit in our Lodges, Chapters, Councils, Commanderies and other diverse Masonic Bodies on a regular basis can begin to work to cure this illness. Those of us who love this fraternity for all that it teaches us about the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God. Let us take up our staff and begin that long trek into the future without trepidation and without hope of fee or reward.

RECCOMENDATONS

1. That the Chapters continue to be encouraged to confer the Chapter degrees within their own confines and that the Grand Chapter Officers continue to support these endeavors with their presence and assistance.
2. That the Grand Chapter purchase an adequate "Business Style" accounting program to record and track the financial transactions of this body and that the practice of using "spreadsheets" for tracking same be discontinued.
3. That the program of upgrading the equipment and systems at the Grand York Rite office be continued.
4. That a qualified group of Companions be identified and charged with the instruction of the esoteric and floor work of the Opening, Closing and degrees of the Chapter.
5. That a formal program be developed to educate and assist the High Priest and other elected Officers of the constituent Chapters.
6. That the funds attributable to the Life Membership and Perpetual Membership Programs be withdrawn from the securities market placed in financial instruments with a guaranteed revenue stream. These changes to be accomplished when the market level allows for a guarantee of at least 5% return. Known income will allow the Grand Chapter and the constituent Chapters the ability budget income.

APPRECIATION

My Companions, I cannot thank you enough for allowing me to serve you as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Florida. I can only hope and pray that my humble efforts have met with your approval. Whatever I have accomplished has been through the efforts of many Companions, friends and family. The Grand Chapter Officers, and their wives I might add, have been outstanding in their support, we are family. To my business partner Brother/Companion David A. Cockrell, I owe a great deal of debt. He has allowed me the time and finances to conduct the business of the Grand Chapter. To my family, my thanks for your support and understanding of my many absences during the past year.

Steven Q. Steele, Grand High Priest

GRAND CHAPTER AUDIT COMMITTEE

On September 14, 2002, the Audit Committee met with Duane B. Young, R. Ex. Grand Treasurer and William Robert Young, R. Ex. Grand Recorder at the Office of the Grand Secretary/Recorder in Titusville.

The records of the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer were reviewed. Although a few minor errors were detected, no discrepancies were found in any of the financial records.

Comp. Charles T. Hutton, a CPA, made a number of recommendations that this committee thinks should be considered.

- a. A clear definition of the duties of the Audit Committee, and how the audit should be performed, should be placed in the Regulations of all three bodies.
- b. Although the Grand Secretary/Recorder and the Grand Treasurer are responsible for approximately a half million dollars in funds and securities, and many of the local secretary/recorders and treasurers are responsible for large funds, they are only bonded for \$10,000 each. In addition, insurance coverage of the assets of all three grand bodies is not adequate. A knowledgeable committee should review and make recommendations to correct these deficiencies.
- c. The Grand Treasurer should maintain only one Checking Account for each of the Three Bodies, using bookkeeping procedures to track the various accounts, etc.

Glen Chandler
William Wyllie

Virgil Brown
Michael Padron

Charles T. Hutton

Benevolence

We are pleased that there have been no concerns expressed or regrets made to the members of this committee during this Capitular year.

We are Sadden to report that Most Excellent Companion, Ewell J. Langdale, Jr., a member of the Benevolence Committee is unable to attend the 2003 Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Florida Royal Arch Masons of Florida due to illness.

The Committee wishes to thank the Most Excellent Grand High Priest for asking us to serve him and this Grand Chapter this year.

William A. Cogburn, Jr.

William L. Buck, Jr.

Committee On Thanks

BLUE LODGE REPRESENTATIVE & MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

34 The Committee has sent out a final mailing in an attempt to secure as many representatives names for our records as possible. Those who do not respond will be listed as non-responsive or more likely the records will show that they do not have a representative, which I know is so in some cases, is true. Since the individual Chapters participation in the program is on a voluntary basis, this will be our last attempt to secure this information by mail. I would encourage each of you in the program to continue to lend your support because as you have already found, without new members from the Blue Lodges, your Royal Arch Chapter will surely falter, grow stagnate and eventually fail. Over half of our Royal Arch Chapters have responded to the previous requests while others continue to update the Committee's records when they have a replacement. The Committee would like to thank our Florida Royal Arch Chapters for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted:

Wilbur R. Allen, Daniel E. Dale, Michael A. Padron, Jr., Daniel E. Fitch

BUDGET & FINANCE

The Finance and Budget Committee met March 21, 2003. All Committee members were present. You will notice we have reduced several areas of the budget, therefore reducing the overall budget.

* See new Budget with Grand Treasurer's Report.

H. Warren Almand, Jr. Glenn Chandler Duane B. Young Wm. Robert Young

CUSTODIANS OF RITUALISTIC MATERIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The first priority of the committee this year was to obtain new Royal Arch Chapter Ritual Books (the Essentials). This having been accomplished, we would now encourage any Royal Arch Chapters requiring Rituals books to contact the Committee Chairman at the address supplied at the end of this report. The Committee received several requests for books and they were sent to the designated Companion. All have acknowledged receipt. Only a few Chapters have reported the names of the newly installed officers who received Ritual Books. We would encourage all Royal Arch Chapters to respond to the Committee with this information, as it would simplify the process of monitoring the location of the books. The Committee wishes to thank all the Companions for their cooperation and assistance this past year.

A letter requesting Ritual Books (Essentials) may be sent to:

Wilbur R. Allen
2130 E. F. Griffin Rd.
Bartow, FL 33830

Respectfully submitted: Wilbur R. Allen and Joe Ken West

The 156th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida wishes to thank:

The York Rite Bodies of the 9th Capitular District of Florida for their many and selfless labors on behalf of this Grand Convocation, and for their courtesies to its attendants and their ladies, and to all of our honored guests;

Our Ladies, whose graciousness and warmth makes our gatherings more pleasant, and without whose dedication and devotion to our causes and goals, these proceedings would be greatly impoverished;

The management and staff of the Edgewater Beach Resort for their hospitality and efforts to secure those necessities and amenities that made our stay a pleasant one;

Our distinguished guests, whose presence honored us, and whose good will and fellowship supported us and our endeavors in York Rite Masonry;

The Convention Committee, whose many hours of dedicated and hard work showed in the smooth registration process, and MEGHP Steven Q. Steele, MIGM Richard E. Foreman and REGC Robert E. Burlson whose dedication and encouragement has established a higher level of cooperation and accomplishments, to which those who follow will strive to reach.

COMMITTEE ON WORK

The members of this committee have had the pleasure to work with and assist the various Chapters during the year.

The degree work of some Chapters is outstanding, others not as good. Overall the degree work is good. The Companions seem to take more pride in their degree work than in the opening and closing ritual. Too many are still reading their parts rather than learning the work. Also many chapters are still using the red book rather than the Appendix D. This Committee strongly recommends that all Chapters use Appendix D and encourage their Companions to study and learn their parts.

Some Companions have suggested changes to the Appendix D to improve understanding of the floor work in the opening ritual and the degrees. The Committee is looking into making these changes.

It has also been suggested that we rewrite the degrees for Florida and incorporate the floor work sketches, etc. into them; and publish each degree as a separate booklet. To do this would require a change to the Constitution and Regulations, but could be done if the Companions really desire that it be done.

As always, this Committee is ready to assist any Chapter or Companion at any time. You only need contact any member of your needs.

Our thanks to all those Companions who have taken the time to learn their opening rituals; and those who learn and participate in the degree work.

Virgil Brown
Ray Kinser

Wilber Allen
Harry Seibert

Luther Bødiford
Jim McDonald - Chairman Emeritus

CONVENTION REPORT

Our York Rite convention on April 30 through May 3, 2003 was a big success. A total of 273 Companions and Sir Knights preregistered, with 47 late registrations for a Grand Total of 320. We had 300 men and women at our Banquet of Prime Rib or Roast Pork. Our Mens Lunch had 115 men and the Ladies Lunch had 102 ladies.

We had many good comments about the Resort. Many of the Delegates prefer the Banquet in the middle of the week instead of the first or last day. Some complained that the introductions are still too long. However, there were fewer complaints this year than in the preceding years, so we are improving. Some suggested that the Order of High Priest, Silver Trowel, and Knight Crusader degrees could be done prior to each GHP, GM, and GC, Homecoming.

All the Committees did a very good job. Pre registering earlier did help to reduce problems. The new Convention Board system, is really working well. We hope to continue to improve the convention operation and reduce our expenses. Your comments from previous conventions and this convention were greatly appreciated and we will continue working to improve our future conventions.

The Souvenir Program earned \$4726.62 toward the Convention expenses. This was better than last year. Everyone needs to get behind this project in order to reduce our convention expenses.

Income was \$17,264.23 from Registration. The Souvenir Program \$6924.00 for a total of \$24,188.23 and \$33,600.00 from the General Budget for a Grand Total Income of \$57,788.23. Expenses were \$55,167.26. General expenses were \$18,890.49, Returns to those who cancelled out, Our Delegates, Guest, Staff, expenses of \$21,181.84 was taken out of the Chapter, Council, and Commandery budget general accounts approved at the last convention.

Convention Board MEGHP; MIGM; REGC; Grand Secretary and Kenneth Windsor.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

We, your Committee on Distinguished Guests, are happy to report that the Distinguished Guests of this Grand Chapter were extended a warm welcome, introduced, received appropriate Grand Honors, and personally greeted by the Grand Body Leaders of Florida.

The Most Illustrious Grand Master and Right Eminent Grand Commander of Florida were received with appropriate honors, and joined the Grand High Priest in welcoming our Distinguished Guests.

Ten Past Grand High Priests of the Grand Chapter, RAM of Florida were received, as follows:

Richard I. Lanier	Joseph C. Le Suer	Duane B. Young
Wendell D. Harrington	William A. Cogburn	R. Earl Shriver
William L. Buck, Jr.	Harry R. "Bob" Davis	David C. Wilkinson
Virgil P. Brown, Jr.		

The following Out of State Grand Chapter Officers were received and introduced:

M. Ex. Companion	Teddy Grogan, Jr.	GHP of Alabama
M. Ex. Companion	Daniel Hogue	GHP of North Carolina
M. Ex. Companion	James B. Wall	PGHP of KY & RARA Director
R. Ex. Companion	Arthur Harding	Grand Sec/Rec of Alabama
Ex. Companion	Leslie Loomis	Grand Rep from Penn.

The following General Grand Chapter Officers and Dignitaries were received and introduced:

M. Ex. Companion	J. Benny Allen	General Grand High Priest
R. Ex. Companion	Emory "Smokey" Ferguson	General Grand Scribe
R. Ex. Companion	John F. Kirby	General Grand Secretary & PGHP KY
R. Ex. Companion	Carl R. Truesdale	Deputy General Grand HP - South East
R. Ex. Companion	Marvin W. Gerhard	General Grand Chapter Silver Medal Holder

The following Officers of the Grand Lodge of Florida were received and introduced:

Most Worshipful Brother James Durham	Grand Master of Masons F & AM of Florida
Right Worshipful Brother John Givens	Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge F&AM of FL
Right Worshipful Brother Elmer Coffman	Junior Grand Warden, Grand Lodge F&AM of FL
Right Worshipful Brother Ralph A. Jones, Jr.	Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge F&AM of FL

Past Grand Master's, Grand Lodge F&AM of Florida:

Most Worshipful Keith W. Dean
Most Worshipful Michael A. Padron
Most Worshipful Louis A. King

M. W. Brother Robert A. Goldsmith the Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Scottish Rite, Florida.

Your Committee are pleased to have had the opportunity to present these distinguished Masons.

Duane B. Young Earl R. Allan George A. Chipouras

GRAND SECRETARY REPORT

Membership April 2002				7122
Exalted during this year	150	Died	247	
Reinstated	13	NPD	408	
Affiliated	<u>11</u>	Demitted	87	
Gross Gain	174	Adjustment	<u>10</u>	Net Loss 558
			752	6564

Membership April 15, 2003

Companions, we need new members,

Christine and I would like to thank you for the new computers and some extra money to finally finish computerizing all the data we have on our members. When I took this job my staff was reduced to two people from three full time people plus two part time workers. Had we been able to maintain the extra people for one more year all the records would have been computerized. This has caused an impact on our providing timely service you have requested. Many requests took two or three hours in researching the old files for reinstatement, affiliation, and other information. The temporary part time help we now have will eliminate this problem and greatly improve our response time. The new computers have reduced the lost time caused by failures and other problems caused by the old equipment.

We have made copies ("Floppies") with the Constitutions on them; many of you have obtained a copy. A data base for local Chapters is undergoing final review (debugging) at this time. We are doing this ourselves with other Companions' help.

Two software companies and one of our Grand Lodge Brothers who produces the Florida Mason have reviewed our requirements and present database and were asked to provide us a better database, but they turned down the offer. The IBM Lotus Approach data base our office is using has been modified for use in the local Chapters and is under final review. Several Secretary/Recorders are already using the data base. Others have asked for copies. In addition, we have a Software Programmer working on converting our data base to Microsoft Access for those who have the Access database. One of our secretaries is using an Access Database.

We will still provide computer printouts of your records, per request, as we have been for the last three years.

All Secretary/Recorders are again invited to visit our office to review your records, update them, and see what goes on in the office. Some who visited us will tell you, that we might even put you to work. Thanks again to the people who have helped us this year. We do appreciate your help.

We thank you for the opportunity of serving you.

Wm. Robert "Bob" Young

RESOLUTION

Be it hereby resolved that CHAPTER FOURTEEN - GRAND CHAPTER REVENUE AND FINANCE of the LAWS, RULES and REGULATIONS of the GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF FLORIDA be amended by adding the following section:

14.03 Administrative Endowment Fund

There is hereby established a Grand Chapter fund to be designated the Grand Chapter Administrative Endowment Fund of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida. Said fund is hereby designated and dedicated as a Sacred Trust Fund, the principal amount whereof shall not be expended for any purpose or purposes whatsoever save for investment and reinvestment. The income therefrom may be expended for the use of the Administrative Budget of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida. The administration and investment/reinvestment of this fund shall be under the direction and supervision of the Finance Committee.

This amendment to become effective upon approval.

Submitted,

Steven Q. Steele
Steven Q. Steele

RESOLUTION

Be it hereby resolved that Appendix "D", Section 8.2.4 Open Installation Ceremony of the Grand Chapter Rules and Regulations be deleted and the following new Section 8.2.4 Open Installation Ceremony be inserted. (Changes to old installation ceremony highlighted in bold type.)

This resolution to take effect on the date of adoption of this resolution.

Steven Q. Steele
Steven Q. Steele
Most Excellent Grand High Priest

8.2.4 Open Installation Ceremony

The Grand Marshal should see that the Officers are wearing the proper apron of the office in which they are to be installed, before (when instructed by the Installing Officer) presenting them west of the altar, with the High Priest in front of the others and directly west of the altar.

Installing Officer: Companion Ex. Grand Marshal, you will present the officers elected and appointed WEST of the altar for installation.

Grand Marshal: M.E. Grand High Priest, I present before you the High Priest and other officers of this Chapter who are ready for installation.

Installing Officer: (Calls up Assembly ***) Ex. Grand Marshal you will open the Holy Bible. (Done)

I.O.: My Companions, as Masons we are taught never to enter upon any great or important undertaking without first invoking the Blessing of Deity. Excellent Grand Chaplain lead our devotion.

Chaplain: Most Holy and Glorious Lord God, the Great High Priest of Heaven and Earth, we approach Thee with reverence, and implore Thy blessing on these Companions who are to preside over this Chapter. Fill their hearts with Love, that their tongues may pronounce Thy Glory. Make them steadfast in Thy service; grant them firmness of mind; animate their hearts and strengthen them, O Lord, and bless the work of their hands. Accept us in mercy, Hear Thou from Heaven, Thy dwelling place, and forgive us our transgressions. Amen. (Response: So mote it be.)

Installing Officer: You will now unite with me in giving the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country. (Seats assembly except members.)

Installing Officer: You behold before you these worthy Companions who have been chosen to serve as the officers of this Chapter for the ensuing year, and now declare themselves ready for installation. Before being inducted into their respective stations, it will be necessary that they assume the oath of office.

I.O. Each of the chosen officers will, therefore, place his right hand over his heart, say I, pronounce his name, and repeat after me; I, _____, do promise and swear, that I will serve this Chapter, in the office to which, and for the term I have been chosen. That I will perform all the duties appertaining thereto to the best of my ability. That I will support and maintain the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida, and the Bylaws and Rules of _____ Chapter, So Help Me God.

(Seat Assembly) *

Marshall: Most Excellent Grand High Priest, I have the pleasure of presenting to you, and through you to the Companions and guests here assembled, Companion _____ Full Name _____, who has been elected to serve this Chapter as Excellent High Priest for the coming year.

I.O. My Companion, previous to your investiture as High Priest of this Chapter, it is necessary that you should signify your assent to those Ancient Charges and Regulations which point out the duty of a High Priest of a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons.

1. Do you solemnly promise that you will redouble your endeavors to correct the vices, purify the morals and promote the happiness of your Companions who have attained the Sublime Degree?

2. That you will never permit your Chapter to be opened unless there shall be present nine regular Royal Arch Masons?

3. That you will never permit more or less than three Brothers to be Exalted in your Chapter at one and the same time?

4. That you will not Exalt anyone to this Degree who has not shown a charitable and humane disposition, or who has not made a reasonable proficiency in the preceding Degrees?

5. That you will promote the general good of our order, and on all proper occasions be ready to give and receive instructions, particularly from the General and State Grand Officers?

6. That, to the utmost of your power, you will preserve the solemnity of our ceremonies, and behave in open Chapter with the utmost profound respect and reverence, as an example to your Companions?

7. That you will not acknowledge or have intercourse with any Chapter that does not work under a constitutional warrant or dispensation?

8. That you will not admit any visitor into your Chapter who has not been Exalted in a Chapter legally constituted, without his being first formerly healed?

9. That you will observe and support such by-laws as may be made by your Chapter, in conformity to the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Chapter of the State of Florida?

10. That you will pay respect and due obedience to the instructions of the State Grand Officers, particularly relating to the several lectures and charges, and resign the Chair to them, severally, when they visit your Chapter?

11. That you will support and observe the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida?

12. That you will bind your successor in office to the observance of these rules to which you now assent?

Do you submit to all these things, and do you promise to observe and practice them faithfully?

High Priest Elect: Answer: I do.

Installing Officer: Excellent Companion, the office of High Priest, to which you have been chosen, is a highly honorable estate, hallowed by time and the laws and customs of our ancient and noble order.

Your reputed Masonic knowledge precludes the necessity of any enumeration of the duties incident to this high station to which your Companions have elevated you.

I am confident that the Companions who are chosen to preside with you will add the strength of their endeavors to yours, and will support your exertions to the best of their abilities.

I now present to you the Holy Bible, the great light in all Masonry, which will guide you to all truth, direct your paths to the Temple of happiness and point out to you the whole duty of man.

I also present to you the Charter under authority of which this Chapter is held. At no time should it be out of your immediate control. This you are carefully to preserve and duly transmit it to your successor.

(Insert personal remarks as desired.)

Companion Grand Marshal, you will invest the High Priest with the jewel of his office and conduct him to his station.

(After the High Priest has been conducted to his station, call up Assembly.)***

Installing Officer: E.H.P., I also present to you this Appendix D of the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Florida, containing information compiled by the Committee on Work. This you are to study and inform your Companions of the information contained therein. I also present to you this Book of Essentials and a copy of the Key Lecture and admonish you to, immediately after this installation, sign the card that your Secretary has, that it may be returned to the Committee on Ritualistic Materials.

Companions and friends, I present to you Excellent Companion, Full Name, who has been chosen to preside over this Chapter for the ensuing year. I find him to be skilled in the Royal Art, and attentive to the moral precepts of our forefathers, and have every confidence that he will discharge the duties of his office with fidelity.

(Seat Assembly)*

Marshal: Presents King.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, as King of this Chapter, you are to second and support your chief in all the requirements of his office, and should circumstances at any time prevent his attendance, you are to succeed him in the performance of his duties. Your office teaches a sterling lesson in humility. The institutions of political society teach us to consider the King as chief of the political state, and that the first duty of his subjects is to obey his mandates, but the institutions of our sublime Degrees, by placing the King in a position subordinate to that of the High Priest, teaches us that our duty to God is paramount to all other duties, and should ever claim priority over our obedience to man; and that however strongly we may be bound to obey the laws of civil society, yet those laws, to be just, should never interfere with matters of conscience, nor dictate articles of faith. You are entitled to the second seat in the Council of your Companions, and the Ex. Grand Marshal will now invest you with the jewel of your office and conduct you to your station.

I now present to you this Appendix D, a copy of the Essentials and the Key Lecture. Please see your Secretary, sign for these and duly transmit them to your successor.

Marshal: Presents Scribe.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, the office of Scribe to which you are chosen, is very important and respectable. In the absence of your superior officers, you are to succeed them, and to perform their duties. The emblem with which you are about to be invested is calculated to remind you that the harmony and unanimity of the Chapter should be your constant aim; and to this end, you should, by all means in your power, endeavor to establish a permanent union and good understanding among all Orders and Degrees of Masonry. You are entitled to the third seat in the Council of your Companions, and the Ex. Grand Marshal will now invest you with the jewel of your office and conduct you to your station.

I now present you this Appendix D, a copy of the Essentials and the Key Lecture, please see your Secretary, sign for these and duly transmit them to your successor.

Marshal: Presents Treasurer. (In case of re-election of the Treasurer, suitable remarks may be made.)

Installing Officer: Companion _____, you have been elected Treasurer of this Chapter. It is your duty to receive all moneys from the hands of the Secretary, keep just and regular account of the same, and pay them out by order of the High Priest and the consent of the Chapter. I trust your regard for the Fraternity will prompt you to the faithful discharge of the duties of your office. The Ex. Grand Marshal will now invest you with your jewel of office and conduct you to your station.

Marshal: Presents Secretary.

(In case of re-election of the Secretary, suitable remarks may be made.)

Installing Officer: Companion _____, you have been elected Secretary of this Chapter. It is your duty to observe all the proceedings of the Chapter; make a fair record of all things proper to be written; receive all moneys due the Chapter and pay them over to the Treasurer of this Chapter. Your good inclination to Masonry, I hope, will induce you to discharge the duties of your office with fidelity, and by so doing; you will merit the esteem and applause of your Companions.

The Ex. Grand Marshal will now invest you with your jewel of office and conduct you to your station.

Marshal: Presents the Captain of Host.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, the office with which you are entrusted is of great importance, and demands your zealous consideration. Your office corresponds with that of Marshal, or Master of Ceremonies. You are to superintend all processions of your Chapter, when moving as a distinct body, either in public or private; and, as the world can only judge us of our private discipline by our public deportment, you should be careful that the utmost order and decorum be observed on all occasions. You will ever be attentive to the commands of your chief, and always be near at hand to see them duly executed.

The Ex. Grand Marshal will now invest you with your jewel of office and conduct you to your station.

Marshal: Presents Principal Sojourner.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, the office confided to you, though subordinated in degree, is equal in importance to any in the Chapter, that of your chief, alone, excepted. Your past exertions can be considered as a pledge of your future assiduity in the faithful discharge of your duties, and so your Companions regard and can look forward with complete confidence to the zeal with which you will perform the work of your station.

You will now be invested with the jewel of your office and conducted to your station.

Marshal: Presents the Royal Arch Captain.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, the duties of Royal Arch Captain require little in the way of elucidation to you, as your past performances have left no doubts in the minds of your Companions, of your knowledge and abilities. It is your province conjointly with the Captain of the Host, to attend to the examination of all visitors, and to take care that none are permitted to enter the Chapter, but such as have evidenced their title to our favor and friendship. I give it to you strictly in charge, never to permit anyone to pass your post who have not so satisfied you.

You will now be invested with the jewel of your office and conducted to your station.

Marshal: Presents Master of Third Veil.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, you have already exhibited those capabilities which have lead to your advancement to this important station. Although subordinate in degree, you must never minimize the importance of the duties with which you are charged, and should ever be conscious of the fact that the efficiency with which your Companions administer the duties of their offices are likewise dependent upon the faithfulness and ability which you display in the discharge of yours.

You will now be invested with the jewel of your office and conducted to your station.

Marshal: Presents Master of the Second Veil.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, as Master of the Second Veil, you have advanced another station in the line of officers of this Chapter. May you continue to exhibit the zeal which you have displayed in the work of our Order, and may you continue to reflect the friendship and benevolence which is so closely associated with our Order.

You will now be invested with the jewel of your office and conducted to your station.

Marshal: Presents the Master of the First Veil.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, as Master of the First Veil, you have entered officially upon the work of the Chapter. May the ability which has caused your selection to this position of honor among your Companions enhance, rather than diminish your zeal, and may you move forward to the councils of this body in the years to come.

You will now be invested with the jewel of your office and conducted to your station.

Marshal: Presents Chaplain.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, as Chaplain of this Chapter, the discharge of your duties faithfully and regularly will have much to do with the orderly procedure of the meetings. Your office is, therefore, of great importance to the Chapter, and from your well known abilities and energy, I am confident that the duties of your office will be well and faithfully discharged.

You will now be invested with the jewel of your office and conducted to your station.

Marshal: Presents Sentinel.

Installing Officer: Companion _____, as Sentinel of this Chapter, the first application from visitors is generally made to you. Your friendliness and affability in greeting them is well known and reflects creditably upon the welcome which we desire to extend to those who seek our hospitality. As the sword is placed in the hands of the Sentinel, *(Sword should be at base of altar and presented by Ex. Grand Marshal at this time. Installing Officer should pause momentarily while sword is placed in hands of Sentinel.)* to enable him effectually to guard against the approach of cowans and eavesdroppers, and suffer none to pass or repass but such as are duly qualified, so it should admonish us to set a guard over our every thought, a watch at our lips, post a Sentinel over our actions; thereby preventing the approach of every unworthy thought or deed, and preserving conscience void of offense toward GOD and man.

The Ex. Grand Marshal will now invest you with your jewel of office and conduct you to your station.

Now my Companions, due to the nature of our institution, some, of necessity, must rule and govern, while others must, of course, submit and obey. The Officers chosen to preside over this Chapter are sufficiently conversant with the rules of propriety and the rules of Order to avoid exceeding the power with which they are entrusted, while you are of too generous a disposition to envy their preferment. I trust, therefore, that you will have but one aim, to please each other and unite in that grand design of being happy and communicating happiness.

Companion Grand Marshal, you will make the proclamation.

Marshal: In the name of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida, I proclaim the Officers of _____ Chapter, Number _____, duly installed.

Installing Officer: And now, to all these newly installed officers, may I extend my pleasure and gratitude in being accorded the honor and privilege of serving as your installing officer, and may I wish you a very successful year.

RESOLUTION

Whereas the Attainment of Fifty and Sixty years of membership as a York Rite Mason is a Significant achievement and;

Whereas there is no formal presentation ceremony for longevity certificates;

Be it therefore Resolved that the following Fifty and Sixty year Presentation Ceremonies be added as section 8.2.4 of Appendix D of the Grand Chapter Rules and Regulations.

Steven Q. Steele, MEGHP

FIFTY-YEAR PRESENTATION

Presenting Officer:

My Companions, this is a very special occasion for all of us as we will now honor a Companion who has reached a milestone in his Masonic life. He has wrought in our quarries and been a member of our noble craft for fifty years and his labors continue. The Committee will please present our distinguished companion at the Altar. *(See note)

Presenting Officer:

To obtain the Fifty-Year Certificate of the Grand Royal Chapter of Florida is a goal very few Royal Arch Masons reach, and is a very noteworthy occasion in the life of the Companion who receives it. To be in attendance at the Convocation when we honor the veteran of fifty years is a great inspiration in itself, but to have the privilege of presenting the Certificate and Pin is a most gratifying experience. We welcome you to this select group of highly revered Royal Arch Masons. As this is a most important occasion, let us look to our Heavenly Father above and invoke His divine blessing.
(Calls up Chapter)

Chaplain:

Our Gracious and Loving Heavenly Father, the giver of every good and perfect gift. We thank Thee for the gift of more than fifty years of Masonic service from this Companion who has exceeded the allotted three score and ten years of earthly life. As we are honored with his presence here this evening we thank Thee for the companionship he has afforded, and for the precepts which he has upheld during this span of Masonic heritage. May his remaining years continue to be pleasant, and may we enjoy many more years of his acquired wisdom. This we pray in Thy Holy Name. AMEN

Presenting Officer:

(Seats Chapter)

The Committee will please present our Companion in the East and let him be seated here. *(See note) Companion Secretary, you will read the Masonic Record of our Companion. (The Secretary reads his record as a Royal Arch Mason and other Masonic records and honors if desired)

Our years are numbered, our tasks are many, our talents are varied, but during a lifetime they will multiply many times when nurtured and cultivated in the fertile fields of service for the good of mankind. For fifty years you have had the heritage of Royal Arch Masonry entrusted in your care. You have worn with dignity the mantle of a society for which our forefathers were willing to risk their lives to keep pure and unsullied.

You have demonstrated in your daily life for fifty years the Tenets of Freemasonry. Therefore, our communities, States and nation have been made better places in which to make our homes and rear our families — because of the fact that you were a Royal Arch Mason.

As the sun of life slowly starts to settle in the West, the dazzling glow of each morning's rising sun reminds us that others are climbing to the zenith of life's ambition with the privilege of obtaining the rewards of our Fraternity, because you have filled those fifty years with Masonic service. May your remaining years be many, may your reflections be ones of joy, and may your usefulness to our Fraternity continue to be exemplified in your daily life.

*Note: This is a suggested ceremony and may be changed to suit the occasion. If the recipient is infirm or if he so desires, he may be seated in the East for the entire presentation. The Presenting Officer may wish to salute the Companion when he is presented in the East.

SIXTY-YEAR PRESENTATION

Presenting Officer:

My Companions, this is a very special occasion for all of us as we will now honor a Companion who has reached a milestone in his Masonic life. He has wrought in our quarries and been a member of our noble craft for three score years and his labors continue. The Committee will please present our distinguished companion at the Altar. *(See note)

Presenting Committee:

We are honored to present to you and the Companions present, Companion _____ who has been a Royal Arch Mason for sixty years.

Presenting Officer:

Companion _____ you have honored us by your presence and having attained this singular distinction. This is a pinnacle that few of our members have opportunity to reach. We welcome you to this select group of highly revered Royal Arch Masons. As this is a most important occasion, let us look to our Heavenly Father above and invoke His divine blessing. (Calls up Chapter)

Chaplain:

Supreme High Priest of Heaven and Earth, we praise Thy Holy name for Thy majestic greatness and wonderful works. We bless Thee, O God, that Thou has given us life and life in abundance. We especially thank Thee for extending to this good Companion length of days of more than four score years. This has enabled him to devote sixty years of his life to your service and that of the craft. We beseech Thee, O Lord that he may be like the leaf in falling which serves to nourish the tree upon which it has been sustained. Continue to render his future years active in our order and beneficial to all mankind. May he find satisfaction, happiness and peace of mind as he travels toward the evening sun. We pray, O God that when we all journey beyond the sunset to the Celestial Grand Chapter above, we may enter that Holy City with Thee, eternal in the heavens. AMEN.

Presenting Officer:

(Seats Chapter)

The Committee will please present our Companion in the East and let him be seated here. *(See note) Companion Secretary, you will read the Masonic Record of our Companion. (The Secretary reads his record as a Royal Arch Mason and other Masonic records and honors if desired)

Presenting Officer:

Companion _____ it is a great inspiration to all of us to honor you, a Companion who has reached the lofty heights of sixty years in Ancient Craft Masonry. To us it is another inducement to continue steadfast and immovable in the discharge of our respective duties. Early in Masonry we alluded to obtaining useful knowledge in youth, to applying our knowledge in manhood and enjoying many happy reflections in old age. We know that you have obtained and applied much useful knowledge through the years. We hope that you are now enjoying many happy reflections consequent to a well spent life. We trust that your future will continue to be filled with abounding happiness, peace and health.

On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida, I am privileged and delighted to present you a Sixty-Year Certificate and Pin. We hope that you will accept it as a token of that Friendship, Union, Fervency, Zeal and Purity of Heart which characterizes our Society. May you wear it with great pleasure to yourself and joyful reflections upon the years that made you eligible for this coveted award. May the God of peace and love bless you in all your laudable undertakings and give you many more years of service to Him and Royal Arch Masonry.

*Note: This is a suggested ceremony and may be changed to suit the occasion. If the recipient is infirm or if he so desires, he may be seated in the East for the entire presentation. The Presenting Officer may wish to salute the Companion when he is presented in the East.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF FLORIDA
INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

5/31/03 ADJ

UPDATED WITH CONVENTION EXPENSES 7/24/03

BANK BALANCE	4/30/03		\$11,838.08
OUTSTANDING CHKS	2033, 2034, 2021		\$281.33
CHECKBOOK BALANCE	4/30/03		\$11,554.73
INCOME DEPOSITS	\$440.00	INTEREST	\$2.49
OTHER	TRIEHNNIAL ADJ	(\$89.32)	(\$89.32)
TOTAL			\$11,907.90
EXPENSES 8/1/02 TO	5/31/03	\$39,624.88	CONV ADJ
EXPENSES 8/1/02 TO	4/30/03	\$43,124.43	
WARRANTS 8P-84		(\$3,499.55)	
			\$3,499.55
CHECKBOOK BALANCE	5/31/03		\$15,407.45
OUTSTANDING CHKS	2034 THRU 2039		\$487.25
BANK BALANCE	5/31/03		\$15,894.70

CHAPTER BUDGET 8/1/02 TO 5/31/03 CHABUD0203P.

ACCT #	ITEM	BUDGET	SPENT	%SPENT	BALANCE
ALLOWANCES					
10001	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	\$3,000.00	\$185.00	6.16666667	\$2,815.00
10002	GRAND KING	\$800.00	\$800.00	100	\$0.00
10003	GRAND TREASURER	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	100	\$0.00
10004	GRAND SECRETARY	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	100	\$0.00
SALARIES					
10005	OFFICE SECRETARY	\$8,600.00	\$8,600.00	100	\$0.00
10006	TEMPORARY HELP	\$800.00	\$800.00	100	\$0.00
10007	FICA TAX	\$1,010	\$1,277.75	126.509901	(\$267.75)
10008	FED UC TAX	\$60.00	\$49.87	83.1166667	\$10.13
10009	FLA UC TAX	\$15.00	\$7.07	47.13333333	\$7.93
CHARITY					
10010	CHARITY COMMITTEE	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
10011	YOUTH CHARITY	\$250.00	\$250.00	100	\$0.00
10012	MASONIC HOME	\$100.00	\$0.00	0	\$100.00
MEETING EXPENSES					
10013	TRIEHNNIAL	\$700.00	\$647.00	92.42857143	\$53.00
10014	CONVENTION EXPENSE	\$4,400.00	\$973.86	22.13318182	\$3,426.14
10015	DELEGATES PER DIEM	\$4,700.00	\$3,046.00	64.78723404	\$1,654.00
10016	DISTINGUISHED GUESTS	\$2,000.00	\$3,203.66	160.183	(\$1,203.66)
10017	DISTRICT MEETINGS	\$500.00	\$500.00	100	\$0.00
10018	S. E. CONFERENCE	\$300.00	\$200.00	66.6666667	\$100.00
10019	SUMMER ASSEMBLY	\$100.00	\$100.00	100	\$0.00
10020	FEB BUDGET MEETING		\$0.00		\$0.00
TAXES					
10021	FLORIDA CORPORATE TAX	\$62.00	\$61.25	98.79032258	\$0.75
10022	GEN GRND PER CAPITA TAX	\$3,400	\$3,204.90	94.28176471	\$195.10
OFFICE EXPENSES					
10023	OFFICE MISCELLANEOUS	\$800	\$450.00	75	\$150.00
10024	POSTAGE	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00	100	\$0.00
10025	RENT	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	100	\$0.00
10026	TELEPHONE	\$800.00	\$800.00	100	\$0.00
10027	UTILITIES	\$800.00	\$800.00	100	\$0.00
10028	COMPUTER EXPENSE	\$500.00	\$500.00	100	\$0.00
10029	MAINTENANCE	\$900.00	\$900.00	100	\$0.00
PRINTING					
10030	PRINTING	\$800.00	\$678.08	75.34222222	\$221.92
10031	PROCEEDINGS	\$2,450.00	\$1,619.36	66.09632653	\$830.64
10032	NEWSLETTER	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	0	\$1,500.00
10033	EDUCATION AND TRAINING	\$300.00	\$33.50	11.16666667	\$266.50
10034	REIMBURSABLES	\$600.00	\$750.00	125	(\$150.00)
OTHER EXPENSES					
10035	AWARDS	\$800.00	\$190.25	23.78125	\$609.75
10036	INSURANCE	\$600.00	\$371.33	61.88833333	\$228.67
10037	PLAQUES AND MARKERS	\$300.00	\$0.00	0	\$300.00
10038	JEWEL, APRON, CASE	\$600.00	\$277.00	46.16666667	\$323.00
10039	AUDIT	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
10040	LIBRARY	\$200.00	\$0.00	0	\$200.00
10041	GRAND SECRETARY EXPENSE	\$850	\$850.00	100	\$0.00
10042	OFFICE STAFF EXPENSE	\$200	\$200.00	100	\$0.00
10043	MUSEUM	\$200	\$0.00	0	\$200.00
10044	PHOTOGRAPHS	\$200.00	\$0.00	0	\$200.00
10045	CONTINGENCIES	\$1,000.00	\$50.00	5	\$950.00
	TOTAL	\$49,847.00	\$37,124.88	74.47766164	\$12,722.12
10050	ASSESSMENT EXPENDITURE	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	100	\$0.00

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS 2004

ALLOWANCES	PROPOSED	Savings	Increase
Gr High Priest	20001	3,000.00	
Gr King	20002	800.00	
Gr Treasurer	20003	1,200.00	
Gr Recorder	20004	3,500.00	

SALARIES			
Office Sec	20005	7,000.00	400.00
Temp Help As	20006	0.00	800.00
FICA	20007	1,075.00	65.00
Fed Un FUT	20008	60.00	100.00
Fla Unemp Tx	20009	15.00	45.00

CHARITY			
Charity Com	20010	0.00	
Youth	20011	250.00	
Masonic Home	20012	100.00	

MEETING EXPENSES			
In Triennial Ad	20013	650.00	50.00
Convention Ex	20014	400.00	4,000.00
Per Diem	20015	3,500.00	1,200.00
VIP's - FL & C	20016	2,000.00	
District Mtg	20017	500.00	
SE Conferenc	20018	300.00	
Summer Assy	20019	100.00	
Feb Fin Mtg	20020	0.00	

TAXES			
Fl Corp Tx	20021	62.00	
Gen Gr PC Ta	20022	3,000.00	400.00

OFFICE EXPENSES			
Office Expens	20023	5,300.00	300.00
Postage	1200		
Rent	1000		
Telephone	1000		
Utilities	600		
Computer Exp	0		
Maint/Miscel	1500		

PRINTING			
Printing	20030	900.00	
Proceedings	20031	2,400.00	50.00
Newsletter	20032	0.00	1,500.00
Ed & Train	20033	100.00	200.00
Reimbursables	20034	400.00	200.00

OTHER EXPENSES			
Awards	20035	800.00	
Insurance	20036	600.00	
Plaques	20037	300.00	
Jewels/Apr	20038	800.00	
Audit	20039	0.00	
Membership D	20040	0.00	
Gr Rec Car Ex	20041	850.00	
Office Sec Ca	20042	200.00	
Museum	20043	50.00	150.00
Photographs	20044	100.00	100.00
Contingencies	20045	1,000.00	
Expenses Totals		41,312.00	9,095.00
Per Cap Tax	Collected	29,278.00	
4.00 X 6462		25,728.00	
Assetment	20050	6,462.00	

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**JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE
2003**

The Jurisprudence Committee met with Most Excellent Steven Steele, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, on April 24, 2003 at Eola Lodge; and again on May 1, 2003 at the Edgewater Beach Resort to review his GHP report and his actions during the year. We find that the Grand High Priest acted judiciously within the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Florida, and within the prerogatives of his office.

We examined sixteen (16) By-Law Amendments, all of which were properly approved and sealed. Thirteen (13) requests for disposition were received, two (2) of which were denied as being contrary to the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Chapter. The remaining eleven (11) were properly granted and sealed. A careful reading of the Constitution and Regulations would have revealed that seven (7) of these requests were not really necessary. The Grand High Priest reasoned that none of these were glaring obvious that the disposition was unnecessary, and therefore approved them. The Committee concurs with the Grand High Priest's decisions.

The Committee reviewed Three (3) Amendments to the Constitution and Regulations, all of which were properly submitted and in proper form.

M. Ex. Companion Steele made Six (6) recommendations, all of which are being implemented or considered for implementation.

M. Ex. Companion Steele represented this Grand Chapter well at the annual convocations of five of our sister jurisdiction, as well as at the SE Conference, Summer Assembly at Maggie Valley, and the General Grand Chapter Convocation. He also visited all but four of the Chapters of Florida; and visited and continued his ritualistic participation in many Allied and Appendant Masonic Bodies.

Most Excellent Companion Steele is commended for the judicious and considerate manner in which he executed the affairs of this Grand Royal Arch Chapter during his term of office. In every case, he always went that extra mile in his duties. Each member of this Jurisprudence Committee expresses his personal gratitude for the privilege and high honor of serving this Grand Royal Arch Chapter and this Grand High Priest.

Virgil P. Brown
William A. Cogburu

Frederick R. Young
David C. Wilkinson

William G. Norrie

**GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF FLORIDA
GRAND TREASURERS CONSOLIDATED REPORT—LIFE/PERPETUAL MEMBER FUND NOT INCLUDED
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ACCOUNT	CHGTCHRO2 5/31/02 BALANCE	FISCAL YEAR ENDING 5/31/03 INTEREST INCOME	DEPOSITS	EXPENSES	SHORT TERM INVESTMENT	LONG TERM INVESTMENT	5/31/03 CKBK BALANCE	5/31/03 ACCOUNT SUMMARY
GEN FUND	\$19,953.11	\$48.22	\$43,385.85	\$53,878.60	\$10,287.27	\$180,000.00	\$15,407.45	\$15,407.45
PAST INVESTMENT	\$9,994.36	\$555.75						\$10,287.27
CURRENT INVESTMEI	\$172,359.00							\$173,432.74
CHARITY FUND	\$7,926.52	\$227.90		(\$7,641.00)	\$7,500.00			\$8,154.42
CONV. FUND	\$587.28	34.37	\$8,335.01	(\$10,246.19)				\$944.50
LIB. FUND	\$1,935.47	\$48.57	\$847.00	\$440.00	\$1,500.00			\$1,544.04
TRLEN. FUND	\$2,099.57	\$11.65	\$52,367.86	\$2,000.00				\$758.32
TOTAL	\$214,855.41	\$927.46	\$52,367.86	\$38,229.41	\$19,287.27	\$180,000.00	\$16,600.39	\$210,528.74
CHAPTER INTEREST INCOME 2001-2002	202.84							\$4,326.67
CD 189443-3	\$353.91							
CD 189443-4								
TOT INV INT	\$556.75		\$48.22	\$322.49				\$927.46
GEN FUND INT		\$48.22						
CHARITY FUND INT								
LIBRARY FUND INT								
CONVENTION INT								
TRIENNIAL FUND INT								
NET LOSS								
GRAND CHAPTER INCOME DETAIL								
PER CAPITA	\$28,289.00		\$48.22					
ASSESS	\$6,302.00		\$556.75	\$322.49				\$49,253.52
GEN FUND INT		\$48.22						
OTHER INT								
NET INCOME								
CONV XFER								
MMKT XFER								
DEPOSIT								
GRAND CHAPTER INVESTMENTS AS OF 5/31/2003								
INV #	TYPE	INV DATE	MATURITY	DEPOSITS	WITHDRAWS	CLOSE AMT	INTEREST	AS OF 5/31/03
CD-189443-3		4/26/02	11/26/02	18994.36	0	0	202.84	\$19,197.20
CD 189443-4			11/26/02	\$19,197.20	0	0	\$353.91	\$19,551.11
MS514-020486-0-016	STOCK MKT	3/22/02	OPEN	\$180,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	\$173,432.74
TOTAL INVESTMENTS								

REPORT OF THE LEGAL ADVISORS COMMITTEE

Various matters were referred to the Committee by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, and all matters have been researched and responded to.

The Committee wishes to thank the Grand High Priest for his confidence in the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard S. Agster

Gregory Smith

Charles B. Curry

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - LONG RANGE

Your Committee, consisting of the undersigned are also members of what is understood to be the "INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE" whereby persons considered knowledgeable of the Stock Market have been assigned to direct future investments.

On March 22, 2002, the then Grand High Priest, Grand Illustrious Master, and Grand Commander directed the investment of approximately 85% of the Grand York Rite funds in the Stock Market. As everyone is aware, shortly after that investment, the market began a decline from which it has not yet recovered. As such, the funds of each of the Grand York Rite Bodies are languishing in the relatively benign market. Prudently, some 15% of the Grand York Rite Funds were retained in Cash, Certificates of Deposit, or other secure investments, which were planned to allow the Grand York Rite Bodies to continue operation without withdrawing any market investments for approximately two years. We are some 13 months into that cycle and it appears that the planning was sound.

The "INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE" has been essentially silent in the only alternative -- that of riding out the benign market!

However, with the advent of the semi-permanent investment level of 85% of the funds (essentially all of the "long range funds") in the market and under the guidance of the "INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE," the existence of a "LONG RANGE FINANCE COMMITTEE" appears to be a duplication.

It is therefore recommended that the two committees as now understood should be combined, renamed, or whatever into a single responsible committee consisting of long tenure members who may deal with the market lulls as well as possible successes.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane B. Young

Harry A. Rosenthal, Jr.

What an exciting time we live in. The world is ever changing. The country is in a turmoil, the world economy is up and down, and no one seems to know what is going to happen next. As one saga ends another is just beginning.

Some twenty plus years ago your chairman of this committee was involved in relocating the library of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International.

M.B. Walter H. Winchester then the General Grand King of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International, informed us that the library of Ray V. Denslow past General Grand High Priest was to be relocated. After much discussion and communication, the Masonic Temple in Clearwater, Florida earned the privilege of housing this particular library.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of R. A. Masons of Florida enthusiastically supported this project from the beginning, and budgeted Funds when necessary for its continued growth.

M.E. Companion James Mac Donald and his wife Evelyn traveled to Cedar Rapids, Iowa to take possession of the library. Renting a U Haul truck Jim and Evelyn began the long trip back to Florida. Several days later they backed the truck up to the Temple in Clearwater, and we began to unload the boxes of books, Some 150 cartons. Jim and Evelyn were tired from their trip, and we were tired from unloading all those boxes.

The work however, was just beginning. The books had been stored for years, and the majority of them were covered with mold. It took weeks to unpack and clean the mold. The mold was on the front and back covers as well as on the inside pages. What a dirty job that was. A room had been selected to house the library, but it had to be renovated. The brethren came forth, donating their time and money. Paneling, acoustical ceiling tile, carpeting and light fixtures were installed. The library shelves were made in Lakeland by M. E. Duane B. Young then trucked 50 miles to Clearwater, and installed on the premises.

It would be impossible to name every one that helped with this project, but it is important that a few be remembered. Ralph H. Swanker, PHP, Duane B. Young PGHP, Lonnie Barrow, PGC, Dr. Walter H. Winchester, PGGHP, James B. Terry, PC, Jeff Jeffries, PHP, Wallace C. Stitch, PHP, Jacob J. Krawiec, PHP, Betsy Gerhard and Marvin W. Gerhard, PHP-PGC.

Then the work (fun) really began To arrange the books in proper order on the shelves. This also took months, actually years, because a library that does not grow will surely die, but grow it did. It was necessary to expand, and remodel. Donations were received from the companions, both from within the state and from out of state. We thank these companions once again for their support Some of the necessary material was purchased, but the labor was donated.

Pride was everywhere. Although not all the companions thought we needed a library, they supported it.

The years rolled by, and the library was used more and more. Valuable knowledge was gleaned from the pages of these books, and more than One person from out of state came and visited the library. A couple of times non-masons hearing of your library came and spent hours and even days doing research. This being a research library it was necessary for some member of the craft to be present at all times. They donated their time because of the love of the fraternity.

Then recently your committee faced the reality, twenty plus years had passed. Many of our supportive companions had left us, gone to that place no man can return. Now a new professional building is being built next to the temple, and a new bank next to that. The Temple is now in a prime location. Sooner or later someone may want this prime location. Our responsibility to the craft was first and foremost in our minds. Be prepared for the future. Make the decisions now, be ready to act. Be responsible. Is it time to relocate the library??

The committee had contacted the General Grand Chapter about a year ago and spoke with them about the future construction. Locations were reviewed within and without the state. Other grand jurisdictions were communicated. A decision would have to be made. Finally, with construction of the new buildings nearing completion the talking stage became the actual stage.

Preparations were made, and the beginning of the end was about to take place. It was time to relocate the library once again.

We kept in contact with Benny Allen the General Grand King. (now General Grand High Priest)

Later, J. Benny Allen called and set a date when the library would be moved. He and Jeff Hodges (Georgia) would personally oversee the moving. The Greater Atlanta Masonic Temple would be the future home of this magnificent library.

Two days of procuring large boxes, (in excess of 210) in which would accommodate the books. Two and a half days (five persons) unstocking the shelves, packing and repacking the books, stacking the boxes ready for loading, disassembling steel shelving, numbering, and identifying the boxes, perspiring, perspiring, and perspiring. Finally, came loading day.

A seventeen foot closed covered U Haul truck was rented. (11000 # gross weight) Up and down, up and down the ramp. Boxes, Boxes, and boxes, shelving, filing cabinets, card files, and more boxes. Also it started to rain and we really got wet, not only perspiration, but wet with rain. Oh well!

We started gathering boxes on June 17th, started the dismantling June 19th, and packing June 20th. It took all day Thurs, Friday, and Saturday morning to pack the books in the boxes. Friday afternoon Benny, Jeff, and I loaded while my wife Betsy continued to pack. Saturday morning with the additional help of Dale Kinsley (H.P.) and Chic Cicero (King) we finished loading the truck in the rain. We were really wet, but what a relief. At 11 :00 "all is finished".

This is the end of our journey as custodians of the General Grand Chapter Library, and as Masons we know, we should try to leave this world a better place than when we came. I am proud and pleased to report when the General Grand Chapter Library left Clearwater, and the state of Florida it was in better condition than when it came.

Thank You Most Excellent Companion Dr. Winchester for the confidence you had in Florida, more especially Clearwater when under your guidance the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International selected us to be the custodians of this great library. To all the other General Grand High Priests who allowed Florida that same courtesy, to all the Grand High Priests of Florida who allowed us to serve Capitular masonry. Thank you Rt. Ex. Companion Benny for your friendship these last 20 years, more especially these last several days .and to my new friend Jeff Hodges, thank You for your hard work, wisdom, and wit.

It is our hope and desire that this research library will grow and be used to further unlock the knowledge that is stored within their pages.

A little before 10 p.m. on Saturday the 22nd of June 2002 I received a phone call from Jeff stating that he and Benny arrived back home safe and sound. They had periods of hard rain, and it was nerve wracking traveling, but as I said in the beginning as one saga ends another is just beginning.

Clearwater, and Florida may have ended their responsibility of caring for this great library, but as masons our responsibility to seek further light should never end. We will continue to serve whenever and wherever needed.

August 1st, I received a telephone call from M. E. Companion Richard Sagar of Georgia asking if it would be possible to attend a General Grand Chapter library meeting at the Greater Atlanta Masonic Center Friday August 16th. I mentioned Betsy and I had planned to be in Georgia about that time so we would endeavor to make the meeting, Dick also suggested Jake Krawiec and Florence accompany us.

August 16th Jake Krawiec, Florence, Betsy and I drove from North Georgia down to Atlanta about 8:00 a.m. and arrived at the Atlanta Masonic Center about 10:00 a.m. We met with Dick Sagar, Jeff Hodges and several other brethren from Georgia, including J. Benny Allen (G.G.King), Bernard Blackwell, Wade Bridges, and Jack Ford, and their wives. After lunch several announcements were made regarding the progress of the G.G. Chapter library. Later we toured the Masonic Center, and then visited the rooms where the library will be housed. You enter the library through a solid door then go up several steps to the library itself The brethren and companions of Georgia had already unpacked and placed about 120 cartons of books on the shelves. Approximately 80 cartons were left for unpacking There was considerable discussion on operations, expenses, etc. Decisions were made and progress will be upcoming. The committee plans on installing a 10,000 BID Air Conditioner in the room and place wrought iron wall railings with locked wrought iron doors leading into the library. The solid door to the entrance to the stairway will be replaced with a wrought iron locked door. This will aid the air circulating throughout the library. Dick Sagar, Hodges, and others plan to have certain books that are worthy of rebinding completed during the upcoming year. The committee will submit its report at the General Grand Chapter's triennial in Atlantic City this October. Plans for improving the Library are already under way, and it is with great pride we look forward to Companions using this research Library.

What a privilege it was for Jake, Florence, Betsy and I to be guests of the Atlantic Masonic Centers Library Committee where the General Grand Chapter Library is now housed. It is rather unique because the center will now have two libraries. Their own Masonic Center Library which loans books and the separate research library of the General Grand Chapter. Disk Sagar and the Companions of Georgia are to be congratulated on their hard work and enthusiasm. Without brethren like them mountains could not be moved.

Thank You,

Marvin W. Gerhard Charles "Chic" Cicero Walter H. Winchester

MUSEUM COMMITTEE 2003

Your committee is please to report on several occasions this year companions and Sir Knights from across this great state have visited the York Rite Masonic Temple in Clearwater, Florida.

For the most part they have been impressed with the wide variety of items displayed. Many have stated that the jewels, aprons, badges, and regalia bring back wonderful memories of those outstanding masons that have left us for the great mansion in the sky.

Many thanks are in order tot companion, and Sir Knights Charles " Chic" Cicero. Chic wrote an article titled " A brief History of York Rite Masonry in Florida. His article was accepted and printed in the Transactions of Quatour Coronati Lodge No. 2076 volume 113 published October 2001. The article covered such topics as The Floridian Frontier, Early Florida Freemasonry, Knights Templar Florida History Committee, as well as the Florida York Rite Museum. There is also a picture of one of the mannequins dressed in the old style long frock Templar Uniform wearing the Templar Apron and baldric. The transactions are sent to brethren around the globe, including England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Europe, African Continent South Africa, West Africa, East Africa, Middle Africa, the middle East, South East Asia, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Central and South America, the Carribean, and the United States. As you can tell Florida York Rite Masonry and the York Rite Museum is now known throughout the world. Congratulations again Brother Chic for his article on Florida York Rite Masonry.

We urge all those that have an opportunity to visit Clearwater, stop by the York Rite Masonic Temple at 407 No. Belcher Rd. to observe this fine collection of memorabilia. You will not be disappointed.

We thank the presiding officers of the Grand York Rite for allowing us to serve on this committee.

Marvin W. Gerhard Charles "Chic" Cicero Walter Hammond Daniel Somma
Wendell Harrington Walter H. Winchester

LIFE AND PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP INVESTMENTS – FISCAL 02

Bank Name, Instrument #. Maturity Date / Int Rate	Net Asset Value 1/15/02	Activity 1/15/02-1/15/03	Net Asset Value 1/15/03	Income 1/15/02-1/15/03
CROWN CD 13084744 6/16/2003 5.827%	\$10,668.58		\$11,306.52	\$639.94
A.G. ANNUITY FF206094 OPEN 4.5 %	\$23,375.18		\$24,445.18	\$1,070.00
GIT & CHEM 300015263 CHECKING	\$100,478.49	ADD 81834.24 WDR 168543.12	\$13,769.61	\$281.32
HUNT/SUNTR 38320028 MONEY MARKET	\$51,371.01	WRD 51468.34	\$0.00	\$97.33
MID-FLA 189443-1 CHECKING	\$1,974.75	ADD 288.00 WDR \$2,259.51	\$0.00	\$9.09
MID-FLA 189443-1 MONEY MARKET	0	ADD 10,000.00 WDR 10,032.29	\$0.00	\$32.29
MID-FLA 189443-1 SAVINGS	35.69	WDR \$35.78	\$0.00	\$0.09
MID-FLA 189443-2 SAVINGS		ADD 5.00	\$5.08	\$0.08
MID-FLA 189443-3 CERT OF DEPOSIT	0	ADD 13,500.00 WDR 5,000.00	\$8,737.91	\$237.91
MORGAN STANLEY CHAPTER PORTION		INVESTED \$50,000.00	INV AMOUNT \$50,000.00	\$0.00
MORGAN STANLEY COUNCIL PORTION		INVESTED \$45,000.00	INV AMOUNT \$45,000.00	\$0.00
PAINÉ WEBBER CIMMANDERY PORTION		INVESTED \$40,000.00	INV AMOUNT \$40,000.00	\$0.00
LOAN TO CHAPTER OPERATING ACCOUNT			\$2,500.00	\$0.00
LOAN TO COMMANDERY OPERATING ACCOUNT			\$1,500.00	\$0.00
SUMMARY	\$187,901.70	INVEST 2002	\$197,264.30	2368.05
	(\$6,684.60)	PAID OUT FOR 2001 \$6,684.60		
NET INVEST 1/31/02	\$181,217.10			
NEW INVESTMENT 2002	\$12,981.00	ADDED INVEST 2002 12981.00 KTEF CHECKS PAID OUT FOR 2002 \$5686.22 \$2368.05 + \$3318.17	(\$150.00) (\$5,686.22)	
BOOK INVESTMENT 1/15/03	\$194,198.10		\$191,428.08	

LIFE AND PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIP PAYOUT 2002

CITY	CHAP#	LIFE \$ RETURN	PERP \$ RETURN	TOTAL \$ RETURN	check number
TALLAHASSEE	1	31.63	20.68	52.21	1370
GAINESVILLE	2	0	3.33	3.33	1373
TAMPA	3	100.5	13.54	114.04	1376
DELAND	4	11.25	0	11.25	1379
DAYTONA	5	7.49	10	17.49	1382
PENSACOLA	6	62.99	40	92.99	1385
ORLANDO	7	55.18	0	55.18	1388
DADE CITY	8	0	0	0	0
PALATKA	9	17.1	0	17.1	1391
MIAMI	11	0	0	0	0
JACKSONVILLE	12	46.61	48	94.61	1394
OCALA	13	0	6.42	6.42	1397
SANFORD	15	0	15	15	1400
PLANT CITY	16	8.66	14.4	23.06	1403
ST AUGUSTINE	17	7.06	10	17.06	1406
BRADENTON	18	16.49	11	27.49	1409
PALMETTO	NONE			0	0
FT. LAUDERDALE	20	14.31	0	14.31	1412
BARTOW	22	3.31	0	3.31	1415
PALM BEACH	24	18.46	10	28.46	1418
LIVE OAK	25	0.63	0	0.63	1421
COCOA BEACH	27	9.04	10	19.04	1424
FT PIERCE	28	5.57	0	5.57	1427
LAKELAND	29	38.22	3.5	41.72	1430
ST PETERSBURG	31	49.88	0	49.88	1433
MARIANNA	32	2.97	0	2.97	1436
EUSTIS	33	3.89	0	3.89	1439
SARASOTA	35	17.45	19	36.45	1442
LAKE CITY	38	3.95	0	3.95	1445
PANAMA CITY	39	0	10	10	1454
CRESTVIEW	40	6.11	0	6.11	1451
WINTER HAVEN	41	74.16	0	74.16	1448
CLEARWATER	45	27.94	28	53.94	1457
JAX DUVAL	48	5.99	0	5.99	1444
FERNANDINA	49	0	0	0	0
FT MYERS	50	28.15	25.66	53.81	1460
FT WALTON	57	0	0	0	0
MELBOURNE	59	18.14	10	28.14	1463
LAWTEY	62	3.98	0	3.98	1466
NEW PORT RICHI	63	21.79	0	21.79	1450
SEBRING	64	0	0	0	0
KEY WEST	65	0	0	0	0
MIMS	66	0	0	0	0
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MASONIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Committee on Masonic Relations is pleased to report that we have received no reports, communication, or comments expressing dissatisfaction with the fraternal relationship we have with our Florida Grand Lodge and Appendant Masonic Bodies. Points of conflict or friction apparently are being minimized by our emphasis on Masonic Unity.

Your Committee thanks you for the privilege and honor of serving this Grand Chapter this year.

Robert A. Niles William F. Wylie Daniel E. Dale John R. Thomas

REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

Most Excellent Grand High Priest, fellow officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida.

The Supreme Architect of the Universe has called 247 of our Companion Royal Arch Masons home to that Great House not made of human hands, eternal in the heavens. We are indeed grateful that the Great Hand that continually guides us has left intact the line of our Grand Chapter Officers. However, missing from our midst and whose diligence in fraternal effort led them to exalted heights is an Excellent Companion's Henry C. Bengle, GHP 1980 and Earl G. Nicholson, GHP 1974. They were admitted to that Great Tabernacle of Supreme Chapter on high, Companion Nicholson on May 16, 2002, and Companion Bengle on August 30, 2002.

We offer our sympathy to the bereaved families and loved one of these departed Companions. Our Companions have merely gone ahead and we should not mourn; rather we should rejoice and seek to emulate the example they set for our labors. May "Holiness to the Lord" ever be our watch word.

Let us Pray:

Almighty Father, Great Architect of the Universe, we humbly and reverently beseech Thee to bless and accept the Companions we note today. They have served us well and diligently labored in the Quarries. They have exemplified that purity of life and rectitude of conduct essential to all who seek admission to the eternal Holy of Holies. They have passed the last veil of your Tabernacle and we are now at rest with thee, Bless them, we ask, in Thy blessed name.

Amen.

Fraternally Submitted:

John I. Hendricks, Ex. Grand Chaplain



In Memoriam

of

Earl G. Nicholson

*Most Excellent Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons*

of Florida

1973/1974

*God of the living, in whose eyes
Unviald thy whole creatum livs,
all souls are thine; we must not say
That those are dead who pass away,
From this, our world of flesh set free,
We know them living unto thee.*

- John Ellerton

Born - May 27, 1925

Lakeland, Florida

Died - May 16, 2002

Paltaka, Florida

In Memoriam



Henry C. Bengel

*Most Excellent Past Grand
High Priest*

1980

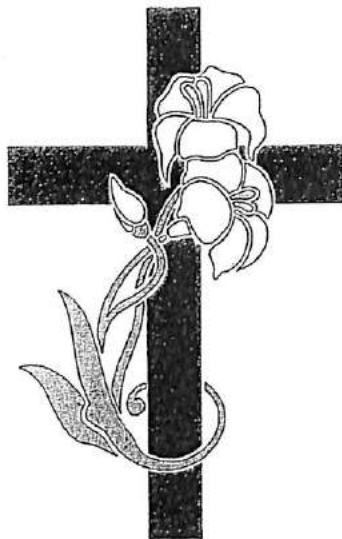
*The earth is poorer since they took their flight
But Heaven is richer now that they are there
And on their brows gleam with transcended light
Such Crowns as honest, upright ones shall wear
The World may change from year to year and
Friends from day to day but never will the one
We loved from memory fade away.*

Born - June 3, 1909

San Antonio, Texas

Died - August 30, 2002

In Memory of Companions
of this and other
Grand Jurisdictions
Who have passed on to that
Eternal Reward
in 2002 - 2003



This Page we
Fraternally Dedicate

PATRIOTIC, CIVIC & RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

During the 2002-2003 Masonic year, the Constituent Royal Arch Chapters and their Members continued to actively support these programs in their respective Communities throughout this Grand Jurisdiction. Although the collective and individual participation is often done in conjunction with others Masonic Bodies to which the Royal Arch Masons affiliate, such participation demonstrates the unity of purpose within the Masonic community.

Even though there have not been active reports received from constituent Chapters, communication with Royal Arch Masons reveal they enjoy their participation in the church, civic organizations and other fraternities in their community. Companions and Brothers who practice the tenets of Royal Arch Masonry have a positive influence on those with whom they associate.

There are numerous projects within the scope of this program, that if initiated, would enhance the visibility of Free Masonry within our communities.

Daniel E. Dale

James P. Rudman

PRINTING COMMITTEE REPORT

During the 2002 - 2003 year we continue saving money by doing the printing in the office, however, some of the printing, such as the program and the directory was sub-contracted out, due to equipment and manpower constraints. The volume of Rituals that were ordered this year caused a delay in getting them out, remember they are printed in the office. Total pages printed was over 150,000.

It has been suggested that the Proceedings be printed by a Printer, due to problems with the quality of pictures and print. It would cost a great deal more than our current cost and with our financial situation we should think about it. We are considering having the Rituals sent to a sub-contractor, taking a load of work off the office, yet not effecting our budget. This does mean the cost of rituals might be going up but they will be made in mass quantity making it easier to fill order for books

Wm. Robert Young

TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE

The 157th Annual Grand Convocation of Royal Arch Masons of Florida will be held at the Orlando Marriott Lake Mary at Lake Mary, Florida, Sunday, May 2nd, through Wednesday, May 5th, at Lake Mary, Florida. The Grand Chapter will convene on Monday, May 3rd, at 8:30 A.M.

H. Warren Almand, Jr. Stephen H. Clark Gordon L. Anderson

ROYAL ARCH RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

June 1, 2003

Twenty-Two Chapters donated a total of \$3709.47 to the Royal Arch Assistance. There were no donations from twenty Chapters. In addition, seven individuals and organizations donated an additional \$1730.86 for a total contribution of \$5440.33

The following Chapters made donations as follows:

Florida No. 01	\$100	Gainesville No. 02	\$294*
Tampa-Cushing No. 03	\$56	St. Johns No. 04	\$125*
Halifax No. 05	\$100	Mount Horeb No. 06	\$500*
Eureka No. 07	\$267.50	Jericho No. 11	\$200
Plant City No. 16	\$35	St. Augustine No. 17	\$200**
Manatee River No. 18	\$107*	Lakeland No. 29	\$45
St. Petersburg No. 31	\$150*	Jackson No. 32	\$76*
Sarasota No. 35	\$209*	Bay County No. 39	\$229*
Winter Haven No. 41	\$200**	Duval No. 48	\$67.63
Surf No. 57	\$100	Melbourne No. 59	\$433.33**
Highlands No. 64	\$99**	Island No. 65	\$116.01*

* = \$1 or more per member

** = \$2 or more per member

Organizations or individuals made donations as follows:

Gainesville Crescent Foundation \$500 – credited to Gainesville No. 2
 Hon. Allen F. Horton \$30 – credited to Eureka No. 7
 Hon. Steven Q. Steele \$40 – credited to Jericho No. 11
 Hon. Glenn Chandler \$500 – credited to Jacksonville No. 12
 The Almand Family \$50 – credited to Jackson No. 32
 Gr. York Rite Convention Ladies \$494.20
 Labarum Conclave RCC \$50
 Gr. York Rite Ladies Luncheon \$66.66

Effective this year, our annual reports for RARA will run from June 1 to May 31, which is the Grand Chapter's fiscal year. This is being done to aid the Grand Secretary in filing an accurate Charity report with the IRS.

Virgil P. Brown, State Executive Officer

William O. Walker, Chairman Emeritus

TRIENNIAL REPORT

The Sixty-fifth Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International was held in October 2002 at Harrah's Hotel, Casino and Convention Center in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

The following were elected into the General Grand Line: M. E. J. Benny Allen of Georgia, as General Grand High Priest; R. E. Larry E. Gray of Indiana, as General Grand King; R. E. Emory J. "Smokey" Ferguson of Alabama, as General Grand Scribe; R. E. Paul C. Holbrook of North Carolina, as General Grand Treasurer and R. E. John F. Kirby of Kentucky remained as General Grand Secretary for the 2002-2005 period. E. Companion Carl R. Truesdale of South Carolina was appointed Southeast Regional Grand High Priest and E. Companion Virgil P. Brown was appointed as the General Grand Chapter Ambassador for Florida.

The Sixty-Six Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter will be held in October of 2005 in Rapid City, South Dakota.

Steven Q. Steele, GHP

Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery
and the York Rite of Florida on the INTERNET

The "Florida York Rite Home Pages" were originally published on the Internet on June 6, 1998 with a URL ADDRESS of: <http://members.aol.com/YorkRiteFM/Florida.html>
This site provides links to the other three OFFICIAL Grand York Rite Home Pages:
Grand Chapter - <http://members.aol.com/CHAPTERMW/Florida.html>
Grand Council - <http://members.aol.com/COUNCILMW/Florida.html>
Grand Commandery - <http://members.aol.com/KNIGHTSMW/Florida.html>

These sites were designed, created, and published by George D. Pushee III, KYCH, OPC, now of Florida, as Web Master. These sites are maintained by the Web Master with the assistance of the Grand Secretary/Recorder, Bob Young who is designated as the "Deputy Web Master" or provider of "approved information" for the Home Pages.

1. As of January 6, 2003 the York Rite Home Page had received 7137 visitors.
A 200% increase in two years.

2. The four Web Sites are designed as four separate "stand alone, but are linked to the "York Rite Fraternal Home Page" and contain a "welcome" from each of the three presiding officers, and information on:

- A. Official Office of the Grand Secretary/Recorder, including e-mail address.
- B. Grand Officers for Each body
- C. Living Past Grand Presiding Officers
- D. Current District Officers
- E. A Schedule of Events

F. Meeting Nights and location of Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies

G. Links to Florida York Rite Bodies on-line: Fort Meyers; Live Oak York Rite, Mayo, FL; Palm Beaches; Daytona Beach; Sarasota-Manatee; and Ocala

H. The Knights Templar Supplement for Florida as supplied by SK Bob Burleson, REGC, is on the Grand Commandery Home Page.

I. Annual Convention Information: SCHEDULE of Events - Registration FORMS

SPECIAL NOTE: WE NEED MORE SITES & INFORMATION ON EVENTS

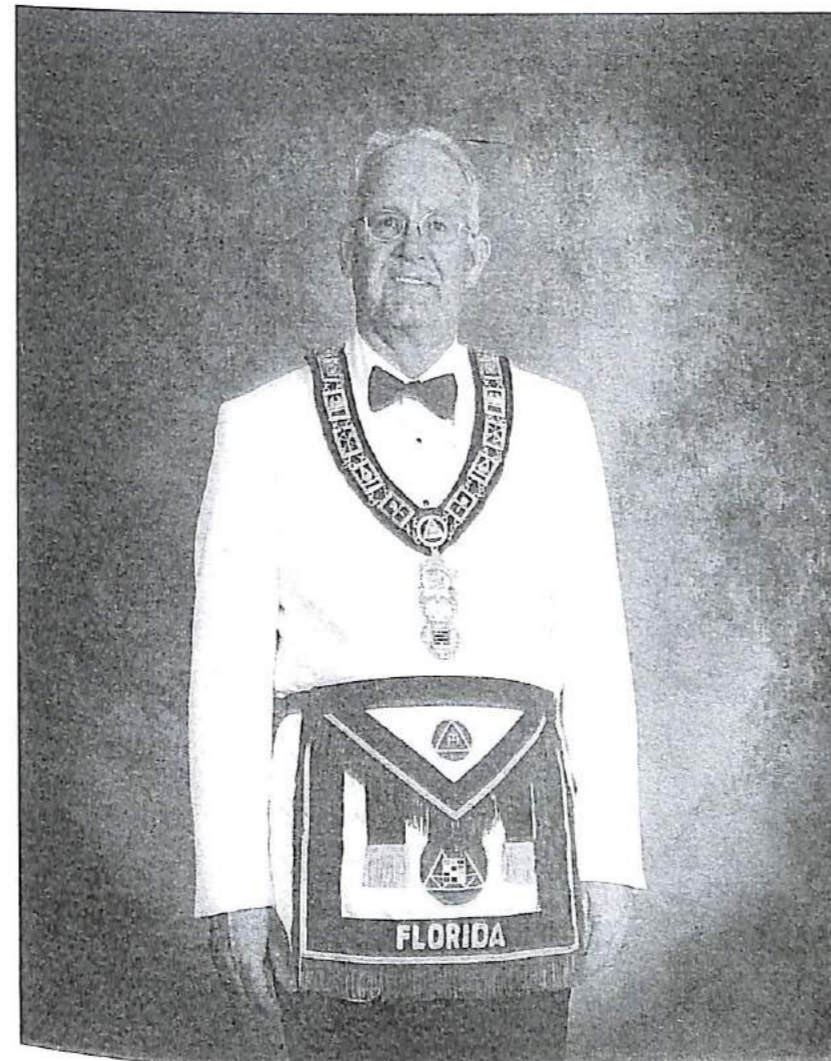
3. They are linked directly to and from the Official Home Pages of the General Grand Chapter, General Grand Council and the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of USA. The new URL addresses of these Official, National sites are listed on page four of the monthly Knight Templar Magazine.

Companions and Sir Knights, the Florida Official Home Pages have enjoyed a very active year as part of a York Rite Internet System by your Web Master which now has had over 1.3 million visitors. Please start your "Internet Surfing" at www.yorkrite.com
THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

In my opinion, it represents one of the best ways for Freemasonry to inform the "un-initiated", obtain new members, and "motivate/maintain" current members.

Respectfully submitted, George D. (Dan) M. Pushee III, KYCH, OPC
TheWebMaster@yorkrite.com

1601 SE 8th Ave Lot 506, Crystal River FL 34429



H. WARREN ALMAND, JR.
Most Excellent Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Florida
2003 - 2004

Resume of H. Warren Ahmand, Jr.

Personal:

Born September 3, 1938, Brooklyn N.Y. (but Charleston, S.C., is home). Charleston High School, 1956. The College of Charleston, 1962, B.S. English. Florida State University, 1964, M.A. English. Doctoral studies on Sabbatical Leave, 1984, Florida State University. Married Lydia Moore; two daughters, Carol and Mary. U.S. Marine Corps, 1956-57. Professor of English, Chipola Junior College, 1964-2002. Co-author, *Essays for Example and Enjoyment*, McCutchan, 1970; co-author, *The Best Test Preparation for the CLAST*, Research & Education Association, 1994; editor, *International Conference on Writing Assessment*, published by the State University of New York, 1984; editor, *Science Objectives for Florida, Grade 8-12, FIRN*, 1984. Reader and Table Leader for CLAST essay subtests, 1984-1997; committee member for CLASP essay and reading subjects. Member of B.P.O.E. and American Legion. Member of Optimist International, past president and twice Zone Lieutenant Governor; Program Presenter Optimist International Convention in Toronto 1999. Member First United Methodist Church of Marianna, and former Sunday School teacher (adults).

Masonic:

Blue Lodge: Raised October 19, 1982, Harmony Masonic Lodge No. 3, Secretary, 1982-1986; Worshipful Master 1988; District Deputy Grand Master, 1989, Panhandle Past Masters Club, President 1992; conferred Master Mason Degree at the Tri-State Degrees in Dothan, Alabama, 1997, instituted Rainbow Assembly, Marianna, 1988.

Royal Arch: Exalted in Jackson Chapter No. 32, April 8, 1983, High Priest, 1990, Order of High Priesthood 1991; District Deputy Grand High Priest, 1993-94; Gold Key Award, 1994, Entered Grand Chapter Line, 1995; Grand Chapter Representative of France, 1995; Secretary from 1991-present.

Council of Royal and Select Masters: Greeted in Marianna Council No. 31 April 9, 1983; Illustrious Master 1988; District Deputy Grand Master 1992-93; Order of Anointed Kings 1991; Grand Representative of Portugal 2001; Recorder from 1991-present; Ish Sod, 2003.

Knights Templar: Knighted in Chipola Commandery No. 22 April 9, 1983, Eminent Commander 1987 & 1989; District Deputy Grand Commander 1990-91; Knight Crusader of the Cross 1991, Recorder 1991-present; Grand Commanders Club, 1996.

Shrine: Hadji Shrine Temple 1983, Charter Member Shaddai Shrine Temple 1985, Secretary West Florida Shrine Club 1985-90, Vice President West Florida Shrine Club 1995, Treasurer West Florida Shrine Club 1997-present.

York Rite Sovereign College of North America: Joseph P. LeSuer York Rite College No. 80, Governor 1999-2000; Athlestan Jewel 1995; Order of Purple Cross, 2002.

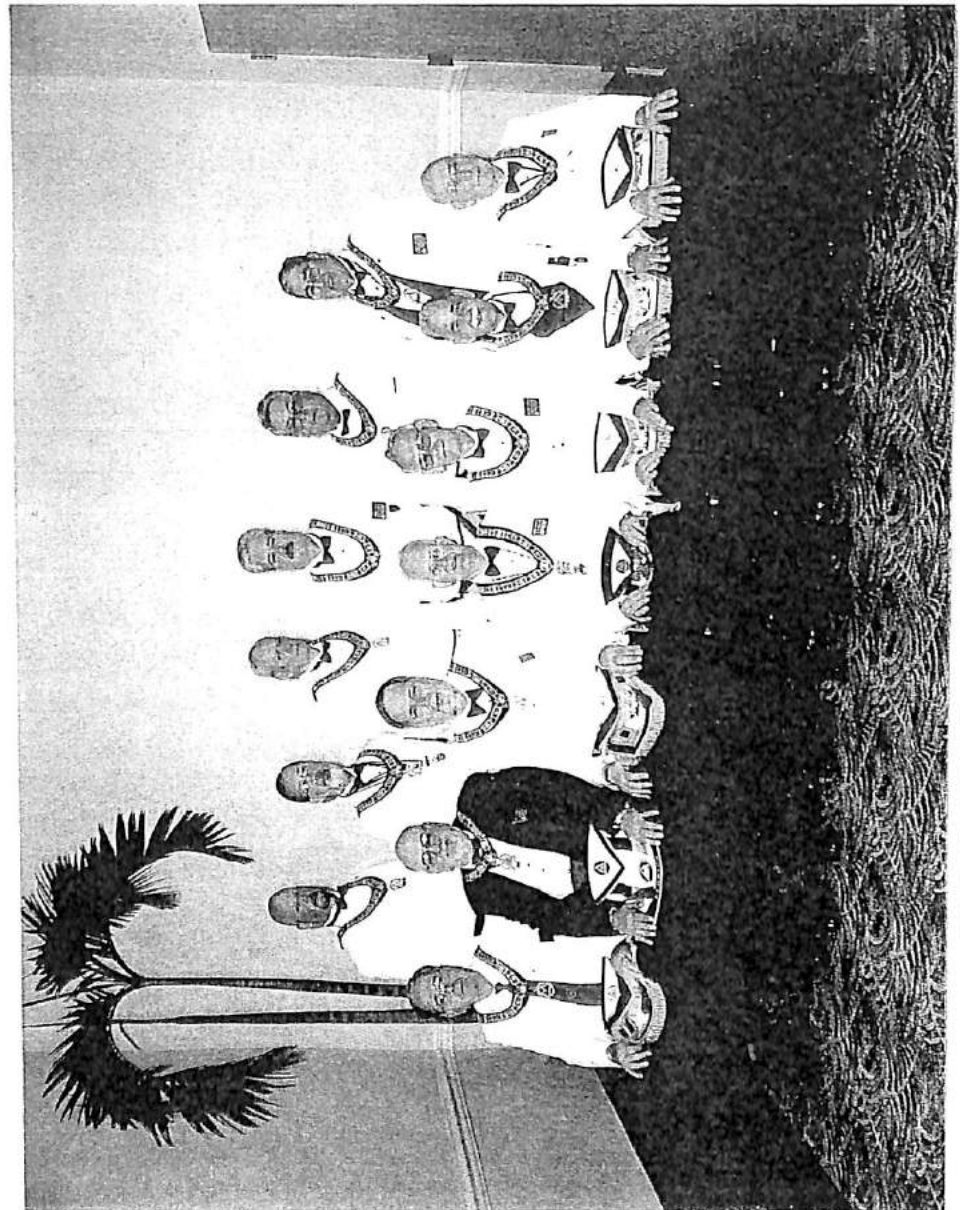
K.Y.C.H.: Panama City Priory No. 72 KYCH, Prior 1998-1999.

Allied Masonic Degrees: Wesley C. Harter Council No. 302 Allied Masonic Degrees, Charter Secretary/Treasurer 1993-1994, Sovereign Master 1996; Red Branch of Eri 2000.

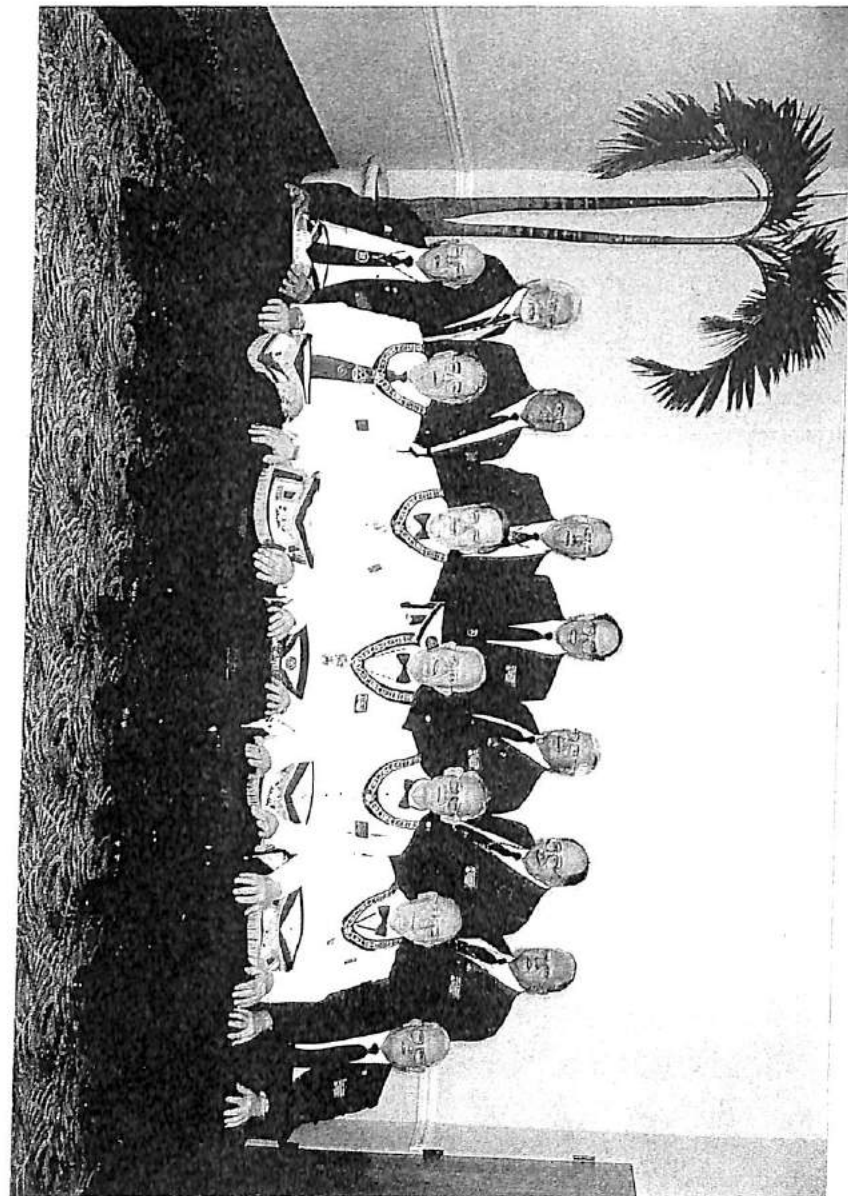
Red Cross of Constantine: San Carlos Conclave, 2000.

Other Orders:

Order of DeMolay, 1953 (50-year) Scottish Rite 1992, 32nd Degree, Royal Order of Scotland, 2003; Order of the Eastern Star Marianna Chapter No. 129, 1984; Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests Spirit of Truth Tabernacle No. LXXI, 1995; Sixth Pillar, 2003.



**GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF FLORIDA
2003 - 2004 OFFICERS**



**GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF FLORIDA
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIEST
2003 - 2004**

**INSTALLATION OF 2003 - 2004 OFFICERS OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF FLORIDA**

After lunch the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Florida reconvened for the Installation of Officers for 2003-2004, The Installing Officers were:

Installing Officer	Harry R. "Bob" Davis, MEPGHP
Installing Chaplain	David C. Wilkinson, MEPGHP
Installing Marshall	Virgil P. Brown, Jr., MEPGHP
Installing Organist	Charles R. Denman

After the installation of Officers, introductions of family and friends a few comments were made by H. Warren Almand, Jr., M. Ex. Grand High Priest. The Grand Chapter then closed.

The Grand Officers, District Deputies and Grand Committees for the year are as follows:

**GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONSON FO FLORIDA
2003 ~ 2004 OFFICERS**

H. Warren Almand, Jr. (32) Lydia 2842 Magnolia Blossom Ln., Marianna 32446-6394...	M. E. Grand High Priest 850/ 482-4809
Glenn E. Chandler (12) Janet 5360 Redrac St., Jacksonville 32205-9603	R. E. Grand King 904/ 781-7263
William F. Wyllie (29) Ellen 2404 Cleveland Heights Blvd., Lakeland 33803	R.E. Grand Scribe 863/ 802-5263
Duane B. Young (29) Norma 141 Shadow Lane, Lakeland 33813-3594	R.E. Grand Treasurer 863/ 646-6695
Wm. Robert Young (27) Jean 3845 Catalina St Titusville 32796	R.E. Grand Secretary 321/ 267-4556
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Michael A Padron, Jr.(65) Sally P.O. Box 5402, Key West 33045-5402	Ex. Gr. Captain of Host 305/ 294-4575

Wilbur R. Allen (22) (Diane) Ex Gr Principal Sojourner
2130 E.F. Griffin Rd., Bartow 33830 863/ 533-7301

Daniel E. Fitch (27) Liz Ex. Gr Royal Arch Captain
1264 Foxridge Pl., Suntree 32940-6428 321/ 751-1625

Daniel E. Dale (18) Linda Ex Gr. Master of Third Veil
601 14th Ave. West, Palmetto 34221-4522 941/ 729-1301

James P. Rudman (13) Mary Ann Ex Gr. Master of Second Veil
8545 E Keating Park St., Floral City 34436 352/ 341-0184

Harry W. Seibert (6) Pat Ex Gr. Master of First Veil
7630 Sandy Creek Court, Pensacola 32506 850/ 455-0010

Luther Bodiford, III (1) Anne Ex. Grand Sentinel
2605 Nez Perce Trail, Tallahassee 32303 850/ 562-3148

Calvin Bonnett Ex Grand Organist
P. O. Box 10192, Pensacola 34282 941/ 753-3567

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

(Chapter numbers for that District)

No. 1 (# 11, 20, 24, 65) Stephen E. Henwood (24) Glenna
4208-D Woodsedge Cir., Palm Beach Gardens 33410 561/ 714-3739

No. 2 (# 18, 35, 50) Charles M. Levan (18)
164 Nightingale Cir., Ellenton 34222-4254 941/ 729-1702

No. 3 (# 3, 31, 45, 63) Keith W. Dean (3) Sandy
2908 W. Laurel St., Tampa 33607-5219 813/ 879-2449

No. 4 (# 8, 16, 22, 29, 41, 64) Larry N. Gillespie (16)
533 Schuette Rd., Plant City 33567 813/ 737-2574

No. 5 (# 4, 5, 7, 15, 33) Elmer Gerald (5)
1 Setting Sun Trl., Ormond Beach 32174-4961 386/ 673-2983

No. 6 (# 27, 28, 59, 66) E. Dean Hall (59) Sandy
2342 Leewood Blvd., Melbourne 32935-3223 321/ 259-8527

No. 7 (# 27, 28, 59, 66) Wilmer T. Atwell (12)
10353 Depaul Drive, Jacksonville, FL. 32218 904/ 757-8682

No. 8 (# 2, 13, 25, 38, 62) Ernest W. Beeman (8) Brenda
2553 E. 144th St., Starke 32091-9649 904/ 964-8985

No. 9 (# 1, 32, 39) Addison A. "Pete" Bennett (39) Barbara
4518 Tropical Dr., Panama City 32404 850/ 769-7386

No. 10 (# 6, 40, 57) Don Pettis (57)
201 Doyce Drive, Ft. Walton 32548 850/ 863-8686

GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEES

(First Name Listed is Chairman)

Auditing: William F. Wyllie (29) - Wilbur Allen (22)

Benevolence: Dan Dale (18) - W.W. Morris (32) - Richard Foreman (26)

Blue Lodge Representatives/Membership Development:
Wilbur Allen (22) - Mike Padron (65) - Daniel Dale (18) - Charles Tatom (32)

Budget & Finance: Glenn Chandler (12)

William F. Wyllie (29) - Duane B. Young (29) - Bob Young (27)

Charters, Dispensations & By-laws: Wilbur Allen (22) - Harvey L. Ward, Jr. (2)

Committee on Work: Virgil P. Brown, Jr. (12)

Luther Bodiford, III (1) - A. Ray Kinser (24) - Bob Stearns (24)

Committee on Thanks: Harry Seibert (6) - Luther Bodiford, III (1)

Constitution Index and Update: Virgil P. Brown, Jr. (12)

William F. Wyllie (29) - Richard S. Agster (3)

Convention Assistance: Burt Maguire (17) - Daniel Somma (27)

Custodian of Ritualistic Material: Dan Fitch (27) - Wilbur Allen (22)

Distinguished Guests: Duane B. Young (29) - Earl R. Allen (26) - George A. Chipouras (11)

Finance (Long Range): Steve Steele (11)

Charles L. Hollinger (59) - Duane Young (29) - Bob Young (27)

Foreign Relations: Keith W. Dean (3)

Grand High Priest Award: Warren Almand (32)

Glenn Chandler (12) - William F. Wyllie (29)

Grand Representative Program: Keith W. Dean (3) - Walter H. Winchester (45)

Jurisprudence: Steven Q. Steele (11) - Wayne E. Parks (7) - Virgil P. Brown, Jr. (12)
David C. Wilkinson (9) - William L. Buck, Jr. (9)

Legal Advisors: Richard S. Agster (3)

Museum: Marvin W. Gerhard (45) - Walter H. Winchester (45)

Masonic Relations: Mike Padron (65) - Louis King (8)
Keith W. Dean (3) - Arnold R. Lambe (32)

Necrology: John I. Hendricks (11) - Dencel L. Smith (1)

Patriotic/Civic/Religious Activities: Harvey L. Ward, Jr. (2)
William L. Buck, Jr. (9) - Robert A. Niles (9) - Bob Stearns (24)

Per Diem: Duane B. Young (29)

Perpetual Membership: James P. Rudman (13) all District Deputy Grand High Priests

Photography: George Neven (66) - Richard A. Wolfe (27)

Printing: Wm. Robert Young (27)

Reservation: Frank Glenn (27) - local Chapter members

Returns & Credentials: Frank Clawson (45) - Frank B. Buell (50) - Wendell D. Harrington

Royal Arch Research Assistance: Virgil P. Brown (27)

Time & Place: Glenn Chandler (12) - Reuben Owens (17) - William McKee (31)

Triennial: Warren Almand (32) - Glenn Chandler (12) - William F. Wyllie (29)

Unfinished Business: Steven Q. Steele (11) - Wayne E. Parks (7) - Virgil P. Brown, Jr. (27)

Wills and Gifts: Steven Q. Steele (11)

York Rite Publication: H. Warren Almand, Jr. (32)
Stephen H. Clark (35) - Gordon L. Anderson (5)

Youth Activities: Vernon E. Adams (12) - Quinnie R. Williams (49)
Luther Bodiford III (1) - Stephen E. Henwood (24)

M. E. PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS (Living)

1967	James W MacDonald	1971	Walter H. Winchester
1975	Richard I. Lanier	1977	Joseph C. LeSuer
1978	Duane B. Young	1979	J. Fred Wilson
1982	Wendell D. Harrington	1983	William A. Cogburn
1985	Floyd Ziegler	1986	Gary Brent Cull
1987	J. Russell Hammond	1988	Vernon H. Miller
1989	R. Earl Shiver	1991	William G. Norrie
1992	Ewell J. Langdale Jr.	1993	William L. Buck, Jr.
1994	William O. Walker	1995	Harry R. "Bob" Davis
1996	Harvey L. Ward, Sr.	1997	Frederick R. Young
1998	Leslie H. Scott, Jr.	1999	David C. Wilkinson
2000	Virgil P. Brown, Jr.	2001	Wayne E. Parks
2002	Steven Q. Steele		

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER of RAM, INTN'L - OFFICERS 1999-2002

J. Benny Allen (RueNelle) General Grand High Priest
P. O. Box 1702, Blairsville, GA 30512 706/ 745-7774

Larry E. Gray (Rita) General Grand King
2250 East 550 North, Greenfield, IN. 46140-9007 317/ 326-3632

Emory J. Ferguson (Bobbie) General Grand Scribe
1615 Lakeview Dr., NW, Cullman, AL 35085 256/ 734-6787

Paul C. Holbrook (Ann) General Grand Treasurer
6273 W. US Hwy 421, Wilkesboro, NC 28697 336/ 973-4400

John F. Kirby General Grand Secretary
P.O. Box 489, Danville, KY 40423-0489 859/ 236-0757

SE Region Deputy General Grand High Priest Carl R. Truesdale, MEPGHP
2125 Airline Dr., Camden, SC 29150 803/ 432-2539

Director Royal Arch Research Assistance, Inc. James B. Wall
P.O. Box 58070, Louisville, KY 40263-0070 502/ 937-5372

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J. W. Vandall (1978-1981) 1135 McClung Ave., Barboursville, WV 25504

Walter H. Winchester (1984-1987) 241 Scotland St., Dunedin, FL 34698

R. Glenn Capps (1993-1996) 334 DeVane St., Fayetteville, NC 28305

Murray E. Cooke (1996-1999) 1345 Pacific St., Santa Monica, CA 90405

THE SIXTY-SIXTH TRIENNIAL CONVOCATION

WILL BE HELD IN

Rapid City, SD

October, 2005

FLORIDA CHAPTERS

FLORIDA No. 1 (District # 9) (Tallahassee)

(HP) Dean F. Harwood (King) James P. Hogg (Scribe) Walter D. Morris
(SEC) Luther Bodiford III Meets: 2nd Tuesday Monthly at 7:30 PM 850/ 656-2406
Tallahassee York Rite Temple 2636 Capital Circle SE, Tallahassee

GAINESVILLE No. 2 (District # 8)

(HP) Raymond D. Starris (King) William H. Schreiber (Scribe) Wayne Y. Thigpen
(SEC) Harvey L. Ward, Sr. Meets: 3rd Tuesday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (352) 372-9200
R.T. Schafer Lodge, 2505 N.E. 9th Street, Gainesville

TAMPA-CUSHING No. 3 (District # 3)

(HP) Donald C. Hawley (King) David R. Meade (Scribe) Kenneth P. Scott
 (SEC) Howard H. Gardner Meets: 4th Friday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (813) 831-5406
 Tampa York Rite, 4210 W. Oklahoma Ave., Tampa

ST. JOHNS No. 4 (District # 5) (Deland)

(HP) William Schuck, PHP (King) John A. Combs, PHP (Scribe) Walter Breyer, PHP
 (SEC) Ronald J. Fritch Meets: 1st Tues- Odd No Months at 7:30PM 386/ 734-9827
 Saint Johns Lodge, 2557 N Spring Garden Ave., Deland

HALIFAX No. 5 (District # 5) (Daytona Beach)

(HP) John G. Eidman (King) Elmer Gerald (Scribe) Edwin P. Price
 (SEC) Robert W. Boggess Meets: 2nd Thursday - Monthly at 7:30pm (386) 441-3049
 Ormond Bch, Lodge 326, 270 Kenilworth Ave., Ormond Beach

MOUNT HOREB No. 6 (District # 10) (Pensacola)

(HP) Thomas L. Baker (King) William R. Jacobs (Scribe) Timothy B. Bush
 (SEC) Charles Perez Meets: 2nd Monday, Jan. Feb, May, Aug, Nov, Dec, at 7:00PM
 Pensacola York Rite Complex 189 W. Airport Blvd. (850) 969-9016

EUREKA No. 7 (District # 5) (Orlando)

(HP) Richard Irwin Fox (King) James D. Dickenson (Scribe) Thomas S. Rice
 (SEC) John Bruce Fletcher, Jr. Mts: 2nd Thurs- 7:30PM - Odd Mons) after Council (even mons)
 Eloa Masonic Temple, 3200 E. Grant St., Orlando (407) 898-3200

DADE CITY No. 8 (District # 4)

(HP) George W. Robinson, Jr. (King) James E. Bumsed (Scribe) Miguel A. Arraya
 (SEC) John C. Bates, Jr. Meets: 1st Wednesday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (904) 567-5321
 Dade City York Rite, 13642 21st Street, Dade City

PUTNAN No. 9 (District 7) (Palatka)

(HP) Gary L. Jenkins, Jr. (King) Jesse McCalvin (Scribe) Jonathan Bardsley
 (SEC) William L Buck Jr Meets: 2nd Thursday Monthly at 7:30 P.M.
 Palatka Lodge No. 34, 1334 Crill Ave., Palatka (386) 325-5755

JERICHO No. 11 (District # 1) (Miami)

(HP) Joseph M. Martin (King) Shawn A. MacIntyre (Scribe) Peter J. Millheiser
 (SEC) George A. Chipouras Meets: 1st Friday - Monthly at 7:30 P.M. (305) 325-0889
 Miami York Rite Temple 1690 NW North River Dr, Miami

JACKSONVILLE No. 12 (District # 7)

(HP) Wilmer Coffman (King) Glynn Hickox (Scribe) William Walker
 (SEC) Walter M. Hammond Meets: 2nd Thursday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (904) 389-0792
 York Rite of Freemasonry, 1237 S. McDuff Ave., Jacksonville

OCALA No. 13 (District # 8) (Bellevue)

(HP) Anthony J. Marotta (King) James H. Hughey (Scribe) Benjamin Ayers
 (SEC) David A. Aponte Meets: 1st Friday - Jan, Mar, May, Sep, Nov at 7:30 PM
 Bellevue Lodge, 5871 Base Line Road, Bellevue (352) 245-6468

MONROE No. 15 (District # 5) (Sanford)

(HP) Robert M. Morris (King) Terry Chateau (Scribe) Thomas E. Moore Jr.
 (SEC) Chark W. Buxton Jr. Meets: 2nd Tuesday - Monthly at 7:30 PM. (407) 322-2616
 Sanford Lodge No 62, 212 N. Park Avenue, Sanford

PLANT CITY No. 16 (District # 4)

(HP) Darrell O. Atkin (King) James W. Ford (Scribe) John T. Robinson
 (SEC) John E. Hancock, Jr. Meets: 2nd Monday - Monthly at 7.30PM (813) 752-8061
 Orlin Wright Lodge, 304 Acacia Street, Plant City

ST. AUGUSTINE No. 17 (District # 7)

(HP) John A. Bouvier, III (King) Reuben L. Owens (Scribe) Raymond L. Hines, Sr.
 (SEC) Burt F. Maguire Meets: 3rd Tuesday Monthly Dinner 6:30 Meet 7:30
 Ashlar Lodge, 105 King Street, (dark Jul, Aug, Sept) (904) 829-8800

MANATEE RIVER No. 18 (District # 2) (Palmetto)

(HP) Herbert L. Walker, II (King) Richard A. Walls (Scribe) Frank B. Buell
 (SEC) Charles M. Levan Meets: 2nd Tuesday - Monthly (exp Jun, Jul, Aug) at 7:00 PM
 Bradentown Lodge No 99, 520 30th Ave. West (941) 746-6313

KEYSTONE No. 20 (District # 1) (Ft Lauderdale)

(HP) Miguel A. Arteaga (King) Michael Binder (Scribe) Sol Goldenb
 (SEC) William D Spiker Meets: 3rd Monday - Alternate Months at 7:30PM
 J Dewey Hawkins Lodge, 555 NE 42nd Court, Oakland Park 954/ 563-2272

THOMAS BROWN No. 22 (District # 4) (Bartow)

(HP) Benjamin J. Holland (King) Jack L. Hacker (Scribe) William H. Moore
 (SEC) Joe K. West Meets: 1st Thursday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (863) 533-2971
 Tuscan Lodge No 6, 320 South Florida Avenue, Bartow

PALM BEACH No. 24 (District # 1)

(HP) Steven Henwood (King) John Allen (Scribe) Van High, Jr
 (SEC) David E. DeMent Meets: 3rd Monday - Odd. Months - 7:30PM (561) 640-9115
 Harmonia Lodge 1896 Palm Beach Lake Blvd, West Palm Beach

LIVE OAK No. 25 (District # 8) (Perry)

(HP) Carl Williams, Sr. (King) Charles A. Sanders (Scribe) Sam Duckworth
 (SEC) Donald W. Love Meets: 1st Tuesday - Monthly at 7:00 P.M. (No Phone)
 Perry Masonic Lodge 14 E. Main St. Perry

INDIAN RIVER No. 27 (District # 6) (Cocoa)
(HP) Carlos D. Cullen (King) Rodger S. Fowler (Scribe) Walter R. Poole Jr
(SEC) Virgil P. Brown Mts: 2nd-Wed., Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov at 7:30 & 9:00 Dec.
Brevard Lodge No 113, 40 Carmalt Street, Cocoa (321) 636-4785

JOPPA No. 28 (District # 6) (Fort Pierce)
(HP) Bud Barney (King) Paul Friend (Scribe) David F. Brown
(SEC) Albert Hadigian Meets: 2nd Tues- Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept., Nov., at 7:30 PM
Masonic Lodge # 87, Oleander & So. Market Ave., (772) 461-1681

LAKELAND No. 29 (District # 4)
(HP) Robert G. Brigman (King) Donald R. Barnaby (Scribe) Tracy L. Lane
(SEC) Duane B. Young Meets: 2nd Tuesday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (863) 683-3699
Lakeland York Rite Temple, 1106 E Main Street, Lakeland

ST. PETERSBURG No. 31 (District # 3)
(HP) J. Bruce Moore (King) S. Richard Wallace (Scribe) Ralph E. Vaughan
(SEC) Donald T. Harriott Meets: 1st Friday - Monthly - Exp July & Aug at 7:30 PM
St. Petersburg Lodge #139, 114 4th Street SO. (727) 822-3517

JACKSON No. 32 (District # 9) (Marianna)
(HP) Wilbur W. Morris (King) Charles F. Tatom (Scribe) Charles E. Mock
(SEC) H. Warren Almand, Jr. Meets: 2nd Monday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (850) 482-3729
Harmony Lodge # 3, 3024 Jefferson St., Marianna

EUSTIS No. 33 (District # 5)
(HP) Michael T. Parker (King) O. Eugene Waddell III (Scribe) Berlin W. Ruleman Jr.
(SEC) Warren R. Shippee Meets: 1st Friday Monthly at 7:30 P.M.
Eustis Lodge No. 85, 128 North Bay Street, Eustis

SARASOTA No. 35 (Venice)
(HP) Gerald E. Goacher (King) Eric B. West (Scribe) Gilbert Fernandez
(SEC) Malcolm B. Ryder Meets: 2nd Thurs Monthly at 7:00 PM Exp Jun, Jul, Aug
Sarasota Lodge #147, 2160 Main St. (941) 953-2792

LAKE CITY No. 38 (District # 8)
(HP) Charles Beecher (King) Gerald Curtis (Scribe) James F. Greene
(SEC) Hugh F. Moore Meets: 2nd Tuesday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (386) 752-3296
Lake City Lodge #27, 2585 McFarlane Avenue, Lake City

BAY COUNTY No. 39 (District # 9) (Panama City)
(HP) Franklin T. Sellars Jr (King) Ronnie A. Posey (Scribe) Harry R. Davis
(SEC) Richard E. Foreman Meets: 4th Monday - Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct at 7:00 CST
Callaway Lodge, 5705 Douglas St, Panama City

CRESTVIEW No. 40 (District # 10)
(HP) Richard Kupfer (King) Dominic R. Canissario (Scribe) Albert E. Barnes
(SEC) Robert V. Erdman Meets: 3rd Tuesday - Odd Number Months at 7:00 PM
Crestview Temple, 404 Garden Street, (850) 682-1297

WINTER HAVEN No 41 (District # 4)
(HP) Helmut Berner (King) Russell P. Whelpley (Scribe) B. Holloway Rollins, III
(SEC) Donald J. Butler, Jr. Meets: 1st Thursday - Monthly Expect. Jul & Aug at 7:00PM
Winter Haven Masonic Center, 375 Avenue "A" S.E Winter Haven

CLEARWATER No. 45 (District # 3)
(HP) Charles Chic Cicero (King) Bruce L. Davis (Scribe) Michael E. La Fallette
(Acting SEC) Carl E. Gilmore Meets: 1st Wednesday - Monthly at 7:30PM (727) 799-1665
York Rite Bldg, 407 N Belcher Rd., Clearwater

DUVAL No. 48 (District # 7) (Jacksonville)
(HP) John C. Barber (King) Jerry S. Gagarin (Scribe) R. Carl Thorwart, Jr
(SEC) Richard C. Mintz Meets: 3rd Thursday - Monthly at 7:30 PM
Temple Lodge #23, 5700 Colcord Ave., Jacksonville

NASSAU No. 49 (District # 7) (Fernandina Beach)
(HP) David A. Yarborough (King) Thomas N. Applewhite (Scribe) Richard Cobb
(SEC) Carl S. Amos Meets: 4th Thursday - Monthly at 7:30 PM
Amelia Lodge # 47, 1101 S. 14th Street, Fernandina Beach

POINCIANA No. 50 (District # 2) (Fort Myers)
(HP) Robert L. Gilliland (King) Karl W. Muller (Scribe) William E. Thomas
(SEC) Guy E. Waltman Meets: 2nd Tuesday Monthly at 7:00 PM Dark July, Aug
Noah Lodge # 357, 41 Willis St., N. Fort Myers (239) 995-1657

SURF No. 57 (District # 10) (Ft Walton Beach)
(HP) Don Pettis (King) John M. Lewis (Scribe) Samuel Sidoni
(SEC) Charles R. Lillie Meets: 1st Monday - Monthly at 7:00 PM (850) 243-8051
Alpha Lodge #172, 130 Brooks Street, Fort Walton Beach

MELBOURNE No. 59 (District # 6)
(HP) Eric Dean Hall (King) Dayle L. Schrock (Scribe) Darrell L. Valentine
(SEC) William M. Hendrickson Meets: 2nd Tuesday Odd Months at 7:30PM (321)254-3456
Harbor City Lodge #318, 1715 Avacado Ave, Melbourne

JAMES YEAGER No. 62 (District # 8) (Lawtey)
(HP) Robert G. Atwell (King) Weldon Barton (Scribe) Milledge Murphey
(SEC) Lloyd Wilkerson Meets: 4th Thursday - Monthly at 7:30PM (904) 782-1141
Lawtey Lodge #189, North Grove and Jefferson Streets, Lawtey

EDEN No. 63 (District # 3) (New Port Richey)

(HP) W. Norman Clegg (King) Don Robinson (Scribe) Salvatore Grillo
 (SEC) Luke DeRoberts Meets: 2nd Tuesday - Monthly at 7:30 PM (727) 849-4122
 Pearl of the West Ldg #146, 6319 Louisiana Ave, New Pt Richey

HIGHLANDS No. (64) (District # 4) (Avon Park)

(HP) Robert J. Goldsmith (King) Robert S. Murray, Jr. (Scribe) Ellsworth R. Rand
 (SEC) James P. Keaveny Meets: 4th Tues. - Monthly at 7:00PM Exp. Nov & Dec - 2nd Tues
 Placid Lodge #282, 105 N. Main St. (863) 465-4891

ISLAND No. (65) (District # 1) (Marathon)

(HP) Wayne Gaskin (King) Joseph Vetrick (Scribe) William G. Naylor
 (SEC) Jorge L. Alandro Meets: 2nd Wednesday - Monthly at 8:00 P.M.
 Marathon Lodge #323, No 7 - 89th Street Ocean, Marathon

CHALLENGER No. (66) (District # 6) (Titusville)

(HP) Charles C. Hayes (King) Kenneth E. Windsor, Sr. (Scribe) James Leith, III
 (SEC) George Neven Meets: 2nd Friday - Monthly at 7:30PM (321) 267-9822
 Gateway Lodge #384, 2995 Temple Lane, Mims

CHARTERS (Arrested, Surrendered, Restored, Merged)

Kissimmee	10	Arrested	1936	Providence	38	Arrested	1939
Inverness	14	Arrested	1936	Melbourne	41	Arrested	1939
Island	21	Arrested	1918	Perry	44	Arrested	1933
Chipley	23	Surrendered	1931	Okeechobee	46	Surrendered	1932
Jefferson	26	Arrested	1966	Dade	47	Surrendered	1930
Leesburg	34	Surrendered	1991	New Smyrna	51	Arrested	1936
Arcadia	36	Arrested	1932	Orange	52	Surrendered	1930
Walton	37	Surrendered	1928	Delray	53	Surrendered	1932

Lake Butler	19	Merged w/Lake City	1967
Gadsen	30	Merged w/ Florida # 1	1967
Bay County	39	Arrested 1933 - Restored	1945
Highlands	42	Merged w/ Winter Haven # 41	1978
Nassau	49	Arrested 1935 - Restored	1945
M. D. Cushing	54	Merged as Tampa Cushing # 3	1967
Hill City	55	Merged with Dade City # 8	1971
St. Joseph	56	Merged with Bay County # 39	1981
Canaveral	62	Merged with Indian River # 27	1967
Hiram	60	Merged with Miami as Jericho # 11	1965
Cabal	61	Merged with Jericho # 11	1996

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD

Panama City Beach, FL
 May 2, 2003

Most Ex. President Duane Young called the OHP to order at 3:50 p.m. The following Officers were in their stations:

President: Duane B. Young, PGHP
 Vice Pres: R. Earl Shiver, PGHP
 Chaplain: David C. Wilkinson, PGHP
 Treasurer: Joseph C. LeSuer, PGHP
 Recorder: Virgil P. Brown, PGHP
 Master of Ceremonies: Harry R. Davis, PGHP
 Conductor: William A. Cogburn, PGHP
 Herald: William L. Buck, Jr., PGHP
 Steward: Wendell D. Harrington, PGHP
 Sentinel: Wilber R. Allen, Gr. P. S. Pro Tem.

Most Ex.Pres. opened the OHP in full Form, followed by the Pledge to Our Flag. MEP Young welcomed all. There were 19 members and 18 candidates present.

Sickness & Distress: PGHP Wayne Parks was injured in a motorcycle accident, he is recovering at home, still in a lot of pain. PGHP's James MacDonald and William Walker are in ill health.

Moved, seconded and passed that the minutes of the Convocation of April 29, 2002, as published in the proceedings, be accepted as published.

The following bills were ordered paid: 30 Heirloom bibles, \$638.94

The following was collected: Fees for 18 candidates: \$630

Election of Officers: It was moved, seconded and passed, that all Officers remain in their respective stations.

The following candidates were Elected, Anointed, Consecrated, and set apart to the Holy Order of High Priesthood.

Jack M. Large	Keystone No. 20	1999
Robert M. Morris	Monroe No. 15	2003
Anthony J. Marotta, Jr.	Ocala No. 13	2003
Joseph Douglas Puskar	Panama City No. 39	2002
Richard Heber	Island No. 65	1999
Robert J. Goldsmith	Highlands No. 64	2003
Carl Scott Amos	Nassau No. 49	2001
Charles Avery Hendrix	Mt. Horeb No.6	1999
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		B	X	S	I	F	S	D	S	M	E	R	
		E	A	T	A	T	T	D	I	E	L	O	
		R	D	E	E	E	D	E	E	N	S	S	
		S	D	D	L	L	D	D	D	R	S	A	
1	Florida	261	3		264	5	36	223	38	8	3		
2	Gainesville	184	1	1	186	11	3	157	27	1	10		
3	Tampa-Cushing	538	13	1	552	14	8	530	8	8	7		
4	St Johns	73		2	75	1	5	65	8	1	5		
5	Halifax	165			165	3	10	152	13	2	9		
6	Mt Horeb	504	3	2	509	21	26	462	42	6	17		
7	Eureka	315	7		322	9	13	285	20	5	4		
8	Dade City	71			71			71		1	4		
9	Palatka	207		1	208	9	1	191	16	8	9		
11	Jericho	396	10		406	29	7	233	63	12	22		
12	Jacksonville	534	55	10	601	27	3	513	33	12	7		
13	Ocala	150	2		152	3	10	133	17	1	5		
15	Monroe	115	2		117	8	6	103	12				
16	Plant City	45	3		48	1		47	2				
17	St Augustine	90		2	92	5	4	83	8	7	7		
18	Manatee River	101			101	5	6	80	21	1	6		
20	Keystone	188	1	1	190	5	1	184	4	6	6		
22	Thomas Brown	40			40	2		38	2		3		
24	Palm Beach	177			177	4	4	169	8	7	2		
25	Live Oak	71		1	72	2	1	69	2	2	13		
27	Indian River	248	5		251	4	5	235	11	3	3		
28	Joppa	162			162			162		1	6		
29	Lakeland	125	6		132	4	2	126	1		2		
31	St Petersburg	159	1		160	6	6	147	0	8	4		
32	Jackson	66	1		67	1		66	0	0	4		
33	Eustis	53	6		59	1		58	5		5		
35	Sarasota	183	4	1	188	9	7	164	19	4	4		
38	Lake City	192		1	193			193	1		12		
39	Bay County	226	4		230	2	1	227	1		10		
40	Crestview	173	2		175	11	15	149	24		4		
41	Winter Haven	111			111	4	5	102	9	4	4		
45	Clearwater	159			159	1		158	1	4	7		
48	Duval	111			111	7		104	7	2	2		
49	Nassau	60			60			60			3		
50	Poinciana	209	6	1	216	9	4	198	11	5	6		
57	Surf	190	1		191	5	14	172	18		2		
59	Melbourne	115	4		120	5	1	114	1	3	1		
62	James Yeager	109	2		111	3	15	93	16		1		
63	Eden	47	2	1	50	3		47	0	0	1		
64	Highland	48			48	4	1	43	5				
65	Island	88	12	1	99	1		98	12		0		
66	Challenger	67	1		68	5		63	4		0		
Statistical Totals		7122	156	19	7309	187	247	6577	22	476	104	257	
GRAND TOTALS		7122			7309			6577			104	257	

SUMMARY		SUMMARY	
May 1, 2002		April 1, 2003	
Membership	7122	Membership	6577
Exalted	156	Net Gain or Loss	-545
Reinstated	19	Emeritus	104
Affiliated	12	50 Year Exempt	257
Adjustment	10	Number of Chapters	42
Gain	167		
Loss	752		

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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 high of the institution are coeval 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 "Convocations."

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

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONRY - Add 4,000 years.
Thus: 2003 + 4,000 = A.L. 6003

Royal Arch Masons - Add 530 years
Thus: 2003 + 530 = A. Inv. 2533

Royal and Select Masters - Add 1,000 years
Thus: 2003 + 1000 = A. Dep. 3003

Knights Templar - Subtract 1,118 years
Thus: 2003 - 1118 = A.O. 885

Order of High Priesthood - Add 1,913 years
Thus: 2003 + 1913 = A.B. 3916

Scottish Rite - Add 3760 years
Thus: 2003 + 3760 = A.M. 5763